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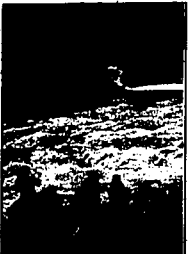
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Bush challenges Iraqi militants

President says U.S. has the force to handle attacks, adding, 'bring 'em on'

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON - President Bush Wednesday delivered a colloquial taunt to militants who have been attacking U.S. troops in Iraq, saying "bring 'em on" and asserting that the forces in Iraq are "plenty tough" to deal with the threat.

The colorful challenge by Bush provoked indignation from some congressional Democrats, who said the president's bravado was inviting attacks on American soldiers. It came as the president continued to face questions about the chaotic post-war scene in Iraq. Some

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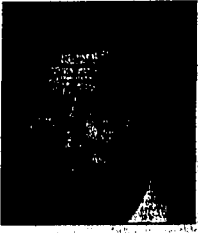
retired officers, warning of a serious shortage of military manpower, have called on Bush to take the unusual step of activating National Guard divisions to relieve overtaxed troops.

The Pentagon, which is studying whether it needs additional troops in Iraq, is having trouble finding enough troops even to keep its force level constant

because U.S. replacement troops are otherwise engaged in Afghanistan and South Korea, and other countries are resisting entreaties to help. In the latest sign of the squeeze, the foreign secretary of India, from which the administration is seeking an entire division, said Wednesday that his government remains wary of sending troops to Iraq.

Bush's vigorous defense of his administration's decisions in Iraq - his second defense in as many days after a period of relative silence - came as another U.S.

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President Bush speaks during a press conference Wednesday at the White House.

HEADING OUT FOR THE FOURTH



Preparing for summer boating and camping trips, Roy Long, right, and Willie Long, 9, weatherproof the roof of their new motor home in Twin Falls.

Experts expect heavy travel, but some stay home

By Brandon Flala
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Although more people are expected to travel this Independence Day weekend than last year, plenty of folks are staying home to enjoy barbecues and fireworks.

"Sunny temperatures, the great outdoors and the opportunity to turn this year's holiday into a good old-fashioned three-day weekend may have something to do with what could be the busiest July 4 holiday in the past decade," said AAA Idaho spokesman Dave Carlson in a news release.

Fire danger looms - C1

Higher gas prices won't stop this July 4 holiday from posting the heaviest travel in at least nine years, according to Idaho's AAA.

Idaho regular unleaded gasoline prices are down 2 cents from the Memorial Day holiday to \$1.58 a gallon, but 15 cents higher than a year ago and 9 cents higher than the current national average price of \$1.49, based on AAA's Daily Fuel Gauge Report.

"A lot of people are driving this year, where they might have flown

in the past," said Roxie Simcoe, owner of Desert Sun Travel in Twin Falls.

Popular travel destinations include Disneyland and Las Vegas, Simcoe said.

AAA projects that 37.4 million people expect to travel 50 miles or more from home this Fourth of July weekend - the highest total for that holiday in at least nine years. The total is nearly 2 percent more than the estimated 36.8 million who traveled a year ago.

Of the total number of vacationers, 32.6 million plan to go by motor vehicle, up 2 percent from last July 4.

Based on projections built into the AAA analysis, some 163,000 Idahoans will be drivers or passengers in motor vehicles this holiday period.

Some people are traveling to Twin Falls for the weekend.

"There must be a lot of people coming to town," said Virgil Sisiam, general manager of AmeriTel Inn in Twin Falls.

Sisiam said reservations this weekend are about the same as other summer weekends.

"We're about the same, and that's good. We're going to be full here," he said.

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Medicare plan benefits low-income seniors the most

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Low-income seniors would benefit the most from a Medicare bill passed by the U.S. Senate in the wee hours Friday morning.

A single senior citizen making less than \$13,000 a year, or a couple making less than \$18,000 a year, would have 90 percent of

their prescription drug costs paid for.

That's a good thing, said senior Virginia Scott. She can afford her prescriptions now, but one life-threatening illness some years back changed that for awhile.

"It put me in debt for a long time," Scott said. "I'm OK now, but there was a time when I had to go without my drugs."

Scott was one of the people who

turned out Wednesday morning at Bridgeview Estates Retirement Home to hear two staff members from the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging explain the Senate Medicare bill. The committee is chaired by U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho.

"Senator Craig has always said that no senior should have to choose between buying prescription drugs and buying food," said

committee staff member Lupe Wiesel.

There are actually two parts to the Senate Medicare bill, and both are voluntary. If people are happy with their Medicare benefits now, they can stick with what they have.

Here's the rest of the plan:

- The first part of the Senate

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Mustard-yellow belt no longer belongs to the red, white and blue

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - For most of the last 87 years, the Fourth of July hot-dog eating contest in Coney Island was typically an all-American feast: Oversized, born-in-the-U.S.A. guys, clad in XXL T-shirts, gobbling all-beef franks as the world watched in revulsion.

Say goodbye to those days.

There's a new world order in competitive eating. For five of the last six years, when the smoke

from the grill cleared at the landmark Nathan's Wiener stand, the winner was ... a diminutive Japanese man.

Led by two-time defending champion Takeru Kobayashi, a mere 5-foot-7 and 130 pounds with a 30-inch waist, Japanese eaters are dominating the holiday contest. With the Japanese media providing extensive coverage of Kobayashi, the Fourth of July looms as a big day in both Nagano and New York.

Kobayashi's 100 mph style of eating - snapping the dogs in half, a move dubbed "The Solomon Method" - earned him the nickname "Tsunami."

Adding insult to indigestion, Kobayashi is an overwhelming favorite to keep the mustard-yellow belt symbolic of gastronomic supremacy. No one has come close to the 50.5 franks that he inhaled in 12 minutes last year.

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Takeru Kobayashi, center, of Nagano, Japan, sets his 35th hot dog at last year's Fourth of July hot-dog eating contest at New York's Coney Island.

Panel rates county clerk replacement

Current district court employee leads list

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The assistant administrator for the 5th Judicial District Court has started into first place to replace former Twin Falls County Clerk Bob Fort.

Crowded into a sweltering back room in the Marvin Hemphill County Building Wednesday evening, the Twin Falls County Republican Central Committee chose for its top candidate Kristina Glascock, 32, to recommend to the Twin Falls County Commission to appoint as Twin Falls County Clerk.

Second in line is businessman Ken Hildner, who has been an industry consultant, and third is insurance agent Richard Cook.

County Commissioner Gary Grindstaff said commissioners will interview the candidates today, and by Monday the county will know who its next county clerk is. Twin Falls GOP Chairman Mike Mathews said traditionally the commissioners go with the top candidate.

Fort, who submitted his resignation to commissioners June 24, is under investigation by the state attorney general's office for improper use of taxpayer money.

Glascock, who began her career in the Power County clerk's office in 1990, admitted that though she is a registered Republican she has never been active in the party. However, coincidentally, it turns out that her first boss, the Power County clerk, eventually turned out to be her mother-in-law.

When she moved to Twin Falls in 1992, she began working as a deputy clerk for Twin Falls County Court Services and later moved up to 5th Judicial District Court. Some of her duties include acting as administrative assistant to Linda Wright - a former Twin Falls County clerk, who is now the trial court administrator. Glascock manages 10 employees and oversees several aspects of the district court.

Glascock said she hadn't considered the position until Wright, a judge and several county employees approached her and suggested that she consider applying for the job.

"And that planted a seed," she said.

The second place candidate,

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U.S.: Blast at Iraqi mosque occurred during cleric's bomb-making class

The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The U.S. military said Wednesday that an explosion that tore through a mosque in the restive town of Fallujah, killing an outspoken cleric and at least six of his students, appeared to be caused by an accident during a "bomb manufacturing class."

Many residents had blamed the blast Monday night on a U.S. missile or bomb — a charge that U.S. forces flatly denied. In a statement, the U.S. Central Command said that U.S. forces and police in the city, about 35 miles west of Baghdad, had investigated the explosion at the Hassan mosque, a

center of anti-occupation agitation in the city, and determined that the military was not responsible.

"The explosion was apparently related to a bomb manufacturing class that was being taught inside the mosque," it said.

The U.S. explanation gives credence to reports that Islamic activists are becoming involved in a guerrilla campaign to oust U.S. and British forces, which overthrew Saddam Hussein's government on April 9.

Victims' relatives said the students had gathered at the mosque, on the outskirts of Fallujah, every night for about a week. The men,

in their twenties and thirties, were all students at the Islamic Law College at Saddam University in Ramadi, a town farther west along the Euphrates. The relatives said the students were drawn to the teaching and sermons of Laith Khalil, 35, a preacher at the mosque who, in recent weeks, had called for resistance to drive out forces occupying the country.

Khalil, who lost his right leg in the blast, died Tuesday in Baghdad after his followers took him to seven hospitals. Hospital officials said six students were killed, although a U.S. military spokesman put the number of dead at 10.

Bush selects ex-drug exec to head AIDS project

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's new global AIDS coordinator is a former drug company executive whose selection won praise for his management skills but raised concerns about his ties to the pharmaceutical industry.

Bush on Wednesday named Randall Tobias to direct a \$15 billion international AIDS program. The former chief executive officer for Eli Lilly & Co. will coordinate all the administration's international AIDS/HIV activities for all government departments and agencies as well as religious-based community groups.

"Randall Tobias has a mandate directly from me to get our AIDS initiative up and running as soon as possible," Bush said.

Five weeks ago, Bush signed into law an AIDS plan that will provide \$15 billion over the next five years to fight the disease, primarily in 14 African and Caribbean countries. The plan was unveiled Monday on a trip to Africa.

Bush said Tobias would work to set up a broad network to deliver drugs to the farthest reaches of Africa — "even by motorcycle or bicycle" — and will help train doctors and nurses and other health care professionals so they can treat HIV/AIDS patients.

Tobias, a major Republican Party contributor from Indiana, retired from Lilly in 1998. He also has been vice chairman of AT&T and chairman of AT&T International.

The Senate must confirm Tobias, who is to carry the rank of ambassador and report to Secretary of State Colin Powell.

Paul Zeitz, director of the Global AIDS Alliance, was troubled by Tobias' relationship with the pharmaceutical industry. The alliance urged Senate to review Tobias' ties to the industry.

"This raises serious questions of conflict of interest and the priorities of the White House," Zeitz said.

"Both the people of Africa and the people of the United States will lose if the president's AIDS initiative fails to use the lowest-cost, generic medications. Africans will be left with less medicine and more to die."

U.S. reportedly prepares to send small number of troops to Liberia

Los Angeles Times

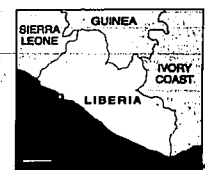
WASHINGTON — After a decade of avoiding intervention in messy African conflicts, the United States now appears ready to deploy U.S. troops in strife-torn Liberia, according to U.S. and diplomatic sources.

The deployment is expected to be small, from 500 to 2,000 troops, and short-term, diplomatic sources said. In recent days, U.N. and African leaders have called on the United States to send troops to provide security to the war-torn country — and help with humanitarian aid.

About three years ago rebels began their campaign to oust Liberian President Charles Taylor, who won office in 1997 after a grisly civil war that left about 200,000 dead. The current fighting has displaced more than one million Liberians.



A young girl wearing an American flag headscarf demonstrates outside the U.S. Embassy in Monrovia, Liberia. The United States is being called to the rescue of Liberia — a land where old bonds most Americans never knew the United States had. The two nations have had economic and strategic ties dating back to 1822, when James Monroe dispatched soldiers to escort ashore the first freed American slaves, who founded the nation with a U.S.-style constitution.



SOURCES: Associated Press; ESRI AP

Officials at the Pentagon, State Department and White House insisted that no order deploying troops had been signed Wednesday.

But administration sources said the goal is to define the mission and finalize arrangements before President Bush formally approves the move and then make an announcement before he heads out Monday on a five-day tour of Africa. A small team of Marine Corps police is on standby in Spain for possible deployment to defend U.S. facilities in Liberia, Pentagon officials said.

The team of 30 to 40 military police is designed to beef up security at U.S. facilities abroad where needed.

Iraq

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Marine was killed and three were injured while clearing mines in Iraq, while a soldier died from wounds suffered in an attack on Tuesday. At least 64 Americans have been killed — 26 of those from hostile fire — since Bush declared the bulk of fighting over two months ago.

"There are some who feel that the conditions are such that they can attack us there," Bush said. Extending his right hand for emphasis, he added: "My answer is bring 'em on. We've got the force necessary to deal with the security situation." He promised to "deal with them harshly" if attacks continue.

The president, appearing in the Roosevelt Room of the White House for an event intended to announce an AIDS personnel appointment, appeared irritated as he spoke of U.S. troop strength in Iraq and the cooperation from other countries.

"There are some who feel like that if they attack us that we may decide to leave prematurely," Bush said in response to a reporter's question. Shaking his head, he continued: "They don't understand what they're talking about, if that's the case." When a reporter tried to ask another question, Bush raised his index finger and said, "Let me finish."

The administration has been struggling to enlist other countries to contribute troops to the Iraqi occupation force and reduce the strain on the U.S. military. Despite vigorous appeals from the president and his senior advisers, however, foreign governments have been reluctant to provide large numbers of troops. Only Britain, Ukraine and Poland have provided substantial assistance so far.

"Anybody who wants to help, we'll welcome the help," Bush said. "But we've got plenty tough force there right now to make sure the situation is secure." The president left open the possibility of increasing U.S. troop strength, however, saying "we'll put together a force structure who meets the threats on the ground."

Though Congress is in recess, some Democrats criticized Bush's "bring-em-on" statement. "I am shaking my head in disbelief," said Sen. Frank R. Lautenberg, D-N.J. "When I served in the army in Europe during World War II, I never heard any military commander — let alone the commander in chief — invite enemies to attack U.S. troops," Lautenberg's statement said. Bush's words were "tantamount to inciting and invit-

Mixed messages

Recent American attitudes regarding the invasion of Iraq

Believing in al-Qaida

Administration assertions about al-Qaida have not been proven, but...

Believe U.S. found evidence Iraq was working closely with al-Qaida **52%**

Say Bush administration involved Iraq was involved in 9-11 **71%**

Believe government was truthful in presenting evidence of links **39%**

No weapons of mass destruction have been found since the Iraq invasion, but...

Believe the U.S. found weapons of mass destruction **23%**

Want the U.N. to take a leadership role in Iraq

Want the U.S. should remain in Iraq until there is a stable government **64%**

Think the U.S. should remain in Iraq until there is a stable government **80%**

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Source: Feb. 1 to 1, 2003 U.S. adults, June 18-20, conducted by Program on International Policy Attitudes, University of Maryland. 35 percent error margin.
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ing more attacks against U.S. forces."

In addition, Rep. Richard A. Gephardt, D-Mo., a presidential candidate, said he had heard "enough of the phony, macho rhetoric" from Bush. Howard Dean, the former Vermont governor mounting a bid for the Democratic presidential nomination, said Bush "showed tremendous insensitivity to the dangers" troops face.

Bush's spokesman, Ari Fleischer, said Bush was not inviting attacks. "I think what the president was expressing there is his confidence in the men and women of the military to handle the military mission that they still remain in the middle of," he said.

Group, bank forecast huge deficit

WASHINGTON (AP) — A liberal advocacy group and an investment bank are projecting federal deficits over the next decade exceeding a staggering \$4 trillion.

In a study to be released on Wednesday, the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities estimates that the cumulative shortfall through 2013 will be \$4.1 trillion. That assumes Congress will enact a new prescription drug benefit, extend a series of recently enacted tax cuts that would otherwise expire, and approve other tax reductions and spending increases that many believe are inevitable.

During that period, annual deficits would never dip below \$325 billion and would hit \$530 billion in 2013, the liberal center said. The highest deficit ever was \$290 billion in 1992.

"Acting now to reduce future deficits will make the burden imposed on future generations noticeably smaller than if we wait five, ten or more years to act," wrote Richard Kogan, author of the center's study.

Two weeks ago, the investment banking firm Goldman Sachs used many of the same assumptions to project deficits over the same period totaling \$4.5 trillion. Its forecast — which it also attributes to the weak economy and the likelihood of election-year spending increases next year — includes projected deficits of \$425 billion this year and \$450 billion in 2004.

Conservative and another Wall Street firm said such estimates are unreliable and probably overstated.

Government, industry warn of hacker attacks on Sunday

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government and private technology experts warned Wednesday that hackers plan to attack thousands of Web sites Sunday in a loosely coordinated "contest" that could disrupt Internet traffic.

Organizers established a Web site, defacerschallenge.com, which was shut down early Wednesday evening. Before it was removed, the site listed in broken English the rules for hackers who might participate. It cautioned that "deface its crime" — an apparent acknowledgment that vandalizing Internet pages is illegal.

"The FBI is taking this very seriously," the FBI spokesman Bill Murray said. "Hacking is a crime and those who participate in this activity will be investigated and brought to justice."

The Department of Homeland Security said Wednesday it was aware of the hackers' plans but did not expect to issue any formal public warnings.

"Frankly, hacker challenges occur frequently, and we don't think they all rise to the level of a warning," Homeland Security spokesman David Wray said.

Affinity Internet Inc. of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., which operated through the computer servers where the hacker Web site was located, shut down the site for violating a service agreement, Affinity spokeswoman Laura Weir said. The company declined to identify the Affinity customer who set up the Internet site, citing privacy restrictions.

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U.S., British politicians vow to stay course in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The British foreign minister and American senators visiting Iraq on Wednesday played down concerns that the U.S.-led occupation risks descending into a Vietnam-style quagmire, saying the remnants of Saddam Hussein's regime will be crushed.

"A quagmire? No," Jack Straw told reporters at the British mission in Baghdad. "These actions against the coalition forces won't succeed and will be dealt with."

The comments coincided with a statement by President Bush on Wednesday vowing that anti-U.S. attacks would not keep the United States from fulfilling its mission in Iraq.

Insurgents have stepped up their attacks in recent days, hurling grenades, ambushing convoys and shooting troops patrolling the streets. A U.S. marine injured along with three of his peers when their vehicle was hit by a rocket-propelled grenade south of Baghdad on Tuesday died from his wounds, the U.S. military said Wednesday.

That brought to 26 the number of U.S. soldiers killed in hostile fire since Bush declared an end to major combat on May 1.

Also Wednesday, a U.S. Marine was killed and three others were injured while clearing mines near the south-central Iraqi city of Karbala, the U.S. military said. The

cause of their deaths was not immediately released.

"We are taking the fight to the enemy," said Sen. Pat Roberts, a Republican from Kansas, one of nine U.S. senators on a three-day tour of Iraq. He said the other senators traveled Wednesday to the northern city of Kirkuk, where they greeted U.S. military officers about the recent spate of anti-American attacks and the hunt for Saddam's alleged weapons of mass destruction.

To quell the burgeoning resistance, U.S.-led forces have launched a series of lightning raids across Iraq. One such operation northeast of Baghdad, dubbed Operation Sidewinder, entered its

fourth day Wednesday.

Sidewinder has netted "20 high-value targeted individuals" consisting of former leaders of Saddam's Baath Party, former leaders of Saddam's Fedayeen militia and a former Iraqi military intelligence officer, a military statement said.

The statement did not give the identities of those detained, and no one on the United States' top 55 list of most-wanted Iraqi fugitives was among them.

U.S. officials insist there is no nationally coordinated resistance to the occupation, and it remains unclear exactly which groups are staging attacks — though most suspicion falls on Saddam's former

security forces.

On Wednesday, a videotape aired on Lebanon's Al Hayat LBC satellite station showed a man identified as belonging to the previous U.S. envoy, "Independent National Command Front" and threatening new attacks.

The man — who appeared with his head covered by a checkered Arab headscarf alongside three other men, all carrying rifles — claimed that in one recent anti-U.S. attack "there was cooperation between us and another organization."

He said the larger the U.S. military presence — in Iraq — the stronger our hits and effects will be.

Several other shadowy groups have made similar claims in recent weeks. The man said some of the resistance is from Saddam loyalists but said his group was "independent."

Bush pledged Wednesday that the United States will deal harshly with those who attack American troops, and said such violence will not undercut his resolve to keep Americans there until stability is restored.

"Anybody who wants to harm American troops will be found and brought to justice," Bush said at an impromptu news conference at the White House. "There are some who feel like if they attack us, we may decide to leave prematurely."

Military personnel prepare in desert for long haul

By Amy Shipley
The Washington Post

The good and bad days at Site 41, a U.S. air base in Bahrain, were difficult to distinguish, especially for those soldiers bent on getting into shape to run a marathon. On the worst days, 35 mph winds whipped up torrents of sand, pelting and blinding those venturing out in running shoes.

On the best days, the wind blew less frenetically, leaving only the scorching temperatures.

On the worst days, security clampdowns prevented free movement around the air base, confining U.S. Marines to dizzying laps of less than a mile along the concrete perimeter of the heavily guarded U.S. camp.

On the best days, soldiers traversed a wider terrain with their ID tags in hand and gas masks nearby, getting a glimpse of the Persian Gulf along a dusty landscape of tents, guard towers, humvees and barbed-wire fences.

"It's either Sunday or not Sunday," said Lt. Col. Clarke Clodfelder, a mission commander for 67 combat sorties from Site 41 who spoke by phone during a brief stint home in Denver. "Those are the only days of the week over there. It's like (the film) 'Groundhog Day'."

From the base in Bahrain, some 600 Marines from 11 active duty and reserve units provided combat assault, support, supply delivery and aerial refueling of U.S. aircraft. Some 50 of that group voluntarily performed a tacking double duty, participating in intense but loosely structured training for the October Marine Corps Marathon in Washington.

It started with three or four Marines in February, rounded up by Clodfelder. Having lost 41 pounds while training for his first marathon last year, Clodfelder was determined to run another this year — war or no war. As the weeks went on, other Marine and Air Force personnel on the base began joining the convivial — if dusty, sweat-soaked and grueling — group runs, which Clodfelder publicized



Sgt. Joe Beedle sets the pace for Armed Forces personnel training in and around the U.S. air base in Bahrain.

with fliers and e-mails.

Clodfelder pointed out that, as active-duty Marines, they would be guaranteed entry in the popular race that winds through Arlington, Va., and the District of Columbia, which annually fills up months in advance. He promised discount accommodations in the area and a heady travel perk: training team members would be transported to the marathon in military planes known as KC-130 Hercules.

He also reminded them that Oprah Winfrey once ran the 26.2-mile race. Clodfelder conducted 67 to sign up. Though most of those from Site 41 have been redeployed in the aftermath of the war, they have pledged to continue their

marathon training.

"They're Marines; they're all macho and everything," Clodfelder said. "When I tell them Oprah did it, they say, 'If Oprah can do it, I definitely can do it.'"

Of course, Oprah did not contend with the training challenges of Site 41, an air base in Bahrain whose exact location is intended to remain undisclosed. Site 41 housed some 1,800 U.S. soldiers and about 50 airplanes. Inside, a compound known as Camp Oasis, which was filled with trailers and tents, housed the Marines.

When the sandstorms were at their worst, soldiers at Site 41 ran the five-mile route to the flight line with the wind at their backs, taking

the bus back to camp to avoid the sand assault. Some days, however, "the wind would blow so bad it was unthinkable to run outside," said Capt. James Dufont, 35, an aerial commander who communicated by e-mail from Bahrain. On such days, Dufont said, he would take his gas mask to the gym, place it next to him on a treadmill and work out there.

When the war was at its peak, two airfields at Site 41 were in operation. They flew nearly continuous missions into Iraq day and night, hauling out supplies, rescuing injured soldiers and refueling aircraft. Running fell somewhere between afterthought and luxury.

"Flying was, of course, the main

priority, followed closely by sleeping and eating," said Maj. Sean Baber, 36, in an e-mail from a base in Iraq, where he was recently sent from Site 41.

"Days flying were extremely long, so many of the aircrews would cycle between daytime and nighttime flying. The result was that you just ran a few miles whenever the opportunity presented itself and you were not already completely exhausted."

During the worst of the combat, soldiers were limited to 0.5-mile laps around the concrete perimeter of Camp Oasis for safety reasons.

"It was sort of like NASCAR after a while," Clodfelder said of trying to train for a marathon on a sprinter's oval, "one big left turn."

With summer, the temperatures in the Gulf became more unbearable. The heat has caused the soldiers to push their sessions as far back into the afternoon as possible. But they have one limitation: If they run too late, they will miss dinner in the mess hall.

"Due to the temps etc. and the wind I'm doing most of my work on the treadmill," Maj. Timothy Adams, 34, wrote in an e-mail from "an undisclosed location." (that is) very hot and very sandy," added Adams. "It's not ideal, but I don't worry about exposure, heat stroke, getting blasted by blowing sand, scorpions or getting lost..."

Dufont said he, too, uses the treadmill often but continues to

brave the elements when he can. "Currently the temperature is 116 degrees," he said. "There is sand everywhere and it gets into everything. When I start off running, I usually have a difficult time breathing because the sand stuffs up my sinuses and it takes a while to get things flowing. The outdoor route(s) get very long."

"Every now and again when I get tired and start to lose motivation, I think of the last few miles of the Marine Corps Marathon. The people are cheering you on, you're working your way up to the two Jima Memorial, the end is near and a hard-earned goal is in sight... a few more steps, and you're across the finish line."

U.S. builds motley posse for Iraq loyalists

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Poland is sending 2,300 soldiers. Ukraine promises 1,800. Small bands of Macedonians and Albanians are already here. And Sri Lanka says it's ready to consider requests for help.

A posse of nations is materializing to help keep Iraq's peace, but big powers like France, Germany and Russia are showing little inclination to join.

After invading Iraq over the objections of some allies and sparking a major U.N. role after the war, the United States — whose troops are increasingly coming under attack — has begun to seek help.

The more (foreign) troops there are, the fewer of U.S. troops we have to have," Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld said this week.

Many hope a larger international presence could reassure Iraqis that they are not being colonized and help get Americans out of the line of fire. For now, the occupation of Iraq is overwhelming American, with about 150,000 U.S. troops in the country. There are 12,000 other occupation troops, mostly British.

By the end of September, the non-U.S. contingent is supposed to rise to about 20,000, led by Britain and Poland, said Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The United States has asked 70 countries to contribute troops. Just 24 have promised to do so, and some are sending as few as two troops.

Military analysts say NATO allies such as France and Germany are much better equipped to help the U.S. military than an assortment of armies from small countries.

"The coalition does need bigger players; and we need the military help, not the political or symbolic help," said Michael O'Hanlon of the Brookings Institution.

Saudi police arrest suspect linked to suicide bombings in kingdom

JDDAH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Police in the southern province of al-Qatif linked to suicide bombings in the Saudi capital, days after he shot a police officer while eluding arrest, a security official said Wednesday.

The arrest came amid a nationwide sweep that has nabbed at least 125 people since May 12 attacks blamed on al-Qaida that horrified the nation. In addition to arrests, police in bulletproof vests now man checkpoints in major cities, checking ID, searching cars, and keeping watch from behind machine guns.

The latest arrest brought in Zafer Abdul Rahman al-Shihri on Tuesday night in an abandoned

house in the southern province of al-Qatif, said an Interior Ministry official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Al-Shihri had eluded police when they tried to arrest him Saturday, wounding a police officer, the official said. On Sunday, a state helicopter crashed while chasing al-Shihri, injuring 10 soldiers on board.

He was found with 50 automatic rifles, ammunition, a personal computer and fake identification, the official Saudi Press Agency said Wednesday.

Al-Shihri is wanted for carrying the 19 men suspected of carrying out the May 12 attacks, which killed 25 people.

Pakistani cops arrest suspect

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani authorities have detained a suspected Islamic militant who allegedly masterminded three attacks on Christians last year, killing nearly a dozen people including two Americans, intelligence officials said Wednesday.

More than 50 people were wounded in the attacks in Islamabad and two other locations. Abdul Jabbar was picked up during a raid in a remote village near the city of Sargodha, 120 miles southwest of Islamabad, the capital, an intelligence official told The Associated Press.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Jabbar played a key role in organizing the attacks on two churches and a missionary school in 2002.



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From the brink

On the day American forces entered Iraq, an unimaginable act of courage and endurance was unfolding on the edge of Niagara Falls. Sunday In The Times-News

Palestinians regain control

BETHLEHEM, West Bank (AP) — A Palestinian flag fluttered in Manger Square as Palestinian police marched into the city Wednesday, taking control of the ancient West Bank city after Israel withdrew under a U.S.-backed police plan.

The second handover of territory in three days, and the passage of another day without serious security threats, raised hopes that 33 months of deadly violence may be winding down.

Israeli departure from Bethlehem followed its withdrawal from much of Gaza and an upbeat summit meeting Tuesday between Israeli and Palestinian negotiators in which they moved forward with the "road map" peace plan, a three-phase blueprint for establishing a Palestinian state by 2005.

Among the places first steps are a halt to violence and a gradual Israeli withdrawal from Palestinian cities and towns.

In Bethlehem, Palestinian police returned to their barracks, many of which they moved forward with the "road map" peace plan, a three-phase blueprint for establishing a Palestinian state by 2005.

Israeli planes dropped bombs on



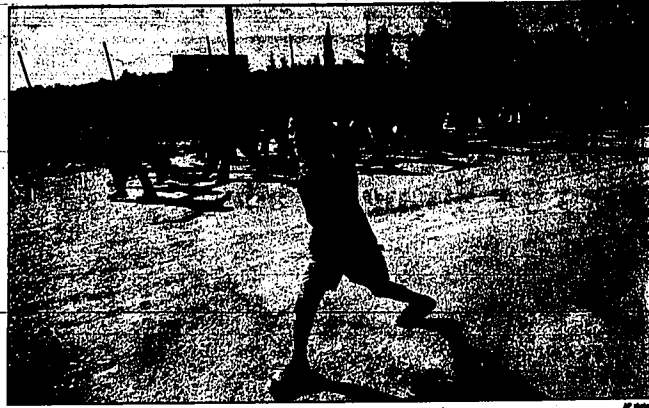
Israeli soldiers embrace each other as they leave their positions Wednesday in the outskirts of the West Bank town of Bethlehem.



SOURCES: Associated Press; EPR — AP. Israel closed off the West Bank and Gaza and put up dozens of roadblocks and checkpoints around Palestinian cities and towns shortly after violence erupted in September 2000. Israel said the measures were necessary to stop Palestinian suicide bombers and other attackers, but the restrictions have ruined the Palestinian economy.

The formal entrance of the Palestinian police, sirens wailing and boots clicking in march rhythm on the dry, dusty streets was viewed as just a show by many residents.

Israel first turned control of Bethlehem over to the Palestinians a few days before Christmas 1995. But they have been in and out four



A Palestinian boy smiles at his father, unseen, as he marches alongside Palestinian police officers Wednesday in the West Bank town of Bethlehem. Israeli troops stopped patrolling the streets and handed over security to Palestinian Authority police.

times since the fighting began, and, except for a few lulls, have controlled the city for over a year. In May 2002, they held the Church of the Nativity, which marks the traditional birthplace of Jesus, under siege for a month, demanding surrender of Palestinian gunmen who had taken refuge inside. In the end, some were sent to Gaza and others

exiled to Europe. A similar turnover ceremony took place after that, but Palestinian control didn't last long. On Nov. 21, a Palestinian suicide bomber from Bethlehem blew up a bus in Jerusalem, killing 11 passengers, and Israeli troops marched back in a few hours later, remaining in control until Wednesday.

