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A view of a courtroom in Twin Falls on Friday.

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DAY IN COURT

Without the option of an insanity defense in Idaho, those declared incompetent to stand trial end up in limbo.

“It isn’t the price they’re paying for treatment. They can get treatment any day of the week. It’s the price they pay for committing a crime.”

Grant Loebs, Twin Falls County prosecutor

BY ALISON GENE SMITH
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TWIN FALLS • In 1982, John Hinckley Jr. — the attempted assassin of President Reagan — was found not guilty of his crimes by reason of insanity. That same year, the Idaho Legislature abolished the practice of using insanity as a defense in state courtrooms. Instead, lawmakers decided, Idaho courts would decide whether a suspect is capable of criminal intent — and if that defendant is able to understand the charges against them. Idaho judges have upheld the competency test and lack of insanity defense ever since. But not everyone involved with the legal system believes it was the best move. Twin Falls defense attorney Lynn Dunlap was in law school when the insanity plea was banned. “That causes a lot of problems,” he said of the current system. “Now we’re assuming everybody (standing trial) is mentally responsible. That’s just not true.”

Fighting the Ban

Since the insanity defense was banned, that decision has been challenged several times. But the Idaho Supreme Court has rejected multiple appeals over the past two decades. The ban was challenged again in December when Twin Falls County Chief Public Defender Marilyn Paul filed a motion asking Judge Randy Stoker to declare the ban on the insanity defense unconstitutional. Paul declined to comment for this article, but in her argument she writes the ban deprives her client, Damon Azure, of his constitutional rights, specifically due process and the prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment, as well as denying her client the fundamental right to present a complete defense to the charges against him. “Insanity as a defense to criminal conduct is deeply rooted in the history and current legal and societal morals of this and most other countries,” she wrote. Azure, 32, of Rupert, is accused of murdering his brother



“There’s no end to the length they could stay here.”
Richard Baker, chief psychologist at State Hospital South in Blackfoot

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“A person who has committed a criminal act without being conscious of it is legally incapable of committing a crime.”

Chief Justice **Roger Burdick**, 2011 Idaho Supreme Court ruling

in February 2012. Twin Falls County sheriff’s deputies were called to 3500 E. 4070 N. at about 11:20 a.m. Feb. 12, to check on a report of a possible vehicle-pedestrian accident. When they arrived, they reportedly found Seanachan Azure lying in a pool of blood. Damon Azure was allegedly in a nearby car, where deputies reported finding a handgun and ammunition. On March 16, the court found Azure lacked the mental fitness to proceed in the case and that he wasn’t competent enough to make his own treatment decisions. At the time, documents showed the court ruled Azure was dangerously mentally ill. Azure spent 90 days in the competency restoration unit at the Idaho Maximum Security Institution. In June, a Twin Falls County 5th District judge determined Azure was fit enough for the case to continue after reviewing a psychological evaluation. In her request to Judge Stoker, Paul cited a 2011 Idaho Supreme Court ruling in a challenge to the insanity defense ban by Joseph Delling. Delling killed two people and attempted to murder a third, saying he was guided to kill by internal voices. He pleaded guilty to two counts of second-degree murder on the condition that he could appeal the matter to the state Supreme Court. In the Delling ruling, the five justices unanimously upheld the ban.

Two Sides to the Argument

As the debate continues, some say changes are needed to the way Idaho treats those with mental illnesses. For others, the current system is adequate.

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Magic Valley’s Students of the Week



Academic • Castleford Michael Wiersma

Michael always displays excellence with respect to his academics. A senior with a 3.90 grade-point average, he is very likely to earn the honor of being valedictorian upon graduation. Michael works on a dairy, but still finds time to be an active member and participant in FCCLA, FFA, and NHS. Also, Michael founded a paintball club at the high school in which he takes great pride, organizing and scheduling numerous gatherings throughout the year. His future plans include either the military or college, as he would like to pursue a career in criminal justice — perhaps federal law enforcement.

The athlete of the week was not available in time for publication.

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.



Artist • Oakley Malia Arnell

Malia is a senior at Oakley High School. She is a drill team captain and is involved in Oakley’s dance studio. She has been dancing since she was 3 years old. Malia has choreographed solos and numerous numbers for drill team and dance studio. She has received many awards in dance, including a Danny Marona scholarship, mastery of technique, first overall solo, top 10 and many other special awards. Oakley’s drill team won a state championship her sophomore year. Malia loves to dance — it is her way to express her emotions and feelings.

St. Luke’s Jerome

Rowan D’addario Carter-Schaff, son of Rhianna Carter and Ricki Schaff of Wendell, was born Jan. 17, 2013.
Luciano Rafael Ocaranza, son of Maria Angelica Ocaranza of Wendell, was born Jan. 19, 2013.
Mason Mark Myers, son of Josh and Kallee Myers of Wendell, was born Jan. 19, 2013.
Rhett Michael Kimball, son of Michael and Brooke Kimball of Shoshone, was born Jan. 19, 2013.

St. Luke’s Magic Valley

Kierra Ann Ulibarri, daughter of Megan Lorraine Gines and Zachery Arther Ulibarri of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 16, 2013.
Elizabeth Kiyomi Gayer, daughter of Rebecca Rose and James Roland Gayer of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 16, 2013.
Talon Jesse Law, son of Lindsay and Justin Kenneth Law of Kimberly, was born Jan. 16, 2013.
Zaylee Renay Reid, daughter of Melissa Renay Thompson and Matthew Lee Reid of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 16, 2013.
Jocelyn Neva Boies, daughter of Kathryn Marie and Samuel Teague Boies of Jackpot, Nev., was born Jan. 17, 2013.
Mayci Grace Parish, daughter of Jessica Bea and Matthew Clayton Parish of Filer, was born Jan. 17, 2013.
Jacob Andrew Jarvis, son of Julianna Carol and Jordan Alexander Jarvis of Wendell, was born Jan. 17, 2013.
James Tyler McGee, son of Kathryn Michelle and Tyler Jay McGee of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 18, 2013.
Kaylee Brielle Stokesberry, daughter of Jennifer Eileen and Shaun Nelson Stokesberry of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 18, 2013.
Ava Jo Russell, daughter of Hannah Jo Ihler and Dustin Randall Russell of Filer, was born Jan. 19, 2013.
Adaiya Ruby Ollivier, daughter of Ashley LeeAnn and Blake William-Hunter Ollivier of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 20, 2013.
Nicholas Lewis Forschler, son of Danielle Reye and Richard Henry Forschler of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 21, 2013.
Alice Kathryn Shetler, daughter of Sarah Sue and Andrew James Shetler of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 21, 2013.
Coralen Nichole Plaster, daughter of Nina Nichole and Eric John Plaster of Jerome, was born Jan. 21, 2013.
William Ashe Rands, son of Leslie Ann and William Tr-ever Rands of Dietrich, was born Jan. 21, 2013.
Grant Allen Wardle, son of Catherine Ann and Tyler William Wardle of Jerome, was born Jan. 22, 2013.
Jenna Giri, daughter of Mina and Janga Giri of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 22, 2013.
Silus Mason Blanco, son of Erica Renee and Leo Daniel Blanco of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 22, 2013.
Sofie Grace Swensen, daughter of JaNae Elizabeth and Benjamin Sherman Swensen of Twin Falls, was born Jan. 22, 2013.

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Antler Art

Home decor in the Magic Valley is going downright beastly. That’s right: Antlers from elk, deer and other Idaho creatures are sprucing up homes with a rustic touch.
Thursday in Outdoors

Dudes and Darlings

Reporter Tetona Dunlap talks with organizers of a newly formed student club at the College of Southern Idaho that will host a benefit night of drag.
Friday in Entertainment

Memories Squared

Reporter Tetona Dunlap visits a Kimberly man who honed his artistic abilities in hospitals as a child.
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The Castleford Men’s Club Hosts 40th Annual Auction

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI
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CASTLEFORD • With hams in hand and spotters eyeing the crowd, the auctioneer began rattling off prices.

People in the audience began to buzz; these were delicious hams and they wanted one.

“How much are they going for?” asked various spectators, straining to keep up with the auctioneer’s voice that was going about a mile a minute.

“Sold!” shouted the auctioneer, already moving on to the next item.

It was the 40th annual Castleford Men’s Club Fundraising Auction and the crowd was eager to snag a homemade gift basket for a good cause.

The auction was held on Saturday in a tightly packed auditorium at Castleford High School. The club has been hosting the auction every year since 1973.

Today, the club is no longer “men only.” It has long opened its membership to women and tries to grow every year, said John Ensunsa, the club’s president. Instead, the focus is on finding ways to serve the community through the money raised at the auction.

“This is our only fundraiser all year,” he said.

All the auction items are donated, including intricate handmade quilts, various food items from local businesses and outdoor tools.

Last year, the club raised a record breaking \$60,000 at the auction. It hopes to raise the same amount this year, Ensunsa said.

Most of the crowd was there to support the club rather than find a great deal on a product. For example, two homemade knit scarves sold for \$2,000 each to two elderly gentlemen in the front. They proudly wore them for the rest of the auction.

“This is a community with caring people. A lot of them come with pride to help out their community. Each year, this is a tribute to our community.”

John Ensunsa, president of the Castleford Men’s club.



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Joe Bennet, of Masters Auction Services, holds a gift certificate from Buhl Napa, as auctioneer Lyle Masters takes a bid Saturday during the 40th annual Castleford Men’s Club Fundraising Auction at Castleford School.

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IDAHO STATESMAN

An unidentified man carrying a gun looked through legislators' papers on the floor of the Idaho House of Representatives on Jan. 10. The behavior alarmed legislative leaders and has them considering more Capitol security measures.

Armed Man's Capitol Intrusion Unnerves Idaho Lawmakers

A security video has prompted near-term restrictions on public access while legislators consider permanent changes at the Capitol.

BY DAN POPKEY
Idaho Statesman

BOISE • A man with a handgun used a tour for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts as cover to inspect legislators' desks, page through and photograph their papers and reach into a wastebin on the House floor.

The Jan. 10 incident became public Tuesday when Department of Administration Director Teresa Luna used a clip to demonstrate the need for rules prompted by last year's Occupy Boise encampment.

Now under review by lawmakers, the new rules don't deal with the inside of the Capitol. But the video of the man's actions shocked legislative leaders into exploring beefing up security. Guns of all kinds are allowed at the Capitol.

"Events like that should disturb all Idahoans," said House Speaker Scott Bedke, R-Oakley. "It certainly disturbed me."

"To think that somebody is bold enough to have followed these children around with a sidearm in plain sight — who is also bold enough to go through trash cans, take pictures of representatives' desks and shuffle their papers — all of that created a great deal of concern," said Senate President Pro Tem Brent Hill.

As a result, public access to the House and Senate chambers has been suspended on weekends and after 6 p.m. weekdays, though the Capitol remains open until 10 p.m. Until now, citizens have been allowed to visit the chambers whenever the Capitol was open, a point of pride.

"This is the peoples' house and it gets them excited about their government and the freedoms we have," said Hill, R-Rexburg. "When we start locking things up at 6 o'clock it just saddens me."

Leadership is working with the Department of Administration to fashion long-term security improvements for a Capitol that is far more open than most statehouses.

"We're a security planner's nightmare," said Senate Majority Leader Bart Davis, R-Idaho Falls. "But it is demonstrative of what we've tried to do in encouraging access."

Bad Manners

The man attached himself to an evening tour led by freshman Rep. James Holtzclaw, R-Meridian, who had been asked by a constituent to show the scouts around. "I thought he was a parent," Holtzclaw said, adding that the scout leader assumed the man was a security officer because of his gun.

The man's name is unknown. He left the Capitol after an unarmed guard confronted him. The man said something like, "If I'm not being arrested or detained, I don't have to answer your questions," said Director Luna.

Idaho State Police are in the Capitol from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; contract security officers provide around-the-clock security in the Capitol and larger Capitol Mall.

Shortly before the 7 p.m. Jan. 10 tour, the man attended an ACLU "Know Your Rights" training at the Capitol, which covered the rules proposed for the block outside the Capitol and buildings and grounds of the mall. He attended the same training Jan. 5, offering participants pamphlets on Idaho's open-carry law.

The 11-minute video of the man circulated widely among lawmakers and staff before it was made public.

Senate Sergeant at Arms Sarah Jane McDonald called the video alarming. "Most of us know not to take photographs of peoples' desks," said McDonald, who is in her 11th year overseeing Senate security. "Our mothers would have clobbered us."

Shotguns in the Gallery?

The ACLU has sued in federal court on behalf of Occupy activists to overturn the rules governing the territory outside the Capitol. The group also is opposing the rules in legislative hearings.

"Free speech and redressing your government in protest is by its very nature meant to be disruptive," said Monica Hopkins, executive director of the ACLU. "That's the wonderful, wonderful thing about our democracy and the values that were put into our constitution."

But after seeing the clip in Tuesday's hearing, Hopkins met with Speaker Bedke and Pro Tem Hill. "There was nothing in our training that would have indicated to any individual that that behavior was acceptable," Hopkins said. "We were as appalled as they were."

Hill said his immediate concern was the scouts, in part because of the December mass shooting in Connecticut. "We need to be reminded from time to time that we need to be cautious and have plans in place to protect all parties."

Hill has urged lawmakers to take care about what they leave on their desks, but is also concerned about larger security issues. "What happens when six people come and sit in the front row of the gallery with shotguns across their laps?" Hill said. "I sure as heck am not going to leave my senators in there with that."

Access Threatened

Guns and long knives were banned in the Capitol from 1996 to 2008 by executive order. Gov. Butch Otter let the order expire, citing a 2008 law in which the Legislature said it had exclusive power to regulate guns in Idaho.

Signs were erected outside the House and Senate gal-

Watch the Security Video

Read the Department of Administration's proposed rules for the Capitol Mall and watch a video of the armed man's intrusion of the State Capitol.

http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/proposed_rules.html
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What's the Status of 'Occupy' Rules?

The Senate State Affairs Committee voted Jan. 16 to reject three sections in 39 pages of rules that lawmakers ordered the Department of Administration to write in response to the 2012 Occupy Boise encampment at the Old Ada County Courthouse.

The House State Affairs Committee held a hearing Tuesday and delayed action, voicing similar concerns.

The Senate panel's doubts concerned restrictions on public use of the Capitol block, bounded by State, 6th, Jefferson and 8th streets. Three provisions in Rule 38, Title 4, Chapter 8 were excised:

- Section 201, which establishes a seven-day limit on public events.
- Section 302, which limits "general hours" for public use to 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. from March through October and 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. from November through February. The section also bans events on the Jefferson Street steps between midnight at 6 a.m. and limits events to the Jefferson steps and other "hard surfaces."
- Section 313, which bars sound amplification without a permit and says sound levels "must not cause a disruption to the primary use of the State Capitol Exterior."

Sen. Bart Davis said he regretted pressing the department to pass emergency rules so quickly last year and called for the department to make another attempt to preserve free speech rights.

The House and Senate must agree to any changes for the rules to be amended.

House State Affairs Committee Chairman Tom Lortscher, R-Iona, cited concerns about limiting activities on summer days where daylight lasts until 10 p.m. and barring 24-hour events like an annual National Day of Prayer, where citizens read scripture though the day and night.

"I think the committee will want to nail that down a little bit better," he said.

The rules that the Senate committee approved include bans on: camping; bicycles and other wheeled devices; and candles, fireworks, bombs and other devices including "weapons of mass destruction."

eries after the 2012 Occupy protests. They list prohibitions: food, drinks, men wearing hats, signs, sitting on rails, cell phones, distracting noises. Bags are subject to search, but there is no firearm ban.

Idaho State Police Capt. Sheldon Kelley said the next steps for the Capitol may include expanding the few areas that are off-limits to the general public. "If there isn't any pertinent reason for the public to be there, they're going to work on controlling access in sensitive areas," Kelley said.

Senate Majority Leader Davis said lawmakers' aim is to minimize any changes. He lamented the unidentified man's "poor judgment that makes policymakers wonder if you have to have a rule. He is an aberration."

"I hope our Capitol's visi-

tors value that access for themselves and others, but shameful misconduct by others may create restrictions to access," Davis said.

Meanwhile, Davis is pressing for changes in the Occupy-prompted rules for the grounds and mall, citing concerns about limiting protests to seven days, banning events between midnight and 6 a.m. and barring amplification devices without permits and demonstrations that are "disruptive."

Holtzclaw, the new lawmaker that led the scouts tour, said he feels awful. "This isn't my House, this is the peoples'! It will break my heart if a citizen can't come up here and view this. The question is: How do we maintain that transparency and freedom while protecting the building and the people in it?"

Burley Firemen Bestow Honors on Comrades

BY LAURIE WELCH
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BURLEY • From the outside the job can look pretty glamorous, racing to fires, lots of cool gear and a big shiny truck to drive. But two firefighters recently honored by their peers say it's hard work, unending training and sacrifices that are met equally by family members.

"No, it's not exactly what I thought it would be," said volunteer firefighter Chay Courtright, who has been with the Burley Fire Department for five years. "I didn't realize all the things firefighters did in the community. There's a lot more to it than meets the eye."

Courtright and his firefighting colleague, Casey Harman, who has been a full-time firefighter for four years and a volunteer since 2000, were given 2012 firefighter of the year awards by their peers.

Harman's father, Ryn Harman, was a firefighter for eight years and Casey grew up at the station.

"Casey is very easy going. I don't think I've ever seen him get mad," said Keith Martin, Burley fire chief. "He's very hardworking and dedicated to the job."

Martin said long gone are the days where firemen sit around the fire station playing cards while waiting for a call. Now they work 48-hour work weeks. Their days start with a mandatory workout and then dizzying rounds of equipment checks, station maintenance and inspections performed for the business community.

"We also do the biggest share of building and yard maintenance at the station," said Harman.

Martin said the department holds a fundraiser pancake breakfast every October using the proceeds to buy batteries and smoke detectors. The city is divided into eight sections and each year firefighters canvass a section, replacing smoke detector batteries and installing detectors in homes where they're needed.

Martin said in the past few years firefighters have shouldered increasing demands to perform extractions and they are licensed emergency medical technicians. Both additional duties come with their own set of continuing education requirements.

Fire training alone is a mandatory 240 hours a year.

"Thirty to 40 years ago fire departments were just that," said Martin. "It takes a special breed now to be a firefighter. Even with volunteers it takes a special dedication because whenever that call comes in, whether it's in the middle of your daughter's birthday party or not, you have to go."

Volunteers are sometimes out all night on a fire and then go in to work at their regular jobs the next morning.

Harman and Courtright agree that having understanding family is vital.

"The hardest part is being away from your family as much as we are," said Harman. "But who doesn't want to drive around town in a big red truck?"



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Burley firefighters Casey Harman, left, and Chay Courtright were honored with 2012 firefighter of the year awards by their peers. Harman is a full-time firefighter with the department and Courtright is a volunteer.

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Study Planned for N. Idaho Lake Trout Population

SANDPOINT (AP) • A study is planned in northern Idaho to estimate the number of lake trout in Priest Lake along with what they eat and their survival rates.

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game will conduct the study with the University of Idaho's College of Natural Resources and the Kalispel Tribe, the *Bonner County Daily Bee* reported. Information gleaned will be used to develop a sport fishery plan for the popular lake.

From March to May, deep-water trap nets and short-duration gill nets will be used to capture lake trout and mark them with individually numbered tags.

Upper and lower Priest Lakes were popular fishing destinations for cutthroat trout and bull trout up to about the 1930s. Kokanee were introduced as a food source for bull trout, but kokanee instead became the most popular sport fish with a harvest of up to

100,000 fish and angler days of about 15,000 a year.

But that fishery collapsed in the 1970s when Mysids shrimp were introduced, which biologists said caused the lake trout population to explode. Officials fought back by stocking Priest Lake with millions of kokanee fry and hundreds of thousands of cutthroat fingerlings. But that plan didn't work.

Priest Lake has since shifted to a fishery dominated by lake trout. But Fish and Game officials say fishing interest has fallen off since lake trout became the dominant species in the lake.

Opinions of anglers about how the lake should be managed vary from sticking with lake trout to restoring cutthroats, bull trout and kokanee.

Fish and Game officials plan to schedule a hearing in late February to discuss the project and answer questions from anglers.

Students Compete with Lego Robots

BY KIMBERLEE KRUESI
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TWIN FALLS • Huddled over an intricate model obstacle course, young robotic enthusiasts prepared for their mission.

First, maneuver the robot to carry two yellow loops to base. Once successfully completed, the team's robot was to apply enough force to cause a miniature Lego dog on a disc to roll back to base.

It was competition for the nerds and everyone wore smiles.

On Saturday, 48 teams met at Canyon Ridge High School to compete in the First Lego League State Championship. The competition required young team members to build and program an autonomous robot that could complete a series of missions.

Each mission was assigned a certain number of points, teams with the most points could move on to the next round.

The purpose of the competition was to introduce science, technology, engineering and math to youth in a fun and low-key environment, said Claudine Zender, event manager, who also works with the University of Idaho.

"They're learning without really knowing it," she said. "They're learning skills and concepts that we want to teach in a classroom."

This year was the first year the state championship was held in two locations. Since the University of Idaho is one of the contributing sponsors, the tournaments have typically been hosted in Moscow. It was a strain on resources and families from the southern half of the state to make



N.E.R.D.D. Team member Jeron Higley, 11, competes in the First Legos League State Tournament Saturday at Canyon Ridge High School.

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Disco-Bots team member Thomas Dunn, 13, celebrates a win at the First Legos League State Tournament Saturday at Canyon Ridge High School in Twin Falls.

the tournaments, so the league designated two championship locations, Zender said.

Six teams from south-central Idaho competed on Saturday, including the Fellowship of the Ring, a Twin Falls team.

"Not having to travel is a huge relief for us," said Greg Greer, the team's coach. "It's quite the process trying to get the team up there."

Sporting full-length brown capes during the competitions, the team managed to

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make it to the top 10 despite having a fairly new team, Greer said.

"I got into this after I completed my robotics badge in scouts," said Ethan Hodges, 13. "I thought that was really cool, so I joined this team."

Spenser Parks, 13, was the team's only returning member.

"It takes a lot of imagination to make a robot," he said. "You have to figure it out as you go. You have to figure out what it needs to do and find the pieces to do it."

Winners of Saturday's championship will travel to St. Louis in April for the world championship.



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Feds Delay Decision on Routes for Power Line

BOISE (AP) • Federal officials are delaying a decision on the best routes for building a high-voltage transmission line across southern Idaho.

Bureau of Land Management Project Manager Walt George says more time is needed to develop a plan that can satisfy everyone.

The so-called Gateway West power line project has caused headaches for government officials and private landowners alike. The *Idaho Statesman* reports the final Environmental Impact Statement was supposed to be released Friday.

The project is proposed by Rocky Mountain Power and Idaho Power Co. and stretch from Glenrock, Wyo., to an area southwest of Boise in an effort to upgrade the power distribution in both states.

Recently, tensions heightened when a compromise plan that involved the Snake River Birds of Prey was rejected by federal officials in Washington, D.C.

New Meridian School Science Program Planned

BOISE (AP) • NASA astronaut and former Idaho teacher Barbara Morgan will help develop a new Meridian school science program.

The *Idaho Statesman* reports that Linder Elementary School next fall will become the Barbara Morgan STEM Academy. STEM is an acronym for science, technology, engineering and math.

Morgan will help develop the program at the school

where work on the science classroom facilities is expected to be finished by fall.

Meetings are planned next month to provide enrollment information to parents.

Officials say if more students apply than the program has room for, enrollment will be determined by lottery.

In 2007, Morgan traveled into orbit on the space shuttle Endeavour.

Sand Creek Byway Receives Engineering Excellence Award

SANDPOINT (AP) • The American Council of Engineering Companies of Idaho has selected the U.S. Highway 95 realignment project in northern Idaho as the winner of the 2013 Engineering Excellence Awards competition for transportation.

The \$112 million Sand Creek Byway was completed in July. It was designed by URS Corporation, and Parsons RCI served as the

project's general contractor.

Parsons Group President Todd Wagner tells the *Bonner County Daily Bee* in a story published Saturday that he's proud the council recognized the Sand Creek Byway, and he also congratulated the Idaho Transportation Department and the entire project team.

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Jerome Public Library	\$1,995.00	DVD/CD Cleaning Machine
Lincoln County Historical Society	\$1,945.00	I Exhibit Case and Sign
Oakley Valley Art Council	\$1,950.00	Repair Exterior Brick and Interior Walls
South Central Public Health District	\$2,000.00	Equipment Fit and Fall Proof Program
Crisis Center of Magic Valley	\$1,630.00	Safety Bars for Windows
Twin Falls Senior Citizens	\$1,275.00	1 AED Unit
Kimberly School District	\$4,485.00	Sound System
Victory Home	\$2,000.00	Copy Machine
Magic Valley Arts Council	\$2,000.00	Video/Audio Equipment
Salvation Army	\$1,564.00	Upgrade Hot Water System
Rotary District 5400 Charitable Programs, Inc.	\$3,750.00	Refurbish Youth Golf Clubhouse
Magic Philharmonic Society, LTD	\$3,533.00	New Music Stands
Idaho Educational Services for Deaf & Blind	\$2,631.33	Classroom Equipment
Twin Falls County	\$1,225.00	Mobile Classroom Trailer Equipment
Jubilee House, Inc.	\$3,020.00	Furniture for Living Spaces
Fiddlers, Inc.	\$1,500.00	Mobile Stage Safety Upgrades
West End Ministerial	\$1,300.00	Concrete Walkway
Boys & Girls Club of Magic Valley	\$2,983.30	Fix Doors
Twin Falls Baseball/Softball Foundation	\$2,500.00	Indoor Baseball/Softball Facility
Murtaugh School District	\$2,250.00	Spinning Cycles
Partners in Healthcare	\$2,390.00	Advance Life Support Mannequins
Jerome Senior Citizens	\$1,000.00	Repair Damaged Flooring
Magic Valley Symphony Orchestra	\$1,000.00	Conductor's Podium
Minidoka Memorial Hospital	\$5,000.00	Replace Carpet

Total 2012: \$61,110.63
First Federal Charitable Foundation Contributions since 2003: \$553,700.66

In 2003 First Federal established a Charitable Foundation. The mission of this foundation is to serve the needs of our communities by actively seeking community development opportunities to support educational, civic, health, human services, social, and cultural organizations that address these objectives.

The Foundation Board meets twice a year in July and December to review applications from various 501c3/non-profit organizations. Since its inception, the Foundation has given nearly \$550,000 to projects around the area that are enhancing the way we live.

First Federal Charitable Foundation Board of Directors 2013



Jackie Frey –
Jackie Frey is a native of Idaho and has lived in the City of Buhl her entire life. Jackie is married to James and has four daughters: Angie, Stephanie, Nicole and Rebecca, one son-in-law Chris and two grandchildren Natalie 4 and Noah 1. Jackie has served as the Emergency Services Coordinator for Twin Falls County since April of 1997. She is accredited in the Professional Development and Applied Practice Series through FEMA, and over 100 FEMA and state courses dealing with Emergency Management. Currently, she is a trustee for the Buhl School Board, past PTN President, and sits on a number of committees in the county/state. Jackie was awarded the Coordinator of the Year for the State of Idaho in 2001, the Governor's Award for Excellence in Emergency Management in 2001, Twin Falls County Employee of the Year in 2001, County Employee of the month in 2008 and will be listed in the 2012 The Heritage Registry of Who's Who for Executives and Professionals. She enjoys reading, camping, toll painting, swimming, and traveling.



Shane Jenkins – First Federal - Twin Falls
Shane is an Idaho native and graduated from Idaho State University with a BS in Finance. After spending a brief time in the Treasure Valley, he settled in the Magic Valley and is happy to have called it home for over 20 years. He enjoys spending time with his wife Adeanna, daughter Sydney and son Alex in outdoor activities including golf, skiing and camping. Shane is employed as a Commercial Banking Officer with First Federal. He is a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School, an active Kiwanis member and on the Board of Education for Immanuel Lutheran School.



Mike Haskins –
Mike is a life long resident of the Rupert area and has been in the insurance business for over 26 years and owned his own insurance agency for the past 13 years. He has been involved in the Mini-Cassia Relay for Life for the past 14 years and currently serves as the Advocacy Chairman. He is a member of the Board of Trustees for Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert and also serves as a trustee for his church. He has been a member of the Rupert Kiwanis Club for over 25 years and currently oversees their scholarship program. He has been married for more than 34 years to the same wonderful woman and enjoys spending time in the mountains fishing and 4 wheeling. Mike has one married daughter who lives in the Boise area.



Jan McBride
Jan is an Idaho native and has lived in Twin Falls for the last 30 years. She and her husband Mike have three grown children. Jan has been an active volunteer while living in Twin Falls participating in the Twin Falls School PTO's Jr. Club, The Boys and Girls Club, PEO, Twin Falls Library Foundation, and Co-chaired the Ascension Church Design Committee. Jan served 6 years on the Idaho Community Foundation Grant Board, and has been a member of the First Federal Foundation board for the last four years.



Becky Nelson – First Federal – Twin Falls
Becky is employed at First Federal as the SVP/Human Resources Director and SPHR (Senior Professional Human Resources). She has been employed with First Federal since 2003 and has over 28 years of banking experience. She serves on the St. Luke's Hospital Board for Magic Valley and Jerome, and is a member of the St. Luke's Hospital Finance Committee. Becky also serves as the Secretary/Treasurer of the First Federal Foundation Board. Becky has 3 children and 4 grandchildren.



Linda Watkins – Watkins Distributing and TFSD Education Foundation Executive Director
Watkins Distributing and TFSD Education Foundation Executive Director Linda Watkins was born and raised in Spokane, Washington, and graduated from the University of Washington. After several years of teaching in Missoula, Montana, she and her husband moved to Twin Falls in 1988 to purchase what is now Watkins Distributing. Linda and her husband Mitch have been blessed with 4 lovely children. Linda has served on the Twin Falls Public Library Foundation for six years, the State Elementary Accreditation Committee, and Co-Chaired the Twin Falls School District Long Range Planning/Bond Committee. At this time Linda serves as a member of the Idaho Community Foundation Board, continues to do advertising for Watkins Distributing, and also works as the Twin Falls School District Education Foundation Executive Director.



Kevin Welch – First Federal - Burley
Kevin has worked for First Federal in the Mini-Cassia area for 20 years. He has managed First Federal's Burley Overland office since 2001 and is the business banking loan officer for the Mini-Cassia area. Kevin likes to golf, garden, and enjoy Idaho's wide variety of outdoor activities. Kevin is married to Marianne and has a son who attends Burley Jr. High.



Brian Williams – Williams, Meservy & Lothspeich, LLP - Jerome
Brian is a fourth generation native of Jerome and graduated from JHS in 1997, with a BA in History from BYU in 2004, and received his JD from the University of Idaho in 2008. He has been employed as an Associate of Williams, Meservy & Lothspeich, LLP in Jerome since finishing law school, and in addition to growing a private civil practice, serves as Jerome City Prosecutor and as attorney for the Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission. He currently serves as a board member of the Jerome City Chamber of Commerce, Jerome Rotary Club, and 5th District Bar Association. He is fluent in Spanish and enjoys being active in his faith and in the community. He and his wife Megan are the proud parents of their son, Wynn.



Rex E. Lytle – First Federal Director - Twin Falls
Rex Lytle, owner of Lytle Signs, Inc. in Twin Falls and Meridian, is a Twin Falls native and graduated from Twin Falls High School and College of Southern Idaho. He is married to Emmaleen Lytle and has two children and one grandson. Rex has been a member of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce (past Treasurer), is a director of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Magic Valley (past President) and a member of the Twin Falls Rotary Club. Rex is a member of the World Sign Associates - Division One (past Chairman), and Northwest Sign Council. He was the recipient of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award and recipient of the Curtis T. Eaton Award.



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Investment Securities	58,690,000
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Other Assets	6,044,000
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Deposit Accounts	434,889,000
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Borrowings	7,300,000
Other Liabilities	5,822,000
Total Liabilities	450,830,000
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Powers of Prophecy: Davos Looks to the Future

DAVOS, Switzerland (AP) • Forget the endless debates about the euro or government debts. What does the future hold?

The World Economic Forum at Davos is always a showcase for new research, trends and ideas. And those at the annual gathering of the world's elite don't shy away from making predictions, even if they missed foreseeing seminal events like the Great Recession or the Arab Spring revolts.

Here are some predictions from this year's participants:

WEATHER AND WATER

Climate change will lead to more and more extreme weather, which will cause tremendous economic upheaval, predicts New York University economist Nouriel Roubini. "It's not just that New York is going to be underwater 30 years from now," he said, referring to the devastation caused last fall by Hurricane Sandy.

Oxford University physicist Tim Palmer — who said as a scientist he preferred probabilities to prediction — noted there is a 10 to 15 percent chance that the Earth will warm by 6 degrees Celsius within a century, leading to "catastrophic consequences for humanity" ranging from extreme weather to rising seas.

Vali Nasr, dean of the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University, said many countries will start running out of water in the coming years.

"Water is the new oil," he said.

A TECHNOLOGICAL SURGE

Laura Tyson, a business professor at the University of California at Berkeley, said one of the great concerns should be "the employment effects of technology," with so many jobs being rendered obsolete by scientific or technological advances. Discussions of such advances were everywhere at Davos.

