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Gooding rejects Jerome plant

Planners' recommendation doesn't sway commissioners; company not giving up

By Chad Baldwin
Times-News writer

GOODING — Jerome Cheese Co.'s plan to send wastewater to Gooding County hit a wall Monday. The company's only recourse for gaining approval of the plan now is likely taking the matter to court.

The Gooding County Commission voted 2-1 Monday to reject Jerome Cheese's plan to pump through seven miles of pipe about 1 million gallons of wastewater each day to a 940-acre site in Gooding County. "Disappointment doesn't approach how I feel," Jerome Cheese General Manager Jon Davis said Monday evening.

The commission's action reversed a May 1 vote by the county Planning and Zoning Commission to approve the proposal, which resulted from a lengthy mediation process. Although the issue has been debated for close to two years, it was the first time the county commission voted on the matter. "This was a real tough one,"

said Commissioner Rob Sauer, who voted along with Commissioner Carolyn Elekuru to reject the proposal. "Jerome Cheese worked very hard on this application and went through the mediation process. But ultimately, I didn't feel comfortable with allowing this." Sauer said the official reasons for the vote were that placing a

wastewater treatment plant in an agricultural zone is not allowed by the county zoning ordinance, and that a special use permit may be granted only in the best interests of the general public. "The two of us didn't feel it was in the best interest of the general public," Sauer said.

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BREATHING EASY



Rusty Schwarz of Operations Management International says a new aeration tank near the Lamb Weston Inc. plant in Twin Falls was built by the city to mitigate odor problems. The system adds oxygen to the wastewater to keep it from smelling on its trip to the main city sewage plant.

Project cuts smell from wastewater plant

By Chad Baldwin
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — There were days, Betty Thieman said, when the stink made her sick.

But the office manager of the Agape Christian School said the odor from the city's wastewater system hasn't been nearly as bad this year.

"It's 98 percent improved," Thieman said Monday. "Once in a while we get a whiff, but it isn't like it was before."

Since the completion of a \$1.2 million odor-control project over the winter, the city has seen a big

"I feel pretty good about this."

— Gary Young,
city engineer

drop in the number of odor complaints in Rock Creek Canyon. City Engineer Gary Young said.

That's not to say the odor has vanished; there will always be some smell. But Young said the project is diminishing the volume of hydrogen sulfide, the gas that produces the foul smell.

Young said. "We have very significantly reduced the concentration ... in that line. But I didn't have any illusions that we'd turn this into a zero situation when it comes to gas in the sewer — that's just not reality."

The project consisted primarily of installing an oxidation tank that helps break down hydrogen sulfide into sulfates before its causes odor. The tank was installed near where waste from Lamb Weston Inc. enters the city sewer system.

"That area has been our biggest problem," said Rusty Schwarz, who is the assistant manager for Operations Management International, the company with which the city contracts to manage waste treatment.

Wastewater from both Lamb Weston and Glambia Foods flows into a city pipeline in the canyon. That pipeline stretches through the canyon and then to the Snake River Canyon, where the water is pumped into the city's sewage plant.

The real test of the new equipment should come this week, Schwarz said. That's because the

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Bush vision for Mideast does not include Arafat

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — In a dramatic shift of U.S. policy, President Bush on Monday called bluntly for the ouster of longtime Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat as essential to America's support for a Palestinian state.

"Peace requires a new and different Palestinian leadership so that a Palestinian state can be born," Bush

said. "I call on the Palestinian people to elect new leaders, leaders not compromised by terror."

The president abandoned his administration's previous position that Arafat, while unsavory and disappointing, is the Palestinians' legitimately elected leader. He placed the burden for creating a Palestinian state squarely on the Palestinian people themselves. He made few demands of Israel, and then

only if progress is being made on his call for Palestinian reforms.

If Palestinians elect new leaders who work to abolish terrorism, establish a constitution and democratic institutions, and reform security forces, Bush said, the United States then would support creation of a "provisional" Palestinian state. Its borders would be

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President Bush
At the White House



Firefighters Colter Stewart, left, and Rick Maxwell, both from Boise, attend a memorial service Sunday at the Mountain Community Church in Lake George, Colo., for the four firefighters who were killed Friday night. A fifth died later.

Firefighter crash claims T.F. grad

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Among five firefighters who died from injuries when their van rolled Friday in Colorado was Zachary Zigich, 18, of Twin Falls.

Authorities delayed releasing Zigich's name until Sunday night, when family members finally could be notified. Zigich graduated from Twin Falls High School last year, and friends say he attended Carroll College in Montana.

Injured in the wreck was Brandon Fiala, 20, of Twin Falls. He was in serious condition Monday afternoon at St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Junction, Colo.

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Zachary Zigich
Brandon Fiala

He suffered multiple traumas and head injuries, but had been upgraded from critical condition, a hospital spokesman said. Fiala

spent two recent summers on The Times-News staff as a student reporting intern.

At home Monday was Robert Heins, 20, of Burley. He had been treated and discharged from Valley View Hospital in Glenwood Springs, Colo.

The three Magic Valley men were employees of Grayback Forestry Inc., a private Oregon company that contracts with public agencies to fight wildfires. Sixty Grayback firefighters had been traveling in an 11-van caravan to the massive Hayden fire in Colorado when a van driver lost control on Interstate 70 near Glenwood Springs.

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Only juries can impose death, U.S. Court rules

Officials debate effect on Idaho inmates

The Associated Press

BOISE — A new U.S. Supreme Court ruling could bring Idaho's 22 death row inmates before juries again, costing perhaps millions of dollars and giving the inmates a shot at new sentences.

But there is broad disagreement in Idaho's legal community about what Monday's ruling really means. The state's top prosecutors say the ruling in an Arizona case could affect fewer than six cases.

The Magic Valley has one death row case — Jimmie Vurel Thomas, 58, of Littlefield, Texas. He was convicted in November 1997 of killing Steven Linder, 38, at a home

Laudere and "Thomas' ex-wife were sharing near Eden, like Arizona and Montana, Idaho allows a judge to determine whether a convicted murderer deserves death. Colorado and Nebraska allow a panel of judges to make the sentencing decision and are also directly affected by the high court's ruling.

The court said the constitutional guarantee to a trial by a jury would be "senselessly diminished" if jurors did not also weigh whether a particular killing merits death.

The court rejected Arizona's argument that judges can be more evenhanded and less emotional than juries. Under current Idaho law, judges sentence murderers. It is the judge's discretion whether to impose death, though the judge must consider whether aggravating circumstances are present, such as whether more than one person was killed.

Deputy Attorney General Michael Henderson said all current death row cases would not be overturned. Many cases have already proceeded outside the state judicial system.

Henderson said only six death row inmates qualify to bring the matter up because their appeals are still at the state level. Once the case reaches federal courts, said Deputy Attorney General LaMont Anderson, chief of the

Who's on death row in Idaho? — A3

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Idaho's death row

The following is a list of convicted murderers on Idaho's death row. These names are listed in alphabetical order by last name, which the Idaho Attorney General's office says may be affected by a recent court ruling. Some of the names may be struck out of the list if the state's Supreme Court rules that the death penalty may be struck out of the state constitution.

- David Leslie Carr, 42, of Nampa, convicted for the June 5, 1988, shooting death of Eugene and Shirley Wray at a Nampa convenience store.
- Thomas Eugene Cresh, 52, of Ohio. The former church sexton pleaded guilty to the May 13, 1981, killing of fellow prison inmate David DeLoach by beating him to death with a rock full of batteries. Execution delayed twice.
- Timothy Alan Dunlap, 33, of Batesburg, Ind. Pleaded guilty to the Oct. 10, 1991, shotgun slaying of a Security State Bank teller Tonya Crane during an attempted bank robbery in Soda Springs.
- Donald Kenneth Fetters, 43, of Caldwell. Convicted for the September 1983 shooting death of Stirling "Grommer" after breaking into a Bremner's home and blinding him with shot tape.
- John Feltus, 44, of Idaho Falls. Convicted of first-degree murder for the Feb. 11, 1988, stabbing death of Mary Catherine Vanderford while robbing her clothing store in Twin Falls.
- James Harvey Hairston, 25, of Grand Junction, Colo. Convicted of first-degree murder for the Aug. 8, 1990, shooting deaths of William and Daina Fuhman at their rural Downey farm house.
- Wesley Alton Hoffman, 45, of Nampa. Convicted for a revenge slaying of police drug informant Dennis Williams. The Attorney General's office is appealing a federal judge's order that Hoffman be resentenced by the end of July.
- Michael Allen Joubila, 46, of Conroe, Texas. Convicted by a jury for the April 10, 1995, beating death of Stirling inmate John Alfred Williams with a baseball bat.
- Mark Henry Lanford, 46, of Conroe, Texas. Convicted for the 1983 slayings of U.S. Marine Capt. Robert Braverman and his wife, Cheryl. The Bravermans were camped along the South Fork of the Clearwater river. Both were killed by blows to the head.
- Richard Albert Leavitt, 44, of Blackfoot. Convicted for the July 18, 1984, death of Darlene Jean Ege. The victim was stabbed 15 times and her sexual organs were removed.
- Freon Earl Lovelace, 45, of Sandpoint. A self-defense activist, he was convicted for the 1995 execution-style murder of Jeremy Scott.
- Randall Lynn McKinney, 40, of Tular, Calif. Convicted in the April 1981 shooting death of Robert Bishop Jr. The victim's body was found abandoned in a gravel pit northeast of Arco.
- Darrell Edward Payne, 30, of Nampa. Convicted of the July 6, 2000, abduction, robbery, rape and murder of Samantha Maher.
- Garold Ross Pitzer, Jr., 46, of Orland, Calif. Convicted for the July 1985 beating deaths of Berta Herndon and her nephew, Del Dean Herndon. They were killed about 20 miles north of McCall, where they were prospecting.
- George Junior Porter, 45, of Nezperce. Convicted for the December 1988 beating death of his girlfriend, Theresa Lynn Jones.
- Paul Ezra Rhoades, 45, of Idaho Falls. Convicted of the murder of Idaho Falls teacher Susan Mitchell-Mechecker, whose bullet-riddled body was found in March 1987, and also for first-degree murder and kidnapping in the death of Stacy Owen Baldwin, a Blackfoot convenience store clerk.
- Rubin Lee Row, 44, of Boise. Convicted for the February 1992 murders of her husband Randy, and children Joshua Comeller, 20, and Isabelle Comeller, 8, by setting their duplex on fire.
- Dale Carter Shackelford, 39, of London, Mo. Convicted for the 1999 slaying of his wife Donna Fontaine and her boyfriend Fred Palumbo, 29.
- Lacey Mark Sivak, 43, of Boise. Convicted in the April 1981 shooting slaying of Glida Wilson, a Garden City gas station attendant.
- Gene Francis Stuart, 80, of Orofino. Convicted in the September 1981, beating death of 3-year-old Robert Stuart, son of Stuart's live-in girlfriend.
- Jeanne Vural Thomas, 58, of Littlefield, Texas. Convicted of first-degree murder for the Nov. 14, 1997, shooting death of 39-year-old Steven Louder at the home Louder and Thomas' ex-wife were sharing near Eden.
- James Edward Wood, 54, of Pocatello, Fla. Pleaded guilty to the July 30, 1993, murder and subsequent sexual molestation and dismemberment of 13-year-old Pocatello teenager center, Janice Underwood.

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death penalty unit, the inmates are no longer able to bring up this issue on appeal.

In other cases, a jury had previously found that an aggravating circumstance was present in the crime, which would support a judge's decision to impose death.

"The aggravating factors must be found by a jury rather than by a judge," Henderson said.

But Rolf Kehne, chief of the Public Defenders Office division that represents people accused of capital offenses, said the ruling raises more questions than it answers and that all of these issues must be decided by the courts, not an attorney's office. The decision may be retroactive and apply to all death row inmates in the state, Kehne said. "We'll make the argument that the ruling means everybody on death row gets life in prison and cannot be sentenced to death," Kehne said.

There was no constitutional death penalty in Idaho at the time of the sentence, Kehne reasoned, those inmates cannot be eligible for the death sentence.

Inmates on death row who have access to television and phones were excited about the ruling.

"There is a very upbeat mood — some of the inmates are ecstatic," said Teresa Jones, a public information officer with the Department of Corrections. "They're hoping things will change and they'll get more privileges."

For now, the inmates still will be considered death row inmates, Jones said. Even if they were moved to a non-death row area, some of them would be kept in confinement because of officers' fears they are dangerous.

It may be cheaper for Idaho's counties to commute all the death sentences to life in prison.

Kehne estimates just the defense costs of resentencing could exceed \$3 million. That doesn't include prosecution expenses, staffing and security at courthouses, the expense of bringing witnesses back to court, finding and supporting new juries and another round of appeals on new sentences.

Lawmaker says Bush will keep trains running

WASHINGTON — With Amtrak on the brink of a nationwide shutdown, a senator said President Bush and Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta assured him Monday they will keep the nation's passenger railroad operating.

Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., said Mineta "gave me his word" that the administration will find a way to resolve Amtrak's immediate financial crisis.

Torricelli discussed Amtrak with Bush and Mineta during the president's visit to New Jersey on Monday. Bush stressed the importance of reform at Amtrak, said White House spokeswoman Claire Buchanan. The president wants an Amtrak "driven by sound economic" means, she said.

Members of Amtrak's governing board were gathering in Washington for a Monday afternoon meeting with Mineta, who last week outlined several changes for the money-losing passenger railroad.

Mideast

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determined in final negotiations with Israel.

"For the sake of all humanity, things must change in the Middle East," Bush said in a 15-minute address in the Rose Garden. "It is unacceptable for Israeli citizens to live in terror. It is untenable for Palestinians to live in squalor and occupation. And the current situation offers no prospect that life will improve."

The president suggested a new state could be established within three years, and he appointed Secretary of State Colin Powell to coordinate U.S. efforts.

A spokesman for the Palestinian Authority rejected the notion that Arafat must be removed.

"Palestinian leaders don't come from parachutes from Washington or from anywhere else," Cabinet minister and chief negotiator Saeb Erekat told CNN. "President

FBI checks libraries' records

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI is visiting libraries nationwide and checking the reading records of people it suspects of having ties to terrorists or plotting an attack, library officials say.

The Justice Department and FBI declined to comment Monday, except to note that such searches are now legal under the Patriot Act that President Bush signed last October.

Libraries across the nation were reluctant to discuss their dealings with the FBI. The same law that makes the searches legal also makes it a criminal offense for librarians to reveal the details or extent.

"Patron information is sacrosanct here. It's nobody's business what you read," said Kari Hanson, director of the Bridgeview Public Library in suburban Chicago.

Nation in brief

Church-chartered bus crashes in Texas; five die
TERRELL, Texas — A chartered bus taking youngsters to a church camp crashed into the concrete pillar of an overpass Monday, killing the driver and four passengers, authorities said.

At least 36 other people were injured in the accident about 30 miles east of Dallas. The bus was carrying more than 40 people and had departed from the Dallas suburb of Garland.

The bus became wedged between the pillar and a grass embankment, its left side nearly sheared off. The scattered debris included a shoe and a tattered black Bible, along with a pile of bus seats and twisted pieces of metal.

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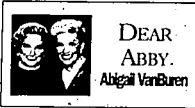
Torture victims find new life in America

DEAR ABBY: While terrorism remains on the minds of Americans in the wake of the 9-11 tragedy, millions of other people silently cope each day with another form of terror. They are survivors of torture.

More than half a million of these people live in the United States. They are individuals and families who have suffered for their belief in democracy or their membership in a particular ethnic or political group, often at the hands of dictatorial foreign governments.

Their scars are both physical and mental, but with the help of 30 torture treatment centers nationwide, they are putting their past to rest. While Sierra Leone and Somalia seem a world away to most Americans, survivors of these war-torn countries are increasingly becoming our friends and neighbors, teachers and ticket-stakers, all of whom are building new lives for themselves.

According to Amnesty International, torture is used in more than 150 countries. Individuals suffer horribly at the hands of their captors from tor-



DEAR ABBY. Abigail Varvoren

ture designed to silence entire communities. It is used as a weapon to eliminate dissent. Its goal is to breed fear and destroy human rights, often to gain or retain political power.

Please, Abby, let your readers know that help is available for those who need it. Those willing to help end these senseless acts can learn more about this frighteningly common practice and how to help stop it by visiting www.ctv.org. Thank you.

—DOUGLAS JOHNSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CENTER FOR VICTIMS OF TORTURE, MINNEAPOLIS

interested in learning more about this. It's easy for those of us who have lived our lives in a democratic country to envision victims of torture as people who are in distant lands. The fact that more than half a million victims of this kind of repression are literally our neighbors may come as a surprise to many people.

"Our country is truly a refuge for 'huddled masses yearning to breathe free.' Those who wish to add their voices in protest of man's inhumanity to man and hasten the end of this barbaric practice should visit the Center for Victims of Torture Web site.

DEAR ABBY: This is a letter of thanks and a warning. For Mother's Day, my adult children and spouses brought all the fixings to my home for a barbecue. I didn't have to do a thing. We had a wonderful time, and

everyone went home by 9 p.m. Around midnight, I was awakened by the sound of sirens and got up to see where the fire trucks had stopped. To my horror, they were parked in front of my house! One of my sons had cleaned the barbecue grill, swept the hot ashes into a paper bag, put them on the wooden deck and forgot them. They smoldered for hours, causing my deck to become engulfed in flames. That's the warning.

My thanks go to the unknown neighbor or passer-by who called 911 and saved our lives.

—NADINE MEEHAN, SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR NADINE: Talk about throwing cold water on a warm memory! Embers should be disposed of in a metal container with water or allowed to burn out in the barbecue.

Prince Charles can count Dracula as an ancestor

Q. Land-locked Hungary — 850 miles from the Black Sea's nearest open water — is registered as a seaport with a merchant marine of 19 ships. How come?

A. It's on the Danube.
Q. That fish called the sturgeon has no teeth, right?

A. Right. No bones, either. Not even a backbone. Its frame is cartilage.

Nowhere in the world was the ordinary chair a common article of furniture until about 300 years ago. Thrones, yes. Benches, yes. Stools, yes. Chairs, no.

In Blue Eyes, Ark, the mayor is required to mow the city park lawn. That's the deal.

Sir, how much time do you put in around the house. Don't feel guilty. As a grownup, George Washington spent 23 years at home, and 22 years away from home.

Only three letters in the alphabet — Q, X and Z — turn up less frequently than J.

Among the distant ancestors of Prince Charles, according to those who check out blood lines, were Genghis Khan, George Washington and Count Dracula.

Takes tank fish only half as long as wild fish to become sexually mature. Credit controlled water temperature. During winter, those sea fish slow down.

In Switzerland, women didn't get the vote until 1971. And not all women even then.

Qin Shihuangdi, the prime mover in the building of China's Great Wall, got so tired off at an obstructing mountain he ordered it shorn of all vegetation and painted the color of condemned criminals, red.

Q. Who invented the shower bath?



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A. All I know is a Union commander during the Civil War — fellow named Muldoon — was the first to resort to perforate the bottom of a suspended bucket to let water run out for such a bath.

In Britain, you can be too important to get into "Who's Who." The Royal Family isn't in it.

Here's to Gustav Benzel — clink! — the inventor in 1870 of the meringue round.

It was in 1537 that Pope Paul III settled a large debate of that time: Do Indians in the New World have souls? He said yes.

The right whale has eyebrows, mustache, beard and sideburns.

Today is your kind of day, Virgo; upset the odds, Leo

IF JUNE 25TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you are accustomed to handling pressure of responsibility. You are romantic, and when it comes to love you are passionate. You must always strive to avoid self-deception. Pisces, Virgo individuals play important roles in your life, could have these letters in names: C, P. During July, domestic adjustment could include change of residence, marital status. September must memorable.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): You can reach peak by putting forth "extra effort." You will possess secret of "universal appeal." Humanitarian project could take you to foreign nation.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Obtain hint from Aries message. Reach beyond the immediate, transform ideals into realities. Relationship grows too hot not to cool down. New start will succeed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You could learn more than you care to know. Nevertheless, keep digging, truth will set you free. You will locate ideal living quarters. Marital status emphasized.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Avoid scattering forces; don't attempt to please everyone. Those who care about you will be pleased if you are happy. What had been cause for fear becomes laughing matter.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Upset the odds! At the track; Choose number 4 next position in fourth race. Rebuilding program gets started; put your heart into it! Taurus, Scorpio and another Leo play dominant roles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your kind of day! Words play major role. Start a diary, read and write, get ideas on paper. You will be startled by receiving "love letter."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Sing in or out of shower; if you hear sound

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of music, dance to your own tune. Highlight diplomacy, make important decision to loved one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Avoid wild-pace chase! Friend says, "Please join me in trip." Make him or her understand: "For a short time!" Make meanings crystal clear.

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Arts emerge from Taliban-era shadow

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — His favorite pieces are the ones he painted of his family — his grandmother's well-worn face, his father's worried eyes, his mother's gentle smile.