A Palestinian policeman about to go out on patrol didn't expect his role to last this time, either. "I give it three months. The (Israeli) tank is going to be standing right here," he said, pointing out the window. He spoke on condition of anonymity. Despite the tentative move toward ending the bloodshed, there were worrying signs.

WHO removes Toronto from SARS list

GENEVA — The World Health Organization on Wednesday formally gave Toronto a clean bill of health for SARS, removing Canada's largest city from a list of areas with recent local transmission of the disease.

The decision leaves only the island of Taiwan on the list, but that too will likely be removed on Saturday if there are no new cases between now and then.

Toronto had the largest SARS outbreak outside of Asia, with 39 deaths and almost 250 cases. More than 27,000 people in and around the city were forced into quarantine during the two outbreaks — one in March and April and the second in May and June.

Hong Kong lawmakers ask to stop anti-subversion bill

HONG KONG — Hong Kong's government should reconsider its anti-subversion bill because of public fears that civil liberties will be taken away, pro-democracy lawmakers said Wednesday, a day after a half-million people marched against the proposal.

Twenty-one pro-democracy lawmakers from the Legislative Council signed a letter to Hong Kong leader Tung Chee-wei asking that he stop the bill from moving forward and consult more openly with the public. They also want to meet with Tung, lawmaker Cyd Ho said.

About 500,000 people marched Tuesday opposing the anti-subversion legislation, which many fear will be used to suppress free expression and other liberties traditionally available in Hong Kong but nonexistent in China.

World in brief

The march in the streets of Hong Kong overshadowed the sixth anniversary of the handover of the territory from Britain to China. It also was unusual because most Hong Kong demonstrations are limited to tiny groups of die-hard activists.

Japan's first space shuttle crash lands in Sweden

TOKYO — Japan's delta-wing space shuttle approached the speed of sound while cruising over Sweden, but tumbled into a field moments later — a crash landing that was the latest setback for Japan's space program. The shuttle, an unmanned craft only 12.5 feet long, took flight Tuesday, lifted by a stratospheric balloon 13 miles above a test site in northern Sweden.

The shuttle was then released and hit speeds up to Mach 0.8 during its 5-minute plunge. Scientists at Japan's National Space Development Agency monitored the flight for data on high speed acceleration and aerodynamic forces. But as the shuttle barreled toward Earth, two of the craft's three parachutes failed to open properly and the craft crashed into a field, breaking its left wing and nose cone.

German teen commits murder-suicide at school

COBURG, Germany — A 16-year-old student armed with a pistol and a revolver opened fire in

his classroom Wednesday, wounding a school psychologist and fatally shooting himself.

Two students were slightly injured in the rush to flee the public school in this Bavarian town at about 9 a.m., state police said. One pupil jumped from a first-floor window but landed unhurt.

"We know nothing yet about the motives," police spokeswoman Ingrid Beyer said. "The teacher is getting medical attention."

Bavarian authorities said the boy was repeating eighth grade but was in no danger of being held back again. He was considered quiet and not a problem student, Schmitt said.

Cemetery plots in Tokyo sell for \$86,000

TOKYO — If it costs a lot to live in Japan, try dying: Cemetery plots on sale in Tokyo are priced at up to \$86,000 each. The city government began taking applications Wednesday for the 50 newly opened spots at Aoyama Cemetery — the first such sale in 43 years.

Tokyo is notorious as the world's most costly city, and through-the-roof real estate prices also register at cemeteries. Smaller plots at Aoyama start at \$30,000, with a 40-square-foot lot going for \$86,000.

Aoyama Cemetery, famed for its flowering cherry trees and proximity to glitzy neighborhoods, opened in 1874. More than 110,000 ashes have been interred there.

— compiled from wire reports

Europeans pass new crop biotech rules

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Seeking to avoid a trade battle with Washington, the European Parliament on Wednesday paved the way for new biotech foods to be sold in Europe if they are clearly labeled.

European consumers, however, might not buy the genetically modified products — anything from dog food to pizza dough to popcorn — because of widespread public fears of what critics deride as "Frankenfood."

The 626-member EU assembly, meeting in Strasbourg, France, gave final approval to legislation introducing tougher labeling of new genetically altered food products.

That will enable consumers to tell whether products contain biotech ingredients and allow the

European Union to do away with its five-year freeze on the introduction of new biotech products.

The 15 EU governments are expected to endorse the new rules in July so they can take effect by the end of the year.

The United States and other countries that grow genetically modified crops had long complained that European fears over the safety of biotech foods were unfounded and that the European ban constituted unfair trade practices.

Last month, the United States, backed by Canada and Australia, filed suit with the World Trade Organization, arguing that the ban violated global trading rules.

American farmers estimate the European restrictions have cost them nearly \$300 million a year in

lost corn exports alone.

"This is a huge step forward in giving choice to citizens," EU Health Commissioner David Byrne said. "All foods, whether prepackaged or not, will have to be labeled."

But the U.S. Trade Representative's office complained Wednesday that the new laws would not lift the moratorium on these products. Spokesman Richard Mills said the new labeling requirements should be non-prejudicial and feasible for producers to provide.

"We are concerned that the proposed traceability and labeling does not meet this standard," Mills said in a statement.

U.S. officials have said the mandatory labeling of biotech products will be too expensive.

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EDITORIAL

Tribes' coffers run too deep for Straight Talk

Rule No. 1 in gambling: He who holds the aces usually walks away with all the chips. Indian tribal gaming groups are leaving the table as the probable victors in their quest to allow gaming machines in Idaho.

Last month the Idaho Supreme Court ruled 5-0 it would not hear the lawsuit brought by the anti-gambling group Straight Talk. That suit rightly contended that last year's Proposition One, which voters passed to legalize the tribes' gaming machines, conflicts with the state's constitutional ban on slots.

A previous Supreme Court ruling had appeared to pave the way toward banning the machines. But in the Straight Talk case, the court ruled that a challenge to a voter-passed initiative cannot come directly to the Supreme Court. Instead, it must start at square one — at the District Court level — just like any other case.

Last week, Idaho House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, R-Barley, and Senate President Pro Tem Robert Geddes, R-Soda Springs, announced their joint effort with anti-gambling forces to request a reconsideration.

The leaders say their beef isn't with the gaming initiative, but with defending a 1997 law that directs the Supreme Court to make the first and only determination of an ini-

tiative's legality. It's a nice attempt, but the deck is stacked against a reversal. The justices' refusal to hear the case was unanimous, and persuading a majority to relent seems unlikely.

Even so, a reversal may be Straight Talk's only hope. Forcing this suit to start at

Our view: Opponents of the Indian Gaming Initiative have few options in their justified fight against legalizing gambling.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

District Court gives a logistical advantage to the tribes. With heaps of gambling profits, the tribes have deep pockets to defend their initiative in a long, expensive court fight.

Remember, the tribes shelled out \$4 million for their initiative campaign — an Idaho record. Anti-gambling forces don't have comparable resources.

The initiative does indeed contradict the 1992 amendment to the state Constitution. But unless anti-gambling forces raise enough money to fight the case from District Court on up, the initiative is going to stay on the books.

By the time that happens, gambling will be firmly embedded in Idaho. Don't be surprised if pro-gambling forces start pushing the state to legalize it outright by repealing the 1992 amendment.

With the lone exception of Utah, every U.S. state is on a fast track to legalized gambling growth. It's a decision all of them, including Idaho, eventually will regret. By refusing to hear the case, the court is hastening that day's arrival.



Right wing risks Supreme injustice

FRANK DEL OLMO

The whispering campaign that Republican right-wingers have been waging against White House Counsel Alberto R. Gonzales has become a full-throated roar. This is all the more reason President Bush must stand by his old Texas friend and keep Gonzales' name atop the list for the next vacancy on the nation's highest court, whenever it comes.

The conservative zealots who want to trash affirmative action have been in a tizzy since last week, when a sharply divided Supreme Court came down in favor of racial and ethnic diversity as a social good that government should help promote.

"In a society like our own," Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote for the majority, "race unfortunately still matters." That clear-eyed stance echoes the White House brief in the case, which took Gonzales' position that diversity is a worthy goal rather than Solicitor General Theodore B. Olson's stance against race-based criteria. And that is precisely what drives conservatives nuts about the White House's top lawyer.

"This is a very political decision, and the administration's brief played a crucial role," said Linda Chavez, the extreme right's reliable Latino mouthpiece. She told The New York Times that Gonzales was to blame. "He was really the key player in arguing for a down-the-middle compromise position before the court."

Chavez's dismissive remarks are part of a long-running campaign that conservatives have

been waging against Gonzales, using unfavorable leaks to right-wing pundits and in-jokes like "Al Gonzales is Spanish for David Souter." Souter is the Supreme Court justice who was billed as a conservative when appointed in 1990 but has since become a member of the Supreme Court's liberal bloc. He voted with the majority in favor of the affirmative action program at the Michigan law school.

The anti-Gonzales campaign began a year ago, when it was first rumored that Bush wanted to make Gonzales the first Hispanic to sit on the Supreme Court. A Hispanic Supreme Court nominee would also enhance Bush's effort to woo Hispanic voters.

Unfortunately for Gonzales, his tenure on the Texas Supreme Court gave his enemies ammunition. He was regarded as a moderate and cast a key vote in an abortion case — against a rigid interpretation of Texas law requiring parental consent before a minor can have an abortion — that made him suspect as a "stealth liberal," in the words of Texas Monthly magazine.

Gonzales' role in Bush's re-election campaign takes on added importance now that the Republican right has decided to take its campaign against Gonzales public.

The White House counsel, a Mexican American who worked his way from poverty to Harvard Law School, is a far more attrac-

tive, and politically salable, judicial nominee than Miguel Estrada. Gonzales is one of eight children born to migrant workers. He attended public schools in Houston and spent two years in the military before deciding to go to college. He was a partner in a prestigious Houston law firm before joining Bush's gubernatorial staff.

Estrada is the Washington attorney whom Bush wants to put on the appeals court for the District of Columbia. But his nomination has been held up by Senate Democrats. Although he is an immigrant from Honduras, Estrada came from a well-to-do family and was educated before arriving in this country, making it difficult to sell him as the Horatio Alger success story that Gonzales clearly is.

Worse, Estrada is as arrogant as Gonzales is self-effacing. Estrada also belongs to the Federalist Society, a right-wing legal group. Gonzales' brief time on the Texas bench suggests that he is a legal pragmatist, or perhaps even a "compassionate conservative."

It would be tough for Senate Democrats to hold up one of Bush's Hispanic judicial nominees. Keeping a Hispanic off the Supreme Court would anger many Hispanic voters. It's hard to envision even knee-jerk liberals in the Senate doing such a stupid thing. Which only makes it all the more shortsighted for knee-jerk conservatives to lead a charge against Gonzales.

Frank del Olmo is associate editor of The Los Angeles Times.

Honor those who are fighting terror

This Fourth of July marks the 227th anniversary of the birth of our nation, the day when brave and dedicated patriots expressed their love of liberty and founded a nation based on freedom. And from that day to this, the world has never been the same. As French statesman Marquis de Lafayette put it, "Humanity has won its battle. Liberty now has a country." Indeed it has. For more than 200 years, America has stood for freedom.



So, on the Fourth of July we mark more than a birthday. We celebrate our God-given rights to liberty and life, and we honor all those who, over the centuries, have been willing to fight and die to keep our country free.

Today we are engaged in a struggle as great as any America has faced throughout its long and honored history. It is a struggle every bit as much a fight for freedom as the war that was fought against Britain from 1775 to 1783.

Once again it is a battle for humanity, for the right of all people — not just Americans — to live in a world free of terror and fear.

The gallantry and courage of our men and women in uniform in the face of evil has stirred the souls of all Americans. Day after day, week after week, Americans have seen their faces and read their stories. They have shared their sorrows and celebrated their victories. And in each one of our service men and women we see reflected their own deeply felt honor, pride and patriotism.

Through their valor and sacrifice, our republic has been strengthened and renewed.

So, as we celebrate the founding of our nation, we honor the men and women of the U.S. military who volunteer to help make our freedom possible.

Through Operation Tribute to Freedom, Americans in our homeland are participating in hundreds of local activities and events, honoring their hometown heroes, and expressing their appreciation and support for the service and sacrifices made by our men and women in uniform.

The global war on terror is far from over. While freedom has been restored to the people of Afghanistan and Iraq, dangerous threats remain — in those countries and across the globe.

The transition from tyranny to a free society will take time to accomplish. As Thomas Jefferson so aptly described it, "We are not to expect to be translated from despotism to liberty in a feather."

Meanwhile the tyranny of terrorism continues, and so must the global war on terror — until tyranny has been defeated wherever it threatens free men and women. As President Bush has said, the threat may be new, but America's duty is familiar: to defend the safety and security of our people and the hopes of all mankind.

We owe our thanks to those who are volunteering to serve our country and the cause of freedom. May God bless them and protect their loved ones, and may he continue to bless the United States of America.

Donald H. Rumsfeld is U.S. secretary of defense.

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Ruling on sodomy gives gays their dignity

Following the Supreme Court's landmark decision on the unconstitutionality of the sodomy laws in Texas, gay Americans are now closer to living their lives as all other Americans, with the dignity and respect that is accorded to everyone. Gay Americans are now free from one tool of discrimination that has been used against them.

Now will come the railing of the "conservative, fundamental right." As you read the vitriolic rhetoric of their letters, consider this: There was a time when men, acting on their gender agenda, struggled against rights that are now accorded to women; a time when white people, acting on their racial agenda, struggled against rights that are now

accorded to black Americans; a time when fundamentalists, acting on their religious agenda, struggled to deny the right of privacy to gay Americans. True, there is a gay agenda; but then, every group has an agenda: bigots, fundamentalists, Republicans, racists, Democrats, environmentalists, lobbyists, business leaders, chambers of commerce, artists, etc.

If you believe that certain classes of Americans should live with fewer rights than you are accorded, I suggest you consider moving to a country that would be more to your liking. I can recommend a number of Middle Eastern countries that have similar views.

The strength and wonder of the United States is not in its economic prowess, nor in its overwhelming power of its mili-

tary. It rests in the rights that are accorded to its citizens, regardless of race, color, gender, age, sexual orientation or religion. If America is to continue as a brilliant social experiment, it will do so on the strong foundation constructed of these rights. Vote these rights away, and America will no longer hold promise for the rest of the world, and it will follow the fate of fallen great nations that preceded it.

MICHAEL JOHNSON
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Forest fee deme editorial was on the mark

"Only one way to protest forest fees: Don't pay!"
Excellent editorial!
PETER STEKEL
Seattle, Wash.

Southern Idaho needs to cash in on tourism

I have been trying to interest, with no success whatsoever, many businesses along the Snake River Valley in the impact of a major archaeological discovery I made here in April. Numerous attempts to give a heads-up so that these businesses can get ahead of the arrival of a major tourism impact on this valley have been spurned.

I read weekly in The Times-News that the state of Idaho is in serious financial difficulties and is facing cuts to social programs and education that are massive. The strip from Boise to Pocatello should already be carrying domestic and international tourism that grosses at least \$100 million annually; it scarcely generates a dime — 27 visitors creates a job; the domestic multiplier is

about 2.7 for every dollar earned. How can this state be in such a parlous situation, with a world class tourism facility so totally unexploited? You have 95 percent of the needed infrastructure in place, paid for (airports, some with international connections, highways, excess accommodation, an excess of food providers, etc.).

If you want to stay poor, that is OK. But don't complain about it when you sit on a gold mine and refuse to dig.

And we are 10 minutes to midnight before some other states, or perhaps some major international tour operators, come in our door and take it all away from us. They will leave us to dispose of their trash while they pocket millions you could have.

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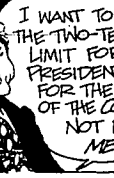
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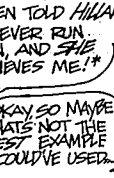
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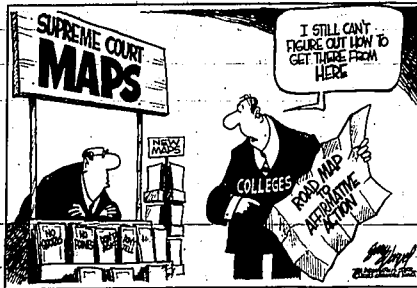
By Garry Trudeau



Court ruling legitimizes a quota system

Imagine a New Year's Eve celebration at high noon on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court. As soon as the court released its twin decisions on the admissions policies of the University of Michigan last week, giddy spokesmen for higher education broke out the rhetorical champagne. Lee Bollinger, the former president of Michigan, captured the spirit the following morning in *The Washington Post* when he opined, "The court's decision is a great victory for American higher education, and for the nation as a whole."

TERENCE J. PELL



individualized, "holistic" undergraduate admissions process for every freshman applicant to Texas (21,800) and Michigan (25,000). If all universities follow suit, and they are true to their word, America will soon have more admissions officers than Iraq has allied soldiers.

Their reaction only lends credence to the objection of Justice Antonin Scalia, who called the court's approved road map for diversity "a sham to cover a scheme of racially proportionate admissions." On this point, even two of the most liberal justices agree. Justice David Souter, in a

telling dissent in Gratz, admitted that the undergraduate "college simply does by a numbered scale what the law school accomplishes in its 'holistic review.'" Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg also wrote that "institutions of higher education may resort to camouflage" and to "winks, nods and disguises." Will Americans buy camouflaged quotas? A 2001 Washington Post poll found that 86 percent of African Americans and 94 percent of whites agreed that race or ethnicity should not be a factor in college admissions. Americans are coming to hear Justice Clarence Thomas, who says that "every time the government places citizens on racial registers and makes race relevant to the provision of burdens or benefits, it demeans us all." Word games and camouflage are unlikely to sit well with Americans of all races who hold fast to the notion of equality.

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Actually, the court's 6 to 3 ruling on undergraduate admissions in the case of Gratz v. Bollinger is reason for personal and institutional shame. In that ruling, the court struck down a succession of three different systems created by the university to add the equivalent of a full grade-point to the records of applicants of preferred races. Gratz outlawed a decade's worth of deceit by the UM admissions office.

Now Michigan must live with the stigma of being found by six justices to have methodically and unconstitutionally denied admission to thousands of applicants based solely on their skin color.

More troubling than their refusal to acknowledge their own past discrimination is the alacrity with which college officials instantly discarded the court's clear instructions on the future use of race in admissions. Within hours of the decision, Michigan officials and others made clear they viewed last week's decisions as little more than a fig leaf with which to hide new racial double standards. The court gave schools a menu of choices, but they rejected all choices except one — and thereby laid the groundwork for more litigation.

How is this happening? It is true, of course, that in the 5 to 4 Grutter v. Bollinger decision, a majority upheld the diversity rationale, thereby legitimizing the Michigan law school's "informal" system of "individualized" and "holistic" reviews of applications. But the court also instructed the universities first to seek alternatives on a serious and ongoing basis, so that race preferences will be used only as a last resort, and eventually not at all.

If such exhaustive searching took place, at least two major universities were able to complete it in the amount of time it takes to issue a press statement. Under a previous (and now overruled) lower court ruling, the University of Texas School of Law had been forced for seven years to make a serious effort at achieving diversity without discrimination. And it succeeded. Last year the school boasted that "its entering first year law class has the strongest Mexican-American and African-American population in years" — in a class that is "one of UT Law's most academically accomplished."

Yet the court's published rulings were still hot from the copying machines when University of Texas President Larry Faulkner announced that the law school was scrapping these achievements and going back to racial preferences. If the justices were serious about a good-faith examination of race-neutral alternatives, then they've just been slapped in the face.

Most surprising, Faulkner said the University of Texas would impose these preferences on undergraduate admissions in 2004. I also heard Marvin Kristof, lead lawyer for the University of Michigan, promise that such an undergraduate program would be instituted at Ann Arbor within weeks.

These two schools are asking us, and ultimately the courts, to believe that they can set up an

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Chicago will sue building owner over deadly porch collapse

CHICAGO — The city Wednesday sued the owners and managers of the apartment building where 13 people died in a porch collapse, seeking hundreds of thousands of dollars in penalties for allegedly building the deck without a permit.

The city also alleged the porch was too large and did not have the proper-size support beams, causing its top floor to crash onto two lower floors during a party early Sunday in Chicago's Lincoln Park neighborhood. About 50 people, most of them in their 20s, were on top floor when it fell.

The city asked for a court order requiring immediate replacement of the porch and is seeking up to \$500 a day for each violation. That would add up to hundreds of thousands of dollars, considering the porch was built in 1958.

Factory worker kills three co-workers, himself

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — A factory worker calmly smoked a cigarette, clocked in and went to his station along the production line, then pulled a gun and opened



Jonathan Russell

fire. When the shooting stopped, Jonathan Russell had killed three co-workers and committed suicide in a shootout with police, authorities said.

Police said that Russell, 25, knew he was close to being fired from Modine Manufacturing Co. for accumulating "demerits" for undisclosed reasons. He also tended to gamble away his paycheck at a casino and was facing the possible breakup of a romantic relationship, police said.

Investigators said he may have targeted certain people in the rampage, which followed a shift change at the industrial radiator factory late Tuesday.

Fireworks truck explodes, killing at least four

BONITA SPRINGS, Fla. — A tractor-trailer loaded with fireworks for the town's Fourth of July celebration exploded into flames at a beach park Wednesday, killing at least four people and injuring one, authorities said.

"It just all happened at once," said Kevin McKenzie, who was moving grass about 300 feet from the truck when the explosion occurred. "Immediately it was all the fireworks going off with all the colors and the flames."

The 2:10 p.m. explosion shot flames and fireworks from the truck and also spread some small brush fires. There was no immediate word on what caused the blast. Bonita Springs Councilman Wayne Edsall said the blast happened as workers unloaded the truck.

Cancer claims versatile jazz flutist Herbie Mann

SANTA FE, N.M. — Herbie Mann, the versatile jazz flutist who combined a variety of musical styles and influenced genres such as world music and fusion, has died. He was 73.



Herbie Mann

Mann, who had battled prostate cancer since 1997, died late Tuesday, according to a friend, Sy Johnson. Mann had moved to Santa Fe in the late 1980s after spending most of his life in his native New York City.

Mann always performed different styles, then combined them. He did bebop and cool jazz, and toured Africa, Brazil and Japan listening for new music.

"I just think he was a wonderful Pied Piper of jazz, drawing our attention to what was going on around the world and the country," said Johnson, a New York City composer who had known Mann for some 40 years. He called Mann "a guy who loved music of all kinds and eager to explore it all."

Judge orders Malvo sniper trial moved from D.C. area

FAIRFAX, Va. — A judge Wednesday moved the murder trial of sniper suspect Lee Boyd Malvo to a port city on the Chesapeake Bay, away from the Washington suburbs that were so terrorized by the string of killings last fall.

Over the objections of prosecutors who wanted the case to remain in the Washington area, Fairfax County Circuit Judge Jane Marum Routh ruled that the

Nation in brief

move was necessary to guarantee Malvo's right to a fair trial.

Malvo, 18, is set to go on trial Nov. 10 in the slaying of FBI analyst Linda Franklin outside a Home Depot store in Falls Church. She was one of 10 people killed in the Washington area in what prosecutors have said was a scheme to steal \$10 million from the government.

In all, Malvo and John Allen Muhammad, 42, have been linked

to 20 shootings, including 13 deaths, in Virginia, Maryland, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Washington, D.C. Both could get the death penalty.

Muhammad is scheduled to go on trial in Prince William County, next to Fairfax, in a deadly shooting at a gas station. His lawyers have also asked that the trial be moved; the judge has yet to make a decision.

Texas man gets prison time in hate crime case

BEAUMONT, Texas — A man

pleaded guilty to arson as a hate crime for setting a Pakistani man's gas pump ablaze in 2002.

Norman Lee Warden Jr., 59, was sentenced to 16 years in prison as part of a plea agreement.

He faced up to life in prison if convicted of the charge for a blaze on May 27, 2002, at the Buy-N-Bite convenience store in Kountze, about 75 miles northeast of Houston.

Block falls from overpass, killing woman riding in car

OMAHA, Neb. — A car passen-

ger was killed when a landscaping block fell from an overpass and crashed through the windshield, and police believe the block was dropped deliberately.

Michelle Fergus, 34, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was riding in the car's front passenger seat Tuesday night when she was struck in the face by the block on Interstate 680, Officer Cathy Martinez said. The driver, her fiancé, immediately took Fergus to a hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

The block was two feet square and couldn't have been lifted by a single person, police said.

Thirteen face fraud charges that paid wives \$60 monthly

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Federal prosecutors said Wednesday they busted a scheme to arrange sham marriages between Pakistani men and American women that paid the wives \$60 a month.

According to the indictment, Kansas City women recruited the prospective wives and often served as witnesses for their weddings, which took place over nearly two years in the Kansas City area.

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SPORTSQUOTE

"I think Tim will win, and I think England will win the next World Cup, and I think I just saw a flying pig."

—Oona King, a member of Parliament, on Briton Tim Henman still playing at Wimbledon

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Which professional sports league prohibits players from tucking in their uniform tops?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Legion baseball

Kimberly at Burley (2), noon
Cowboy Classic, at Walker Field
Idaho Falls Russets vs. Nampa, 10 a.m.
Southsound (Seattle) vs. Layton, Utah, 1 p.m.
Meridian vs. Lethbridge, Alberta, 4 p.m.
Walla Walla, Wash., vs. Twin Falls, 7 p.m.
Pepsi Tournament, at Wigle Field and Capital HS
Twin Falls vs. Nampa Rangers, at Wigle Field, Borah HS, 2:30 p.m.
Twin Falls A vs. Boise Capitals, at Capital HS, 8 p.m.

Golf

Latham Match Play Tournament, at Muni, 5:45 a.m.

IN BRIEF

Local wrestlers compete in Virginia

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — Area wrestlers Travis Stone, Lane Gillette and RC Sisson are all competing at the National High School Coaches Association National Open Wrestling Championships in Virginia Beach, Va.

Jerome's Musgrave signs with Mary

JEROME — Cory Musgrave has signed a national letter of intent to compete in track and field for the University of Mary in Bismarck, N.D.

Musgrave, of the son of Elmer Musgrave, of Jerome and Arlene Johnson of Bozeman, Mont., plans to study elementary education.

"We feel Cory has the potential to be an excellent collegiate jumper. We feel Cory can move right in and have an immediate impact on our program," said Mary track and field coach Mike Thorson, in a news release.

Bull riding comes to Buhi on Friday

BUHL — The sixth annual Tony Davis Memorial Bull Riding event will be held on Friday at 7 p.m. at the Buhi Rodeo Arena.

There will be 35 bull riders competing for \$1,500 in added money. For more information, call 543-4081 or 420-5173.

Minico holds youth baseball camp

RUPERT — Minico's youth baseball camp for all boys and girls between 7 and 15 years old is scheduled for July 9-10.

The camp is at Warburton Field from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily at a cost of \$30, with all proceeds going to the Minico American Legion program. T-shirt is included and lunch will be an additional \$3.50. Bring a mitt and bat. Catchers need to bring their own gear. Call Diana Warburton at 436-3326 or Mary Andersen at 436-1611 with any questions.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

The WNBA.

CSI introduces new basketball coach

Arnold brings solid basketball pedigree to Eagles

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — He's already made an offer on a house in Kimberly and attended church last Sunday. How's that for making yourself at home?

Gib Arnold was formally introduced as the newest head coach for men's basketball at the College of Southern Idaho Wednesday, succeeding Guy Beach, who stepped down Tuesday after two seasons.

Arnold, 34, said he grew up around the

game. His father, Frank, coached at Brigham Young University and was an assistant to legendary college basketball coach John Wooden at UCLA.

"I was born and raised in the game," said Arnold, who comes to CSI after four years as an assistant at Pepperdine in Malibu, Calif.

"What a privilege it is to come here — to get the opportunity to take over the best junior college team in America."

CSI athletic director Jeff Duggan said he was taken with Arnold when the two met

last season — so impressed that the college flew him in this past weekend, although Beach hadn't officially resigned.

When the position did open Monday, the deal was sealed with Arnold.

"When Jeff offered the chance to coach at CSI ... I knew what I had to do," Arnold said.

Arnold agreed to a three-year contract with a \$70,000 annual salary, said Duggan.

His pedigree speaks for itself. He played



Gib Arnold

the game at Arizona State, Dixie State College and San Diego before joining the coaching ranks at the high school level in Provo, Utah.

From there, Arnold has coached at Utah Valley State College, Vanderbilt, Loyola Marymount in Los Angeles and Pepperdine. He also coached a college all-star team that will tour around the Adriatic Sea in August.

His summer, as busy as it is, gets even busier with stops at the ABCD camp next week in New York City before heading to Senegal to help with the national basketball

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Match Play hits Muni



COBY MYERS/The Times-News

Dan Schoenelen, left, sends his shot toward the flag while a competitor looks on during the chipping contest at the Latham Match Play tournament Wednesday at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course. Schoenelen's closest attempt stopped 6 feet, 1 inch from the cup.

This year's tournament features strong field

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Ukeleles being strummed in the wind by native Hawaiians. Tubs of baked beans and barrels of beer. Shiny new Dodges and Chryslers parked on tee boxes.

Must be time for the 15th annual Latham Match Play Championship golf tournament at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course.

"It's a great tournament. It's a lot of work, but it's a lot of fun," said a smiling, and already worn out, Mike Hamblin, head pro at the golf course.

"It's nice to see all the people come out, enjoy the tournament and have a great time," Hamblin said.

One of those enjoying himself during the pre-tournament put-

ting contest Wednesday was was none other than defending champion Pete Stone of Utah. The University of Utah junior, who's the No. 1 seed in one men's 32-player championship flight, said he's ready to defend his crown.

He already got started by capturing the putting contest.

"Luke (Swilley) invited me up here last year. We had a lot of fun and I ended up winning, but even if I didn't win, I'd be back," he said.

Stone has some extra incentive for the match play tournament. He said he'll use it to prepare for the Utah State Amateur next week before playing at the U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship July 14-19 at Blue Heron Pines Golf Club in Galloway, N.J.

"I got a lot going on," he said.

15th annual Latham Match Play Championship

at Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course
Today and Thursday
• First and second rounds
Saturday
• Semifinals and finals

Stone said he's going to use the same mindset and game that helped lead him to the title last season.

"You've got to stay patient. You see the length of these holes, I wouldn't call it a hard golf course but it's not nearly as easy as you think it would be," Stone said.

"Match play is a funny thing, you've got to take it shot by shot and only worry about what you're

doing, not what your opponent is doing."

Swilley, whom Stone defeated in last year's semifinal, 4 and 3, said he hopes to avenge last year's defeat to his good buddy. And if he does, he'll wrest the crown away since he's the No. 2 seed.

"I need to get him back for that," Swilley said. "It was kind of hard to take, losing, and not getting to the finals, but he's a pretty good player."

Swilley and Stone are both sons of golf pros in Utah. That, and with Swilley's place on the Utah golf team, and having won two tournament titles this year including the "Provo" Open, gives him added confidence going in.