Sebastian Thrun, a computer science professor at Stanford University and leader of Google's Self-Driving Car Project, said he thinks Google co-founder Sergey Brin's prediction that within five years driverless cars will be on the streets used by regular people is going to happen.

"It'll be a while before they're going to be mainstream, and there'll be all kinds of interesting questions coming about se-



Participants walk inside the Congress Center during the 43rd annual meeting of the World Economic Forum, in Davos, Switzerland on Saturday.

curity, privacy, safety of the system as a whole," Thrun said. "But if they are available within five years for general consumers, I think within 15 years you ought to be able to buy one of those."

MENTAL ILLNESS UNDERSTOOD

Edward Boyden, an associate professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology who directs a neural engineering research group, says new technologies for analyzing the brain will produce significant advances in fighting mental illness.

"Right now we know that certain cell types in the brain are impaired in schizophrenia, or bipolar disorder or autism," he said.

If scientists can develop new technologies to image the brain and control the brain's cells, he said "over the next half-century or so we should be able to really understand how these networks" generate emotion.

Then, in the case of mental illness, "we can insert information into the cells in order to re-sculpt their dynamics and fix what's broken," Boyden said.

THE LIGHTEST STUFF

Julia Greer, an assistant professor of materials science and mechanics at the California Institute of Technology, says the world is craving a useful, ultra-superlight material to work with.

Her research group collaborated with

Hughes Research Lab (HRL) and the University of California, Irvine, to recently develop the world's lightest solid material. She predicted that in 10 to 15 years it will be used as fuel cell catalysts, as acoustic damping devices on submarines, as anti-reflective layers in solar cells, and as components of vehicles sent into space.

The new material, called a micro-lattice, is made up of tiny hollow tubes of nickel-phosphorous that are angled to connect — and contains 99 percent air, Greer said. It can also be used for high-temperature thermal batteries, heart stents and blood clot catchers, she said.

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One of the most famous predictions is Moore's Law, named after Intel co-founder Gordon Moore, which says that computing power doubles every two years or so. It has proven stunningly correct so far, putting new technological devices in everyone's pockets.

But how long will this law hold? Paul Jacobs, the CEO of Qualcomm, said it's not so certain anymore.

The implications of effectively infinite computing power are staggering — no more waiting for a power-up or a download; every song, movie and TV episode instantly available; and even the possibility of what scientists call artificial intelligence.

India's Republic Day Ceremonies Pass Peacefully

NEW DELHI (AP) • Indians on Saturday celebrated Republic Day without major incident except in disputed Kashmir, where separatists held a general strike to protest Indian rule.

Security was tight Saturday in Kashmir, especially after border clashes between Indian and Pakistani soldiers left five dead on both sides early this month, and in the insurgency-hit remote northeast.

Official observances were held in Kashmir despite a near-total shutdown caused by the general strike. However, in the northeast, people ignored another call for a general strike made by six insurgent groups.

Republic Day commemorates the day India's Constitution came into effect in 1950. Celebrations usually include military parades and displays of weaponry, cultural pageants and dances. In New Delhi, more than 20,000 police and paramilitary personnel guarded a massive parade to the city's Red Fort.

The parade included a model of the Agni-V (Fire) missile that can carry nuclear weapons as far as Beijing.

India hailed its test of the missile in April last year as a significant step forward in its aspirations to become a regional and world power. It has a range of 3,100 miles but it still requires a battery of tests and must clear other bureaucratic hurdles before it can be inducted into India's arsenal in a few years.

On Friday, India's president referred to the killing of two Indian soldiers, one of whom was beheaded, by Pakistani forces on Jan. 8 as "serious atrocities on the Line of Control on our troops." Pakistan denies India's charge.

The cease-fire line divides Kashmir between India and Pakistan, which both claim in entirety. President Pranab Mukherjee cautioned Pakistan that sponsorship of terrorism through nonstate actors was a matter of deep concern to India.

"We believe in peace on the border and are always ready to offer a hand in the hope of friendship. But this hand should not be taken for granted," Mukherjee said in his speech broadcast live on radio and television channels on Friday night.



In this photo provided by the Indian Defense Ministry, Indian security personnel march in formation during the annual Republic Day parade on Rajpath in New Delhi on Saturday. Indians across the country celebrated Republic Day, which commemorates the 1950 adoption of its constitution.

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OBITUARIES

Celeste Schulthies Conway

Nov. 21, 1987-Jan. 23, 2013

“A Declaration of an Angel”

TWIN FALLS • Celeste Schulthies Conway was born Nov. 21, 1987, and became an angel on Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2013.

To all those who knew Celeste in passing or deeply you know that everyone's life she touched was brighter, everyone's life was happier when she spoke to you. She was vibrant, full of life, and such a caring soul, no matter what you did or who you were, she cared about you just the same. She was intelligent beyond her years and was always willing to listen and be there. She was sweet, kind and all-around amazing; she will be missed by all those who knew and loved her.

She leaves behind a loving husband, Robert Conway; three loving boys, Kaeden Palos, Optimus Prime and Megatron; thoughtful parents, Rosa and Clare Armstrong, Ruth and Albert Conway; also her grandparents, Karl and Ruth Schulthies, Max and Jean Armstrong; great-grandmother, Maria Caballero; and four caring siblings, Chris Schulthies, Michael Schulthies, Anna Schulthies and James Conway; along with many fam-



ily and friends that love her and always will.

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was divine. Of Godly strength of mortal bond a life that touched those here and beyond.

With hopeful eyes and forgiving heart it is hard for us to ever part.

A visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home and Crematory, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, ID 83301. A celebration of life will be held at 11:11 a.m. (the wishing hour) on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the Kimberly Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Stake Center on 3500 East in Kimberly, Idaho. Friends may also call one hour prior at the church.

Those who wish may share condolences and memories on Celeste's memorial page at www.magicvalleyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Donna Andersen

RUPERT • Donna Mae Anglesey Andersen, 88, of Rupert, died Friday, Jan. 25, 2013, at Valley Vista Care in Rupert.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the Rupert LDS Stake Center, 348 E. 18th St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and one hour before the service Wednesday, both at the church (SereniCare Funeral Home in Draper, Utah).

Gary Dennis

TWIN FALLS • Gary Lloyd Dennis, 62, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013, at his home.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at Rosenau Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Savannah Liljenquist

BURLEY • Savannah Rose Liljenquist, 8, of Burley, died Friday, Jan. 25, 2013, at Portneuf Medical Center in Pocatello.

Arrangements will be announced by the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Stephanie Johnson

TWIN FALLS • Stephanie A. Johnson, 49, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Rosenau Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

Michael Stimpson

TWIN FALLS • Michael D. Stimpson, 35, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Jan. 25, 2013, following an accident.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Betty Putzier

NAMPA • Betty Laurene Putzier, 91, of Nampa and formerly of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013, at a Nampa retirement center.

Arrangements will be announced by Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel.

Ex-general Who Briefly Ran South Vietnam Dies in US

GARDEN GROVE, Calif. (AP) • Khanh Nguyen, a South Vietnamese general who briefly gained control of the government in a coup and went on to lead a “government in exile” in California, has died.

Nguyen died Jan. 11 at a San Jose hospital after struggling with diabetes-related health problems, said Chanh Nguyen Huu, who succeeded Nguyen as head of the Garden Grove, Calif.-based Government of Free Vietnam in Exile. He was 86.

In November 1960, Nguyen helped thwart a coup against the U.S.-backed president Ngo Dinh Diem when he mistook the rebels for Viet Cong soldiers and rushed to the president's defense.

“Because I thought it was a Viet Cong attack, I sent orders to the troops to help us,” he said in a 1981 interview with

WGBH in Boston. “At that time, I saw it was a coup managed by some of the paratroopers — not all of them, but some.”

South Vietnamese generals overthrew Diem's regime three years later, starting a volatile period of political unrest.

Nguyen himself briefly took control of the government in a Jan. 30, 1964, coup, but left Vietnam the following year after being forced out of power by other generals amid growing tension with U.S. military officials. He lived and worked in France for several years before settling in California with his wife and four children in 1977.

“I left Saigon with some of my soil of ... Vietnam, you know, in my hand,” he said in the 1981 interview. “I feel that I missed to bring peace to my people.”

Merwyn L. ‘Mack’ Clark

Jan. 12, 1936-Dec. 22, 2012

EMMETT • Merwyn L. “Mack” Clark, 76, formerly of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, Dec. 22, 2012, at an Emmett hospital.

A service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, 2013, at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery, 10100 Horse-



shoe Bend Road in Boise. A celebration of life will follow at the Vineyard Church, 4950 N. Bradley in Boise.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your local Humane Society. Arrangements are with the Potter Funeral Chapel in Emmett.

WRITER PRIDA TO BE REMEMBERED AT NYC MEMORIAL

NEW YORK (AP) • Dolores Prida, a writer who chronicled Hispanic life on stages, on opinion pages and in advice columns until her death last week, is being remembered as a voice that illuminated a community to both outsiders and Hispanics.

A memorial for Prida was scheduled for Saturday at Hunter College in New York City, after a funeral Friday. Prida, 69, died Sunday after complaining of feeling ill on the way home from an anniversary party for a Hispanic women's professional group, said Hortensia Amaro, a friend.

Perhaps best known for her longtime “Dolores Dice” — “Dolores Says” — advice column in Latina magazine, the Cuban-born Prida also was a columnist for the *Daily News* of New York and for *El Diario/La Prensa*, a Spanish-language daily in the city. She also wrote a string of plays and musicals.

Her work blended wit and commentary on Hispanics' experience in the United States, whether her writing took the form of a play about

generational conflicts among Hispanic women or an answer to a reader worried about buying a home because her husband was living in the country illegally.

“With conviction, compassion, and humor, Dolores used her gifts to connect with people across the Latino community and around our country,” President Barack Obama wrote in a letter to her sisters, Lourdes Diharce and Maria Aristizabal.

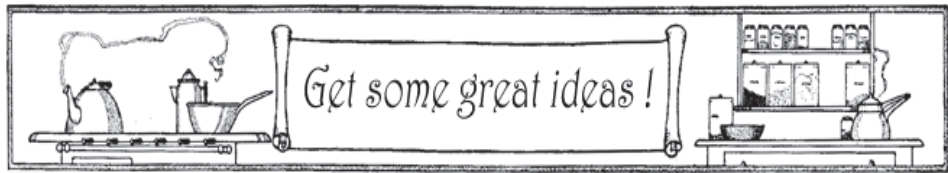
SERVICES

Luis Damian Lopez of Gooding, funeral at 2 p.m. today, Jan. 27, at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Gooding; rosary follows; visitation from noon to 2 p.m. today at the church (Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel).

Mildred Webster of Jerome, memorial service at 1 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

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Charles William Jonsson, 24, Vancouver, Washington; drug trafficking in marijuana, \$5,000 fine, \$2,733 restitution, \$265.50 costs, 6 years penitentiary, 1 determinate, 5 indeterminate.

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS
Angela Mae Colon, 37, Jerome; DUI, \$500 fine, \$500 suspended, \$197.50 costs, \$75 public defender, 90 days jail, 88 suspended, 2 days credited, 24 months supervised probation; driving without permission(3rd offense), amended to driving without permission (2nd offense), \$1,000 fine, \$900 suspended, \$50 costs, 90

days jail, 70 suspended; providing false information to police officers charge dismissed.
Arturo Ortiz-Baragas, 19, Kimberly; failure to produce drivers license, **Sheldon Ray Brimley**, 41, Twin Falls; aggravated assault, amended to domestic violence assault, \$500 fine, \$500 suspended, \$182.50 costs, \$75 public defender, 90 days jail, 85 suspended, 5 credited, 12 months supervised probation, attend 12 step meetings.

DIVORCE CIVIL JUDGMENTS
Dorothy Day v. Jeffrey Day
Victoria Garcia v. Jorge Garcia
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Terri Brown v. Clay Brown
Jeffrey Wallis v. Cathaleen Wallis
Gary Gillette v. Joanne Gillette
Mario Vega v. Griselda Carranza

Nevada
Man Gets
30 Years
for Elko
Murder

ELKO, Nev. (AP) • A 23-year-old Elko County man has been sentenced to up to 30 years in prison for a fatal shooting at a parking lot in downtown Elko last May.

Elko County District Judge Al Kacin said at Friday's sentencing that Patrick Dunn of Spring Creek will be eligible for consideration for parole after 11 years.

Dunn was convicted in November of second-degree murder in the shooting death of 30-year-old Erik Espitia.

Dunn insisted he was acting in self-defense after a brawl erupted between Dunn and some friends and Espitia and three of his relatives. He apologized for the killing but said he is not a violent person and truly feared for his own life the night he pulled the trigger.

Utah Regents Approve
Dixie State University

ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP) • Utah regents have approved Dixie State College's years-long drive to become a university and are sticking with the school's traditional name despite some concerns expressed about racial insensitivity.

The regents voted Friday to adopt the new name of Dixie State University. It's subject to approval by the Utah Legislature, which opens its 2013 session Monday, and by Gov. Gary Herbert, who has indicated support.

Dixie has been a nickname for the St. George region since the 1800s, when the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints sent pioneers — including former slave owners and drivers — there to grow cotton. That history had prompted some students, professors and state educators to call for a name change.

Among them was the Rev. France Davis, a member of the board of regents and an educator in northern Utah who marched for civil rights in Washington, D.C., with Martin Luther King Jr.

Davis said the regents were missing out on a chance to change perceptions of the region outside the state. He said he had been asked by educators in "the real Dixie" why a school in Utah would use that name after schools in the South have abandoned Confederate symbols.

"I wonder if we miss an opportunity to move forward on the name," Davis said. "I wonder if the word 'Dixie' might be more fittingly changed to a more fresh or new word."

Steven Caplin, chair of the Dixie State College board of trustees, praised Davis for his service and leadership but said the traditional name has overwhelming support in the local community. He said the school appropriately retired its Confederate symbols years ago, and that by doing so the college had "honorably demonstrated (its) social sensitivity."

At Friday's meeting, the regents' Programs and Planning Committee approved Dixie's request for a bachelor of science and arts with a minor in history — the final program the school needed to check off its list of benchmarks for becoming a university.

"Our collective dream of attaining university status is about to come true," said college President Stephen Nadauld.

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2 Facing Felony Charges after Infant Is Injured

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP) • Police in Great Falls say a 13-month-old boy with injuries was airlifted to a Seattle hospital early Saturday and that two people are facing charges.

The Great Falls Tribune reports that 20-year-old Riley James Charlo-Whitworth faces charges of assault on a minor, criminal endangerment, tampering with evidence and aggravated assault, all felonies.

Authorities say 19-year-old Alexis Michelle Paul faces a charge of felony criminal endangerment.

Police say Charlo-Whitworth was caring for the child, but it was Paul who brought the child to the emergency room at Benefis Health System.

Police say they received a call from Benefis at about 3 a.m. Saturday about a child with bruising on his body. The child was sent to Seattle at about 5 a.m.

Utah Man Charged with Abusing Baby Daughter

RIVERDALE, Utah (AP) • A 25-year-old Riverdale man has been charged with five counts of child abuse after police say he lost his temper and nearly beat his 4-month-old daughter to death.

Kyle Croxford is scheduled to appear Monday in Weber County's 2nd District Court on the five second-degree felonies.

Police say the baby girl was taken to Primary Children's Medical Center on Wednesday with brain injuries, a broken collar bone, a broken rib, broken leg bones and other injuries.

Investigators say he confessed to intentionally or knowingly causing serious physical injuries to his daughter beginning about a month ago.

9-car Crash Hurts One, Closes Salt Lake Highway

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) • A nine-car crash in heavy fog in Wasatch County sent one person to the hospital and forced the closure of part of State Route 189 for several hours in Provo Canyon on Saturday.

Police say a pickup truck pulling a trailer with snowmobiles was headed north on State Route 189 along Deer Creek when he missed a turn and hit a guardrail about 7:20 a.m. Saturday.

Due to the poor visibility, several other vehicles were unable to stop in time and ended up crashing into each other.

One driver avoided the collisions and stopped to help along with his 15-year-old son. But the teenager was struck by another oncoming vehicle and suffered a broken leg.

Northbound traffic was rerouted until the lanes reopened before noon.

Former Utah High School Student Gets \$100,000 in Racial Abuse Settlement

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) • A former Utah high school student has received \$100,000 in a settlement related to his claims that he was racially abused by fellow students that included members of white supremacist group.

Anthony Armstrong, a biracial student who went to Alta High School in Sandy, Utah, said he was called racial slurs and threatened with a noose made out of athletic tape during his time at the school from 2009-2011, The Salt Lake Tribune reported.

Armstrong said some of the students who abused him belonged to a white supremacist group called Rawhide. He also said that the school's football coaches and administrators neglected to stop the abuse.

A video of a student wearing a Ku Klux Klan hood and mak-

ing pro-Nazi remarks at a school assembly brought light to the group and the allegations of abuse against Armstrong.

Documents obtained by The Salt Lake Tribune offered details into the abuse Armstrong endured.

"Don't you love the campus here at Alta?" one teammate allegedly asked Armstrong in September 2009. "Isn't it funny that 30 years ago you would be hanging from one of these trees?"

On a bus ride home from a football game, Armstrong claimed a teammate threatened him and said, "I'm going to rope you, boy!" while dangling a noose made from athletic tape in front of Armstrong.

Canyons School District spokeswoman Jennifer Toomer-Cook that officials

moved swiftly and took appropriate action when they learned of the events. The district's civil rights department began investigating the school

after the student wore the Ku Klux Klan hood at the March 2011 assembly.

District officials met with every English class at the high

school to discuss anti-discrimination policies, Toomer-Cook said. The district's insurer handled the settlement with no admission of liability, she said.

"It remains our highest priority to ensure an educational environment that is welcoming and safe for all students and employees," Toomer-Cook said in a statement.

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Potatoes sit in bins at Cummins Family Produce while area agency volunteers wait to load boxes of the spuds into vehicles on Friday at the facility in Twin Falls.

T.F. Business Donates 8,000 Pounds of Spuds

BY ANDREW WEEKS
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TWIN FALLS • Potatoes are more than a livelihood in Idaho. They're a big part of the dinner table.

On Friday, the Idaho Foodbank received 8,000 pounds of potatoes, which it turned around and donated to food pantries and other area organizations. In all, the donations to 11 groups will feed around 6,200 people, said Laurie Lickley, food resource coordinator for the Foodbank. The spuds were donated by Cummins Family Produce.

This is the first time that so many potatoes have been donated by the company outside the holidays, said plant manager Lance Cummins.

Volunteers with their hatchbacks and pickup trucks visited the facility to receive their part of the donation.

"This is a big deal for us," said Nicki Kroese, business manager for The Salvation Army. The nonprofit group received 15 50-pound boxes of spuds. "Potatoes can fill a lot of plates."

"It makes you feel proud you have a part in feeding the world."

Roy Lattin,
truck driver at Cummins

The donation even reached across the river.

Martha and Mary's Soup Kitchen at St. Jerome's Catholic Church received 20 boxes of potatoes, said volunteer Louis Bones.

Roy Lattin, a truck driver at Cummins, said he was impressed by the giveaway and its potential impact. It was the first time he's seen something on this scale, besides Christmastime, in the 12 years he's worked for the company.

"It makes you feel proud you have a part in feeding the world," he said.

More than 1.4 million pounds of food was donated through the Foodbank in 2012, Lickley said. The potato donation, she said, helps 2013 get off to a good start.



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Third generation farmer Lance Griff works on a planter in his farm's shop last February off of Highway 93 south of Twin Falls. Working on machinery is one project that keeps farmers busy during the cold months.

WINTER WORK

5 Ways Farmers Stay Busy During the Cold Months

BY ANDREW WEEKS
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TWIN FALLS • Just because you don't see tractors plowing the fields during winter doesn't mean farmers aren't working.

For many Magic Valley farmers, winter is a time when they juggle a lot of different interests and responsibilities. "We usually keep pretty busy during winter," said Randy Hardy, a farmer in Oakley.

Hardy has been in business for 41 years, growing potatoes, wheat, corn, barley and alfalfa, and knows that when harvest is done and the snow begins to fly his job description has changed. Instead of working the fields, he stays busy repairing machinery, attending ag conferences, and planning for the next season. Right now, the sowing season isn't too far away. "We start planting in about late March," he said. Until then:

1. Repair Machinery

Author E.B. White, best-known for his children's book, "Charlotte's Web," about animal life on the farm, once wrote that farming is about 20 percent agriculture and 80 percent fixing things. It is a "sort of glorified repair job," he wrote. That's especially

true during winter.

"After harvest you can start to see stress on the tracts," Hardy said, "so we have to replace the bearings and discs."

There usually are other repairs or adjustments that



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Workers on the Griff farm overhaul equipment in the shop last February south of Twin Falls.



need to be made on the farm.

Hardy usually spends a lot of time in his shop during winter, working on farm equipment or tinkering around with small projects. But this winter has been a little different; some repairs will have to wait.

"It's been so cold out there this year," he said.

2. Research and Education

Much like school students, farmers don't stop learning once the snow flies. They're always trying to improve their lands, build on what works and disregard what doesn't. Research is a big deal during winter, Hardy said.

There comes a time, however, when, in step with Mother Nature, things begin to shift gears. Education is

taken back to the fields.

When the sun begins to stick around longer and the temperatures rise, causing the brown grass to turn green, Hardy knows the long work days on the land are back.

"We try to gain what knowledge we can in the off-season," he said. "Mostly, we enjoy winter as being a good break from what we do in the summer."

3. Plan the Next Crop Season

Decisions are not made overnight, Hardy said — one good reason for long winters.

"Most of my time is spent traveling to conventions, doing taxes and budgeting for the next year," Hardy said.

On the agenda: What are the farm's fertilizer needs?

What types of seed should be planted? Should any additional equipment be purchased? Is it cost-effective to buy machinery new or will used be OK? Does anything need to be built or repaired? What worked last season and what didn't?

Some farmers, however, say they have better luck planning for the next year as soon as harvest ends in the fall.

"What you have to do is plan for almost a full year out," said Jack McCall, a livestock owner in Twin Falls. "You have to do some fall planning."

That, he said, includes some marketing.



4. Travel for Business and Fun

A fair amount of Hardy's winter is traveling to other states for growers' meetings and conventions. Not surprisingly, he said, Idaho always has the largest representation of potato farmers.

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Minico FFA Students Raise Money for Local Boy

BY RAYLEE REEVES
For the Times-News

RUPERT • Students in the Minico FFA chapter at Minico High School this fall helped raise money for a local 4-year-old boy who's been battling a string of health problems.

Their project: build a table, which was sold at auction for \$1,100. Donations afterward helped raise a total of \$2,400. Money goes to benefit Dawson Case Hollis, son of Amie Hollis.

Soon after Dawson was born in 2008, tests revealed that his lungs were not fully developed and he was diagnosed with Transposition of the Great Arteries.

"In other words," Amie Hollis said, "his heart was all wrong. When the doctor came into my room and told me what was wrong with my baby, I thought my world was coming to an end."

Thus began the chain of 14 surgeries that little Dawson would have to go through, 11 of them heart surgeries.

During the past four years, Dawson has been beating all odds. His family — including siblings Shaylyn, Alex and Zak Pool —

have remained remain hopeful that he will make a full recovery.

Students at Minico, however, are not done helping out. This spring Minico FFA Co-Vice President Jordan LaRoque will hold a Dawson Hollis Benefit Barrel Race. She is co-sanctioning the event with Lana Parker, president of the SIBRA and former Miss Rodeo America, to make it more appealing to local barrel racers.

LaRoque is using this event not only as her senior project, but as a way to help her friend and Dawson's older brother, Zak Pool. All proceeds will be presented to the Hollis/Pool family.

"We are glad to have Dawson as a junior member. He is just as important to us as our actual members," said Minico ag teacher and FFA advisor Brandi Milliron. "Our high school kids have learned so much from him about a positive attitude and great perspective. They have, in a way, taken him under their wing as a little brother."

Raylee Reeves is a student at Minico High School and a member of the Minico FFA chapter.



Horse Monthly

FEBRUARY 2013 SCHEDULE • Disclaimer: The dates and times of events listed below may change.



Magic Valley Miniature Horse Club. Welcomes Registered, Non-registered and Long Ears (under 38 inches) horse owners. For more Information, contact: Debbie Emery 326-2223 or Stacy Storrer 731-2650.

Grassroot Cutting Horse Association, an equestrian cutting club located in Magic Valley. Membership information, show locations, and entry forms visit www.grassrootcutters.org.

Come Join the Fun-filled partnership of horse & rider ages 8-18 to perform in parades and at the Magic Valley Stampede at the Twin Falls County Fair with the **Filer Junior Riding Club**. Meetings held every Tuesday night at 7pm at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. Contact Karen Stoker at 308-3377 or Rick Schulz 420-5952.

United States Pony Club, Magic Valley Chapter welcomes new members from the ages of 8-25. The Magic Valley Pony Club (MVPC) was founded in 1987 at Southwind Ranch in Jerome and still rides there every Saturday from 11-2. Pony Club is a youth program that teaches Dressage, Jumping, Cross Country, and Horse Management. For more information on USPC, visit www.ponyclub.org or on MVPC, call (208)324-8538.

Silver Spurs Equestrian Team Invites new members of all ages to join in the fun. We are a family-oriented fun group that participates in local parades, drills, trail riding & family fun activities. For more information contact: Debi Johnson 358-3200, or Rochelle Shank 731-9812, Charlene Royce (208)539-5804.

Second Monday of each Month (Dinner 6pm; meeting 7pm) **Magic Valley Reined Cowhorse Association** meetings at Travelers Oasis Eden, ID. Contact Milo (208) 921-1665 for more details. New Members are welcome!

Mondays: Barrel Racing 6pm **Tuesdays:** Team Roping 6pm. **COPUS COVE ARENA** 1731 E. 3900 N. Buhl. Rough stock events available on request & will add according to interest. For more information call Dwight French at (208)731-6635.

Sundays (weather permitting) (11am) **The Idaho Regulators** (CMSA Mounted Shooting Club) will be holding practice at Mitchells indoor arena in Rupert Idaho. New members are always welcome. Call Kent Spaulding 431-4553 for more info.

Wednesdays: (TO 6pm- races 7:30pm) Barrel Racing/Jackpot Fall Series~ Pole Bending Practice at Shu-Fly Arena (1772 E. 1400 S. Gooding, ID) More info. @ www.shufllyarena.com.

Jan. 27 & Feb. 10 & 24, March 10 (TO 11am- race 1:30pm) **-SIBRA Prime Barrel Race.** Sand Hollow Arena. Williams Co-Approved. More info. @ www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

Feb. 2 (TO 11am-race 1:30pm) **SIBRA Super Saturday Barrel Race.** Shu-Fly Arena (1772 E. 1400 S. Gooding, ID). More info. @ www.shufllyarena.com or www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

Feb. 2 (9:30am-2:30pm) **2nd Annual B Bar B Ranch Dummy Roping Clinic** at the B Bar B Ranch, one mile S. of Picabo, Idaho. Instructors: Marlow Eldridge, Ira Walker, Dr. Sid Erickson, J2 Brown. Open to all levels of ropers 16 years and older. Heated indoor arena. Cost: \$10.00 (includes lunch, coffee, etc.). PLEASE: NO DOGS, HORSES, ANYONE UNDER 16 YRS. OF AGE!! Reservations appreciated: Katie Breckenridge 208-788-4424. Bring your FUN BUTTON!!!

Feb. 7 & 21 March 1 (TO 4:30pm- race 7:30pm) **-SIBRA Prime Barrel Race.** Van O Race Caldwell Indoor Arena. Co-Approved. More info. @ www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

Feb. 9 (make up race Time TBA) **-SIBRA Prime Barrel Race.** Van O Race Caldwell Indoor Arena. Co-Approved. More info. @ www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

Feb. 9 & 24, March 9 (10am- 5pm) **Team Roping** Shu-Fly Arena (1772 E. 1400 S. Gooding, ID). More info. @ www.shufllyarena.com.

Feb. 9 & 10 (NOON) **- Ski Joring** intersection of East Myrtle Street and Hiawatha Drive Hailey, ID. Skiing behind a horse. sign-ups will be 6-10 p.m. Feb. 8 at McClain's Pizzeria in Hailey. Or, sign up at the race site before 11 a.m. on Feb. 9 More info contact Tyler Peterson 720-0329 Visit www.wooddriveresja.com.

Feb. 15 & 16 –Toby Lapp Horse-Man-Ship Clinic . Fresh off a Hor-man-ship tour on the Big Islad of Hawaii. Achieving Collection. Idaho State Park area, Hagerman, ID. Cost: \$100 per day or \$25 Audit fee. Must call to attend (208) 212-3315.

Feb. 16 (9:30am-3pm) **Annual B Bar B Ranch** (Katie Breckenridge/Rob Struthers) & CSI Equine Department will Cutting Horse Cow Judging Clinic on the 2nd floor of Taylor Building on the CSI Twin Falls Campus. Instructors: David Glaser NCHA/NRCHA; Van Greenwell NCHA; and Shane Prescott NCHA. Topics: rules, reading cattle, showmanship points, etc. Open to everyone: Cost: \$20.00 (includes lunch); No lunch – \$10.00; Youth & Students – Free + lunch. Reservations greatly appreciated: Call Katie Breckenridge 208-788-4424 Reservations appreciated.

Feb. 16 (TO 11am-race 1:30pm) **SIBRA Valentine's Barrel Race.** Shu-Fly Arena (1772 E. 1400 S. Gooding, ID). More info. @ www.shufllyarena.com or www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

Feb. 16 (TO 8am- race 10am) **-SIBRA Prime Barrel Race.** Spring Creek NV. Co-Approved. More info. @ www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

Feb. 22, 23, & 24 –CSI Champions Rodeo School, College of Southern Idaho Expo Center in Twin Falls, ID. Rodeo school will offer Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc, & Bull Riding. View ad in this section for more details. Open to all ages and experience levels. Limited enrollment in all events. Deposits are due by Feb.8th. Call for Tuition rates & entries. Contact Steve Birnie @ 732-6620 or Cody DeMers @ 732-6618 for more info.

Feb. 23 (TO NOON-race 1:30pm) **SIBRA Co-Approved Barrel Race.** Shu-Fly Arena (1772 E. 1400 S. Gooding, ID). More info. @ www.shufllyarena.com or www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

Feb. 23 (9am- 5pm) **Cow Cutting Practice** Shu-Fly Arena (1772 E. 1400 S. Gooding, ID). More info Call Heidi 934-5560 or visit www.shufllyarena.com.

March 1 & 2 –CSI Rodeo Team Weber State University Rodeo, Ogden, UT.

March 2 & 3 (TO 11am-race 1:30pm) **Annual Cabin Fever Barrel Race.** Shu-Fly Arena (1772 E. 1400 S. Gooding, ID). Futurity incentive-Open

Awards. SIBRA Prime. Pole Bending included. More info. @ www.shufllyarena.com or www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

March 7 ~CSI Rodeo Team Rocky Mountain Regional's Rodeo #1, CSI EXPO, Twin Falls, ID.

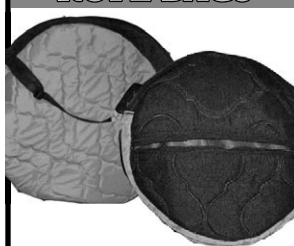
March 8 & 9 ~CSI Rodeo Team CSI EXPO, Twin Falls, ID.

March 7, 8 & 9 –Intermountain Ice Breaker: 2nd Annual Invitational Rodeo for all NHSRA High School & JR High Members. Golden Spike Event Center-Ogden UT. \$35,000 in Prizes 13 Saddles; 136 Buckles Barrel Racing, Tie Down, Breakaway, Chute Dogging & team roping Jackpots. PLUS Bareback & Bronc riding, Bull riding, tie down, Team & Breakaway roping, Steer Wrestling, Pole Bending, Goat tying & Barrel Racing. More info. call 801-475-1854 visit www.intermountainicebreaker.com.

March 16 & 17 -3rd Annual Winning Ways Barrel & Pole Clinic. Instructors: Kali Jo & Lana Parker. Cost \$180 participate or \$75 spectators fee includes Lunch. Limited Enrollment Registrations Due Before Feb 21st. More info. call (208) 420-5287 entry forms avail. @ www.parkerprorodeohorses.com.