But those portraits remained hidden in his home for years, where Sayed Ahmed Zabir worked in secret because the fundamentalist Taliban rulers believed human images were unholy.

"When I saw the difficulties of my people, I wanted to show the world what was happening through my paintings. I wanted to show my work publicly but I could not," said the 25-year-old newly hired art teacher. "Now I can do what I want."

In the six months since the ruling Taliban was ousted from power, the creative arts are emerging with all the pent-up energy of its long-frustrated artists.

Music, painting and films are seeing a slow rebirth as a nation starved of its culture, and art begins the slow process of reclaiming its creative bright.

Artists are free now. People are looking for a way to express themselves, their ideas, their feelings. Under the Taliban, we did not have that right," said Mohammed Hashem, 38, who heads the Ghilam Mohammed Miumingni Art Center, Kabul's main government-funded non-university art school.

The free art classes offered by Hashem's center since January have been deluged by budding artists. Enrollment has exploded to 270 pupils — most joining in the last two months alone — and he expects many more. Zabir, one of the 18 teachers hired to meet the demand.

The sounds of music, once illegal, now fill the streets, blaring from radios and boom boxes —



A collage formed from torn paintings destroyed by the Taliban last year is on display at the National Gallery in Kabul, Afghanistan, Monday. The fundamentalist Islamic regime believed that depictions of humans and animals were unholy.

the traditional rhythms of Dari and Pashtun music mixed with the high-pitched exuberance of Indian film music. Painted films from Pakistan, Iran and India sold on sidewalks draw huge crowds of people at all hours of the day.

During their reign, the Taliban banned music, television, movies and theater. Photography, painting, sculpture — anything that depicted images of humans or animals — was prohibited by the Taliban, whose stern interpretation of the Quran viewed them as idolatrous.

In the final year of their rule, the Taliban went on a destruc-

tive cultural rampage, ransacking antiquities salvaged from the historic Kabul Museum that had been hidden in the Culture Ministry's storeroom and tearing up paintings from the National Gallery.

Even more pieces might have been lost had it not been for Hashem, a curator at the time for the National Gallery, and his two colleagues.

By the time the Taliban came looking to destroy what it saw as unholy art, the gallery had already lost about 200 of its 800 pieces to ransacking and looting during its civil wars in the early 1990s.

But the Taliban were more methodic in their mission: tearing up, burning or taking away more than 400 pieces.

Furious at the wanton destruction, Hashem came up with the idea to disguise the remaining works, painting over the oil pieces with watercolor images of nature — mountains, lakes and trees that did not offend the Taliban's sensitivities.

"We knew if they caught us, they would put us in jail or punish us. But it was my responsibility. I had a small opportunity and I used it. I was not afraid. Whether they caught us or not, I had to do this," Hashem said.

Study: Irish kids learn religious schism early

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Roman Catholic and Protestant children start learning to fear and loathe each other's communities as young as 3 years old, a newly published study found Tuesday, blaming parents and Northern Ireland's religiously divided school system.

"The surprising thing is how quickly these attitudes start to be expressed, almost as soon as they can talk," said Paul Connolly, lead author of the report based on questioning of 352 children aged 3 to 6. "You could imagine children drawing some of these distinctions at age 10, not 3."

Connolly's research team found that boys and girls from the British Protestant and Irish Catholic sides of society are absorbing their communities' prejudices by age 5, when they enter elementary schools that keep them almost entirely segregated in two separate systems. Only 1 percent of primary-age children in Northern Ireland are educated in religiously mixed schools.

"Our results, frankly, condemn the overall structure of Northern Ireland society," said Connolly, a University of Ulster sociologist. The Englishman, who lives in religiously polarized north Belfast with his wife and three preschool children, says they'll soon face tough choices about finding "neutral" schooling.

The study, conducted by the University of Ulster, was commissioned by the government-funded Community Relations

Council, which tries to promote better relations between the communities.

The survey at 44 elementary schools and nurseries throughout Northern Ireland involved showing children pictures and objects, and asking them what they knew about each and whether they liked or disliked them. Subjects with sectarian connotations included Irish and British flags, Protestant Orangemen parading, different soccer teams' uniforms, and Catholic girls in an Irish dancing class.

The approach mirrored a 1999 study of the attitudes of Israeli and Palestinian children, which was commissioned by Children's Television Workshop in New York. The makers of "Sesame Street," the workshop produced an Israeli-Palestinian joint television venture in Arabic and Hebrew, in which peaceful coexistence was key.

As with the Middle Eastern research, the Northern Ireland report concluded that youngsters in divided societies need specially designed educational packages to counteract the parochial prejudice of their immediate environment.

"If young children are encouraged to appreciate and respect diversity then they may well be less likely to develop negative attitudes in the future," the report concludes.

"It is certainly far better than simply leaving children to learn about other communities from their peers."

Wild elephant goes berserk, kills 12 on India-Nepal border

CALCUTTA, India (AP) — A berserk wild elephant rampaged through villages on both sides of the India-Nepal border, trampling and killing 12 people, police said Monday.

Hunters were scouring the thick forests on Monday in search of the beast.

The elephant killed nine people in an Indian border village on Sunday, and three more after crossing over into Nepalese territory, said Jogesh Burman, the wildlife minister of India's West Bengal state.

The elephant entered the grounds of the Marapur tea plantation, near the border with Nepal, at lunchtime, and began trampling everything in its path, local police chief K. Jayaraman said.

He said the animal apparently came from a forest in Nepal, and swam across a river before reaching the plantation, about 380 miles north of Calcutta, the capital of West Bengal state.

During the pachyderm's first victim was a female worker who was eating lunch in an outdoor courtyard.

Next, it trampled an 11-year-old boy, who was playing in a nearby field, followed by three more workers, two guards and two villagers. The elephant also flattened 25 mud huts and three small police shacks, Jayaraman said.

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Yucca Mountain foes care little for halting shipments

If some politicians truly think shipping spent nuclear waste to Nevada is a recipe for disaster, why do they support shipping the same kind of waste to Idaho?

It's a good question. U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, wants to pose it to members of Congress who are undecided or opposed to building the Yucca Mountain waste repository in Nevada.

Last week Simpson wrote to New York Sen. Hillary Clinton to ask for her support on Yucca Mountain. Simpson's letter came after Clinton's request that the Energy Department set a date to ship 125 spent nuclear fuel rods from West Valley, N.Y., to the Idaho National Environmental and Engineering Laboratory. He wants her to show that she supports a long-term solution to nuclear waste instead of merely a quick fix.

Politicians and activist groups who oppose Yucca Mountain say nuclear waste shipments to Nevada will endanger U.S. cities. They say the trucks and rail cars equipped with waste casks may leak radioactive material if there is an accident - even though no such incident has ever occurred over 40 years and 1.5 million miles of waste shipments.

But the "mobile Chernobyl" argument falls flat on its face when these same politicians and activists endorse shipping the same material to Idaho or other states.

Clinton has made no public indication of how she'll vote on Yucca Mountain. Congress has until July 26 to decide.

Simpson told Clinton that if she opposes Yucca Mountain, she'll "demonstrate to the people of Idaho and me that you only seek a politically expedient approach to this complex issue - making New York's problem Idaho's problem."

Clinton won't be alone if she does that. Other politicians such as Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, R-Colo., oppose the Nevada repository but have no problem parking their state's nuclear waste in Idaho.

Politicians' willingness to ship here, but not to a permanent repository, reflects the hypocrisy of the Yucca Mountain opposition. If opponents really think cross-country waste shipments are unacceptable, they should fight Clinton's request (and similar shipments) just as vigorously as they're fighting Yucca Mountain.

But stopping shipments isn't really their goal at all. If Yucca Mountain fails, shipments will go on like nothing ever happened - and the opponents know it.

What opponents want is to straitjacket the nuclear industry. By blocking Yucca Mountain, they'll make sure the problem of spent-fuel storage doesn't get solved in our generation. That would stymie further development of commercial nuclear energy.

It's this kind of cynical strategy that keeps nuclear waste in the backyards of 161 million Americans, rather than one safe repository. If politicians were truly concerned about nuclear safety, they would support the only practical solution for spent-fuel storage. That's Yucca Mountain.

Our view: If opponents to Yucca Mountain were concerned over waste shipments they would oppose shipment requests to Idaho, too.

What do you think?

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Supreme Court follows sliding trend

One can agree (or not) with last week's 5-3 ruling by the Supreme Court that the death penalty should not apply to retarded citizens because it violates the Eighth Amendment's prohibition against "cruel and unusual punishment," and still be troubled by the twisted road the court took to reach its destination.

Reading the history of the Amendment shows that it proceeded from concerns over the methods the state could use to take the life of a convicted criminal - not the intelligence level of the criminal.

When the Constitution was adopted, the British penalty for high treason was to have the convicted person "hanged by the neck and then cut down alive, then he was disemboweled while yet living. His head was cut off and his body divided into four parts for disposition by the King." (Thomas James Norton, "The Constitution of the United States," p. 224). Among punishments for other crimes, English law provided for cutting off the ears, losing, cutting off a hand, castrating, standing in the pillory, slitting of the nose and branding on the cheek. Now THAT was cruel and unusual punishment.

The Supreme Court, in its decision, said that persons deemed retarded - with an IQ of 70 or less (why not 71?) - and judged guilty of a capital crime, cannot be executed. In so ruling, the court majority moved from the intention of the Framers, which was to make execution more humane, to focusing on the status of the guilty, which appears not to have entered the Framers' minds while crafting the Eighth Amendment.

The case on which this judicial overreach was decided involved a Virginia man, Daryl Renard Atkins, who, along with another man, abducted Eric Nesbitt at the point of a semiautomatic



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handgun, robbed him of the money on his person, and drove Nesbitt to an ATM machine in his pickup truck, where cameras recorded the withdrawal of additional cash. The men then took Nesbitt to an isolated location where he was shot eight times and killed. Atkins was judged to have an IQ of 59, though details of the crime seem to indicate he knew what he was doing.

In the majority decision, written by Justice John Paul Stevens, the court cited "public opinion," which it said had shifted since a 1989 case in which the court decided the opposite of last week's ruling. It also cited the views of professional and religious organizations, and even the "world community," which tended to support the opinion of the majority.

Justice Stevens approvingly quoted the late Chief Justice Earl Warren, who said in a 1958 opinion (Trop v. Dulles): "The (Eighth) amendment must draw its meaning from the evolving standards of decency that mark

the progress of a maturing society." If standards of decency "evolve" and are not fixed (or devolve as is the case with decency today), then the Constitution can also "evolve" and come to mean whatever the court wishes it to mean. That is the point made by the dissenters.

Dissenting Justice Antonin Scalia said: "...the views of professional and religious organizations and the result of opinion polls are irrelevant. Equally irrelevant are the practices of the 'world community' whose notions of justice are (thankfully) not always those of our people. We must never forget that it is the Constitution of the United States that we are expounding." Ah, but the court too often forgets that and frequently relies instead on shifting legal sand.

Justice Scalia added: "The arrogance of this assumption of power takes one's breath away." He debunked the majority's reliance upon "consensus" concerning the death penalty, which it decided exists based on the

number of states that either prohibit execution or the retarded or prohibit the death penalty outright. Scalia charged the majority with being "cavalier about the evidence of consensus. It is just a game, after all. There is something to be said for popular abolition of the death penalty; there is nothing to be said for its incremental abolition by this court."

Not all returned citizens are alike. Some with an IQ of 70 may be able to discern right from wrong and make moral choices. Others may not. The states should decide. Retarded citizens who do not know right from wrong should be exempted from the death penalty - but not given blanket absolution by a Supreme Court, which has ruled in this latest of many recent rulings not on the Constitution, but on a preferred outcome. Such "reasoning" will come back to haunt us in situations where the outcome is less desirable.

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Invading Iraq might be a very bad idea

Who has heard this from many Americans who want war with Iraq? "Sodaddy Hussein is a madman, with weapons of mass destruction, and therefore we need to get rid of him." But there is little evidence that Hussein is mad, and his rational response to the dangerous incursions President Bush has set up should make us afraid.

Consider the incentive that Bush Sr. set for Saddam Hussein. In 1991, just before the Gulf War, the elder Bush made it clear that if Hussein used chemical weapons against the U.S.-led coalition, Bush would consider "the strongest possible response." It worked: Hussein refrained from using chemical weapons in the Gulf War.

Consider the new incentives Hussein faces. Bush Jr. says he wants to get rid of Saddam Hussein. We're not talking about a move to Switzerland. Everyone

understands that President Bush wants Saddam Hussein to die. One who understands that particularly well is Saddam Hussein. Hussein, therefore, also knows that Bush's state is probably preparing, or will prepare, plans to kill him.

What's Hussein's likely response? If he is as evil as George W. Bush thinks he is, then he wouldn't mind taking a million innocent Iraqis with him. In fact, he might actually prefer to die with a splash. Moreover, Hussein would probably prefer to take a few hundred thousand innocent Iraqis or even Americans with him. If Hussein does have weapons of mass destruction, then he may be working to set up weapons around the world to be detonated when he

is near the end.

To avoid the deaths of many innocent Iraqis, and possibly of innocent Americans and Israelis, President Bush has two choices: The high-risk choice is to go after Saddam Hussein soon. Notice that I said "go after Saddam Hussein," not "go after Iraq." In a choice between being the only target and being one of a million Iraqi targets, Hussein would much prefer the latter. For one thing, it would help him go out with a big splash; for another, the U.S. killing of many innocent Iraqis would help him achieve the unification of the Muslim worlds against the U.S.

There's a second choice. That would be for Bush to communicate, in a credible way, that he no longer wishes to replace Saddam Hussein. The first option is difficult because Hussein is well protected and might still have time to unleash his terror. The second

option is also difficult because everyone knows Bush's true wishes for Hussein's future. One way to accomplish the second, however, is to actively push for ending the United Nations sanctions on Iraq; this would communicate clearly that Hussein is no longer a target.

You might argue that Hussein is not a real threat. But if that's the case, then why the discussion over invading Iraq? Either Hussein is a threat or he is not. Either way, invading Iraq is a bad idea.

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T-N should celebrate dads on Father's Day

Way to go, Lisa Chernoff! Your letter that was printed on June 19 was exactly what I had been thinking. Why aren't we celebrating dads on Father's Day?

Every year, I have said the same thing - why is it that we always hear about all the deadbeat dads on Father's Day?

There are a number of them that do so much for us and our children? On Mother's Day, we are encouraged to take our mothers out

and treat them special. Mothers are very special, and I know there are a number of them that have to play the dual role of mom and dad. And I salute them! But on Father's Day, it seems that we hear about all the absent fathers and the lack of child support paid.

While I know that these are very important issues, and I truly believe fathers should take responsibility for the children that they have created, why can't we celebrate and acknowledge the fathers out there that do this - and more?

Families will pay for GOP money mistakes

Conservative columnist David Broder in *The Times-News*, says Bush's proposal to eliminate estate tax would open a three-quarters of a trillion-dollar hole in the nation's fiscal finances. Couple this with Bush's need for a \$450 billion debt ceiling raise, topped with income tax cuts for the rich and you have Republican responsibility. You must have a net worth of \$1 million dollars to pay inheritance taxes.

Who gets to make up the difference? Look in the mirror! Families are already over-taxed to the point that they cannot afford decent child care for themselves, and their children are paying for another \$5 million mansion for the rich.

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this country, it is time for them to face up to their responsibility. After all, this is the only country in the world that offers this opportunity.

President Clinton's "tax and spend" Democrats balanced the budget, had money left over to reduce the national debt and produced the longest period of prosperity in American history.

It appears Hitler was right: Repeat a lie long enough and loud enough and it becomes accepted as a fact.

Republicans have the money to do this very effectively,

branding the Democrats as "tax and spend" in the face of overwhelming evidence to the contrary. Remember not one Republican voted for President Clinton's deficit reduction plan that so effectively produced a fair tax and national prosperity. It hasn't taken them long to destroy it.

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OPINION

Thomas Jefferson's 'wall' between church, state could use a blueprint

Not everyone can go sorting through a cardboard box while cleaning house and turn up an authentic Thomas Jefferson note extolling the virtues of religious liberty. Of course, it helps to be a volunteer tidying up a Colonial-era Maryland home that's being transformed into a museum. That's what happened at Hollingsworth House, where the letter was found in March. A manuscript expert recently proclaimed the July 2, 1801, letter, with its meticulously legible script and distinctive, sweeping "Th Jefferson" signature, an authentic Jefferson. (To see the authentic letter: www.baltimore-sun.com).

In thanking the Delaware Baptist Association for its congratulations on his election to the presidency, Jefferson writes: "I join you, fellow citizens, in rendering the tribute of thankfulness to the Almighty ruler, who, in the order of his providence, hath willed that the human mind shall be free in this portion of the globe. That society shall here know that the limit of its rightful power is the enforcement of social conduct, while the right to question the religious principles producing that conduct is beyond their cognizance."

He also praises the "establishment here of liberty, equality of social rights, exclusion of unequal privileges civil & religious, & the usurping domination of one sect over another." Unfortunately, this letter hardly illuminates its far more famous cousin, Jefferson's Jan. 1, 1802, letter to the Danbury Baptist Association.

That's the letter in which he said, "I contemplate with sovereign reverence that act of the whole American people which declared that their legislature should 'make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof,' thus building a wall of separation between Church & State."

Then he left it to future generations to interpret: Did he mean an impenetrable wall so high that neither could ever see the other?

Thirty-one years ago this month, Chief Justice Warren

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Burger opined that the courts must recognize that "the line of separation, far from being a 'wall,' is a blurred, indistinct and variable barrier depending on all the circumstance of a particular relationship."

But that hasn't proved definitive.

In that ruling, known as *Lemon v. Kurtzman*, the Supreme Court outlined a test for government involvement with religion: Is there a secular purpose to the government's action? Does its primary effect advance or inhibit religion? And is there excessive government entanglement with religion?

Yet the *Lemon* test proved bitter and unpopular with those who want more accommodation of religion in public life, more friendly relations across Jefferson's wall than a straight reading of his language might suggest.

This being June, the Supreme Court soon will offer another interpretation of what constitutes excessive entanglement, when government money promotes religious indoctrination.

That's because June is typically when the court wraps up its term, issuing opinions in its thorniest cases.

The justices aren't always wrangling with the religion cases until the end — but often, and increasingly so (and did rule this week in one case that would allow Jehovah's Witnesses and other groups to knock on neighborhood doors with having to obtain a permit first).

It was June 40 years ago when the court said that officially sanctioned and required prayer at the beginning of each school day violated the First Amendment; June a decade ago when school-sponsored graduation prayers were struck down; June two years ago when the same thing happened to prayers before high school football games.

Alabama's moment of teaching and Louisiana's ban on teaching evolution without creation science fell in June.

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12-to-14-year-old girl stole figurine from import store

To the parents of a 12- to 14-year-old girl:

Recently, your daughter came into my store and stole an Armani figurine of a small girl sitting with a rabbit in her arms titled "Tender Friends."

I've done nothing about it until now because I was hoping she would return it and that her conscience would possibly be bothering her.

The child must live within the vicinity of Daisy's Ice Cream Parlor and my store is adjacent (The Brown Magnolia).

She was not alone as there was a young boy outside of about 8 to 10 years. When she

ran out, the young man, who seemed to be unaware of her actions, was confused and started and he proceeded to hop on his bike and take off too.

This young lady's actions have haunted me as she is so young for such a dishonest act, and I just hope we can stop this now before her actions of this nature become a way of life for her.

Both children wore caps with light brown or dark blond hair. The girl was a little on the heavy side and the boy was slight of build and very agile.

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Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Esther Loman is the owner of The Brown Magnolia, which features European antiques and imports.)

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WHAT WAS GEORGE WASHINGTON THINKING?

We all know the story of George Washington and the cherry tree. And we, like everyone else, admire his honesty. But what we can't figure out is why George decided to chop down a cherry tree - instead of, say, mangling a gooseberry bush or trampling a bunch of arlchoko plants. It's just difficult for us to understand why anyone would choose to deprive themselves of

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Section B

AROUND THE VALLEY

Police: Look out for counterfeit money

TWIN FALLS - Several counterfeit bills have popped up in Twin Falls and have been handed over to police, according to reports.

The bills have been in \$100, \$50 and \$20 denominations and have been passed at local convenience stores, gas stations and restaurants.

The bills are of poor quality and look as if they've been well-circulated. The edges are not cut evenly, and none of the latest security features can be seen in them. Anybody who gets a suspicious-looking bill should get a good description of the person who passed it and call the Twin Falls police at 735-2206.

The latest security features in currency include micro printing, a security thread, embedded fibers in the paper and a water mark. To find out more, call the police or see the features on the Internet at www.treas.gov/usss/money_detects.html.

Ketchum panel will discuss death penalty

KETCHUM - A panel discussion of the death penalty sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union of Idaho is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the St. Thomas Church. The public is invited.