"I didn't know what to expect last year. I thought one of us would win it, and we did," Swilley

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Rain puts play on hold at Wimbledon

'Henmania' rages as England waits for Brit to finish match

The Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — There was no need to be at Centre Court to follow Tim Henman's fortunes in his rain-suspended Wimbledon quarterfinal Wednesday.

Halfway across the All England Club, it was possible to sit through another start-stop-start-stop match on Court 1 and still tell how Britain's

great hope was faring by simply listening to the thousands of fans watching Henman on a giant TV screen outside.

From a sports officially known as Aorangi Terrace but popularly dubbed Henman Hill, screams, applause and whistles signaled a point won by their hero.

A collective groan or "Aaaaawww" signaled a point lost.

Why follow one Grand Slam quarterfinal when you can keep

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Great Britain's Tim Henman hits a return to Sebastian Grosjean Wednesday at Wimbledon. The match was suspended due to rain and darkness.

AP Photo

Wednesday at Wimbledon

What happened at Wimbledon on Wednesday, the ninth day of the tournament:

Quarterfinals
• Sebastian Grosjean (13), France, leads Tim Henman (10), Britain, 7-6, 3-6, 6-3, 1-2 (0-0).
• Mark Philippoussis, Australia, leads Alexander Popp, Germany, 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 2-2 (3-0).

Weather: Heavy showers interrupted play three times for a total of nearly four hours, and ultimately play was suspended.

Results: No singles matches were completed because of rain.
Stat of the Day: For the first time at 2003 Wimbledon, no main draw singles matches were completed. Two ladies doubles were completed.

Cowboys look to bounce back at home tournament

By Scott Thompson
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Cowboys are coming off a conference loss to Minico.

And they're not too happy about it. That could be bad news for the rest of the teams assembled for the annual Cowboy Classic at Walker Field today through Sunday.

"They're coming in with the attitude that no one is going to win their tournament, on their home field," Twin Falls coach Tim Stadelmair said. "And they're looking forward to drawing more crowds with night games and the atmosphere at Walker Field. They're determined to get to that championship game."

Games start today at 10 a.m. with all games played at Walker Field at the College of Southern Idaho. Twin Falls opens with the 7 p.m. game tonight against Walla Walla, Wash.

It is a wood bat tournament.

"Some of these clubs, I don't know too much about,"

2003 Cowboy Classic

Pool A
• Twin Falls Cowboys
• Meridian Rangers
• Lethbridge Elks
• Walla Walla Bears
Pool B
• Southsound Heat
• Idaho Falls Russets
• Layton, Utah
• Nampa Chiefs

Stadelmair said. "And Walla Walla is one of them. They come from a good baseball community, though."

Southsound, a Connie Mack team that draws from all over the Seattle area, is on the opposite side of the bracket from Twin Falls. The Heat should be one of the best teams.

"I don't really know much about them either," Stadelmair said. "But they should be really good. Them and Idaho Falls should be the best in that pool."

Lethbridge, which the Cowboys

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SPORTS

Pitchers propel Jerome

The Times-News

JEROME — Pitchers Jed Seamon and Kyle Roberts combined to strike out 20 batters and Tim Roholt went 3-for-4 with four RBIs as Jerome swept Highland 9-1 and 8-6 in Series A American Legion baseball Wednesday at Jerome High School.

Doug Benson hit a two-run homer in Game 2 and Josh Gailey went 3-for-4 with a triple and double.

Jerome (18-8 overall, 16-6 Area C) hosts Burley on Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Game 1, Highland 1
 Highland 9, Jerome 1
 Highland 20-0 (2-1)
 Jerome 20-0 (2-1)
 Highland 20-0 (2-1)
 Jerome 20-0 (2-1)

Game 2, Highland 6
 Highland 6, Jerome 0
 Highland 20-0 (2-1)
 Jerome 20-0 (2-1)
 Highland 20-0 (2-1)
 Jerome 20-0 (2-1)

Spartans complete sweep of Burley

By Scott Thompson
 Times-News writer

BURLEY — The Minico Spartan American Legion baseball team came into their contest against archrival Burley a little too high. The Burley Bobcats came into Wednesday night's game a little too low.

The teams nearly flip-flopped emotions before Minico hung on for a 7-6 victory at R. Dayley Field. The Class AA Spartans were coming off their first victory against Twin Falls in ages, while Class A Burley was reeling from two bad losses to the A Twin Falls team.

The Spartans (12-11) built on their momentum early, forcing a 5-0 lead after the top of the third inning as Burley committed three errors and walked a trio of batters in that span.

Minico struggled to generate much offense from that point on. "We started out really strong, and then we just kind of coasted," Minico coach Ben Frank said.

Frank said that a lot of credit had to go to Burley for battling back — especially since the Bobcats could have gotten real down on themselves after Tuesday night's disasters against the Cowboys.

"They continued to battle and

Local sports

Late Results

Twin Falls A 7-16, Burley 2-6
Twin Falls 6, Driggs 4

BURLEY — The Twin Falls Cowboy Single-A American Legion team pounded out a doubleheader sweep of Burley Tuesday night after downing the Driggs Snowdogs Monday. Twin Falls (10-12 overall, 6-4 Area C) beat the Bobcats in the first game, with Nathan Robertson hitting a home run en route to a 3-for-3, 4 RBI performance. He also scored three runs. In the nonconference game, Kenny Steelman and Kevin Mikessel both went 4-for-5 and Brent Little and Justin Aslett went 3-for-5. Against Driggs, Tyler Anderson

went 3-for-3 with 2 RBIs and two runs scored. Robertson went 2-3 to down Driggs 6-4. The second game was suspended because of darkness.

The Cowboys are in Boise for the Pepsi Tournament starting today. They open against the Nampa Rangers at 2:30 p.m. at Borah High School and then face Capital at 8 p.m. at Capital.

Game 1, Twin Falls 7, Burley 2
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
 Burley 2-6 (1-1)
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
 Burley 2-6 (1-1)

Game 2, Twin Falls 6, Driggs 4
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
 Driggs 4-1 (1-1)
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
 Driggs 4-1 (1-1)

Game 3, Twin Falls 6, Driggs 4
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
 Driggs 4-1 (1-1)
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
 Driggs 4-1 (1-1)

never gave up on the game," Frank said.

Burley coach Doug Bailey walked away from the game generally pleased with the performance of the Bobcats (13-12).

"We played very, very well," he said. Minico's Zane Dietz, who picked up the victory tossed to him on the season, got out quickly, retiring the Bobcats in order in the first—and second—inings before allowing a run in the third.

"Zane did a real nice job for a guy who's not used to being in the normal rotation," Frank said. "He threw strikes and let his defense do the work."

Burley's Zac Pickert put the Spartans 2-3-4 hitters' bat in the fourth and the Bobcats seemed poised to build on the momentum when they loaded the bases in the bottom half of the inning. But a double play and a fly out ended the threat without any runs scored.

"That just killed us," Bailey said. "But still, we had our chances later."

Just not enough as Minico completed the season sweep of the Bobcats.

Cory Warburton scored a run and drove in two on sacrifice flies. The Spartans and Kyle Copeland finished 2-3-4.

Scouts Idaho this fall. Scouts here will be tied at 3.9 seconds down to first base — barely slower than Seattle Mariner Ichiro Suzuki.

Cattoni and the rest of the Elks will have plenty of reasons to try to get back into the title game after losing their own tournament title game to the Cowboys.

Twin Falls defeated them 6-4 in the championship and 15-7 the night before in the game time game to the Cowboys.

"They will be eager to get back at us," Stadelmeier said. "They were low on pitching in that first game. They're better than that."

Depth on the mound is the Cowboys' biggest strength. J.D. Lott, Andy Coats, Nick Carr, Steve Turner, Tim Mealer and A.J. Stone are all very good on the bump.

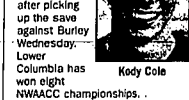
"That's where we should have an advantage," Stadelmeier said. "We have a lot of depth on the mound that other teams don't have."

Minico's Cole signs with Lower Columbia

Minico infielder Kody Cole signed a letter of intent to play baseball at Lower Columbia College in Longview, Wash., Monday.

"They're really right there for the NWAC title and I really liked the coaches and the players," Cole said.

After picking up the save against Burley Wednesday, Lower Columbia has won eight NWAC championships.



Kody Cole

ished 2-for-4 with a run scored. Greg Schow scored twice after walking.

Matt Howe went 3-for-4 for the Bobcats and scored a run. Wes Hadden picked up a pair of RBIs and Jeff Ringle went 2-for-3 with a run scored for Burley.

Game 1, Twin Falls 7, Burley 2
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
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Game 2, Twin Falls 6, Driggs 4
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Game 14, Twin Falls 6, Driggs 4
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Game 15, Twin Falls 6, Driggs 4
 Twin Falls 10-12 (6-4)
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Sosa's shot beats Phillies

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Sammy Sosa homered on the first pitch of the ninth inning and four

Chicago pitchers combined on a one-hitter as the Cubs snapped the Philadelphia Phillies' seven-game winning streak with a 1-0 victory Wednesday night.

Matt Clement, Mark Guthrie, Kyle Farnsworth and Joe Borowski teamed to stop the Phillies. Clement allowed a lead-off infield single in the fifth inning to David Bell.

Sosa, who was 6-for-3 with three strikeouts going into the ninth, hit a fast ball from Turk Wendell (1-2) for his 11th home run.

Giants 4, Cardinals 1

ST. LOUIS — Barry Bonds homered twice and scored three times, leading rookie Jerome Williams and the San Francisco Giants over the St. Louis Cardinals.

The NL West-leading Giants have won three straight in a series that ends Thursday. The Cardinals lead the NL in hitting, but have been held to exactly one run for three games in a row.

Garrett Stephenson (4-8) took the loss.

Braves 2, Marlins 1, 13 innings

MIAMI — Rafael Furcal's lead-off homer in the 13th inning helped the Atlanta Braves avoid a three-game sweep with a win over the Florida Marlins.

Marlins' rookie left-hander Dontrelle Willis allowed only one run in eight innings, but failed to match a clutch straight start, leaving with the score tied at 1.

Gary Sheffield had three hits for the Braves, who managed just three runs in 30 innings in this series against Florida before Furcal connected off Armando Almanza (4-5) for his 11th homer of the season.

Expos 11, Mets 4

NEW YORK — Brian Schneider and Edwards Gurnan had two RBIs apiece as the Montreal Expos used a pair of five-run innings to beat the sloppy New York Mets.

Livan Hernandez (7-6) settled down after a shaky start, holding New York scoreless over his final five innings to salvage the finale of the three-game series.

Rockies 6, Diamondbacks 2

DENVER — Jason Jennings allowed only two hits in 6 2-3 scoreless innings. Jay Payton had three RBIs and the Colorado Rockies beat the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Jennings (8-6) walked four and struck out three to win for the fifth time in his last six starts.

Reds 4, Pirates 3

PITTSBURGH — Barry Larkin's two-out single drove in the go-ahead run during yet another Cincinnati ninth-inning rally, and the Reds — twice within a strike of losing — came back to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The Reds went in with three consecutive hits on full-count pitches by Pirates closer Mike Williams — Ray Olmedo's single, pinch-hitter Reggie Taylor's tying double down the right field line and Larkin's single to short right field.

Cincinnati won for a major league-leading 21st time in its final at-bat and also leads the majors with 19 one-run victories.

Brewers 5, Astros 3, 11 innings

HOUSTON — Eric Young and Scott Podsednik each had RBI hits in the 11th inning to rally the Milwaukee Brewers over the Houston Astros.

The Astros lost for the sixth time in eight games and dropped into a three-way tie for the NL Central lead with St. Louis and Chicago.

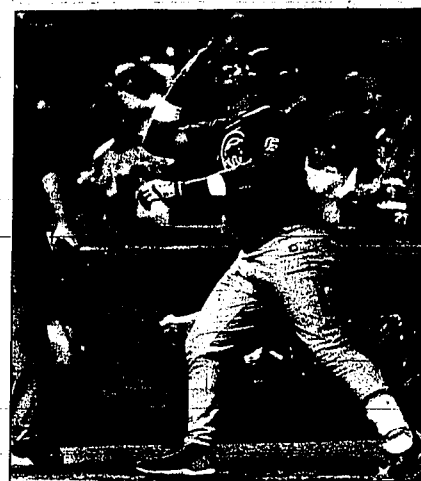
American League

White Sox 8, Twins 6, 12 innings

CHICAGO — Roberto Alomar scored the winning run in his White Sox debut, trotting home on Frank Thomas' second homer of the game to give Chicago an 8-6 victory in 12 innings over the Minnesota Twins on Wednesday night.

Alomar went 1-for-5 in the lead-off spot Friday after the White Sox got the 12-time All-Star second baseman from the New York Mets for three minor leaguers. Carl Everett, obtained Tuesday night from Texas for minor leaguers, was 0-for-4.

The White Sox completed a three-game sweep, winning for the sixth time in seven games and



The Cubs' Sammy Sosa crosses home plate after hitting a home run in the ninth inning of a 1-0 win over the Phillies Wednesday in Philadelphia.

uncared runs and six hits. He struck out seven and moved ahead of Cy Young into second place on Boston's career strikeout list.

Royals 8, Indians 2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Raul Ibanez drove in three runs without getting a hit and Darrell May pitched a six-hitter for his third career complete game to lead Kansas City.

Carlos Beltran and Deshaun Akers each had three hits and two RBIs for the Royals. May (2-4), who went 16 starts without a victory before winning his previous start, walked two and struck out three in his first complete game since last July 11 against Anaheim.

Red Sox 5, Devil Rays 4

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Pedro Martinez pitched seven solid innings and Nomar Garciaparra, Trot Nixon and Kevin Millar homered to lead Boston.

Mariner (6-2) allowed three

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 East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
New York	52	31	.627	-	8-2	L1	23-17	29-14	13-5
Boston	48	34	.585	3.5	7-3	W1	28-12	20-22	10-7
Toronto	47	38	.552	4.5	2-6	W1	22-19	25-18	10-8
Baltimore	36	45	.444	15.5	2-6	W1	16-23	18-22	5-13
Tampa Bay	27	55	.329	24.5	3-7	L1	16-27	11-28	3-15

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
Kansas City	44	38	.537	2.5	2-4	W2	23-19	21-19	9-8
Minnesota	43	40	.518	1.5	2-4	L1	21-20	22-20	10-8
Chicago	42	40	.510	2.5	3-3	W1	26-18	16-24	10-8
Cleveland	34	49	.410	10.5	4-6	L2	19-22	16-27	6-12
Detroit	20	62	.244	24.5	2-8	L1	6-33	12-29	4-14

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Int
Oakland	53	29	.646	-	2-5	L1	24-17	29-12	10-6
Seattle	47	35	.570	2.5	5-5	W1	25-12	18-23	9-9
Anaheim	41	40	.506	11.5	6-4	W1	23-18	14-22	11-7
Texas	32	50	.390	21.5	1-5	L1	16-23	14-27	4-14

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Atlanta	52	30	.634	-	4-6	W1	27-12	25-18	10-6
Philadelphia	46	35	.568	5.5	2-9	L1	25-17	21-18	8-5
Montreal	46	34	.571	2.5	5-5	W1	25-19	20-22	9-8
Florida	43	43	.500	11.5	2-4	L1	25-19	18-24	9-6
New York	36	47	.433	16.5	3-7	L1	19-22	17-25	5-10

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Chicago	43	40	.518	2.5	2-4	W1	20-19	23-21	9-9
Houston	43	40	.518	-	2-4	L1	25-17	18-23	11-7
St. Louis	43	40	.518	-	4-6	L3	25-18	18-22	10-8
Cincinnati	40	48	.450	7.5	2-6	W1	22-19	19-23	7-5
Pittsburgh	34	46	.425	7.5	2-6	L2	15-26	18-20	5-9
Milwaukee	34	48	.415	8.5	2-5	W1	15-27	19-21	5-7

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San Francisco	51	32	.614	-	7-3	W3	25-15	26-17	10-6
Los Angeles	45	36	.556	5	2-7	L4	24-17	21-19	11-7
Arizona	45	38	.542	6	2-8	L2	24-18	21-19	10-4
Colorado	44	46	.488	8.5	2-6	W2	31-14	19-28	9-6
San Diego	29	55	.343	22.5	4-6	W3	15-27	14-24	8-10

1st game was a win
 Anaheim 7, Texas 5
 N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore, p.p.d., rain
 Chicago White Sox at Minnesota 6, 12 innings
 Kansas City at Cleveland 2
 Seattle at Oakland, late

Tuesday's Games
 Oakland 3, Seattle 2, 11 innings
 Toronto 8, Detroit 2
 Boston 5, Tampa Bay 4
 Texas at Anaheim, late

Today's Games
 Seattle (R. Franklin 6-6) at Oakland (Zito 7-5), 1:35 p.m.
 Boston (Wakefield 6-3) at Tampa Bay (Gonzalez 4-4), 4:05 p.m.
 Toronto (Davis 4-3) at Baltimore (Johnson 2-3), 5:05 p.m.
 Cleveland (Salas 7-3) at Minnesota (Rogers 7-3), 5:05 p.m.
 Detroit (Bonderman 2-12) at Kansas City (Affeldt 4-4), 6:05 p.m.
 Texas (Munoz 0-2) at Anaheim (Appier 4-4), 8:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
 Tuesday's Late Game
 San Diego 2, Los Angeles 1
 Atlanta 2, Florida 1, 13 innings
 Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia 0
 Montreal 1, N.Y. Mets 4
 Milwaukee 5, Houston 3, 11 innings

Today's Games
 San Francisco (Ruster 7-2) at St. Louis (Santovich 5-4), 12:10 p.m.
 Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 6-6) at Philadelphia (Johnson 2-3), 4:05 p.m.
 Cincinnati (Dwight 6-4) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 3-3), 5:05 p.m.
 Milwaukee (Permyer 6-4) at Houston (Rogers 6-3), 5:05 p.m.
 Montreal (Vogel 5-3) at Los Angeles (Reynolds 3-3), 5:35 p.m.
 Arizona (Webb 4-2) at Colorado (Nagle 2-1), 5:35 p.m.
 San Diego (Eaton 2-7) at Atlanta (Krohn 10-3), 8:10 p.m.

Cowboys

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face on Friday, is a team Twin Falls knew it let after beating them twice to win the Elks' tournament last month.

"They're awful good," Stadelmeier said. "And their center fielder (Eric Cattoni) is as fast as anyone I've seen all spring and summer. He can really fly."

The tournament will give Cattoni a chance to become acquainted with Walker Field as he has signed to play at the College of

Latham

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said. "There's so many good players here. Hopefully we can do it again."

Aaron Curtis, who settled for second to Stone, returns as part of a strong field that includes Everett, former Twin Falls star Brett Kleinkopf, Wendell's Jysen Lancaster and a host of solid junior golfers.

SPORTS

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By Steve Moore

WHAT'S ON T.V.

BASEBALL

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RED SOX, DEVIL RAYS 4

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ROYALS 8, INDIANS 2

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Tennis

- Wimbledon, women's semifinals, ESPN, 6 a.m.
- Wimbledon, NBC, 10 a.m.

Golf

- Euro Tour, European Open, first round, TGC, 8 a.m.
- Nationwide Tour, Canadian PGA Championship, first round, TGC, 11:30 a.m.
- U.S.A. Women's Open, Championship, first round, ESPN, 2 p.m.
- PGA, Western Open, USA, 2 p.m.

Baseball

- MLB, Giants at Cardinals.

BASKETBALL

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AUTO RACING

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Lewis wants rematch against Klitschko

NEW YORK (AP) — Get ready for Lewis-Klitschko II. Lennox Lewis and Vitali Klitschko seem headed for a WBC heavyweight title rematch before the end of the year. WBA champ Roy Jones Jr., notwithstanding, Jones looks to be the logical next opponent for Lewis, who defended his title last month by cutting Klitschko boxing around the left eye and forcing the fight to be stopped in the sixth round. Instead, Lewis is more interested in fighting Klitschko again.

"I definitely want a rematch," he said during a conference call Wednesday. "I'm opting for a rematch." Lewis trailed on the cards of all three judges when the fight ended and was widely criticized for his performance. "It's amazing that they go to the scorecards and say he was leading," Lewis said. "He won the first two rounds. I would have been the lucky one. I would have been KO'd. I enjoyed that fight. We went at it."

One available date for Lewis-Klitschko II is Dec. 6. That would leave room for Klitschko to recover from the cuts that stopped the first fight. Jones is still on Lewis' agenda. Lewis said he talked with Jones and the two agreed to fight in four divisions. "Jones is like Superman — faster than a locomotive, flies higher than a plane, can leap tall buildings," he said. "This is what they say. I'm looking at other options. One of them is Roy Jones, Jr."

Klitschko welcomes another challenge. "I'm in fact, he said he called in on the conference call from Hamburg, Germany. "I was on the line," he said. "I want to say thank you to Lennox Lewis. It was my dream to fight for the championship. It was just the cut that stopped me. Who was the winner? I have no doubt."

Klitschko said he didn't think Lewis would give him a rematch. "Before, I was worried about Roy Jones, Jr.," he said. "Now he says he will fight me. It's a big risk for Lennox Lewis to finish his career with a 'dogfight' with him. I am happy with what I heard."

Klitschko was a last-minute replacement after Kirk Johnson injured his chest in training and had to pull out of the fight. The adjustment to a bigger opponent was difficult. "Given the circumstances surrounding the fight, I trained for one person with a certain size and weight and style," Lewis said. "Then 10 days before the fight, I took on a 6-foot-8 guy. I had only four rounds sparring for this guy. I did pretty well."

"The three good punches that I was not used to seeing, especially from that height. That fight was not going the distance and the next one won't go the distance, either."

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Pomerelle Pounder takes place this weekend ALBION — Pomerelle Mountain Resort is hosting its fifth annual Pomerelle Pounder Saturday and Sunday.

There are two events. The first is for trail runners and walkers. It's the shortest walk of the year at 5.5 miles. Registration begins at the lodge at 7:30 a.m. with walkers starting at a little after 9 a.m. Those who are 13 and under will walk a 2-mile course. Registration is \$20 for those over 13 and \$5 for those 13 and under.

The second event is for cross-country riders. Beginners ride two 5.5-mile loops beginning at noon, sports make three laps beginning at 1:35, experts four laps starting at 1:30 p.m. and pros ride five laps beginning at 1:25 p.m.

Sunday's event is a 1-mile course that goes straight down the mountain — losing a thousand feet of elevation. Beginners have an easier 1.5-mile course without the rocks and drops. Participants can practice Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m. (\$10 lift ticket). There is more practice time from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday.

Jody Burrows at 208 673-5525 with any questions. **Special panel will monitor safety at Les Bois** BOISE — A special task force has been formed to monitor conditions at the state's largest horse racing track after jockeys walked out last Sunday in protest.

Since the protest at Les Bois Park, the track surface has been reworked and leveled, and track officials said racing will resume as scheduled. The task force is made up of horsemen, jockeys, track management and officials from the state racing commission.

In addition, the track said Ken Anderson, recognized as one of the region's best track superintendents, will take over management of the track through the end of this year's meet on Aug. 10.

Anderson served as Les Bois Park's track superintendent from 1992 to 2001. Sunday's walkout occurred after three horses were injured in the first four races. One of them ultimately died.

University council cuts Price appeal short TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Mike Price's appeal of his firing as Alabama football coach was cut short Wednesday by the university's Staff Mediation Council, prompting Price's lawyer to say a suit will be filed within two weeks.

The council, composed of faculty and students, decided not to send the Price appeal to a hearing panel, which would review the employment termination case and make a recommendation to Chancellor Malcolm Porter. The council's decision "accelerated" the process.

SPORTS



Supporters cheer Lance Armstrong during the 2002 Tour de France.

Armstrong keeps team intact

Tour de France favorite will count on the same group of riders

PARIS (AP) — Lance Armstrong is working on the principle that if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Armstrong is sticking with the team that last year helped him move within one victory of a record-tying fifth straight Tour de France title.

The only change to the U.S. Postal Service's lineup announced this week is Manuel Beltran, a Spaniard expected to assist Armstrong in the leg-crushing seven mountain stages. Beltran replaces Benoît Jochim of Luxembourg.

Armstrong was travelling to Paris from Spain on Wednesday for the race, which starts Saturday.

He's "very strong... confident," Jogi Muller, spokesman for the Postal Service team, said of the 31-year-old Texan's pre-race mental state.

The Tour, a grueling 23-day, 2,125-mile clockwise slog around France, is the ultimate test of individual endurance, but few can win it without a good team.

In his biography, "It's Not About the Bike," Armstrong explains how teammates are crucial to his success. On windy days or up steep climbs, they stay in front, shielding and sucking him along in their drafts.

They chase down riders who try to surge off ahead

and protect the team leader from the jostling that goes on in the "peloton," the pack.

"Every team needs guys who are sprinters, guys who are climbers, guys willing to do the dirty work," Armstrong writes. "You don't win a road race all on your own."

If he wins, Armstrong will join Spanish legend Miguel Indurain as only the second rider to capture five consecutive Tours. Indurain won in 1991-95. Three other racers have won five Tours, but not consecutively.

Two Postal Service team members — George Hincapié and Floyd Landis — overcame injuries and illness to make this year's roster.

Beltran, the 32-year-old climber who came from Team Coast this year, joins two other Spaniards, Jose Luis Rubiera and Roberto Heras.

Heras told the French newspaper L'Equipe that while he hopes to win one of the Tour's 20 stages, his priority is to help Armstrong to overall victory.

"If Lance is at 100 percent, he can only win," Heras said in an interview published Wednesday on L'Equipe's Web site.

The other members of the "Blue Train," the nickname given to the Postal Service team because of their blue uniforms and single determination, are

Vladimir Karpov of Russia, Pavel Padomov of the Czech Republic and Colombian rider Victor Hugo Peña.

Teammates: Dotson, Dennehy were close

WACO, Texas (AP) — Carlton Dotson turned to friend Patrick Dennehy several weeks ago after he lost his basketball scholarship to Baylor, his brief marriage fell apart and he needed a place to live, family members said.

They were friendly teammates and recently had become closer as friends. Dennehy's girlfriend, Jessica De La Rosa, said Wednesday.

That's what makes the news of the past few days so inconceivable to those who knew the young men.

Dennehy, 21, was reported missing by his family on June 19. His car was found last week in a mall parking lot in Virginia Beach, Va., where he had no apparent connections.

Police classify Dotson, believed to be 21, as "a person of interest" in Dennehy's disappearance.

According to court documents, an unnamed informant in Delaware told police that Dotson told a relative he shot Dennehy in the head after the two argued while shooting guns on a farm outside Waco.

No body has been found and no one has been arrested. De La Rosa, of Albuquerque, N.M., said to her knowledge the two friends had not had a falling out. She last talked to Dotson on June 11, and she called Dotson a few days later when she hadn't heard from Dennehy to see if Dotson knew his whereabouts.

"It's very confusing. I'm just going to try to not speculate any more. I'm going to try to be patient and let these detective and investigators do their work," she said.

Authorities said Wednesday they were investigating hundreds of leads received over the past few days.

"Somebody out there knows what happened to him or they know where he is," Waco police spokesman Steve Anderson said.

"We're hoping that person or persons will call in and give us that good tip."

Anderson said police still don't know how Dennehy's 1996 Chevrolet Tahoe ended up in Virginia with its license plate missing.

A friend, Daniel Okopny, said Dennehy was worried about threats to Dotson by two of their teammates. He said when he last talked to Dennehy on June 14, he "sounded extremely paranoid."

He said the pair had armed themselves for protection.

Worried, Okopny said he urged Dennehy to stay with him in Fort Worth but he refused, saying he had to protect Dotson. "He said, 'I've got Dotson's back,'" Okopny told ABC's "Good Morning America" on Wednesday.

Dennehy then changed his mind, saying on June 14 he would come to Fort Worth and bring Dotson, Okopny said. He said Dotson had a shotgun for protection, but the two were "trying to trade it in for two handguns."

That was the last contact anyone has publicly reported having with Dennehy.

According to school records, Dotson and Dennehy both arrived in Waco last summer on basketball scholarships. Dotson married his longtime girlfriend, Melissa Kethley, and the two moved into

an apartment near campus.

By the time the basketball season came to a close, Dotson's playing time had steadily decreased, and he and Baylor coach Dave Bliss agreed that Dotson should play elsewhere and his scholarship was dropped.

About the same time, Dotson's wife sought a divorce after eight months of marriage.

On Wednesday, Baylor coach Dave Bliss released a statement saying Dennehy never reported to his staff "anything about safety concerns or personal threats."

Kethley, 21, told the Waco Tribune-Herald on Wednesday that she last spoke with Dotson on Tuesday, and he told her he had nothing to do with Dennehy's disappearance.

"They were friends. I don't see any reason why he would kill him," Kethley said from the Sulphur Springs home of her parents. "They were together every single day. They lived together."

Chris Waters, a cousin, said Dotson is in his hometown of Hurlock, Md., and hasn't been contacted by investigators since last week.

Belgians stand in sisters' way

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — The jeers and tears of Paris are unlikely to be repeated when Serena Williams gets her rematch Thursday against Justine Henin-Hardenne, this time on a neutral court.

They meet in the Wimbledon semifinals, with Williams' one-serve reign atop the rankings at stake.

The match provides an opportunity for Williams to avenge her traumatic loss to Henin-Hardenne four weeks ago in the French Open semifinals. Fans at Roland Garros, partial to the French-speaking Belgian, cheered mistakes by Williams and booed her afterward, briefly transforming a brash champion into a weepy, sympathetic figure.

Williams has regained her swagger and anticipates a different atmosphere at the staid All England Club.

"That's one thing I love about Wimbledon," Williams said. "Whoever is playing good tennis, they really appreciate it, unless of course you're playing Tim Henman."

Adding further sizzle to the semifinal: Williams' accusation after the French loss that Henin-Hardenne "cheated" by calling a timeout and then not acknowledging it. Henin-Hardenne denied it but said she takes no hard feelings into the rematch.

"We're professional enough to do this," she said. "There is no problem between each other."

Only Belgians stand between the Williams sisters and the family's fourth consecutive Wimbledon title. Henin-Hardenne's compatriot, Kim Clijsters, plays 2000-01 champion Venus Williams in the other semifinal.

It's the first time since Wimbledon in 1992 that the four highest-ranked players have reached the semifinals at a WTA Tour event.

Williams has been No. 1 since winning Wimbledon last year, but the Belgians are second and third and gaining on her. If Williams loses to Henin-Hardenne, Clijsters will become No. 1.

"It's hard to keep up with the Belgian girls," Williams said with



Kim Clijsters, left, returns to Samantha Reeves in the third round match at Wimbledon. At right, Justine Henin-Hardenne celebrates her win over Alicia Molik in the third round Saturday. Clijsters will meet Venus Williams in the semifinals today while Henin-Hardenne will meet Serena Williams.

a smile. "They're playing every week and winning all the time. I don't play every week, but I might have to start."

Williams has won 38 of her past 39 Grand Slam matches, including a quarterfinal comeback Tuesday against Jennifer Capriati, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.

The lone defeat came against Henin-Hardenne on the French clay.