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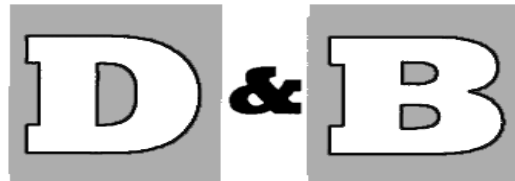
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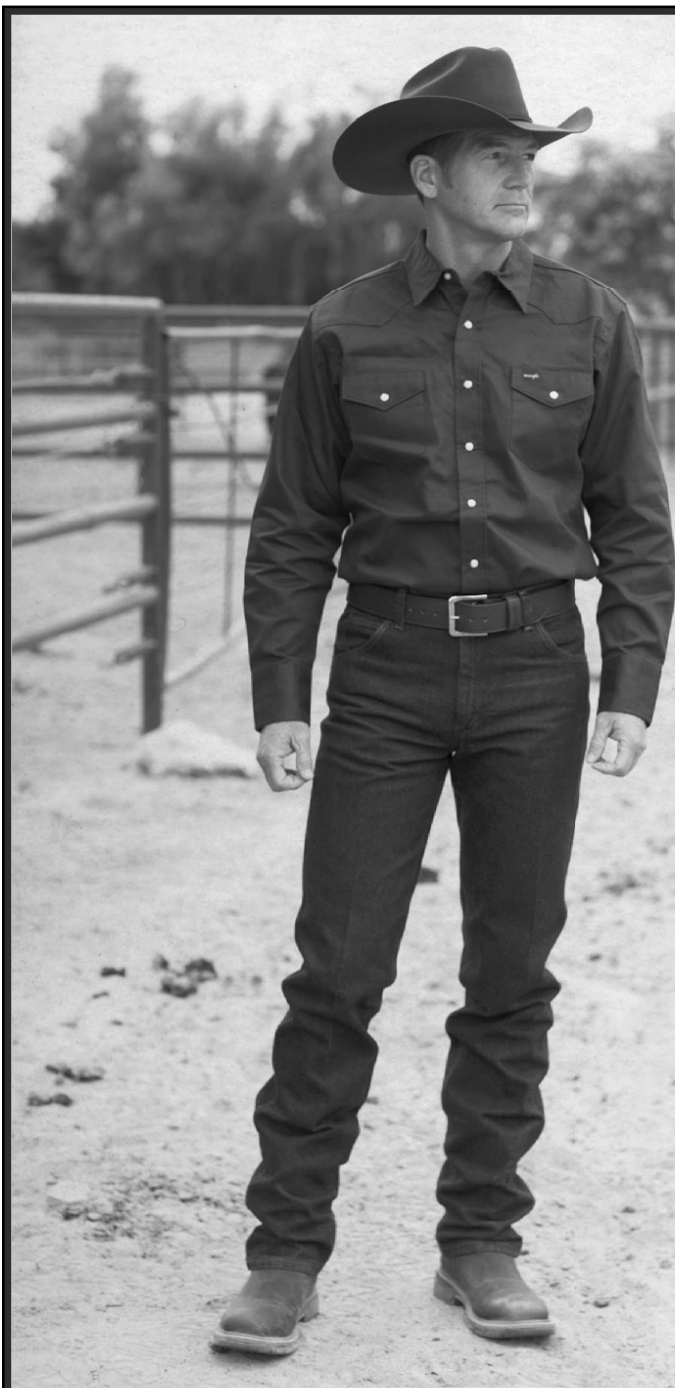
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May 2013 corn futures (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$6.80/bu.
Jan. 10 — \$6.9750/bu.
Jan. 17 — \$7.2525/bu.
Jan. 24 — \$7.2425/bu.

Dec. 2013 corn futures (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$5.71/bu.
Jan. 10 — \$5.84/bu.
Jan. 17 — \$5.8650/bu.
Jan. 24 — \$5.8550/bu.

Class III Jan. 2013 2012 futures contract (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$18.03/cwt.

Jan. 11 — \$18.06/cwt.
Jan. 18 — \$18.11/cwt.
Jan. 25 — \$18.12/cwt.

Class III Feb. 2013 futures contract (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$18.40/cwt.
Jan. 11 — \$17.61/cwt.
Jan. 18 — \$17.28/cwt.
Jan. 25 — \$17.02/cwt.

Class III July 2013 futures contract (CME)

Jan. 11 — \$18.65/cwt.
Jan. 18 — \$18.61/cwt.
Jan. 25 — \$18.54/cwt.

Spot cheddar cheese block price (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$1.7600/lb.
Jan. 11 — \$1.7200/lb.
Jan. 18 — \$1.6875/lb.
Jan. 25 — \$1.6450/lb.

Spot cheddar cheese barrel price (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$1.7200/lb.
Jan. 11 — \$1.6725/lb.
Jan. 18 — \$1.6375/lb.
Jan. 25 — \$1.5725/lb.

Feb. 2013 live cattle futures contract (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$132.950/cwt.
Jan. 11 — \$130.600/cwt.
Jan. 18 — \$124.950/cwt.
Jan. 25 — \$126.300/cwt.

April 2013 Live cattle futures contract (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$136.775/cwt.
Jan. 11 — \$134.550/cwt.
Jan. 18 — \$129.825/cwt.
Jan. 25 — \$130.750/cwt.

January 2013 feeder cattle contract (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$153.175/cwt.
Jan. 11 — \$149.325/cwt.

Jan. 18 — \$143.900/cwt.
Jan. 25 — \$144.700/cwt.

March 2013 feeder cattle contract (CME)

Jan. 4 — \$156.325/cwt.
Jan. 11 — \$151.500/cwt.
Jan. 18 — \$146.375/cwt.
Jan. 25 — \$147.950/cwt.

Cattle on Feed Unchanged from Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on Jan. 1, totaled 230,000 head, unchanged from the previous year, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The cattle on feed inventory is down 6 percent from Dec. 1. Placements of cattle in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during December totaled 26,000 head, down 10,000 head from December 2011 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during December totaled 40,000 head, up 6,000 head from last month but unchanged from a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 head during December.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on Jan. 1. The inventory was 6 percent below Jan. 1, 2012. The inventory included 7.05 million steers and steer calves, down 3 percent from

the previous year. This group accounted for 63 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.07 million head, down 9 percent from 2012. Placements in feedlots during December totaled 1.66 million, 1 percent below 2011. Net placements were 1.59 million head. During December, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 495,000, 600-699 pounds were 415,000, 700-799 pounds were 379,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 375,000. Marketings of fed cattle during December totaled 1.75 million, 2 percent below 2011. Other disappearance totaled 74,000 during December, 19 percent below 2011.

Soil Health Workshop

The Balanced Rock, Snake River and Twin Falls conservation districts will co-sponsor a soil health workshop during Agri Action.

"Understanding our better helps farmers do a better job of managing water and nutrients," said Rick Rodgers, chairman of the Balanced Rock SCD.

Marlon Winger, state agronomist for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, will help producers unlock the secrets of their soil so they can reduce inputs and the potential for wind erosion. Winger will speak Friday, Feb. 2, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the CSI Expo Center.

— Cindy Snyder

Weed Workshop Planned Feb. 15 in Shoshone

SHOSHONE • The Wood River Soil and Conservation District is sponsoring a weed workshop beginning at 9 a.m. Feb. 15, at the Lincoln County Community Center at the Shoshone Fairgrounds.

The workshop, presented by a number of area professionals, will cover the topics: invasive weed management, how moisture stress affects plants and herbicides, timing of applications, joint system approach to weed management, integrated pest management, controlling moss in waterways, reducing weed impacts, management of pasture and livestock resources and biological control.

The event includes lunch, compliments of the soil and conservation district.

Participants must RSVP by Feb. 1. To reserve your spot, call 208-886-2258 or email to Barbara.Astle@id.nacenet.net.

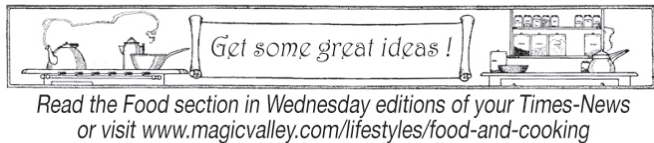
Annual Ag Expo at CSI

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As I look back on my 2012 year past, I thought about the many things I had enjoyed or as I call them - blessings received. There were many, but what came to mind that really counted were the few times when my purpose was to help others. Although I am not really a "good Samaritan," there were a few hours I was involved with some writing classes in the schools, or in a local Paint Magic program, but just a few compared to how many hours there are in a year.

What made me think back like this was a TV program I recently watched. It highlighted a project of a class of Idaho FFA students that were from a small town. It was called "Food for All." This program showed students wearing uniforms of dark blue jackets and black pants. They were trimming trees, picking fruit, and distributing food to many homes in their community. I became interested in learning more about these FFA students in our state and of the projects they often volunteer for.

During the holidays, I saw other students wearing blue jackets that were helping many children here in our community receive food and gifts. Who are they? And why did they take the time to do this? Many of us don't do these services even when we know that one in six in the U. S. suffers from hunger.

When I visited the Jerome High School FFA

W. Lenore Mobley

organization, I learned that it's a class offered for freshmen through senior year and is career and technical oriented. It is for those students with diverse interests in food, fiber and natural resources industries, science, business and technology.

Their teacher, Tom Clifton, proudly told me they were the only school in Idaho that offers the class of dairy science. Tom is in his 30th year of teaching — most of those years here in the FFA program. I could tell by the sound of his voice that he enjoyed this profession. I looked at his plaques on the office wall and one I read was from the year 2000 when Tom was awarded the outstanding Vocational Instructor of Idaho.

"Tom, tell me about some class rewards that you prize the most," I asked.

"One is when I see that many of the students help others in their metal and wood projects here at the shop. And yes, some of the students went out and helped in the Toys for Kids that the Fire Department here in Jerome sponsored," he answered.

The FFA student I met was senior Connor Mason, this years FFA president. He said, "I enjoyed helping prepare the 25 food baskets that the Elks Club distributes. Several of us along with a 4-H club, washed the potatoes, added the

fruit and carried the frozen turkeys from the truck into the pretty baskets."

Conner has taken FFA with Mr. Clifton for four years. He told me that after his first year with Mrs. Leback in the floral class, his goal was to make a career that went along with farm agriculture.

"After I get my degree in Ag, I desire to make sure farmers of our land have the water they need to keep crops growing. And also I wish to have a part in giving those homes that are located next to our open lands safety from wild fires. I feel there is no need for loss if care is done properly," Conner said with determination.

Conner is a new recruit in our Idaho National Guard and after graduation, will spend most of the summer in boot camp. Yes, Conner is a good example of helping others. Good luck, Conner, in all you do.

I learned that one of the advanced welding class projects was making T-post pullers which help fence builders save a lot of time and energy. These are for sale at the Ag building. There is also a FFA Mothers Day Plant sale that is a money making project. I thanked Tom for his time with me and said I would see him at the plant sale in early May.

FFA is the largest youth organization in the USA. It offers more than two dozen career developing events. Each student must complete a project before passing their class. Students in

these classes can further their skills for better living and leadership. Remember society works by putting opportunity and responsibility together — and that's what FFA does. Yes, they are the future leaders of our society. You can't dream big enough.

Some former FFA members across the USA you may recognize: Trace Adkins and Taylor Swift and former President Jimmy Carter, as well as professional basketball and football players, actors, and even NASCAR drivers.

The FFA motto is "Learning to Do; Doing to Learn; Learning to Live; Living to Serve." And of the \$1.4 billion worth of volunteer services done in our state by its citizens, let us continue to make our way forward by serving each other. May God continue to bless Idaho.

W. Lenore Mobley is a Jerome resident and author of "The Journey Series."

Winter

Continued from Agriculture 1

Because of the other demands on his time, he doesn't get much of a vacation — "potato meetings are vacation," he said — so he tries to have a little fun after the meetings on his business trips. He's seen a lot of country that way, he said — from Nevada to Maine and Washington State to Washington, D.C.

"We've been to some pretty cool places," he said, but "we keep pretty busy attending ag shows in Pocatello."

McCall, on the other hand, said he doesn't travel much in winter.

"When do you have the time?" he asked, noting that when you own livestock it's difficult to get away. He has two farm hands that help, "but it's getting harder and harder to take vacations."

5. Dealing with Stress

In extreme cold, it's tough to get machinery started, McCall said.

"When we go through a patch of weather like we've had the past month or so," he said, "everything takes longer. The equipment won't start, everything breaks down. And the animals themselves are under a lot more stress."

It can become frustrating — and cause more strain on the pocketbook. Animals eat more during winter.

"Stock cows eat between 30 and 40 pounds of hay a day during winter," McCall said. "And they still lose weight."

During summer, the animals might eat 20 to 25 pounds.

"It's a big swing between summer and winter," he said.

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Rod McQueary: A Cowboy Poet Remembered

BY JOHN RASCHE
Elko Daily Free Press

ELKO, Nev. • The Vietnam War weighed heavily upon the cowboy poet.

Rod McQueary, an Elko native, graduated high school in 1969, briefly attended community college, and then found himself a military police officer in Vietnam.

The experience haunted him.

"I think a lot of it wore on him," said Neil McQueary, his youngest brother and former CEO of the Elko Chamber of Commerce. "Life's stress became more apparent. His youth pushed those demons down, but as he got older it was just something he had to deal with."

Eventually, the horrors he encountered in war would lead to an ongoing battle with post-traumatic stress disorder.

"I'm not sure he ever came back home completely," fellow cowboy poet Waddie Mitchell said, "but he made some of the most poignant, creative poetry of modern-day authors." Mitchell grew up with McQueary. They both lived on remote ranches in the early 1960s and boarded together in Elko while attending high school.

"We went through high school more or less as brothers," he said.

McQueary died Dec. 29 in Cheyenne, Wyo.

Mitchell, who now lives on a ranch in Twin Bridges, was just one of the many friends

and family members who attended McQueary's memorial service in the Western Folklife Center on Jan. 2.

"It was a very moving tribute to him," Mitchell said. "Many people came in from across all the ranches in the county ... but no one could find the humor without him there. It was a somber deal."

McQueary's mother, Eloise, joined others in reciting several of his poems aloud.

"He was a very generous person and did not want to hurt anyone's feelings," she told the Free Press days after the memorial. "If he met you, he'd have to make you laugh. He'd come up with some good one-liners to make you giggle. He was a charmer, if ever there was one." Meg Glaser, artistic director for the Western Folklife Center, believed sharing his poetry aloud at the service was a fitting tribute to the poet.

"That's the ultimately compliment: when poetry gets passed along," Glaser said.

Glaser was introduced to McQueary's poetry by Mitchell, who suggested that she invite him to the annual National Cowboy Poetry Gathering. So she did in 1986.

"I think coming to Elko and reading his poetry at the Cowboy Poetry Gathering gave him a larger audience," she said. "That was a powerful experience for him. Later, he would use that poetry to

express the tough things he went through in Vietnam." In 1993, McQueary and his friend Bill Jones published "Blood Trails," a book of poems based on both of the men's experiences in Vietnam. Some of McQueary's other stories, many light-hearted and humorous, have been published in numerous anthologies, including "Buckaroo: Visions and Voices of the American West" and "Cowboy Poetry: The Reunion." He and his wife, Wyoming legislator Sue Wallis, co-wrote "The Cowboy Cattle-log" and published "Surviving the Good Life," a memoir of Wallis' grandmother.

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OUR VIEW

50 Shades of Gray

I am weak. That's what I've learned from my first winter in the Magic Valley.



For some reason, when the Christmas decorations are up, the snow on the ground and the bite in the air feel comforting. But when all the lights and wreaths and dried-out Christmas trees come down, it's just winter. And lots of it. The weeks of sub-freezing temperatures. The iced-over intersections that make it difficult to stop in time. And the gray, all that gray. In the last month, I've become a connoisseur of gray. There's the gray of the scum that collects on our cars, so thick you can't read people's license plates anymore. There's the pink gray of the morning, around 8 a.m. when the sun hasn't quite crested the horizon yet and another shift of the Magic Valley is heading to work. There's the blue gray of the leafless trees on the horizon. And there's that special shade of brown gray that is the crust of dirt on the top of the snow that has been sitting there, not melting, for weeks. And then there is the gray that is the fog that comes from being inside for too long. A man was standing in the dairy aisle talking on his cell phone: "I'm having a hard time getting out of bed in the morning. I'm tired all the time and not very motivated. I guess it's the weather." I wanted to hug him and say, "Me, too!" but he wasn't talking to me. I passed a woman walking out of the YMCA tennis courts talking to her friends. "I'm sick of being cold," she said.

A man wearing a postman's uniform shouted, "I'm sooooo cold! Make it stop!" I wanted to say, "Me, too!" but they weren't talking to me. When I moved here last March, people said that it snows here but the snow doesn't stick because it warms up and melts the next day. They called the Magic Valley a "banana belt" with mild winters. And even though a cold wind was howling like a screaming banshee when I first arrived, I believed them all. And maybe it's because I believed them that each day's weather report feels like another surprise open-hand slap. Now people say, "It's not usually like this, but this is the way it used to be."

I do complain ... but there are good things about this bitter cold winter. When we realized a blanket of snow wasn't going to melt off the neighbor's field, my husband and I rushed out to find some cheap, used cross-country skis. For less than \$30 we were outfitted in the finest gear the 1980s had to offer and quickly cut a track around the field. After dinner, we ski in the dark next to the disconnected wheel lines. We enjoy the clear view of the stars magnified, it seems, by the crisp air. We let the sweeping sound of the skis under our feet wash away the cold on our cheeks and the exhaustion of the day's struggle to walk on snow-covered sidewalks and drive on slick roads. And the cold offers a certain kind of solitude as people stay indoors.

At Sun Valley on a recent weekend, the temperatures were low enough to keep almost everyone away. We crested the mountain on the lift, and I saw it had warmed to minus 2 degrees. At noon, I was still making the first marks on freshly groomed corduroy, and there were several runs where my husband and I were the only people there. The handful of people warming up in the lodge smiled at each other and talked and joked in a way that doesn't happen on a warm day when the lift lines are full of fair-weather skiers. Toward the end of this week, something happened. The temperatures finally broke through that inversion barrier. The snow started to melt. The surface of the roads and sidewalks reappeared. People walked outside without gloves and hats. I know it won't last, but on Friday when I saw 42 degrees, it was like a weight was lifted off my

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Voters fill out ballots during election day Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012 at the Monastery of the Ascension near Falls City

Lawmakers Want to Make it Harder for You to Disagree with Them

The Senate State Affairs Committee wrote a piece of legislation last week that would increase the amount of support an initiative needs before we're allowed to vote on it.

"The bottom line is just to ensure that there's broad support across the state for an issue before it qualifies on the ballot," said Idaho Farm Bureau lobbyist Russ Hendricks, the supposed catalyst behind the legislation.

The bureau and legislators backing the measure claim it's a move to stymie animal rights activists, but we can't help thinking this has something to do with the Luna laws.

The controversial laws were defeated handily in November after a group gathered enough signa-



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A view of the Senate chambers in January on the first day of the session at the capitol building in Boise.

tures to force a ballot initiative. The new law would make that process more difficult, requiring signatures from 6 percent of the population in 22 legislative districts.

That means in order to participate in your own government, you would have

to be a well-funded group capable of traveling across the entire state. The intent of the law is clear: The Legislature doesn't want the people messing up their plans.

Let's not forget why voters defeated the Luna laws. They were expensive, unpopular

and gave solutions to educational problems that are the antithesis of current research. Were we supposed to accept all that without even so much as a debate? According to some of our legislators, yes, we were.

To us, this proposal smacks of the big government, nanny

state mentality that people live in Idaho to avoid. If the Legislature doesn't want us overturning their laws, the solution is simple: Make sure they're widely viewed as beneficial to the state before passing them. If they want to ignore popular opinion during the legislative session, they should expect, and perhaps even foster, the debate to take place outside the Capitol and among the voters.

Squelching ballot initiatives before they begin would be a grave step toward killing our right to participate in shaping laws by which we must abide.

We urge the Legislature to vote down this legislation. Protect the public's right to be a part of the process. Keep the debate alive.

Fact Checker: Do 40% of Gun Sales Lack Background Checks?

"The law already requires licensed gun dealers to run background checks, and over the last 14 years that's kept 1.5 million of the wrong people from getting their hands on a gun. But it's hard to enforce that law when as many as 40 percent of all gun purchases are conducted without a background check."

- President Barack Obama, remarks on gun violence, Jan. 16, 2013

"Studies estimate that nearly 40 percent of all gun sales are made by private sellers who are exempt from this requirement."

- "Now Is the Time: The president's plan to protect our children and our communities by reducing

gun violence," released Jan. 16

"That's why we need, and I've recommended to the president, universal background checks. Studies show that up to 40 percent of the people — and there's no — let me be honest with you again, which I'll get to in a moment. Because of the lack of the ability of federal agencies to be able to even keep records, we can't say with absolute certainty what I'm about to say is correct. But the consensus is about 40 percent do so outside the NICS [National Instant Criminal Background Check] system, outside the background check system."

- Vice President Joe Biden, re-

marks to the U.S. Conference of Mayors, Jan. 17

We are often suspicious when politicians inject the phrase "up to" before citing a statistic. That's because it often suggests the politician is picking the upper value in a range of possibilities.

We were further struck by Biden's admission he could not say with "absolute certainty" that it was correct. So let's investigate.

The White House says the figure comes from a 1997 Institute of Justice report, written by Philip Cook of Duke University and Jens Ludwig of the University of Chicago. This study is based on data collected

Glenn Kessler

Washington Post

from a survey in 1994, just the Brady law requirements for background checks was coming into effect. (In fact, the questions concerned purchases in 1993 and 1994, while Brady law went into effect in early 1994.) In other words, this is a really old figure.

The data is available for researchers to explore at the Interuniversity consortium on political and social research at the University of Michigan. Digging deeper, we find that the survey sample was just 251

people. (The survey was done by telephone, using a random-digit-dial method, with a response rate of 50 percent.) With this sample size, the 95 percent confidence interval will be plus or minus 6 percentage points.

Moreover, when asked if he or she bought from a licensed firearms dealer, the possible answers included "probably was/think so" and "probably not," leaving open the possibility the purchaser was mistaken. (The "probably not" answers were counted as "no.")

When all of the "yes" and "probably was" answers were added together, that left 35.7 percent of respondents indicating they did not

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

There is No Such Thing as Humane Trapping

I will assert right up front that I am adamantly opposed to trapping as a method of hunting, period. I found it interesting to read Christine Gertschen's eloquent letter to the editor (originally addressed to Fish and Game's director and commissioners) in which she very clearly advocated the need for ethical behavior on the part of those who hunt, including those who choose to trap. Even more interestingly, the informative and trapper-friendly article appearing in the Outdoors section of the same edition of the *Times-News* gave the reader insight in- to the ethics of Rupert trappers, Jared and Russell Boley.

I will recognize the fact that both men are obviously good, conscientious citizens and might even cause a no-trapping advocate such as myself to stop and reconsider. How- ever, there are two factors that will not sway me to their point of view.

The first is the fact that they use "re- straining" devices such as the coil-spring trap. After viewing the action of this type of device, I come to the conclusion that the word, "restrain," is a euphemism used to describe what I consider to be an inhumane method of entrapping an animal. This trap springs two metal bars around the foot or ankle in an animal the size of a fox or coyote with enough force to break a leg, or presum- ably crush the entire body of a smaller crea- ture. Inflicting this kind of "restraint" is, in my thinking, inhumane, hurtful and by that definition, unethical.

The second is Idaho law requires trappers to allow no more delay than 72 hours before checking their traps. This does not console me in any way. By my simple calculation, 72 hours equals three days. That means that a creature can be "restrained" without suste- nance, water or the ability to move in freezing temperatures. Also, it has been ob- served that many animals will chew through a leg to escape such a trap. That is not a humane method of "restraint" by my definition.

To be fair, the Boleys probably do not al- low such a long lapse of time after setting their traps, and as they say, carry a .22 pistol to put trapped animals out of their suffer- ing. However, there is no guarantee that others who trap are as conscientious about their prey. I don't believe that the Fish and Game people have the luxury of making that assumption.

As Ms. Gertschen stated in her letter, one of the ethics that are observed by ethical hunters is to "attain and maintain the skills necessary to make the kill as certain and quick as possible."

I would question that such an ethic is at- tainable by those who choose to use traps to hunt game or to eradicate pests. Where do we draw the line between humane and bar- baric behavior? Certainly not by trapping.

SARAH M. BLASIUS
Burley

Thanks to Sen. Crapo for Years of Service, Leadership

Earlier this winter, U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo joined 47 of his colleagues in signing a letter to Senate leaders encouraging renewal and added support for the Land and Water Con- servation Fund.

If you are an Idaho landowner or enjoy hunting, fishing, hiking or the many other great outdoor activities in summer or win- ter, you owe a hearty thanks to the senator.

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drilling fees are used for the LWCF, in com- bination with private funds, local and state governments and responsible conservation interests to acquire conservation easements in places with extraordinary wildlife, scenic and recreational values. There are many fine examples of its application in Idaho, includ- ing the City of Rocks. In the upper Salmon River, appropriations to the fund have been used to restore flows and habitat for endan- gered salmon while keeping ranchers in business, improving their operations and securing their economic future. Everybody wins.

Sen. Crapo has a long, strong record of working with his political colleagues of both parties for the betterment of Idaho. For 22 years, I served as chairman of the Idaho Senate Resources and the Environment Committee. Two of those years stand out as the most productive, 1987 to 1989, when two, very bright young men freshly minted from two of the nation's best law schools, were on the committee: Mike Crapo, the Republican, and Karl Brooks, an attorney with Boise Cascade, the Democrat. They el- evated the discussions, focused the argu- ments and reached key compromises, much to the long-term improvement of Idaho natural resource law.

Thanks, Sen. Crapo, for continuing that leadership in the United States Senate.

LAIRD NOH
Kimberly

Elaborate Inauragtion Shows Hypocrisy of the President

I feel it is my right and privilege to write this letter.

How can a President of the United States of America threaten in a speech not to pay our military if the debt ceiling vote does not go his way and then charge the taxpayers for an elaborate inaugural cele- bration? The appropriate thing to do would be to cancel the expensive events connected to an inauguration.

That, to me, shows the depths of self-

ishness and insensibility our president has come to. It also shows me just how lit- tle he cares about setting proper priorities.

In my opinion, in the history of modern men and governments, it is usually cor- rupt leaders who do such things.

As a nation, we should be worried, an- gry and saddened that such a president now leads our nation.

SUSAN RAMIREZ
Twin Falls

Illegal Immigrants Shouldn't Be Allowed to Take Social Security

All of this flap over Social Security is just a prelude to what is really going on. They have just given everyone a "payroll tax break," which was a 2 percent decrease in their pay- ments to Social Security for two full years, including people who make millions of dol- lars a year.

Now, after gun control, Obama is going to take on immigration reform. If you take mil- lions of illegals who have been here for years working under the table, you have to realize that our government has thought about how they are going to pay for their retire- ment. Think about that, will you?

They are going to cut the retirement for people who have worked and paid for it so that it can be extended to people who have not paid into it. Illegals can be citizens if they want to, but Social Security, never!

The working people of this country should not be cheated. Every promise made to the American people and assets owned by our country and paid for by the taxpayers is being handed to foreigners while the working people of this country are being cheated and lied to.

The government is changing the rules, rebranding the names for everything and trying to justify themselves instead of ad- mitting they are in the pockets of big busi- ness and campaign donors.

AARON AMOS
Burley

Public Library Provides Services to Residents of All Ages

This letter is especially for our governor, senators and representatives in the state of Idaho:

I am an employee at the Buhl Public Li- brary and my job is very important me. We provide services for all different ages. We have story time for our preschoolers, after- school book club for school-age children, a teen program and many adult services. We have several PSR workers who bring their clients into the library. All these programs are vitally important because they provide opportunities to participate in many dif- ferent activities. They will make new friends, and it will help them be successful in life.

One of our big services that we provide is our technology. Patrons come into the li- brary every day needing to fax or use our computers for their financial business. This is extremely important because they need to get their information sent to the correct lo- cation. Students come into the library to work on their homework, which will help them graduate from high school. The library provides a safe environment for all ages, and it protects everybody from danger.

I love working at the library, and all public libraries need all their current personnel to meet the needs of patrons and provide the services for their community. Every staff member has a special job they do to make the library operate and make programs suc- cessful. I love to go to work each day and see all the smiles on all the patrons' and my co- workers' faces. It makes my day when I know that I have helped and served all those patrons be more successful in life. All the patrons who come into the library and all of my co-workers are special to me. I look for- ward to working at the library for many more years. I hope all of you come to visit the Buhl Public Library. Thank you for your prayers and support.

CHRISTY ANNEST
Buhl

The Great Migration: The Trends of the Mobile Elite

One of the features of the Obama years is that we get to witness an enor- mous race, which you might call the race between meritocracy and government. On the one side, there is the meritocracy, which widens in- equality. On the other side, there is President Barack Oba- ma's team of progressives, who are trying to mitigate inequali- ty. The big question is: Which side is winning?

First, there is our system of higher education, which is like a giant vacuum cleaner that sucks up some of the smartest people from across the country and concentrates them in a few priv- ileged places.

Smart high school students from rural Nebraska, small- town Ohio and Newark, N.J., get to go to good universi- ties. When they get there they often find a culture shock. They've been raised in an at- mosphere of social equality and now find themselves in a culture that emphasizes the relentless quest for distinction - to be more accomplished, more en-



lightened and more cutting edge. They may have been raised in a culture that emphasizes roots, but they go into a culture that emphasizes mobility - a multicultural cosmopolitanism that encourages you to go any- where on your quest for self- fulfillment. They may have been raised among people who enter the rooms of the mighty with the nerves of a stranger, but they are now around people who en- ter the highest places with the confident sense they belong.

But the system works. In the dorms, classrooms, summer in- ternships and early jobs they learn how to behave the way successful people do in the highly educated hubs. There's no economic reason to return home, and maybe it's not even socially possible anymore.

The highly educated cluster around a few small nodes. Decade after decade, smart and

educated people flock away from Merced, Calif.; Yuma, Ariz.; Flint, Mich.; and Vineland, N.J. In those places, less than 15 percent of the resi- dents have college degrees. They flock to Washington; Boston; San Jose, Calif.; Raleigh- Durham, N.C.; and San Francis- co. In those places, nearly 50 percent of the residents have college degrees.

As Enrico Moretti writes in "The New Geography of Jobs," the magnet places have posi- tive ecologies that multiply in- novation, creativity and wealth. The abandoned places have negative ecologies and fall further behind.

This sorting is self-reinforc- ing, and it seems to grow more unforgiving every year. One small study caught my eye. Robert Oprisko of Butler Uni- versity found that half of the jobs in university political sci- ence programs went to gradu- ates of the top 11 schools. That is to say, if you have a Ph.D. from Harvard, Stanford, Princeton and so on, your odds of getting a job are very good. If

you earned your degree from one of the other 100 degree- granting universities, your odds are not. These other 100 schools don't even want to hire the sort of graduates they themselves produce. They want the elite credential.

Barack Obama (Occidental, Columbia, Harvard) benefited from this sorting system. So did his wife (Princeton, Har- vard). So did most people in his administration.

Members of the administra- tion have worked reasonably hard to mitigate the inequality that their own rise has pro- duced. They've worked reason- ably hard to redistribute money from the rich people in the magnet areas to the poorer people in the flight areas. For example, the health care law increases taxes on the top 1 percent by about \$20,000 per household. It increases bene- fits for the working class by between \$400 and \$800 per household. The recent tax in- creases will do more of the same.

The first problem with the ef-

fort is that it's like shooting a water gun into a waterfall. The Obama measures, earned after a great deal of political pain, sim- ply aren't significant enough to counteract the underlying trends.

The second problem is the fo- cus on income redistribution. Recently, there's been far more talk about tax increases than any other subject. But the in- come disparities are a down- stream effect of the human cap- ital and geographic disparities. Pumping a few dollars into San Joaquin, Calif., where 2.9 per- cent of the residents have bach- elor's degrees and 20.6 percent have high school degrees, may ease suffering, but it won't alter the dynamic.

The final problem is that, in an effort to reduce the economic concentration of power, the ad- ministration is concentrating political power in Washington. If the problem is that talent is fleeing blighted localities, it's hard to see how you make that better if decision-making and resources are concentrated far- away in the nation's capital.

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Obama’s Recipe for Conservative Revival

Happy days are not here again, but they are coming for conservatives. Barack Obama — with the lowest approval rating (according to Gallup, 50 percent, four points lower than that of the National Rifle Association) of any re-elected president when inaugurated since the Second World War — has a contradictory agenda certain to stimulate a conservative revival.

Consider his vow to expend political capital on climate change. The absurdity of the Kyoto approach — global climate treaties agreed to by 190 nations — is now obvious even to most former enthusiasts. Obama can propose cutting U.S. fossil fuel emissions (just 16 percent of the global total) with a carbon tax or cap-and-trade scheme, but Congress will pass neither. So he will be reduced to administrative gestures costly to job growth, and government spending — often crony capitalism — for green energy incommensurate with his rhetoric.



He says “the threat of climate change” is apparent in “raging fires,” “crippling drought” and “more powerful storms.” Are fires raging now more than ever? (There were a third fewer U.S. wildfires in 2012 than in 2006.) Are the number and severity of fires determined by climate change rather than forestry and land use practices? Is today’s drought worse than, say, that of the Dust Bowl, and was it caused by 1930s global warming? As for “more powerful storms”:

Because Sandy struck New York City, where the nation’s media now congregate and participate in the city’s provincialism, this storm was declared more cosmically momentous than the 74 other hurricanes that have hit or come near the city since 1800. In 2005, Hurricane Katrina was called a consequence of

global warming and hence a harbinger of increasing numbers of Category 3 or higher hurricanes. Since then, major hurricane activity has plummeted. No Category 3 has hit the U.S. since 2005. Sandy was just a Category 1.