The discussion follows a reception and awards presentation with Nadine Strossen, national president of the ACLU, and Boise attorney Tom McCabe will present the ACLU of Idaho. The good Marshall Award to attorneys who have recently prevented the execution of their clients.

Idaho attorneys Andy Parnes of Ketchum, Bill Mauk of Boise and Fred Hoopes of Idaho Falls will be honored, along with attorneys Edwin Matthews of New York and Spencer MacIntyre, Chris Osborn and Paul Dayton of Seattle. All seven attorneys being honored were directly involved in preventing the execution of inmates who were on Idaho's death row.

The reception and awards presentation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the home and garden of Pawan and Helen Mehra, 402 Juniper Road, Elkhorn at Sun Valley. A donation of \$50 per person is requested; proceeds will benefit the ACLU of Idaho. Those planning to attend the presentation are asked to RSVP by 5 p.m. today by calling Sally Donart at (208) 726-5808.

Strossen is a professor of law at New York Law School and the first woman to serve as ACLU national president, where she has served since 1991.

Nevada automobile wreck kills T.F. man

WELLS, Nev. - A 50-year-old Twin Falls man was killed Thursday afternoon in a wreck 17 miles north of Wells on U.S. Highway 93.

Stephen E. Williams died at the scene of the head-on collision, the Nevada Highway Patrol reports. His wife, Charlene, was injured in the wreck and transported to a Boise hospital. Her condition wasn't known Monday night.

According to the accident report, Joel Enrique Barraza of Fresno, Calif., was driving a 1987 Ford van north on Highway 93 when for an unknown reason the van drifted across the center line and into the path of a Ford Taurus driven by Stephen Williams. The head-on crash caused Williams, who was wearing a seat belt, to suffer fatal injuries.

Barraza and his passenger, Miguel Vasquez, sustained minor and moderate injuries, respectively, the report said. They were transported to Elko Regional Hospital. The crash is under investigation.

Wood River Watershed Advisory Group will meet

CAREY - The Wood River Watershed Advisory Group will hold TAC, general and executive board meetings at 7:30 p.m. today at the Carey City Hall, 20482 N. Main.

The Little Wood River Subbasin assessment and total maximum daily load discussion will continue. Sean Woodhead will give a presentation on the BUREP data that has been collected on the 303d listed streams in the Little Wood River subbasin.

The public is encouraged to attend.

Compiled from staff reports

Group urges city to buy property

By Robert Mayer
Times-News writer

Citizens want T.F. to purchase 540 acres

TWIN FALLS - A citizens group recommended Monday that the City Council buy 540 acres in the Snake River Canyon at Auger Falls.

The 140-foot falls and surrounding area were once considered for an electrical power plant. The property might soon be owned by the city for park land and natural preservation.

Greg Newberry of the Auger Falls Citizens Study Committee told council members that the

size of the 540-acre parcel and its proximity to the city were the largest selling points. The ad-hoc committee has met three times and has toured the property located 1.75 miles west of Canyon Springs Golf Course and the city's sewage treatment plant.

"A piece this size will probably not be available again," Newberry said.

However, two conditions are essential before a purchase is considered: that the city obtain a

"reasonable price" and, more importantly, if legal access to the property can be gained, the committee said.

"We think access is something that needs to be reviewed carefully," Newberry said.

A series of easements through private property would likely be necessary, he said.

The price will be a little harder to pin down, however, said Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls. What the developers ask for and the

value listed by appraisers - a \$2 million price tag has been thrown around - might not accurately represent the true value of the property.

"It's a judgment call on the City Council," he said. "I'd encourage the council to pay for what the city thinks it's worth to the city."

Because it was just a year ago that the council voted against pursuing the power plant idea, some members of the public wondered if this purchase would just

be a step toward renewing that goal.

Mayor Lance Clow said the power plant is a separate issue from the land purchase, although the application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is still valid. But, he added, because the council voted that plan down last July, it won't be pursued anew.

There still remain environmental issues - namely, whether past uses of the property tainted the area.

The property is owned by Rock Creek Joint Ventures.

ALL GONE



Rob Hanchey said his uncle William "Mel" Martin was awakened by the explosion of the fuel tank of his car and barely escaped an early-morning fire.

T.F. man loses everything in house fire

By Mark Heinz
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Melvin Martin lost nearly everything he owned Monday morning - including the clothes on his back - when his home was consumed by fire.

And at the end of this week, he'll lose his job.

"But family and friends were hardly ready to give up on him. "When it hits you, it hits you hard, and it hit him," said Rob Hanchey as he helped sift through the shell of Martin's home at 1512 Bel Air Circle in Twin Falls. "At least his life is still here. At least we didn't lose

our Uncle Mel."

Hanchey, who is married to Martin's niece, said Martin, 60, barely made it out of his house when it caught on fire at about 3 a.m.

The exact cause of the fire wasn't known Monday, but the point of origin appeared to be a storage closet in the back of the attached garage, said Twin Falls City Fire Chief Ron Clark. There was no sign of arson or other suspicious

circumstances, Clark said.

Martin told firefighters he was rattled awake by the sound of explosions and ran out of his house wearing only his underwear. Clark said the explosions were probably caused by the tires and gas tank on Martin's car bursting in the heat.

Martin couldn't be reached for comment Monday.

A neighbor gave Martin some sweats to wear right after the fire, and a friend had provided

him with some clothes Monday, said his niece, Ginger Hanchey. But Martin lost his eyeglasses, wallet and prescription medication in the blaze, she said. Friends and family were helping get those things replaced, and Martin was staying in an extra room at his sister's house, she said.

To make matters worse, Martin has long been a bookkeeper at Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital - and his job was cut as part of the hospital's merger with Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, Ginger Hanchey said. His last day of work was to

be reached for comment Monday. Please see FIRE, Page B3

Coors boss praises Magic Valley barley growers

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Malt barley growers from throughout the Magic Valley were praised by the president of Coors Brewing Co. at Monday's barley field day.

Idaho farmers provide Coors with 33 percent of the barley it uses to brew beer, Pete Coors said.

He spoke of the family connections in agriculture. Coors is the fourth generation of his family

involved in the work in the family business, and his children and a nephew are also working for roles in the company. That multi-generational involvement "adds a very special dimension and a uniqueness to our business," Coors said.

Coors officials are working to expand the company, he said, by getting the product into other countries. Coors can already be found in Ireland and will soon be



Jim Hettinger explains the malt barley test plots being raised at the Coors elevator in Burley at Monday's barley field day event. Hettinger is the senior barley breeder at the Coors operation in Burley.

for sale throughout the United Kingdom, he said.

"It's hard to believe those guys who drink that black beer like Guinness have finally learned what drinkability is all about," he joked.

Company officials are also

looking to grow the company from a \$2 billion business to a \$5 billion business. That won't happen unless the quality remains in the products, he said. "We couldn't be a quality brewery without quality growers."

Coors has contracted for 34 years from Idaho growers for barley from Idaho area manager Bruce Waag said.

"This is a tremendous location, and we have a tremendous core

Please see COORS, Page B3

Hospital forbids latex balloons

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - They're colorful and festive, and they brighten a sterile hospital room.

But latex balloons can be dangerous for patients and workers who are allergic to them.

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is asking visitors to avoid taking latex balloons to patients.

Allergy to natural rubber or latex is an increasing problem. Like many hospitals, Magic Valley Regional is working to remove latex from the hospital, opting for latex-free medical items such as examination gloves, blood pressure cuffs, stethoscopes and other items. The hospital plans to one day become a latex-free environment, according to a hospital news release.

Latex reactions vary from minor to life-threatening. These include skin rash and inflammation, respiratory irritation, asthma and in rare cases, shock.

"It's a pretty uncommon condition," said Dr. Chris Scholes, a local dermatologist.

But Scholes said latex can cause a severe - or Type I - reaction in the few people who are allergic to it, resulting in swelling of the throat and cutting off a person's airway.

"In rare cases, it can be deadly," Scholes said.

Scholes said minor skin reactions are often treated with mild Please see BALLOONS, Page B3

Latex allergy

• Latex allergy can result from repeated exposures to proteins in natural rubber latex through skin contact or inhalation.

• Latex reactions vary from minor to life-threatening. These include skin rash and inflammation, respiratory irritation, asthma and in rare cases shock.

• People at increased risk for developing latex allergy include workers with ongoing latex exposure, people with a tendency to have multiple allergic reactions, and people with spina bifida.

• Latex allergy is associated with allergies to certain foods such as avocados, potatoes, bananas, tomatoes, chestnuts, kiwi fruit and papaya.

Sources: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Balloon exchange

Mylar balloons are a safe alternative to latex balloons. Magic Valley Regional's Auralians Gift Shop will exchange latex balloons for Mylar balloons at no charge, said a hospital news release.

If you think you might be allergic to latex, raise the concern if you visit a hospital. Latex allergies are diagnosed with a blood test.

People who have a known latex allergy should avoid using products containing latex, and if they come to the hospital, they need to let us know about their allergy," said Trish Heath, an infection control nurse at Magic Valley Regional.

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MAGIC VALLEY WEST

SERVICES

Cities teach children to avoid abductors

William Glascock 'Bill' Brown of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Interment will follow in Twin Falls Cemetery.

Helen Temple of Paul, service at 1 p.m. today at the Paul Congregational Church, 121 North Second W., Paul, burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery.

at the Paul Cemetery, friends may call from 12-12:45 p.m. today at the church. (Payne Mortuary, Burley)

Louise P. Butler of Oakley, service at 11 a.m. today at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Oakley Stake Center, burial in the Oakley Cemetery; friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the Stake Center in Oakley.

J. Grant Fillmore of Burley, service at 11 a.m. today at the Burley West Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2420 Park Ave.; interment will be at Gem Memorial Gardens; friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the church. (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley)

McKinnna Lynn Franck, infant daughter of Kevin Lee Franck and Amber Lynn Franck Franck, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Annis-Little Butte Cemetery in Annis. (Coltrin Mortuary, Idaho Falls)

POCATELLO (AP) — On June 5, a 14-year-old Idaho Falls girl was kidnapped when she was sleeping outside her home with her younger sisters.

In a letter written after she escaped from her abductor's home, the girl identified only as Megan, said she prayed to keep a cool head so she could escape from her captor, 42-year-old Keith Ed Bradley. He later was involved in a shootout with police and shot himself.

Cities such as Pocatello are doing what they can to help children not accept gifts from strangers or get too close to unknown cars.

Another lesson is a technique for getting away if someone does try to grab them. "It's the old 'stop, drop and roll,'" Pritchett said. "We've had a couple kids get away from potential abductions over the past two years by doing exactly that."

time splintering away children who did not walk. Pritchett said young girls are the most likely targets nationwide, particularly between the ages of 12 and 14. The abductions of Megan in Idaho Falls and 14-year-old Elizabeth Smart in Salt Lake City bear out that statistic.

According to the National Incident Studies of the Missing, Abducted, Runaway and Thrownaway Children by the U.S. Department of Justice, abductions of family members totaled 354,000 in 1990, while non-family abductions hit about 3,200. Attempted kidnappings of children outside the family was 114,600.

Kathy Chester with the Family Services Alliance in Pocatello points out that a lot of parents just need to use common sense with their children.

"Pay attention to your children," she said. "Be aware of where they are and where they're going. With older kids, make sure you know where they're going and when they'll be home. Remember what they're wearing, just in case. Know their friends' phone numbers."

OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS



Frank G. 'Lucky' Pierret, Jr.

Frank G. 'Lucky' Pierret, Jr. born June 23, 1918, died at his home on Sunday, June 23, 2002. Frank was born on a ranch outside of Pasco, Wash. The son of Frank and Sina Pierret. He attended the Star School, a one-room schoolhouse outside of Pasco, and graduated from Pasco High School in 1936. He then attended the Agricultural School for two years in Pullman, Washington.

Frank got his nickname, 'Lucky' from the local ranchers. As a young man he would break horses and never broke a bone no matter how hard he was thrown.

Lucky raised dryland wheat, in the first years using the mule teams to pull the farm equipment. Later he raised Santa Gertrudis Cattle outside of Pasco until he moved to the Hiltede Ranch outside of Bellevue, Idaho, in the fall of 1954. While there he had to learn to farm in a different way with all the "sub" ground that came with the ranch. He retired to Twin Falls in 1959.

Lucky got involved with the Sawtooth Hiking Club and helped promote the 4th of July Rodeos in Halsey for 20 years. He was also a member of the Upper Wood River Range and a Director for Centex. He joined the southern Idaho Draft Horse and Mule Association and was involved to the extent of being "wagonmaster" on the Continental Wagon Train Trip.

Lucky is survived by his wife of 42 years, Patricia Rose, his three daughters, Patricia L. (P) Pennington, Julie M. (Max) Martin, and Sina Pierret, his son, Charlie Pierret, his foster son, Raymond (Gayle) Kohne. Also surviving are 6 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Marion Brown, and one granddaughter, Tiffany Rose Martin.

A Prayer Vigil with Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, 2002, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 27, 2002, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel with Fr. Robb Keller as celebrant. Burial will follow at the Shoshone Cemetery in Shoshone, Idaho. Friends may call on Wednesday from 3 p.m. until the time of the Rosary with family to greet friends from 6 p.m. until the Rosary.

The family suggests memorials be made in Lucky's name to the Stricker Ranch or a charity of your choice. Contributions may be given to funeral charges staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83403.

able discharge, he married Glenna Maye Thompson on March 16, 1955, in Springdale. They lived in Elba and Mattie, prior to moving to Twin Falls, Springdale area where he has since resided.

Dale worked in the electrical profession for the majority of his life, first with Ralf River Electric and then retired as manager of South Side Electric. He was a member of the American Legion, DuBois #144, and was past Commander. He was also a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Dale loved his family. He enjoyed teaching them to love nature and the outdoors. He spent time hunting, fishing, and bowling, but especially liked to reminisce about old stories. He was knowledgeable in history and loved the Elba valley, his birthplace. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather.

He is survived by his wife, Glenna of Burley; his children, Kerry T. (Rhonda) Whitaker of Murray, Utah, Dwayne (Lay) King and Sandra (Dan) Gardner of Heyburn, Daren (Windy) Whitaker of Stockton, California, and Bret (Donna) Whitaker of Burley; his siblings, Ora Matthews of Yuba City, California, Ted E. (Jude) Whitaker of Twin Falls, Idaho, John Hutchison of Prineville, Oregon, and Betty (Kathy) James of Burley; 20 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

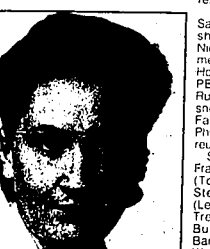
He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Guy Whitaker, and an infant sister, Clara.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 27, 2002, at the Springdale First and Second Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 200 South 475 East, Burley. Interment will follow at Gardenview Cemetery, Burley.

Friends may call at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley, on Wednesday, from 6-8 p.m., and at the church on Thursday, from 10:00 until 10:45 a.m.

The family suggests that memorials be directed to the Kidney Foundation or the office of Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley.

OAKLEY



Louise P. Butler

Louise P. Butler, 85 year old Oakley resident died Friday, June 21, 2002, at her home in Oakley.

She was born August 21, 1916, in Oakley, Idaho. She attended schools of Nelis Robert and Alice Millard Peterson. She attended schools in Oakley, graduating from Oakley High School in 1934. After high school she attended Hennigsen's Business College in Salt Lake City, Utah. She then returned to Oakley and worked at the Cassia County Courthouse for more than 10 years. She worked with her mother, Alice M. Peterson, as an assistant to the Stake Primary President, establishing a life long bond to all the children in her community. During World War II she was active at Victory Garden. Louise fell in love with a man who was her best friend, Lloyd C. Butler on May 11, 1943, in Oakley. After World War II they started their family and moved to Boise in 1949. In 1953 they moved to Eugene, Ore., and in 1958, they moved to Portland, Ore. Louise worked as a FBK operator at Jantzen Knit Mills, retiring in 1979.

Following her retirement they returned to the "hills of home" her beloved Oakley, where she assumed a very large role in the lives of her grandchildren. She and her husband worked for the Oakley Cemetery District until his health forced the "last ring" of his life. She was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and remained active in Relief Society until her health no longer permitted.

Louise will be missed by her adoring family and friends and by many near strangers whose lives she touched. She was indeed a kind and gentle soul.

Survivors include her husband of 59 years, Lloyd C. Butler of Oakley; two daughters, Connie Hunter and Lynn Washburn, both of Oakley, a son, Brent Butler of Oregon City, Ore., a brother, Harold Peterson of Hawaii;

eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Bill Peterson and Vern Peterson.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2002, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Oakley Stake Center, with Bishop Gary Lloyd officiating. Burial will be in the Oakley Cemetery. Friends may call at the Stake Center in Oakley on Monday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesday from 10:00 to 10:45 a.m. prior to the funeral. Arrangements are under the direction of Payne Mortuary, 221 West Main Street in Burley.

RUPERT



Phyllis M. Trevino

Phyllis M. Peterman Trevino, 76, of Rupert, died Saturday, June 22, 2002, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

She was born November 11, 1925, in Rupert, Idaho, the daughter of Chester Leedy and Isabel N. Wilson. She received her education at the Mirinda Memorial Hospital in Rupert, Idaho, in 1943. She attended nursing school and was a Licensed Practical Nurse. She married Frank Trevino on July 9, 1951, in Halsey, Idaho, and they made their home in Rupert, where she has since resided.

Phyllis was an active member of Saint Nicholas Catholic Church where she was active with the Saint Nicholas Catholic Women. She was a member of the Mirinda Memorial Hospital Pink Ladies organization, the PEO, and the Ladies of Elks in snow skiing, gardening and music. Family was especially important to Phyllis. Together, they enjoyed family reunions, picnics and traveling.

She is survived by her husband, Frank, of Rupert; her children, Kathy (Toby) Williams of Aurora, Colo.; Steve (Lonna) Trevino and Bob (Leslie) Trevino both of Rupert; Tom Trevino and his companion David Burton of Salt Lake City, Utah; Barbara (Jodi) Johnson of Spokane, Wash.; and Deanna (Rick) West of Canton, Ohio. 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Ken Peterson.

A Prayer Vigil with Rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 27, 2002, at Saint Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F Street, Rupert. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Friday, June 28, 2002, at Saint Nicholas Catholic Church, with The Reverend Father Henry Carmona as celebrant. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery.

The family suggests that memorials be directed to the Saint Nicholas Catholic Church Memorial Fund. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 East 16th Street, Burley.

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF.



Sylvia Rose Bartak Avelis

Sylvia Rose Bartak Avelis, 84, a 2 1/2 year resident at the California Nursing and Rehab Center, Palm Springs, Ca, died June 10, 2002. She was born December 29, 1917,

to Joseph and Mary Bartak in Creighton, Neb. She attended schools in Creighton and graduated there. She and her family moved to Buhl, Idaho, in the winter of 1936.

Sylvia was a long time resident of Reno, Nev., where she worked several years as a hair dresser. In 1970-71, she worked for the U.S. Navy program in Reno and in 1972 she graduated and joined the nursing staff at Washoe County Hospital as a licensed Practical Nurse. She worked in the Cardiac Care Unit until 1989 when she retired. In 1997, after an illness, Sylvia moved to Los Angeles to be with her sister, and in 1999 they both moved to Palm Springs and Palm Desert.

Sylvia found fun in everything. She will be remembered for her love of life, her sense of humor, her beautiful smile and her ability to make friends.

She is survived by her sister, Marjorie Holmes of Palm Desert, Calif., and many nieces and nephews, several of them in the local area. She was preceded in death by her parents, in-laws, and two brothers.

Graveside services will be held at the West End Cemetery, Buhl, Idaho, July 1, 2002, at 11 a.m. Arrangements and services are under the direction of Janice Diane Jackson, 1500 Farmer's Funeral Chapel, Buhl, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to your church or favorite charity.

SALINAS, CALIF.

Marjorie Dela Cruz

Marjorie Dela Cruz passed away suddenly June 16. She was 62. Marjorie was born May 4, 1940.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Irene Kitchan and father, Bud Gifford. Survived by her husband of 40 years, Les Dela Cruz, 2 sons, Roland and J.C. Dela Cruz from Calif. and 2 daughters, Jennie Kersey from Twin Falls and Jodi Ann from California.

She had 5 step-children and 11 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. She had 3 sisters, Pal Alford, Charlot Gifford and Edythe Larson and 3 brothers, Frank Kitchan, Michael Moon, all from Twin Falls and Keith Gifford from Boise.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 27, 2002, at the Twin Falls Cemetery.

BOISE

Janice Diane Jackson Dana

Janice Jackson Dana of Boise, formally from Shoshone, died at a Boise hospital on June 22, 2002, after a long struggle with multiple illnesses. Memorial services will be held at the Shoshone LDS church on Thursday, June 27, 2002, at 12:00 Noon. Local arrangements are under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, Boise, Idaho.