"It's going to be a different match, for sure, because she likes grass," Henin-Hardenne said. "Her power is very hard for myself on grass. She's going to be very, very motivated, and I know that."

Venus Williams possesses plenty of incentive too. She has gone without a major title since the 2001 U.S. Open, and Wimbledon offers a chance to answer critics who contend her commitment to tennis has waned.

She remains an imposing force on grass with her assortment of overpowering shots.

"When they don't come back, it feels great," she said.

Williams lost to her younger sister in last year's final — and in four of the past five Grand Slam finals. The lone exception was in Paris, where Henin-Hardenne earned her first major title by beating Clijsters.

The simultaneous rise of two players from tiny Belgium has been remarkable.

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up with two?

Also, three rain delays totaling nearly four hours, then darkness — there are no lights on the courts — conspired to halt both matches before they finished.

It all added up to more angst for a nation that's been waiting 67 years for a British man to win Wimbledon.

When play was halted, drawing boos from the crowd, the 10th-seeded Henman trailed No. 13 Sebastian Grosjean 7-6 (3), 3-6, 3-1, 2. On Court 1, Mark Philippoussis — who upset Andre Agassi in the fourth round — had rallied from a two-set deficit and was serving with a two-point lead against Alexander Popp at 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2, 30-love.

"It's very slippery out there now," tournament referee Alan Mills said in explaining his decision to stop play. "It is dangerous for the players."

So they will head back out Thursday, which now boasts a packed schedule. In addition to Henman-Grosjean and Philippoussis-Popp, there are two quarterfinals that never began: Andy Roddick vs. Jonas Bjorkman and Roger Federer vs. Sjeng Schalken.

Playing in England is a boon and bane for Henman.

He's the beneficiary of tremendous fan-swinging support during matches, the sort that gets adrenaline pumping. Indeed, he was a Wimbledon semifinalist four of the past five years but never made even the quarterfinals at another Grand Slam.

Then again, Henman also must deal with the weight of expectations. There have been reports that a parade in his honor already

is being planned if he becomes the first Englishman to win Wimbledon since Fred Perry in 1936.

Plus, the media love to build him up, then beat him down.

The Guardian newspaper's supplement Wednesday featured a digitally altered photo on the cover showing Henman hoisting the championship trophy, with the headline, "Is this the year?"

Inside, 20 people, from politicians to the ladies of the Wimbledon Championship information desk, offered takes on whether Henman will do them proud.

The opening act against Grosjean was a microcosm of the years of anticipation and frustration Henman generates.

Snapping passing shots, Grosjean claimed a 4-1 lead in 15 minutes before the first rain delay. Play resumed an hour later, but only for 45 minutes — long enough for Grosjean to break Henman again — before another 37-minute rain break.

Henman knows about dealing with such conditions, naturally. Perhaps his most excruciating exit came in the 2001 semifinals against Goran Ivanisevic (all of Henman's semifinal losses were to the eventual champion), in a rain-ravaged match that began Friday,

continued for 52 minutes Saturday, and finished Sunday.

"I look back at that match and I reflect on it a lot," Henman said last week. "I ask myself whether I should have done anything differently. And the answer is, 'No.' It was difficult. It wasn't that much fun, sleeping those nights, coming back at different stages of the match."

Henman came back out after Wednesday's second delay a new player. He stole four straight games to reach 5-3, and the fans' torture really began in the tiebreaker.

Henman raced to a 6-3 advantage, then promptly wasted the three set points with a volley long (Grosjean), a volley in the net (Grosjean) and a backhand wide (Aaaaawww).

He held a fourth set point at 8-7, but Grosjean hit with a backhand in the net. Grosjean claimed the set with a lugging volley followed by a forehand winner.

Out on Henman Hill, Bill Henry of Bath followed it all closely.

"We had thunder and lightning at one point — the British don't move," Henry said. "We just sat there and suffered. Watching Henman, we're suffering anyway."



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AROUND THE VALLEY

Authorities work on Wendell home fire

WENDELL - Authorities are still investigating the cause of a fire that destroyed a home and other buildings Tuesday.

The fire at 1603 E. 2700 S. near Wendell along Interstate 84 left Reed and Marion Hulet, an elderly retired couple, homeless.

The American Red Cross and Wendell LDS Church provided early support, according to a Wendell Rural Fire District news release.

The Hulets are relying on family and their church for support, said Patricia Lindholm, executive director of the Sawtooth Branch of the American Red Cross.

No injuries from the fire were reported.

The Wendell Volunteer Fire Department was dispatched early Tuesday afternoon to a grass fire next to some structures, according to the release. Firefighters found a single-wide trailer with an addition where the Hulets lived in flames, along with several outbuildings and a single-wide trailer used for storage.

In all, 19 fire-rescue vehicles, 56 people and three Bureau of Land Management aerial support units responded.

Donations are being accepted to help the Hulets. To contribute, call Kent Chandler at 536-6570 or mail to 2967 S. 1800 E., Wendell, 83355.

Gooding plans Independence Day fun

GOODING - Fireworks, a parade and an evening of live music will highlight Gooding's Independence Day celebration on Friday.

The fireworks will be set off at about 10 p.m. Friday at the Gooding County Fairgrounds. Earlier, at 3 p.m., a parade is planned from downtown to the fairgrounds, starting at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind.

Music begins at 4:30 p.m. at the fairgrounds with karaoke, followed by "Family Feud" at 6 p.m., folk singer Suzanne Just at 7 p.m., Katrina at 7:30, Frank McCracken at 8 and the headline act, Slow Children Playing, at 8 p.m.

There will also be a classic car show all day at the fairgrounds.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Kids under 5 get in free.

Proceeds will go to the restoration of the Schubert Theater, home of the Western States College of Performing Arts and Humanities.

Food and beverages will be available for purchase at the fairgrounds.

Groups will introduce composer today

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Arts Council, Twin Falls Municipal Band, College of Southern Idaho Band and Buhl Arts Council will host a luncheon open house from noon to 1 p.m. today to introduce Centennial Harmony composer Scott Watson to the community.

The luncheon takes place at the arts council office, 132 Main Ave. S.

Watson was selected by representatives of each of the organizations to write a piece of music to be performed by the municipal band and the CSI band for communities celebrating centennials along the Snake River in south-central Idaho. The performance is scheduled for July 4, 2004.

Watson is visiting the Magic Valley this summer to do preliminary research for his composition.

He will be making an extensive residency in early summer 2004 to conduct workshops, work with the bands and have the music performed.

The arts councils, municipal band and CSI bands were selected recipients of this Continental Harmony grant through the American Composers Forum.

—compiled from staff reports

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Fire danger grows by the day

By Pat Murphy
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM - The U.S. Forest Service has a message for hikers: Enjoy the July 4 holiday weekend. Enjoy the outdoors, but leave the fireworks at home.

Not only is there a fine of \$200 for discharging fireworks on public lands, but also there's a risk of igniting fires that could erupt into blazes and spread into forests.

However, even without the added problem of human-caused fires from fireworks, the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management fully expect fires to break out in Idaho.

Right now, fire risks are put at

"moderate" in heavy timber areas of the Sawtooth National Forest, which covers 2.1 million acres, including 756,000 acres in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area in central and north-central Idaho.

Forest Service fire management specialist Bill Murphy, of the Ketchum Ranger District headquarters, said Tuesday the public should not have a false sense of security simply because the area is green and doesn't appear to be dry.

As the summer weeks pass, Murphy said, lack of rain would increase the danger of fires. Cheatgrass has dried, and drier, lower elevations are at greater

risk for fire.

"We haven't had any measurable precipitation for a month or more, and that means the danger is slowly escalating," he said.

Because of the moderate winter, he said the northern Sawtooths still are fairly green.

As residents of Western states have discovered in recent years, raging fires can be devastating, wiping out hundreds of homes at a time and costing millions of dollars in firefighting expenses and property losses.

Murphy said firefighting costs might range from a few hundred dollars per acre (simple grass fires not requiring large crews) to thousands of dollars per acre (fires

requiring large crews, heavy ground equipment and aerial attack aircraft).

Last year, Murphy said, the Sawtooth National Forest recorded 52 fires covering 2,580 acres. The relatively few fires and small acreage, he said, were due to quick and effective response of firefighting crews.

Only a few small fires have been reported thus far this year, he said.

Murphy said the strategy now is to pre-position larger firefighting crews and equipment near areas known to be especially dry, and then move them as other areas become parched.

"It's sort of like a paramilitary operation," Murphy said.

Idaho Power releases 20,000 catfish

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Grab the fishing pole and get out to the river.

Thousands of dark catfish spilled out of three openings in a truck backed into the Snake River from the boat ramp near the Snake River Marina Wednesday.

Idaho Power Co. fisheries biologists released 20,000 catfish into Milner Reservoir. The annual release is a condition of Idaho Power's license to operate Milner Dam, said Fisheries Biologist Rick Wilkison. Part of the mitigation is to provide angling opportunities for fishermen.

While the release allows Idaho Power to meet the regulations, the company would like people to use the area for fishing, Wilkison said.

"We'd really like people to take the fish out as we put them in," said Dennis Lopes, corporate communications specialist for Idaho Power.

Leo Ray, with Fish Breeders of Idaho, pulled in with the truck full of fish late Wednesday morning. After measuring the temperature of the water - 68 degrees - he released a net full of the fish into the water from the dock, then backed the truck partly into the water to release the rest.

As for the actual release, Wilkison said getting the fish on the truck is often more exciting: "Once they get here, it's just pull the plug and they go."

The fish are roughly 6 to 8 inches in size, but are expected to grow to around a foot long by next summer.

Water temperatures in the reservoir are good for growing catfish, Ray said, but are generally too cool for ideal spawning conditions.

Several spectators watched Wednesday as the fish accustomed themselves to their new surroundings. Children tried catching one with their bare hands.

Wilkison recalled hearing about youth being successful catching large catfish after a release in 2000 when a Buhl fish breeder had 1,000 6-to-8-pound catfish he needed to get rid of.

Idaho Power crews released the fish into Milner Reservoir and he heard that calls came in to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game about the big catfish people were catching.

"I'm pretty sure there were some lifelong fishermen made that day," Wilkison said.

And great fishing still abounds



Leo Ray, with Fish Breeders of Idaho, releases thousands of catfish into Milner Reservoir near the Snake River Marina on Wednesday. The annual release provides great fishing for catfish, Idaho Power Co. officials say.

in the reservoir, Wilkison said. Idaho Power officials sampled the area in October 2002.

"We found just a lot of catfish," Wilkison said. "Catfish were everywhere."

Idaho Power officials will sample the area in August to determine what fish are in the area, but if the previous sample is an indication, there will be plenty of

catfish unless area fishermen begin using the area more heavily.

Wilkison acknowledged access can be a problem, especially lack of places to fish from the bank. And many people fishing from boats are looking for bass, not catfish.

But, "if someone is interested in catching some really nice cat-

fish, Milner Reservoir is the place," Wilkison said.

Idaho Power spends roughly \$15,000 on the fish planted in Milner Reservoir each year.

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Commission documents trail work

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - With digital cameras in hand, members of the Centennial Commission followed up their twice-monthly meeting Wednesday by making a quick trip to Shoshone.

Their main focus was to get some close-up shots of the progress being made on a walking trail that is being built as part of the Centennial Commission's effort to create a lasting legacy for the city's 100th birthday celebration.

While the short jaunt provided the group with a firsthand glimpse of the enormous project, the trip is also beneficial for any one interested in history in the making.

As part of a lasting legacy as well as for the enjoyment of viewers, a picture update will be added to the Centennial Commission's Web site - www.twinfallscentennial.com.

According to the commission's chairman, Ken Edmunds, a lot of earth is being moved, and there's plenty to see.

Work on the \$475,000 project began two weeks ago, and, according to Ken Stutzman of Stutzman Inc., the project should be completed by mid-2004.

The planned route begins at the site of an old trail leading out of the canyon near the west-end area of Shoshone Falls Park, making its way west along an old stagecoach road. The 6,000-foot stretch will extend to near the Evel Knives jump site, an extension of the city's existing Snake River Canyon walking trail.

According to Stutzman, the original trail leading out of the canyon was established in 1903 and was still in use in the early 1950s. The route runs from Twin Falls City Park to the Shoshone Falls park-side river crossing area. The spot was a designated river crossing area for people to get to the north side of the canyon.

The construction photos are only a part of the big picture.

Updates in picture form will become a part of the commission's Web site, and ongoing projects and events will be added to the Internet display as they happen, Edmunds said.

Other travels to help spread the word about the upcoming celebration included a trip to Boise, where members of the commission attended the River Festival. Their booth included a display of early photos of Twin Falls and others about the centennial.

Another business sheet music for the Centennial Song that was written last year by Donna Scott is in the process of being printed and will be available for purchase at the Fourth of July celebration on Friday. Executive Director Bonnie Lezamis said.

In addition, the Twin Falls School District is taking an active role in the city's biggest event of the century by implementing writing and art contests as classroom

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Buhl theatre troupe presents mystery

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - Howling wind, car horns, seagulls, lashing rain and thunder are some of the sounds that come from a rainy night in May at a guest house where a murder takes place in a two-act play by Tim Kelly.

"The Trouble With Summer People" is a presentation of the Westend Theatre Company to be presented today through Saturday at the Buhl Middle School auditorium at 7:30 p.m. each night.

Tickets are \$4 for students and senior citizens, \$5 for general admission. They may be purchased at the door.

The theater presentation is part of the annual Sagebrush Days celebration in Buhl.

On Friday, the presentation will be over by 9:30 p.m., which



The cast of 'The Trouble With Summer People,' a two-act play being presented at the Buhl Middle School auditorium today through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. allows plenty of time to attend the fireworks display at North Park.

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Sagebrush Days kick off

By Mary Lou Potts
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - "Spirit of America" is the theme for this year's annual Buhl Sagebrush Days celebration, starting today with popular sidewalk sales, street merchants, food vendors, square dancing and a fishing derby for kids.

Here's a rundown on the schedule:

■ **Today**
• **Fish fry** - It's at the West End Senior Center and hosted by the chamber of commerce from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Prices are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

• **Fishing derby** - Transportation will be furnished to and from Crystal Springs Lake by Northside Bus Co. at 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m. and will leave Main Street by the post office.

Youth up to the age of 14 are welcome.

Anglers must take their own tackle. Parents may go along and watch or fish on their own, but they are not eligible for the contest, which runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The fishing derby is co-hosted by Buhl Chamber of Commerce, West End Men's Association, Magic Valley Bassmasters and Wal-Mart.

Children may register at the chamber, booth downtown or at the fishing site today. There will be two age categories: 11 years and under, and 12 to 14 years old. Clear Springs Lake was to stock the waters beforehand to assure plenty of fish are available. Anglers may keep the fish they catch; bags will be available.

Plenty of prizes will be awarded for several different fish measure-

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Court overturns insurance policy ruling for northern Idaho woman

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Supreme Court has overturned a lower court's ruling that a woman who was uninsured for her husband's death was entitled to a \$1.8 million insurance payout.

The high court ruled that the terms of the policy offered by Trinity Universal Insurance Co. provided less coverage than the standard fire insurance policy required by law and therefore was not enforceable.

Under state law, the court ruled, a party to an insurance policy who

is unaware of fraudulent or other illegal acts of another party to the same policy is entitled to recovery of her share of any loss as an innocent co-insured.

In Wednesday's case, the Sandpoint home of Lynette Marco and her then-husband, Benedict Kirsling, burned down in mid-1997. The house was Marco's property purchased with a property settlement from a previous marriage.

Trinity Universal paid the couple nearly \$184,000 11 months later in return for a partial release.

In October 1999 Kirsling was convicted of arson in the house fire, and less than two months later Trinity Universal sued to recover the payment.

Marco objected, claiming as an innocent co-insured she was entitled to compensation for the loss of her house.

The high court agreed with her position. Justice Gerald Schroeder agreed that Marco deserved the insurance payment because the policy was ambiguous.

SERVICES

Anne E. Brown of Boise, graveside service at 3 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; a celebration of life will immediately follow at 612 Aspenwood Lane, University of Idaho, Twin Falls, Idaho (Summers Funeral Homes, Boise).

Donald Edward Buehner of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel; entombment will follow at the Reflections of History Mausoleum at Sunset Memorial Park (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

Don Frank Henderson of Burley, service at 10 a.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 East Main; friends may call one hour before the service today at the funeral home; burial will follow at 3 p.m. at the Ora Cemetery in Ashton.

Jane Jarvis Reeder of Twin Falls, service at noon today at the

5th Ward LDS Church, 421 Maurice St. N., Twin Falls; burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park; viewing will be held from 10:45-11:45 a.m. today at the church (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

Steele M. Tunner, formerly of Gooding, service at 10:30 a.m. today at the Demary Funeral Chapel in Gooding; viewing will be held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Pat Kerbs, formerly of Twin Falls, celebration of life from 2-5 p.m. July 12 at Heider Pavilion in Rock Creek Park in Twin Falls; for more information, call Arlene Jones at 733-7612.

Marlen "Smoko" Davis of Burley, memorial service at 2 p.m. July 12 at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., Burley; inurnment will follow the service at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Florence F. Fricke, WEINDEL, Florence F. Fricke, 98, of Wendell, died Tuesday, July 2, 2003, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Martha Mae Chavez, BURLEY — Martha Mae Chavez, 69, of Burley, died Wednesday, July 2, 2003, at Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 733-0931. Ext. 278, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4:30 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 5 p.m. every day.

TWIN FALLS



Ione Jarvis Reeder

Ione Jarvis Reeder, age 86, of Twin Falls, ID, passed away peacefully on July 1, 2003. She was born December 29, 1916, in Hinkley, Utah, the daughter of John T. Jarvis and Rose E. Lee Jarvis. After her graduation from high school in 1935, she moved with her family to Salt Lake City. She attended Utah State University and the University of Utah, and worked in southern Utah. In 1939 she moved to Sun Valley, Idaho to work at the new resort. In 1942, she met Charles T. Reeder. They were married April 29, 1941, in Salt Lake City, Utah, and were later listed in the Logan LDS Temple in December of 1964. After they were married, they moved to Twin Falls to make their home.

She is preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, and her husband Charles T. Reeder. Surviving Ione are her five children, Charles Richard Reeder (Charles) of Twin Falls, John William Reeder (Judy) of Twin Falls, Mary Brady (Robert) of Bonanza, Utah, Barbara Culler (Preston) of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Robert T. Reeder (Kathy) of Ketchum, Idaho. She has 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are her sister, Roma Wright, and one brother, Dr. Lee Jarvis. Her mother loved life, other people, and everything good. Even during difficult times, she always had a twinkle in her eye and great optimism about the future. She loved helping her husband as he worked to build a successful business, always willing to sacrifice in his behalf. Every person she knew was important to her and she graciously gave of her time and resources to others. Being a well-rounded person was important to Ione. She loved to learn, to read, and travel throughout the world. She loved serving in her church and community. She was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. For many years, she was a volunteer for the Easter Seal Society. She also worked with the Twin Falls County Election Board, and was a charter member of the "Fat Ladies." Throughout her life, she enjoyed associating with many

good friends. She was happiest at home on Buchanan Street and caring for her home and family. She will forever be remembered and loved by her family for her goodness and the way she lived. The family would like to give special thanks to Ivan Hutchins for her six years of loving care for Ione. We also wish to thank Idaho Home Health and Hospice for their kind assistance. The family suggests memorials be given to Idaho Home Health and Hospice, 826 Eastland Dr., Twin Falls, ID 83301 or to the Sawtooth Society.

Funeral services will be held at noon Thursday July 3, 2003, at the 5th Ward LDS Church, 421 Maurice St. N., Twin Falls with Bishop Loren Ward conducting. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. A viewing will be held on Wednesday, July 2, from 6-8 p.m. at White Mortuary Chapel by the Park and on the day of the service at the church from 10:45-11:45 a.m. Friends may send condolences by e-mail to 3445@olderwoods.com.

POCATELLO



Wayne Wallace Sidwell

Wayne Wallace Sidwell, 82, Pocatello, died Tuesday July 1, 2003. He was born October 31, 1921, at Council, Idaho, to George Wallace and Alvira Mortensen Sidwell. She graduated from Jerome High School. He played the trumpet and was drum major in the band. He married Rebecca Elton Gooding, May 27, 1940, at Jerome, Idaho; their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. She preceded him in death June 24, 2000. Wayne started farming, then started hauling milk for Jerome Creamery for 18 years. He later moved to Pocatello to drive for Garrett Freightlines for 18 years in 1962. Dan always said if he could do it again he would never drive, but stay home to help raise his family. He enjoyed training horses. He rode for the Jerome Sheriffs Posse and also took horses for hunting every year until his health prevented him. He was also a volunteer with the Jerome Fire Department. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He worked as a Temple worker and later filled a mission with his wife and started the Family History Extraction Center in Pocatello for Spanish-speaking people. He was a member of the Elder's Quorum Presidency and loved to Home Teach.

He touched many hearts through his service. He also served in the High Priest Group leadership. As a Scout Leader he helped many boys learn to live and honor the Scout Oath.

He is survived by 4 sons: Eugene Wallace (Averil) of London, Utah; Larry Wayne (Leslie) of Fredrickburg, Virginia; Lyle Gerald (Regina) of Wellsville, Utah; and Stanley Louis (Lynda), Mountain View, Wyoming; 2 daughters, Sue Ellen (Donnie) Hobbs of Pocatello, Colleen Mae (Gary) Jensen of Port Townsend, Washington; 24 grandchildren; and 34 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rebecca, parents, his brothers, Arthur, Elmer, and his grand-children.

Graveside services will be held Monday, July 7, 2003, at 2 p.m. in the Jerome Cemetery, Jerome, Idaho.

Memorials may be given to Southwestern District Home Health Center, 1901 W. Ricken Dr., Pocatello, Idaho 83201.

Local arrangements under the direction of Henderson-Corralville Funeral Home, 431 N. 15th Ave., Pocatello.

YUMA, ARIZ.

Dennis Gary Lierman

Dennis Gary Lierman, 50, died Sunday, June 29th, 2003, at his home in Yuma, Arizona. Dennis was born June 3, 1953, at Tongue Point Naval Base in Astoria, Ore. to Ronald and Nancy Lacey Lierman. He was the oldest of three sons. Cody William Lierman, Boise; and Jay Stanger (Dennis), Alamo; and Tanner Lee Stanger (Brooke), Murtagh; a brother; and three sisters, two sisters Sherrie Jacobs (Marty), and Barb Dennis (Ray), all of Kimberly; a grandson, two nieces, four nephews, several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Dennis was preceded in death by his grandparents, Dorothy and Arthur Lierman and grandmother Della Gooding. A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 8, 2003, at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kimberly with Pastor Sunderman officiating. Memorials may be made to the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kimberly.



Joyce Dearystne of Elk City surveys the backcountry around Elk City on June 3. She heads an organization called Framing Our Community, dedicated to a concept of community-based forestry and rural economic development.

Idaho county wants to clear trees

GRANGEVILLE (AP) — The Idaho County Commission is asking federal land managers to remove any trees that could fall across 132 miles of road in the isolated Elk City area of north-central Idaho.

Commissioner Pat Holmberg says if the area is hit by a large wildfire, the few escape routes would be quickly closed by falling trees.

"When this occurs, under current status we can expect high mortality rates among some 800

1,000 people," Holmberg told Undersecretary of Agriculture Mark Rey in submitting the fire protection plan.

She called for speedy approval and use of local workers to remove the trees.

"This is their country to defend," she wrote.

That plan calls for clearing trees over 10 feet tall within 150 feet of the road in most areas and within 250 feet of the road on slopes steeper than 12 percent. It targets Idaho Highway 14 from Elk City to

Grangeville, the roads from Dixie and Orogrande to Idaho Highway 14 and the road from Dixie to Mackay Bar on the Salmon River. The area has been hit by an infestation of western bark beetles that have left as much as 80 of some hillsides in dead, standing trees. Holmberg said clearing those trees should "eliminate the funnel risk of fire upslope."

The fire emergency plan also includes designation of evacuation sites and establishment of a warning system.

Drought plagues Western farmers

BRIGHTON, Colo. (AP) — Fields from Montana to New Mexico may be green and filled with golden wheat for the first time in several years, but the drought is not over for many farmers and ranchers across the Rockies and western Plains.

Plentiful snow and rain this spring has wheat farmers throughout the Rockies expecting to reap one of their better crops in years.

"The wheat looks beautiful. We had a good winter and we had lots of rain in April," said Tom Patterson, an agriculture specialist at Montana State University in Bozeman.

The Colorado wheat harvest is projected at 72 million bushels this summer, compared with just 35 million bushels last year. "It's improved a lot," said Joe Klausner, who raises wheat near Roggen, in northeastern Colorado.

A little farther east, however, Randy Wilks isn't so optimistic.

"We've had about half of our wheat crop fall and about half of it is in good shape," said Wilks, who farms near Burlington.

For those farmers and ranchers, the effect of at least four years of drought persist. And for some, the drought itself hasn't gone anywhere.

According to the National Drought Mitigation Center in Lincoln, Neb., southwestern sections of Wyoming and Colorado, all of Utah and parts of New Mexico and Arizona are still in a severe drought. In these parched regions, farmers have cut back on crop sizes and ranchers are selling off livestock for lack of feed.

"We need kind of a good old Wyoming winter this winter to get some snow out there," said John Eckberger, director of the Wyoming Department of Agriculture. The state's reservoirs and soil moisture are still below normal.

Melting snow makes up about 80 percent of the water in Colorado rivers, streams, lakes

and reservoirs. Eight major Colorado river systems also provide water to 10 western states.

Bob Sakata of Brighton doesn't have to worry that his thousands of acres of broccoli, cabbage and onions will wilt for lack of water this summer. In fact, late snows and daily cloudbursts have delayed the start of harvest.

But Sakata, who has farmed northeast of Denver for 58 years, and hundreds of other farmers with wells near the South-Platte River are struggling with the fall-out of a water war that erupted at the drought's peak.

The Colorado Supreme Court ordered well owners to add water to the river to help make up some of what's lost in groundwater pumping.

"That's going to be a very, very difficult task. Agriculture cannot afford the kind of prices being quoted for surface water today," Sakata said. "Regardless of the cost, the availability of water is just not there."

Petition recirculates to change game commission

BOISE (AP) — Critics of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's past appointments to the Fish and Game Commission are again circulating petitions to change the selection process.

"His idea of a good Fish and Game Commission is to have everybody who represents other special interest groups," said Don Clower, who was appointed to the commission by Kempthorne in 1999 and then replaced last year.

Clower and former Fish and Game Director Jerry Conley are among the leaders of the renewed attempt to require the governor to select commissioners from nominees submitted by sportsmen from each of the seven regions. It would also eliminate the requirement that the state Senate approve the selections.

They need 40,772 registered voter signatures by next spring to qualify the petition for the November 2004 ballot.

Last year's ouster of then-Fish and Game Director Rod Sando sparked the original attempt to pass the initiative, but it began with only two months to gather the needed signatures and fell short of the goal.

Activist sportsmen blamed Kempthorne for ordering the

commission to fire Sando for failing to adequately respond to landowner and other non-sportsmen concerns. Kempthorne denied exerting any influence on the Sando decision.

The renewed push for the initiative comes as Commissioners Roy Moulton of Driggs and Alex Kirby of Orofino await word about whether they will be reappointed. Their terms expire on Monday.

Moulton has been the center of controversy since he was with a Montana trapper on his eastern Idaho ranch in March 2002 when the trapper shot a coyote without the required license or permit and then was never charged.

While Kempthorne has not indicated his intentions, spokesman Mark Snider defended the appointments, saying they all

meet legal requirements. And others contend the initiative campaign, rather than trying to depoliticize wildlife management issues in Idaho, is politically motivated.

"The initiative process is by a bunch of people who had their way, and they want it back their way again," said Ed Lindahl of Concerned Sportsmen of Idaho, a vocal group of northern Idaho sportsmen.

"This is the ultimate in politics, with the punch line being getting the politics out of Fish and Game," he said.

While Kempthorne used a screening committee to make his first round of commission appointments in 1999, he reverted to the process used by previous governors since then.

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Meet the Marshals

Trevino serves M-C community

By Amie Thompson
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — For his years of service to the Minidoka Project Homesteaders Committee and other organizations in Rupert, John Trevino was chosen to be one of three marshals in Friday's Fourth of July parade in Rupert.

Trevino was president of the group in 1995 when it had a fight for the right to be the Fourth of July celebration is "Luck of the Draw," celebrating the 50-year anniversary of the Minidoka north side homestead.

Trevino, who has lived in Rupert since he was 11, started a farm equipment store with his friend, Wendell Johnson, when he returned from service in the Navy.

But in 1953, his name was chosen, and he



John Trevino is one of three parade marshals for the Rupert Fourth of July parade, which begins at 11 a.m. Friday.

became a farmer too.

"I had never farmed except I had raised sheep," Trevino said. "I remember it was kind of tough to get things going and it was hard to get the water for irrigation."

But Trevino figured it out and helped out many other homesteaders.

"There were people who came from places that never saw water, you might say," Trevino said. "I moved the house I had in town out to the farm and lived in it three years," he said.

Trevino wore two hats until 1970 when he bought Johnson out and Johnson became a full-time farmer. In 1990, Trevino turned his business, Trevino Equipment, over to his son-in-law.

Hillis remembers experimenting with crops

By Amie Thompson
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — Ed Hillis moved to Idaho from Texas in 1954 where he "farmed mostly halibuts the last year."

When he moved north of Rupert, he had to start from scratch and learn a whole new way of farming.

"I really didn't know what I was doing so I just had to experiment," said Hillis who had never farmed potatoes or sugar beets.

Hillis, a past president of the Minidoka Project Homesteaders Committee in Rupert, which was formed in 1982, is one of three marshals chosen for Friday's Fourth of July parade. He's one of the original homesteaders on the Minidoka north side project. That homestead drawing occurred 50 years ago on the Rupert Square and is celebrated in this year's Fourth of July events.

Hillis's wife, Jo, is the unofficial historian for the homesteaders' group and still has addresses for more than 300 of the 637 original homesteaders. Each year, the group gets together for a reunion to reminisce about their modest starts in Idaho. This year's potluck picnic follows the Fourth of July parade in Rupert.

"The first year was awfully rough. We took the sagebrush off and leveled the ground and built



Rupert parade marshal Ed Hillis sits on the one tractor he left from his farming days. "You can't get rid of all your toys," he said.

dirt ditches that washed out," Hillis said. "I got more tears on the potato root than I got water."

After much experimenting, Hillis settled with farming potatoes and malt barley and feeding cattle out for slaughter.

"This is the way I figure it. When people have money, they'll buy beef. When they have no money, they buy potatoes. But they'll buy beer all the time," Hillis said of his farming choices.

Today, Hillis still owns his land, but a neighbor farms it.

"I think at 61 it's time to quit, but if he asked me, I'd help out," Hillis said.

Miska compiles history for homesteaders

By Amie Thompson
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — As part of the 50th anniversary celebration which recognizes the first homestead drawing for the Minidoka north side, a book of stories about those original homesteaders has been compiled.

Don Miska, a past president of the homesteader committee, helped compile "Luck of the Draw." The book is on sale at The Book Store in Rupert. It includes stories from 170 of the 637 original homesteaders. There are photographs, stories from newspapers, diary entries and personal stories of struggles and triumphs of the homesteaders.