Obama’s vow to adjust Earth’s thermostat followed the report that 2012 was the hottest year on record in the contiguous 48 states. But *The Wall Street Journal’s* Holman Jenkins, who has concisely posed the actual climate policy choice (“How much should we spend on climate change in order to have no effect on climate change?”), has noted that although 2012 was 2.13 degrees Fahrenheit hotter than 2011, “2008, in the contiguous U.S., was two degrees cooler than 2006.” And “2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 were all cooler than 1998 by a larger margin than 2012 was hotter than 1998.” Such is the rigor of many who preen as devotees of science, they declared the 2012 temperatures in the contiguous states (1.58 percent of the Earth’s surface) proof of cata-

strophic global warming.

A flourishing American economic sector is fossil fuels — especially oil and natural gas — which the Obama administration seems to regret and often impedes (see: fracking and the Keystone XL pipeline). Yet the natural gas boom is one of the main reasons why in 2012, U.S. fossil fuel emissions were the lowest since 1992. Obama’s wariness about the pipeline suggests that he subscribes to some environmentalists’ stupendously weird theory: If the pipeline is not built to carry oil from the (supposedly dangerous) development of Canadian tar sands, Canada will leave those sands undeveloped rather than sell the oil to China.

Small businesses create most new jobs, but many businesses are avoiding hiring a 50th employee, or are replacing full-time employees with those working fewer than 30 hours a week, to avoid Obamacare’s costly requirements regarding provision of health insurance. Some colleges and universities are reducing to 29 the number of hours ad-

junct professors can teach, which is condign punishment for those professors — most of them, surely — who favored Obamacare.

It and other regulatory burdens, combined with the subsidization of not working (47.5 million receiving food stamps, 8.6 million receiving disability payments, unemployment benefits extended from 26 weeks to 73 weeks — so far), partially explain this fact provided by Richard Vedder of the American Enterprise Institute: “If today the country had the same proportion of persons of working age employed as it did in 2000, the U.S. would have almost 14 million more people contributing to the economy.” Fourteen million is more than the combined workforces of 18 states.

In the rhetorical cotton candy of his inaugural address — sugary, and mostly air — Obama spoke of “investing in” rising generations, and said: “America’s possibilities are limitless.” He ignores the encroaching limits imposed on the nation by his policies that are funded by debt that will burden those generations.

Fact Check

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receive the gun from a licensed firearms dealer. Rounding up gets you to 40 percent, though as we noted the survey sample is so small it could also be rounded down to 30 percent.

Moreover, when gifts, inheritances and prizes are added in, then the number shrinks to 26.4 percent. (The survey showed that nearly 23.8 percent of the people surveyed obtained their gun either as a gift or inherited it, and about half of them believed a licensed firearms dealer was the source.)

Cook and Ludwig, in a lengthier 1996 study of the data for the Police Foundation, acknowledge the ambiguity in the answers, but gave their best estimate as a range of 30 to 40 percent for transactions in the “off-the-books” secondary market. (The shorter 1997 study cited by the White House does not give a range, but instead says “approximately 60 percent of gun acquisitions” involved a licensed dealer.)

Interestingly, while people often speak of the “gun show loophole,” the data in this 1994 survey shows that only 3.9 percent of firearm purchases were made at gun shows.

Ludwig acknowledged that “our estimate is clearly not perfect.” He said that a larger sample size would have provided a more precise estimate of off-the-books transactions, but he and Cook were not involved in the design stage of the survey. He added that one reason why the data is so old is because the federal government has generally stopped funding such research.

“While there is no perfect estimate in social science, we’d have a better estimate for this proportion had the federal government not decided to get out of the business of supporting research on guns and gun violence several years ago,” he said.

Ludwig and Cook were among the social scientists who signed a letter to Biden earlier this month calling on ending barriers to firearms research. The letter includes an interesting figure, comparing how many National Institute of Health awards have been given for firearms research versus infectious diseases.

Major NIH research awards and cumulative morbidity for select conditions in the US, 1973-2012:

Condition: Cholera; Total cases: 400; NIH research awards: 212

Condition: Diphtheria; Total cases: 1337; NIH research awards: 56

Condition: Polio; Total cases: 266; NIH research awards: 129

Condition: Rabies; Total cases: 65; NIH research awards: 89

Total of four diseases: Total cases: 2068; NIH research awards: 486

Firearm injuries: Total cases: More than 4 million; NIH

research awards: 3

One of the executive orders signed by Obama on Jan. 16 directed the Centers for Disease Control to research the causes and prevention of gun violence, based on a legal analysis that congressional restrictions on spending money to advocate for gun control does not apply to such inquiries.

There is a bit of irony here. While the 40 percent figure appears overstated and out of date, it remains the most cited statistic on the secondary market because foes of gun control have thwarted extensive research on guns. Advocates of gun controls thus continue to rely on a flawed statistic nearly two decades old.

Cook and Ludwig, in a paper that released this month at a gun-violence conference hosted by the John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, found that there appears to be little or no impact from the Brady law in reducing the homicide rate, even though government officials (such as Obama) routinely tout the number of people prevented from buying guns because of background checks.

“One explanation is that the type of person who is disqualified from legally buying a gun but shops at FFL (a dealer with a federal firearms license) anyway tends to be at relatively low risk for misusing a gun,” Cook and Ludwig write in “The Limited Impact of the Brady Act: Evaluation and Implications.”

So is there any other, recent data that might provide

some insight into the impact of the off-the-books gun market?

Daniel Webster, director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Policy and Research, will report data from a 2004 survey of inmates in state prisons in a chapter in a book titled “Reducing Gun Violence in America,” to be published Jan. 28 by Johns Hopkins Press.

The offenders were incarcerated from crimes committed with handguns, and this is how they reported how they obtained the guns:

Licensed gun dealer: 11 percent

Friends or family: 39.5 percent

“The street:” 37.5 percent

Stolen gun: 9.9 percent

Gun show/Flea market: 1.7 percent

In other words, only a relatively small percentage was purchased from licensed dealers. Obama’s proposal on universal background checks, however, allows for “limited, common-sense exceptions for cases like certain transfers between family members and temporary transfers for hunting and sporting purposes.”

We are faced with a conundrum here. We generally believe politicians should use the most up-to-date and relevant information available, but congressional foes of gun control have made it difficult to improve on obviously stale information.

The small sample size is also a serious problem, but again, roadblocks have made it difficult to do a more comprehensive survey.

At the same time, Obama and the White House gun-violence plan act as if the information is fresh and relevant; it has also been repeated as current information by the news media. The Obama gun-violence plan cites “studies,” but in fact these all are merely riffs on the same, relatively small survey taken nearly two decades ago.

Vice President Biden, meanwhile, deserves kudos for acknowledging that the information is suspect and may not be entirely accurate. He at least frames it with some caveats, which is proper.

Going forward, gun-control advocates should be much more upfront about its problems, especially the fact that it is old information. The 30-to-40 percent range that Cook and Ludwig first deduced should be the norm, not the “up to 40 percent” claim. Moreover, advocates should routinely acknowledge this is stale information — which they are certainly free to blame on gun-industry lobbying.

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Do Penalties for Smokers and the Obese Make Sense?

Mike Stobbe
Associated Press

Faced with the high cost of caring for smokers and overeaters, experts say society must grapple with a blunt question: Instead of trying to penalize them and change their ways, why not just let these health sinners die?

Annual health care costs are roughly \$96 billion for smokers and \$147 billion for the obese, the government says. These costs accompany sometimes heroic attempts to prolong lives, including surgery, chemotherapy and other measures.

But despite these rescue attempts, smokers tend to die 10 years earlier on average, and the obese die five to 12 years prematurely, according to various researchers' estimates.

And attempts to curb smoking and unhealthy eating frequently lead to backlash: Witness the current legal tussle over New York City's first-of-its-kind limits on the size of sugary beverages and the vicious fight last year in California over a ballot proposal to add a \$1-per-pack cigarette tax, which was ultimately defeated.

"This is my life. I should be able to do what I want," said Sebastian Lopez, a college student from Queens, speaking last September when the New York City Board of Health approved the soda size rules.

Critics also contend that tobacco- and calorie-control measures place a disproportionately heavy burden on poor people. That's because they:

- Smoke more than the rich, and have higher obesity rates.
- Have less money so sales taxes hit them harder. One study last year found poor, nicotine-dependent smokers in New York — a state with very high cigarette taxes — spent as much as a quarter of their entire income on smokes.
- Are less likely to have a car to shop elsewhere if the corner bodega or convenience store stops stocking their vices.

Critics call these approaches unfair, and believe they have only a marginal effect. "Ultimately these things are weak tea," said Dr. Scott Gottlieb, a physician and fellow at the right-of-center think tank, the American Enterprise Institute.

Gottlieb's view is debatable. There are plenty of



In this 2007 photo, a man smokes in Omaha, Neb.

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public health researchers that can show smoking control measures have brought down smoking rates and who will argue that smoking taxes are not regressive so long as money is earmarked for programs that help poor people quit smoking.

And debate they will. There always seems to be a fight whenever this kind of public health legislation comes up. And it's a fight that can go in all sorts of directions. For example, some studies even suggest that because smokers and obese people die sooner, they may actually cost society less than healthy people who live much longer and develop chronic conditions like Alzheimer's disease.

So let's return to the original question: Why provoke a backlash? If 1 in 5 U.S. adults smoke, and 1 in 3 are obese, why not just get off their backs and let them go on with their (probably shortened) lives?

Because it's not just about them, say some health economists, bioethicists and public health researchers.

"Your freedom is likely to be someone else's harm," said Daniel Callahan, senior research scholar at a bioethics think-tank, the Hastings Center.

Smoking has the most obvious impact. Studies have increasingly shown harm to nonsmokers who are unlucky enough to work or live around heavy smokers. And several studies have shown heart attacks and asthma attack rates fell in counties or cities that adopted big smoking bans.

"When you ban smoking in public places, you're protecting everyone's health, including and especially the nonsmoker," said S. Jay Olshansky, a professor at the

University of Illinois-Chicago's School of Public Health.

It can be harder to make the same argument about soda-size restrictions or other legislative attempts to discourage excessive calorie consumption, Olshansky added.

"When you eat yourself to death, you're pretty much just harming yourself," he said.

But that viewpoint doesn't factor in the burden to everyone else of paying for the diabetes care, heart surgeries and other medical expenses incurred by obese people, noted John Cawley, a health economist at Cornell University.

"If I'm obese, the health care costs are not totally borne by me. They're borne by other people in my health insurance plan and — when I'm older — by Medicare," Cawley said.

From an economist's perspective, there would be less reason to grouse about unhealthy behaviors by smokers, obese people, motorcycle riders who eschew helmets and other health sinners if they agreed to pay the financial price for their choices.

That's the rationale for a provision in the Affordable Care Act — "Obamacare" to its detractors — that starting next year allows health insurers to charge smokers buying individual policies up to 50 percent higher premiums. A 60-year-old could wind up paying nearly \$5,100 on top of premiums.

The new law doesn't allow insurers to charge more for people who are overweight, however.

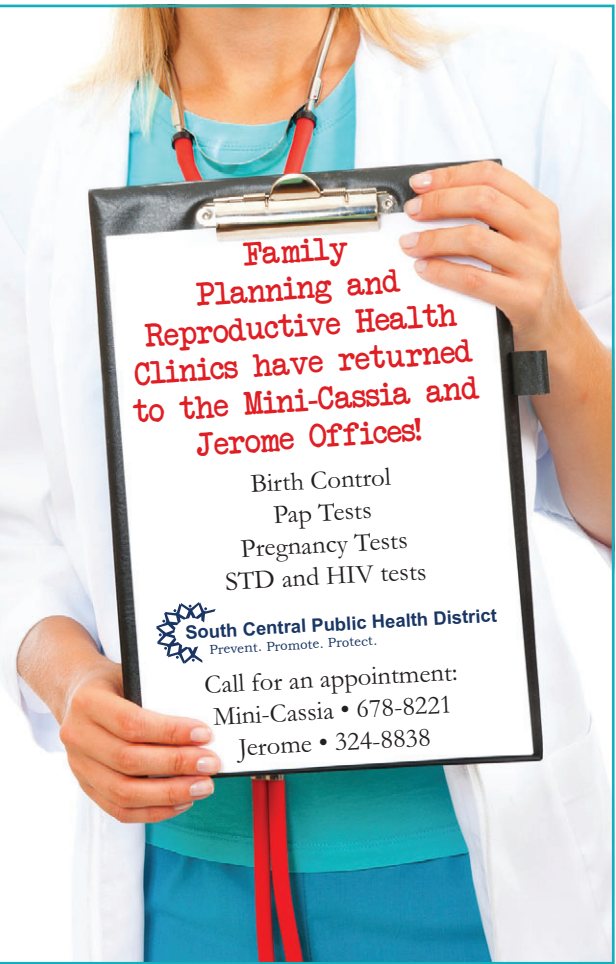
It's tricky to play the insurance game with overweight people, because science is still sorting things out. While obesity is clearly linked with serious health problems and early death, the evidence is not as clear

about people who are just overweight.

That said, public health officials shouldn't shy away from tough anti-obesity efforts, said Callahan, the bioethicist. Callahan caused a public stir this week with a paper that called for a more aggressive public health campaign that tries to shame and stigmatize overeaters the way past public health campaigns have shamed and stigmatized smokers.

National obesity rates are essentially static, and public health campaigns that gently try to educate people about the benefits of exercise and healthy eating just aren't working, Callahan argued. We need to get obese people to change their behavior. If they are angry or hurt by it, so be it, he said.

"Emotions are what really count in this world," he said.



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Medicaid Could Boost Mississippi Health Jobs

Republican Gov. Phil Bryant wants to create more health care jobs in Mississippi, one of the poorest and most medically under-served states in the nation. He also opposes putting more Mississippi residents on Medicaid under the federal health care law that Democratic President Barack Obama signed in 2010, even with the federal government paying most of the cost.

Are these two positions contradictory? Bryant says they're not.

Yet, even the toughest fiscal conservatives in the Legislature could start feeling pressure from health care providers who see Medicaid expansion as a way to pump money into the state to support their livelihoods and improve people's well-being.

"I absolutely think the state should proceed with expanding Medicaid," Chris Anderson, CEO of the Pascagoula-based Singing River Health System, said at the Capitol last week after he and administrators of other hospitals appeared before a Senate Public Health panel.

"If we do not expand, we are taking taxpayer dollars from the state of Mississippi and we're giving it to other states," Anderson said.

Health care as economic development — just what the governor says he wants. But Bryant has dug in so strongly against Medicaid expansion that turn-about is practically unthinkable.

A new study shows that for every \$1 Mississippi would spend on Medicaid expansion, the federal government would spend \$14 in the state, on everything from colonoscopies to blood pressure medication to nursing home care. The study was conducted by the Urban Institute for the nonpartisan Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured.

Rachel L. Garfield, senior researcher and associate director of the Kaiser Commission, discussed the findings last week in Jackson at a breakfast hosted by the Mississippi Health Advocacy Program.

The study estimates about 288,000 newly eligible people could be expected to enroll in Medicaid if Mississippi does an expansion. More than 600,000 are enrolled now, in a state just shy of 3 million. The study says another 57,000 who are eligible for Medicaid under current standards could be expected to sign up.

The study estimates that with expansion,

Mississippi would pay about \$1.2 billion more for Medicaid, stretched over 10 years, and would collect more than \$15 billion in federal

money.

Medicaid eligibility is based on income, and each state sets its own threshold. The federal poverty level is around \$11,000 a year. In Mississippi, an adult's income must be less than half of that to qualify — one of the lowest levels in the nation.

Federal law says states have the option of expanding Medicaid eligibility to 138 percent of the federal poverty level, or about \$15,000.

"There's a very large body of research that shows that having health insurance makes a big difference in how people interact with the health care system," Garfield said. "When they have coverage, they are more likely to seek preventive care, they are more likely to catch a diagnosis of a serious illness early on."

Rep. David Baria, D-Bay St. Louis, called the Kaiser numbers "eye popping." "I don't know how we can say no to this," Baria said.

Bryant spokesman Mick Bullock said the governor's staff hadn't seen the Kaiser study. Bryant relies on research from the Milliman firm, which shows larger potential enrollment and substantially larger state expenses.

"The federal and state costs associated with the health mandate come from the same place — taxpayers' pockets," Bullock said. "Gov. Bryant does not support a huge tax increase, which a Medicaid expansion would necessitate, or directing additional state resources to the program that could otherwise be spent on core government functions like public safety and economic development."

Emily Wagster Pettus

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Japan Must Acknowledge Unsavory Past

Jennifer Lind
Special to the Washington Post

Shinzo Abe has said he plans to revise — likely backtracking from — a 1993 statement that acknowledged government complicity in Japan's World War II sex slave program. Around the world, advocates of truth-telling and atonement were outraged; at home, Abe's conservative allies celebrated. Ironically, those conservatives should be among the most chagrined. Japan's conservatives increasingly worry about the danger brewing in East Asia from a rising China. But their denials and equivocations about the past undermine the support that Japan will need to manage the troubles ahead.

Japanese conservatives value love of country as an important part of national strength. They argue that focusing on past misdeeds erodes domestic patriotism, so they prefer to emphasize positive aspects of Japan's history. Conservative politicians and intellectuals have sought to blur distinctions between the World War II combatants; they argue that Japan, in its expansionism and human rights violations, behaved just as other countries did and so should not be singled out for criticism and demands for apologies.

But whether or not the "everyone was doing it" argument holds true, such denials are counterproductive: A country that has been a model global citizen for decades, should draw the clearest possible distinction between good behavior and bad. Instead, Japan's denials keep its World War II-era crimes in the spotlight, obscuring not only the huge distinctions between the Japan of old and the Japan of today but also the distinctions between it and its contemporary rivals.

Today, Japan is a democratic, free and prosperous country that takes good care of its citizens. Its educated and talented people lead international institutions and multinational corporations; Japan's achievements in the arts, science and technology have enhanced the lives of people everywhere. The country's foreign policy is peaceful and generous in development aid, disaster relief and peacekeeping. This 70-year track record could provide a tremendous foundation for national pride and purpose, but by training attention on wartime crimes, Japan's conservatives distract people at home and abroad from that record.

Tokyo's denials also undermine conservative national security goals by diverting global attention from the ongoing misdeeds of regional rivals. North Korea's reprehensible policies are well known: It imprisons, starves, tortures and kills its people; it commits violence against its neighbors and traffics in anything — nuclear technology, women, drugs and counterfeit goods — to make a buck. Yet, incredibly, Japanese conservatives have created a situation in which people around the world can't help but nod as



the planet's most murderous government lambastes Tokyo for bad behavior.

Japan's denials are perhaps most self-defeating regarding its emerging competition with China: Today's Chinese Communist Party abuses dissidents, restricts political rights and violently represses secessionist movements. As China has grown more powerful, Beijing's foreign policy has grown more assertive; this is particularly clear in territorial disputes with neighbors. Last autumn, in the midst of a crisis over a regional island chain — known to the Japanese as the Senkaku Islands and to the Chinese as the Diaoyu — rioters in China burned and looted Japanese businesses and even waved signs advocating the genocide of Japanese. Such behavior would be shocking anywhere but is particularly disturbing in a rising power. Yet China gets to scold one of the most free and peaceful countries in the world for unprincipled policies. As the Economist lamented in 2006, when Japanese leaders refused to acknowledge past crimes they "let a Communist dictatorship wrest the high ground from a pacifist democracy."

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(TOP) In this Oct. 14, 2012 photo, Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force escort ship Kurama leads other vessels during a fleet review in waters off Sagami, south of Tokyo.
(ABOVE) Japanese soldiers cheer as they hoist their flag from the roof of the central government building after they seized Nanking in the Second Sino-Japanese War in Dec. 1937.

50 Shades

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shoulders. I let out a long exhale that felt as if I had been holding my breath for weeks.

And I could almost picture the Magic Valley the way it was only months ago, covered in green instead of gray.

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Members of the Twin Falls Meeting of Overeaters Anonymous hug at the end of their meeting on Jan. 15 at the First Baptist Church in Twin Falls. PAUL DUNN • TIMES NEWS

Overeaters Anonymous: They Come for Weight Loss, and They Stay for Sanity

BY PAUL DUNN
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Editor's note: This story respects the anonymity of Overeaters Anonymous. The real first names are used for two of the article's individuals. The third name is fictitious; she is referred to as "Shirley."

TWIN FALLS • Three mature women sat in an austere room, their sometimes emotional confessions clinging to them like snug sweaters. Though they appeared to be moderately trim, the woman were loyal members of the Twin Falls Meeting of Overeaters Anonymous.

They had just survived their most trying yearly challenge — the holidays, when all the world is a big, fat chocolate-chip cookie.

Pat, who has attended OA meetings for 42 years, seven in Twin Falls, focuses with laser-like intensity on her goals during the holidays.

"I have to remember what the consequences are during the holidays, which is weight gain," she said. "I really try to get in touch with my higher power in the morning, but it's hard. I stay away from sugar."

When she began OA, Pat weighed 230 pounds. She now measures her weight loss not by scale, but by clothing. She has dropped from size 22 to 12 over the years, and it has significantly affected her physically



Literature from Overeaters Anonymous urges people with compulsive eating problems to join the Twin Falls group. PAUL DUNN • TIMES-NEWS

and mentally.

"It's not only a huge change in weight loss, but also what goes on in my head, my spirituality and my recovery," she said.

Spirituality plays a huge role in OA recovery and helps propel Pat, Beverly and Shirley to attend the local organization's Tuesday-morning weekly meetings. Seven members usually show up, but only three braved the

frigid temperatures on Jan. 15 to meet at their usual location, Twin Falls First Baptist Church.

The Twin Falls Meeting of Overeaters Anonymous, which was established about 22 years ago, follows the guidelines of Alcoholics Anonymous and adheres to the 12 steps to recovery, which are central to both programs.

According to OA literature, the organization "is not just about weight loss, weight gain or maintenance, obesity or diets. The OA program offers physical, emotional and spiritual recovery for those who suffer from compulsive eating."

Beverly, 78, has attended OA meetings for 20 years. The 5-foot-2-inch Twin Falls resident dropped from 220 pounds when she began OA to her current weight of 169. She fully embraces the OA recovery philosophy.

"We in OA share our strengths and experiences, and it's a bonding experience," she said. "We lose more fat from between our ears than on our body."

That sort of fat, Beverly explained, includes resentment, fear, anger and self pity.

"I was eating to cover up my feelings because I was unhappy in my marriage," she said. "I didn't realize how miserable I was. It was 29 years of misery."

And the holidays? OA deals with that, too, Beverly stressed.

"It's no big deal, because I'm working the program," she said. "Something always happens that shows me my higher power is working."

So, too, for Shirley, who has dropped 60 pounds since joining OA 16 months ago. She currently weighs 170 pounds.

"I'm trying to cope with stress, fatigue, children at home and trying to hold my life

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Idaho's Winter Sport: Seed Catalog Wars

If more than one seed catalog arrives in your mailbox on the same day, a battle may erupt in competition for your attention.

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But the real trap in these catalogs is the pictures, the gorgeous, glossy pictures that mesmerize us into believing we can grow rhododendrons in Buhl and blueberries in Jerome. Be strong.

Having shared my skepticism with you, I can also share how much I love reading seed catalogs. Especially on a cold January day in Idaho. Especially with a cup of hot chocolate.

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I will let you in on a garden secret: The way to find the

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BY TETONA DUNLAP
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When We Met

I sat in Jane Howell's sitting room, facing the Snake River. Howell was in the kitchen pouring me a cup of coffee and herself some tea.

Through large windows I could watch steam rising from the blue waters outside. Ducks floated next to the riverbank, and once in a while one would dive under the water.

The sitting room is where Howell likes to read — her orange cat curled up by her legs — books by Latino writers and novels that feature herbs and bees. I loved this room because there was so much to look at. Every trinket or picture had a story and a reason to be in this room. A large basket of gardening magazines sat near my feet, and I noticed butterflies in frames on the walls.

"Water is important to me; wherever I land I'm near a river or a stream," Howell said. Howell has lived in Hagerman for 32 years in a



River Sage Gardens features handcrafted soaps made by Jane Howell. TETONA DUNLAP • TIMES-NEWS

log cabin next to the Snake River. Howell grew up in Virginia along a coastal landscape.

"Sometimes I look there and forget where I am," Howell said.

She took a sip of her tea, the early-afternoon light on the left side of her face, illuminating her ice blue eyes.

After graduating from college with a degree in deaf education, Howell and a friend decided to visit every person who ever told them to visit. So they made their way across the United States. In Seattle she met her future husband through mutual friends, they had twins, and Howell never returned to the

East Coast. They lived in Montana for years before moving to her husband's home state.

"He said, 'Do you want to live in Hagerman?'" Howell said.

I asked her: Did you ever think you would live in Idaho? I also moved from

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Teacher

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Montana, and if you would have asked me five years ago whether I thought I would ever call Idaho home, my answer would have been the same as Howell's.

"Never," she said.

How You Might Know Her

Howell has a master's degree from Boise State University in English as a second language. She's retired but works part time, twice a week, in the Shoshone school district as director for the migrant and ESL programs. She has been working there for five years. Howell has also worked in the Twin Falls and Jerome school districts. She said she was the first ESL teacher in the Twin Falls district.

"I still hear from students I

had 20 years ago," Howell said. "I really enjoy working with different culture groups."

Howell became a teacher because she remembers when her school in Virginia was first integrated.

"I was so touched to see how people were treated or mistreated because of the color of their skin," she said. "I thought it was a way to make a difference."

The other day Howell came across a copy of the Cambodian alphabet that that one of her students had. If that student ever calls her, she would like to give it back.

When We Said Goodbye

When Howell leaves work in the afternoons in Shoshone, she said, people often ask what she plans to do with the rest of her afternoon.

"I make soap," Howell said.

Howell owns River Sage Gardens, a business that specializes in handcrafted soaps, bath salts and herbal products. All of the herbs she uses are grown outside her house. Howell learned how to make soap from a woman in Jerome. Howell gave me a demonstration of the process before I left.

"There's a chemistry to it," she said, wearing yellow rubber gloves, protective eye-wear and an apron.

On her counter sat a tray of soap bars that looked like blocks of mozzarella. One of the final steps, she said, a soap block in hand, is to trim the sides with a vegetable peeler.

Tell Tetona Dunlap whom she should meet next for her weekly column: 735-3243 or tdunlap@magicvalley.com.



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(TOP RIGHT) Jane Howell owns River Sage Gardens, a Hagerman business that features herbal products and soaps. (RIGHT) Jane trims the sides of soap with a vegetable peeler.



Anonymous

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together," said the 60-year-old Gooding resident. "Not only have I lost the weight, but hopefully my ego has shrunk from the size of Iceland to what it is now."

Shirley, who calls herself the "good" girl of her biological family, traces alcoholism through four generations of relatives.

"The potential was there for even me, the good girl, to develop a dependency for some kind of substance," she said.

So she chose food.

And that's how she came to OA.

"Before, I didn't know what a healthy plan of eating was, and the program showed me what is sane and healthy," Shirley said. "And the fellowship gave me the emotional support I needed to do without my food fix."

Shirley refers to the "holi-

day triple crown" as the ultimate in adverse enticement.

"It's Halloween candy, Thanksgiving dinner with family members and the month of Christmas," she said. "The holidays are scary and stressful."

For Pat, food used to disguise her stress, but not now.

"Food pushes your feelings down when they rise so we don't have to feel anymore, but today I know that's not the solution," she said.

She didn't know that at age 10, when she believes her compulsive eating binges began. She tearfully recalled that summer eating daily triple-decker ice cream cones, looking forward to them for months as her summer due. When she returned to school in the fall, classmates asked her how she had gotten so fat.

"This is a disease of isolation," she said, referring to her unwanted solitude.

Exacerbating the adult challenges is that child-

Learn More

Interested in learning more about Overeaters Anonymous? Visit www.oa.org or call 505-891-2664.

•To find out more about the Twin Falls Meeting of Overeaters Anonymous, call 208-735-1198.

•Or just drop in: Meetings are held at 10:30 a.m. every Tuesday at Twin Falls' First Baptist Church, 910 Shoshone St. E.

hood trauma doesn't just evaporate with time.

"To this day, when I go into a store, I automatically go to the 1X to 5X sizes in the stores even though I can now wear normal clothes," Pat said. "It's all about my body image."

It's safe to say Pat spoke for all seven Twin Falls OA regulars when she concluded: "We come here to lose weight, and we stay for the sanity."



PAUL DUNN • TIMES-NEWS

Overeaters Anonymous members hold hands during a serenity prayer at the end of their Jan. 15 meeting in Twin Falls.

NEXT WEEK

Memories Squared

Reporter Tetona Dunlap visits a Kimberly man who honed his artistic abilities in hospitals as a child. **Next Sunday in People**

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Seed Catalog

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best varieties is to try lots of different ones. Also talk to other gardeners where you live about what they are growing and why. The why is important because otherwise you might not find out

they grow whatever grandpa did and haven't tried anything new since the Carter administration.

Pay attention to days to maturity, yield estimations and disease-resistance information to help you make your choices. When looking for flower varieties, take particular note of days to

flower, as many types will take until August to bloom if started from seed. For annuals this is too long to wait; buy the plants instead. If starting perennial flowers from seed, be aware that many varieties won't bloom the first year no matter how early you start the seed. I always think I am a bet-

ter gardener than I really am when I look at seed catalogs. When there are no garden chores to be done I am delusional about what I am actually willing to do. Catalogs are for dreaming.

I would love to hear about your favorite seed companies and what you buy from them — also seeds you have

started indoors and your successes or challenges with windowsill growing. I will write about starting vegetables inside in a future column.

Follow me to Food: The *Times-News* is moving my biweekly column to the Food section in the Wednesday editions. Watch for my col-

umn to appear there for the first time on Feb. 13.

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@ca-bleone.net.

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Jubilee House Holds Fundraiser

TWIN FALLS • Jubilee House, a faith-based women's rehabilitation center in Twin Falls, will hold its Father-Daughter Ball at 7 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 9 at The Ballroom in downtown Twin Falls.

The ball is a fundraiser for the center. Tickets are \$15 per person, \$20 per couple or \$25 for an adult with two children. Get them by calling 208-736-2566, or stop by Christa's Dress Shop or Absolutely Flowers in Twin Falls.

M-C Students Named to Dean's List

BURLEY • Two Mini-Cassia students have been named to the dean's list at Baylor University, a private Christian and nationally-ranked liberal arts institution in Waco, Texas.

Shelise Kaye Danielson, of Burley, and Lanae Esther Linard, of Rupert were both recently added to the list.

To be named on the dean's list, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Danielson is a student in the School of Education; Linard is a student in the College of Arts and Sciences.



COURTESY PHOTO

Nicki Kroese, right, Twin Falls Salvation Army business manager, hands the first-place trophy to Herman Schmitz, Twin Falls Lions Club president.

LIONS CLUB RECOGNIZED FOR BELL-RINGING HELP

TWIN FALLS • The Twin Falls Lions Club's fundraising efforts for The Salvation Army earned it the Service Club Bell Ringer Champion Trophy for 2012.

The Lions Club raised \$3,831 by ringing bells at The Salvation Army's red kettles

on one day — Saturday, Dec. 15. The Twin Falls Kiwanis Club came in second with \$3,655 raised.

Members of the Canyon Ridge High School Leo Club, which the Lions Club sponsors, and Leo Club adviser Nancy Olson also helped

ring bells.

The Salvation Army received \$95,000 in total donations this season, a 24 percent increase over 2011.

The money now supports services for families in need for the entire year.

ASK POLICEMAN DAN

If you are a pedestrian at an intersection and you get the go ahead light to cross, but a car has stopped in the cross walk, can you jump on their hood to get across there by staying in the boundaries of said crosswalk, so you are not endangering your life by going out of the crosswalk? — Ron



other vehicle, damaging it. Are you at fault or is the truck that dropped the beet at fault? — Michael

The preferred method in the Starsky and Hutch slide across the hood move. I know it would be tempting to just jump on the hood of a vehicle stopped in the crosswalk, but I would suggest to just going around it so that you can get the license plate number for the citation you'll be giving to the driver. I would also suggest that you get a good look at the driver for positive identification as well for the citation.

On a more serious issue, if you come upon a driver stopped at a crosswalk, you are not allowed to pass a driver stopped for a pedestrian in the crosswalk. There have been incidents in the past where drivers passed a driver stopped for a pedestrian and have either struck the pedestrian or almost struck the pedestrian.

If you were to strike a pedestrian, it would not be the infraction citation you would have to worry about but the serious felony or misdemeanor charge that could reduce your days of freedom to drive or walk in the outside world.

Make sure to be wary of pedestrians because sometimes they are too young to be on the lookout for you.

You are driving down the street in Burley, and you hit a sugar beet. The beet goes flying and hits an-

Beets me! Okay, another bad joke, but I could not resist.

The simple answer is that nobody would be at fault. There is no law, I could find that says loads from trucks must be secure. You hitting the beet would be a non-malicious act unless you knew that by hitting the beet it would cause it to break the vehicle window. If you are that good at driving, I think we could make some money perfecting that trick.

The victim would have no recourse against either the truck driver or you. That does not mean they can't try, civilly, to collect, but I would say that it would just be more money spent that could have been used to fix the window.

Officer Down

Please put this officer, killed in the line of duty, and his family in your prayers. God bless this hero.

• Officer Kevin Tonn, Galt Police, California

He fought the good fight, now may he rest in peace.