Jan was born April 5, 1944, in Gooding, Idaho, to Keith and Lily Jackson. Jan grew up and spent most of her life in Shoshone. She attended St. Nicholas Catholic High School, after being employed at various occupations, she finally found her calling at the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office as one of the very few female commissioned deputies. Jan had many artistic abilities, some of which included crafts, painting, and sewing. After retiring from the sheriff's office, she owned and operated her own craft shop.

She will be loved and missed by her only daughter, Jiri Strunk; grandchildren, Tracy Strunk and Tabitha Strunk Ellis and husband Dan; sister Mary Smith and husband LD, brother-in-law Pat Wynn; nephews Dax Chaffield and family, and Justin Wynn and family; and niece Angela Peterson. Jan was looking forward to the birth of her first great-grandchild in October.

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DEATH NOTICES

Myron P. Harris

TWIN FALLS Myron P. Harris, 85, of Twin Falls and formerly of Burley died Monday, June 24, 2002, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

James S. Campbell

MANOR, Texas - James S. Campbell, 75, of Manor, Texas and formerly of Twin Falls died May 17, 2002, in Texas.

Services were held.

George R. Foster

YUMA, Ariz. - George R. Foster, 73, died May 20, 2002, in Yuma, Ariz., of pneumonia.

He was cremated in Yuma, Ariz. Local memorial services are pending.

Stephen E. Williams

TWIN FALLS - Stephen E. Williams, 50, of Twin Falls died Thursday, June 20, 2002, as the result of an automobile accident.

Services are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

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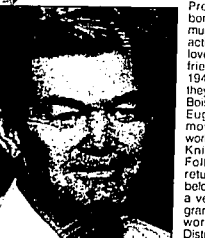
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BURLEY



Dale Whitaker

Dale Whitaker, 70, of Burley, died Sunday, June 23, 2002, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, from injuries received in an auto accident.

He was born December 8, 1931, in Elba, Idaho, the son of Joseph Solomon and Clara Savage Whitaker. He received his education in Elba and graduated from Albion State Normal School. He served in the Army of the United States during the Korean Conflict. Following his honor-

Crew rescues woman injured in canyon fall

Commissioners agree to groundwater committee

The Times-News

MURTAUGH - A woman believed to be in her early 20s suffered serious injuries in a fall Sunday evening in Snake River Canyon, the commander of Jerome County's search and rescue team said.

Bill Wilson said it appeared the woman - whom he couldn't identify - had fallen about 30 feet onto rocks at Star Falls east of Murtaugh, also called Cauldron Linn.

The search and rescue team was called a little after 7 p.m. and responded to the scene, where emergency medical technicians from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center had reached the woman, Wilson said. The team had to move its equipment across the river, then lowered a wire basket down to the EMTs, who secured the woman in it. Using a tripod and pulley system, several people hoisted the woman to the canyon rim, where a LifeFlight helicopter was waiting.

No information was available on the woman's condition Monday, but Wilson said it appeared she was badly hurt, with numerous broken bones and internal injuries. She was conscious and "in a lot of pain," he said.



Emergency medical technicians and others assist a woman who fell in the Snake River Canyon at Star Falls Sunday evening.

Wilson didn't know why she was in the canyon. A man had been accompanying her. Also responding to the scene

were Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver, at least two Jerome County deputies and a couple of Twin Falls County deputies.

Wilson said. The search and rescue team left the scene at about 10:30 p.m.

Officials: Don't drop backpacks near wild bears

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) - Officials are urging visitors to hold on to their backpacks if they encounter bears.

Two fishermen happened upon a black bear Thursday while walking along the Yellowstone River near the confluence of Tower Creek.

The men turned and started walking away from the bear, but it followed them upstream. The anglers became concerned and dropped their backpacks, then continued.

The bear went straight to the packs, opened them and obtained their food, officials said.

Park officials say a bear that eats human food or garbage, even once, can become conditioned to the food source and seek it out, thus becoming aggressive and dangerous.

"By dropping your pack, you are contributing to conditioning bears to human foods," officials said in a release Monday.

Woman wants perilous intersection changed

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) - Athol resident Janet Medley has witnessed a host of accidents in a circular intersection in front of her home, including the death of her daughter's best friend.

Three fatal car accidents in hardly more than a year are three too many, says the stay-at-home mother who plans to circulate a petition demanding a change in the intersection's design.

The intersection leads on Idaho Highway 54 leads to the entrance to Farragut State Park. Medley has a bird's-eye view of the spot.

"After you've seen all these accidents, it gets to where you don't want to sit on the deck anymore," she said.

On June 14, Renee Wolf was traveling westbound when she took the corner too fast. Her car tumbled out of control, killing the 22-year-old Rathdrum resident.

Medley stood by a make-shift memorial to Kristina Hershey,

killed last year. Hershey was her daughter's best friend.

The problem is two-fold, Medley said. Drivers are not given enough warning to slow for the circle and many are taken off guard. The posted speed limit drops from 60 miles per hour to 25 and no signs warn of the upcoming rotary.

In addition, some drivers know full well of the intersection but use it to test their limits.

"It's an open invitation to speed," Medley said. "I know this because I used to ride around it fast when I was 17."

The circular design allows motorists to exit the road without having to stop their vehicle in most situations, said Idaho State Police Sgt. Tom Wilson.

Medley wants the rotary to be restructured into a traditional four-way intersection. The rotary was built in the 1970s to replicate a Boy Scouts symbol in honor of the Boy Scouts. Jamboree held at Farragut, she said.

Ada County gets first female lieutenant

BOISE (AP) - The only thing Linda Scown wanted 18 years ago was a secure job to feed her seven children.

She approached the Ada County Sheriff's Office for opportunities. Scown received just that and, last month, became the first commissioned lieutenant in the department.

"I have to credit Sheriff Vaughn Killen and his philosophy on how to run the department," Scown said. "It is because of the leadership and opportunity the department has shown me, that I am where I am."

Since joining the department in 1983, Scown spent two years in security, three years as a patrol officer, eight years as a detective, 14 months as a jail supervisor and four months in internal affairs before becoming a supervisor in the detectives unit.

From there, she began testing and training for her newest rank, and was promoted to lieutenant in May.

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Cassia County commissioners agreed with the regional manager of the Department of Environmental Quality and decided Monday to form a committee to evaluate the quality of groundwater in the county.

"Ultimately I'm looking for support and to possibly get something similar to what we have going in Twin Falls," DEQ Regional Manager Bill Alred told commissioners.

In Twin Falls County, a committee of citizens identified areas where groundwater pollution could be a problem and developed a set of steps people can take to prevent aquifer contamination.

Some Magic Valley residents have become concerned because tests have shown increased nitrate levels in their water. The main problem is not the nitrates but the viruses and the bacteria which are usually found in nitrate-contaminated water, Alred said.

Planning and zoning commissions often have a difficult time determining if new enterprises will pollute the groundwater, Cassia County Administrator Tim Hurst said. A groundwater quality management plan could help zoning boards and other similar groups understand how groundwater contamination occurs and how to prevent it, Hurst said.

When Cassia County residents oppose new development, they often claim the projects will pollute the groundwater, Hurst said.

Having such a plan would give planning commission members a tool to determine the legitimacy of those claims.

The cities of Filer, Buhl and Twin Falls are using the Twin Falls County plan to develop new ordinances, Alred said.

The commissioners agreed to appoint about 15 people to the Cassia County committee.

Other commission business included:

• **Grasshopper infestation** - Large numbers of grasshoppers are in the Oakley basin, Theresa Hanley, Bureau of Land Management field office and commissioners. In some areas the BLM has put out poison bait to kill the insects.

• **Fire danger** - In Cassia County the BLM is on its highest level of fire alert, Hanley said. The agency has never before reached "planning level five" this early in the summer in this area, she said. Many firefighters from the Burley field office and from the U.S. Forest Service's Burley Ranger District are fighting fires in other parts of the county, Hanley and Forest Service District manager Scott Nannenga told commissioners.

• **Weed contract** - Commissioners agreed to have county employees kill weeds on Bureau of Reclamation land and to change the BuRec \$3,000 for the work.

Cassia County Weed Supervisor Gordon Edwards said white top, a noxious weed that often causes alfalfa, has spread through large portions of Cassia County. Musk thistle is moving in along the railroad lines, he said.

Minidoka County administrator raises courthouse security issues

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT - In Paul Aston's 17-year tenure as a county employee, this has never been a fire drill at the Minidoka County Courthouse.

Emergency drills and name tags for county employees were off. Two suggestions the Minidoka County planning and zoning administrator offered county commissioners after attending a meeting of building operators where security was a hot topic.

Aston said building security needs to be addressed at the courthouse. A committee was previously established to deal with security issues and should be reactivated, he said.

Aston encouraged commissioners to conduct a security assessment to identify areas which could be a problem. Some security issues have been addressed: offices in the courthouse have "panic" buttons, and a fire alarm system is in place. However, employees often don't take the fire alarm seriously when it goes off, and evacuation policies need to be in place and referred to often, especially in places such as the juvenile detention center.

Security doesn't seem to be a big issue until a security threat occurs, Aston said.

Aston also reported on construction throughout the county, noting it is up so far this year, compared to last year.

"Some of the increase has come from the construction project at Minico High School, but the number of single-family dwellings has been 'pretty fair' too, Aston said.

Aston mentioned a remodeling project of the courthouse and addressing commissioner candidates Marvin Bingham and Dan Stapelman, who attended the meeting. Aston has been talking with an architect about the project and hopes to start in fall with the new budget year. Plans call for any remodeling to occur in stages.

Other commission business included:

• **Solid waste budget** - Commissioners looked at the Southern Idaho Solid Waste District's proposed budget for 2002-03, of which Minidoka County's share is \$606,525. Solid Waste Manager Terry Schultz said. That's a 2 percent increase compared to the current year.

The district is composed of seven municipalities, including Schultz said. The total proposed operating budget is more than \$6 million. Each county pays proportionately, according to how much garbage the county generates.

Nethercutt will run for Congress

SPOKANE (AP) - Rep. George Nethercutt announced Monday he will seek a fifth term in the U.S. House.

Nethercutt, who beat former House Speaker Tom Foley in 1994 with a pledge to serve only three terms, will be seeking his fifth term for the Eastern Washington congressional seat.

The Republican said that in light of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, he has plenty of unfinished work in Washington, D.C. "Economic development, edu-

cation, health care access and affordability and retirement security" are also among the major issues, Nethercutt said.

His only announced challenger is retired high school teacher and environmental activist Bart Haggin of Spokane.

Nethercutt has recently been raising his visibility in Western Washington, saying he may run for governor in 2004. He also held open the possibility of challenging Democratic U.S. Sen. Patry Murray.

Forest Service looks to protect fish

BOISE (AP) - The U.S. Forest Service has agreed to assess irrigation diversions and ditches on forest lands in the Salmon-Challis National Forest to determine how they affect threatened salmon, steelhead and bull trout, two conservation groups report.

The Western Watersheds Project and Committee for Idaho's High Desert filed suit in June 2001, claiming the Forest Service and U.S. Bureau of Land Management failed to regulate

more than 1,000 water diversions and ditches on public land in the upper Salmon River Basin.

The Forest Service will review all the irrigation diversions and ditches on federal land on the forest.

The groups said evidence shows many of the diversions lack screens, allowing those fish listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act to be sucked into ditches where they die rather than reaching their spawning grounds.

Fire

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be Friday, she said. The damage to the house was estimated at \$150,000, and at least \$75,000 in contents was believed to have been destroyed, Clark said.

The damage to Martin's house appeared minimal from the outside on the east side of the house. But the other side - facing the street - looked like the aftermath of a war zone.

The roasted hulk of a sedan sat amid piles of debris where the garage had been. It was Martin's sole source of transportation, Ginger Hanchey said.

Even several pieces of furniture and bedding that had escaped most of the flames were ruined by smoke and heat, Rob Hanchey said as he inspected the

home's charred interior. Only a few family heirlooms survived, he said.

The car and house - where Martin lived alone - were paid for, and the family hopes insurance will cover most of the damage, Rob Hanchey said.

"There's such a huge inventory of things in here, some of it can never be replaced."

Martin's family plans to help rebuild Martin's house on the same site, he said.

"He has helped this family so much, and this community so much," Rob Hanchey said. "So I don't mind standing up to help him."

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Balloons

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cortisones, and people with respiratory reactions might be treated with antihistamines or other drugs.

People at increased risk for latex allergy include workers who are exposed to latex on a daily basis, people with a tendency to have multiple allergies and people with spina bifida, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

Scholes said the best thing a person with a latex allergy can do is to avoid coming in contact with latex.

But that's easier for some people to do than others - for instance, health care workers who come in contact with latex every day.

"It's a substance generally found in a hospital more than anywhere else," Scholes said.

Which means hospital workers are most likely to be exposed to latex. As with any allergy, it takes two exposures before a diagnosis can be made.

"The first time the immune system says, 'I don't like it,' and the second time is when the symptoms kick in, Scholes said.

Still, though hospital workers are more likely to be exposed to latex, that doesn't mean they'll develop an allergy. It all depends on their immune systems.

"It's an immune system crap shoot," Scholes said.

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Coors

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group to grow fine barley," he said.

Magic Valley barley growers this year are raising Moravian 37, barley, which replaced the "Galena strand used here for a number of years. Steve Research Agronomist Jim Jakovic said. The Moravian 37 has proven "a very resilient product," he said.

Coors employees are always trying to develop seed which is

"better in more characteristics than what you grow today," Jakovic told the growers.

Jim Hettlinger, Coors senior barley breeder at the Burley facility, is testing different seed varieties, trying to mix two types of barley to develop an even better variety, Jakovic said. Eight varieties are being tested this year, and three of those are showing promise.

Hettlinger said it takes eight to 10 years of testing before a vari-

ety would be used commercially.

Also Monday, the growers of the year for 2001 were recognized. They were John Brune of Hazelton, Dave and Justin "Gordo" Gordon of Eden and Ed Carlton of Buhl.

Chuck Colner and Kirk Wooten were given the 2002 environmental award for their work to reduce non-point source pollution on the land they farm along the Snake River.

Several hundred growers gath-

ered at the Coors elevator just outside Burley for the field day event. Many boarded a tour bus to visit the main barley test fields.

Most tried some of the fruits of the labor, in the form of free beer samples Coors employees distributed.

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Burley man dies after crash

By Nate Johnson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A Burley man died Sunday at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise from injuries sustained in an automobile wreck.

Dale Whitaker, 70, was injured on Wednesday when his 1986 Chevrolet trailer hit an oncoming U-Haul trailer on U.S. Highway 30 near Murtaugh.

Gunter Marrell, 29, of Downey was driving west in a 2000 Ford pickup when the U-Haul trailer he was pulling came loose and swerved into the opposite lane, according to a Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office report. Whitaker's car hit the trailer.

An ambulance took him to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and a helicopter carried him to St. Alphonsus, where he died Sunday.

Deputies are still investigating the accident and have not issued any citations, the report said.

Wildflower walk is Saturday in South Hills

TWIN FALLS - The 20th annual Bob Pettysgrove Memorial Wildflower Walk will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in the South Hills. Anyone interested in learning to identify mountain wildflowers found in this area is invited to participate in this self-

Around the Valley

guided tour.

"This is an outstanding wildflower year, despite the drought," said Kim Pierson, Sawtooth Forest botanist. "We think the flowers, particularly wild onions and penstemon, are so beautiful this year because of the fluctuations in moisture and temperature that we've been experiencing."

The self-guided tours can be taken any time. People can stop at the Rock Creek Guard Station, located by the Magic Mountain Ski Area, or at the Sawtooth Forest supervisor's office at 2647 Kimberly Road E. in Twin Falls to pick up a map and checklist of wildflowers in the local area. A number of wildflowers will be marked with special numbered flags that correspond to the checklist.

Bob Pettysgrove, who was a resident of Hansen, was a frequent visitor to the South Hills. He had a lively interest in wildflowers and, for many years, conducted guided tours to help the public identify and enjoy nature's colorful display.

For more information, call the Sawtooth National Forest at 737-3200.

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Fires hit doorstep of Arizona community

SHOW LOW, Ariz. (AP) — The largest wildfire in Arizona's history lapped at the outskirts of this evacuated town Monday after destroying at least 323 homes as it roared through other mountain communities.

President Bush planned to survey the damage by air on Tuesday, then be briefed on Monday ground. The Federal Emergency Management Agency said it would make \$20 million available immediately to help the state pay for the firefighting.

As of midday, the fire had burned to within a mile of the western edge of Show Low, but firefighters were, for the first time, showing a hint of optimism.

Brown smoke spiraled into a hazy, gray sky where the sun cast an eerie orange glow. Ash collected in gutters and on cars.

Depending on the wind, firefighters could face two dire possibilities — a wind-driven fire that could overrun the town, or drifting embers could start smaller fires.

"There's still a tremendous risk of fire jumping into Show Low," fire spokesman Jim Paxson said.

However, the weather had improved, with wind of 10 to 15 mph on Monday. That was about the same as on Sunday, when the fire's advance slowed to a crawl that had once shot up to about 200 feet were only about 4- or 5-foot high.

The blaze in one of the country's largest stands of Ponderosa pine forest on the edge of eastern Arizona's White Mountains had charred about 331,000 acres, or 517 square miles, — bigger than Los Angeles — since it began as two fires last week. The fires merged on Sunday.

About 30,000 people have fled more than a half-dozen towns, including Show Low, 125 miles northeast of Phoenix. It was evacuated on Saturday. The fire has destroyed 116



Manager Liz Warden, front right, Zeff Rubio, left, and Joe Wahl work the washing machines at the mobile laundry service at the Rodeo Fire fire camp in Show Low, Ariz. The service, which operates 24 hours a day and is run by five staff members, provides free clothes cleaning to firefighters with a 24-hour turn-around. More than 6,000 gallons of water are used daily by the service.

homes in towns just west of Show Low, the largest of the communities in the area with about 7,700 residents.

Another 213 homes — 158 of them mobile homes — and 16 businesses were destroyed in Heber-Overgaard, a community 35 miles west of Show Low that was overrun Saturday.

Hoping to at least blunt the fire's force when it strikes, crews fortified a line bulldozed at a canyon just west of Show Low and set backfires to remove fuel from the wildfire's path.

"That's where the big concern is today, reducing the sheer force of this fire," said fire analyst Bill

Jackson. "We're feeling a lot better about it."

In Show Low neighborhoods nearest the fire, most homes were marked with red flags to signal there was no use trying to save them because of close underbrush or wood shingles. Still, crews cut the lower branches from trees to try to limit the threat.

A few stubborn residents refused to leave. Becky and Dany Seymour were preparing a reception for their daughter when they got the evacuation notice on Saturday. Plastic bags full of hors d'oeuvres and unused paper plates were strewn inside their upscale, wood-shingled home.

A sprinkler system doused their lawn as helicopters dipped giant buckets of water from a nearby lake.

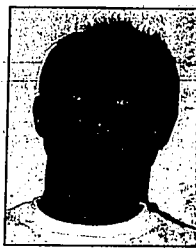
"We had a good view and since this began we've been watching and really we had no fear until yesterday afternoon," Becky Seymour said. "Then smoke and a lot of ash started coming this way, but we just have faith everything's going to be all right."

The Seymours had a packed trailer hitched to a truck and a car nearby ready to make their getaway.

"If we see flames, we'll go," Becky Seymour said, "but we don't know where we would go."

Handyman may be a suspect in kidnapping

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A handyman's suspicious alibi has moved him to the top of the list of potential suspects in the apparent kidnapping of 14-year-old Elizabeth Smart, police said Monday.



Richard Albert Ricci Worked at Smart household

Richard Albert Ricci, who has a 29-year criminal record and is being held on a parole violation, was questioned by police the day after the disappearance and was among those re-interviewed because he did painting and yard work at the Smart's house.

The man also was a suspect in a burglary at the home during a series of neighborhood thefts in June 2001, police told Salt Lake City television station KUTV. Ricci was never charged with that burglary.

Ricci's alibi "became more suspicious when he was questioned again, Salt Lake City Police Chief Rick Dinse said Monday. "At this point in time, he is not a charged suspect, but he is very interesting," said Dinse. Investigators are "looking deeper into his alibi," the chief said, refusing to say what the alibi is.

Ricci (pronounced REE-see) was arrested on an unrelated parole violation June 14, nine days after Elizabeth was reportedly taken at gunpoint from her bedroom in an affluent Salt Lake City neighborhood.

Despite having had Ricci in custody for 11 days, police haven't been able to confirm his whereabouts on the morning of the abduction, Dinse said.

"We have questions about his actions between May 31 and June 8," Thomas said.

Ricci has denied having any involvement in the abduction, the chief said.

suburb of Kearns. His criminal history in Utah began with a burglary conviction in 1973. He was convicted of attempted homicide for the 1983 shotgun wounding of a Salt Lake City police officer. He was in and out of prison for the past three decades, and was most recently freed on parole in 2000.

Ricci's convictions also include aggravated robbery and a prison escape.