Miska, who is one of three men chosen to be parade marshals in the Rupert Fourth of July parade, moved to Rupert in 1956 from Ellsworth, Kan., where he farmed.

"There was more opportunity here than there was in Kansas for me," Miska said. "We just sold everything out there and drove out and started over again."

Homestead drawings were held each year from 1953 to 1965 with veterans from World War II and the Korean War eligible.

Miska's brother-in-law, Eldon Hunter, was a deputy sheriff in Minidoka County and put Miska's name in the drawing. Ed Hillis's daughter, JoAnn Fredericksen, drew Miska's name.



Don Miska, who helped compile "Luck of the Draw," a book of stories about the original homesteaders, will be one of three parade marshals Friday.

"First choice of sagebrush and rocks — what does that mean?" Miska asked, smiling.

Miska farmed wheat, mixed grain and potatoes initially, and eventually raised sugar beets and beans. He only farmed about 10 years before renting his land, moving to Rupert and working for The Amalgamated Sugar Co.

Centennial

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projects.

According to Lesamie, she met with Interim Superintendent

Wiley Dobbs to discuss the schools' involvement in the centennial, and has already done some brainstorming for the writing contest with Curriculum Director LaVonne

Pererson.

To further help preserve the memories of the city's big event, a centennial scrapbook is also in the works.

Burley plans rate increase

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The base rate for water in Burley is expected to increase by \$2 a month in the near future under a plan proposed at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

City Administrator Mark Mitton said a public hearing on the rate increase is scheduled during the July 15 council meeting.

Mitton has proposed the rate increase a way to pay back a \$288,000 loan the city plans to secure to pay for water system improvements in Main Street. That work will be done this summer.

The council voted Tuesday to borrow the \$288,000 from D.L. Evans Bank at 3.48 percent interest. The loan will be repaid during the next five years.

Mitton proposed the fee increase to the base rate rather than the per thousand gallon rate to spread the system improvement cost between all users.

"Because it's a system improvement everyone needs to share in the cost," he said.

Other council business included:

- Tools available — Councilwoman Adria Masoner said some tools loaned to Families at Play for the playground construction project have not been picked up. And tools the group had to buy for the build are now for sale.

- Refunds of deposits — The council decided not to implement a policy to refund deposits for renting group picnic shelters in city parks. City Attorney Randy Stone said the shelter rentals are pre-paid leases.

- The person who paid the deposit has acquired the right to use it," he said. "The city can't lease it to someone else for that day without breaching the contract."

- Water safety — John Ringle asked the council if the city can authorize to regulate the river activity on the river by boaters, skiers and swimmers.

- Cassia County Sheriff Jim Higgins said the city has no authority to regulate the river. Higgins said the Cassia and Minidoka sheriff's offices' marine deputies could distribute water safety pamphlets when on patrol.

- Variance ordinance — The council suspended its rules to approve an ordinance on a single reading. The new ordinance abolishes an existing ordinance which allows variances to the city's building codes.

- Alcohol licenses — The council renewed a beer license for the El Paraiso at 1101 Hilland Ave. and a beer and liquor license for Nelson's Pile's Lounge at 125 W. Main St.

- Dust control — By a 3-2 vote, the council agreed to spend \$441 to help control dust on North Burton Street.

Residents of that street are forming a local improvement dis-

trict to pay for a paved street, but in the meantime have arranged for summer dust control. That will cost \$883 and they asked the city to pay part of the costs.

Councilman Curt Mendenhall, who with Hansen voted against the motion, said the contribution "sets a dangerous precedent." Mendenhall said if the city pays for dust control, the residents have no real incentive to form the improvement district.

Ringle, Curtis and Masoner voted "yes."

Masoner said the residents of North Burton pay taxes for streets but "don't get the benefits because it's not a dedicated street."

- Concert — The council agreed to provide electricity and the city's mobile band shell — if it's available — for a Christian concert in East Park either July 21 or 22.

- Baseball tournament — Time reported about 1,000 people are expected in Burley July 11-12 for the 9- and 10-year-old and 11- and 12-year-old All-Stars baseball tournament at Freedom Park.

- Computer program — The council approved Stone's request to purchase the Istars computer software used by the Idaho Supreme Court and all district courts in the state to track court appearances. The software costs \$250 which Stone has in the attorney's budget.

He said having better access to tracking court cases should reduce 15 hours a week of secretarial time now charged the city.

Performances continue in Rupert Square

The Times-News

RUPERT — Day No. 3 of the Rupert Fourth of July party again features a night of entertainment in the Rupert Square.

Tonight's highlighted group is the Twin Falls Municipal Band, which played last year and proved to be a crowd pleaser, so organizers invited the band back to Rupert.

Also today, the annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament at Minico High School kicks off.

Fourth of July committee members remind people attending events on the square to bring

Rupert Fourth of July

- Today
- 11 a.m. — Food booths open, Rupert Square.
 - 5 p.m. — Carnival, Minidoka County Fairgrounds.
 - 6 p.m. — Minico High School trumpet ensemble, gazebo, Rupert Square.
 - 6:30 p.m. — Emily Gomez, gazebo, Rupert Square.
 - 7 p.m. — Minico High School drum line, gazebo, Rupert Square.
 - 7:15 p.m. — Junior Miss contestants, gazebo, Rupert Square.
 - 8 p.m. — Twin Falls Municipal Band, gazebo, Rupert Square.
 - All day — 3-on-3 basketball tournament, Minico High School.

chairs or blankets because seating is limited.

People may buy food and drinks during the evening entertainment

Albion plans busy slate for Independence Day

By Mary Lynne Bristol
Times-News correspondent

ALBION — The annual Albion Homestead July Fourth Celebration reviews this year around the theme of "Hooray for the USA."

Friday's schedule features a wide variety of activities.

The day begins with a breakfast sponsored by the senior citizens group at the senior center on the Normal School campus. Between 7 and 8 a.m. people can buy breakfast for \$12 per family, \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children 10 and younger. The menu includes pancakes, link sausages, ham, scrambled eggs, fruit, orange juice, coffee and hot chocolate.

Entries for the parade are to line up on South Main Street before the parade's 10 a.m. start. The parade travels north on Main Street to City Park. Grand marshals are ValDeL and Marcella Mahoney.

Shortly after the parade ends, about 11 a.m., a flag-raising ceremony and patriotic program is scheduled in City Park. The American Legion will conduct the flag ceremony and Speaker of the House Bruce Newcomb will be the guest speaker at the patriotic program.

Action continues all afternoon in City Park. Various performers will entertain from a portable stage located in the southwest section of the park. That entertainment begins at 11:30 a.m. and continues throughout the afternoon.

A "children's yard," conducted the Albion Parent Teacher Organization, opens after the patri-

otic program. Among the planned games and activities are a 35-foot caterpillar obstacle course and a fishing pond. Tickets are 25 cents.

About noon, food booths in the park pavilion open.

A horseshoe tournament sponsored by the Scouts starts at noon. A \$10 entry fee is assessed each two-person team. The top three teams earn prizes and a traveling trophy goes to the first-place team. Spectators should bring chairs and umbrellas, organizers said.

A pole-climbing contest is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. For \$1, people can try to climb the monkey-topped pole. If anyone reaches the money, they get to keep half the pot and the other half goes into the playground fund.

A dunk tank and climbing wall are also expected to be set up.

Julie Van Sickle is portraying Nina Puckler, an antique store dealer.

Tia Hasman is Darri Puckler, Nina's sister.

Adrianna Billings is Victoria St. John, a bird watcher.

A.J. Hoffman is the director, and Tesla Herzinger is the assistant director. Erica Littlefield is production assistant; Tristram Griffin, set decorator; and Dave Blaszkiewicz, adviser.

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honey-mooners sometimes go, but on the night of the slaying, people show up to help with the investigation.

Here's who's in the cast:

- Will Slomp is portraying Morton Pitkin and Al Goblin, guests at the inn.
- Bonnie Burks is Margaret Ames, the guest house owner.
- Tyler Hutchinson is Danny, a criminology student.

- Kaitlin Van Sickle is the handywoman, Hermione Quail.
- Justin Woodruff is playing Rupert — Baxter, Margaret's nephew.

- Candice Hutchinson is Janis, Rupert's wife.
- Kevin Van Sickle is Phelps, the taxi driver.
- Nicole Pearson is Harriet Elliot, a visitor.
- Jeff Van Sickle is Chief Edwards, the local law.

Julie Van Sickle is portraying Nina Puckler, an antique store dealer.

Tia Hasman is Darri Puckler, Nina's sister.

Adrianna Billings is Victoria St. John, a bird watcher.

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ments, in addition to the biggest fish and casting winner.

■ Friday

- Breakfast — from 7 to 9:30 a.m. will be a pancake, sausage and egg breakfast with all the trimmings sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. Prices are \$5 for adults, \$3 for youth and children under 6 free.

- Race — Buhl High School Key Club is hosting a "Run For Fun" starting at 8 a.m. on Main Street in front of Sav-Mor-Drug-Store. Categories are 10K or 5K courses, or participants can walk the 5K course.

The top three male and female overall finishers will receive awards, as well as the top male and female in each of the several age categories.

Pre-registration is \$15 per individual at the Buhl Visitors Center,

or call Steve Kaatz at 543-8576. Registration at race time is \$20 per participant.

Door prizes will be randomly drawn following the finish of the race. All proceeds will go to the Key Club to fund the many hours of community service the club performs yearly.

- Parade — At 10:15 a.m., the Idaho Air National Guard will fly over the city to kick off the start of the parade at 10:30 a.m. Clint Upham will be parade grand marshal. Upham is a longtime resident of Buhl and a 52-year volunteer fireman.

The parade will feature the Wells Fargo stagecoach with a team of four horses, El Capa Bareback Riders from Boise will again be in the lineup, and after the parade they'll be in the park for people to talk to and see the riders and horses up close.

Decorated floats, bands, horses, motorcycles, tractors, wagons and

antique cars will also be in the lineup.

- Park events — After the parade, the activity shifts to Eastman and McCluskey parks for food vendors, craft displays, fireworks competition, mountain men exhibits, a three-story slide for the kids, a mechanical bull to test your riding skills and continuous entertainment during the day.

- Arena events — The antique tractor pull begins at 2 p.m. in the rodeo arena. At 6:30 p.m., the El Capa Bareback Riders will perform, and at 7 p.m. is the Tony Dams Bull Riding Event — when 35 bull riders and numerous rodeo performers will be on hand to participate.

- Fireworks — The two-day celebration will end with fireworks display at the north end of Eastman Park.

For further information on any event, call the Buhl Chamber of Commerce at 543-6822.

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Strong June tax collections leave state with modest surplus

BOISE (AP) — A second month of strong tax collections is allowing Idaho to close the books on the 2003 spending year ending in June with a modest surplus.

Last month's preliminary figures were about \$3.5 million ahead of the benchmark, the Division of Financial Management reported on Wednesday.

June's surplus will add to the cushion for the 2003-2004 budget that began on Tuesday.

The administration needed only to meet the June projection to assure a balanced budget at the close of one of the most challenging financial years in state history.

"Idaho has done a fairly remarkable job in dealing with our problems," Controller Keith Johnson said.

Although it required the first tax increase since the mid-1980s and major budget cuts, the state managed to overcome persistently slipping monthly tax collections without resorting to accounting gimmicks or other options to avoid a deficit.

Combined with a federal windfall of as much as \$85 million for the coming year, June's tax collections further reduced the

The tax committee

Here are the members of the special legislative tax force to review the sales tax and whether the tax should be imposed on current exempt transactions including services.

• State Senate Republicans Hal Bunderson of Meridian, the chairman of the tax committee, and Joe Stegner, a Lewiston businessman who is also the assistant Republican floor leader.

• State Senate Democrats Fred Kennedy of Mountain Home and Edgar Maloof of Pocatello.

• House Republicans Dolores Crag of Nampa, the chairman of the tax committee, who resigned all tax increases this past winter, and Del Raybold, a tax committee member from Reubing.

changes that the Legislature will have to be reconvened in special session later this year to keep the state in the black.

Revenue growth was a surprising 4.9 percent before the impact of the sales tax increase. The administration had expected

• House Democrats Wendy Jaquet of Ketchum, who is the minority floor leader, and Margaret Herbert, a tax committee member from Boise who also chairs the Democratic caucus.

• Former Secretary of State Pete Conners, a one-time speaker of the Idaho House.

• Former Republican House Caucus Chairman John Tippetts of Bennington, a member of the governor's special Blue Ribbon Task Force on government efficiency that has already recommended expanding the sales tax base.

House and Senate leaders were still discussing whether the nonlegislative members would have votes on the panel and whether other nonlegislators would be added.

Among possible additional members were Judy Brown, director of the Idaho Center on Budget and Tax Policy, and Randy Nelson, head of the Associated Taxpayers of Idaho.

only 4.3 percent growth, and the Legislature had predicted an even lower rate.

But House Speaker Bruce Newcomb of Burley said the fact that May and June tax collections exceeded scaled-back targets



Rep. Bruce Newcomb

paycheck withholding, a key indicator of the economy's underlying job strength, was off another \$4 million. It has met analysts' targets just twice in the past 12 months.

The administration's most recent economic forecast expected a substantially more robust year with job losses even greater last year than originally thought.

Those factors kept Newcomb optimistic about the special legislative task force that will begin assessing the state's sales tax on July 22. The panel is ultimately

expected to make a recommendation on whether the state should broaden the sales tax base and possibly reduce the rate.

Previously at 5 percent, the rate was raised to 6 percent in May to keep the budget in balance. But that extra penny, worth about \$160 million a year, expires in mid-2005.

"This economy has really changed since 1985," Newcomb said. "The service economy has tripled and the production side has declined 50 percent. We're still in transition. It's really important that we take a good, hard look at how we're going to balance."

In the past 12 years, the state has gone from collecting sales tax on 50 percent of all transactions, about \$16.4 billion in 1990-1991, to taxing just 45 percent of all transactions, now exceeding \$37 billion.

Democrats and some moderate Republicans have argued that extending the tax to all transactions would permit cutting the tax rate to 4 percent or less. That would capture the fastest growing sector of the economy for the future and give a break to lower income people on food and other necessities.

Jerome council OKs second taxi service

By Dixie Thomas Reile
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — A second tax cab company can begin operating in town as soon as the owner gets liability insurance.

Filadelfo Funes-Caballero requested a license to operate a tax cab company in the city at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

Funes-Caballero had met all the requirements of the Jerome municipal code for the taxicab application except the insurance. Funes-Caballero had a \$100,000 liability private vehicle coverage insurance policy, city code requires \$300,000 liability commercial insurance coverage. City

Administrator Travis Rothweiler said.

Funes-Caballero said he was unaware of the \$300,000 city code requirement but would get the required coverage.

The council approved his application contingent upon his obtaining the required coverage. In other business, Alvin Abbott was chosen by his fellow workers as employee of the month for July in the city. This was the first time city employees chose the employee of the month.

Previously department heads chose the employee of the month. During the new process, employees vote on workers in their departments. The names of

the winners from each department are forwarded to a central committee made up of representatives from each department. The central committee chooses the final winner of the honor.

Abbott has worked for the city for 11 years and received a gift certificate for lunch for two at Subway Restaurant.

Abbott's picture will also be displayed on a wall in City Hall along with other employees of the month.

Other council business included:

• Budget — Rothweiler told the council that next year's budget should be complete by the end of July or early August. The council

should expect to spend about six hours in budget meeting when Rothweiler presents the budget.

• Directorship — Councilman Jerry Crozier was chosen recently at the Association of Idaho Cities conference in Coeur d'Alene to sit on the board of directors is one of the representatives from Region 4.

• Paving machine — City Engineer Scott Bybee told the council that the urban renewal agency would be taking bids on a paving machine later this month. If the bids come in at a good price, the urban renewal agency will probably buy one and the city will then have a paving machine available to use.

Academy orders court martial for cadet in sexual assault case

DENVER (AP) — Rejecting an investigator's call for leniency, the Air Force Academy said Wednesday it will court-martial the first cadet to be charged with rape since the sexual assault scandal erupted at the prestigious school.

Sophomore Douglas Meester, 20, could face life in prison and dismissal from the Air Force if he is convicted of rape, sodomy, indecent assault and providing alcohol to minors. The alleged victim says she was assaulted in Meester's dorm room last fall after a night of drinking.

No date has been set for the trial.

Defense attorney Capt. Kathleen Rader said Meester has several options, including asking the secretary of the Air Force to approve his resignation instead of a court-martial. "Quite honestly, certainly administrative dispositions are something you want to look at," she said.

The decision to court-martial Meester was made by Brig. Gen. John Weida, who became cadet

commandant earlier this year in a management shakeup prompted by the scandal.

Weida rejected the recommendation of the investigating officers, who presided over Meester's Article 32 hearing in May, that officer had suggested an administrative punishment, likely dismissal from the Air Force.

Weida did not return a call seeking comment. But Rader said commanding officers rarely go against investigating officers' recommendations in such cases.

Rader said she may ask the judge to move the court-martial away from the academy near Colorado Springs and she suggested Meester is being treated differently than he would be had there been no scandal.

There have been no discussions so far about a plea bargain, she said.

The academy has been in turmoil since February, when female cadets went public with allegations of assault by fellow students and indifference or retribution from their superiors.

U.N. preservation panel will take Yellowstone off endangered list

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — Yellowstone National Park will be taken off a worldwide list of endangered sites, but an international committee remains concerned about ongoing threats to the park.

After a vigorous and apparently unprecedented round of debate Tuesday, the U.N. World Heritage Committee voted to remove Yellowstone from its "In Danger List."

Although the committee decided that the chief threat to the park when it was listed in 1995 — a gold mine just outside its borders — is no longer a concern, significant threats remain.

For the first time in removing a site from the danger list, the committee is requiring the United States to report back next year with progress with issues such as bison and brucellosis, cutthroat trout, maintenance projects and pressure from visitors.

"Yellowstone is now off the danger list, but it's not off the hook," said Jim Thorsell told The Billings Gazette in a telephone interview from Paris. Thorsell is a senior advisor for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature, which advises the World Heritage Committee.

Much of the debate focused on infrastructure that was given to the committee about Yellowstone.

Earlier this year, the panel received a status report by the

U.S. Department of the Interior followed by a letter from Paul Hoffman, the agency's deputy assistant secretary for fish, wildlife and parks. Hoffman said that Yellowstone is no longer in danger and that threats to the park were being addressed.

More recently, however, the committee received a letter from Roger Kennedy, a former National Park Service director, stating that Hoffman's Interior report were downplaying problems to have the park removed from the list.

Also, several former Park Service directors wrote a letter complaining about a new snowmobile plan for Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks.

"These guys (former Park Service directors) have a lot of history and credibility behind them," Thorsell said. The committee "took them quite seriously."

Members of the 21 countries on the committee struggled with the U.S. request to take Yellowstone off the list. In the end, the committee lauded the United States for persuading Crown Butte Inc. not to reopen a mine near the park — the basis for the decision to take Yellowstone off the list.

But the committee denied a request to promote Yellowstone as a model for dealing with environmental threats.

"The message from the world community was that they're still

concerned about the threats to Yellowstone," Thorsell said. "They commended them on the mine issue but said the rest of the issues still need a lot of attention."

Federal officials were pleased with the decision.

"Obviously this is good news," Interior spokesman Hugh Vickery said. "This is international recognition of the steps we've taken at Yellowstone to address the threats that caused it to be listed in 1995."

"The president has made a major commitment to upgrading our parks," he said, including \$2.9 billion to pay for outstanding maintenance projects. "We believe the Park Service is headed in the right direction."

Michael Scott, director of the conservation group Greater Yellowstone Coalition, said the committee's important message is that Yellowstone could still be in trouble.

"What's very significant about what the World Heritage Committee did today is that it took an unprecedented step of asking the U.S. Department of Interior to continually monitor a set of threats that it perceives to still exist at Yellowstone," he said.

Although appearance on the committee's endangered list is largely symbolic, Scott said international attention paid to Yellowstone demonstrates its importance to the world.

Brutal attack brings another prison term

BOISE (AP) — A former Canyon County man has been sentenced to 10 to 13 years in prison for his role in the brutal roadside beating of Washington motorist Linda LeBrane.

Kenneth Wurdemann, 34, was also ordered to pay \$47,000 in restitution to the victim.

Prosecutors said Wurdemann's confession and subsequent statements helped them break the case.

LeBrane, 54, of Port Townsend, Wash., was driving through Canyon County on vacation in the early morning of June 15, 2000, when she was run off her interstate 84. She was struck with a metal bat and repeatedly stabbed and slashed with a knife before she was robbed. Her assailants — three men and a woman — set fire to her car.

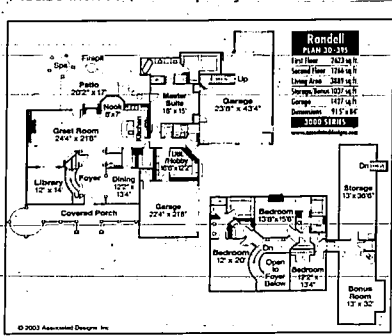
John Wurdemann, 32, Kenneth's brother, has been sentenced to four life terms in prison. The third man, Jeremy Flores Sanchez, 27, is awaiting sentencing.

The woman, Sarah Pearce, 20, is scheduled to go on trial in three weeks.

Take a break
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To our readers:

This floor plan was incomplete in Wednesday's Food & Home section. The plan is for the Randall design, from Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Drive, Department W, Eugene, Ore., 97402. Please include \$25 and specify the Randall 30-395



Governor sticks closer to home in past year

BOISE (AP) — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne stayed closer to home in the past year than he has in previous years since he became chief executive.

Kempthorne, who returned on Wednesday from a homeland security advisory council meeting in Washington, D.C., was out of the state for 49 days during the last budget year from July 2002 through this June.

That compared to 53 days in out-of-state travel the year before and 100 days during his second full year in office.

In the 4.5 years Kempthorne has been governor, he has been out of



Gov. Dirk Kempthorne

the state 301 days. The cost to taxpayers has been about \$70,000 — \$10,000 in the past year — for the higher salary the constitution requires acting governors to be paid in his absence. Most has gone to the lieutenant governors — Butch Otter, Jack Riggs and now James Risch.

Kempthorne and his staff have defended the aggressive travel schedule over the years, arguing that it has raised the state's profile and generated new business that has been a boost to the economy. Trade missions to Asia, Mexico and Canada have been the major trips Kempthorne took prior to the last year, when budget problems forced travel to be curtailed throughout government.

Kempthorne was the chairman of the Western Governors' Association in 2001, and he is currently the incoming chairman of the National Governors' Association.

Mutilated cat found at country club — 11th in SLC area

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The front half of a gray tabby cat was discovered by golfers at a suburban country club, the 11th cat mutilation in the area since last year, but the first outside the city's northwest avenues area.

The cat was found about 9 a.m. by two women playing at the Willow Creek Country Club. It was off the tee box on the third hole. The organs had been removed,

but little blood was found at the site, said Temma Martin, spokeswoman for county Animal Services. The cat appeared to have been hit with a sharp object. The back half of the animal was not found.

Matt Isbell, assistant grounds superintendent, said "I was just confused as to why anyone would want to do that to a cat."

Animal Services investigators

are looking into the possibility that this mutilation could be connected to those that have occurred in the Avenues since May 2002.

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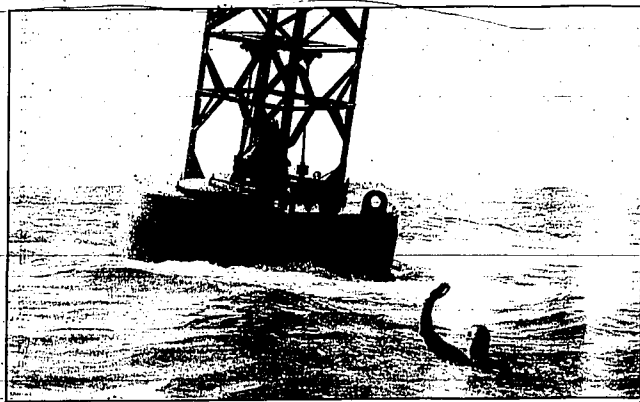
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Christopher Swain, 35, arrives Tuesday at Buoy 7, near Astoria, Ore., the official end of the Columbia River and the end of his 1,243-mile swim.

Portland man swims Columbia to bring attention to pollution

ASTORIA, Ore. (AP) — Christopher Swain, who swam the length of the Columbia River to protest pollution, finished his yearlong journey Tuesday.

The 1,243-mile swim began at the river's source in Canada and ended with Swain pushing through 8- to 10-foot swells at the river's mouth in Astoria.

"I was overwhelmed," Swain said Tuesday. "There was a moment when everything hit me." Swain conceived of the swim as a way to bring attention to the harm done to the river by dams, pollutants and other threats.

"I wanted to put the river in the public eye, and I did it," he said.

Swain, of Portland, Ore., swam between five and 25 miles a day, depending on the water temperature and his health. He was flanked by a small motorized raft run by volunteers. Every 20 min-



Christopher Swain celebrates the end of the swim.

utes or so, he would switch out his mouth with hydrogen peroxide against infection from the polluted water.

He battled cold, wind, debris and infections he blamed on the pollutants he swam through.

Swain said Tuesday he met with

more than 13,000 people along the way, including thousands of school children with whom he shared his story.

He saw some of the impacts of the changes to the river in flooded towns and traditional American Indian sites, and people sickened by pollutants in the water, he said. "This started out as a swim for a clean Columbia, but it ended up as something different. What affected one most was the people. All these issues on the river can all be reduced to human terms."

Swain now plans to spend more time with his daughter and wife, who is expecting their second child, but intends to continue his campaign for the river. "I feel like I've accomplished 10 percent of my task," he said. "The challenge is now to keep my promises, and go back to the schools and communities I visited along the way."

New laws enacted after 9-11 still concern Idaho lawmaker

BOISE (AP) — Congressman Butch Otter, one of only three Republicans to oppose the Patriot Act in Congress after the 2001 terror attacks, is out to repeal some of the most sweeping powers it gives government.

And the two-term lawmaker with the libertarian bent believes his view is gaining hold in Washington.

"I think there's now a sense in Congress that we did it too fast," Otter told the City Club of Boise this week. "When your freedom is lost, it makes no difference who took it away from you."

While well-intentioned, Otter called the Patriot Act "an uncharismatic and violent act against the right to be secure in your own records and your own property."

The campaign by Attorney General John Ashcroft and others to claim even more power through proposed amendments "is much,



"We need to get our freedoms back."

— Butch Otter, Idaho congressman

much worse than the first," he said. He also questioned Ashcroft's leadership as the nation's top law enforcement official.

"I always get nervous when somebody wants to take my responsibility away from me," Otter said. "I think it has not been good for this country."

He now finds himself in an odd

alliance with California Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein, the only senator to vote against the Patriot Act, and Vermont's Bernie Sanders, who is an independent in Congress and former socialist mayor, to repeal parts of the 2001 law. There were just 67 votes against it two years ago. Otter said 120 members of Congress have signed on to the repeal.

"We can't allow it to go any further," Otter said. "We need to get our freedoms back."

He encouraged Idaho residents and government officials to take public stands against provisions of the law including those allowing computer and record searches without sufficient justification.

In some ways, Otter said the Patriot Act was a victory to the terrorists.

"What did they want to do? Take away our freedoms," he said. "They've won in some cases."

BPA eyes rise in wholesale power rates

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The Bonneville Power Administration said it will probably raise wholesale power rates an average of 5 percent this fall, a number that brought relief to some and disappointment to others.

BPA Administrator Stephen Wright's announcement Tuesday completes a process that started in March with the agency saying it needed a 15 percent rate boost to erase a \$920 million budget deficit through 2006.

Since then, cost-cutting, favorable weather for hydropower pro-

duction and improved prices for the surplus that BPA sells outside the Northwest have combined to reduce the proposed increase.

The BPA, a federal agency, sells power from 29 dams in the Columbia River basin and one nuclear plant near Hanford, Wash. It sells electricity to more than 130 utilities in the region and markets surplus power outside the Northwest.

The impact of a 5 percent increase will vary widely. Although the BPA provides about half of the Northwest's electricity, some util-

ities purchase all of their power from the agency while others buy only a share.

Ratepayers at consumer-owned utilities — municipals, co-ops and people's utility districts that are more dependent on the BPA — will bear the brunt of the increase. But some said they might not have to automatically raise their rates.

"It's not good news, but it's certainly better than what they talked about earlier," said Mick Shurt, of Clark Public Utilities in Vancouver, Wash., which buys about half its power from the BPA.

Spokane outage hurts many businesses

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — The six-hour power outage that darkened a third of downtown Spokane extinguished sales as well as the lights of many merchants.

Power was out in a 25-square block area of downtown starting at shortly before 1 p.m. Tuesday.

Stephen Loveland, owner of Two Wheel Transit, called about 20 customers to say their bikes wouldn't be ready as promised. "We're

probably losing \$5,000 to \$6,000 today. Somebody's going to get a bill. It's not my fault."

More than 600 people were evacuated from the Washington Trust Bank Financial Center, bank President Jack Heath said.

Some workers were trapped in the elevators of the 14-story building, but repair crews freed them quickly. "We've never had a total blackout like that," Heath said. Power was cut to 573 downtown

businesses and residences when a contract worker hired by Comcast hit two major electricity feeder lines. No injuries were reported, and no overall figure for business losses was immediately available.

Saunders Cable, hired by Comcast, was installing fiber-optic cables at the intersection of Jefferson and Riverside when it hit the 80-year-old power lines at 12:47 p.m. Power was restored to all customers by about 7 p.m.