Have a question for Policemandan? Email your question(s) to police-mandan@yahoo.com or look for Ask Policemandan on Facebook and click the like button. Mail to: Box 147, Heyburn, Idaho 83336.

Jerome Students Make Quilts for Patients

JEROME • Students from Jerome Middle School presented St. Luke's Cancer Center with lap-size patchwork quilts for patients receiving treatment.

The students are enrolled in LEAP (Literacy Enrichment Academics Program), the after-school program offered through Jerome School District and Catholic Charities of Idaho.

Students, facilitated by Pam Basti, created the quilts during an eight-week session while learning the basics of operating a sewing machine. The program, funded through a grant written by Catholic Charities of Idaho, is in its fifth year.

LEAP provides enrolled students with an hour of ac-

Quilt Makers

The following Jerome students created and presented quilts to St. Luke's Cancer Center:

Andrew Batchelor
Faith Hawthorne
Dominique Popplewell
Isabel Karr Romero
Sonya Cornejo
Alondra Martinez
Giselle Del Real
Harlie Allen

ademic intervention and an hour of enrichment time. Enrolled students' academic achievement increases as well as their knowledge of life skills and what it means to become members of the



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Students presents their quilts.

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LEAP offers services to

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ZIONS HOLDS VIDEO CONTEST FOR STUDENTS

TWIN FALLS • A video contest from Zions Bank is giving aspiring filmmakers the opportunity to win up to \$1,000, with a matching prize for their school.

Idaho and Utah students ages 13-18 are invited to submit an original 60-second video on the subject "Financialize by 18" that promotes making good financial choices. Contest

details and official rules are available at www.zions-bank.com/financializecontest.

Entries are due by March 3. Finalist entries will be selected in mid-March, and winners will be elected online by popular vote. First-, second- and third-place winners will receive cash prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250, respectively.

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BRIDGE

BJ Duplicate Bridge Club

The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club in Rupert results of play for Jan 22:

1. Leo Moore and Dee Keicher, 2. Riley Burton and Bobette Plankey, 3. Marian Snow and Lila Buman, 4. Shirley Tschannen and Duane Schneberger, 5. Bill Goodman and Dot Creason. Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks. For partners and more information: Steve Sams, 878 7691 or Vera Mai, 436 4163.

Lois Rohay to Celebrate Her 90th Birthday

TWIN FALLS •

An open house to celebrate the 90th birthday of Lois Rohay will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27, at the home of Bud and Maureen Williams, 3258 E. Canyon Place in Twin Falls. No gifts, please.



GOODING BASQUE ASSOCIATION TO HOLD FUNDRAISING DINNER

GOODING • The Gooding Basque Association will hold its First Friday fundraiser dinner from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the Basque Cultural Center at the corner of Highway 26 and 46 in Gooding.

The menu includes grilled lamb chops, meatballs, Basque rice, green beans, shepherd's bread, soup, green salad with homemade dressing and desserts. Beverages available are soda,

coffee, tea and a no-host bar. Suggested donations are \$15 for adults, \$13 for senior citizens and \$6 for children. The public is invited. Information: Julie Cortabitarte Gough at 308-5051.

Burley Couple to Celebrate 73rd Anniversary at Warren House

BURLEY • An open house for Keith and Margaret Merrill to celebrate their 73rd wedding anniversary and moving into the Warren House will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26 at the Warren House, 1301 Bennett St. in Burley. The

public is invite for cake and punch. The Merrills request no gifts but for everyone to come share laughter and tender moments.

Warren House, a senior living community by Assisted Living Concepts Inc., promotes independence and indi-

viduality, while offering seniors an opportunity to receive extra assistance in their daily living.

For more information about the event or to schedule a tour of the Warren House, call Cindy at 208-598-2954 or email CWest@alcco.com.

Kimberly PTSO Plans Chili Supper

KIMBERLY • Join us for a night of food, fun and prizes! The Kimberly PTSO will hold a Chili Supper from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, during the Kimberly Bulldog boy's basketball game against Jerome at the Kimberly High School.

The menu includes chili, baked potatoes with toppings, cinnamon rolls and juice. A Kimberly Elementary School raffle will be held during this time. Dozens of prizes will be awarded, including a grand prize — a Samsung 50-inch

LED HDTV.

Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 for a family; children 4 and under eat free. Raffle tickets are 50 cents and can be purchased from an elementary student or at the event. Proceeds will benefit Kimberly schools.

Wool Is Hot at Huge Utah Outdoor Gear Trade Show

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) • Wool instead of synthetic fleece, carbon skis and a spoon-shaped sleeping bag are among the hottest products at the world's largest expo for outdoor equipment and apparel, where vendors are vying for a share of the \$289 billion Americans spend every year on outdoor gear, travel and services.

The Outdoor Retailer Winter Market show that runs through Saturday is a merchandise bazaar for a lifestyle of outdoor adventure. Bringing together 1,000 of the world's manufacturers and distributors, it is a showcase for the latest gear and fashions before they hit the mainstream.

One hardware company, Salt Lake City-based Black Diamond, put models on stage late Thursday for its inaugural 24-piece line of jackets and stretch-woven pants. It plans to jump into wool a year from now.

Wool was rubbed out by fleece decades ago, but many exhibitors said it's back without the itch, still warm and quick to dry and it doesn't hold body odors, a big drawback of fleece.

"Natural fibers is where it's at," said Matt Skousen, of

Everest Designs. "It's the real deal. Wool has had millions of years to figure itself out."

Skousen founded Everest Designs with his Nepalese wife, Choti Sherpa. They hire workers in Nepal to stitch beanies from New Zealand wool, run the company out of Missoula, Mont., and were hoping for a sales boost at a trade show also crowded with Merino wool sweaters, undergarments and socks.

Shoppers aren't allowed inside the expo and no cash sales are conducted. Instead, the four-day show brings together retailers making orders for next year's inventory. Suppliers range from industry giants like Patagonia and Mountain Hardwear to perhaps the smallest player, a former Army Ranger hawk-ing "Combat FlipFlops" from his duffel bag.

Matthew Griffin, who calls himself a micro-manufacturer, didn't have a booth of his own.

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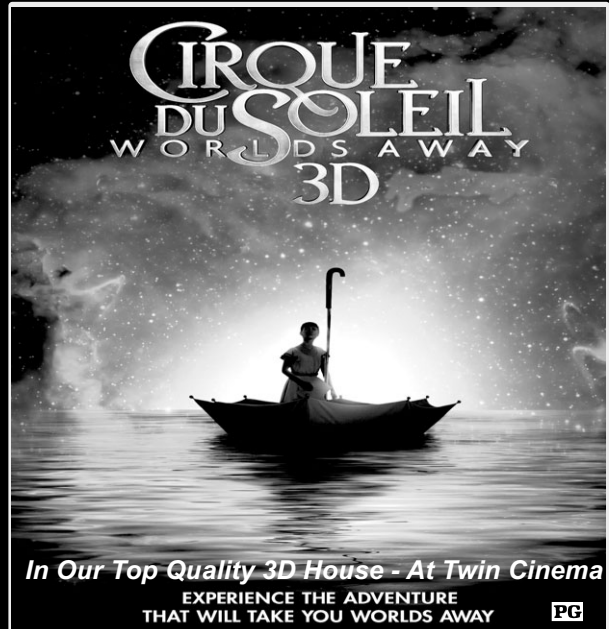
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Sat 1:05 3:05 5:05 7:05 9:05
Sun 1:05 3:05 5:05 7:05 Mon to Thurs 5:05 7:05
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PARENTAL GUIDANCE (PG) (12:30)
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THE HOBBIT: An Unexpected Journey (PG13) (12:30, 4:00) 7:30
LINCOLN (PG13) (12:20, 3:35) 6:45, 9:55

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Light snow. High 32.

Tonight: Flurries. Low 19.

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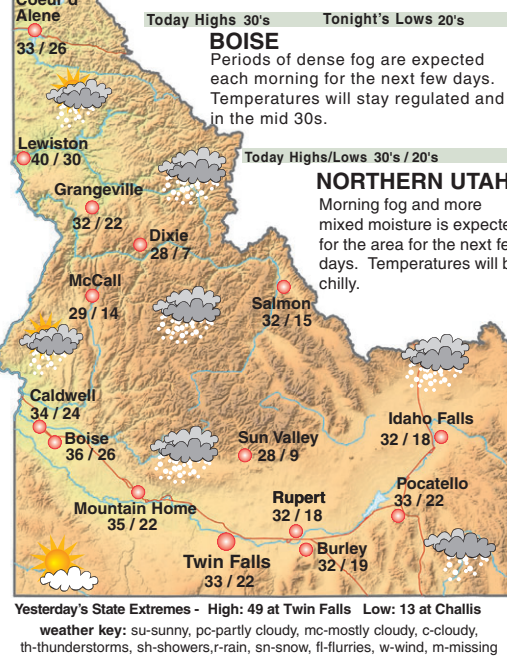
Temperature

Yesterday's High	45°	Yesterday's	0.01"
Yesterday's Low	35°	Month to Date	0.13"
Normal High / Low	37° / 19°	Avg. Month to Date	0.80"
Record High	56° in 2003	Water Year to Date	3.73"
Record Low	-19° in 1949	Avg. Water Year to Date	3.58"

Precipitation

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Light snowfall with very little accumulation is expected over the next few days. Temperatures will stay in the 20s.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
High 33°	Low 22°	29° / 22°	30° / 23°	34° / 24°	35° / 22°

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature

Yesterday's High	49°	Yesterday's	0.01"	Yesterday's High	85%
Yesterday's Low	38°	Month to Date	0.07"	Yesterday's Low	66%
Normal High / Low	38° / 21°	Avg. Month to Date	0.96"	Today's Forecast Avg.	82%
Record High	52° in 1998	Water Year to Date	3.25"		
Record Low	-2° in 1985	Avg. Water Year to Date	4.27"	A water year runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30	

Precipitation

Humidity

Barometric Pressure

Sunrise and Sunset

Moon Phases



Moonrise and Moonset

Today	Moonrise	Moonset
Monday	6:46 PM	7:50 PM
Tuesday	8:54 PM	8:49 AM

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	33 24	32 26	32 26
Bonniers Ferry	32 19	31 18	28 18
Burley	32 14	31 13	28 11
Challis	32 14	31 13	28 11
Coeur d'Alene	33 26	32 27	31 27
Elko, NV	32 14	26 17	26 17
Eugene, OR	43 35	44 39	44 39
Gooding	33 22	32 27	30 20
Grace	33 15	32 25	32 6
Hagerman	37 25	34 22	34 22
Hailey	31 12	26 9	26 9
Idaho Falls	32 18	25 12	22 12
Kalispell, MT	35 22	30 20	27 20
Jerome	31 21	27 19	28 19
Lewiston	40 30	39 32	39 32
Malad City	32 16	26 10	23 10
Malta	32 19	28 16	26 16
McCall	29 14	24 12	25 12
Missoula, MT	36 24	31 20	32 20
Pocatello	33 22	32 27	27 17
Portland, OR	44 37	46 38	44 38
Rupert	32 18	30 15	28 15
Rexburg	31 16	24 10	19 10
Richland, WA	43 30	40 32	42 32
Rogerson	26 13	20 14	25 14
Salmon	32 15	28 14	32 14
Salt Lake City, UT	37 27	32 19	29 19
Spokane, WA	33 25	32 26	32 26
Stanley	30 5	26 5	30 5
Sun Valley	28 9	24 5	26 5
Yellowstone, MT	25 7	14 1	15 1

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	55 40	62 47
Baltimore	33 25	37 37
Boston	26 17	32 30
Birmingham	61 50	64 53
Charlotte, NC	59 47	64 57
Charleston, WV	45 35	53 46
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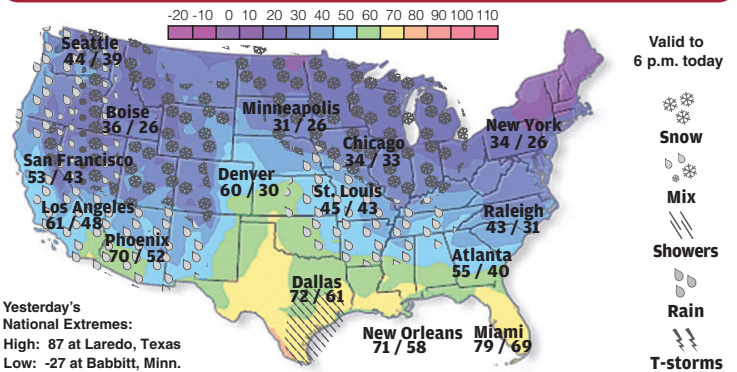
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Beijing	28 15	34 18
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Cairo	67 41	68 48
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Geneva	35 17	35 19
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Mexico City	69 43	70 44
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Nairobi	78 54	80 53
Oslo	33 30	34 29
Paris	43 33	44 42
Prague	31 27	34 29
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China Tracks Errol Flynn to Tasmania in Quest for Wind

Bloomberg News

SYDNEY • The Roaring Forties gales off Tasmania, where Hollywood swashbuckler Errol Flynn was first smitten with sailing, are luring Chinese investors with a different passion — harnessing wind to generate electricity.

Shenhua Group Corp., China's biggest coal producer, has taken stakes in three wind-power projects on the Australian island through state-owned renewable energy unit Guohua Energy Investment Co. It's also a potential investor in a proposed A\$2 billion (\$2.1 billion) Tasmanian wind farm, which would be the biggest in the southern hemisphere.

"Australia is becoming a preferred destination," said Helen Zhi, a business development director at KPMG in Sydney who visited about 20 Chinese renewable energy companies in October. "Only one put America as the number one prioritized market. All the others, particularly among wind players, put Australia as No. 1."

Besides the wind, China is attracted by Australia's A\$10 billion Clean Energy Finance Corp., which starts making loans in July. The Australian Renewable Energy Agency has another A\$2.2 billion in government funds to support clean energy. Those funds are backed by government policy and targets.

"Australia is attractive to a number of international companies given the investment quality of the environment,"

said Roy Adair, the chief executive officer of Hydro Tasmania, the state-owned energy company studying the proposal to build the 600-megawatt TasWind farm. Another plus is Australia's renewable energy target legislation, which shows a determination to change the country's carbon intensity and energy mix by 2020, he said in a phone interview yesterday.

The site of the TasWind project is King Island in the Bass Strait between Tasmania and Melbourne in southeast Australia, where the westerly winds in the days of sail drove at least 60 ships onto rocks to claim 800 lives before the first lighthouse was built in 1883. Flynn, a leading man in Hollywood's Golden Years of the 1940s who died in 1959, was born in Tasmania and said in a memoir he developed a life-long love of the sea and sailing when growing up on the island.

TasWind generators would sit in the path of the Roaring Forties, the high winds found in areas between 40 degrees and 50 degrees latitude in the southern hemisphere.

The wind farm, using 200 3-megawatt turbines each needing a quarter acre of space, would be the largest infrastructure project in Tasmania's history, providing hundreds of millions of dollars a year in revenue, Premier Lara Giddings said.

Hydro Tasmania said it will consider a partnership with Guohua Energy to help fund the project. The wind farm

would produce enough power to supply about 240,000 homes, the company said.

"We will be putting together, we believe, a quality equity ownership group," Adair said.

Hydro Tasmania needs to win community support for the TasWind plan before talking with potential partners and making any funding decisions, he said.

When contacted by telephone, Guohua Energy's office in Beijing requested questions on their investment plans be put in writing. Two emails containing the questions didn't receive a reply. Three telephone calls to China Shenhua Energy Co.'s spokesman, Huang Qing, weren't answered.

The IRA Factory

I am walking through the parking lot to the grocery store and a car pulls up. The driver, a friend, asks me if I can give him directions to the IRA factory. I laugh at his attempt at humor. My friend was alluding to a conversation we had held earlier. I had told him then, that I often encounter basic misconceptions related to tax qualified plans.



Terry R. Downs*

I have received earnest questions that indicate a general misunderstanding of IRAs and other tax qualified plans. The question will be something like "Are IRA's a good investment these days?" The question mistakenly confuses the tax deferral properties of an IRA with the investment properties of the underlying asset. In response to questions like these, I have developed an approach to cut through the fog of "Financial Speak." The first step in utilizing tax qualified accounts is to understand their basic function. Getting a handle on this, can help savers build a larger nest egg. Some have found the following illustration humorous. I offer it in hopes it will help improve the understanding of qualified plans and the financial statements that report their results. I draw a picnic table with several wrapped gifts on it. I then draw a cloudy sky with rain drops. To complete this masterpiece of stick figures, I sketch in an umbrella protecting the packages from rain and spoilage. The next part of the conversation usually revolves around the client poking fun at my artwork. I tell them the gift packages represent wealth accumulation. The package could be a mutual fund, a certificate of deposit (CD), an annuity, or other financial instrument. The rain represents the spoilage of taxation on the individual's savings vehicle. The tax spoilage is reduced with the umbrella. The umbrella illustrates the function of a tax qualified plan. It could be an IRA, a 401(k), 403(b), or other qualified plan.

If an account statement is handy, I point to the account's designation. With pencil in hand, I circle Roth IRA. This is the type of qualified plan as illustrated by the umbrella. I then refer to the portion of the statement that describes the investment vehicle. I point to Neighborhood Bank CD. I circle it and note that this is the type of investment product. It is illustrated by the gift box. The type of qualified plan and the description of the investment appear on the same statement. But they are separate elements reported on the same document. The statement shows both the type of tax qualified account, in this case a Roth IRA. It also describes the asset, in this case a CD.

There are limitations to using a cartoon to convey financial concepts. Please consult with your financial or tax professional when making use of tax qualified plans. A financial professional or the institution he represents should gladly explain your statement to you. Unlike my friend, I am sure you know we do not have an IRA Factory in our community.

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CSI BASKETBALL

CSI Women Run Away from Snow

BY NICK RULAND
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TWIN FALLS • Prior to Saturday's game against Snow College, College of Southern Idaho women's basketball coach Randy Rogers said his team would look to wear down the starter-reliant Badgers in the second half.

After trailing by as many as nine in the first half, the Golden Eagles scored two

quick baskets to start the second — it was quickly apparent Rogers knew exactly what he was talking about.

CSI outscored the Badgers by 14 points in the second-half, rolling to a 66-54 victory.

"We realized we were playing super flat in the first half, and if we didn't turn it up then, we never would," said CSI forward Sarah Viehweg.

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ED GLAZAR • FOR THE TIMES-NEWS
College of Southern Idaho forward Juwan Newman dunks the ball Saturday against Snow College at the College of Southern Idaho.

CSI Men Bounce Back, Thump Snow

BY NICK RULAND
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TWIN FALLS • Missed free throws and a lack of rebounding were the primary causes of the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team's loss to Salt Lake Community College on Thursday.

They were corrected — mostly — Saturday, as CSI bounced back with a 75-61 win over Snow College, out-rebounding the Badgers 41-38 (though they allowed 21 offensive rebounds) and shooting 22 of 26 from the free-throw line.

"If you don't make your free throws, it ends up (essentially) being a turnover,"

head coach Steve Gosar said.

"We were guarding and doing the right things on one side of the ball. The offense will come along!"

The Golden Eagles won in a typical Scenic West Athletic Conference grind-fest, as both teams, through physical play and strong rotations and ball defense, made it very difficult to score through the game's first 30 minutes.

While it wasn't pretty much of the way, CSI got a little bit of everything Saturday night.

Shooting guard Jaysean Paige continued his hot shooting, knocking down eight of 19 shots and three 3-pointers, while James Reid,

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McGinnis, Mejia Win Titles



RYAN HOWE/TIMES-NEWS
Stephen Mejia of Buhl won the 160-pound championship of the Red Halverson Wrestling Invitational Saturday at Minico High School in Rupert.

BY RYAN HOWE
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RUPERT • Add a Red Halverson title to the impressive haul of Gooding's Cole McGinnis.

The Senator junior breezed through the 285-pound weight class at this weekend's **RED HALVERSON WRESTLING INVITATIONAL** wrestling invitational held at Minico High School and received the Most Outstanding Wrestler award for the upper weights.

"It's pretty cool since this is the first year our school has come to this, to come in and get first the first time," McGinnis said.

If you blinked, you missed McGinnis' matches. He never broke a sweat. On Friday he pinned his first-round opponent in seven seconds and his quarterfinal in 18 seconds. On Saturday, his championship bout with Highland's Hunter Diehl lasted only 16 seconds.

McGinnis' longest match of the tournament was in the semifinals against J.C. English, the No. 1-ranked heavyweight in Class 4A. It went 1:55.

"I held him in a cradle for longer than I should have and didn't get him flattened out faster," said McGinnis, who is now 29-3 on the season and still hasn't been beaten by an Idaho wrestler.

Buhl's Stephen Mejia won the 160-pound championship by a 5-1 decision over Levi Reynolds of Centennial.

"I wrestled him last year and he just tried to throw me the whole time, so this time I knew to stay in good position," said Mejia, who improved on his runner-up finish at this tournament a year ago.

Mejia remains undefeated, 23-0, but keeping an unblemished record isn't his priority.

"Just because you lose doesn't mean you're a bad wrestler, it just means you got out-worked. If I lose, I'll come back from it. I'm not worried about losing," Mejia said.

Mejia and McGinnis were among five area wrestlers to reach the finals, along with Isaiah Alvarado of Minico,

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Premature to Assign Blame for Canyon Ridge's Athletic Woes

As frequent readers of the *Times-News* sports section might already be aware, I carry the unique perspective of experiencing first-hand a high school district split.

After my sophomore year of high school in Arizona, a new school opened up. I went there wanting the new shiny school as opposed to the older one. So did about 1,600 other kids. Within



David Bashore
Sports Editor

not athletically.

As Canyon Ridge High School shows, at least in sports, it doesn't always work that way.

It's no secret that the Riverhawks have struggled, particularly in the team sports — they have one individual one state champion, no state tournament appearances in true team sports (not counting golf), and they haven't been con-

sistently competitive in the team sports outside of softball. Lately, one look at our opinion section or the comments forum on our website makes clear that frustration is boiling over.

In the situation in west Twin Falls, there is no easy or quick solution. The best potential remedy is one often neglected in the age of instant gratification: time.

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Cowboy Up



CSI Rodeo alumni Kyle Woody, right, fights Sebastian Sanchez from Nevada during the 36th annual CSI Cowboy and Cowgirl Boxing Smoker Saturday night at the Eldon Evans Expo Center in Twin Falls. Woody won the bout.

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Men

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who missed all seven behind the line Thursday, made two Saturday.

Kennedy Esume, complimented by Gosar afterward for his soft touch, finally started converting on post moves, a few short right-handed hooks that were released at rim-level, with no chance of being contested.

“For him to be where he is with such little experience is something else,” Gosar said.

Esume, who’s been starting over Billy Reader the last few games, finished with three made baskets and six rebounds. Juwan Newman snared six of his teammates’ misses, totaling another double-double, his fourth in his last five games — the one game he was held without a double-double, he finished with eight rebounds and 18 points.

“Newman is playing extremely well for us and his lateral quickness is a key to our defense,” Gosar said.

But CSI’s defense always starts with its point guards.

Saturday, Gosar started Sebastien Michineau at the one and brought Kareem Storey and Montigo Alford off the bench, in part in an effort to reduce Alford’s minutes and to have him share the floor with Storey. It worked. The point guard trio combined for 27 points, including Storey’s 10 free throws.

Storey, nominated as player of the game by Gosar for his defense, helped keep flu-ridden guard Nick Gruninger, Snow’s best player, in-check, as he was held to just four of 10 shooting. Gruninger had 16 points and eight assists in the Badgers’ win over CSI earlier in the year.

“Defensively is what is winning us games right now,” Storey said. “Our shots weren’t falling offensively, but our resiliency was a lot better. We kept our heads up and got a big win.”

Twenty-three of CSI’s 49 second-half points, including break-away dunks by Alford and Paige, came in the game’s final seven minutes.

With the win, CSI moved its record to 4-5 in conference, still well behind SLCC (7-1) and North Idaho College (8-1).

CSI 75, SNOW 61
SNOW (6)
Gruninger 4-10 5-5 13, Sane 3-6 3-4 9, Van Brocklin 2-16 3-4 8, Smith 3-4 13 9, Taylor 0-0 3-4 3, Hilaire 2-8 0-0 5, Baltrune 0-0 13 9, Hughes 0-2 0-0 0, Simonsen 1-6 0-0 3, Pello 1-5 2-2 4, Mears 1-1 0-0 2, Bird 0-0 4-4 4. Totals: 17-58 22-28 61.

CSI (79)
Michineau 2-4 0-4 8, Alford 3-9 1-1 7, Reid 2-8 4-4 10, Ritchie 3-6 0-0 7, Reader 4-7 4-8 13, Paige 8-19 3-22, Johnson 4-9 2-4 13, Esume 3-6 0-0 6, Ritchie 2-8 1-4 5, Newman 6-10 0-0 12, Storey 0-0 10-12 10. Totals 24-59 22-26 75.
Halftime: CSI 26, Snow 21. 3-point goals: Snow 5-22 (Gruninger 0-1, Van Brocklin 1-6, Smith 2-2, Hilaire 1-4, Hughes 0-1, Simonsen 1-6, Pello 0-2), CSI 5-16 (Alford 2-2, Reid 2-2, Paige 3-8, Storey 0-1). Rebounds: Snow 38 (Kaufman 12), CSI 41 (Newman 13). Assists: Snow 6 (Kaufman 3), CSI 12 (Reid 3). Turnovers: Snow 20, CSI 17. Team fouls: Snow 24, CSI 23.

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It’s way too early to debate who is responsible for any athletic struggles at Canyon Ridge. The facts of the matter make that much clear. What’s also clear is that winning covers a multitude of issues, and it’s the quickest solution to any perceived problems. When the wins aren’t there, the proverbial knives are sure to come out in short order — any reasonable coach understands that.

In the last few years before Canyon Ridge came to be, the overwhelming majority of athletes that ended up on varsity teams at Twin Falls High School spent their junior high days at Vera C. O’Leary (now the Twin Falls feeder), with maybe a handful coming from Robert Stuart (the Canyon Ridge feeder).

Most coaches, even at the college and professional levels, have a three-to five-year plan. The coach’s job is to develop talent, keep kids out of trouble and build the program into one that wins year after year. In order to do that at Canyon Ridge, it’s going to take

building all the way down at the lowest levels of competition at Robert Stuart. With the way programs are built from the middle school up, the first time any given coach is going to have someone truly come all the way through their program is around six years from when they are hired.

Since Canyon Ridge will ultimately be measured by its competition with Twin Falls (rightly or wrongly), one look at the coaches from the respective schools tells us all we need to know.

Of Canyon Ridge’s team sport coaches (baseball, softball, basketball, volleyball and football); only two — softball coach Lyle Hudelson and girls soccer coach Christa Tackett — were original hires when the school opened (this is school year No. 4). The football program alone is already on its third head coach. At Twin Falls, you have just two — incoming softball coach Jessica Pistole and whoever replaces boys soccer coach Ben Harman, who resigned this month — who don’t have at least four seasons under their belt at Twin Falls.

That’s not to say that the coaching equivalent of a revolving door is the problem in and of itself. Some of

the transitions were by design, some were unexpected.

The bottom line is coaches should start to be judged after three or four seasons, unless circumstances require a quicker trigger. Athletic directors can’t be fairly judged on their hiring policies until they’ve made several hires that can be fairly judged — again, that’s several seasons. Even then, the ADs can be overruled by the principal, superintendent or school board, in some cases; hiring is only one facet of the job.

Not every school hits the “immediate success” jackpot like Raft River did in hiring Brian Poole to run the football and boys basketball programs. Both were poor last season, but in his first season the football team finished third in the state and the basketball squad, winless last season, sits at 10-6.

Not every school even makes as shrewd a hire as Gooding did with football coach Cameron Andersen, either. Tabbing Andersen initially raised some eyebrows — including mine — as Hansen’s standing in the 8-man Snake River Conference hadn’t improved much under his leadership.

Four years later, the Senators are conference champions and state trophy recipients for the first time in 26 years.

Canyon Ridge, by and large, has good coaches leading its respective programs. When they have kids that have played six, seven years in their programs, there will be more hits than misses. In some cases, all it may take is the same thing it took with the Wendell girls basketball team, which won seven games this regular season after losing every game the previous two — namely, a few good things happen and the kids start believing they can win.

This isn’t a column excusing the struggles of an athletic program in Year 4. The “new school” excuse is pretty much gone. There are some setups I’m less sure about in the athletic department than others. But to begin assigning blame for the entire program’s problems, when there isn’t a large enough sample size time-wise to see the complete state of the program, is dangerously short-sighted.

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Halverson

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and Stirland Zollinger and Jason Gillette of Declo.

Alvarado went into the tournament ranked sixth in 4A at 132 pounds. He upset No. 3-ranked Tate Hansen of Blackfoot in the semifinals by a 3-2 decision, but lost to No. 1-ranked Jake Lords in the championship, 6-1.

Zollinger, a former state champ and currently ranked third in 2A, battled through a talent-heavy 138-pound bracket. In the semifinals he earned a 4-2 decision over Kuna’s Tyler Jaramillo, a state runner-up in 4A last season. But in the finals Zollinger ran into undefeated returning 5A state champ Hayden Tuma of Centennial and was pinned in the first round.

Gillette, who cut weight from 182 pounds to 170, won a 4-2 decision against Nampa’s Chris Alvarez. But the Declo grappler lost a 9-4 decision in the finals to Lane Chadwick of Mountain View.

In the team scoring, Kuna scored 258 points and unseated two-time defending Red Halverson champ Centennial, which finished runner-up with 245.5 points. Declo was the top local team, finishing seventh.

The Most Outstanding Wrestler award for the lower weights went to

Nampa 120-pounder Mikel Perales, who pinned his way through to his second consecutive Red Halverson title.

2013 RED HALVERSON WRESTLING INVITATIONAL Saturday’s results Final team standings
1. Kuna 258, 2. Centennial 245.5, 3. Bonneville 150.5, 4. Mountain View 144.5, 5. Nampa 143, 6. Caldwell 125.5, 7. Blackfoot, Declo 113, 9. Snake River 108.5, 10. Pocatello 94, 11. Borah 80, 12. Highland 74, 13. Minico 65, 14. Gooding 63, 15. Twin Falls 48, 16. Rigby 42, 17. Buhl 36, 18. Jerome 33, 19. Mountain Home 29, 20. Burley 23, 21. Canyon Ridge 12, 22. Kimberly 10.
Individual results (top 6 placers)
98 pounds: 1. Treyton Nilsson, Snake River; 2. Shea Randall, Borah; 3. Bryce Fogleman, Nampa; 4. Trent Johnson, Centennial; 5. Kade Smith, Pocatello; 6. Jacob Lucas, Mountain Home.
106: 1. Robert Gomez, Caldwell; 2. Jacob Petersen, Kuna; 3. Jake Frost, Snake River; 4. Chance Hudson, Mountain View; 5. Luke Kirby, Pocatello; 6. Blake Gilchrist, Minico.
113: 1. Casey Cobb, Kuna; 2. Skyler Valentine, Snake River; 3. Tony Gonzalez, Caldwell; 4. Kohl Bingham, Blackfoot; 5. Justin Holman, Bonneville; 6. Anthony Baca, Pocatello.
120: 1. Mikel Perales, Nampa; 2. Andre Aguinaga, Pocatello; 3. Zack Velez, Kuna; 4. Taggart Anderson, Rigby; 5. Alanwzo Manzanares, Caldwell; 6. Wyatt Bingham, Minico.
126: 1. Michael Cook, Kuna; 2. Riley Connolly, Mountain View; 3. Matthew Park, Centennial; 4. Bubba Gomez, Nampa; 5. Donivan Banks, Bonneville; 6. Jose Villa, Caldwell.
132: 1. Jake Lords, Kuna; 2. Isaiah Alvarado, Minico; 3. Hunter Temple, Mountain View; 4. Isaac Laris, Twin Falls; 5. Tate Hansen, Blackfoot; 6. Chase Lemons, Bonneville.
138: 1. Hayden Tuma, Centennial; 2. Stirland Zollinger, Declo; 3. Demetrius Romero, Mountain View; 4. Tyler Jaramillo, Kuna; 5. Trent Diederich, Jerome; 6. Austin Cook, Highland.
145: 1. Jon Jay Chavez, Centennial; 2. Kurtis Loftis, Kuna; 3. Tucker Leavitt, Blackfoot; 4. Brooks Ney, Caldwell; 5. Josh Phillips, Declo; 6. Branton Jensen, Pocatello.
152: 1. Kris McFarlane, Centennial; 2. Ruben Pulido, Blackfoot; 3. Jacom Stacey, Bonneville; 4. Torin Brunson, Gooding; 5. Garrett Christensen, Highland; 6. Cutler Howell, Snake River.
160: 1. Stephan Mejia, Buhl; 2. Levi Reynolds, Centennial; 3. Nick Lacombe, Mountain View; 4. Jared Bird, Bonneville; 5. Wyt Bedke, Minico; 6. Brayden Shell, Kuna.
170: 1. Lane Chadwick, Mountain View; 2. Jason Gillette, Declo; 3. Chris Alvarez, Nampa; 4. Daniel Quroz, Bonneville; 5. Talon Derrick, Centennial; 6. Carsten Chidester, Rigby.
182: 1. Eric Thrift, Borah; 2. Jordan Nolan, Kuna; 3. Jake Dewey, Centennial; 4. Chance Connell, Twin Falls; 5. Alex Thacker, Mountain View; 6. Morgan Smith, Snake River.
195: 1. Logan Blackwood, Centennial; 2. Jordan Velma, Bonneville; 3. Juan Labra, Burley; 4. Colton Kesling, Kuna; 5. Jon Gomez, Nampa; 6. Landon Hatch, Twin Falls.
220: 1. Gabe Escobedo, Caldwell; 2. Jon Fisher, Centennial; 3. Kage Osterhout, Declo; 4. Austin Silby, Kuna; 5. Eric Finley, Gooding; 6. Cory Leites, Nampa.
285: 1. Cole McGinnis, Gooding; 2. Hunter Diehl, Highland; 3. JC English, Kuna; 4. Jonathan Littlejohn, Blackfoot; 5. Carrick Smith, Bonneville; 6. Anthony DeStasio, Borah.