Chris Thomas, a spokesman for the Smart family, said Ricci did painting and yard work at the Smart's Federal Heights a year ago for two months. The family, he said, didn't know he had a criminal background. Ricci was given a vehicle by Ed Smart instead of payments for compensation.

"The kids were familiar with him," Thomas said. Ricci's house and car have been searched and he has voluntarily talked to police, Dinse said. Investigators also have spoken with Ricci's wife, Dinse said.

Fires spark forest management debate

EAGAR, Ariz. (AP) — Fires ripping through eastern Arizona's woods add fuel to a debate over the best way to manage the forests and the threat of losing them.

"Arizona Nature is saying to Mother right now, saying to the West... that we've got to clean up these forests," Gov. Jane Hull said as she toured the fires that have forced thousands of people to evacuate their homes.

For decades, the government's policy was to knock down forest fires as quickly as possible. As a result, a 2000 report to Congress by the General Accounting Office found that, on average, forests had four times the number of trees as they did ten years ago.

Last year, a Forest Service said conditions "increase the probability of large, intense fires beyond any scale ever witnessed."

But there is a bitter division over how to address the problem, with environmentalists being accused of stopping efforts to chop down trees to eliminate some of the risk.

Environmental groups say bucking down trees only helps the logging companies, not the forests.

Hull and others say the results of that fight can be seen in the charred landscape that used to be pine trees in the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest.

"The policies that are coming from the East Coast, that are coming from the environmentalists, that say we don't need to log, we don't need to thin our forests, are absolutely ridiculous," Hull said.

"I think we can control all the fires in the forest," he said. "In drought years, forests are going to burn."

He said taking out small trees leaves flammable material on the forest floor and can make it more prone to fire.

The best solution, he said, is setting targeted fires during the early spring and late fall months to clear out excessive growth.

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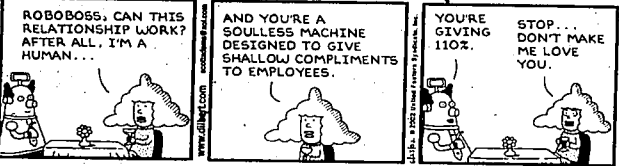
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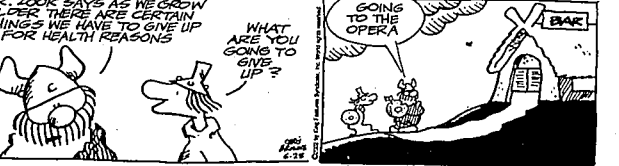
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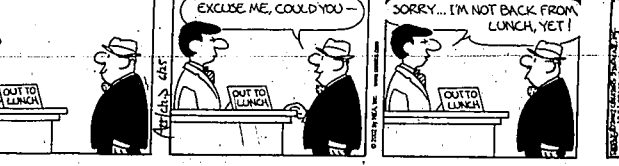
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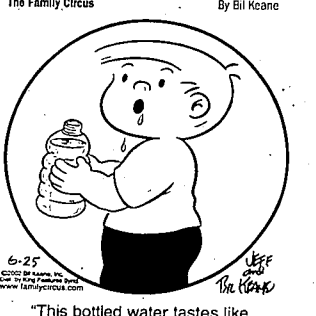
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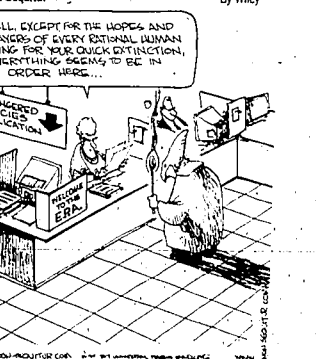
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WEST



Tom Green hears the judge's ruling Monday in Neph, Utah.

Jury finds Utah polygamist guilty of child rape for sex with young bride

NEPHI, Utah (AP) — Polygamist Tom Green was convicted of child rape Monday for having sex with his 13-year-old bride in 1986.

District Judge Donald Eyre took just 30 minutes to find Green guilty. The nonjury trial lasted about an hour. He faces up to life in prison at sentencing Aug. 16.

Green, who has five wives and 30 children, already is serving a five-year sentence for bigamy and criminal nonsupport. He was

convicted in May 2001.

"We don't feel like this was a crime. We admit we made a mistake in our decision to marry. If we had waited six months, it would have been legal to marry in the state," said Linda Kunz after the verdict.

Kunz, who still is married to Green, was called to the stand Monday but refused to testify. Spouses do not have to testify against each other.

Prosecutors submitted her testimony from previous hearings,

as well as her 1973 birth certificate and the 1986 birth certificate of the couples' first child, Melvin.

"Basically, this case comes down to math," Eyre said. "We know a normal human gestation takes nine months."

Defense attorney John Bucher presented no evidence.

Green had argued that Utah prosecutors had no jurisdiction in the child rape case because he and Kunz were on a honeymoon in Mexico when she conceived

their first child. But Eyre ruled a week ago that Utah had jurisdiction.

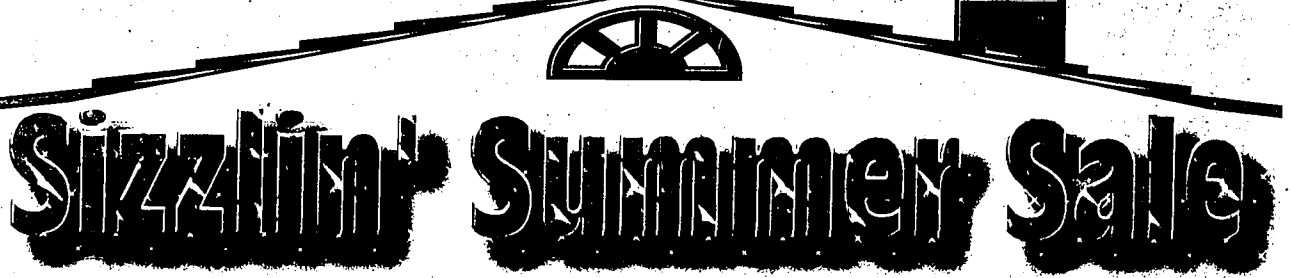
Tom and Linda Kunz Green have seven children.

In his 10-page ruling, Eyre found prosecutors couldn't prove a rape occurred in Utah, but he agreed with Juab County Attorney David Leavitt's argument that Green hatched a conspiracy in Utah to marry the girl.

Green emerged from the obscurity of Utah's remote West Desert, where he lived with his family,

and onto the sets of television talk shows. He argued his lifestyle was a constitutional right. Green's television public appearances proved his undoing, however, as he caught Leavitt's attention.

Leavitt, the governor's brother and himself a descendant of plural marriage, took the extraordinary step of prosecuting the polygamist for bigamy, spotlighting Utah's historical peculiarity even as state leaders sought to deflect such attention in anticipation of the 2002 Winter Olympics.



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June Rasmussen facilitated the tour of Ann Smith's garden during the Burley Music Club's fundraiser for music scholarships. A koala bear hugs a tree trunk in the background, while a birdbath and birdbath occupy the shady foreground.

Garden tour benefits young musicians

By Coreen Hart
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY - Though the temperature hovered in the mid-nineties, stalwart gardeners drove around Burley, traipsing through private gardens and sipping iced punch.

"That's all we do," said Charmaine Ralphs, incoming president of the Burley Music Club, "we provide scholarships for music students. And boy, do we have the talent in this area." The club hosted on June 15 a tour of six gardens to raise scholarship moneys for next year. Ralphs said they give scholarships to a pianist, vocalist, and one other instrumentalist this year. They also sponsored 14 students this year to attend the College of Southern Idaho music camp for teens.

Local gardens included those of June Rasmussen, Ann Smith, Max and Marilyn Larsen, Kirsten and Jeff Schow, Scott and Norene

Do you wish to support the arts?

The Burley Music Club says it is dedicated to giving music students a chance to get the education they need to excel. If you would like to take part in fundraisers that make that possible, call June Rasmussen at 678-2706, or Charmaine Ralphs at 678-5181.

Zimmerman and Ramie Moneur. Rasmussen's garden contained dozens of little surprises. There was a 3-inch resin cupid peering out of a brick planter by the front door, small animal figurines among the perennials and a bird garden in the making. A small stone proclaimed, "My Garden." Rasmussen's daughter, Gale Hutchinson, said a misfortune turned into a blessing.

"She had a huge pine that had grown into the power lines, and the power company said it had to

come out," Hutchinson said. "The resulting circle in the lawn is very quiet, so not many common plants will grow in it, but she is making it into a bird garden."

Rasmussen says a bird feeder that perches on the pine tree's stump is really a squirrel feeder. Dianthus, peonies, a long border of roses and many smaller flowers add color.

Smith's tiny lot is home to stuffed koalas. One peers out of the top of a tree, while another hugs the trunk of a pine. There are two bird feeders, one for hummingbirds. A drip system gently fills a small bird bath, which in turn overflows into a larger bird bath. That one overflows onto rocks that splash two pine trees. An old railroad lamp hangs from a branch. Flowering borders are neatly contained behind railroad ties. The Larson's Del Rio Estates garden features a berm that separates it from a nearby highway. Max Larson said

he used dirt from the excavation of their basement and that of a neighbor, and trees absorb traffic sounds.

Free-form flower beds edged in smooth concrete, a huge variety of flowers, and a stone waterfall that Max constructed are part of the scenery.

Wife Marilyn Larson said they forget time as they weed and maintain their wood-style garden. They are members of the Mini-Cassia Garden Club.

"We've gotten many of our plants through the plant exchanges that the garden club holds every year," she said.

"We do it all ourselves," Marilyn said. "We did a desert garden when we lived in Lake Havasu, Ariz. We just like to do yards."

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Kimberly Middle School announces honor roll

KIMBERLY - Kimberly Middle School releases its second trimester roll.

High honor roll, 3.5-4.0 GPA

- Seventh grade
- Todd Adamson
- Eric Allen
- Sarah Almond
- Emily Anderson
- Taylor Atkinson
- Lucas Avchenner
- Reece Beeson
- Jessica Bethke
- Tania Burnside
- Joshua Clark
- Wendi Coleman
- Mitchell Dame
- Albaa Franks
- Joseph Hansen
- Trenton Hanson
- Brittany Hardy
- Austin Hargrave
- Karlee Hatfield
- Josh Hathaway
- Maretha Ho Chee
- Nicholas Houser
- Kevin Jessor
- Shiann Johns
- Karlee Johnson
- Jordan Kumpkin
- Devia Kelly
- D.J. Kisinger
- Carly LaMiere
- Chelsea Layton
- Talbre Layton
- Tucker Lierman
- Whitney McNaught
- Tia Merkle
- Danielle Mobece
- Christopher Moody
- Lidia Mothershead
- Nicholas Mulberry
- Joson Murn
- Cody Murphy
- Kimberly Nebecker
- Andy Olmstead
- Shae Prescott
- Jessica Reeves
- Jenna Reynolds
- Lauran Rivers
- Nathan Sargeant
- Shorelle Seward
- Karen Sievers
- Brandon Soderstrom
- Robert Specker
- Chelsea Steward
- Beverly Talbot
- Benjamin Taylor
- Bonnie Taylor
- Jamie Thomas
- Colt Turner
- Donald Vawser
- Barrie Williams
- Janina Wilcox
- Chelsea Williams
- Shalun Williams

High honor roll, 3.5-4.0 GPA

- Adam Klimes
- EC Matthews
- JeNaee McCricken
- Melissa Mingerson
- Scott Mucklock
- Stacya Nelson
- Aaron Reems
- Emily Stewart
- Tyler Stukenholtz
- Kristina Watley
- Laetra Willoughby
- Saudi Young
- Corey Zapata

High honor roll, 4.0 GPA

- Eighth grade
- Kathryn Baldwin
- Daniell Bauer
- Cheyenne Brown
- Daniel Bulker
- Abigail Burton
- Matthew Fisher
- David Powers
- Kyra Fullmer
- Shelby Gardner
- Morgan Giles
- Marcianne Glenn
- Johnnie Harney
- Caleb Johnson
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- Clayton Lammers
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- Kara Lundy
- Joseph Mason
- Natasha Mays
- Nick Michener
- Morgan Price
- Kari Reiter
- Morgan Richards
- Kelly Sicut
- Megan Stordley
- Laura Watts

Honor roll, 3.0 to 3.49 GPA

- Maryanne Barrott
- Jake Bennett
- James Brown
- Katie Cunningham
- Abigail Curry
- Brandon Dixon
- Breanna Easley
- Britney Everitt
- Morgan Fritz
- Morgan Godfrey
- Fidelity Gonzalez
- Jacob Hafer
- Julie Loll
- Nicole Hollenbeck
- Evan Jerke
- Justin Larsen
- Braden Osborne
- Joshua Powers
- Heather Reed
- Erika Richmond
- Jordan Seamus
- Andrew Singleton
- Jerod Stansell
- Vanessa Torres
- Zel Van Diest
- Megan Vawser
- Emma Wayman
- Jared Wilcox
- Nicholas Wright
- Dustin Zapata

Honor roll, 3.0-3.49 GPA

- Lance Sargeant
- Justin Archer
- Jamie Askew
- Travis Bair
- Abby Bell
- Jessica Briley
- Thomas Choecker
- Heather Hanchey
- Hillary Pheger
- Jessie Galley
- Kendall Jentner
- Jacob Gerzen
- Kaiti Gochman
- Suzannah Gorman
- Amya Havel
- Amanda Hutcherson
- Danielle Leske
- Talaya Lebe
- Michael Malson
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- Joson Miller
- Kathie Pink
- Erin O'Donnell
- Brady O'Connell
- Heather O'Connell
- Julie Reed
- Breanna Richardson
- Lindsay Dustin
- Zachary Rosbury
- Ashlyn Lynn
- Ashley Vasquez
- Brandon Wilcox

Honor roll, 3.0-3.49 GPA

- Cameron Andreas
- Jalon Baldwin
- Steven Belling
- Jessica Blevins
- Cody Billings
- Corinne Cameron
- Chase Carraway
- Ashley Everitt
- Brendan Eyring
- Chase Gustin
- Katie Gunnell
- Shane Hayes
- Curtis Heidemann
- Abe Juarez
- Brittne Kirland

Buhl writers group provides valuable tool

By Margie Holley
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - Writing is a lonely profession. Thanks to a support and critique group, however, West End writers can help one another become better writers.

At the Eighth Street Writers group, each member reads from his or her writing in progress or completed work for about 10 minutes, and then other members critique the work. Writing ranges from science fiction to mysteries to humor. The group was started in January.

"I haven't belonged to a writers' support group since I moved here four years ago, and I missed it," said Becky Bartholomew, organizer of the group.

Writers say they joined to improve their writing, and to get it in print.

"I belonged to a group in Anchorage. I have been writing children's literature for more than 20 years, and I want to get pub-



lished," Bonnie Graham said.

"I do everything that I can to improve my writing, which includes poetry, novels, short stories, science fiction and fantasy," Bill McClymonds said.

"I want to get back into writing," Roberta Parks added. "I haven't written since I got married and had children. Poetry is one of my favorites."

The group fluctuates between three to seven members and is

Rebecca Parks reads from one of her manuscripts at a meeting of the Eighth Street Writers.

informal, Bartholomew said.

"It's a very upbeat group, and the critiques tend to be positive. And, if they don't have anything good to say, they keep quiet," she said.

Bartholomew, who is a published writer, is impressed with the quality and professionalism of the writers in the group. But they still welcome people who are just starting out, she emphasized.

Bartholomew finds the critique

Want more information?

The Eighth Street Writers meet at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Eighth Street Center, 200 Eighth Ave. N. in Buhl. For more information, call Becky Bartholomew at 537-6676.

invaluable to help her keep writing, and it gives her another perspective.

"I have just found you have to have the prodding, an ear, or you can lose your motivation," she said.

She recalled getting stuck on the beginning of her novel and rewrite the section 14 times. She took it to the group.

"In five minutes, they gave me a suggestion to do it right," Bartholomew said. "They know what's good and bad, and what's boring and not boring."

Pat Marcantoni contributed to this story.

LOCKS OF LOVE



Sisters Sara Buddoeko, left, and Kelly Ann cut their hair and donated it to the Locks of Love, a national organization that makes real hair wigs for young people who lose their hair due to medical treatments. Sara, age 5, donated 11 inches of hair and Kelly, age 8, donated 8 inches. Kelly Ann donated 12 inches when she was age 6. Both are students are Perrine Elementary in Twin Falls.

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center
Emerald Christine Gage, daughter of Jody Ann Burton and Eddie Ray Cage of Jerome, was born Thursday, May 30, 2002.

Cassia Regional Medical Center
Beylae Lynette Hansen, daughter of David and Jennifer Hansen of Oakley, was born Wednesday, June 12, 2002.

Alexander Octavio, son of Yochidi Patricia of Burley, was born Wednesday, June 12, 2002.

Angel Ruben Lopez, son of Ruben and Maria Guadalupe Lopez of Burley, was born Thursday, June 13, 2002.

Aubrey Fay Searle, daughter of

Jeremy and Angie Searle of Burley, was born Saturday, June 15, 2002.

Tyler Jay Neal, son of Kevin and Nikole Neal of Burley, was born Sunday, June 16, 2002.

Mariah Rose Walker, daughter of Gerald and Shaundra Walker of Heyburn, was born Monday, July 17, 2002.

Aaliyah Tovar, daughter of Ricardo Tovar and Yuri Artega, was born Monday, July 17, 2002.

Raiden Glendon Newberry, son of Glendon and Janet Newberry of Heyburn, was born Monday, July 17, 2002.

Hayley Elizabeth Henshead, daughter of Michael and Marilyn Henshead of Rupert, was born Tuesday, June 18, 2002.

Jazmin Kassie-Nicole Fisher, daughter of Dave and Stacy Fisher of Wendell, was born Tuesday, June 18, 2002.

Kaitlyn Maurer Still, daughter of Matt and Amber Still of Rupert, was born Wednesday, June 19, 2002.

Falon RyAnne Tuckness, daughter of Kari Tuckness and Jonathan Ringle of Fruit, was born Wednesday, June 19, 2002.

To have a birth announced, send a copy of the birth certificate to Melissa Morgan at The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303 or fax it to 734-5538. Deadline for publication Sunday is noon Tuesday and deadline for publication Tuesday is noon Friday.

Girl Scouts welcome newest, youngest member

TWIN FALLS - Silver Sage Girl Scouts Service Unit 19 welcomed its newest little sister Girl Scout at a baby shower hosted by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center on April 28.

Presley Marie was named the 2002 Twin Falls Girl Scout Baby, and made an honorary Girl Scout because she was the first girl baby born at the hospital on March 12, which is National Girl Scout Founding Day.

Brownie Troop 517 and its assistant leader, Lisa Murphy presented a basket of gifts to Presley's mom.

Junior Troop 658 and their leader, Jenny Everton organized the shower and collected gifts from all other troops in the Twin Falls Service Unit.



Members of the Silver Sage Girl Scouts welcome their newest little sister Girl Scout, Presley Marie, at a shower held at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

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TWIN FALLS AREA COMMUNITY

Hailey library starts 'Better than Beach Books' program

HAILEY - Summer time is vacation time, lazy relaxing-in-the-hammock time, and that makes summer the time for reading.

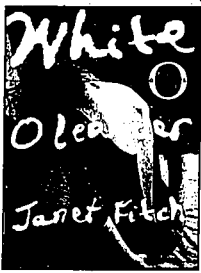
The Hailey Public Library summer book discussion series premieres July 18 with "Better than Beach Books."

Discussions take place from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on alternate Thursdays in the library meeting room. Copies of the books are available for checkout at the front desk. There is no charge, and everyone is welcome.

First in the series is Carolyn Klute's debut novel, "The Beans of Egypt, Maine," which takes on the issue of class in the United States. The Beans are poverty-stricken and illiterate, unwilling, if indeed able, to plan ahead. Klute, who studied poverty at ground-level, neither patronizes nor pokes fun at the Beans. The discussion takes place on July 18.

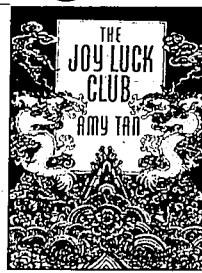
"The Giant's House" by Elizabeth McCracken is a quirky, take of romance between a prim librarian and the town giant. It will be discussed on Aug. 1. "The Sun Francisco Chronicle" called it "A true marvel."

The first novel and best-seller by Amy Tan, "The Joy Luck



Club" will be discussed Aug. 15. Sixteen interlocking stories alternate between four Chinese women in pre-1949 China and the lives of their American-born daughters in present day California.

Jane Fitch's first novel, "White Oleander" is fourth in the series, to be discussed on Aug. 31. A teenage narrator is learning life in a string of Los Angeles foster homes, gathering bits of mothering where she can. Her mother



Ingrid, a brilliant poet in prison for murder, tries to control each situation through her remarkable letters.

Ending the series is the screening and discussion of Peter Greenaway's film, "Drowning by Numbers," on Sept. 12. The film details the lives of three women, all with the same name and the same response to their bad marriages. Throw in lots of black humor and sprinkle with the English obsession for games.