JEROME COUNTY COURTS

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JEROME — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments

Angela M. Colon, 27, 1389 S. Washington, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; failure to provide proof of insurance; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

James W. Courtneyman, 47, 950 S. 2nd, Idaho Falls; driving under the influence; driving without privileges; open container; pretrial conference July 14; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Laverne Rae Hunt, 26, P.O. Box 32, Wendell; driving without privileges; failure to provide proof of insurance; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Kenzie Ethel Hutton, 39, 818 C St., Rupert; driving under the influence; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Jose Ignacio Leon-Alpique, 40, 335 Jackson St., Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Brenda K. McConnell, 35, 325 E. Ave. F, Jerome; battery; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Jeremiah Parrott, 22, 112 Pheasant Road, Jerome; battery; failed to appear; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Lynn E. Peterson, 50, 504 Lynnwood Road, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; failed to appear; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Douglas L. Richards, 44, 326 Eighth Ave. E., Jerome; criminal contempt of court; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Donald Steven Shockey, 56, 19 N. Eden Road, Eden; battery — domestic violence; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Michael Kelly Warren, 42, 1188 E. 990 S., Jerome; battery; resisting or obstructing officers; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Elizabeth M. Hietzmann, 20, 112 Eighth Ave. W., No. 27, Jerome; underage consumption, possession, and/or purchase of alcohol; resisting or obstructing officers; pretrial conference July 7; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Mario V. Regalado, 43, Box 553, Ballview; open container; 510 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

James G. Loveland, 33, P.O. Box 741, Meridian; driving under the influence; 90-day driver's license suspension; \$750 fine, \$500 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; open supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Deel Ray Flores, 23, 905 20th Ave. E., Jerome; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; \$300 fine, \$150 sus-

pending, \$63.50 court costs; two years' supervised probation; 365 days in jail, 248 suspended, credit for 19 days served; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Ricky Steven Flynn, 39, 390 Second Ave. W., Jerome; assault; dismissed by prosecutor; disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, two eligible for work program; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Larry Dennis Gardner, 22, 428 First Ave. E., Wendell; driving without privileges; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; one year unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, two eligible for work program; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Joshua R. Hunt, 20, 316 N. 200 W., Jerome; disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; six months' unsupervised probation; 25 days in jail, 25 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Juvenile misdemeanor sentencing

Jonathan C. Ekstrand, 17, 690 N. 550 W., Shoshone; underage consumption, possession, and/or purchase of alcohol; \$750 fine, \$650 suspended, \$63.50 court costs; one year unsupervised probation; per se; failure to purchase/maintain driver's license; placing debris on public/private property; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Felony arraignments

Robert Dale Chase, 46, 212 S. Adams, Jerome; lewd conduct with a child under 16; status hearing July 21, jury trial Aug. 6; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Pete L. Gorman, 58, 500 Highland, Apt. 1, Burley; possession of a controlled substance; drug stamp tax violation; delivery and/or manufacture of drug paraphernalia violations; status hearing July 7, jury trial July 30; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

James Randolph Linzi II, 33, 1901 Front St., N. E., Salem, Ore.; two counts possession of a controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; sentencing July 28; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Carlos Manuel Chaparro, 27, street address unknown, Jerome; possession of a controlled substance; sentencing Aug. 11; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Esteban Escobedo, 20, 199 Sidney, Twin Falls; injury to a child; sentencing Aug. 4; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Jorge Alonso Puentes, 25, 7421 Steve Lane, Pharr, Texas; drug trafficking in maritime; pretrial conference Sept. 15, jury trial Oct. 1; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Felony sentencing

Daniel Allen Goss, 39, 413 E. Ave. C, Jerome; aggravated assault; amended to assault; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended,

\$63.50 court costs, \$75 public defender fee; two years supervised probation; 90 days in jail, 80 suspended, credit for 10 days served; malicious injury to property; dismissed by prosecutor; use of telephone to harass/molest obscene calls, etc.; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, 180 days in jail, 170 suspended, credit for 10 days served; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Civil filings

Bonneville Billing and Collections vs. Wendell Heaps and April Heaps, spouse. Seeking \$1,800.66, plus interest of \$45.25; attorney fees of \$500. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

Archer Daniels Midland Company vs. Bill Mavencamp. Seeking \$78,605.50, plus interest; \$2,550 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for calf milk replacer.

Action Collection Service vs. Jessica Gritton. Seeking \$1,220, plus \$33.85 interest; \$400 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

American General Finance vs. G. G. Cantano and Constantina Cantano. Seeking \$5,072.62, plus interest; \$500 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for property used as collateral on a loan.

American General Finance vs. Ron Brulor. Seeking \$4,803.38, plus interest; attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for property used as collateral on a loan.

Worldwide Asset Purchasing vs. Lavern Zuleci. Seeking \$9,820.51, plus interest; \$2,300 attorney fees (uncontested), \$125 per hour if contested. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for an account obligation or debt receivable.

First Resolution Investment vs. Charles E. Scott and Laura Fay Scott, spouse. Seeking \$5,555.65, plus interest; \$1,000 attorney fees uncontested, \$1125 per hour if contested. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for an account obligation or debt receivable.

Child support cases

State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. John L. Schanz. Seeking determination that defendant is the father of Allisia Marie Smith; monthly support of \$180, plus 50 percent of child's medical and child care expenses; attorney fees of \$330.

State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. Jeremy D. Baird. Seeking determination that defendant is the father of Lillie Sherrie Lynn Brown; monthly support of \$180, plus 50 percent of child's medical and child care expenses; attorney fees of \$330.

State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. Ramiro Granada Jr. Seeking \$1,277 for medical assistance granted; \$195 monthly support for Sebastian; attorney fees of \$100, plus 50 percent of child's medical and child care expenses; \$363 attorney fees.

Divorces

Holly Marie Bell vs. Justin Irven Bell. Jennifer Quigley vs. Clay Correll.

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Hispanic Heritage Festival elects new president

By Levi Aspeytla
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Every year, the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta organization puts together the early August festival, "Un Dia en el Valle—A Day in the Valley."

This year, there will be a different president running the show. Jaime Valero of Twin Falls accepted the position one month ago.

"I am very honored and very excited," he said. "I was overwhelmed that the rest of the organization chose me to be president."

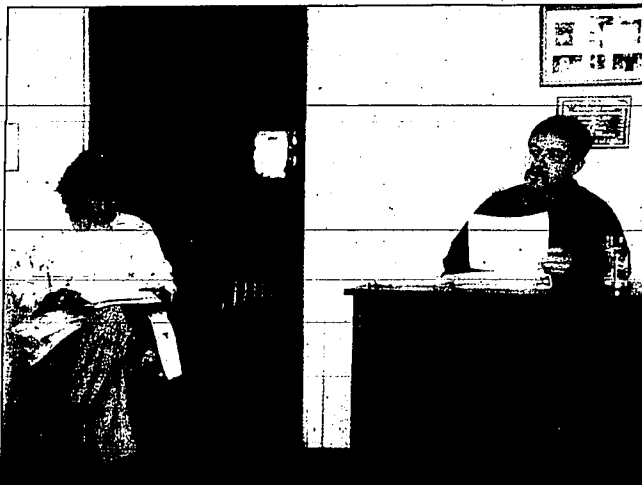
Sister Rosemary Boessen of La Posada Ministry called Valero a great choice.

"I think he is going to do a great job because he loves this community and this area. I see him with great leadership skills," she said.

Valero moved to the Magic Valley five years ago from Nyssa, Ore., and works for the Idaho Migrant Council as an employment and training officer. His duties include training migrant workers to be year-around workers, and he is involved in other programs.

"We want to help people so that their kids can go to school," Valero said. "We are also doing a program to help people go to college. We have two-year and four-year programs."

Valero said he has felt lucky to work at the Migrant Council since they have allowed him



New Hispanic Heritage Fiesta President Jaime Valero goes over the minutes from the previous meeting as treasurer Paula Salinas reviews her notes. The organization is getting ready for its annual event in August, "Un Dia en el Valle."

time to focus on the August event.

One of the things that the

Hispanic Heritage Fiesta has faced for years is a shortage of help to plan the event. As presi-

dent, one of Valero's first goals will be finding ways to make the organization's events bigger and

Hispanic Heritage Fiesta Events

TWIN FALLS - A parade, pageant, food and culture is planned for the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta, which is scheduled for Aug. 8-10.

On Aug. 8, the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta Queen pageant will start at 7 p.m. at the Twin Falls High School Roper Auditorium. For more information, call Noel or Dana Morfin at 734-6905 or 431-6818.

"Last year, we awarded, with the College of Southern Idaho, matching, about \$6,000 in scholarships," said pageant co-chair Noel Morfin.

On Aug. 9, there will be an evening parade starting at 5 p.m. going down Main Avenue followed by a street dance on Main Avenue near the water fountains.

"We figured that since people were already out for the parade that they can just walk over for the street dance," fiesta president Jaime Valero said.

The parade entry fee is \$20. For more

Information on the parade, call Hugo Mendoza at 734-3338. The deadline for float entries is Aug. 6.

The rest of the festivities will be going on Aug. 10 at the Twin Falls City Park.

There will be food booths, folk dancing, and music.

"We are hoping to get this year about six or seven bands to play at the park," Valero said.

On the other half of the park, the annual car show will take place, along with a break dancing competition. It is yet to be determined if the sound-off car stereo competition will be making a return, but anyone interested in more information can call Monica Solis at 420-5961.

The rest of the car show will be rolling along with repeat of the car hopping contest; that is a show of hydraulics. This year, a representative from Street Customs Magazine is expected to cover the car show for the nationwide magazine.

"A magazine covering our car show is pretty neat, something interesting for this year," Solis said. "It has got a lot of people working on their vehicles for the car hopping contest."

better while getting more people involved.

"I want to get a feel for the entire process this year before I do anything big," he said. "I want to try to bring in more members because they will bring with them new ideas and ways to do things a bit different. Right now, six or seven do all the work, and it sometimes can get stressful."

Vice president Martin Abril agrees.

"We are getting more involved with the organization," Abril said. "We are learning a lot this year so we can get more involved with the community."

With the skills and ideas of how to run an organization, Valero said he hopes they will eventually lead to him running for city council in the future.

Conference aims to answer questions about immigration

BOISE - The Idaho Network For New Americans Sixth Annual Naturalization Conference will cover a wide range of topics about immigration.

The conference will be held from 8 a.m. to noon July 11 at the Idaho Education Association Building, 620 N. 6th St. in Boise.

The cost is free, but donations are welcome to defray costs, and pre-registration is encouraged.

The conference will teach people who work with immigrants how to assist naturalization applicants, and answer common questions about the naturalization process.

On March 1, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) transitioned into the Department of Homeland Security.

Parts of the former INS have been incorporated into the Directorate of Border and Transportation Security and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Bureau

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of Citizenship and Immigration Services (BCIS), among other agencies.

The INNA is a coalition of immigrant advocates whose primary goal is to assist immigrants to become citizens and become actively involved in their communities.

Conference highlights include:

8:15 a.m. Registration and refreshments

8:15 a.m. Introduction by Erik Johnson, Idaho Legal Aid Services

8:20 a.m. What You Need to Know Before You Apply for Naturalization, Ernie Hoidal, immigration attorney

8:50 a.m. New Issues Regarding the Lincoln Service Center, official

from BCIS

9:30 a.m. The N-400 and N-600, the Naturalization Interview and Frequently Asked Questions About the Naturalization Process, Sharon Bubbs, interim office in charge, BCIS Boise office

10:15 a.m. When to Contact the Senator's Office, Brenda Maynard, aide to U.S. Senator Larry Craig

10:25 a.m. Teaching ESL and Civics for the Naturalization Exam, Bonny Munoz, English as second language instructor, Idaho Migrant Council

10:45 a.m. Getting Credit for All of Your Social Security Earnings, Dave Hardesty, Social Security Administration

11 a.m. Criminal History Issues, Raul Labrador, immigration attorney

11:20 a.m. Denials, Appeals, and When to Reapply, Raul Labrador

11:35 a.m. Question and Answer Period With Naturalization Experts.

established freedom of religion in 1800 and women's suffrage in 1953.

The law does not spell out how violators will be punished. That will likely be decided by a new body promulgated by Fox, the National Commission for the Prevention of Discrimination.

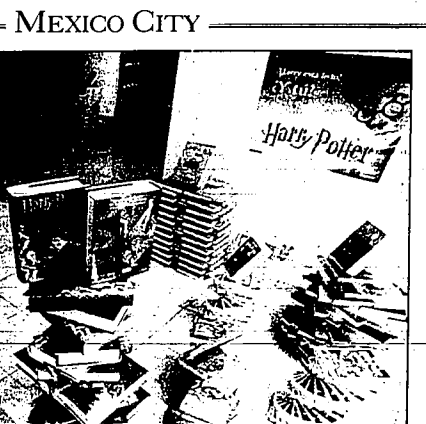
The law cancels out several smaller proposals that would have banned discrimination against women and Indians, or forbade employers from firing elderly employees or women who become pregnant, among other things.

Some of those measures languished in the legislature for years and had little chance of coming to a vote.

Celebrating a quinceanera? Comunidad wants to know

Comunidad invites young women and their families to send in news and photos about their quinceanera celebrations. The event will be published for free.

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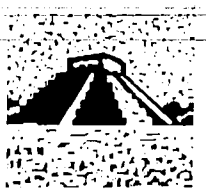
Patrick, 3, walks by a display promoting the new Harry Potter book, "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" in Mexico City. More Harry Potters are on the way. The U.S. publisher of J.K. Rowling's record-breaking fantasy series has ordered another 800,000 copies, bringing the total in print to 9.3 million.

New Mexican law bans discrimination

MEXICO CITY (AP) - President Vicente Fox signed a law recently that bans all forms of discrimination, a groundbreaking measure in a nation struggling to overcome racism and other forms of bias.

"This signature makes this a historic date for our country," Fox said. "It's historic because it establishes that nobody should be excluded from their social well-being because of their ethnic origin, gender, age or religion."

The measure that passed Monday first sought only to ban discrimination in the public sector, but after several months of debate it was vastly expanded and approved by both houses of Congress in April.



Reporte de Mexico

Interior Minister Santiago Creel said the measure was as important as Mexican laws that

'Dos Culturas' holds final event this weekend

KETCHUM - "Dos Culturas," sponsored by the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, wraps up with a Mexican cooking class.

One purpose of the event is to raise awareness about the area's growing Hispanic population.

For more information,

call 726-9491, visit 191 Fifth St. E. in Ketchum or check out its Web site at www.sunvalleycenter.org.

Sunday, Noon to 3 p.m.; Monday and Tuesday, 5-8 p.m. Mexican Regional Cooking Class with Diana Kennedy. The cost is \$75 for center members and \$100 for non-members. Register through the center Cottonwood Cooking School at 411 5th St. E. in Ketchum.

Comunidad means "community" in Spanish and that's what this page is all about. Send your news items, quinceañeras, tips and notices to: Pat Marcantonio, Comunidad editor at: E-mail: patm@magvalley.com.

Singer disputes love affair

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Ricky Martin criticized recent speculation about his relationship with Mexican television personality Rebecca de Alba, and dismissed rumors that the two planned to have a baby together, Mexican newspapers reported.

"Whether Rebecca and I decide to be parents is something that's nobody's business," the Puerto Rican pop star said, addressing reports that Alba was pregnant.

Martin, 31, also criticized recent rumors he planned to propose to Alba, and refused to say whether the two were more than just friends.

"I will continue defending the relationship I have had for many years with Rebecca," Martin said. "I insist that she is a marvelous woman, and I want to have her in my life forever, and that will be."

The singer made the comments at a news conference in the northern city of Monterrey, where he met with some 600 fans. He was kicking off a tight, three-day schedule that includes stops in Guadalajara and Mexico City to promote his latest album, "Almas del Silencio."

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Son's death by drunk driver changes mom's life

DEAR ABBY: This Mother's Day was my fourth without my youngest son. In June of 1999, he was killed by a drunk driver. My son was only 23 and had his whole life ahead of him.

The driver was a 50-year-old man who pulled out of a bar parking lot onto a main road as though he were the only driver in the world. My son didn't stand a chance. It was 8:30 on a Tuesday night. DUIs can occur any day, any time.

That tragic night not only changed my life forever, but the lives of my son's brother, his grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, a girlfriend and friends. I will never be able to attend his wedding, cuddle his children, or have a relationship with his wife.

I raised two boys and enjoyed their company. How quickly all that changed. I no longer enjoy "happy" or "merry" holidays. Abby, please warn your readers not to drink and drive. Tragedy caused by a drunk driver can strike any family.

-A MOM CHANGED FOREVER

DEAR MOM: I'm sad to say that's absolutely true. Please



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

accept my deepest sympathy for the tragic loss of your son. With the Fourth of July holiday beginning tomorrow, your letter is especially timely.

Readers, relax, give thanks to our founding fathers, but please do not drink and drive.

DEAR ABBY: I am working this summer and saving to buy a new car. The car I have now is fine; I just want something newer.

My problem is, what do I get with my old car when I get a new one? My parents are divorced, but both of them have asked me to sell to a different brother. I know that when I choose one, the other will be upset and will think I am playing favorites. What should I do?

-ONE CAR/TWO BROS IN KANSAS

DEAR CAR, TWO BROS: It's unfair for you to be placed in the

middle. Establish a fair price for the vehicle. Tell both of your brothers what's going on and have them draw a "lucky ticket" out of a hat to see who gets to buy the car. If that is not acceptable, the car should be sold to a third party.

DEAR ABBY: I married a widower who is 40 years older than me. I adore him, but he insists on keeping a portrait of his deceased wife prominently displayed in our living room. (She died 10 years ago.) He also has a sculpture of her head on a pedestal.

This behavior irks me. Please advise.

-SECONDHAND IRIS IN MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR IRIS: Your husband may have had the portrait for so long that he's no longer aware of its presence. Have you told him how you feel about it? If you have, and he's resistant to removing it — as a compromise, ask him to display it in a less prominent place.

As for the sculpture, when he's not around, throw a towel or a lovely scarf over it and keep your sense of humor. After all, she's just plaster and paint. You are flesh and blood.

DEAR ABBY: This summer I'm getting married to Mr. Wonderful. Jerry and I have been engaged for two years and together for five.

The problem? His new hobby — computer chat rooms. Maybe I've got the wedding jitters, but this bothers me no end. Lately, he's been messaging "Gina" in the UK.

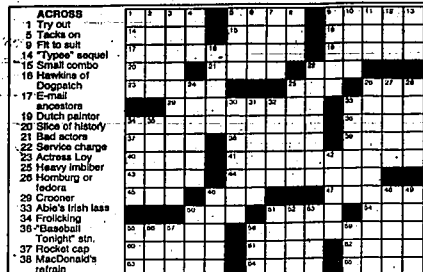
They communicate frequently, and even have pet names for each other. (Jerry calls her "Little British Babe" and she calls him "Jer-Bear.")

Now I have discovered they're exchanging letters, photos and chocolates. Jerry says it's because she misses her favorite U.S. candy — Hershey kisses.

Abby, am I being paranoid, or is more going on than meets the eye?

-SUSPICIOUS FIANCEE IN NEBRASKA

DEAR SUSPICIOUS FIANCEE: I don't think you're being paranoid. Your fiancé should be exchanging kisses (chocolate and otherwise) with you. Tell him to cut out the candy and sweet talk, or you'll gain a "diet" that doesn't include him.



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Capricorn plans carefully

IF JULY 3 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you have an inquiring mind and love of sports. You're also fascinated by ancient wisdom, including astrology. Your sense of humor is unsurpassed. You're romantic and can be a little dramatic. Your artistic side appreciates the arts and the detailed work and inspiration that go into them. You don't suffer fools gladly, and you want to be the kingpin. This month is memorable. September sees love, December money.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): You are impatient and want to get everything organized to your liking today. Your mind is not on work. It could be on romance and children.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): An opportunity to improve your home life will soon be at hand. You're inspired and as long as it is called to intervene in a dispute where friends are at loggerheads.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A trip today is warranted. On the work front, there's a fresh breeze blowing. Make the most of today's opportunities, which involve real estate, close kin and attending to important correspondence.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may be feeling more tired than usual, which could give you a short fuse and makes things difficult. There should be a windfall today. An interview bears positive results.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Yesterday's decisions are still resonating. You should be feeling good about yourself and not worrying what others think. Credit is given where credit is due.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your financial affairs are in a better state than they have been for a while. More good news should reach you soon. Forcing your will on others could backfire.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You are firing up friends with your imagination. A proposal, no matter how sweet it sounds, needs to be taken with caution. Your hard work and earning power are undisputed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Ideas that you present do not fall upon stony ground but are accepted with enthusiasm and appreciation. A family decision may come under critical review.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Transform what is abstract.

Model decides to not divorce singer Stewart

LOS ANGELES — Actress and model Rachel Hunter has withdrawn her request for divorce from singer Rod Stewart.

Hunter, 33, and the veteran British rocker were married in 1990, but split four years ago. She filed for divorce on June 16 and sent her withdrawal three days later. She didn't specify a reason, and Hunter's attorney wouldn't comment Wednesday.

Stewart, 44, said he was unsure why Hunter withdrew her petition but added that the two have not reconciled.

HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders

into the practical. Your dreams tonight are revealing answers. You find yourself facing situations more demanding than you had expected.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your respect for time and tide makes you plan carefully for the long-term. Partnerships and marriage situations are on your mind. Clarity and objectivity are needed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A discussion is not straightforward. You realize that worrying about issues is useless when you have no control over the outcome. There is always a second chance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Children and lovers are demanding your time. You find certain issues too sensitive to discuss. Now is the time to bring embarrassing facts out into the open without controversy.

Thinking pace determines how speedily someone reads

How fast you read depends on quick thinking, not on nifty eye movement. If those speed-reading lessons don't teach you to think more swiftly, they won't do you much good. So contend researchers now. Looking at it is only 5 percent of reading, they say, while figuring it out is 95 percent.

But that list of peoples who traditionally don't punish their children, add Greenlanders. Until recent years, the two most common kinds of sexual assault — heinous crimes in how they shatter their victims — almost never were reported: date rape and prison rape. In this one matter, it's said most of today's enormous older generation grew up in the dark ages.

"Daughters we love for what they are, sons for what they promise to be," Goethe wrote that. Along with some other stuff.


Great Britain's Lord Nelson claimed all his successes could be credited to the fact that he always showed up 15 minutes early. Consider Sir Francis Bacon's view of women: "Wives are your men's mistresses, companions for middle age, and old men's nurses." The American Revolution also produced its "Samson." One Peter Francisco. At the battle of Guilford

Courthouse, history records Francisco started swinging a 5-foot sword, and didn't stop until 11 British soldiers lay dead. What's the longest lived organism on earth? Say "tree."

You know those high-powered executives bumped out of big jobs years before retirement? "Overqualified" they're called when they look for work elsewhere. A recruiter who deals with them daily says, "Many immediately involve themselves in extramarital affairs. As though that were an alternative to suicide."

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Section D

Keeping tabs on fish history

I can remember the first fish I ever caught. I was 2 or 3 years old and my father had taken me fishing with a good friend of his to Black Canyon Reservoir near Emmett.

I remember dad's friend taking me for a walk back toward the car when, suddenly, my dad yelled that I had a fish on my line. I turned and ran down the embankment with all the enthusiasm that a tot of that age could muster, tripping just as I got to my fishing pole and flying head first into the butt of my dad, which was resting in the "V" of a willow my father had cut and stuck in the mud.

TALES AND TRAILS
Dennis Cornwall

Of course, the pole fell into the water and I was covered with mud, but that did not stop me from grabbing my pole and beginning to reel that monster fish in just as fast as I could. I can remember my father and his friend laughing so hard I thought they were going to fall over, but I didn't care because this was my first fish.

That was more than 50 years ago, and my memory has forgotten a lot of the details and, had my father not told that story over and over again to family and friends, I doubt that I would remember that the fish I caught was a carp that my dad's friend had caught earlier and that the scheme was to get my back turned while my father hooked it to my line and tossed it back into the water.

It was a great story, and I was fortunate to have the story kept fresh in my mind over the years because of dad's re-living the experience to others. Unfortunately, many other experiences are lost forever as we allow time to slowly erase them from our conscious mind.

I have long been an advocate of keeping a diary of my fishing experiences for two main reasons. First, as a log of our fishing activities to record the places, baits, water conditions, methods and any other elements of the trip that might be advantageous in the future. It has long been recommended by top fishing experts that a diary be kept if we want to become more proficient at our sport, and a detailed account that we can look back on will help us be more efficient in our fishing the next time we travel to previously fished waters.

The second reason I believe in keeping a record of my fishing experiences is so I can make a record of the sights, sounds, thoughts, experiences, impressions or special moments that makes each fishing experience unique. Also, our children and their children will have a permanent record of our lives as anglers. They may look back on the lures or baits or equipment and laugh, but I am sure that we caught any fish at all.

I know that I wish I had some diaries from my father and grandfather so that I could relive some of their experiences. They also may teach me a few techniques that have been long forgotten that, if reinstated into my game plans, may pay off in a big way. Who knows?

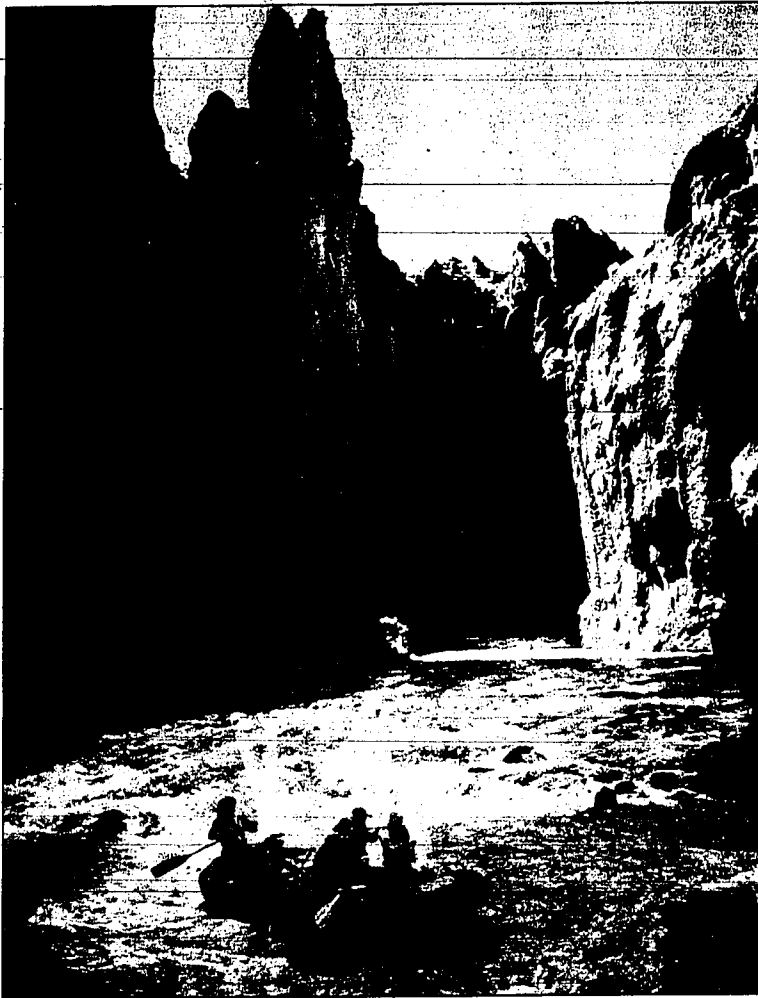
I do know that a diary can prove to be a very valuable resource as was demonstrated to me just a couple of years ago when I had taken a trip to the South Fork of the Boise River and had fished all morning. Sitting in my truck to grab a little lunch and rethink what I had been doing, I reached into my glove box to retrieve my diary.

Now I really didn't think that I would need it because the South Fork is a favorite local river of mine to fish, and I thought that I had fished all the files that had been successful in the past. But scanning through my notes, I noticed that three years earlier, I had done extremely well on a half cat. Needless to say, that changed my trip. That afternoon, I caught and released more than 40 fish and reinforced my belief in keeping a diary.

You might want to try it, too, because you never know when it might turn a rotten trip into the best one you ever had.

Dennis Cornwall is an outdoors writer from Hazelton.

Bruneau's beauty



Rafters bounce through the technical waters of the Bruneau River, which runs for a short time each spring. Snowmelt swells the river as it cuts through a sheer desert canyon, producing a number of challenging class IV rapids.

Local river runners catch pair of rare rides

By Bill Studebaker
Times-News correspondent

When a desert river runs, when the "surf" up" so to speak, you've got to go. That's how it is with the Bruneau River.

This year because of snow pack the predictions were there would not be sufficient snow for an adequate melt - low snow, no flow.

But because of unseasonably hot temperatures, 105 F in May, the high-mountain snow started running early. And near the end

of May, the Bruneau ran 1,600 cubic feet per second, an ideal flow for boating.

For this river runner, the Bruneau River stands out like a jewel among cobbles. It is beautiful and rare. So a few friends and I slammed some food and gear together and headed out.

It's no mean feat getting to the put-in at Indian Crossing. The joke is that the river is Class III and IV, the shuttle is Class V and VI. The proof is I broke a spring

leaf, tore up a wheel and nearly ruined a hub on the pickup.

For the most part, the road is flat, if you call mud holes, chuck holes, basalt rocks and boulders strewn in a pattern that forces one wheel up, three wheels down while the differential rides another.

Then there's the four-wheel drive ride over the canyon lip and down to the put-in.

Hard driving? Fast driving? No way. My son Eric was driving, and I was sitting by his side. It's what

we call a "blanky, blank road" - hard on pickup and posterior.

The 800-foot-deep rhyolite canyon, topped by a blue-black layer of basalt is fantastic and electrifying.

The river flows where there are no banks, no shore, just cliff walls that rise up so high the sky and river are the same width.

Lying on one's back, looking up, the sky is river, too. Lying until vertigo sets in, it seems as though of canyon is rolling over and over. Now you're riding water. Now you're riding blue sky.

If this were all of it, the Bruneau would be marvelous enough, but added to its deep-desert beauty is "whitewater."

Near the end of the 56-mile run, the river bed tumbles over boulders between which there is just enough room to fit a raft. The oars person must hit the mark, or it will be a ripped or flipped raft. The Bruneau provides beauty and challenge. These are the river runner's delights, two for one.

Unexpectedly having a chance to run the Bruneau was gift enough to make me happy all spring, but I was also blessed with another river run on a seldom-running river - the Malad. The Malad is formed by the confluence of the Big Wood River and the Little Wood River. It's about eight miles long. But unlike the Bruneau, it's a working river.

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Area features stark canyons, rushing rivers, pioneer history and adventure

By Dan Gallagher
Associated Press writer

BOISE - For nearly two centuries, a vast expanse in the corner of present-day southwestern Idaho and portions of neighboring states was considered a sagebrush wasteland of little interest. But the adventurous are starting to find out about the Owyhee country, which features whitewater rivers rushing through deep gorges, juniper-covered peaks, multicolored geology and millions of acres of Old West solitude to experience.

It is considered the largest undeveloped, unprotected "wildlands" in the lower 48 states. "The area is such an amazing, undiscovered gem," said Roger Singer, director for the Sierra Club's Idaho chapter. "Relatively few people have found it yet. It's just not on the map, which is good in a sense. The area has stayed relatively pristine, compared with our overdeveloped, loved-to-death national parks."

Volcanic activity starting 14 million years ago created the largest concentration of rhyolite rock in the world. The immense Lake Idaho formed and later drained, slicing the gorges of the Owyhee,

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Visiting Owyhee country

The best time to visit Owyhee country is in the dry season, from late spring into late October. Heavy rains can change the unimproved roads into gumbo, trapping vehicles. It has historically been called the "Owyhee desert," which can mean temperatures in the 100s from July into late September.

The Bureau of Land Management in Boise has good information about visiting Owyhee County. The BLM can be reached at (208) 384-3300, or on the Web at <http://www.blm.gov/>.

Travel to the put-in and take-out of the Owyhee, Bruneau and Jarvis rivers require four-wheel-drive vehicles with high clearance. Visitors should contact local guides for information on current river conditions. The Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association is on the Web at <http://ioga.org>.

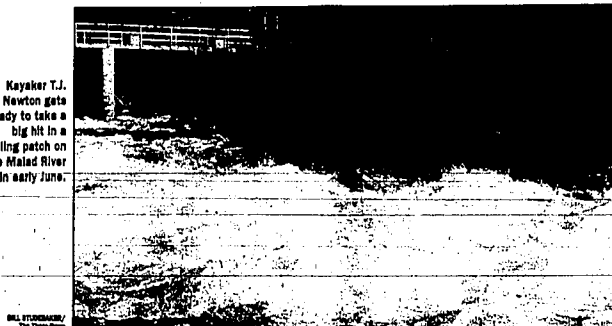
More accessible spots to visit:

■ **Silver City**
This is a partially restored 19th-century mining town. It is accessible by auto from June through September and by snowmobile or skis in winter.