Women

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Playing a physical Badgers team that lived up to its mascot — Julia Dufurrena walked out of the gym with a large welt on her eye — the Golden Eagles had two big challenges.

One was controlling Snow inside the paint, the other slowing down point guard Amber Daly, who — along with off-guard Becca Reese — controlled most of the first half with their penetration.

In order to accomplish the first, the Golden Eagles called on Megan Tanner to start bothering skilled power forward Jordi Wilden in the post. Tanner answered by playing her best half of the year, according to Rogers.

“My dad texted me at halftime and said to just worry about rebounding, rebounding,” Tanner said. “That is what I did.”

Tanner grabbed four rebounds in the first 3 1/2 minutes of the second-half, hounding Wilden and keeping offensive possessions alive. But it was Adriana Dent and a new defensive strategy that changed the game’s complexion.

Dent turned the pressure up in the full-court, stealing Snow’s first two possessions, turning one of them into a Tanner layup. Once the Badgers got the ball into the half-court, CSI began trapping Daly’s pick and rolls, halting her penetration and forcing her teammates to make plays with the ball.

“They couldn’t handle the ball under pressure,” Viehweg said. “We decided we would trap them so they couldn’t run their plays and they fell apart.” And that’s when the Golden Eagles offense put it into gear.

“I feel like if our defense works then our offense works, it starts with our defense,” Viehweg said.

CSI scored 28 points over a 12 minute stretch of the second half, capitalizing on steals — the team had 15 — and eventually the shooting of Cassidy Skidmore and Patrice Toston, who combined to score 34 points on 12 of 22 shots. The two played a combined 51 minutes, while their backcourt opponents Rees and Daly combined for 66.

CSI’s offensive success was ultimately a byproduct of depth, as nine players made meaningful contributions.

“They weren’t as deep as us,” Rogers said. “We have kids coming off the bench that help us a lot.”

CSI 66, SNOW 54
SNOW (54)
Duncan 3-8 5-6 15, Wilden 2-6 0-0 4, Havili 1-5 0-0 2, Rees 2-9 0-0 4, Daly 7-9 4-4 18, Bowers 0-1 0-0 0, Webb 0-0 0-0 0, Larsen 3-6 0-0 6, Farrer 0-1 0-0 0, Hovey 1-3 0-0 2, banks 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 20-51 10-10 54.
CSI (66)
Dent 2-12 0-0 4, Toston 7-13 7-10 22, Tanner 2-3 2-2 6, Grinsell 0-2 0-0 0, Saint-Felix 2-10 2-2 11, Dufurrena 4-8 2-2 10, Roussas 0-0 0-0 0, Viehweg 2-7 1-1 5, Furniss 0-0 0-0 0, Wirth 0-0 1-2 1, Skidmore 5-9 0-0 12, Prestwich 2-4 0-0 4, Dill 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 24-73 15-16 66.
Halftime: Snow 33, CSI 31. 3-point goals: Snow 4-11 (Duncan 3-5, Rees 1-5, Farrer 0-1), CSI 3-20 (Dent 0-5, Skidmore 2-3, Dufurrena 0-2, Viehweg 1-1, Prestwich 2-3, Grinsell 0-1). Rebounds: Snow 37 (Duncan 5), CSI 44 (Saint-Felix 11). Assists: Snow 12 (Rees 4), CSI 12 (Dent 6). Turnovers: Snow 22, CSI 11. Team fouls: Snow 15, CSI 12.

College of Southern Idaho guard Cassidy Skidmore drives down court Saturday against Snow College’s Hailey Larsen at the College of Southern Idaho.

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LOCAL ROUNDUP

MINICO GIRLS CLIP JEROME IN OVERTIME

TIMES-NEWS

JEROME • Minico beat Jerome twice on Saturday.

Rebecca Child scored 11 points to lead three Spartan players in double figures as the Minico girls basketball team knocked Jerome off 44-41 in overtime. Then the Spartans won a coin toss for the No. 3 seed in the 4A District IV Tournament — Saturday’s win put Minico and Jerome tied for third in the final Great Basin Conference standings.

Hannah Bailey and Chloe Bradford both added 10 points for Minico (8-12, 5-5).

Kolbie Stauffer had 13 points and Jessica Praegitzer added 10 for Jerome (11-9, 5-5).

Both teams open district tournament play on Tuesday. Jerome hosts Canyon Ridge while Minico enters against Wood River.

MINICO 44, JEROME 41
MINICO (44)
Hawkes 3, Bailey 10, Noble 2, Bingham 2, Previtt 4, Child 11, Bradford 10, May 2, Totals 16 11-24 44.
JEROME (41)
Stauffer 13, Praegitzer 10, Green 5, Lott 9, Kelley 4, Totals 16 7-10 41.
3-point goals: Minico 1 (Bailey), Jerome 2 (Stauffer, Green). Total fouls: Minico 16, Jerome 21. Fouled out: Lott.

Boys basketball FILER 79, GOODING 31

FILER • Logan Beard hit five 3-pointers and scored a game-high 21 to lead Filer to the win.

Jed Oyler scored 15 and Austin Tews added 14 for the Wildcats, who won their seventh straight.

Zach Kast scored 11 to lead Gooding.

Austin Beard added seven assists for Filer (15-2, 4-0 SCIC), which can wrap up the SCIC title by winning at Buhl on Tuesday.

Gooding Filer GOODING (31)
Williams 5, Boeger 2, Cockerham 2, Kast 11, Kimmes 7, Arkoosh 4, Totals 13 4-5 31.
FILER (79)
L. Beard 21, Tews 14, A. Beard 7, Whitlock 2, Ja. Oyler 2, Foukal 4, Dey 3, Je. Oyler 15, Bailey 5, Ackerman 6, Totals 27 14-16 79.
3-point goals: Gooding 1 (Kimmes), Filer 10 (L. Beard 5, Tews 3, A. Beard, Je. Oyler). Total fouls: Gooding 20, Filer 10. Fouled out: Williams, Arkoosh.

VALLEY 52, RAFT RIVER 41 MALTA • Justin Johnson scored 23 to help Valley bounce back from its first two losses of the season.

Cole Lickley added 11 for the Vikings (14-2).

Ethan Hansen scored nine for Raft River (10-6), which is at Oakley on Tuesday.

Valley Raft River VALLEY (52)
Johnson 23, Lickley 11, Reed 4, Nelson 8, Waters 1, Carlquist 4, Elorrieta 1. Totals 20 11-21 52.

RAFT RIVER (41)
Teeter 2, Zollinger 5, Steed 4, Warr 3, Hansen 9, Maldonado 4, Holtman 6, Spencer 4, Hurst 4, Totals 18 4-8 41.
3-point goals: Valley 1 (Reed), Raft River 1 (Warr). Total fouls: Valley 12, Raft River 19. Fouled out: none.

CSI SOFTBALL CANCELED; BASEBALL LATE

HENDERSON, Nev. • The College of Southern Idaho softball games scheduled for Saturday were canceled due to rain. The baseball team was scheduled to play Arizona Western later Saturday but the result was not available at press time.

The baseball team plays today against Glendale (Ariz.).

Friday’s Late Scores Baseball

YAVAPAI (ARIZ.) 13, CSI 5
Yavapai 011 010 028-13 131
CSI 012 110 000-5 8 4
LEADING HITTERS - Yavapai: Leal 3-6 (3B, 4 RBI); Howard 3-5 (3 2B, RBI); Maier 2-4 (RBI) Wright 2-5 (RBI)
PITCHERS - Yavapai: Southard 2 IP, 4 H, 3 R, 3 ER, 4 BB, 2 K; Kamoku 2 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 1 BB, 3 K; McAllister (W) 5 IP, 2 H, 1 R, 1 ER, 2 BB, 6 K; CSI: Holdren 5 IP, 3 H, 3 R, 2 ER, 4 BB, 6 K; Brost 2.2 IP, 3 H, 2 R, 2 ER, 2 BB, 2 K; Kukuk (L, 0-1) 0.2 IP, 5 H, 6 R, 4 ER, 1 BB, 1 K; Daviddan 0.2 IP, 2 H, 2 R, 0 ER, 1 BB, 0 K.

Bowling Girls MINICO 11, GOODING 2

High bowler: Mittlesteadt (M) 171.

BURLEY 13, GOODING 0

High bowler: Hieb (B) 192.

District IV Girls Basketball Tournaments

Class 4A (2 state berths)

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Game 1: Canyon Ridge (3-17) at Jerome (11-9), 7 p.m.
Game 2: Wood River (3-15) at Minico (8-12), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 31

Game 3: Winner 1 at Burley (16-4), 7 p.m.
Game 4: Winner 2 at Twin Falls (14-6), 7 p.m.
Game 5: Loser 2 vs. Loser 1, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 2

Times TBA
Game 6: Winner 5 at Loser 3-4 (lower seed)
Game 7: Winner 4 at Winner 3 (winner to state)
Monday, Feb. 4
Game 8: Winner 6 at Loser 3-4 (higher seed), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 9

Game 9: Winner 8 at Loser 7, 7 p.m. (winner to state)

Thursday, Feb. 11

Championship game, at Winner 7, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 13

Second championship, if necessary, TBA

Class 3A (1.5 state berths)

Monday, Jan. 28

Game 1: Buhl (4-16) at Filer (16-4), 7 p.m.
Game 2: Gooding (9-11) at Kimberly (9-9), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 30

At CSI

Game 3: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 6:30 p.m.

Game 4: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 8 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 4

Game 4: Winner 3 at Loser 4, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 5

At CSI

Championship game, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 6

Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m. (winner to state)

Saturday, Feb. 9

At McCall-Donnelly HS

District IV No. 2 vs. District I No. 2, 3 p.m. (winner to state)

2A (1.25 state berths)

Saturday, Jan. 26

Game 1: Oakley (5-13) at Valley (11-9), late

Game 2: Wendell (7-12) at Declo (8-10), late

Wednesday, Jan. 30

At Valley

Game 3: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 6 p.m.

Game 4: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 1

Game 5: Winner 3 at Loser 4, 7 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 4

Championship game, at Winner 4, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 5

Second championship, if necessary, 7 p.m. (winner to state)

Thursday, Feb. 7

District IV No. 2 at District V No. 2, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 9

At Highland HS, Pocatello

Thursday winner vs. District VI No. 2, 1 p.m.

(winner to state)

1A-I (2.5 state berths)

Monday, Jan. 28

Game 1: Hansen (6-14) at Butte County (18-1), 6 p.m.

Game 2: Hagerman (15-5) at Grace (11-7), 6 p.m.

Game 3: Shoshone (8-12) at Challis (13-6), 6 p.m.

Game 4: Raft River (7-11) at Glenns Ferry (13-7), 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Game 5: Loser 1 vs. Loser 2, 6 p.m.

Game 6: Loser 3 vs. Loser 4, 6 p.m.

Game 7: Winner 1 vs. Winner 2, 6 p.m.

Game 8: Winner 3 vs. Winner 4, 6 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 1

Game 9: Winner 5 vs. Loser 8, 6 p.m.

Game 10: Winner 6 vs. Loser 7, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 2

At Kimberly HS

Game 11: Winner 9 vs. Winner 10, 6 p.m.

Championship: Winner 7 vs. Winner 8,

Schools Must Provide Sports for Disabled, U.S. Says

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON • Students with disabilities must be given a fair shot to play on a traditional sports team or have their own leagues, the Education Department says.

Disabled students who want to play for their school could join traditional teams if officials can make “reasonable modifications” to accommodate them. If those adjustments would fundamentally alter a sport or give the student an advantage, the department is directing the school to create parallel athletic programs that have comparable standing to traditional programs.

“Sports can provide invaluable lessons in discipline, selflessness, passion and courage, and this guidance will help schools ensure that students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to benefit from the life lessons they can learn on the playing field or

on the court,” Education Secretary Arne Duncan said in a statement announcing the new guidance Friday.

The groundbreaking order is reminiscent of the Title IX expansion of athletic opportunities for girls and women four decades ago and could bring sweeping changes to school budgets and locker rooms for years to come.

Activists cheered the changes. “This is a landmark moment for students with disabilities. This will do for students with disabilities what Title IX did for women,” said Terri Lakowski, who for a decade led a coalition pushing for the changes. “This is a huge victory.”

It's not clear whether the new guidelines will spark a sudden uptick in sports participation. There was a big increase in female participation in sports after Title IX guidance instructed schools to treat female ath-

letics on par with male teams. That led many schools to cut some men's teams, arguing that it was necessary to be able to pay for women's teams.

Education Department officials emphasized they did not intend to change sports traditions dramatically or guarantee students with disabilities a spot on competitive teams. Instead, they insisted schools may not exclude students based on their disabilities if they can keep up with their classmates.

Federal laws, including the 1973 Rehabilitation Act and the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, require states to provide a free public education to all students and prohibit schools that receive federal money from discriminating against students with disabilities. Going further, the new directive from the Education Department's civil rights division explicitly tells schools and colleges that ac-

cess to interscholastic, intramural and intercollegiate athletics is a right.

The department suggests minor accommodations to incorporate students with disabilities onto sports teams. For instance, track and field officials could use a visual cue for a deaf runner to begin a race.

Some states already offer such programs. Maryland, for instance, passed a law in 2008 that required schools to create equal opportunities for students with disabilities to participate in physical education programs and play on traditional athletic teams. And Minnesota awards state titles for disabled student athletes in six sports.

Increasingly, those with disabilities are finding spots on their schools' teams.

“I heard about some of the other people who joined their track teams in other states. I wanted to try to do that,” said Casey Followay, 15, of Wooster,

Ohio, who competes on his high school track team in a racing wheelchair.

Current rules require Followay to race on his own, without competitors running alongside him. He said he hopes the Education Department guidance will change that and he can compete against runners.

“It's going to give me the chance to compete against kids at my level,” he said.

Some cautioned that progress would come in fits and starts initially. “Is it easy? No,” said Brad Hedrick, director of disability services at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and himself a hall-of-famer in the National Wheelchair Basketball Association. “In most places, you're beginning from an inertial moment. But it is feasible and possible that a meaningful and viable programming can be created.”

SCOREBOARD

Odds

NFL
Tonight
Pro Bowl
At Honolulu

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
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AFC +3 1 (81½) NFC

Feb. 3
Super Bowl
At New Orleans

San Francisco	5	3½ (47½)	Baltimore
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NCAA BASKETBALL

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
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at St. John's	3	Seton Hall
at Indiana	10½	Michigan St.
at Clemson	10½	Virginia Tech
at UMass	1	Richmond
at UConn	19	Rutgers
at Missouri St.	1	Drake
at Colorado	6½	2 Iowa
at Purdue	2	Creighton
at South Alabama	11½	at S. Illinois
at Michigan	7	FIU
at Miami	6	at Illinois
at Northeastern	9	Florida St.
at Stanford	2½	George Mason
at Loyola (Md.)	3	at Utah
at Marist	2	Iona
at UNC Greensboro	4	Siena
Fairfield	4½	Chattanooga
at Rider	6½	at St. Peter's
at Canisius	6½	Manhattan
	3	Niagara

NBA

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG
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Miami	4	at Boston
Oklahoma City	1	at L.A. Lakers
at Orlando	2½	Detroit
at Memphis	7½	New Orleans
at New York	6	Phoenix
at Dallas	6	Atlanta
at L.A. Clippers	7	Portland

NHL

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
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at Washington	-110	Buffalo	-110
Pittsburgh	-120	at Ottawa	-110
at Montreal	-110	New Jersey	-110
at Tampa Bay	-130	Philadelphia	+100
at St. Louis	-160	Minnesota	+140
at Chicago	-145	Detroit	+125
at Winnipeg	-145	N.Y. Islanders	+125
at San Jose	-135	Vancouver	+115

Basketball

NBA

At A Glance
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ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct	GB
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New York	26	15	.634	-
Brooklyn	26	18	.591	1½
Boston	20	23	.465	7
Philadelphia	18	25	.419	9
Toronto	16	28	.364	11½

SOUTHEAST	W	L	Pct	GB
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Miami	28	12	.700	-
Atlanta	25	18	.581	4½
Orlando	14	28	.333	15
Washington	11	31	.262	18
Charlotte	11	32	.256	18½

CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
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Indiana	26	17	.605	-
Chicago	26	17	.605	-
Milwaukee	22	19	.537	3
Detroit	16	27	.372	10
Cleveland	13	32	.289	14

WESTERN	W	L	Pct	GB
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San Antonio	35	11	.761	-
Memphis	28	14	.667	5
Houston	24	22	.522	11
Dallas	18	25	.419	15½
New Orleans	14	29	.326	19½

NORTHWEST	W	L	Pct	GB
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Oklahoma City	34	10	.773	-
Denver	26	18	.591	8
Utah	23	20	.535	10½
Portland	21	21	.500	12
Minnesota	17	24	.415	15½

PACIFIC	W	L	Pct	GB
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L.A. Clippers	32	12	.727	-
Golden State	26	16	.619	5
L.A. Lakers	18	25	.419	13½
Sacramento	16	28	.364	16
Phoenix	15	28	.349	16½

Friday's Games

Washington 114, Minnesota 101
Atlanta 123, Boston 111
Cleveland 113, Milwaukee 108
Miami 110, Detroit 88
San Antonio 113, Dallas 107
Chicago 103, Golden State 87
Memphis 101, Brooklyn 77
Houston 100, New Orleans 82
Oklahoma City 105, Sacramento 95
L.A. Lakers 102, Utah 84

Saturday's Games

Philadelphia 97, New York 80
Cleveland 99, Toronto 98
Washington 86, Chicago 73
Charlotte 102, Minnesota 101
Houston 119, Brooklyn 106
Phoenix at San Antonio, (Late)
Golden State at Milwaukee, (Late)
Sacramento at Denver, (Late)
Atlanta at Utah, (Late)

Sunday's Games

Miami at Boston, 11 a.m.
Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers, 1:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Memphis, 4 p.m.
Detroit at Orlando, 4 p.m.
Atlanta at New York, 4:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Clippers, 7:30 p.m.

Monday's Games

Memphis at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
Golden State at Toronto, 5 p.m.
Sacramento at Washington, 5 p.m.
Orlando at Brooklyn, 5:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Chicago, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Denver, 7 p.m.
Houston at Utah, 7 p.m.

Cavaliers 99, Raptors 98

CLEVELAND (99)

Ge 2-4 4-8, Thompson 7-12 0-0 14, Zeller 1-6 2-2 4, Irving 13-26 3-4 32, Walters 3-10 0-0 6, Livingston 1-2 3-4 5, Speights 7-13 3-3 17, Gibson 0-2 1-1 1, Ellington 3-5 3-4 12, Totals 37-78 19-22 99.

TORONTO (98)

Fields 13-22 4, Davis 8-12 0-16, Johnson 7-12 4-14 18, Calderon 4-9 0-10, DeRozan 7-13 1-15, Anderson 7-14 3-4 17, Acy 2-4 0-4, Lowry 1-7 3-4 6, Ross 3-4 0-8, Totals 40-82 13-28 98.

Cleveland 19 27 20 33 - 99

3-Point Goals—Cleveland 6-11 (Ellington 3-4, Irving 3-5, Walters 0-1, Gibson 0-1), Toronto 5-17 (Ross 2-3, Calderon 2-6, Lowry 1-4, Fields 0-1, DeRozan 0-1, Anderson 0-2, Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—Cleveland 46 (Zeller 12), Toronto 45 (Johnson 12), Assists—Cleveland 12 (Irving 5), Toronto 22 (Lowry 7), Total Fouls—Cleveland 22, Toronto 23. Technicals—Toronto defensive three second, A-18,820 (19,800).

Wizards 86, Bulls 73

Butler 37-22 9, Hamilton 3-9 0-0 6, Noah 3-5 3-4 9, Hinrich 3-5 0-7, Boozer 4-11 0-0 9, Belinelli 1-5 4-4 6, Gibson 4-6 0-0 8, Robinson 8-19 2-2 19, Cook 0-4 0-0, Teague 0-0 0-0 0, Mohammed 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 29-71 11-12 73.

WASHINGTON (86)

Weber 25-0 0 1, Nene 5-13 6-6 16, Okafor 6-8 3-4 15, Wall 6-13 3-4 15, Beal 2-10 0-1 4, Price 3-7 0-0 7, Seraphin 27-0 0 4, Booker 23-3 4 7, Crawford 37-0 7, Ariza 3-6 0-0 7, Temple 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 34-79 15-19 86.

Chicago 24 20 11 18 - 73
Washington 23 27 23 13 - 76

3-Point Goals—Chicago 4-15 (Hamilton 1-1, Hinrich 1-2, Butler 1-2, Robinson 1-5, Belinelli 0-2, Cook 0-3), Washington 3-10 (Crawford 1-1, Ariza 1-2, Price 1-2, Webster 0-2, Beal 0-3), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—Chicago 44 (Noah 17), Washington 48 (Okafor 16), Assists—Chicago 19 (Noah 10), Washington 20 (Wall 7), Total Fouls—Chicago 16, Washington 14. Technicals—Booster. Flagrant Fouls—Booster. A-20,308 (20,308).

76ers 97, Knicks 80

NEW YORK (80)
Shumpert 0-6 1-2 1, Anthony 9-28 7-8 25, Chandler 2-2 2-6, Felton 2-8 3-4 8, Kidd 0-3 0-0 0, Smith 0-8 0-0 0, Stoudemire 8-13 4-4 20, Prigioni 2-3 0-0 6, Novak 1-3 1-1 4, Brewer 0-0 0-0 0, Copeland 2-4 2-2 6, White 1-2 0-0 2, Thomas 1-1 0-0 2, Totals 28-81 20-23 80.

PHILADELPHIA (97)

Turner 8-14 3-5 20, T.Y. Young 4-8 2-2 10, Hawes 2-4 0-2 4, Holiday 16-25 2-3 5, N.Y. Young 5-12 7-8 20, Wilkins 2-5 0-0 4, Allen 0-1 1-2 1, Mouttrier 0-1 0-0 0, Ivey 1-4 0-0 3, Mack 0-1 0-0 0, Totals 38-75 15-22 97.

New York 19 27 12 22 - 80

Philadelphia 24 29 31 13 - 97
3-Point Goals—New York 4-27 (Prigioni 2-3, Novak 1-3, Felton 1-4, Shumpert 0-1, White 0-1, Copeland 0-2, Kidd 0-3, Smith 0-4, Anthony 0-6), Philadelphia 6-19 (N.Y. Young 3-7, Turner 1-1, Ivey 1-3, Holiday 1-4, Hawes 0-1, Mack 0-1, Wilkins 0-1, Young 0-1), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—New York 56 (Chandler 10), Philadelphia 44 (Turner 6), Assists—New York 17 (Anthony 4), Philadelphia 16 (Holiday 6), Total Fouls—New York 17, Philadelphia 22. Technicals—Chandler, Philadelphia Coach Collins, Ivey, Philadelphia defensive three second, A-20,540 (20,328).

Bobcats 102, Timberwolves 101

MINNESOTA (101)
Kirilenko 2-6 6-6 10, D.Williams 2-8 0-2 5, Stiemsma 4-4 3-4 11, Rubio 4-9 5-6 14, Rindour 9-14 1-12, Gelabale 1-4 1-1 4, Barea 7-18 1-1 19, Cunningham 5-11 0-2 10, Johnson 3-3 0-0 6, Totals 37-77 17-23 101.

CHARLOTTE (102)

Kid-Gilchrist 1-2 0-0 2, Warrick 1-3 0-0 2, Bynumbo 4-4 2-4 10, Walker 8-17 6-6 25, Henderson 6-14 2-2 15, Adrien 1-1 0-0 2, Sessions 7-11 9-10 23, Gordon 7-13 4-4 18, Hayward 0-0 0-0 0, Thomas 1-6 0-0 2, Taylor 1-2 0-0 3, Totals 37-73 23-26 102.

Minnesota 34 24 19 24 - 101

Charlotte 22 25 26 29 - 102
3-Point Goals—Minnesota 10-20 (Barea 4-7, Rindour 3-5, D.Williams 1-2, Rubio 1-2, Gelabale 1-3, Kirilenko 0-1), Charlotte 5-11 (Walker 3-5, Henderson 1-1, Taylor 1-2, Sessions 0-1, Gordon 0-2), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—Minnesota 44 (Rindour, Stiemsma 7), Charlotte 41 (Bynumbo 13), Assists—Minnesota 23 (Rubio 8), Charlotte 21 (Walker 8), Total Fouls—Minnesota 24, Charlotte 22. Technicals—Gordon, Charlotte defensive three second, A-15,397 (19,077).

Rockets 119, Nets 106

BROOKLYN (106)
Wallace 4-10 2-2 11, Evans 0-4 1-2 1, Lopez 6-13 9-10 21, Williams 0-10 1-2 2 27, Johnson 5-10 1-2 13, Blatche 0-1 0-0 0, Bogans 2-6 0-0 6, Humphries 11-22 4, Stachhouse 23-12 6, Watson 3-6 0-0 8, Teletovich 3-7 1-1 9, Brooks 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 36-80 18-21 106.

HOUSTON (119)

Parsons 7-11 0-0 16, Patterson 3-7 1-1 7, Asik 9-12 2-6 20, Lin 5-14 2-2 14, Harden 7-15 13-14 29, Douglas 2-5 0-9 6, Smith 3-3 4-9, Dellino 0-4 0-5, Morris 2-9 0-5, Beverley 0-2 0-0 0, Aldrich 0-0 0-0 0, Anderson 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 43-87 21-27 119.

Brooklyn 29 20 31 26 - 106

Houston 28 24 37 30 - 119
3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 16-36 (Williams 5-9, Johnson 3-7, Teletovich 2-3, Watson 2-5, Bogans 2-6, Stachhouse 1-2, Wallace 1-4), Houston 12-28 (Dellino 2-5, Douglas 2-3, Lin 2-4, Harden 2-5, Parsons 2-5, Morris 1-4), Patterson 0-1, Beverley 0-1), Fouled Out—None, Rebounds—Brooklyn 37 (Evans 8), Houston 60 (Asik 16), Assists—Brooklyn 21 (Williams 11), Houston 31 (Parsons 11), Total Fouls—Brooklyn 20, Houston 18. Technicals—Williams, Ejected—Williams. A-18,236 (18,023).

TOP 25 FARED

Saturday

1. Duke (17-2) beat Maryland 84-64. Next: at Wake Forest, Wednesday.
2. Michigan (18-1) did not play. Next: at Illinois, Sunday.

3. Kansas (18-1) beat Oklahoma 67-54. Next: at West Virginia, Thursday.
4. Syracuse (18-2) lost to Villanova 75-71. OT. Next: at Pittsburgh, Saturday.

5. Louisville (16-4) lost to Georgetown 53-51. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Monday.
6. Arizona (17-2) beat Southern Cal 74-50. Next: at Washington, Thursday.

7. Indiana (17-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 13 Michigan State, Sunday.
8. Florida (15-2) at Mississippi State. Next: vs. South Carolina, Wednesday.

9. Butler (17-3) beat Temple 83-71. Next: at St. Louis, Thursday.
10. Gonzaga (18-2) vs. San Francisco. Next: at Loyola Marymount, Thursday.

11. Kansas State (15-4) lost to Iowa State 73-67. Next: vs. Texas, Wednesday.
12. Minnesota (15-5) lost to Wisconsin 45-44. Next: vs. Nebraska, Tuesday.

13. Michigan State (17-3) did not play. Next: at No. 7 Indiana, Sunday.
14. Ohio State (15-4) beat Penn State 65-51. Next: vs. Wisconsin, Tuesday.

15. New Mexico (17-3) lost to San Diego State 55-34. Next: at Wyoming, Wednesday.
16. Oregon (18-2) beat Washington 81-76. Next: at Stanford, Wednesday.

17. Creighton (17-3) did not play. Next: at Southern Illinois, Sunday.
18. N.C. State (16-4) beat North Carolina 91-83. Next: at Virginia, Tuesday.

19. VCU (16-4) vs. La Salle. Next: at Rhode Island, Wednesday.
20. Wichita State (18-2) vs. Bradley. Next: vs. Indiana State, Tuesday.

21. Cincinnati (16-4) did not play. Next: vs. Rutgers, Wednesday.
22. Missouri (15-4) beat Vanderbilt 81-59. Next: at LSU, Wednesday.

23. Mississippi (16-2) at Auburn. Next: vs. Kentucky, Tuesday.
24. Notre Dame (16-4) beat South Florida 73-65. Next: vs. Villanova, Wednesday.

25. Miami (14-3) did not play. Next: vs. Florida State, Sunday.

Golf

QATAR MASTERS

LEADING SCORES

Saturday
At Doha Golf Club
Doha, Qatar
Purse: \$2.5 Million
Yardage: 7,400 - Par: 72
Final (Top 10)

Chris Wood, England	67-70 64-69-270
Sergio Garcia, Spain	69-66 70-66-271
George Coetzee, South Africa	69-67 65-65-271
Steve Webster, England	69-71 67-68-275
Alexander Noren, Sweden	71-67 66-71-275
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N.Y. Islanders	4	2	2	0	4	14	13
N.Y. Rangers	5	2	3	0	4	14	16
Philadelphia	5	2	3	0	4	12	13
Pittsburgh	4	2	2	0	4	13	13

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Boston	4	3	0	1	7	12	8
Ottawa	4	3	1	0	6	15	8
Buffalo	4	2	2	0	4	11	12
Montreal	3	2	1	0	4	9	4
Toronto	5	2	3	0	4	14	17

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Azarenka Beats Li, Defends Australian Open Title

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MELBOURNE, Australia • Victoria Azarenka had the bulk of the crowd against her. The fireworks were fizzling out, and when she looked over the net she saw Li Na crashing to the court and almost knocking herself out.

Considering the cascading criticism she'd encountered after her previous win, Azarenka didn't need the focus of the Australian Open final to be on another medical timeout.

So after defending her title with a 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 victory over the sixth-seeded Li in one of the most unusual finals ever at Melbourne Park, Azarenka understandably dropped her racket and cried tears of relief late Saturday night.

She heaved as she sobbed into a towel beside the court, before regaining her composure to collect the trophy.

"It isn't easy, that's for sure, but I knew what I had to do," the 23-year-old Belarusian said. "I had to stay calm. I had to stay positive. I just had to deal with the things that came onto me."

There were a lot of those things squeezed into the 2-hour, 40-minute match. Li, who was playing her second Australian Open final in three years, twisted her ankle and tumbled to the court in the second and third sets.

The second time was on the point immediately after a 10-



Victoria Azarenka of Belarus hugs her trophy after winning the women's final against China's Li Na at the Australian Open tennis championship in Melbourne, Australia, Saturday.

minute delay for the Australia Day fireworks — a familiar fixture in downtown Melbourne on Jan. 26, but not usually coinciding with a final.

Li had been sitting in her chair during the break, while Azarenka jogged and swung her racket around before leaving the court to rub some liniment into her legs to keep warm.

The 30-year-old Chinese player had tumbled to the court after twisting her left ankle and had it taped after

falling in the fifth game of the second set. Immediately after the fireworks ceased, and with smoke still in the air, she twisted the ankle again, fell and hit the back of her head on the hard court.

The 2011 French Open champion was treated immediately by a tournament doctor and assessed for a concussion in another medical timeout before resuming the match.

"I think I was a little bit worried when I was falling," Li

said, in her humorous, self-deprecating fashion. "Because two seconds I couldn't really see anything. It was totally black.

"So when the physio come, she was like, 'Focus on my finger.' I was laughing. I was thinking, 'This is tennis court, not like hospital.'"

Li's injury was obvious and attracted even more support for her from the 15,000-strong crowd.

Azarenka had generated some bad PR by taking a med-

ical timeout after wasting five match points on her own serve in her semifinal win over American teenager Sloane Stephens on Thursday. She came back after the break and finished off Stephens in the next game, later telling an on-court interviewer that she "almost did the choke of the year."

She was accused of gamesmanship and manipulating the rules to get time to regain her composure against Stephens, but defended herself by saying she actually was having difficulty breathing because of a rib injury that needed to be fixed.

That explanation didn't convince everybody. So when she walked onto Rod Laver Arena on Saturday, there were some people who booed, and others who heckled her or mimicked the distinctive hooting sound she makes when she hits the ball.

"Unfortunately, you have to go through some rough patches to achieve great things," she said. "That's what makes it so special for me. I went through that, and I'm still able to kiss that beautiful trophy."