THINGS TO DO

Music

Snake River Flute Barbershop Chorus - 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 121 E. St. Rupert. Men of all ages invited, call 436-6047

Dance

Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at St. Jerome's Parish Hall, 216 Second Ave. E. In Jerome, call Vera at 734-4647 or Tom at 324-6440. Couples welcome.

Bingo

Golden Years Senior Citizens Center - 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays at 218 N. Hall St. W. Shoshone. Must be over 18. Call 806-2320.

Agape Senior Center - 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Main Street in Kimberly. Anyone over age 18 is welcome, call 424-1438.

American Legion Hall in Twin Falls: 7:15 p.m. Fridays 447 S. Main St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Must be over 18. Call 736-1729.

Jerome Senior Center - 6:45-9 p.m. Tuesdays, 212 First Ave. E. in Jerome, snack bar opens at 6 p.m., early bird at 6:45 p.m., reg. bar open at 7 p.m. Must be over age 18, call 324-5642.

American Legion Hall in Wendell - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 610 W. Main. Doors and snack bar open at 6 p.m. Must be over 18, call 536-6642.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall in Burley - 7 p.m. Saturdays, Call Alice at 679-9881.

Snake River Elks 2807 - 7:15 p.m. Mondays at lodge 412 East 200 South, Call 324-0200.

West End Senior Center at 5:00 p.m. first and third Tuesdays at the Center in Buhl, Burley Elks Lodge - 7 p.m. Mondays at

To add a listing, please send a notice with: Name of the organization or club; Time, day and place of the activity; Telephone number of a contact person.

Send to: Pat Marcantonio, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303. Or fax to 734-5538. Or e-mail to patm@magicvalley.com

For more information, call Pat Marcantonio at 735-3288.

Singles

Lodge, 1340 Oakley Ave. in Burley.

Christian Singles Group - 7 p.m. on Oct. 1 and every other Monday, Christian Four-square Center, 181 Morrison St., Twin Falls, 735-6255.

Southern Idaho Twin Falls Singles - 8 p.m. Saturdays at Spaulder's Barn for dancing. For other activities, call 72-9044.

Cards

Bridge - 1 p.m. Mondays at Magic Valley Bridge House, 246 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, 733-8679. Newcomers welcome.

Magic Valley Pinochle Club - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at District American Veterans Hall, Harrison Street and Shoppe Avenue, Twin Falls.

Valley Vista Retirement Center Pinochle

Club - 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays in the community center at 621 Ross St. in Buhl Falls 733-5331.

Free bridge lessons for beginners - 7 p.m. Tuesdays starting March 19 at Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave., call 735-8306.

Pinochle club - 1 p.m. Tuesdays Community Club House, 1779 Addison Ave. E., anyone invited, call Erica at 733-1993.

Other

Writers Support Group - 6 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapter 1 Bookstore, 120 N. Main, Hailey, 736-0415.

Magic Valley 1st Club - meets for lunch and meeting, Call Glenda at 733-0040 or Vicki at 733-8336. New members welcome.

Writers of the Word, Christian writers group - 10 a.m. first Saturday at Twin Falls Reformed Church, Carolyn Lewis at 734-1151.

Pioneer Button Club - 6:30 p.m. last Friday of the month at Kimberly Public Library, Call MaryJo at 423-5525.

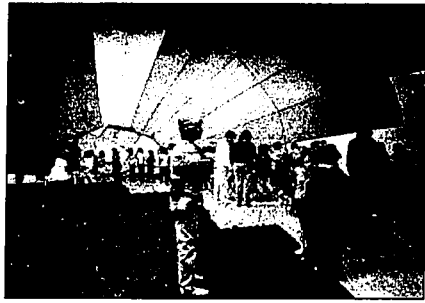
Magic Valley Astronomical Society - 7 p.m. second Saturday in Frost room at Herrett Center on 251 campus, call 735-2447.

Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club Indoor range - 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 253 5th Ave. Twin Falls. Limited to 22 rifle, moderate pistol caliber, call Stu at 324-5950 or Larry at 733-4213.

Snake River Canyon Kennel Club of Idaho - 7 p.m. fourth Wednesday at upstairs meeting room at 225 E. Main, call 736-0318.

Twin Falls Herpetology Society - 7 p.m. third Tuesday in Herrett Center, call Mick Peterson at 733-9554, Ext. 5671.

BALLOON IN BUHL



MARY LOU POTTS/The Times-News

Mother Nature did not cooperate with Rebecca and Jerry Elkins of Sheridan, Wyo. the day they brought their hot air balloon to Popplewell Elementary School in Buhl. The wind was too strong to inflate the balloon outside, so they partly inflated it the gymnasium. The classes took turns inspecting the balloon up close. The Elkins who operate the Air Fair Balloon Company also use the balloon to teach about science and technology of ballooning, weather, piloting and navigation.

MAY'S TOP VOLUNTEER



The Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers volunteer of the month for May is Mary Griffin of Bellevue, who now resides in Twin Falls. Griffin has been a volunteer for more than one year. Each morning, she calls and checks on an elderly woman in Buhl, which is a key factor for this person's independent living, the organization says. For more information or to volunteer, call Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers at 733-6333.

Photo courtesy of Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers

TIGERS OF THE MONTH



Kris Moseley, Erin McCracken, Chad Clark, Attin Potter, Jeremy Becht, Danna Sawyer, Jake Kohntopp and Vicki Hernandez were named April Tigers of the month at Jerome High School.

Photo courtesy of Jerome High School

FILER FFA COMPETES AT STATE



Filer FFA members have had a good year to remember. The chapter joined 70 others for state competition at College of Southern Idaho April 4-5. Filer sent 19 representatives, with five competing. Tiffany Taylor, Jackie Parnoll, Andrea Sparks and Teresa Jones gave their team a 15th place ranking in horse judging and halter. With adviser Brian Wolf, members are, from left, front: Hallie Drake, Whitney Hurley and Jessica Kimball, middle row: Teresa Jones, Tara Winkie, Jessica Zietke, Chant Lanling, Tara Laughmiller and Danl Theatre; back row: Cody Cantrell, Cody Hurley, Caleb Drake, Matt Severe and Justin Walker. Not pictured are members Taylor Parnoll, Sparks, Tom Callier, Justin Gires, Will Jaynes and Todd Billington.



New Filer FFA officers are Danl Theatre, president; Whitney Hurley, vice president; Tara Laughmiller, secretary; Teresa Jones, reporter; Cody Cantrell, treasurer; and Jessica Kimball, sentinel.

JOHN E. SHAYZ/The Times-News

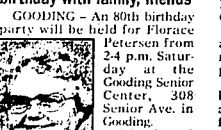
GALC NAMES STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Gooding Accelerated Learning Center has chosen Amanda Campbell and Kenny Koch as May's students of the Month. Campbell, 16, is the daughter of Connie Geor. Koah, 17, is the son of Danny and Janice Koch.

BETTY HANCOCK/The Times-News

Woman celebrates 80th birthday with family, friends



GOODING - An 80th birthday party will be held for Florence Peterson from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at the Gooding Senior Center, 308 Senior Ave. in Gooding.

Friends and relatives are invited. The event is hosted by her children, Duane and Linda Peterson and John and Faye Weis.

No gifts please.

Gooding Jaycees offer broomsticks for pool toumey
GOODING - The Gooding

County Jaycees will hold a broomstick pool tournament Friday at the Wood River Inn in Gooding.

Interested challengers must arrive from 7-8 p.m. and pay a \$5 registration fee. The Jaycees will provide the broomsticks.

Observers and supporters can begin watching the tournament around 8 p.m. In support of this fund-raiser, the Wood River Inn will offer drink specials.

Proceeds will help support future Jaycee projects and funding requests.

For more information, call Diana Rowe Pauls at 934-5125 or e-mail goodingjaycees@yahoo.com.

Desert Sage Quilters meet Thursday in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - The Desert Sage Quilters will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the KMMT meeting

room.

For information, call Sheri Wills at 733-1934.

Snake expert shares knowledge at Fossil Beds

HAGERMAN - The Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument will offer "Snakes Alive!" at 2 p.m. Saturday at the visitor center auditorium.

Russ Jones, a herpetologist will present the program. Children ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Due to popular demand, a second program may be offered at 3:30 p.m.

The program is free. For more information, call 837-4793.

Craft store offers free family event Saturday

TWIN FALLS - Michaels will

host a free family activity from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-3 p.m. Saturday.

Participants will complete their choice of three projects of varying difficulty. A simple necktie, zipper pull for a jacket or backpack or key chain.

All ages are invited. Materials and instruction is free.

For more information, call Michaels at 735-8006.

National Safety Council announces first aid classes

TWIN FALLS - The National Safety Council is offering CPR and first aid courses in the Magic Valley and surrounding areas.

Adult CPR and first aid is \$25. Re-certification in adult CPR is \$10. Adult and child CPR and first aid is \$30. Re-certification in adult and child CPR is \$15. Adult, child and infant CPR and

first aid is \$35. Re-certification in adult, child and infant CPR is \$20. Re-certification in first aid is \$10.

First responder courses are available. All of the programs meet or exceed OSHA requirements. The National Safety Council will travel to facilities at no additional charge. There is a discount for one or more participants. Instructor Marty Buss has instructed CPR and first aid for several years.

For more information on class dates and times, call 736-8105.

Plastic surgeon speaks on anti-aging techniques

GOODING - Tom Crain, plastic surgery specialist at the Thousand Springs Clinic at Gooding county Memorial Hospital, will speak on advances in plastic surgery and anti-aging concepts at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday at the hospital, 1120 Montana St. in Gooding.

The public and staff are invited. Light refreshments will be provided.

For more information or reservations, call 934-4433, Ext. 146.

Kimberly American Legion Baseball Team holds BBQ

KIMBERLY - The Kimberly American Legion Baseball Team will hold a barbecue and baseball games Thursday at the baseball complex behind Kimberly Middle School.

T-ball games will start at 7 p.m. with Babe Ruth, major league and minor league games at 7 p.m. Food will be served from 5-8 p.m.

All proceeds will benefit the Kimberly American Legion Baseball Team.

THE NEW POWER OF LAPTOPS

Latest portable PCs are as good as desktop models

By James Coates
Chicago Tribune

Your humble correspondent has been twice blessed the past few weeks while reviewing two laptops that point the way to a coming paradigm shift in the way Americans use computers.

Forgive the cliché, but we old hands in the computer game just love to talk about paradigm shifts. The only thing we like better than paradigm shifts are sea changes.

The biggest paradigm shift in computing came when businesses opted for networks of PCs on desktops instead of dumb terminals connected to mainframes. The most dramatic sea change has been the rush to the Internet.

The pair of laptops under review today likely foreshadow another major shift in the mechanics of personal computing: dual mode machines that are both full-power work stations and wireless portables that let one kick back and play the Internet with the same casual ease we now adopt with our television sets and Walkman-type music gear.

The two harbingers are Dell's new Latitude X200 and Apple's newest G4 PowerBook. Both are designed to sit on a desktop and churn out high-powered computing tasks or be untethered and float about the house while playing high-speed Internet connections to the user's heart's content.

Both machines come with built-in wireless Ethernet connections that let them connect with one's cable modem or DSL box using an 802.11b or Wi-Fi access point. Both also boast docking features that let users hook up powerful monitors and other stationary gear, making them the equal of most full-strength desktops.

In times of high-speed Internet access likely will be as common as public roadways, and our untethered computers will go online wherever we move. Check out Aspen, Colo., the resort mountain town that boasts a home-brewed wireless system that lets one surf the Web while sitting in sidewalk cafes, parks and ski huts.

Untethered computing is coming, maybe not today and maybe not tomorrow, but soon and for the rest of your life," as Humphrey Bogart told Ingrid Bergman in the "Casablanca" airport scene.

How better to taste the heady fruits of hypertext heaven than writing a column while sitting under one's freshly bloomed lilacs and using the Web to nail down a Bogart quote from Google.com on the 5.4-pound PowerBook?

This morning that same PowerBook was connected to one of Apple's stunning flat-panel monitors when I used it to edit a movie, a task that required the full power of the G4 chip and its other circuitry. The high-end PowerBooks match the power of



Scott Carson, senior vice president of Boeing, displays a laptop with wireless broadband capability while aboard a Boeing 737 Jettliner in Soatle June 13. Boeing and British Airways announced it will offer inflight e-mail and Internet access to passengers for a three-month trial period in early 2003 by using technology called Connexion by Boeing.

all but the most maxed-out G4 towers and include built-in CD-R/DVD-ROM drives as well as FireWire and USB ports for virtually unlimited expansion. They do not burn DVDs, however, which is just about the only high-end Apple desktop feature lacking.

The untethered powers are possible because Apple has added a digital video port to the latest PowerBooks to let them connect to the company's famous video display panels.

With Macintosh machines offering virtually the same features as do Windows-based PCs (Microsoft Internet Explorer/Microsoft Office, Adobe Photoshop, etc.), the elegant new PowerBooks are a dream come true for those who can afford the freight: At least \$2,400 for the high-end laptop, \$300 for the AirPort wireless Internet device and \$150 for the digital monitor connector. Slightly less expensive, a bit less

powerful and a whole lot more lonely is Dell's X200 system. Still, if ever there were a jewel to behold in laptop PCs, its name is X200. It starts with weight, a scant 2.8 pounds for the clamshell holding the Pentium III mobile processor, 30-gigabyte hard drive, battery and a 12.1-inch active matrix display.

With a built-in wireless receiver, the X200 effortlessly reached out to the Linksys Access Point I keep connected to my cable modem, and the bantam laptop gave me high-speed Internet access in a device that didn't weigh any more than a hardback book.

When it came time to do serious work, this Dell laptop docked with a satisfying click to a desktop module with all of the ports of a serious PC. Plugged in to my new 17-inch LCD monitor, the Dell handled movie editing using its FireWire-type 1384 ports with as much aplomb as an Apple. The

DVD-ROM/CD-RW drive in the docking station played movies from Blockbuster as nicely as the PC as did the PowerBook connected to the Apple flat panel.

The only thing ugly about the X200 is the sticker price: The clamshell alone costs about \$2,100, and adding the high-end base station raises the cost to around \$2,800. Keep in mind that you still need a monitor and probably will want a full-size mouse and keyboard as well.

It's difficult to overstate the joys of always having high-speed Internet access available while sitting in front of the TV or reading a book or eating a solitary lunch.

It's plain amazing after lunch to schlep the same computer back to the desktop for a serious day's work.

As Bogart would tell you if he could: You must remember this-as time goes by, a sea change is nigh.

Netflix is a neat idea, but not worth the wait

By Phillip Robinson
Knight Ridder News Service

When I first heard of Netflix, I thought: "Who'd spend \$19.95 a month to get DVDs through the mail? That's so slow, so low-tech, and I don't want to get hooked on another significant monthly payment."

Then I got a reviewer's temp-subscription for free months of Netflix and I loved it. You go to the website - Netflix.com - and search through more than 10,000 DVD titles. Find the ones you want - from big hits to very-obscure classics - and add them to your on-screen list. Then Netflix mails you the first three DVDs in your list. Whenever you're done with one, you stick it back into the original envelope, seal, mail, and soon Netflix will send you the next title on your list.

You keep the DVDs as long as you like (I've returned some the next day, kept others for more than a month waiting for just the right day to watch), and there are no overdue fines. Whenever you like, you can return to the site to look up more titles and rearrange your list.

Now my free subscription is expiring and I realize my Netflix infatuation is over. I still think it's a decent idea, but I'm not willing to pay \$19.95 a month for my fifth video service. First I turn to

local libraries, which have more and more videos entirely for free. Yeah, they have overdue penalties, but the week-long checkout is plenty for me. Second I turn to my several, local, independent video stores. Then comes the chains, Blockbuster and Hollywood around here, with lots of outlets, each with slightly different fare. Then comes my friend's TiVo with its recorded movies and TV shows. Only then do I think of Netflix.

Burned again

My AT&T Broadband cable Internet bill shows up and it's for \$7 more than last month: jumping from \$35.95 to \$42.95. There's no explanation, just the 20 percent price hike. So I use the web-help and chat-help features online and am informed that letters were sent (I didn't receive one), that six months of discount coupons must arrive (I haven't seen one), and that "beginning in July, customers that own their cable modem will notice a change in their monthly subscription price. These new prices may vary from market to market based on promotional offers, multi-product discounts and other factors. This price change enables us to continue providing the quality and service you expect from AT&T Broadband." They can't bring themselves to say "increase", only "price change."

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Inksaver can help with those expensive ink cartridges

By Peter Svensson
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK - Anyone who buys an inkjet printer soon discovers why it was so cheap: it's the ink that's expensive. There are several ways of dealing with it, from third-party cartridges (only slightly cheaper) to do-it-yourself refills (very cheap, but messy).

Inksaver, from Strydent Software Inc., offers another way. It's a software program that allows the user to set the amount of ink used in printing.

"I tried it on a Hewlett-Packard 995se with good results after a minor installation problem."

"I worked best for printing text, graphics and Web pages on plain

Tech test

paper. At Inksaver's 25-percent ink-reduction setting, text still looks sharp and presentable while colors lose a little saturation and pictures become slightly more grainy.

At the 50 percent setting, text is still OK - probably fine for a school paper, but not a resume. At 75 percent reduction, text looks washed out and colors are very pale, but still better than "draft" mode on most printers.

Inksaver doesn't help much if you like ink-guzzling glossy photos. But for most users, a \$34.99 investment in Inksaver can make sense.

The wall-shaking Soundbug

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MEETING NOTICE
You are hereby notified that the Twin Falls, Highway District's Regularly Scheduled Meeting for Friday, July 5, 2002 at 1:00 P.M. has been postponed...

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SPORTSQUOTE

“ Bulletin! The FBI has just uncovered a plot to fix the 1919 World Series.”

—Mike Bianchi in the Orlando Sentinel

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who holds the NBA record for most assists in a season?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

American Legion baseball
Twin Falls AA at Pocatello (2), at Halliwell Field, 5:30 p.m.
Kimberly at Jerome (2), 4 p.m.
RBI tourney, at Burley and Minico, TBA

IN BRIEF

Ladies will play at Candleridge

TWIN FALLS — The Candleridge Golf Course will be holding its 5th annual 2-Lady Best Ball tournament this Saturday with a 9:00 a.m. shotgun start. Entry for the tournament is \$60 per team. All those interested in playing should call the Pro Shop at 733-6577.

Rodeo Pee Wee

BUHL — The Buhl-Pee-Wee Rodeo Association is having an auction to help raise money for group upkeep and prizes for the Pee Wee Rodeo.

The auction will be held June 19th at Popplewell Elementary. Hamburgers, french fries and desert will be served at 5:30 with the auction beginning at 6:00. Masters Auction will conduct the event. For more information call Janet Surratt at 543-5011.

Jerome district hosts softball tournament

JEROME — The Jerome Softball Association Men's and Women's Summer Tournament will be held this Saturday and Sunday. Registration deadline is June 26th. Tournament fees are \$170 and are due prior to playing the first game. To register or for more information, call the Jerome Recreation District at 324-3389 or York Corbridge at 837-6694.

NNU plans sports camps for late June

NAMPA — Northern Nazarene University coaches will hold sports camps June 28-29 in and around the Montgomery Fieldhouse on campus. Kids ages 10 and over can choose from four athletic camps including volleyball and soccer from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and basketball from 9 a.m. to noon. There will be a Little Tykes Camp for kids ages 5-9 from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. The cost is \$20 a child including a T-shirt and refreshments. Parents are encouraged to participate at no extra charge.

Frisbee golf toumey will take place June 29

BUHL — An 18-hole Frisbee golf tournament will be held 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 29 at Eastman Park in Buhl. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. the day of the event but participants are asked to pre-register at Cleverly Chiropactic, 800 Main St. in Buhl. The event is free for children 14-and-under. For more information, call Justin Cleverly at (208) 543-2005.

Compiled from staff and wire reports.

Sampras feels at home

Agassi, Capriati also win easily at Wimbledon

The Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — Back home on Centre Court at the All England Club, Pete Sampras served just like Pete Sampras. And, rather out of character, so did Andre Agassi.

Both won straight-set openers at Wimbledon, as did Serena Williams, Jennifer Capriati and every other top player in action Monday. Indeed, the day's only significant surprise was the beautiful weather: temperatures in the 70s with nary a rain cloud.

Casting aside the better part of two years' worth of poor play and a rib strain that put his participation in doubt, seven-time champion Sampras swatted 27 aces and 40 other winners in defeating Martin Lee of Britain 6-3, 7-6 (1), 6-3.

Sampras hasn't won a title since Wimbledon in 2000, a drought of 23 tournaments, and entered with a 16-13 match record this year, including a French Open first-round loss.

Once again, though, grass gave him a lift. "You step out on Centre Court, it's like Mecca out there," said Sampras, who at No. 6 has his lowest seeding here in 11 years.