■ **Owyhee Uplands National Backcountry Byway**
The 103-mile route offers off-desert scenery, including expanses of sagebrush, juniper canyons and white mesas. The route visits the North Fork of the Owyhee Canyon and western junipers more than 500 years old.

■ **Snake River**
Canoe or kayak the river between October and early May. Care with normal clearance can handle it in the summer.

■ **Jump Creek Canyon**
Jump Creek cascades over several falls before dropping 60 feet into a pool. The canyon has a lush riparian area of water birch, dogwood, trees and sycamores, the state flower. There are picnic facilities. From Boise take westbound Interstate 84, take the Nampa exit to Idaho 55 and go through Marsing. Then 1.5 miles past the U.S. 95 intersection turn left onto Cemetery Road. Travel another 1.5 miles and turn south on Jump Creek Road and head for the mouth of the canyon which is visible in the distance.



Kayaker T.J. Newton gets ready to take a big hit in a rolling patch on the Bruneau River in early June.

Bill Studebaker/The Times-News

OUTDOORS

Magic Mountain Shoot starts Saturday

Magic Valley Bowhunters will be hosting the Magic Mountain Shoot 2003 this Saturday and Sunday at the Magic Mountain Lodge. Registration and random start tickets off at 7:30 a.m. and wraps up at 9 a.m.

Trophies will be given for unlimited, limited, barebow and traditional classes of men and women, youth sights and barebow classes, and cub boys, cub girls and chick boys and chick girls.

Free overnight camping is available at the shoot site. Contact Marty Jacobs (423-6221) if a reserved free camp ground near the lodge is needed.

Fees for adults are \$10 and \$24 for families. Youth boys (12 to 16 years) are \$5 and children 11 and under are \$2.

Meals will be available at the lodge Friday night, Saturday and Sunday. For more information call George Watson at 735-8201, Tim Malone at 324-3078, and Jim Daniels at 326-4588.

Hunter safety certification training class in Heyburn

HEYBURN — A Hunter Safety Certification class will be held July 21 to 24 and July 26 at the Heyburn City Police station.

The first four sessions will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. The last session will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on July 26 at the River Gun Club. Enrollment is limited to the first 20 individuals ages nine through adult. Priority is given to pre-registered individuals. This class meets the certification requirements of the Idaho Fish and Game for obtaining a hunting license for any individual born on or after Jan. 1, 1975.

The fee is \$8 payable to the Idaho Fish and Game. For more information including class schedules, visit www.heyburn.org and click on the Hunter Education Class link at the bottom of the home page.

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Registration information can be submitted from the web site and should include an email address for confirmation.

For more information or to register by phone, call Bob Weaver at 679-2650 or 731-2650.

Hunter education registration begins soon

JEROME — Youth wanting to hunt this fall need to plan now to sign-up for one of the several hunter education classes offered this August and September.

Because of a recent law change allowing 10-year-old children to hunt small game with an adult, classes are expected to fill-up early.

Sign ups for fall classes begin the third week of July and will be held at:

• July 21 — Farmers' Insurance Office, 132 Broadway Avenue North, in Buhl

• July 21-22 — Boy Scout Service Center, 2988 Falls Avenue East, in Twin Falls

• July 21-22 — Cassia County Sheriff's Office, 129 East Fourteenth Street, in Burley

• July 22 — ISDB Campus (Round Building), 202 Fourteenth Avenue East, in Gooding

• July 22-23 — Filer Middle School, 299 Highway 30, in Filer

• July 23-24 — Blaine County Sheriff's Office, 201 First Avenue South, in Halley

• July 23-24 — Fish & Game Regional Office, 868 East Main Street, in Jerome

Registration times are from 5-8 p.m., with Buhl's going from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration requires an address, phone number, date of birth and social security number for each student. Cost is \$8 per student.

For more information, call 324-4359.

Smallmouth bass numbers look strong in Milner

BURLEY — Smallmouth bass are alive and well in Milner Reservoir and make-up roughly 32 percent of the total fish population, according to Department of Fish and Game electro fishing data.

"That's pretty good numbers," said Chuck Warren, Fish and Game Regional Fisheries Biologist. "This is one of the most concentrated populations of smallmouth bass in the state."

Over a four-hour period, Fish and Game staff captured 957 total fish, 311 were smallmouth bass ranging in size from two inches to 22 inches. The average size is 11 inches.

Along with smallmouth bass, staff captured 32 carp, for 3 percent of the population; 421 Utah suckers, 44 percent; 168 Utah chubs, 18 percent; 17 yellow perch and one channel catfish, for 3 percent.

"This is a high percentage of game fish for the Snake River system," said Warren. "About 35 percent of our sample in Milner is game fish. In some areas of the Snake River System, game fish may only make-up one or two percent of the total fish population."

Dierkes Lake will be site of moonlight paddle

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting a nighttime flat-water paddling experience Saturday, July 12 from 9:30 p.m. to midnight. The event is for paddlers ages 16 and over.

The registration deadline is July 9. Bring your own boat or use a demo. Bring warm clothes, life vests, and head lamps. Come enjoy a treasure hunt for floating buoys and prizes. A late night smores feast is included. Co-sponsored by Riverratt Whitewater

Toyz, the event costs \$10. Call 736-2265 for more information.

Education camp will take place at City of Rocks

ALMO — Enjoy time from school with educational and recreational activities at the City of Rocks. The camp will be held from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m., on July 14, 16 and 18 at the National Reserve in Almo.

Activities will revolve around the themes of cultural and natural history. Space is limited and reservations are required.

Redfish Lake Visitor Center hosts weekend events

STANLEY — Redfish Lake Visitor Center will host a Morning Mike Friday, July 4 in the Fishhook Creek Area, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Other events over the weekend will include a Native American Rock Shelter Tour, Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. Visitors should meet at the visitor center, participants will use their own vehicle for the two-mile drive.

Junior Ranger: for campers ages 6 to 10.

Thursday: "Animals and Where They Live," 10 a.m.

Friday: "Amazing Animals," 10 a.m.

Saturday: "Animals and Where They Live," 10 a.m.; Stanley Lake Overlook: "Do You Know About," 1 p.m.

Sunday: "Animals," 10 a.m.

Tuesday: "Animal Olympics," 1 p.m.

Salmon, Wonders from the Ocean: Saturday and Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Evening programs: Thursday, "Beetle Mania," 8 p.m.

Friday, "Wolves in Idaho," 8 p.m.

Saturday, "Hiking in the SNRA," 9 p.m.

—Compiled from staff reports

Rivers

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Its waters are diverted for irrigation and hydropower.

The last several miles, from Malad State Park to the Snake River, are the wonder miles. The water tumbles over boulders, pushes up against the banks forcing waves, laterals and holes through which the paddler guides the boat. All the while, water crashes against your face. For seconds at a time, vision is lost. Only one's sense of whitewater and downhill rush keeps the course.

Just below the clear blue springs are trapped and diverted into aqueducts from which the water is dropped over generators producing electricity for Idaho Power customers.

But the mechanical devices, they need repair, and when a generator at the lower or upper plant is under maintenance, more than 1,000 cubic feet of water is slipped back into the riverbed.

I heard that about the time I'd return from the Bruneau, a crew would be working on the lower plant, and the lower stretch of the Malad would run.

The river ran clear and blue, as blue as a tropical lagoon. It bubbled and foamed like the pour of good champagne.

Surf was up again. So T.J. Newton and I took our kayaks and hit the river with childish glee. We ran it twice that day and twice the next. The second day we picked up Rod Burks and Corey Brown, with whom we shared the rapid bliss.

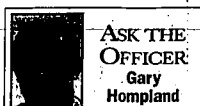
Two seldom-running rivers, run back-to-back is a rare bonus. This year, my friends and I were granted both, and we took them.

Know the score?

Read The Times-News sports pages to see how your favorite team is doing.

Time to liquidate? Use The Times-News Marketplace classifieds to turn possessions into cash.

Permits are needed to try out hunting dog



Lolo zones.

As I see it you have a couple of options. You can go hunt the Selway, Lolo, or Middle Fork Salmon zones where he can purchase a hunting license and hunt hunting permit, or you can go to his state and accompany him on a hunt.

If you would like to hunt somewhere else in Idaho he would have to apply for a nonresident hunting permit in October. The permits are issued in December and are valid for the next calendar year. The earliest he could accompany you would be next January.

Gary Hompland is a regional conservation officer at the Magic Valley Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game at (208)324-4350.

Owyhee

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Bruneau and Jarbridge rivers.

History has been in the area for 15,000 years, including the Shoshone and Paiute tribes. In 1818, white trappers accompanied by several Hawaiians entered the region. The Hawaiians disappeared as they were exploring a river which was later named the "Owyhee," the phonetic spelling for Hawaii at the time.

Basque sheepherders from Europe and cattlemen have worked the area since the 1800s. Miners sought gold and silver in the Owyhee Mountains beginning in the 1860s. They built communities like Silver City, a jewel of a ghost town near the Owyhee County seat of Murphy.

Biologists consider the Owyhee to be one of the most biologically rich high-desert ecosystems in the country. It is home to peregrine falcons, golden eagles, sage grouse, California bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope, cougars and the rare redband trout.

It also features native sagebrush and bunchgrass ecosystems, plus rare plants like the Owyhee River "Sticksseed," Anderson's buttercup and Inch-High Lupine.

The region has remained relatively untouched because access into the area was either primitive roads, on foot or horseback. That is starting to change along the edges closest to the Boise valley.

Hunters, motorcyclists and all-terrain vehicle riders are venturing farther and farther into the realm.

While much of the Owyhee is still unmeasured, conservationists are still ranching, county officials, off-road enthusiasts and others are meeting in a task force to determine its future.

Conservation groups endeavored to have the Owyhee-Bruneau Canyons designated as a 2.7 million-acre national monument. Yellowstone National Park encompasses 2.5 million acres.

Hundreds of miles of the Owyhee and Bruneau rivers, with all their forks, are under study for preservation under the federal Wild and Scenic River system.

A big draw these days is rafting or kayaking down these desert rivers.

The Bruneau River is referred to by paddlers as the "Sistine Chapel" of all river canyons. It runs through a gorge up to 800 feet deep with rocks that resemble Bryce and Zion national parks.

The rapids on the two range up to a perilous Class 5 according to the water levels. The rivers can be navigable from late March through mid-June, although Idaho's long-running drought narrows the window.

A number of private outfitters operate on the streams.

Reaching the river puts in, or other far-flung places in the Owyhee country, can be tedious or nearly impossible during spring rains.

"It's for people looking for a different kind of adventure, which requires route-finding skills, a hardy vehicle and a willingness to be out in the middle of nowhere," Singer said.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Club news

The Times-News welcomes announcements and other news from outdoor clubs.

Address your news to "Outdoors Editor," then mail it to P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83301; or e-mail it to twnews@micron.net; or bring it to our Burley or Twin Falls office.

Your best shot

If you have a snapshot, The Times-News would like to publish it as part of our new "Trophies" feature. We welcome readers' photos of hunting, fishing or other outdoor scenes.

Address your photo to "Outdoors Editor," then mail it to P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83301; or e-mail it to twnews@micron.net; or bring it to our Burley or Twin Falls office. Be sure to include your name, address and phone number.

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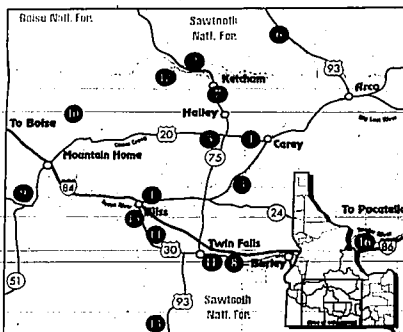
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Magic Valley Angler's Guide



The Magic Valley fish report is for the week of Thursday, July 3. Updated conditions from Silver Creek Outfitters and the Blue Lake Sportfishing Guides are listed for family fishing waters and major rivers in the Magic Valley/Wood River regions. Check Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations for restrictions.

Malad River: FAIR. Good top water action when throwing attractor dries. Use a stimulator (8-16), elk hair caddis (12-18), adams and royal wulff (10-14).

Big Wood River: FAIR/GOOD. The Wood is flowing at 2.77 ft (866 cfs); down from 3.03 ft last week.

Although water levels are dropping, the Wood is still difficult to wade. Bug activity has been sporadic.

Green Drakes are beginning to appear with more frequency and fish will soon take fly patterns more readily. Look for Stoneflies in and on the water. Have a few orange and yellow stimulators as well as stonefly nymph patterns with you this month.

Nymph fishing still seems to be the most productive. Have some Green Drake nymphs, stonefly nymphs, head-bead attractor nymphs and a few Copper Johns (red and copper) in your vest as well.

Little Wood River: GOOD. Great caddis hatch. The terrestrials are becoming a mainstay mid-day hatch. Try low-sun's beetles (14-18), Joe's hopper (12-14), and clausers (8-10).

Silver Creek: FAIR/GOOD. Hatches remain inconsistent on the Creek, making dry fly fishing challenging.

Callicuttella have been the most predictable hatch on the slower water sections. Some Bristle Caddis have been spotted, but fish are finicky. Terrestrial fishing with a beetle and/or damselfly pattern during the afternoons can be productive — and look for the lone back feeder and try your luck with a well placed cast and good drift. If you don't see any fish

working on top, try using a small dark colored nymph in size 16-20.

Magic Reservoir: FAIR. The water supply is doing well and so are the fish. Use scuds (10-14), duckytails (10-14), Magic perch (9-12), and seal bugger (6-10).

Big Lost River: FAIR. The Lost is flowing at 602 cfs. Although wading is still difficult due to high water, the fishing along the banks and in the slower water sections can be very productive.

Large attractor nymphs are your best bet, as well as stonefly nymphs. Be on the look out for Golden Stones and Little Yellow Stones as we enter into July.

With the reservoir being full, expect higher water conditions this summer.

Trail Creek & Warm Springs: FAIR. Trail Creek and Warm Springs have recently been planted with hatchery fish. These waters are great places to introduce beginner anglers to the sport.

Attractor patterns such as Royal Wulffs, Stimulators, and red and yellow Humpies work best.

Milner Dam: GOOD. Water is warm and the bass are active. Work the scud, use no backie PMDs, elk hair caddis (10-14), woolly buggers (6-10), jumbo midge pupae (12-16), clausers (4-10).

Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir: GOOD. The walleye bite is on. Water temperatures are at or above 60 degrees on much of the lake. Use trolling wedding rings and rapalas, also jugging plastic plastics.

Lake Walcott: GOOD. Lake conditions have grown mossy, but the area offers a chance to catch some huge rainbows. Suggested lures and flies include Green Lake Special (10-14), duckytails (10-14), woolly buggers (6-10), jumbo midge pupae (12-16), clausers (4-10).

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South fork of the Salmon will be hot by July 10. Water is down and warm. Use top, yarn, turn balls, egg sucking leeches, evening grubs.

Dierkes Lake: GOOD. Well-stocked waters have plenty of rainbows and bass. A variety of lures and power-bait is going to produce results.

Penny/Dollar Lakes: FAIR. These lakes and ponds are currently stocked, and they are great places to introduce a beginner angler to fishing. A Parachute Adams, Gulp Special (size 14-18), and black or cinnamon ont work best when the fish are feeding on top.

Or try slowly stripping a small (size 14-16) nymph through the water.

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For additional updates on the Big Wood, Silver Creek, Warm Springs, Trail Creek, Penny/Dollar Lake and the Big Lost, call Slicker Gardiner at Silver Creek Outfitters or (208) 726-5262. For updates at all other locations call Doug Cherry at Blue Lake Sportfishing Guides (208) 733-4446.

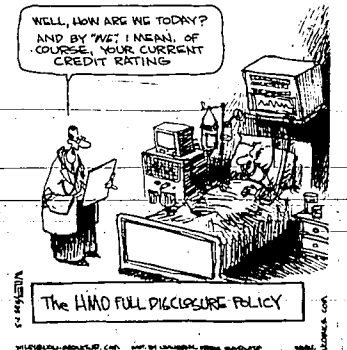
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OUTDOORS

New emergency beacons hit market

Devices can help locate lost hikers, skiers and climbers

SEATTLE (AP) They don't come cheap and they're on the bulky side, but personal emergency locator beacons now are available nationally for hikers, mountain-climbers, cross-country skiers, cyclists and backpackers. Manufactured by ACR Electronics Inc. of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., the beacons went on sale Tuesday at some Recreational Equipment Inc. stores. REI operates 66 retail stores in 24 states, including one in Boise.

"Once it's activated, search-and-rescue can know your position within minutes," said Matt Kaplan, sales manager for ACR Electronics' outdoor division. "This product takes the search out of search and rescue."

The beacons — about 6.5 inches tall and weighing just over a pound — bring a brand-new technology to the outdoor business. There are two models, selling for \$640 and \$740.

The more expensive model has a built-in global-positioning-system receiver, using the 24 global positioning satellites — originally launched for the U.S. military — to log its whereabouts. The other model can be interfaced with existing GPS units.

Each contains a battery-powered emergency transmitter, which, when activated, sends a coded signal on internationally recognized distress frequencies to search-and-rescue agencies. They're buoyant and waterproof to a depth of 3 feet, 3 inches.

Owners of the beacons are required by law to register them with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Larger devices have been available for years for mariners and aviators.

Sales people at REI's flagship Seattle store hadn't sold any of the beacons Tuesday afternoon, but had received some inquiries. "People are interested in this," said REI employee Drew Hillen. "They are curious. They definitely want to have the safety of the product."

The new devices will be a tough sell in Seattle's hardcore mountaineering community, though.



Matt Kaplan, outdoor division sales manager for ACR Electronics Inc., gives a demonstration on how a personal locator beacon, made by his company, works.

Harvey Manning, guidebook author and outdoor advocate, laughed out loud when he heard about the new product.

"I'm not an enemy of REI and they're in business to sell what people want, but this is preposterous," Manning said. "It goes to the point that they take so much gear and guard against so many eventualities, they might as well get in a tank and roll over the Iraqi soldiers."

Philip Kelley, 49, of Seattle carries a cell phone on some climbing trips and leaves it home on others. He won't be buying a personal locator beacon because he thinks it's too expensive and pushing the security issue too far.

"I would rather go out there and be in charge of my own well-being," Kelley said. "I spent a lot of time learning my skills and learning how not to get in trouble. I could be proven wrong some day, but I go out there to take care of myself."

Kaplan said he can understand why some longtime mountaineers are skeptical of the new gadget, but said it will save lives.

"There are people out there who are very experienced mountaineers who get into problems," he said. "Rather than having them wait days, why wouldn't they just have to wait hours?"



This new personal locator beacon is similar to devices that have been used at sea for many years.

Grizzly raids camp, smashes chips, moves on

KALISPELL, Mont. (AP) — A grizzly bear forced two campers to retreat into the lake before smothering their Doritos — only to smash them into little pieces.

"He just left this little sadwast pile of broken chips," said Dayna Dowell.

Dowell and her boyfriend, Jared Ondaro, had gone to the east side of Hungry Horse Reservoir on Saturday to camp for the weekend.

Dowell was swimming in the lake when she spotted the bear sniffing their dog.

"I saw this grizzly there next to our dog," Dowell said. "He walked up and smelled the dog. I thought he was going to bite his head off."

The dog started barking and chased the bear back into the woods. But the bear followed the

dog when he came back to the beach.

Ondaro, who had been chopping wood, joined Dowell in the lake with an ax.

"We left the bear spray and a gun in the car," she said.

Dowell took several photos of the bear, hoping to provide evidence in case she and Ondaro were too devoured for investigators to figure out what happened to them.

She also called her sister on a cell phone, recounting what was happening and saying she'd call right back ... maybe.

After crushing the chips, the bear wandered back into the woods.

"(The bear) never acted mean," Dowell said. "We stood around in the water for 15 or 20 minutes."

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Wal-Mart protects gays against discrimination

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the nation's largest private employer, will now include gays and lesbians in its anti-discrimination policy, company officials said Wednesday.

Company spokesman Tom Williams said the policy will not affect benefits, which Wal-Mart does not offer to unmarried partners of any orientation, but he said sexual orientation will be added to the company's existing diversity-awareness training programs for employees.

Williams said the policy change had been considered for months and is now in effect. It is considered an internal communication and is not being publicly released.

"Our continued growth requires us to be one of the more desirable employers around, so we're clearly stating our acceptance for all of our associates," Williams said. "Otherwise, we could lose many talented employees, and we don't want that."

The change means nine of the 10 largest Fortune 500 companies now have rules prohibiting discrimination against gay employees, according to the Human Rights Campaign. The one exception is the Exxon Mobil Corp.

In Magic Valley, Wal-Mart has stores in Burley and Jerome. Wal-Mart Stores, based in Bentonville, Ark., is the world's largest retailer, with over 1.1 million domestic employees.

Zions Bancorp auctions

shares of Garban-Intercapital

WASHINGTON — Zions Bancorp said it auctioned its holdings of 5.9 million shares of Garban-Intercapital PLC this week, receiving net proceeds of about \$107 million.

The company — which has Zions Bank branches in Magic Valley — plans to realize a pretax gain of about \$70 million in the third quarter as a result of the sale, according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The company sold the shares in a global institutional auction through Merrill Lynch & Co.

Zions Bancorp was recently informed of Garban-Intercapital's decision to reduce the number of non-independent directors on its board, which included a Zions Bancorp director.

As a result, the Zions director won't stand for re-election at Garban-Intercapital's shareholders meeting later this month, the filing said.

Zions Bancorp said it still enjoys a close and rewarding business relationship with Garban-Intercapital, which it expects to continue.

Zions Bancorp is a bank holding company based in Salt Lake City.

Zale plans to repurchase outstanding stock shares

IRVING, Texas — Zale Corp., a jewelry retailer with a Twin Falls store, will spend as much as \$307.2 million to buy back one-fifth of its outstanding stock through a "Dutch auction," a special tender offer in which shareholders declare a price at which they will sell their holdings.

The chain will accept bids of \$42 to \$48 a share in the auction, which ends July 29.

The company will pay the lowest price that allows it to repurchase a total of 6.4 million shares. In connection with the offer, Zale will issue new \$500 million bank line of credit using inventory as collateral. It replaces a \$225 million unsecured credit line.

Zale, the owner of jewelry stores including Zales, Gordon's and Bailey Banks & Biddle, also plans to repurchase \$87 million in bond debt. The moves are designed to lower interest expenses and boost financial flexibility.

"Given the tremendously low financing costs in the bank market right now, we had the opportunity to change our capital structure slightly to really position for future growth," Zale spokesman David Sternblich said.

The tender offer terms "make a statement that our stock is undervalued," in the company's estimation, Sternblich said.

None of Zale's executives, board members or affiliates plan to tender stock in the auction, the company said.

Compiled from wire reports

T.F. business leader returns

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer



Lee Wagner

TWIN FALLS — After a two-year absence, a onetime leader in Magic Valley's effort to attract new jobs is coming back to town. Lee Wagner — the longtime general manager of KMYT-TV before departing for a North Dakota sister station in 2001 — will resume that position for Catamount Broadcast Group on Aug. 4.

"We're looking forward to it. It'll be nice to be home," Wagner, 51, said by telephone from North Dakota on Wednesday.

He replaces George Brown, the Twin Falls station's general man-

ager during Wagner's North Dakota tenure. Brown said he will retire Aug. 1 after almost 40 years at KMYT, previously as operations manager and program director.

"I know with Lee here, KMYT will continue to be involved in the various community events and be a strong force in the Magic Valley. We don't foresee any changes in our programming or our news

product," Brown said. He added a plug for a national advice talk program: "We will be airing Dr. Phil starting this fall. I managed to get that done."

After retirement, Brown will remain in Twin Falls and stay involved in a community anti-drug campaign in Jerome, which promoters intend to extend across the valley.

In North Dakota, Wagner led a CBS affiliate in Fargo and its satellite operation in Grand Forks. But Catamount this spring executed a joint services agreement with another TV station in town. Catamount retained the license in Fargo but now con-

tracts with the other station for management, news, sales and other functions, Wagner said.

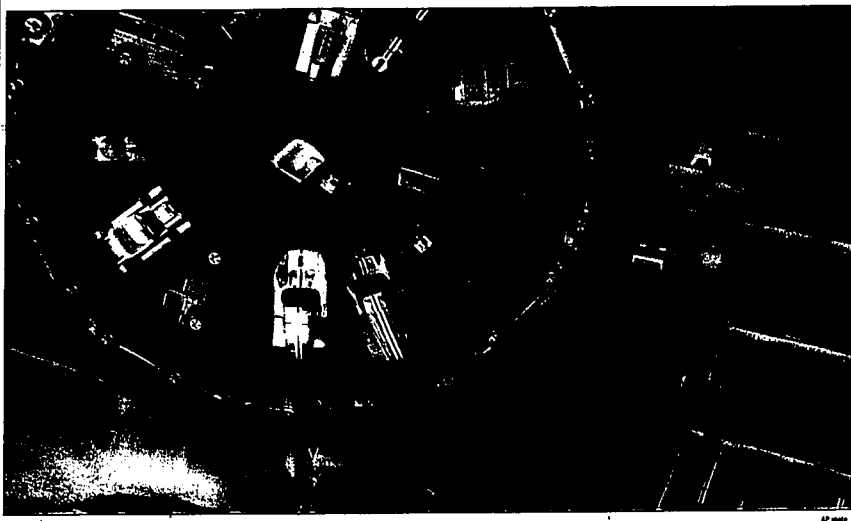
"They didn't feel that they needed two general managers, which is understandable," he said. So at the end of April, "I became what I like to refer to as a gentleman of leisure."

Notified of Brown's retirement plans, Catamount invited Wagner to return to Twin Falls.

"Needless to say, we jumped on that opportunity," Wagner said. Wagner first became KMYT's general manager in October 1981, serving in that capacity

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WHEELING AND DEALING



Paul Biddle displays some of the miniature Hot Wheels cars he sells on the Internet March 18 in Grants Pass, Ore. He started his own business three years ago selling toy Hot Wheels race cars via the Internet on his Web site.

Entrepreneur develops vehicle for buying and selling popular miniature cars

The Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — eBay's difficulty turned out to be Paul Biddle's opportunity.

He'd been a game officer in a slew of national parks and a beer taster for Coors, but three years ago Biddle, 48, decided he wanted to start his own business.

He figured the burgeoning online market for antiques and collectibles offered a long-shot opportunity, so he shelled out \$525 for 100 classic Hot Wheels cars and promptly tripled this money by auctioning the toys on eBay, including one that sold for \$400.

"When I got \$400 for a car, it made me want to find out more,"

Biddle said.

What Biddle found out about the tiny race cars revealed promise and problems. In the past 10 years, classic Hot Wheels toy cars have increased in value an average 12 percent a year.

In 1999, an East Coast collector paid \$72,000 for one of the rarest, a hot pink Volkswagen bus with a bright yellow surfboard hanging out the back.

But as eBay's online auctions

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“Kevin Purvis, an eBay spokesman, said buyers report problems with fewer than 1 percent of the auction giant's transactions. An even smaller fraction

— Paul Biddle

multiplied, so did fraudulent transactions — repainted cars when only mint condition holds value, sellers who took the cash without delivering the Hot Wheels, and buyers who won the auction but never completed the sale.

Kevin Purvis, an eBay spokesman, said buyers report problems with fewer than 1 percent of the auction giant's transactions. An even smaller fraction

of those problems involve actual fraud, he said.

But in most cases buyers are expected to spend as long as 30 days trying to resolve the problem on their own before filing a fraud alert or protection claim with eBay.

Biddle saw a chance to build a better Hot Wheels marketplace emphasizing a rapid real-time response to concerns about fraud. In December 2000, without a business plan and with only ideas on what he'd like to see in a Web site devoted to the hobby, he spent \$5,000 to launch The Toy Peddler.com (www.thetoypeddler.com).

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Bon Marche workers in Washington authorize strike

Money in brief

SEATTLE — Union-represented workers at eight Bon Marche stores in Western Washington rejected the company's "last, best and final" contract proposal, and employees at seven stores authorized a strike.

The United Food & Commercial Workers union, which represents about 1,600 Bon employees from Bellingham to Tacoma, said roughly 99 percent of members who voted turned down the contract offer. Turnout was about 75 percent at most locations, a representative said.

Union officials said the proposed contract would cut wages and raise workers' share of health-care costs. The Bon said it made a fair offer that would "reward productive associates" in this sluggish economy by relying more on commissions and less on set wages.

While members authorized a strike, the union said such a move wouldn't happen immediately. "Our members are going to pick a time at which they have the most leverage to get a fair contract," said Todd Crosby, spokesman for UFCW Local 1001, which represents Bon workers at five malls and at the flagship store in downtown Seattle.

In a statement, The Bon said more than half its associates' base wages would stay the same.

"Given the reality of our region's economy and business environment, we believe the union's rejection of our offer is not in the best interests of our employees or our customers," Bon spokeswoman Kimberly Reason said. "This proposed contract truly is the best we can offer."

In Magic Valley, Bon Marche has a Twin Falls store.

Tully's Coffee improves sales, but loss still likely this year

SEATTLE — Tully's Coffee, which has a Ketchikan store, trimmed its losses last year and said sales are improving so far in 2003, but the Seattle company still expects to lose money during its current fiscal year.

The company lost \$9.9 million during the year that ended March 30, an 11 percent improvement over the previous year's loss, Tully's said in its annual report. Annual sales dipped 1.3 percent

to \$50.8 million, in part because the company closed five stores. Tully's now has 100 stores in the Western United States.

However, sales at stores open at least a year — a key retail gauge — rose 1.4 percent during the January-March — quarter, and climbed 4.4 percent in the first 12 weeks of its new fiscal year, which began March 31. The company also said its annual wholesale revenues were up 13 percent. Tully's is now sold in 1,070 grocery stores, up from 120 a year ago.

Despite the improving sales trends, Tully's said it anticipates another loss in fiscal 2004. On March 30, its cash balance was \$93,000, down from \$1.7 million a year earlier. The company said repayment terms on two credit lines from its landlord, Kent Central — one for \$2 million and another for up to \$1 million — have been extended to Oct. 1, 2004.

Telemarketers say registry won't affect bottom line

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah's telemarketing leaders say the nation's wildly popular Do Not Call Registry probably will have

little impact on their bottom lines.

That is because the majority of Utah-originated telemarketing calls fall within categories exempted from the list — follow-ups by companies with former customers, or contacts, solicitations from charities, surveys by pollsters and political pitches.

More reticent about how it feels about the list — which proponents predict will block up to 80 percent of the more than 100 million telemarketing calls attempted daily — is Salt Lake City's Teleperformance USA.

"It will have an impact on our industry," spokeswoman Julie Lopp-Peyrin acknowledged in a brief statement. "However, we have already begun to realign our business to adjust for this change."

Teleperformance declined to detail those preparations, except to say its dealings with individual states' DNC lists had paved some of the way.