She didn't hold a grudge.

"I was expecting way worse, to be honest. What can you do? You just have to go out there and try to play tennis in the end of the day," she said. "It's a tennis match, tennis battle, final of the Australian Open. I was there to play that.

"The things what hap-

pened in the past, I did the best thing I could to explain, and it was left behind me already."

The match contained plenty of nervy moments and tension, and 16 service breaks — nine for Li. But it also produced plenty of winners and bravery on big points.

Azarenka will retain the No. 1 ranking she's mostly held since her first Grand Slam win in Melbourne last year.

Li moved into the top five and is heartened by a recent trend of Australian runners-up winning the French Open. She accomplished that in 2011, as did Ana Ivanovic (2008) and Maria Sharapova (2012).

"I wish I can do the same this year, as well," Li said.

Later Saturday, Bob and Mike Bryan won their record 13th Grand Slam men's doubles title, defeating the Dutch team of Robin Haase and Igor Sijsling 6-3, 6-4.

Sunday's men's final features two-time defending champion Novak Djokovic and U.S. Open winner Andy Murray. Djokovic is seeking to become the first man in the Open era to win three titles in a row in Australia.

Azarenka was planning a night of partying to celebrate her second major title, with her friend, Redfoo and the Party Rock crew, and was hopeful of scoring some tickets to the men's final.

In New Orleans, an Unwelcome Mat for Goodell

BY KEVIN MCGILL
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS • An effigy of NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell dangles from the front porch of a New Orleans home that is otherwise festively decorated with Saints paraphernalia.

With restaurants and bars gearing up for an influx of Super Bowl XLVII visitors, the "Refuse to Serve Roger Goodell" page on Facebook had 107 likes as of Friday.

A portrait of Goodell covers the bull's-eye on the dart board at Parkview Tavern.

And floats in the unabashedly lowbrow Krewe du Vieux parade in the French Quarter last weekend displayed larger-than-life likenesses of Goodell in acts that defy polite description.

New Orleans is celebrating the return of Saints coach Sean Payton after a season of NFL banishment as a result of the "bountygate" scandal — when the team ran a pay-for-hits program. But Goodell, who suspended Payton and other current and former Saints players and coaches last year for their roles in the system, is being ridiculed here with a vehemence usually reserved for the city's scandal-scarred politicians.

and it's a fact that he's one of the people instrumental to making sure that the Saints stayed here after Hurricane Katrina," Landrieu said in a statement. It was a reference to the days after the storm, when 80 percent of the city was underwater and the damaged Superdome became a shelter for thousands of the displaced.

Then-Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and his second-in-command, Goodell, are credited with working to keep the team from abandoning New Orleans for San Antonio.

"If not for Roger Goodell, we would not have this Super Bowl," Landrieu added. "And we will need him since we want to host another one."

Saints quarterback Drew Brees said the game is validation of everything the city's gone through to rebuild after

Hurricane Katrina.

"There's no question, yeah. And I think people will see that when they come down, as soon as people come down that haven't been there in a while," Brees said Friday while in Hawaii for the Pro Bowl. "The city knows how to entertain, knows how to treat people right. The tourism industry's huge, so we're excited to host this big game. Obviously it's the biggest sporting event in the world, and the city will be ready for it."

But some are in no mood to back off when it comes to Goodell.

Anderson said she understands city leaders' desire to put their best foot forward, but that it also is important for Saints fans to be able to vent.

"Whether I have Roger Goodell's face on my dart

board is not going to change anybody's mind about the Super Bowl," Anderson said.

People should not take the barbs too seriously, said Lynda Woolard, a Saints fan who has been tracking some of the barbs on social media. "Nobody's saying there should be violence against the man," Woolard said.

"It's tongue-in-cheek," Patterson agreed.

Still, some diehards are ready to put it all behind them.

Patrick Brower, owner and manager of the Dirty Coast T-shirt shop, said Friday that he's pushing black-and-gold wear at his shop, choosing to unify Saints fans without bashing the commissioner. "We've got to look forward here," Brower said. "The more time we spend in the past, it's just not beneficial."

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S. Africa Police: Help! Too Many Crocodiles!

JOHANNESBURG (AP) • Calling all crocodile experts — South African police say you're needed to help capture thousands of crocs out on the lam.

Thousands of crocodiles escaped a breeding farm along a river on the South Africa-Botswana border when the farms' gates were opened earlier this week to alleviate pressure caused by rising flood waters.

Efforts are now being made to wrangle the reptiles and get them back to the Rakwena Crocodile Farm, from where the vast majority escaped. Hangwani Mulaudzi, a spokesman for the police in Limpopo Province, said Friday that experts are needed right away to help sort out the crocodile crisis.

"Due to the number of crocodiles that have been washed away there is a need for expertise, people who have expertise to come and assist," Mulaudzi said. "So we are just making appeals to anyone ... who has knowledge of catching crocodiles to come and assist."

News reports from the scene show people hunting down smaller crocodiles at night, tying them up and taking them back to the Rakwena Crocodile Farm in northern South Africa. The crocodiles are easier to hunt at night because their eyes

glow when hit with a beam of light. The farm's website shows crocs up to 16 feet long, though crocs of all sizes escaped, Mulaudzi said.

It isn't clear exactly how many crocodiles are on the loose. Mulaudzi said he believes around 10,000 from multiple farms remain on the loose. Officials from the Rakwena Crocodile Farm have been quoted in conflicting South African media accounts as saying either 7,000 escaped or up to 15,000 escaped. The farm originally held about 15,000 crocs. About 2,000 crocodiles have been returned to the farm, Mulaudzi said. The farm did not respond to an email or calls seeking comment.

Regardless of the exact number of farm-raised crocs now touring the wild, government officials and experts are calling on people who live near the remote region, which sits on the Limpopo River, to be careful around bodies of water. Many of the crocodiles are assumed to now be residing in the river.

"So far we are lucky. There has not been any emergencies," said Mulaudzi. "And we are hopeful that nothing will happen. But with crocodiles all over in the river we are saying, please, we need assistance."



This Wednesday photo shows a couple of the recaptured crocodiles back safely on the farm they escaped from, at Pontdrif, South Africa, near the Botswana border.

Absent but Omnipresent, Chavez a Powerful Symbol

CARACAS (AP) • While Venezuela's sick president recuperates from surgery behind closed doors in Cuba, at home he is more visible than ever. Iconic images of his eyes look out from murals lining the streets of Caracas, his portrait appears on T-shirts sported by followers, and on television he can be heard booming "I am a nation!"

The cult of personality that Chavez long nurtured has been flourishing with even greater force in his absence as he confronts an increasingly difficult struggle against the mysterious cancer that afflicts him. One woman at a pro-government demonstration on Wednesday held a portrait photo of Chavez next to an image of Jesus. New murals showing only the president's eyes have appeared on city walls along with a new slogan, "I am Chavez."

The eyes-only design sends a message that he is always watching and still with his adoring constituents. Many credit him with easing their poverty and expanding public services. To them, it does



A street vendor sells Chavez dolls called 'La Intumbable,' or roughly 'One who cannot be toppled' at a rally by Chavez supporters in Caracas on Wednesday.

not matter that Venezuela suffers from 20 percent inflation, that the oil-producing nation is often short on cooking oil and

sugar, that it has one of the world's highest murder rates, that the president will not divulge the details of his cancer.



In this 2011 photo, Vicente Mayorga, center, who is originally from Ecuador and now lives in Queens, speaks during a rally in New York to condemn an Immigration and Customs Enforcement program known as Secure Communities and ICE's alleged refusal to meet with directly impacted immigrants.

Feds Relaunching Immigration Reforms

WASHINGTON (AP) • Reviving an issue that has languished for years, President Barack Obama will launch a campaign this week aimed at overhauling the nation's flawed immigration system and creating legal status for millions, as a bipartisan Senate group nears agreement on achieving the same goals.

The proposals from Obama and lawmakers will mark the start of what is expected to be a contentious and emotional process with deep political implications. Latino voters overwhelmingly backed Obama in the 2012 election, leaving Republicans grappling for a way to regain their standing with an increasingly powerful pool of voters.

The president will press his case for immigration changes during a trip to Las Vegas Tuesday. The Senate working group is also aiming to outline its proposals next week, according to a Senate aide.

Administration officials say Obama's second-term immigration push will be a continuation of the principles he outlined during his first four years in office but failed to act on. He is expected to revive his little-noticed 2011 immigration "blueprint," which calls for a pathway to citizenship for illegal immigrants that includes paying fines and back taxes; increased border security; mandatory penalties for businesses that employ unauthorized immigrants; and improvements to the legal immigration system, including giving green cards to high-skilled workers and lifting caps on legal immigration for the immediate family members of U.S. citizens.

"What has been absent in the time since he put those principles forward has been a willingness by Republicans, generally speaking, to move forward with comprehensive

immigration reform," White House press secretary Jay Carney said. "What he hopes is that that dynamic has changed."

The political dynamic does appear to have shifted following the November election. Despite making little progress on immigration in his first term, Obama won more than 70 percent of the Latino vote, in part because of the conservative positions on immigration that Republican nominee Mitt Romney staked out during the GOP primary. Latino voters accounted for 10 percent of the electorate in November.

The president met privately Friday morning with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus to discuss his next steps on immigration. Among those in the meeting was Rep. Linda Sanchez, D-Calif., who said Obama told lawmakers "immigration reform is his number one legislative priority."

That could bump back the president's efforts to seek legislation enacting stricter gun laws, another issue he has vowed to make a top second term priority.

The Senate immigration group is also pressing for quick action, aiming to draft a bill by March and pass legislation in their chamber by August, said the aide, who requested anonymity in order to discuss private deliberations. The Republican-controlled House would also need to pass the legislation before it went to the White House for the president's signature.

Senate lawmakers working on the immigration effort include Democrats Charles Schumer of New York, Dick Durbin of Illinois and Robert Menendez of New Jersey; and Republicans John McCain of Arizona, Lindsey Graham of South Carolina and Marco Rubio of Florida, according to Senate aides.

Classic Sloppy Joe's Reopens in Havana

HAVANA (AP) • A half-century later, Jose Rafa Malem remembers the balmy breezes blowing through the bar's arching porticos, the grain of the tall wood stools, the whiff of Pedro Domecq brandy on his father's breath.

Soon, Rafa, a 59-year-old Havana native, will be able to relive those boyhood memories as the original Sloppy Joe's reopens in Havana's historic quarter, giving residents and tourists from all over the chance to belly up to the same bar that served thirsty celebrities such as Rock Hudson, Babe Ruth and Ernest Hemingway.

It's part of an ambitious revitalization project by the Havana City Historian's Office, which since the 1990s has transformed block after block of crumbling ruins into rehabilitated buildings along vibrant cobblestone streets.

The effort has helped finance Cuba's socialist present by drawing tourists fascinated by its pre-socialist past, from colonial palaces of the 18th century to celebrity hangouts of



(LEFT) In this 1959 photo, novelist Ernest Hemingway, left, speaks with actors Alec Guinness, center, and Noel Coward in Sloppy Joe's Bar during the making of Sir Carol Reed's film version of "Our Man in Havana," based on Graham Greene's best seller. (RIGHT) An American classic car drives by Sloppy Joe's bar on Friday.

the 1950s.

"For the people of this city, I think it's very interesting and very important to rescue a place that has so much history and is so recognized

around the world," said Ernesto Iz-naga, manager of the born-again Joe's, which will be run by state-owned tourism concern Habaguanex. "To restore it to how it

was before."

Sloppy Joe's was founded in 1918 by a Galician immigrant named Jose Abael Otero who purchased a grocery store in Old Havana after years

of tending bar in New Orleans and Miami. Legend has it the sobriquet comes from the place's grubbiness and Abael's American nickname, Joe.



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CANCER (June 21-July 22): Help yourself by helping others. Although you may be focused on your ambitions in the week to come, you may be called upon to help others achieve theirs, as well. All parties will benefit.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Treat people well and you'll help them become what they are capable of becoming. When you are the center of attention in the week ahead, remember to be grateful for the admirers who put you there.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): What you perceive as things falling apart might actually be things falling in place. Follow through on promises in the week to come. Focus on following wise advice obtained from partners and friends.

NOTICES

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT

Notice is hereby given by Idaho Housing and Finance Association that the second application period for the year 2013 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit has been opened. Applications will be accepted through 5 p.m. on Friday, February 15, 2013.

Non-Targeted Credit \$ 800,000

Developers of affordable housing interested in applying for a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Reservation may obtain a copy of the 2013 Allocation Plan and application form by contacting the Multifamily Program Assistant, Idaho Housing and Finance Association, P.O. Box 7899, Boise, ID 83707-1899, telephone (208) 331-4769 or toll free (800) 219-2285, or for hearing impaired (800) 545-1833. A copy of the Allocation Plan and application is available on the Internet at www.ihfa.org under Multifamily Housing / Low Income Housing Tax Credits.

PUBLISH: January 27, 2013

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.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL GRANT PLAN FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

SUBJECT: Proposed use and distribution of funds of a federally funded Grant; Availability of Plan for public review.

PURPOSE: The purpose is to receive comment on the proposed use of funds during Federal Fiscal Year 2013. The Grant Plan being reviewed is:

PY 13 Weatherization Assistance Program Grant Plan
PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: A public hearing will be held on Monday, January 28, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 pm, Mountain Daylight Savings Time at 5400 West Franklin Road, Suite G, Boise, Idaho, 83705.

All written comments must be received before 5 p.m., Mountain Daylight Savings Time, January, 27, 2013, at 450 W. State St Boise, Idaho 83720-0036

SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The proposed changes to the PY 13 State Plan are as follows:

- Increase in the average allowable weatherization expenditure per unit as directed by DOE

AVAILABILITY OF PLANS: Copies of the plan are available at: Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho, 5400 West Franklin Road, Suite G, Boise, Idaho, 83705

Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, 450 W. State St. Boise, ID 83720-0036 and IDHW website <http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/>

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS:

Anyone may submit written comment regarding the proposed use of these funds for this grant. Written comments will be accepted through January 27, 2013.

For more information, contact IDHW Program Manager at 208-334-5656, or the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, 450 W. State St.-2nd Floor, Boise, ID 83720-0036.

PUBLISH: January 16, 24 and 27, 2013

PROFESSIONAL

Glanbia Foods, Inc., is currently seeking a **Helpdesk Representative** and **IT Application Analyst** for their Twin Falls, ID location.

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Responsibilities will include:

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- Performs software and application installation and upgrades.
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The ideal candidate will have the following qualifications:

- Must possess some college education in related field and no minimum years of networking experience, or equivalent applicable work experience.
- At least 1 year help desk experience.
- Experience with Active Directory
- Ability to communicate technical information to nontechnical personnel.
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IT Application Analyst - Twin Falls, ID

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- Provide support to end users on a variety of issues during both regular business hours and after hours when needed.
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5	6	4	7	2	3	9	8	1
7	1	2	9	8	4	5	6	3
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3	4	7	6	5	2	1	9	8
6	9	1	8	3	7	4	5	2
1	8	9	3	7	6	2	4	5
2	5	6	4	1	8	3	7	9
4	7	3	2	9	5	8	1	6

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DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

A few weeks later, Julie posted on her social networking site that she was thankful for her baby's godparents and named an entirely different couple — not us. I am offended. If she had discussed her reason for the change with me, I would have understood. But there was no dialogue, and to this day I have never received so much as a thank-you for our shower presents.

I would like to distance myself from Julie, but without damaging the relationship between Art and my fiancé, who thinks I am overreacting and should let it go. What are your thoughts?

— **NOT A GODMOTHER**
DEAR NOT A GODMOTHER: Julie may have been upset that you and your fiancé didn't attend the baby shower, or she may have spoken too quickly when she asked you to be godparents and didn't have the courage to say so.

Whether you can let this go only you can decide, but I do think that before you make up your mind, you should have a chat with her and clear the air — if only because your fiancé and her husband are such good friends.

DEAR ABBY: My husband's younger sister, "Cindy," is mentally ill. She has caused tremendous problems in the family. She has been arrested too many times to remember and is now on five years' probation for injury to a child. My in-laws continue making excuses for her and are the worst enablers I have ever known.

My husband once urged his dad to put Cindy into a group home or program that will take care of her because his parents are getting up in years. They refuse because it would mean they'd have to have Cindy officially committed, and they think there is still some magic doctor out there who will fix her.

Can my husband do anything as a last effort before something happens to one of his parents, or she winds up in jail?

— **SAD IN TEXAS**
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Today's Highlight:
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TODAY IN HISTORY

On this date:

In 1756, composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria.

In 1880, Thomas Edison received a patent for his electric incandescent lamp.

In 1888, the National Geographic Society was incorporated in Washington, D.C.

In 1901, opera composer Giuseppe Verdi died in Milan, Italy, at age 87.

In 1913, the musical play "The Isle O' Dreams" opened in New York; it featured the song "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" by Ernest R. Ball, Chauncey Olcott and George Graff Jr.

In 1943, some 50 bombers struck Wilhelmshaven in the first all-American air raid against Germany during World War II.

In 1944, the Soviet Union announced the complete end of the deadly German siege of Leningrad, which had lasted for more than two years.

In 1945, Soviet troops liberated the Nazi concentration camps Auschwitz and Birkenau in Poland.

In 1951, an era of atomic testing in the Nevada desert began as an Air Force plane dropped a one-kiloton bomb on Frenchman Flat.

In 1967, astronauts Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom, Edward H. White and Roger B. Chaffee died in a flash fire during a test aboard their Apollo spacecraft. More than 60 nations signed a treaty banning the orbiting of nuclear weapons.

In 1977, the Vatican issued a declaration reaffirming the Roman Catholic Church's ban on female priests.

In 1984, singer Michael Jackson suffered serious burns to his scalp when pyrotechnics set his hair on fire during the filming of a Pepsi-Cola TV commercial at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

Ten years ago: The Bush administration dismissed Iraq's response to U.N. disarmament demands as inadequate. Meanwhile, chief U.N. inspector Hans Blix charged that Iraq had never genuinely accepted U.N. resolutions demanding its disarmament and warned that "cooperation on substance" was necessary for a peaceful solution.

Five years ago: Former Indonesian president Suharto, whose regime killed hundreds of thousands of left-wing political opponents, died in Jakarta at age 86. Gordon B. Hinckley, the 15th president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, died in Salt Lake City, Utah, at age 97. Novak Djokovic fended off unseeded Frenchman Jo-Wilfried Tsonga 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 7-6 (2) in the Australian Open final, earning his first Grand Slam title. Evan Lysacek (LY'-suh-chehk) won his second-straight title at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in St. Paul, Minn.

One year ago: Addressing students at the University of Michigan, President Barack Obama issued a warning to the nation's colleges and universities, threatening to strip their federal aid if they "jack up tuition" every year and to give the money instead to schools showing restraint and value. A federal judge in Seattle sentenced "Barefoot Bandit" Colton Harris-Moore to 6½ years in prison for his infamous two-year, international crime spree of break-ins and boat and plane thefts. Former Boston Mayor Kevin H. White died at age 82.

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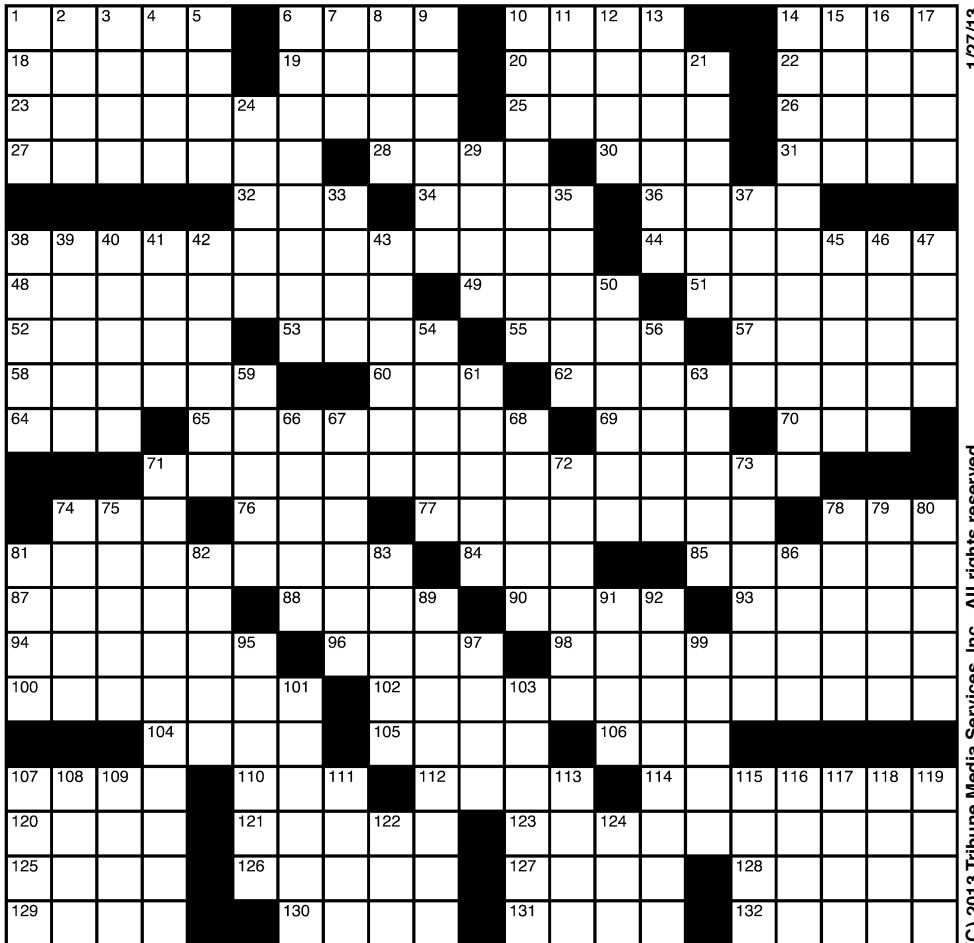
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THAT'S A WRAP! By Elizabeth C. Gorski

ACROSS

- 1 Actress Birch
- 6 Trattoria glassful
- 10 Many a GE product
- 14 Ruse
- 18 Have lunch at home
- 19 Pressing need?
- 20 Set of beliefs
- 22 Tear down, in Tottenham
- 23 Husky features
- 25 Line at a rodeo?
- 26 "QB VII" author
- 27 "\$40 a Day" chef Ray
- 28 ___ facto
- 30 Librarian's reminder
- 31 Players
- 32 Grafton's "___ for Lawless"
- 34 Scottish tongue
- 36 Supermodel Wek
- 38 Disney film featuring Berlioz, Toulouse, Marie and their mom Duchess
- 44 Nontraditional performance genre
- 48 Carpet cleaning tool
- 49 Poses
- 51 Route to the lungs
- 52 Swashbuckler Flynn
- 53 Arise (from)
- 55 Codger
- 57 High-speed scene
- 58 Bledel of "Gilmore Girls"
- 60 First name in fashion
- 62 Fruity treats
- 64 It ends in Nov.
- 65 Ready for aromatherapy, say
- 69 Blood typing letters
- 70 Spot in front of the telly?
- 71 Tom yum soup servers
- 74 "I'm not impressed"
- 76 "Was ___ blame?"
- 77 Big Island volcano
- 78 Like a bunch-spoiling apple
- 81 Numskull
- 84 NBC weekend
- 85 Old Athens enemy
- 87 Astrologer to the rich and famous
- 88 One who's not striking
- 90 It has its highs and lows
- 93 Not as warm
- 94 C.P.E. Bach's birthplace
- 96 "Up and ___!"
- 98 Court plea
- 100 2011 World Series champs



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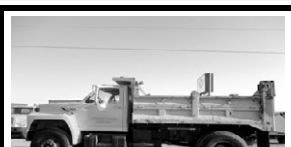
- 102 Packages from recent guests, perhaps
- 104 Symbol of purity
- 105 Time past
- 106 Sailor's direction
- 107 Clump
- 110 Bread in a jar?
- 112 Gp. with forces
- 114 Lasagna cheese
- 120 Madonna's "La ___ Bonita"
- 121 Call forth
- 123 The Chicago Bulls had two in the '90s
- 125 Future doc's exam
- 126 Lats' neighbors
- 127 It's south of Vesuvius
- 128 Like ballerinas, at times
- 129 Cake mix additions
- 130 Late for a party, maybe
- 131 Berth place
- 132 Some aromatic cakes
- DOWN
- 1 Four: Pref.
- 2 "Yuk yuk"
- 3 Of the ear
- 4 Like chocolate truffle cake
- 5 "Diana" singer
- 6 Soloists in Bach's Brandenburg
- 7 Lyricist Gershwin
- 8 Words of denial
- 9 How freelancers may work
- 10 Puzzle book offering
- 11 Teen leader?
- 12 Pod veggies
- 13 "___ Weapon"
- 14 Trademark caps for Ashton Kutcher and Justin Timberlake
- 15 ___ avis
- 16 Yard sale caveat
- 17 Recurring pain?
- 21 Mexico's national flower
- 24 "Drink to me only with thine eyes" dedicatee
- 29 Span. ladies
- 33 Editor's "leave it"
- 35 Legally bar
- 37 Kick out
- 38 Gripping pattern
- 39 Throws
- 40 Everglades bird
- 41 "... like ___ of chocolates"
- 42 Dog topper
- 43 Bully's words
- 45 Mindful
- 46 Dreaded Jamaican?
- 47 Nautical ropes
- 50 Toyota Camry model
- 54 Midler's "Divine" nickname
- 56 Friend of Shylock
- 59 Way up
- 61 Z's overseas
- 63 Old hi-fis
- 66 Coolidge and Hayworth
- 67 Symphony that includes a funeral march
- 68 Intimidate
- 71 Household regulators
- 72 Disconnect
- 73 Recording
- 74 "The Cryptogram" playwright
- 75 Online message
- 78 Lawyer's document
- 79 "This is only ___"
- 80 Bar fliers
- 81 Valleys
- 82 Big name in coffee makers
- 83 Smartly dressed
- 86 Theater opening
- 89 "Don't play games with me"
- 91 1977 ELO hit
- 92 Environmental extremist
- 95 Reacted with outrage, as a mob
- 97 Rooney __, who played Salander in "The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo"
- 99 Navel type
- 101 Turn at the bar, perhaps
- 103 Brought home
- 107 Coach's call
- 108 "The Perfect Storm" rescue gp.
- 109 Penalty ___
- 111 Game divided into chukkers
- 113 "___ Be in Love": Kate Bush song
- 115 Naval noncoms
- 116 Vintner's prefix
- 117 "Later," in London
- 118 Camaro roof option
- 119 Grieg's "___ Death"
- 122 Gold meas.
- 124 GOP platform-promoting org.

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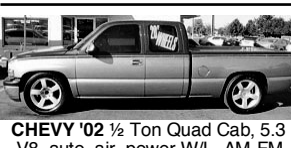
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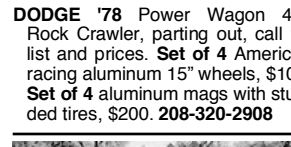
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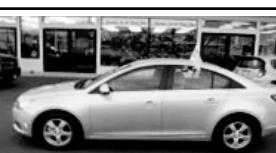
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Truthful James, Vancouver, British Columbia

ANSWER: Yes, it is correct to bid two hearts here since a 5-2 heart fit rates to play as well as two diamonds. Moreover, your partner could still be planning to bid on, if he has extras but not enough to force to game — and if he does, you'll be glad you kept the auction open. Make your heart queen the nine and I'd pass two diamonds.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I was watching some bridge on-line and wondered how many IMPs a good team rates to score in a set of 16 boards. If that is too hard to predict, how many does it rate to lose against an equivalent team?

Number Cruncher, Birmingham, Ala.

ANSWER: I've seen suggestions that the average number of IMPs in total per deal is between four and five. Certainly, if you concede fewer than 1.5 IMPs per board, you will win almost every match you ever play, and even 2 IMPs a board tends to mean good play or very flat deals.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I assume you would pass over a one-club opening on your right, and if so, you would hear your LHO pass and partner double. Holding ♠ K-9-7-2, ♥ A-J-10, ♦ 9-7-3, ♣ Q-10-5, do you respond one spade or two spades — or something else?

In the Balance, Pleasanton, Calif.

ANSWER: Good question! This hand is absolutely on the cusp of a jump to two spades. I'd make the call because it gets the whole hand off my chest, but I'd be much happier to have a chunkier four-card suit than this. The jump suggests 8-9 with five spades or 10-12 with four. Facing a direct-seat double, you might have a little less.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
I saw recently that a good team had a sports psychologist on its squad. Is that a wise way to spend money, or is it cash down the drain?

Sofa So Good, Atlanta, Ga.

ANSWER: Most pairs in Open (and Senior teams) tend to be a little too set in their ways to get much use from help of this sort. My experience is that juniors and women's teams (possibly because they are less confident or perhaps more open to advice) have used and benefited from such help.

Dear Mr. Wolff:
When you open one spade with ♠ A-Q-7-6-3-2, ♥ 7, ♦ Q-10-6, ♣ K-J-8, you plan to rebid two spades over any response. Say partner bids a game-forcing two diamonds and then bids two no-trump over your two-spade rebid. Do you now rebid spades or do you bid three no-trump?

Third Time's a Charm, Detroit, Mich.

ANSWER: I love questions that I can respond to with a different answer from my reader's suggestions. It is clear to bid three diamonds now, showing three diamonds, and leaving room for partner to produce delayed spade support with a three-spade call, or for him to temporize with a three-heart call.