The U.S. Open, French Open — those are great events, but Centre Court at Wimbledon, there's something very special whenever you step out there. "I feel like I kind of came back home today."

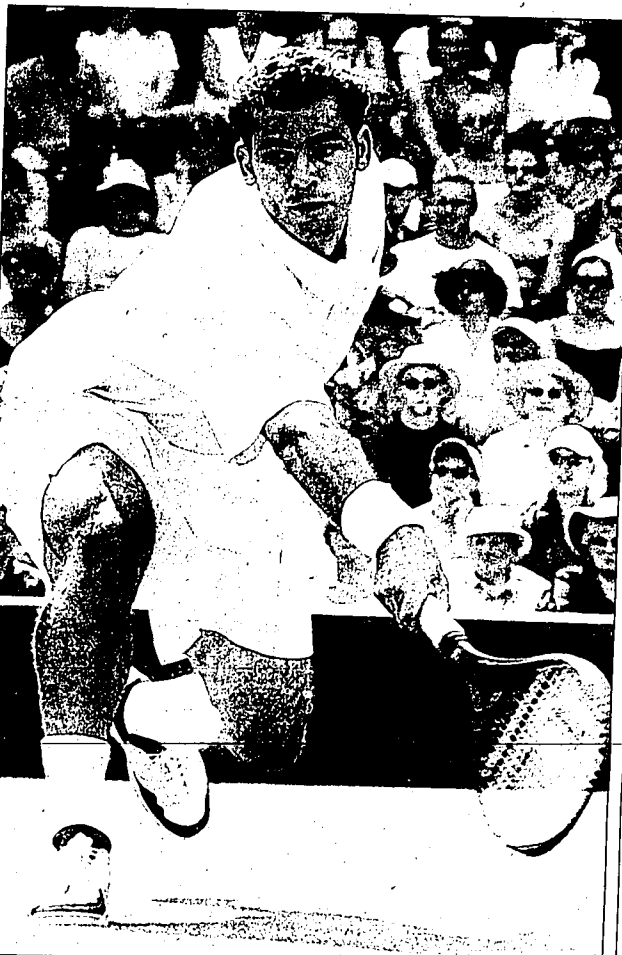
Others winning comfortably included No. 2-seeded Marat Safin, No. 5 Yevgeny Kafelnikov, and No. 7 Jelena Dokic. U.S. players were 4-5, with No. 11 Andy Roddick and No. 29 James Blake advancing when opponents quit, citing illness, while trailing.

Adding to the predictability was Anna Kournikova's fourth straight first-round exit from a tourney.

She battled but lost 6-1, 4-6, 6-4 to 21st-seeded Tatiana Panova. Then Kournikova snapped at a BBC-TV interviewer's query about her confidence, saying, "I just don't think you should phrase the question that way," and asking that the taped segment start over. The network aired the whole scene.

Four lower-seeded players lost: No. 19 Juan Ignacio Chela, No. 21 Max Mirnyi, No. 24 Alexandra Stevenson (a 1999 semifinalist), and No. 31 Nicole Pratt.

With neither men's finalist finishing the quarter year back for the first time since 1981, organizers asked Sampras to open the tournament on Centre Court.



Pete Sampras stretches to reach a shot from Britain's Martin Lee during their Men's Singles, first round match on the Centre Court at Wimbledon Monday. Sampras defeated Lee 6-3, 7-6 (1), 6-3.

Because of the injury he picked up over the weekend, Sampras asked to start Tuesday. The best Wimbledon could do was let him play third Monday. So 1992 champion Agassi was

given the honor of unwrapping the main court, and he was superb in topping Harel Levy 6-0, 6-4, 6-4.

Agassi is seeded third as he tries to set a Wimbledon record

for most years between singles titles.

"If you could only win one, you'd be crazy not to pick this one," said Agassi, who took the

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Pinch hit homer leads Braves past Mets

Atlanta records 22nd victory in last 27 games

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Pinch-hitter Keith Lockhart lined a leadoff homer in the ninth inning and the Atlanta Braves beat New York Mets 3-2 Monday night for their sixth straight victory.

The Braves improved to 17-4 in June behind a solid effort from starter Kevin Millwood and the majors' best bullpen, Julio Franco also homered for Atlanta. The Mets began a big week — four games against the Braves and three against the Yankees — by dropping 8.5 games behind Atlanta in the NL East.

Lockhart was only 2-for-28 as a pinch-hitter this season when he belted for Jesse Garcia. Lockhart fell behind 0-2 against Scott Strickland (6-4) but came back on the eighth pitch of the at-bat for his fifth career pinch-homer.

Lockhart quickly circled the bases after his drive to right field while Strickland stayed in a prolonged crouch "on the mound."

Kevin Gryboski (2-1) pitched a scoreless eighth and John Smoltz pitched the ninth for his 24th save in 27 chances. The Mets hit with six of eight overall, but dropped to 4-6 against



Atlanta pinch hitter Keith Lockhart watches his ninth inning home run drop over the right field wall against New York reliever Scott Strickland at New York's Shea Stadium Monday.

Atlanta this season. Jeromy Burnitz opened the Mets seventh with his first home run in a month, tying it at 2. He connected on the first pitch from Millwood, late getting to the mound after running the bases in the top half on a Mike, 87-degree night. Reliever Mike Remlinger finished the inning. Millwood retired the first 12

batters and didn't give up a hit until Roger Cedeno's one-out single in the fifth.

Millwood helped himself early with a nifty, behind-the-back stab on Roy Ordonez's grounder in the third inning. Millwood got Ordonez to double into an inning-ending ground play with the bases loaded in the fifth.

Franco once again caused problems for Mets starter Al Leiter with a home run, single and walk. Franco has reached base in 14 of 19 lifetime plate appearances against the left-hander.

Franco, the second batter of the game, hit a high fly that carried beyond the leap of center fielder Time Perez.

Franco's third home run of the season was the Braves' only hit until he flared a single in the sixth and stole second.

Gary Sheffield deflected with a hard grounder that dived off the pitcher's mound and changed direction as it headed up the middle. Second baseman Roberto Alomar was in position to field the ball, but it bounced off the bag before it reached him and caromed into short right-center.

Franco hustled home ahead of Alomar's off-balance throw.

In Franco's next two at-bats, he grounded into double plays against a pair of Mets relievers. The Mets broke through in the sixth when Mo Vaughn blooped an RBI single with two

Docs say pitcher's problem was preventable

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The heart condition that apparently killed St. Louis Cardinals pitcher Darryl Kile is common and treatable, and should have been suspected, given his family history, doctors said Monday.

An autopsy showed that the 33-year-old pitcher who was found dead in his hotel room Saturday had 80 percent to 90 percent narrowing of two of three main arteries to his heart.

While such extensive blockage in someone so young is unusual, the disease process, that leads to it — atherosclerosis, or hardening

of the arteries — is common and can begin as early as childhood.

Atherosclerosis kills more than 1.5 million Americans each year.

In 50 percent of men who die suddenly of heart disease, there were no previous symptoms.

"A very substantial proportion of patients with heart disease never have a clue, and he might have been one of them," said noted cardiologist Dr. Eric Topol, chairman of cardiovascular medicine at the Cleveland Clinic.

Kile's heart showed no sign of scarring or heart attacks but was enlarged, a possible sign of atherosclerosis, said Cook County pathologist-examiner, Dr. Edmund Donoghue.

He said the artery blockage likely triggered a fatal irregular heartbeat, but that a final finding could take four to six weeks, pending toxicology tests. He said such tests are routine.

He said he would not comment on whether his office was testing for steroids and that the autopsy results were consistent with a family history of cardiovascular disease.

Kile complained of shoulder pain and weakness the night before he died — but those symptoms could have been caused by his heart or by the strain of pitching.

Kile's narrowed heart arteries were probably caused by a buildup of fatty deposits.

Kile's father's death from cardiovascular disease in his 40s should have been a red flag that the pitcher was at risk for the

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Darryl Kile

Organ transplant patients meet for games, kinship

The Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — In the painful, breathless years before Maureen Pecor received a new lung, cystic fibrosis made walking up a flight of stairs seem like climbing a mountain. But within five months of a transplant operation, she had hiked up six peaks in Vermont.

Nine years ago, Mario Azevedo could barely make it to school, as a bad kidney couldn't keep up with his growing body. Now, the 20-year-old plays on an intramural basketball team at the University of Tennessee after a successful stint in high-school athletics.

Transplant patients hold dear the newfound vigor that comes with a new organ — so dear that many refer to the date of their operation as their "second birthday."

That renewed zest is bringing 8,000 organ recipients from around the nation to Disney's Wide World of Sports for the biennial U.S. Transplant Games. Four days of athletic competition, featuring sports such as track and field, basketball, tennis and bowling, begins Tuesday.

"It would be a waste if I didn't go," said Azevedo, who received his new kidney from his father in 1993.

Some famous organ recipients

will be lending moral support: actor Larry Huggan (liver), former NBA star Sean Elliott (kidney) and Olympic snowboarder Chris Klug (liver).

"The games shows that there is an active life after a transplant," Huggan, 70, said in a telephone interview from his home in Santa Monica, Calif.

Showing that people can lead a full life after a transplant is a goal the games' founders want to emphasize.

"It really is a lifesaving therapy for lots of people," said John Davis, CEO of the National Kidney Foundation, which founded the games in 1990.

"The biggest problem in this area of medicine is that there aren't enough donors. We can't transplant people that we should," Davis said.

In the past decade, the number of cadaver organs donated nationwide has remained fairly steady at 5,000-6,000 annually, while the number of people who need transplants has jumped from about 20,000 to 80,000, according to United Network for Organ Sharing.

An average of 16 people die every day while waiting for a transplant of a vital organ, such as a heart, liver, kidney, pancreas, lung or bone marrow.

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TRIVIA ANSWER:

John Stockton of Utah, 1,164 in 1990-91. He is also Nos. 2 and 3 on the all-time list.

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SPORTS

Cowboys sweep Upper Valley

The Times-News
MADISON - The Twin Falls Cowboys AA league team stayed perfect in conference play after sweeping Upper Valley errors they grabbed the 6-3 win.

Local sports Monday: "We put the ball in play quite a bit and put pressure on their defense and they made some errors," said Twin Falls coach Matt Rasmussen.

The Cowboys were out hit 10-3 in the first game but thanks to five Upper Valley errors they grabbed the 6-3 win. Steve Turner picked up the complete game victory.

smacked an RBI single and Jake Asche flew to fly with the other four runs coming via errors. JD Lott pitched 4 1/3 innings to earn the victory in the second game.

Twin Falls (6-0, 8-6-3) plays a pair today traveling to Pocatello. The first game is scheduled to begin at 5:30.

Game 1 and Game 2 scores for Twin Falls vs Upper Valley.

Bobcats take a pair from Kimberly

KIMBERLY - Leading 3-2 top of seventh, four errors cost Kimberly the victory as they fell to Burley 7-3 in the first game of an American Legion A baseball doubleheader Monday.

The Bobcats pounded out 16 hits on their way to a run-ruled victory in the second game to earn the sweep. "I (John) Mason pitched a good game for us through five innings. Our pitching didn't lose if for us, we just made some errors," said Kimberly coach Rich Bishop.

The top of the seventh started with an error and things just got worse for the Bulldogs. The only earned run of the inning came on

a Dallas Bristol home run. While the first game was close, Burley scored six runs in the first two innings and never looked back. "They hit the ball well and we didn't," added Bishop.

Matt Michel went the distance while picking up the victory. Jacob Kay went 4 of 5 at the plate with a home run and a triple. Matt Hope went 3-5.

Kimberly (1-4, 3-6) travels to Jerome today for a doubleheader.

Game 1 and Game 2 scores for Kimberly vs Burley.

Major League Baseball

MLB Standings: All Times MDT, American League East, Central, West Divisions and National League East, West Divisions.

Phillies break slump, pound Marlins

MIAMI (AP) - Ricky Ledee had a career-high four hits, hiking his average from .140 to .190, and Vicente Padilla pitched five innings for his 10th victory as Philadelphia beat Florida.

Pat Burrell and Mike Lieberthal each homered and drove in four runs. Bobby Abreu also homered.

Padilla (10-4) was taken out as a precaution after bruising his right arm when hit by a pitch. The right-hander won his fourth consecutive decision, allowing two hits and one run.

The Phillies, who tied a season high with 17 hits, were coming off a nine-game homestand in which they batted just .189 and scored 22 runs. They broke out of the slump against Julian Tavaraz (5-4), who allowed five runs in five

innings, and added seven runs in the sixth.

Cubs 6, Reds 4 CHICAGO - Delino DeShields hit a two-run homer in the seventh inning as the Chicago bats broke through late in the game to hand Cincinnati its eighth straight loss.

Trailing 1-1 in the seventh, the Cubs took control of the game in the seventh with an RBI double by Roosevelt Brown off Scott Williamson (2-2) and DeShields' third homer.

Chicago added two runs in the eighth on an RBI single by Bill Mueller and a sacrifice fly by Angel Echevarria. The Cubs have won three straight games. Jeff Fassero (2-5) got two outs for the win. Antonio Alfonseca pitched the ninth, allowing a sacrifice fly to Reggie Taylor that just missed being a game-tying home run. Alfonseca got his 11th

save in 13 opportunities.

American League Twins 5, White Sox 4

MINNEAPOLIS - Jacques Jones drove in the go-ahead run in the eighth after Torii Hunter tied it with a two-run homer an inning earlier, giving the Minnesota Twins a 5-4 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Monday night in their first meeting of the year.

Luis Rivera walked with two outs against Bobby Howry (0-1), took second on a wild pitch and scored on a line drive to deep center by Jones, who was slumped, until trying to stretch the hit into a triple to end the inning.

LtRoy Hawkins (3-3) pitched two scoreless innings for the win. Eddie Guardado pitched a 1-2-3 ninth for his league-leading 22nd save in 24 chances.

Rangers 8, Angels 5, 1st game

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) - Rafael Palmeiro and Herbert Perry drove in two runs apiece to lead Texas to its sixth straight win in the first game of a doubleheader.

Palmeiro had two hits and the go-ahead sacrifice fly in the fifth inning, and Perry went 3-for-5 as the Rangers snapped Anaheim's four-game winning streak.

Darin Erstad homered twice for the Angels.

Rookie Joaquin Benoit (2-0), called up from the minors before the game, trailed 3-0 after two innings but settled down after that to get the win. Benoit allowed three runs - two earned and five hits in five innings and was sent back to the minors after the game.

Next Nowitzki could be nicknamed 'Nene'

NEW YORK (AP) - Maybyster "Nene" Hilario could become the "Next Nowitzki" - the term used by NBA draftniks to describe a relatively unknown overseas player who can be turned into an All-Star.

The 6-foot-11 Brazilian power forward's stock has been rising in the days leading up to Wednesday night's NBA draft, and his agent, Michael Coyne, said Monday that he does not expect Hilario to remain on the board past the seventh pick.

Much of the intrigue surrounding this year's draft begins with the fourth pick.

Houston is expected to select 7-foot-5 center Yao Ming of China with the first choice, with Duke guard Jay Williams going to Chicago with the second pick and Duke forward Mike Dunleavy being selected No. 3 by Golden State.

The Memphis Grizzlies and new team president Jerry West will choose fourth, and they could surprise everyone by taking a chance on the 19-year-old who has played professionally the past two seasons for Vasco da Gama in Rio de Janeiro.

Hilario remains under contract with his Brazilian team through the fall of 2003, but his representatives claim the team breached it by failing to pay him his \$200,000 salary last season. An arbitration hearing has been tentatively scheduled for later this summer in London to resolve the matter, Coyne said.

Coyne said the Knicks, after being impressed by his speed and strength in workouts, put Hilario up in a Manhattan hotel over the past weekend. Among the players projected to be selected with picks 4-10

are Kansas forward Drew Gooden, Connecticut forward Caron Butler, Memphis guard Dajuan Wagner, JUCO forward Qyntel Woods, Maryland guard Chris Wilcox and center Nikoloz Tskitishvili, a 7-footer from the republic of Georgia who played professionally with Benetton Treviso (Italy) last season.

Other foreign players expected to be mid-to-low first-round picks are Jiri Welsh of Slovenia and forward Bostjan Nachbar of Italy. Interest in foreigners has increased in recent years as players such as Dirk Nowitzki (Germany), Hedo Turkoglu (Turkey) and Peja Stojakovic (Yugoslavia) have entered the league and thrived.

The trend was even more pronounced last season as Pau Gasol (Spain), Tony Parker (France) and Andrei Kirilenko (Russia)

were selected to the All-Rookie first team.

A year ago teams were willing to take a chance on a high school player, and four of them (Kwame Brown, Tyson Chandler, Eddy Curry and DeSagana Diop) were selected among the first eight picks.

This year, much of the scouting focus has been directed at China, Europe and South America. Hilario moved to Cleveland in midwinter - he arrived after a blizzard had dropped 3 feet of snow, the first time he had ever seen it - with his sights set on possibly becoming a top 20 pick.

But as more coaches and players have observed and commented on his game, he has continued to move higher and higher in mock drafts. Hilario held a workout for the Grizzlies, and West was said to be effusive in his praise.

Wimbledon

Continued from D1 first set in 18 minutes. "On top of that, it's just a big accomplishment for me to still be out here competing 10 years later."

French Open champion Williams followed on Centre Court and was nearly perfect for the 42 minutes it took to overpower Evie Dominikovic of Australia 6-1, 6-3.

Amazingly, Williams had 20 winners to one unforced error. On Tuesday, her older sister Venus opens her quest to become the first woman to win three straight Wimbledon titles since Staffi Graf in 1991-93.

"We both have to stay focused," Serena said, "because we're the people to beat now." "We don't get any love from the majors, and met in the finals at two of the past three. With Venus seeded No. 1, and Serena No. 2, they could make Wimbledon another Sister Slam. The player given the best chance of thwarting that is No. 3

mocking triumph after winning his first Grand Slam a few days earlier. "Come on, Levy, you can do it," drew loud laughter from other spectators.

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winning 56 of 57 matches at Wimbledon before being upset in the fourth round last year - came during a few service games Monday.

- Ace, ace, ace, second-serve ace. - Service winner, service winner, ace, ace. - Ace, double fault, ace, ace, service winner.

"There were times today that I felt my serving was unhit-able," he said. "I felt like there were spurts I did play at a pretty high level. But there were spurts I was playing careless."

He tracked down a half-dozen drop shots and pronounced the rib injury "a non-issue." "As long as I'm still in," he said, "I'm a big threat."

Pitcher

Continued from D1 some fate, doctors said. Cardiovascular disease that shows up at a young age is often hereditary; a gene variation is thought to have caused the heart attack that killed 28-year-old Olympic skater Sergei Grinkov in 1995.

With or without symptoms, patients with a strong family history should get rigorous routine checkups, including tests such as cholesterol screenings, blood work-ups, exercise stress tests or heart imaging tests, Topol said.

Such tests probably would have detected Kile's narrowed arteries, which could have been treated with an angioplasty and a stent procedure, in which a balloon-tipped catheter is used to unclog the arteries and a tiny mesh coil is inserted to keep

the arteries propped open, Topol said. Kile also may have been a good candidate for daily aspirin and drugs called statins to keep his cholesterol down and his arteries clear, Topol said.

Published reports say Kile had an electrocardiogram during spring training that showed nothing abnormal, but such tests can be normal in someone without previous heart damage, Topol said. "This is happening every day, but it's just that people are not as visible as Mr. Kile," Topol said. "We have a lot of work to do to get the medical community and the patients to heighten awareness and to get the appropriate diagnostic work-up - and not just one" for people with strong risk factors.

Transplant

Continued from D1 Pecor, a high school business teacher in Melbourne, Fla., nearly became a statistic.

She waited more than two years for a new lung, her breath slowly draining away. "Toward the end, I was just praying that I'd make it," she said.

A donor finally was found in April 2000, and after a long transplant followed. But that was only half the struggle, as Pecor first balked at the mental hurdle of living without the oxygen tank that had kept her alive for so long.

But she soon began to lead an active life, beginning with a climb of 4,393-foot Mount Mansfield five months after the operation.

"I was unbelievable to be able to hike up a mountain and breathe," said Pecor, 38. "Before, I couldn't even walk and breathe."

On the anniversary of her transplant, she ran a celebratory 5K. She's run another dozen races since then. Elliott knows what it's like to go from ill to athletic. For most of his NBA career, he suffered from

focal glomerulosclerosis, a disease that prevents the kidneys from properly filtering waste from the blood.

After receiving a kidney from his brother in August 1999, Elliott went on to play another 72 games over two seasons before retiring.

"I had been playing for seven years with a bad kidney, but my body had acclimated," said Elliott, a television commentator with the San Antonio Spurs. "After the transplant, you think you're feeling good - but then you go beyond that."

FRIDAY'S NEWS! with a graphic of a person's head.