Teleperformance USA's network of call centers includes three in Idaho cities: Twin Falls, Pocatello and Lewiston.

— compiled from wire reports

State holds unclaimed property

The Times-News

JEROME — It's worth Florence C. Scott's time to read this story. The state is safeguarding unclaimed property for Scott, and for hundreds of other people and businesses whose last known addresses are in Jerome.

State Tax Commission is looking for those folks, and hoping they'll call to claim the property.

It's stuff for which Idaho businesses have been unable to find the rightful owners, such as payroll checks, contents of safe deposit boxes, tax refunds, stock dividends, worker's compensation benefits and the like.

The Times-News on Thursday prints names of a sampling of unclaimed-property owners whose last known addresses are in Magic Valley communities. The second installment of the Jerome list appears today. Watch for more Jerome and other Magic Valley names in coming weeks.

M.J. Altton	Felia Martinez
Emilio Alvarado	Linda Martinez
Luis Alvarado	Steven J. and Kay
Robert Armstrong	Maxwell
Jamie F. and Lucile S.	Minnie Maynard
S. Poocay Ayala	Bobby McBride
Arthur R. Baker	Brian McKay
Bill Baker	Richard McKay
Earnest Beaver	Jim Meeks
H.T. Berry	Mahmoud Youssef,
Deth Black	aka Yusef Mona
Danny A. and Debra C. Bond	Gary C. Miller
Dan Boyd	Lu Melody
Zella Brown	Miller & Miller
T.L. Bruckner	David Paul Markin
Cherree C. Bywater	Maria C. Morales
Richard and Roberta Carpenter	Michael Murphy
Stan Carter	Arthur Nab
J.H. Collins	Mike Neal
Concerned Citizens	Johnathan and Kelly
Mentally Help	Nelson
Amber M. Cowans	Michael J.
Feron T. Crook	Nicholas
Marjorie J. Crook	Nielson & Co.
Luciano Cordero	Cecilio Ocampo
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Roe Delapaz Jr.	Leo J. Parker
Albert Delapaz	Penn Pacific Inc.
J.E. Diggins	C.U. Petersen
G.W. Dougherty	Ronnie R. Pierce
Robert Eoff	Charles Pinkham
Linda Fallon	Prescott Cright
Amey Frankfort	Agency
Joan Frankfort	Francis and Virginia
Steven Frankfort	Prince
Ruby Galagor	F.A. Prindle
Myrtle Gardner	Dan F. Rawn
Harry R. Gibson	Charles W. Ridge
Clarence D. Gillis	Myrtle Gardner
C.D. Gleising	Leoncio Ruyda
Graciela Gomez	Boyd Rydback
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Gonzalez	Florence G. Scott
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Richard Haiman	Sisco
Louis and B. Harrison	Mike Staples
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W. Heines	William Steere
E.B. Hubbard	Larry R. Stevenson
Wm. Hoggan	Oveline Sullivan
Thomas M. Huber	Charles W. Swanson
Thomas Hunt	O. Swanson
S.M. Johns	S. Tauber
Olaf Johnson	Ellis E. Taylor
Robert K. and Russell E. Johnston	Thomas M. Taylor
Daniel Jones	Manuel Thomas
Scott E. Jones	Earle C. Thornton
Thomas Jones	Julia Thompson
Theresa R.	Steven Thornton
Alfred J. Kuhn	Willis Threlkeld
Samuel H. and Helen O. Lawrence	Sharon Todd
Ronald L.	Ramiro Torres
Crane L.	Jack Tophen
Yash and Sandra Lewi	Wm. Vanoy
Henry Link	United Properties of
W.G. Long	Nevada
Joe L. Luis	Valley View Ranch
Joa Lyons estate	Ronald L.
John L. and April D. Mann	Richard Pette
F. Martin	Vandyk
	Danila Williams
	Wm. Wilson
	T.G. Wilson
	Walter Hawn
	Holding Co.
	J. Woodard
	Dr. C.F. Zeller

What to do

See your name on Idaho's unclaimed-property owners list? To claim your property, do one of these:

- Call 1-800-972-7660, Ext. 7623 or Ext. 7627.
- Write to the Idaho State Tax Commission, Unclaimed Property Section, P.O. Box 36, Boise, ID 83722-0036.
- Send e-mail to lostfound@tax.state.id.us.

MONEY

Jury rules Outback liable in DWI crash

TAMPA, Fla. — Outback Steakhouse will have to pay \$39 million to a couple who were severely injured when they were left by a drunken driver who had just left an Outback restaurant in Muncie, Ind., a jury there ruled.

The couple, David and Lisa Markley, filed a complaint against the Tampa-based restaurant giant in 1999, two years after they were struck by the car driven by William J. Whitaker in Muncie.

The complaint alleged liability under Indiana's dram shop law. Under that statute, establishments that sell alcohol to obviously intoxicated patrons can be held responsible if that person then causes death or injury to someone else as a result of a car crash.

Outback said in a statement that it is fully insured for the \$39 million. Joe Kadow, a senior vice president and chief counsel for Outback Steakhouse, said the restaurant chain would appeal the Indiana State Court's decision.

Outback Steakhouse's first restaurant opened in 1988 in Tampa. Since then, the company has expanded operations to the 50 states and 20 foreign countries. The chain's Twin Falls restaurant is operated by a franchisee.

Bank will offer loans to mobile-home buyers

MINNEAPOLIS — U.S. Bank plans to begin providing loans to mobile-home buyers — after several companies have left the

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downfallen business.
The Minneapolis-based bank, the nation's eighth largest and the operator of bank branches around Muncie, Valley, is the first new lender in a market hit hard by high loan defaults and repossession in a tough economy the past two years.

Mobile-home lenders Conesco Finance Corp. (now Green Tree) of St. Paul, Minn., and Oakwood Homes of Greensboro, N.C., filed for bankruptcy last year. GreenPoint, a mobile-home lender, left the mobile-home lending business. And new mobile-home shipments have fallen to 40-year lows.

Despite the industry woes, U.S. Bank recently hired Abdul Rajput, a 20-year industry veteran of a Champion Enterprises' HomePride unit — and GreenPoint, to run its new consumer lending business from St. Paul.

The bank will fund that business from its existing loan portfolio, not by bundling loans together and selling them as securities to investors — a practice that got Green Tree into trouble.

"We are keenly aware of what it takes to succeed in this industry," said Rajput, executive vice president of U.S. Bank Consumer Lending.

The bank plans to use Rajput's experience and the bank's "proven track record with start-up operations" to differentiate itself from other mobile-home lenders, he said.

— compiled from wire reports

Wagner

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by Root Communications Inc. in 1984 and Catamount's purchase in 1997.

He visited Twin Falls this week to look for a house for himself, his wife, Laurie, and their 14-year-old son, who will be a ninth-grader. Their daughter is a Boise State University student.

"We're really, really pleased that Lee and Laurie are going to be back in town," said Kent Just, a Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce executive.

When he left in July 2001, Wagner was chairman of the Twin Falls chamber's Business Plus II development committee and a member of the Urban Renewal Agency board and Rotary Club.

Factory orders boost stocks

NEW YORK (AP) — Inspired by a bigger-than-expected rise in factory orders, investors sent stocks sharply higher Wednesday, taking advantage of lower prices after last week's declines and extending the market's advance to a second day. The Dow Jones Industrial Average surged 101 points.

Surprisingly strong sales at Starbucks, brokerage house upgrades and a legal victory for Merrill Lynch contributed to the gains.

"The market continues to look forward to better economic news in the second half of the year," said Lynn Resauer, chief economist and senior market strategist at Bank of America Capital Markets.

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His resume included terms as president of the chamber and membership in the College of Southern Idaho Foundation, the United Way of Magic Valley, the Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization and the Private Industry Council.

Just and other business leaders hope Wagner will resume some of those efforts.

"I'm sure that we're going to

want him involved in the economic-development arena again," Just said.

Wagner said he and his wife will look around at the community's current needs, then decide where to contribute their energies.

"I suspect that there's still no shortage of opportunities," he said.

In his absence, Wagner contin-

ued to monitor local happenings. He said he's impressed by Magic Valley's economic strength compared with the rest of the state and nation, and he attributed much of the valley's success to collaborative, consistent work on economic development.

"It didn't happen by accident," Wagner said. "It's been a proactive approach, and it's made a big difference."



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QUEEN SADDLE



The winner of this year's Rupert Fourth of July rodeo queen contest will receive this new saddle, along with her crown at the coronation at Saturday's rodeo, which will be held at 8 p.m. at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds. Sponsors of the saddle are D.L. Evans Bank and United Co-Op. From left is Melanie Higgins of D.L. Evans Bank; Rupert's reigning rodeo queen, Lacy Bennett; and Steve Sanders of United Co-Op. Bennett is the 19-year-old daughter of Delbert and Shanna Bennett of Albion.

Kids can take college classes in Jerome

JEROME - The Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho will offer several College for Kids classes in the Jerome area.

"Making Math Fun with Games" is designed to teach students basic math concepts. These classes will be packed with math games that students can play all summer. For students going into grades one to three, the focus will be addition and subtraction with an introduction to fractions. They will meet from 12-1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 14-18 at Jefferson Elementary, 600 N. Filmore St. in Jerome. The cost is \$35.

Students going into grades four to six will focus on multiplication, division facts and working with fractions. This class will be geared toward students needing help with math skills or who love math games. They will meet from 12-1 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 21-25 at Jefferson Elementary. The cost is \$40.

"Fun Computer Projects for Kids II" will be offered to students going into grades three to six from 12-2 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 28 through Aug. 1 at

Jerome High School, 104 N. Tiger Drive. Students will find out how to safely explore the Internet to find information about topics, and then put that information into a computer presentation and add graphics, animation and buttons. The cost is \$40.

"Fun Computer Projects for Kids II" will be offered to children going into grades three to six from 12-2 p.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 4-8 at Jerome High School. Students will learn how to use computers to research information, safely explore the Internet to find information about a topic of interest and then display that information using graphs, charts, and tables. The cost is \$40.

For more information, to register or to obtain a listing of all College for Kids classes, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

Twin Falls Farmers' Market holds ice cream social

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Farmers' Market will host an ice cream social from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the market.

The market is located on North Expo Road across from the College Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

Free cups of ice cream will be available.

Lions Club sponsors Miss Magic Valley Program

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Lions Club will hold the 52nd annual Miss Magic Valley Scholarship Program at 7 p.m. July 12 at the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts auditorium.

Entertainment will include The Standards and Jaime Thietten. More than \$5,800 in scholarships will be awarded to participants.

Tickets are \$5, and available at Cooke's Market, 106 Main St. N. in Twin Falls, from any Twin Falls Lions Club member or at the door.

For more information, call Fred Coggburn at 733-9671 or 733-4900 or Mary Fort at 733-4522 or 736-4430.

Kimberly School District offers special services

KIMBERLY - Kimberly School District Department of Special Services offers academic, psychological and speech/language testing; speech and language therapy; and individualized instruction in academic skills to children.

The services are available to

children who reside in the district boundaries. Home-schooled children or those attending private schools also qualify.

For more information, call 423-4170, ext. 3312.

American Red Cross seeks blood donations

TWIN FALLS - The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 1-7 p.m. Monday, 12-5 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls.

Blood donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good general health.

For an appointment or more information, call 734-4566.

Kitchen Magic offers candy class next month

TWIN FALLS - Kitchen Magic will offer a basic cake decorating class from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 19 at the store in the Lynnwood Shopping Mall in Twin Falls.

The cost is \$20, and must be paid by July 16. Seating is limited.

For more information, call 733-4285.

LETTERS OF THANKS

FIVE GENERATIONS



Five generations gathered together. Family members are, from left to right, top row: Michelle Guerrero; Caleb Guerrero and Peggy Guerrero, all of Elko, Nev.; bottom row: Margrett McMichael and Matilla Guerrero, both of Twin Falls.

Supporters get into the spirit for golf scramble

On behalf of the St. Benedict's Board of Directors, I would like to thank the supporters that made our 17th Annual "It's the Spirit" Charity Golf Scramble successful. Funds raised will go toward improving the health of the communities we serve by purchasing needed medical equipment and/or community education programs.

Thanks to the following businesses or individuals for their generosity:

KMYT-TV, Dr. Elizabeth and Mark Sugden, McDonald Insurance, CTA Architects, Starr Corp., D.L. Evans Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, Southern Idaho Therapy, Virgin River Hotel & Casino, Casa Blanca Golf Course, Jerome Country Club, T-Box Restaurant, Dr. David Sonne, Breck Glassinger, Land Title & Escrow, Best Western Sawtooth Inn, Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, Dr. James Babcock, Dairy Health Services, Magic Valley Veterinary, Prescott Craig Insurance, Con Pauls Chevrolet GMC Pontiac, AAA Rental & Service, Rexroat Harbored & Associates and R&R Pharmacy.

DENNIS L. MAUGHAN
Executive Director
St. Benedict's Foundation
Twin Falls

Organizers thank scramble supporters for their help

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following supporters of our 17th Annual "It's the Spirit" Charity Golf Scramble. Without their dedication to our charity event, we would not have enjoyed such a successful event:

Farm Care Physicians, Boise Office Solutions, EFM Engineers, Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, Canyonwide Realty, Mountain West Insurance, Peterson's Realestate Electric, Hammer Co., Rich Thompson Trucking, Abuelita's Antiques & Imports, Farnsworth Mortuary, Jerome Cheese Co., Norco Medical, First Federal Savings Bank, Simerly's, Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Sandy Schaefer, Don Newman, Kristen Goodwin, Lupe Cisneros, CAPS Legal Services, Tony's Pizzeria, NAPA Auto Parts, North Side News, Simply Serendipity, Wal-Mart Super Center, Melanie Nuss, Jenise Martens, Diane Wood, Linda Beach, Pauline Anderson, Rob Lundgren, Shila Ins. Co., City Market, Marva Walters, Landmark Realty and U.S. Surgical.

MARJ MASON
Vice President
St. Benedict's Foundation
Jerome

Flag flies high thanks to many people, organizations

The staff and residents of NRA Sylvania Plaza would like to thank everyone who participated in the flag-raising ceremony on June 14.

Our dedicated board of direc-

tors made it all possible with the help of many in the community who donated their time, materials and expertise.

Those who helped were Commander Dennis Waller and members of the Mini-Cassia Post 3043 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Larry Woodall, Gem International, Project Mural, Memorial Monuments, Kinuau Farms, Canco Special Events, Heidi Phillips and Boy Scout Troop 19 of the Burley LDS 3rd Ward.

We very much appreciated Mayor Anderson's attendance, and we would also like to thank the South Idaho Press and The Times-News for publicizing the event.

We would like to invite everyone to drive by our facility at 626 Elba to see our new flag and flag pole.

DENA HARKNESS
Staff and Residents
NRA Sylvania Plaza
Burley

Filler FFA appreciates those who helped

The Filler Future Farmers of America Chapter would like to thank the following sponsors for their help and support for the 2002-2003 school year:

Agri Service, Anthony and Lori Barnhart, Tom and Jeannie Billington, Mike and Toni Brown, Anna Bruhn, Buhl Implement Co., Lynn and Shelly Callen, Steve and Vickie Cowger, D&B Supply, Gem State Welding, Century, Great Harvest Bread, Hank and Toni-Hallgren, Mike Diller, Jack and Janie Jones, Kelley's Garden Center, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kimball, Randy and Lori Kruse, Kruse Nationwide Inc., John and Carolyn Lanting, LaRue Veterinary Clinic, Logan's Grocery, Gerald and Judy Ortel, Outback Steak House, John Pitz, Progressive Bovine Supply, Simplot, Jack Stevens Income Tax Preparation, Steve and Theresa Taylor, Ta Thaeste, Pont Thae, Turf Club, Western Farm Service in Buhl and Brian and Christina Wolf.

Thank you for your support.

WHILEY HURLEY
Area Chapter Officer
Filler Future Farmers of America
Filler

Softball players thank donors for contributions

I would like to gratefully thank Brice of Brice, Leonard Peterson, the Twin Falls Trips, Magic Valley International and KCCS Inc. for supporting me in the Twin Falls Terror Softball program this summer. Your donations make it possible for youth to participate in these programs.

JAYME HARMISON
Twin Falls

M-C Auto Collectors Club appreciates donations

We appreciate these donations:

AMI Supply, Angela's, Arby's, AutoZone, Big O, Burger King,

Burley Reminder, Cassia Regional Medical Center, Checker Auto, Commercial Tire, D.L. Evans, Dad's Battery, Dairy Queen, Domino's, EZ Auto, Sgarro's, First Federal, Glen Duvort, Grease Monkey, Hoops Exhaust, Idaho Business Forms, JB's, Penney's, Jack in the Box, Kentucky Fried Chicken, King's, Kirkham Auto, Lee's Furniture, Les Schwab, Lori's Ride Suzuki, Little Caesar's, Mart Produce, Minico Auto Parts, Nance's Crafts, Personnel Plus, Pettingill's, Piza Hu, Polo's, Project Mutual, R&B's Camera, Redder's, Regis Salon, Royce & Sons, Santos Recycling, Show's Carquest, Sears, Snake River Cycle, Stars Ferry, Stinker Station, Subway, Tom Dailley, Wal-Mart, Wendy's White Satin Sugar, California Car Covers, Eagle Web Press, Hagerty Insurance, Hedman Heders, H&M Engineering, Meguiar's, Speedway Motors, Eastwood Co., Berry's Machine Shop, Larry Chris, Budget Auto, DeWald Racing, Mason Trophies, Goode Motors, Kim Hansen, Bonanza Motors, Davidson Upholstery, Key Bank, Gene's Towing, Jack's Towing.

PEGGY OLIVER
Procureur
Minico Auto
Collectors Car Club
Burley.

Urban Wilderness Day donations add 'magic'

The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department wishes to thank the following participants in the Urban Wilderness Day that took place June 21 at Dierkes Lake:

Magic Valley Bowhunters, Riverat Whitewater Toys, College of Southern Idaho Outdoor Program, and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center paramedics.

Thanks also to Magic Valley Bassmasters, Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley, Shoshone Falls Water Ski Group, Boise Disc Golf Association and PetSmart.

Major sponsors for the free recreational day were CableOne, Pepsi, Elevation Sports, Aspenwood Express Imaging and Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Kind donations were received from Dale Erdmann and the Dierkes Lake concession stand. Cindy Littleton and her Girl Scout group provided volunteers to help run the event.

Businesses, people and organizations like these make living in the Magic Valley "magic."

Thank you.

JOHN JACOBSON
Recreation Coordinator
Parks and Recreation
Department
Twin Falls

Western Days breakfast comes off successfully

Twin Falls Lodge 45 AF and AM Masons of Idaho wishes to thank the following people for making our Western Days breakfast a success:

Lamb Weston and manager Ed White, Falls Brand Independent Meat and Brian Dobbs, Farmers Bros. Coffee and Jerry Swenmart and managers Ben and Art Alton, all the lodge members for their help.

We could not have done it without all of your help. And a great big thank you to everyone that came and had breakfast with us.

L.C. CRAIG
Twin Falls

Fund-raisers helps Humane Society with shelter goal

People for Pets-Magic Valley Humane Society Inc. would like to thank Diane Lefler of The Country Lane Shop for holding the annual Mother's Day Bedding Plant fund-raiser in May for the "Build the Shelter" project.

We would also like to thank Harold Simerly of Simerly's Market for his help and contribution to this fund-raiser.

A total of \$715 was raised for the new shelter, and with Mrs. Lefler, Mr. Simerly's and the community's generosity, we are much closer to reaching our goal.

KATHLEEN OLMSTEAD
People for Pets-Magic Valley Humane Society
Twin Falls

Minico baseball plays on due to car give-away

Thank you to all the sponsors and to all of the participants that supported Minico Baseball in the car give-away.

Thanks go out to Bonanza Motors, Magic Valley Tires in Rupert and Paul, Reminder Printing and to all that bought tickets from the local baseball players and coaches.

Without you, this would not be possible.

Congratulations goes out to Dave Peterson. He was the lucky winner of the car - happy driving.

Thank you for all your support.

BEN FRANK
Coaching Staff and
Minico Baseball Team
Rupert

The Letters of Thanks column will publish letters of up to 150 words from:

- Organizations thanking contributors or supporters.
- Individuals thanking public agencies and businesses for extraordinary service.

For more information, call 733-0931, Ext. 288.

To express gratitude of a personal rather than public nature, call The Times-News Classified department at 733-0931, Ext. 270.

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A page for you and your neighbors.

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ter Street West in Kimberly, Idaho (round building). Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

DATE OF NOTICE: July 3, 2003

PUBLISH: July 3, 2003

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2343, notice is hereby given of an open public meeting of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission.

DATE OF NOTICE: June 17, 2003

DATE OF MEETING: July 9, 10, 11, 2003

A public meeting will begin at 7:00 pm PDT July 9 at the Kootenai Regional Center, 141 Center Street West, Kimberly, Idaho 83341.

PLACE OF MEETING: Kootenai Regional Center, 141 Center Street West, Kimberly, Idaho 83341.

PERSONS ATTENDING: Commission

PURPOSE OF MEETING/AGENDA: Rules: detailed hunt from vehicle permit; classification of reptiles and amphibians.

Reports: domestic cervid farms; grizzly bear management; wolf management policy; economics of hunting, fishing and watching wildlife; landowner appreciation program review and Access Yes funding options.

Individuals with disabilities may request meeting accommodations by contacting the Director's Office at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, 208-334-5159 or through the Idaho Relay Service at 1-800-377-2529 (TDD).

PUBLIC NOTICE

Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing. As self-government charges all citizens to be informed, this newspaper charges every citizen to read and study those notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public notices and public meetings.

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PO Box 838
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BURLEY.

MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-02-01071-M

MAGIC VALLEY COLLECTIONS & RECOVERY, INC.

FOUND Australian Shepherd

Found on corner of 8th & Ash, Call 208-734-6556.

FOUND Australian Shepherd

Found at Canyon Springs Golf Course on 8/24/03. Call 208-734-1562.

FOUND car keys on Grandview Drive

Call 208-734-2571.

FOUND Husky/pati Coyote? Near Milner Dam.

Very friendly. Gray w/ brown & white. 208-734-5538.

FOUND June 28th, Male Black Lab.

In the Kaoska area, Call to identify. 208-438-5118.

FOUND south of Wendell, male young Pyrenees.

White & black, white black markings, friendly! Call 208-636-2580.

LOST Shih-Tzu, male, tan & white.

If found call 733-0495.

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LOST Australian Shepherd

Blue eyes, female, w/ purple collar. Last seen 6/25 on Galena Drive. Call 208-734-1410.

LOST June 24, 3 yr. old neutered male Black Lab.

White on chest, 200 E 200 S. Report Reward! Call 208-636-2580.

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SINGLE man in 40s would like to meet a single woman in 40s for dating.

Must be able to drive and be honest/wine. Send photo/writer to: 404 East Ave and Burley, ID 83308.

SINGLE Age 25-30.

Sincere singles seeking quality relationships. Please contact: 1-800-940-0411 www.HiOnline.com

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For information leading to the return of a 1990 Cadillac, 8 yr old, 13 lbs. miniature Schnauzer. Black w/ white beard & chest has whitened paws. Visa wearing a purple collar. Please contact: 1-800-940-0411 www.HiOnline.com

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FARM EQUIPMENT

SPUDNIK SERVICE & REPAIR

Individualized needed with welding, metal fabricating, electrical and hydraulic systems skills. Valid driver's license with favorable driving record & customer skills required. Experience with farm equipment repair preferred. Wage DOE. Contact Kevin Smyer 300 Centennial Drive Hayden, Idaho 83336 208-436-6052.

FARM

Experienced farm tractor operator. Call 539-5440.

GENERAL

See food processors needed for land plant in Ketchikan, AK.

No exp. req. Transportation paid. Lots of OT. Interviews in Boise on 7/10. Call for info 1-866-486-7625.

GENERAL

3 friendly, enthusiastic people to sell equipment for our representative. Mon-Fri, 4pm-8pm, Sat. 10am-6pm. Call 714-333-8350.

JANITORIAL/HOUSECLEANING CASHIER

Needed. Starting at \$7.25-\$8.00/hr. DOE. Must be available for all shifts. Medical benefits included. 401K plan. Paid vacation. Apply in person at the Flying Saucer, 15 HWY 85 Burley, ID 83308.

KITCHEN

Twin Falls, Idaho. PM Tray, side, part time. Must be dependable, able to handle a fast pace kitchen. Prefer someone with experience in therapeutic field and sanitation. Will train the right person. Please apply at Twin Falls Care Center, 874 Eastland Dr. Twin Falls, ID or Cindy 734-4284. EOE.

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This position will be responsible for service, maintenance & repair of varied types of diesel trucks. Preferred qualifications: High school diploma, air brake certified, ASE certification, welding. Must have own tools. Full time position with full benefits and vacation. No exp. req. 208-734-8153. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Cooking Cafe/Bistro. 1-2 people. Great food. ASAP. Pay DOE. All benefits. Available 352-4250

SALES
Retail sales seeking sales help. Area covers Southern Central Idaho. Hourly wages + commission. Transportation provided. Non-employer. Must have clean driving record. Send resume to: PO Box 72, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

SALES
Salesperson with farm equipment experience for a progressive New York City dealership (insurance & benefits). Send resume to: Tri-Ty Transportation, 10922 South Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho 83338.

SALES/HR
Full-time employment for top producing sales person. Excellent salary and benefits. Must display excellent closing skills, and sales experience in P/S and F&I. Apply in person at Bart Hargrave Motors, 1500 N. Idaho St., Wood, ID 83354.

SALES
Have immediate opening for an experienced outside sales person. Electric power knowledge is required. Send resume to: IS/Sales, 2123 3rd Ave. S., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

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SALES
RYCE Company expanding in the Magic Valley area. Looking to recruit driven individuals with a proven comfortable taking in front of groups and ready to make a six figure income. Please call Chris @ 208-735-1270 or interview.

SALES
Part time, Mar.-Nov. Offer guaranteed for the Pro Shop, Jerome, ID. Call 324-5281

SALES
We want career minded people to work here in a professional environment. No experience necessary. We will train the right applicants to sell advertising for our market leading station. Apply at: KXII-TV, KOOL 95.5, KXII, 415 Park Ave. Twin Falls, ID. Equal Opportunity Employer

SERVICE PERSON
Full time live service person. Benefits incl. 401k, health & dental insurance. Resume req. Apply in person. Morton Tire Co. 506 4th Ave. W.

SUPERVISOR
The City of Twin Falls is accepting applications for a RECREATION SUPERVISOR. Beginning monthly salary is \$2,853. Under the general direction of the Parks and Recreation Director, the Supervisor is responsible for organizing and supervising the City's youth and adult recreation programs. Required qualifications include any combination of training and experience equivalent to a B.S./B.A. degree in a related field, three years experience in recreation program management and a valid drivers license, or a complete application packet containing the Personal office located in City Hall, 321 2nd Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho (208)735-7251, or email: jones@cityoftwfalls.org. Closing date is 7-14-03. The City of Twin Falls is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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\$8 per hour + Bonus. App. setting. No Selling. 731-5019.

When you have more time around your home, you no longer need to advertise them.

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Needed to work with adults with developmental disabilities who live, work, and recreate in the community. Minimum 1 year experience working with people with disabilities. Benefits package, competitive wages. Apply in person. Inclusion South Inc., 450 Falls Ave., #10, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

TRUCK DRIVER
Trinity Transport is now hiring truck drivers for their gooding office. Must have 2 yrs. exp. Competent salary commensurate with experience. Send resume to Trinity Transport, P.O. Box 71, Gooding, ID 83330. No phone calls.

TRUCK WASH
Part time, weekends, evens. Wages DOE. Call 208-324-7600

WAITRESS
Cocktail waitress. Apply in person. 5pm-1am at Hooker's Place, 121 4th Ave. S., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

WAREHOUSE
No phone calls. Training will be provided. We offer excellent benefits and a competitive wage. Apply in person at 150 Madison Blvd. 7/4, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

WAREHOUSE MANAGER
Responsible for the organization, scheduling of work, and directing of warehouse on a day-to-day work plan, warehouse staff, and all related productivity levels, and facility maintenance. Skills and training provided. Send resume to: Warehouse Manager, 150 Madison Blvd. 7/4, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

WELDERS
Positions, millwrights. Exp. req. apply in person at Barclay Mechanical in Paul, Idaho. All applicants subject to pre-employment drug test.

WIND O D O R
Carpeting. Exp. req. preferred. Job training available. Call Whitehead Home & Energy for app. 733-9688

PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE
Don't pay to get the job. For free information about avoiding employment services, write to the Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580, or call the National Fraud Information Center, 1-800-876-7060.

214 EMPLOYMENT WANTED
Gordon's Bookkeeping & Payroll. Call 208-324-5223

217 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Career Services. Call 208-733-6581

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Federal employment information. Remember, no one can promise you a federal job. For free information about federal jobs, call Career America Connection, 478-757-3000.

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3 year old Preschool, 4 year old Pre-Kindergarten, 5 year old Kindergarten. Register now for the 2003-2004 school year. 734-3872 for information

ST. EDWARD'S CATHOLIC
139 6th Ave. E. Twin Falls. No accepting registration for the 2003-2004 school year. 734-3872 for information

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Thursday, July 3, 2003

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

"Time is of the essence." —Anton

At the Dyspeptics Club most members of our regular foursome are not backward about coming forward, but South is the acknowledged overbidder of the group. Of course, he would tell you that he simply makes more out of his cards than the others do. On today's deal, however, he wasted his chance, or perhaps he gave his opponents too much of one.

North and South had enough points for game, but because their cards were not particularly well, for spades turned out to be hard to make. After West took the first two tricks with the king and ace of hearts, he sensibly concluded that passive defense was called for and intelligently shifted to a trump.

South drew trumps in three rounds and took four rounds of diamonds, ending in hand, then optimistically led a club to dummy's king. East was quick to dispose of his jack of clubs under the king and when declarer led a club from dummy, West took two tricks in that suit to set the game.

East smugly pointed out to West that his unblock of the jack of clubs was necessary to beat the hand. (If he does not make the play, South ducks East's club jack, leaving him on lead to concede a ruff and discard.) North easily remarked that South had made the right play, but he was too late. Do you see what he meant? Had South led a club to the king at trick four, would East have found the trick? We'll never know!

NORTH
♠ A Q 8
♥ 8 7
♦ A J 10 8
♣ K 9

WEST
♠ 3 2
♥ A K 9 3 2
♦ 6
♣ A 10 7 6 2

EAST
♠ 5 4
♥ Q J 10 4
♦ 7 5 3 2
♣ J 4

SOUTH
♠ J 9 6
♥ 6 5
♦ Q 9 4
♣ Q 8 3

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: West

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ 1♦ 1♣ 1♠
3♠ 4♥ 4♠ All pass

Opening lead: Heart king

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
♠ J 9 6
♥ 6 5
♦ Q 9 4
♣ Q 8 3

North West North East
1♥ 1♦ 1♣ 1♠

ANSWER: Bid three clubs rather than four. Your partner's 1-2 level overall should deliver value and a good suit. Your raises achieves two things: It makes it harder for the opponents to get together in hearts, and it keeps all the chances alive. You side might make game in no-trump or clubs.

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