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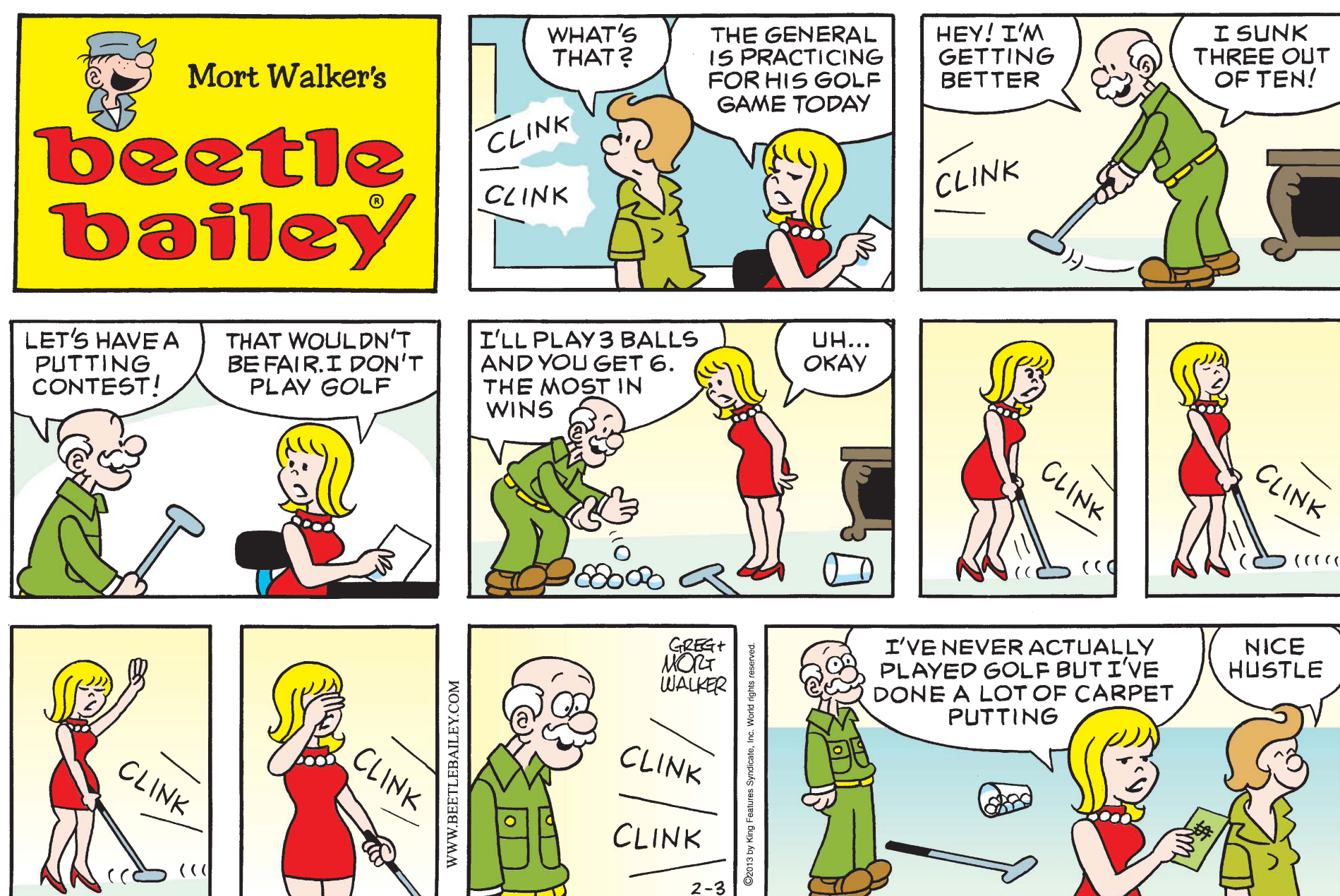
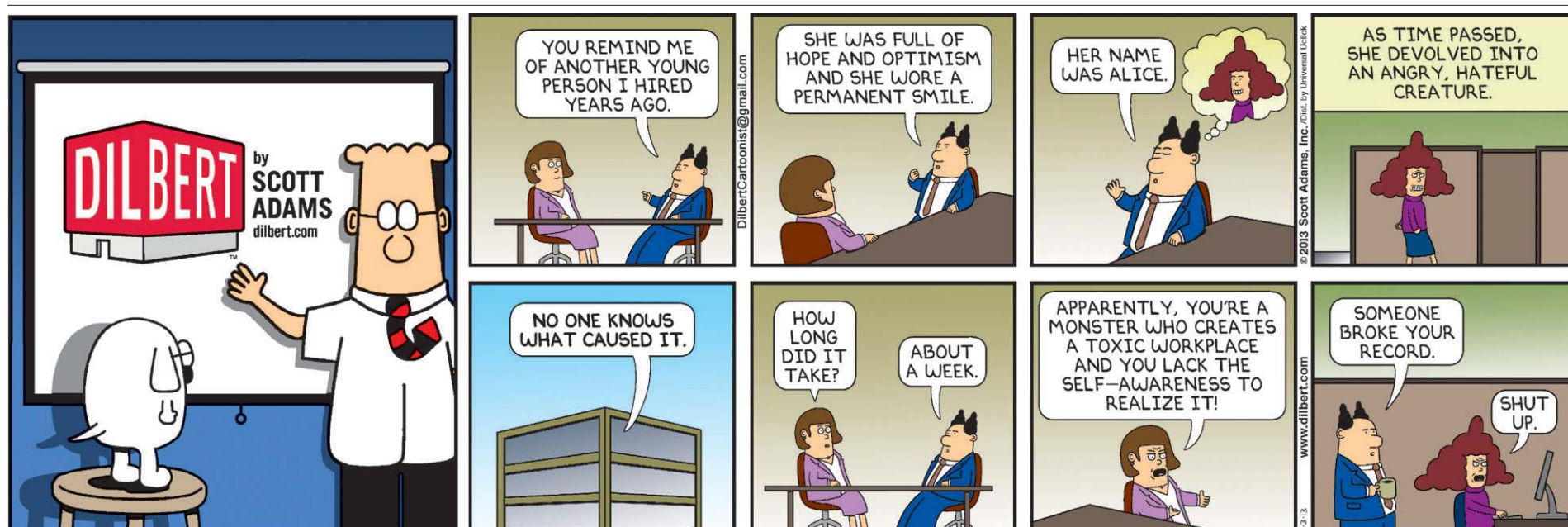
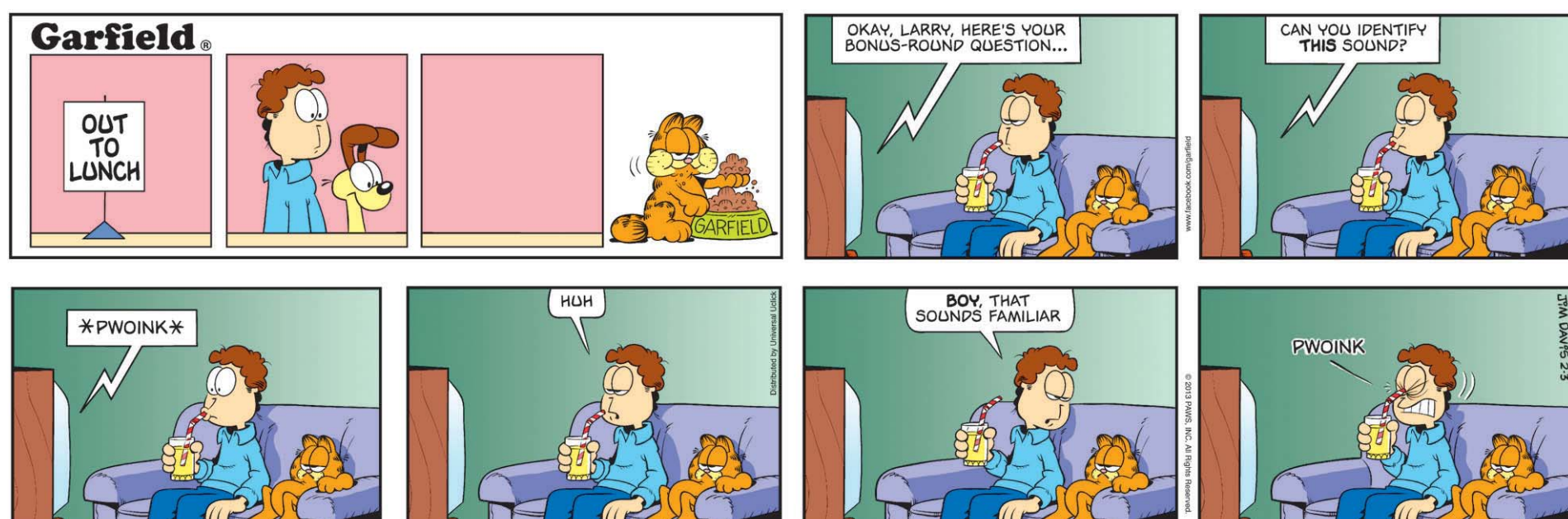
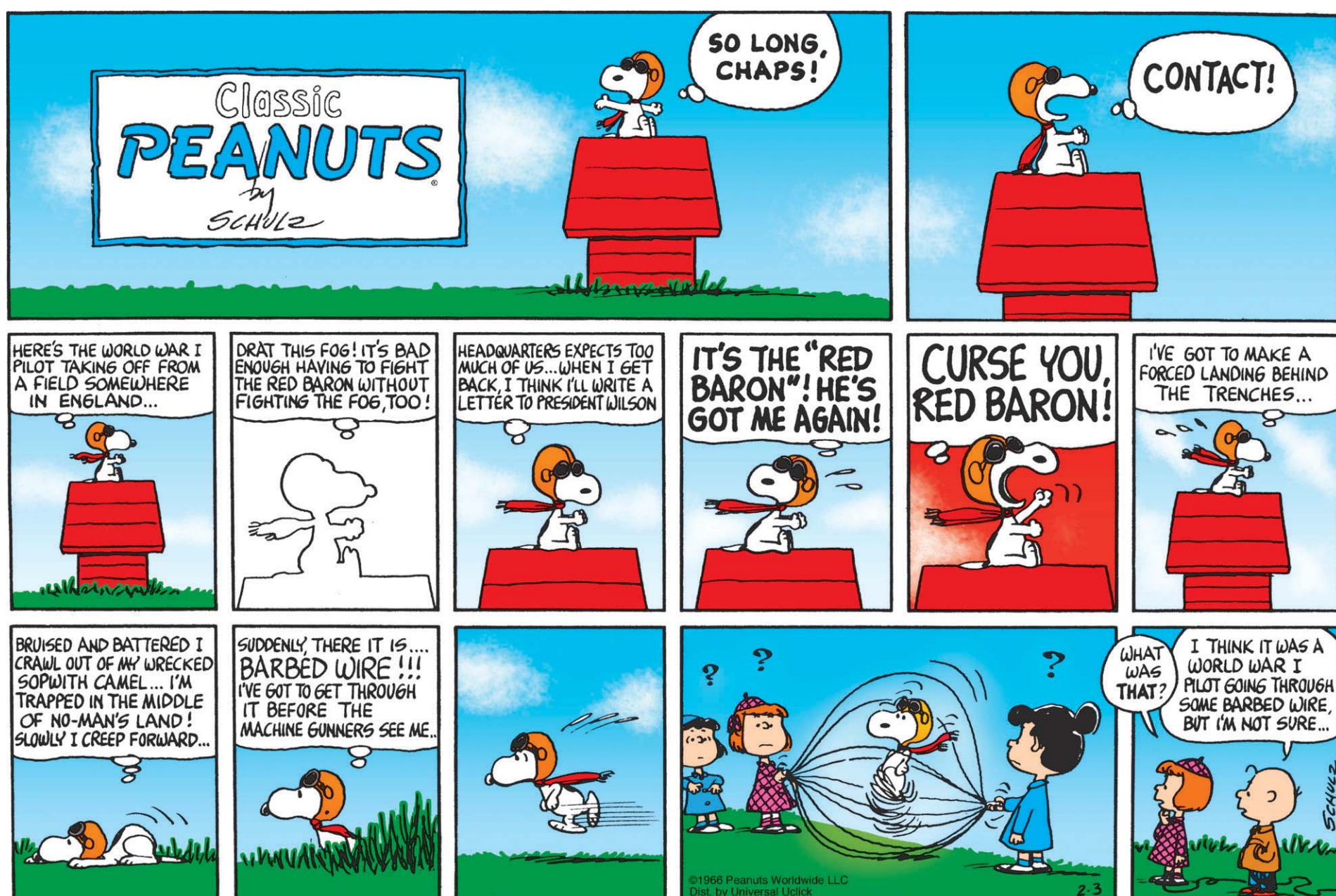
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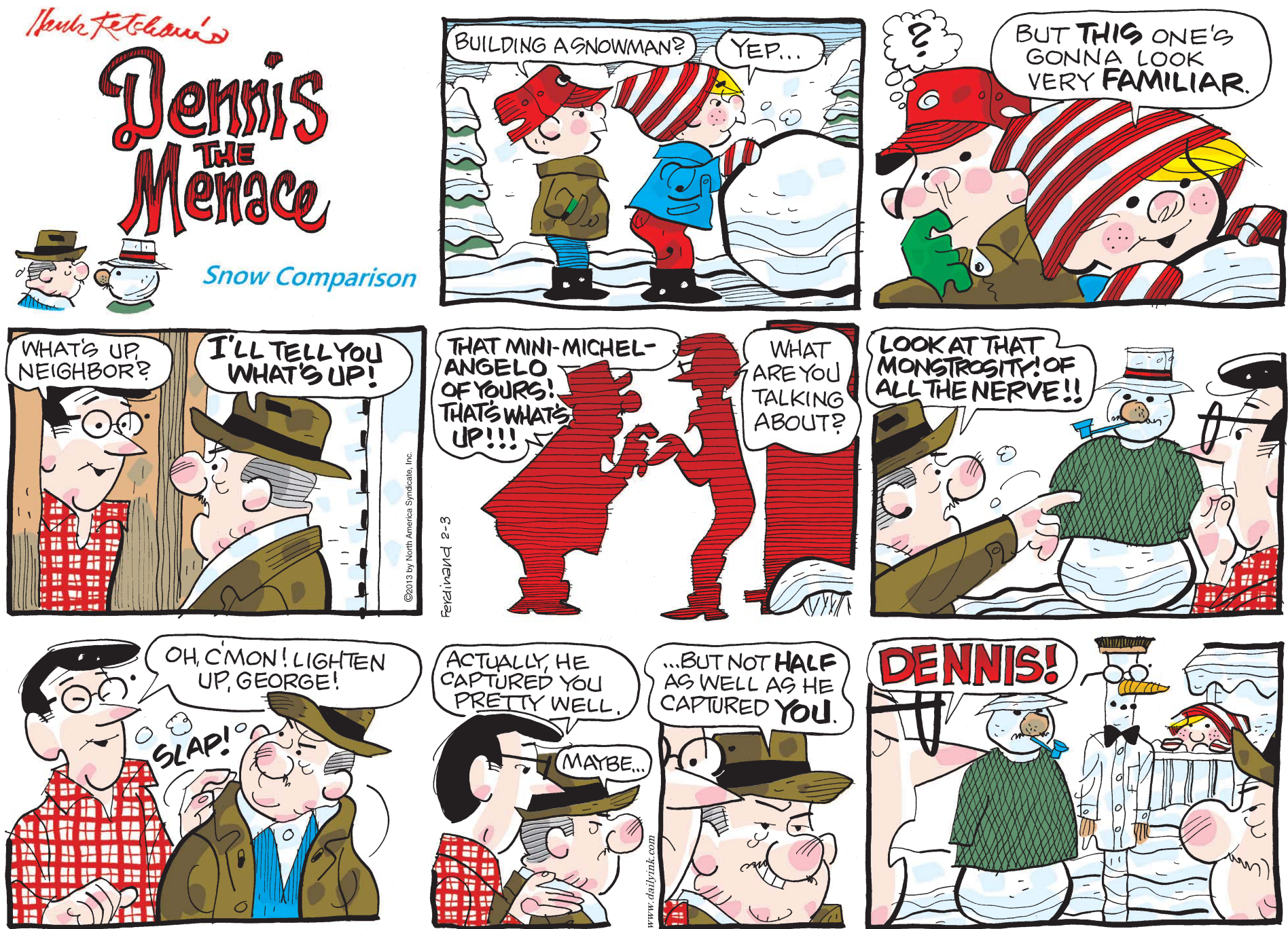
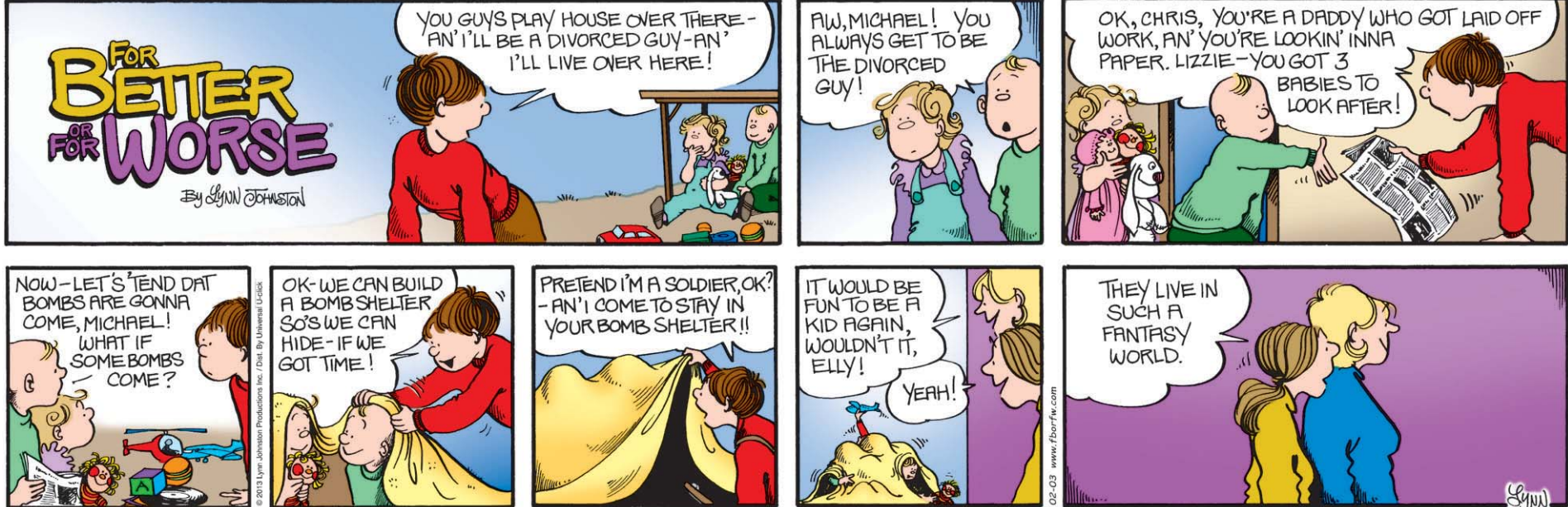
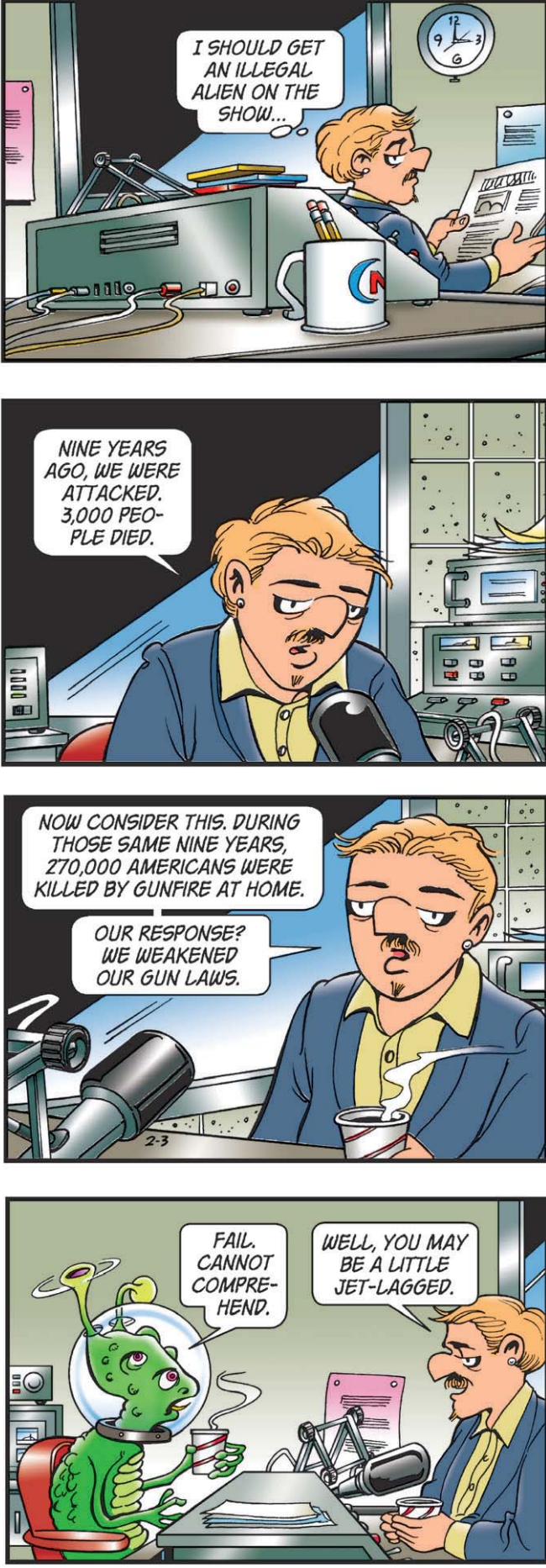
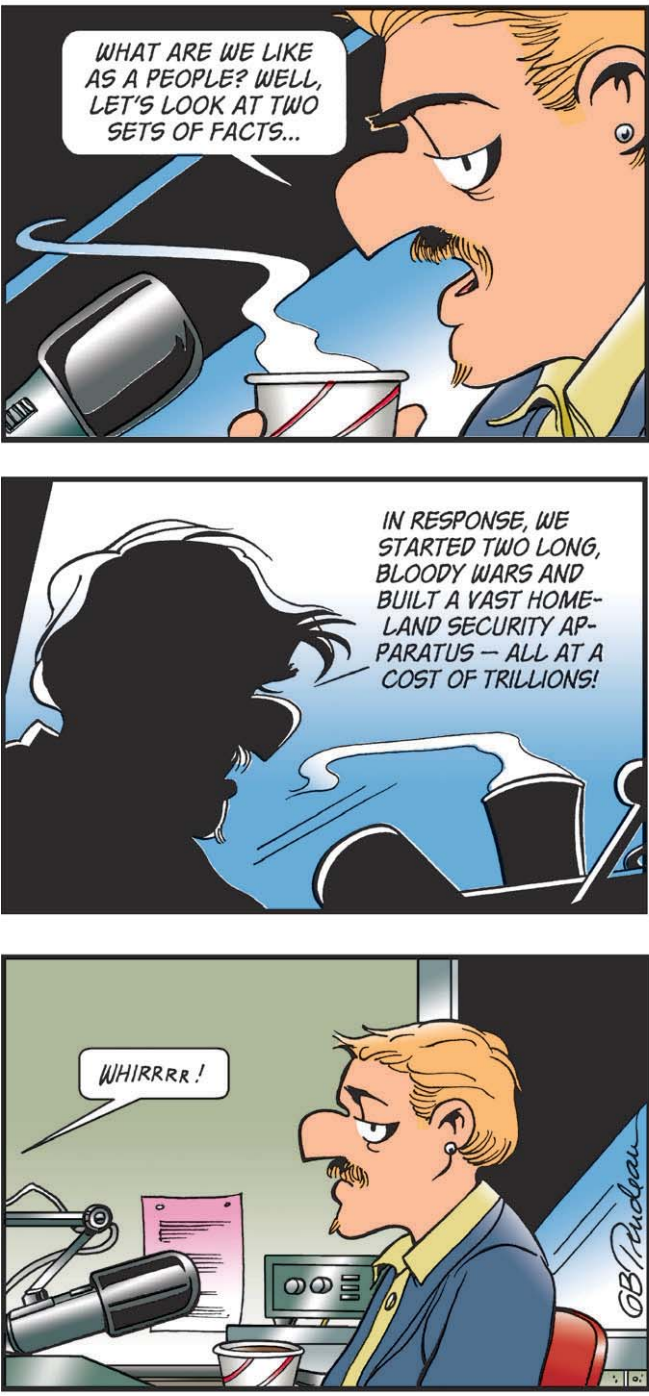
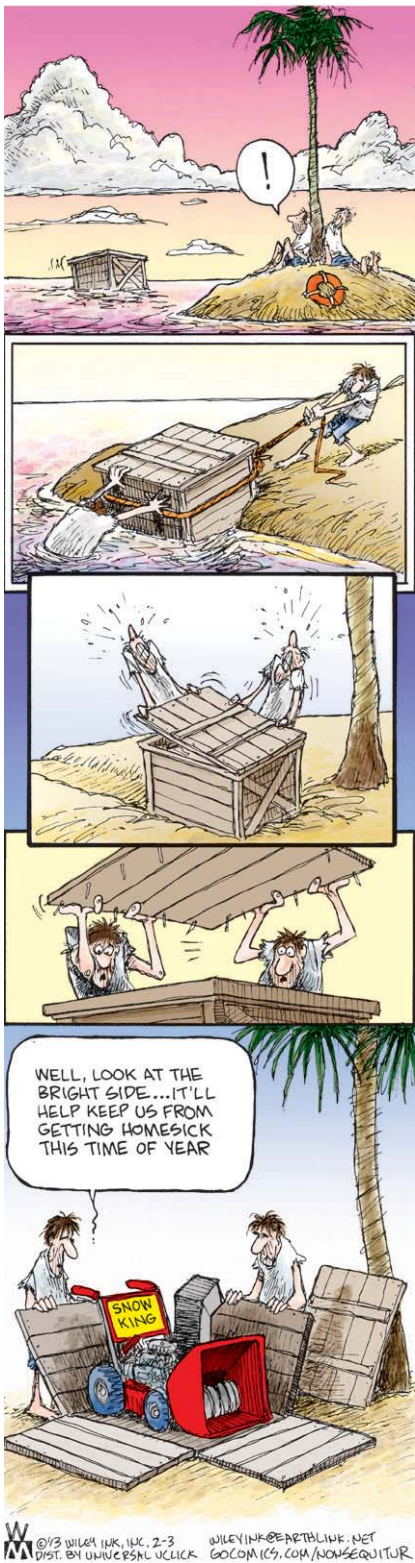
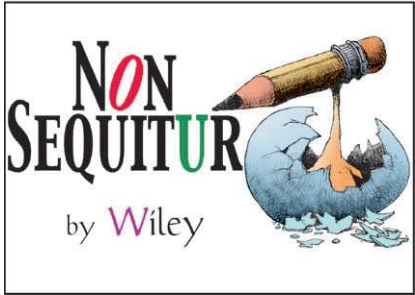
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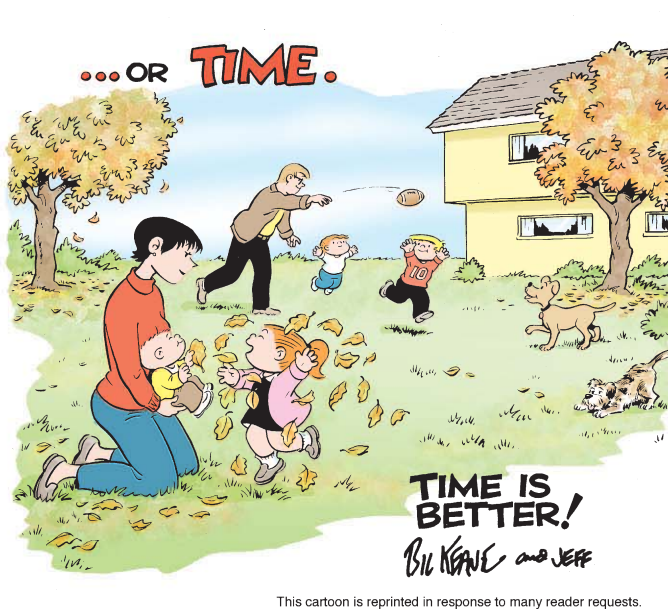
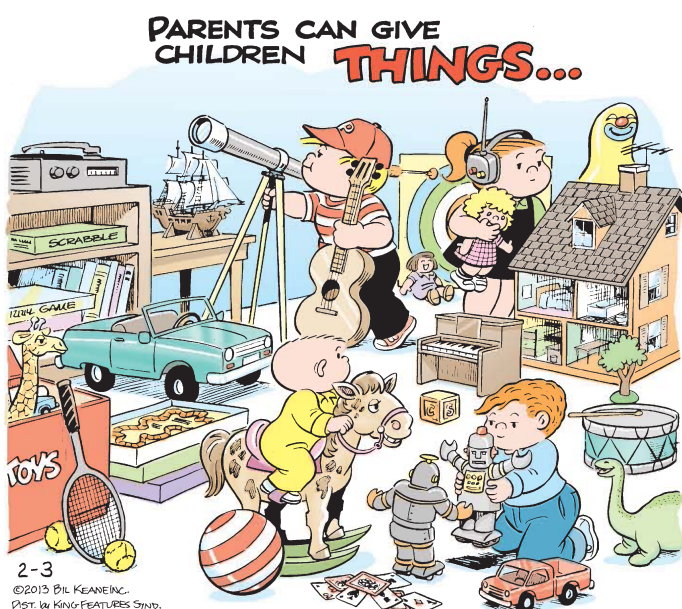
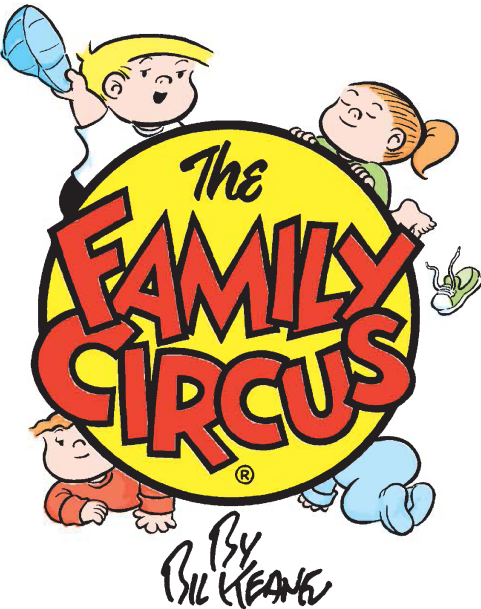
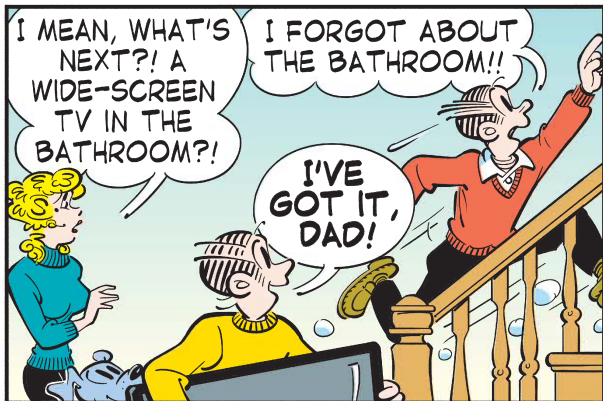
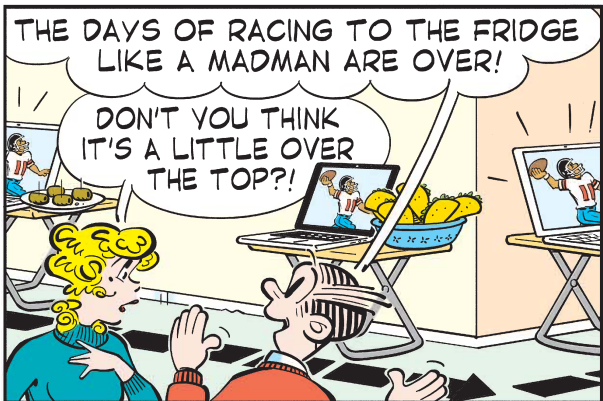
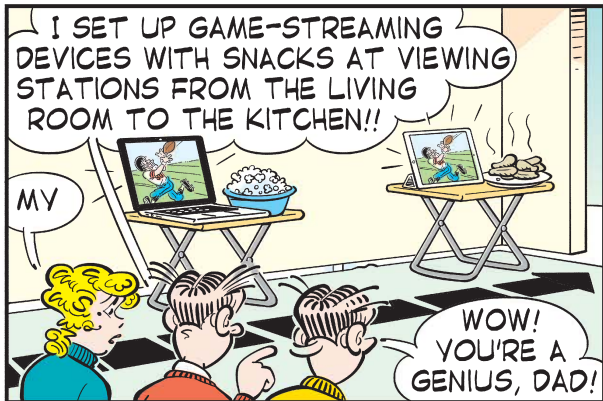
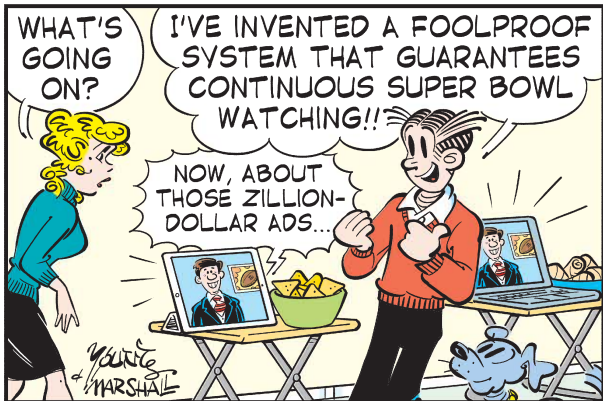
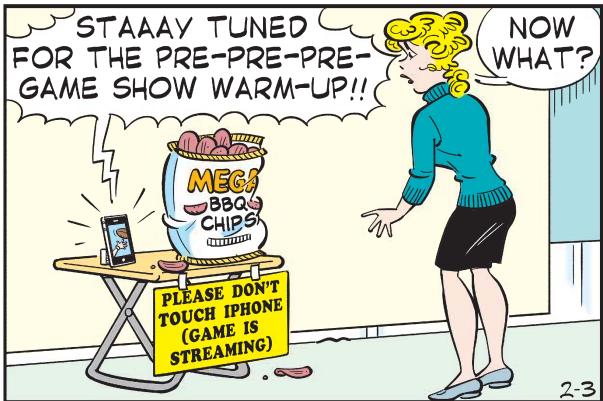
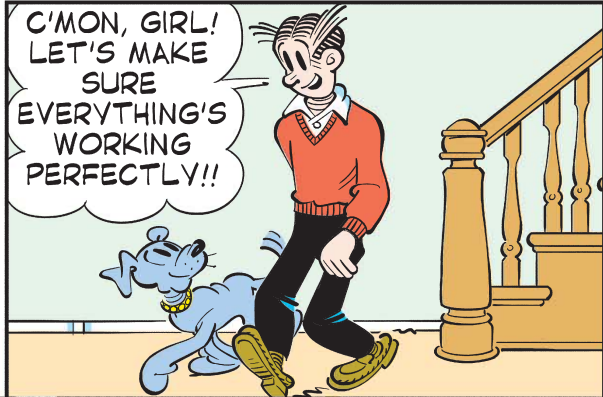
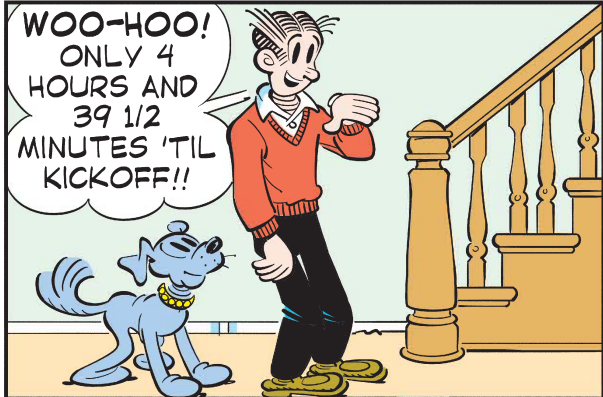
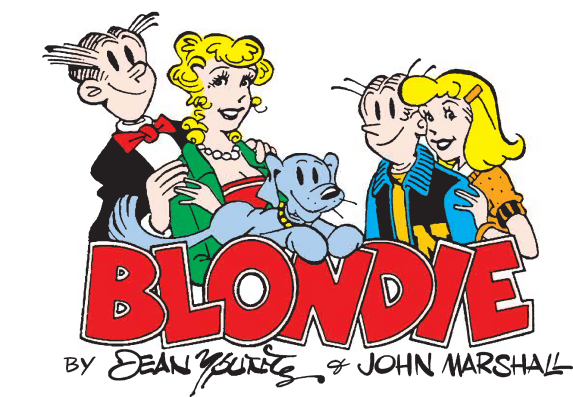
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