SPORTS

Calcavecchia-Price team ties for lead of CVS Classic

BARRINGTON, R.I. (AP) - The team of Barry Calcavecchia and Nick Price started slow and closed fast and rebounded for the lead with Chris DiMarco and Dudley Hart in the opening round of the CVS Charity Classic on Monday.

ing birds on the first five holes, either parred or eagled 10 of the last 13. Calcavecchia and Stuart Appleby had a tie for third with Brett Quigley and his uncle Dana Quigley, who holds the Senior PGA Tour record for consecutive starts.

footer on a 14 was a bomb - but I also made some bogeys," said Calcavecchia, who has 10 PGA Tour victories. "I didn't exactly get off to a blistering start." Calcavecchia was no more baffled than Price about the turnaround.

events, hit his tee shot on the par-3 6th within 6 inches. DiMarco and Hart, teammates for four years at the University of Florida, were consistent from beginning to end.

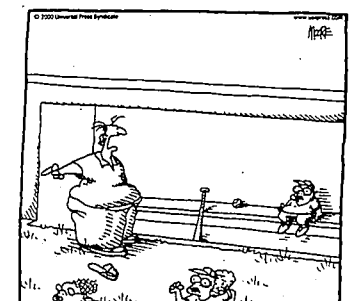
work on his game which has suffered this year. Duval will attempt to defend his British Open title July 18-21 at Muirfield.

SCORES AND STATS

BASEBALL

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IN THE BLEACHERS



WHAT'S ON T.V.

- Tennis: Wimbledon, Early Rounds 5 a.m. TNT
Soccer: World Cup: First Semifinal - South Korea vs. Germany 5:25 a.m. ESPN
Baseball: Braves at Mets 5 p.m. TBS

Seattle's Boone out for two games

SEATTLE - Bret Boone will be missing from the Seattle Mariners' lineup for at least the first two games of an important series with AL West rival Oakland.

Castillo is suspended for five games

NEW YORK - Boston Red Sox pitcher Frank Castillo was suspended for five games and fined an undisclosed amount Monday for making contact with an umpire in a game last week.

CHICAGO THINGS 5, WHITE SOX 4

Box score for Chicago White Sox vs. Detroit Tigers

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Team rosters for various sports

Castillo rushed Welke and made contact

Castillo rushed Welke and made contact, and Welke jumped Castillo. Castillo had to be restrained and then pushed away from the mound.

NL Boxes

Box scores for National League games

PHILADELPHIA MARLINS 4

Box score for Philadelphia Marlins vs. Atlanta Braves

Presidents Cup Points

Points list for Presidents Cup players

U.S. loss to Germany sets soccer record

SEOUL, South Korea - The United States' 1-0 loss to Germany in the World Cup quarterfinals was ESPN's most-watched soccer telecast ever.

Griffey misses game with sore hamstring

CHICAGO - Ken Griffey Jr. missed Monday's Red Sox game against the Chicago Cubs on Monday because of a sore hamstring. It is day-to-day.

PGA TOUR Money Leaders

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Box score for Cincinnati Reds vs. Chicago Cubs

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Medical oncologist lives in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute has recruited a medical oncologist who will call Twin Falls home.

Dr. Richard J. Cambarelli recently joined the Mountain States staff and will serve new and existing patients at the Mountain States clinic at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

His presence will bring the continuity of care that the patients living in the Twin Falls area desire and deserve," said Suzanne Thurman, administrator for Mountain States, in a news release.

Cambarelli received his medical degree from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. He served an internship at the University of Massachusetts and completed his residency in medicine and a fellowship in medical oncology at Georgetown University Hospital. He's a member of the American College of Physicians, the American Society of Internal Medicine, the American Society of Clinical Oncology, the American Society of Hematology and the American Medical Association.

Boise-based Mountain States physicians have been providing medical oncology services to patients in Twin Falls for almost two decades.

One of the goals when Mountain States leased the cancer center from Magic Valley Regional at the beginning of this year was to complement the radiation oncology services provided by Drs. Eugene Seville and Barbara Anderson, the news release said.

Sonic Corp. announces record results for 3Q

TWIN FALLS - Oklahoma City-based Sonic Corp., a restaurant chain with a franchised location in Twin Falls, on Monday announced record results for the third quarter, which ended May 31.

"Strong sales gains, combined with better-than-expected restaurant margins and greater corporate-level expense leverage, continue to drive solid earnings growth," the company said in a statement.

Net income for the third quarter increased 30 percent to \$10.3 million, or 35 cents per diluted share, from \$11.5 million, or 27 cents per diluted share, a year earlier. Revenues for the quarter increased 21 percent to \$111.3 million from \$91.6 million in the third quarter last year.

Net income for the first nine months of the fiscal year rose 24 percent to \$31.6 million from \$25.5 million in the same period last year. On a diluted per-share basis, net income increased 23 percent to 75 cents from 61 cents. Revenue rose 24 percent.

Those results reflect Sonic's three-for-two stock split in February.

"As we look ahead to the final months of fiscal 2002, we believe Sonic remains well positioned to deliver revenue growth of at least 20 percent for the year," said Clifford Hudson, chairman and chief executive.

United Airlines seeks \$1.8 billion loan

CHICAGO - United Airlines asked the government Monday for \$1.8 billion in loan assistance, making it the biggest carrier yet to seek help from a loan guarantee program created to prop up the ailing industry after Sept. 11.

The nation's No. 2 airline, which has lost more than \$2 billion since the attacks, is the third major carrier to seek federal guarantees, following America West and US Airways.

Elk Grove Village, Ill.-based United said it asked the Air Transportation Stabilization Board to back 90 percent of a \$2 billion private loan.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

THE PHONES ARE RINGING



Shavonne Hayes, a trainer from Nashville, Tenn., left, reassures Cindy Hency who did a good job on a difficult and complicated customer-service call. The Dell Computer Corp. center began taking calls Monday about subjects such as billing, rebates and order status. The center originally opened to handle only technical questions from Dell computer users.

Dell launches customer-service operation

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Answering her first four telephone calls for Dell Computer Corp., Luana Archer on Monday morning fielded questions on rebates, tracked an invoice and talked with an insurance adjuster.

"Somebody's system had been struck by lightning. It's been a variety already," the newly trained customer-service representative said after her first hour of work in a Dell cubicle.

With balloons, streamers and confetti in patriotic colors, Dell put Archer and 53 others on the telephones Monday. That launched the new customer-service function of what opened here in February as a technical support center. A video camera recorded the first call.

Managers passed out little U.S. flags for the new workers to wave to summon a manager's help. Raising a hand did the trick, too.

"I think everyone had the little heart-flicks," said Archer, a former secretary and retail clerk.

A team of 22 trainers and coaches from Dell facilities in Austin, Texas, and Nashville, Tenn., is in Twin Falls to ally that nervousness and get the

The new numbers

Dell Computer Corp.'s Twin Falls center, which opened this year, has garnered attention among the county's economic-development circles.

Here's an update on job creation:

- Fifty-four customer-service employees in Twin Falls started answering Dell customers' telephone calls Monday. Another 30 are in their final week of training. At the beginning of next week, all 84 customer-service workers will be in cubicles taking calls.
- On the technical support side of Dell's operation, 312 people were

- on the payroll Monday.
- Dell is still recruiting and hiring for both job types.
- By the end of this year, the Twin Falls center plans to employ close to 600 people - that is, 400 in technical support and 200 in customer service. That number is down from the combined 625 jobs that Dell's site director in May predicted for late this year.
- Expansion plans fluctuate with Dell's business needs, and the company hasn't announced its projections for employment numbers beyond this year.

Twin Falls before deciding whether to adopt it in existing customer-service operations in Austin and Nashville.

"It's our chance to really try a new model," Dangierfield said.

Dell leaders Monday touted the customer-service operation as an advantage for advanced-minded employees.

Scherer, for instance, was promoted from a front-line manager in tech support to customer-service section manager after less than half a year with the company.

"I was a little surprised at the sheet amount of time it took," he said.

Tech-support representative Donald "Donny" J. Taylor, whom *The Times-News* interviewed in February, moved up to become a coach for customer service. He'll mentor workers while they're on the telephones, help with training and do some of the quality monitoring.

Others among the tech-support ranks have similar stories.

"Since we've started, we've promoted 22 people," said Michael Jailliet, site director in Twin Falls.

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new operation off the ground. Bobbi Dangierfield, director of the computer maker's Customer Advocacy Group, sent a note Monday morning to Dell's executive team to report all was well.

To Magic Valley, the customer-service operation means new careers for truckers, construction workers, waiters and waitresses, telemarketers, retail workers, motel managers, housewives, a shoemaker and a microbiologist, among others.

They earn a base wage of \$7.50 per hour, plus incentive pay of \$1.25 hourly if their performance meets all the job's expectations. High-end perfor-

ers can hit a maximum incentive pay of \$4 per hour, for a \$11.50 total wage, said Christopher Scherer, section manager for customer service in Twin Falls.

Incentives are based on resolution of a customer's issue on the first call; the number of calls handled per hour; and a service-quality score. To determine the latter, coaches will listen in on some calls.

"This is all about catching people doing things right," Dangierfield said.

Dell is trying out that pay structure - roughly 85 percent base pay and 15 percent incentive for normal performance - in

the amount of time it took," he said.

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COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

BOISE - Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Louise Jane Erdman, also known as Louise McCord, 311 Chestnut, Kimberly, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-41218.

Keith Guy Hairston and Audra Lynn Hairston, also known as Audry Willie, 216 E. Oak, Bellevue, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-41215.

Paula Mata, 106 E. Lincoln, Paul, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-41189.

Frank L. Casias, Route 2 JB's Trailer Court, No. 8, Rupert, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-41178.

Mike Greco and Misty Greco, 3079 Dickson Ave., Twin Falls, joint, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-41177.

Barry McDonnell and Tracy McDonnell, 402 S. County Line Road, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 02-41176.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Gregg H. Jones, 630 W. Taylor, Kimberly, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 02-41217.

Jose Antonio Gutierrez, 575 E. 3500 N., Castleford, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 02-41216.

Carol O. Hale and Karen A. Hale, 400 W. 146 S., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000.

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Walgreen posts record sales for 3Q

Knight Ridder News Service

DEERFIELD, Ill. - Helped by a surge in prescriptions for everything from heartburn to obesity, Walgreen Co. continued to outdo itself, posting another quarter of record sales and earnings.

Results for the company's fiscal third quarter were helped by tight inventory controls as well as a decline in overhead expenses at the Deerfield-based drug store chain. But driving the top line was a 22 percent increase in prescription sales that reflects the aging of the U.S. population, Walgreen executives said.

The good report card was in line with analyst expectations for the nation's largest drugstore chain, which is building a pharmacy in Twin Falls.

"Walgreen Co. keeps doing what it does best - trouncing competitors' performance and growing like wildfire," said Morningstar analyst Roz Bryant.

Walgreen is on track to open 475 new stores this year and is ahead of schedule to have 6,000 stores by 2010, said Chairman Dan Jorndt. The expansion pushes comes as rivals CVS Corp. and Rite Aid Corp. are closing unprofitable stores to boost their bottom lines.

Still, investors accustomed to the company's strong performance reacted in a ho-hum manner. Walgreen stock fell 78 cents.

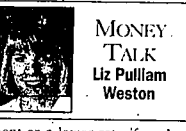
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A big down payment can cut mortgage costs

Question: My wife and I would like to buy a house in the next 12 months and have about \$1,000 extra a month to either save for a down payment or pay off our existing debt. The houses we're looking at are roughly in the \$175,000 range and we have about \$11,500 saved already. We also have about \$35,000 in student loans, car loans and credit card debt. We could put a real dent in the debt with this money, but I also feel that if we save for a down payment, our interest rate and monthly payments would be lower. What's your suggestion?

Answer: You're right on all counts, and what you should do depends a lot on the specifics of your situation.

Your savings now equal about 6 percent of your target home price. If you saved an additional \$12,000, says mortgage expert Allen Bond, that would boost you well above the 10 percent mark. If you can make a down payment of at least 10 percent, you usually qualify for either a smaller private mortgage insurance pay-



ment or a lower rate if you're doing what's known as a piggyback loan - a regular 80 percent mortgage plus another loan for the additional 10 percent, says Bond, president of the California Association of Mortgage Brokers' Southern California chapter.

Private mortgage insurance, if you don't already know, usually is required by lenders when the borrower's down payment is less than 20 percent of the purchase price. Costs for the insurance vary, but it's usually \$30 to \$80 a month. You can avoid PMI by using a piggyback loan, although the interest rate on the second, smaller mortgage may be higher than the one on your first mortgage.

You may, however, be carrying

so much debt that it's negatively affecting your credit score - and that's influencing it, too, by increasing your borrowing costs. You didn't get a breakdown of your debts, but if most of it is credit cards and car loans, rather than student loans, your score could be suffering. In that case, it makes sense to pay off the credit cards, at least, before adding to your down payment.

You can find out your credit score, and what's influencing it, by visiting www.myfico.com. For \$12.95, you can view your credit report, your three-digit score and an explanation of the positive and negative factors affecting your score. You also can see, on the site's home page, how different scores alter the mortgage rates you can expect. Recently, the mortgage chart showed that someone with a score above 720 could expect a rate of 6.75 percent, while a score of 675 would move the rate up to 7.41 percent.

The site has a calculator to show how much you could save on a mortgage by boosting your credit score. You may discover

the savings are so minor that you'll get more bang for your buck by saving money for the down payment, rather than using it to pay off debt. Or you may discover that a big jump in your credit score would be worth having a smaller down payment.

The site also has a simulator that allows you to "play" with your score. In other words, you can see how paying down your various debts might help your rating. (You also can see how far you can drive your score down with late payments, maxing out your credit cards, opening new credit accounts or declaring bankruptcy.)

Once you've done this homework, you'd be smart to find a good mortgage broker to discuss strategy, help you crunch all the numbers and get you pre-qualified for a loan. Good luck! Q: Recently we checked the value of our savings bonds and learned they are worth about \$14,500, minus applicable taxes. We have an outstanding balance

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MONEY

Stocks finally rally for winning session Walgreen

NEW YORK (AP) — A burst of buying set off an afternoon technical rally on Wall Street Monday, reversing an earlier selloff that had sent the Nasdaq composite index briefly below the closing low it reached after the Sept. 11 terror attacks. Stocks ended mixed overall, but the major indexes had their first winning session in a week.

Declining issues outnumbered advances on the New York Stock Exchange, an indication that the rally was less than wholesale.

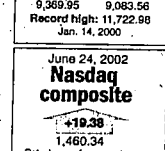
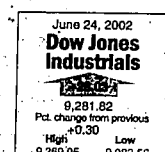
Analysts said the gains reflect buying by traders to cover bets that stocks would fall further, rather than any improvement in investor confidence. The approach of the end of the second quarter on Friday also influenced the rally.

"The market is groping for a bottom and we haven't found yet a catalyst to bring in aggressive buyers," said Robert Street, portfolio manager of Northern Select Equity Fund in Chicago. Stock prices "haven't dropped low enough yet, and the news on balance continues to disappoint people. The corporate governance and terrorist issues are still weighing on investor psychology."

The technology-dominated Nasdaq closed up 19.38, or 1.3 percent, at 1,460.34, rebounding from an earlier decline of 26 points that put the index nearly 9 points below its Sept. 21 close of 1,423.19. Sept. 21 marked the end of the first week of trading following the attacks.

Other indicators also recovered. The Standard & Poor's 500 index, which had come within 5 points of its Sept. 21 close, advanced 3.58, or 0.4 percent, to 992.72.

And the Dow Jones industrial



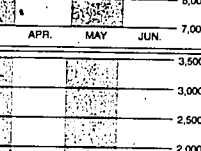
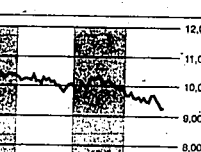
average rose 28.03, or 0.3 percent, to 9,281.82, putting it more than 1,000 points above its Sept. 21 finish.

All three indexes last closed higher on Monday, June 17.

The Dow, which traded between a gain of 116 points and a loss of 170 points during the day, owed much of its comeback to its tech components, including IBM, Microsoft and Intel.

IBM rose 95 cents, or 1.4 percent, to \$69.70 despite falling early in the session after Goldman Sachs reduced its estimates on the stock because of difficult business conditions.

Intel rose 60 cents, or 3.2 percent, to \$19.33, while Microsoft slipped \$1.88, or 3.6 percent, to \$54.16. Intel and Microsoft also have a significant influence on the Nasdaq.



Still, investors were selective. Lucent dropped 6 cents to \$2.28, while Nortel lost 18 cents to \$1.67 after UBS Warburg reduced its outlook for each company.

Outside the tech sector, Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia fell \$3.42, or 21.4 percent, to \$12.55 following a Wall Street Journal story that raised more questions about whether CEO Martha Stewart engaged in insider trading.

Philip Morris said \$3.85, or 7.3 percent, to \$54.80 on concerns that tobacco companies are increasingly vulnerable to lawsuits.

And Dynegy fell 12 cents to \$7.40 after cutting its dividend in half and announcing plans to sell some assets to improve its balance sheet.

Many of Monday's gains were attributed to what's known as short covering. In short covering, investors have to buy stock to replace shares that they borrowed and sold on the expectation of further declines.

But analysts say the fundamental problems that caused the Nasdaq to dip below its post-Sept. 11 milestone remain: the bleak corporate earnings prospects, accounting scandals and the possibility of more terrorism.

Technology stocks have been particularly hard-hit by the continuing market malaise. With the economic turnaround less robust than investors had hoped for, companies in a variety of industries have cut back the purchases of high-tech equipment and software.

The second-quarter earnings reports due next month were supposed to reassure investors. Instead, a string of warnings from companies have made many investors reluctant.

Declining issues led advances 3 to 2 on the NYSE, while on the Nasdaq Stock Market, advances had a better than 3-to-2 lead over losing stocks.

Consolidated volume came to 1.89 billion shares, compared with 1.75 billion Friday.

Volume was unusually heavy Friday because it was what's called a triple-witching session, the quarterly expiration of index futures and index stock options.

The Russell 2000 index fell 1.98 to 459.09.

Overseas, Japan's Nikkei stock average rose 1.1 percent. In Europe, Germany's DAX index lost 2.5 percent, Britain's FTSE 100 slipped 1.4 percent, and France's CAC-40 dropped 3.4 percent.

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in the first three months, Walgreen had \$7.5 million, or 75 cents per share, up 15 percent from \$668.7 million.

Results include a \$5.5 million pre-tax gain this year for partial payment of the company's share of a brand-name prescription drug antitrust settlement.

Last year's numbers benefited from a \$22.1 million pre-tax gain related to the same litigation.

Sales rose 17 percent to \$21.4 billion from \$18.3 billion.

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of about \$13,000 on our credit cards, with an interest rate of 10.5 percent. We are thinking of cashing out the cards to pay off the debt, and putting what we had been paying toward the cards into our savings instead. Is this a good move? If so, how shall we invest the money that's freed up when we pay off the debt?

At Your plan gets a gold star. It almost never makes sense to keep money in low-yielding savings or nonretirement investment accounts when you're carrying credit card debt.

Once the debt is paid off, however, don't rest on your laurels. It's easy to slip back into a lifestyle where you charge too much and can't pay off your credit card each month. Consider investing some of your savings in a community college class on budgeting and money management. If you prefer do-it-yourself study, you'll find plenty of good books on the same topics, including Eric Tyson's "Personal Finance for Dummies," such as Intuit's Quicken 2002 and Microsoft's Money 2002, can help you organize and track your finances.

What you should do after that depends on your situation. If you

don't have an emergency fund equal to three to six months' expenses tucked away in a money market fund, that's a good first step. Once you have that in place, whether you can invest a little more in your employer's 401(k) plan or contribute to a Roth IRA. After you've maximized your retirement savings, you can consider other goals, such as saving for a new car or a long-desired vacation.

Investing is all about setting goals, making choices and matching your investments to your time horizon. In other words, money you may need within a few years—such as an emergency fund—should be kept in liquid accounts such as a money market. Money you won't need for 10 years or more, such as your retirement funds, can be invested in the stock market. Once you've set your goals for this extra cash, you'll be better able to determine how to invest it.

Questions can be sent to Liz Pulliam at askliz@weston.com or askliz@hotmail.com or mailed to her care of Money Talk, Business Section, Los Angeles Times, 202 W. First St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of New York Stock Exchange data including NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ indices, and a list of active stocks with columns for Name, Div, PE, Last, Chg, YTD, and Volume.

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US 10-year nominal spring wheat

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Filings

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\$100,000. Case no. 02-41210.
Armondo Tapia and Mabel Tapia, 2125 Mace Ave., Heyburn, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 02-41203.

John Pegnam-Halloran, also known as John Pegnam, John E. Pegnam and Wendy A. Halloran, also known as Wendy Busey and Wendy Halloran-Pegnam, 2180 Oakley Court, P.O. Box Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 02-41196.

Julie Younger, 4258 N. 1360 E., Buhl, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-41201.

James Rick Crumrine and Teresa Kay Crumrine, 588 E. 200 N., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 02-41222.

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