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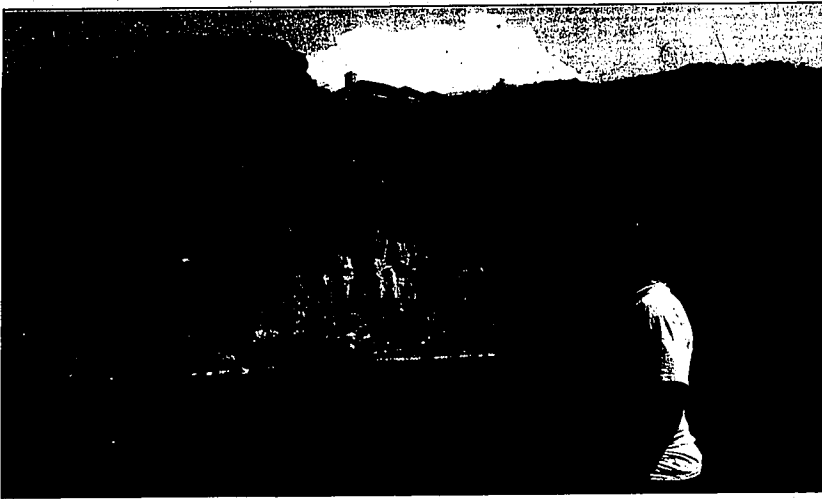
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'Not without a parachute'



Troy Palmer, Dierkes Lake lifeguard manager, looks up at the ledge (directly above his head, about 10 feet from the canyon rim) that 20-year-old Hansen resident Josh Tucker jumped from last week, falling 131 feet into one of the Hidden Lakes. Tucker suffered a compound fracture in his left leg and was still hospitalized as of Wednesday.

Man survives 131-foot jump, says it'll be his last

By Brandon Fiala
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Josh Tucker routinely jumped off cliffs, having jumped from nearly every spot at Hidden Lakes in the Snake River Canyon — except one.

Tucker wanted to go still higher, to a height people said was suicidal — 131 feet, roughly equivalent to a 13-story building.

"It was my first time that high before," Tucker said. "It was the last spot before I had jumped all the places, and it's the highest spot I know of."

The 20-year-old Hansen resident had just jumped off

How to jump safely — A2

"Homicide," a jump spot at Hidden Lakes, when he said he wanted to go higher July 28, said Kyle Albertson, 22, of Twin Falls.

"(Tucker) said 'It all looks the same after 80 feet,'" Albertson said. "I said, 'You're crazy.'"

Tucker climbed the canyon wall as "tons of people egged him on," Albertson said. Tucker didn't stop climbing until he had almost reached the canyon rim — 131 feet above the lake and only about 10 feet beneath the rim.

And then he jumped.

"I hit the water right, but my leg was tilted slightly," Tucker said this week from a hospital bed at a Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, where he was still being treated for a compound fracture of his left leg. "It was the (impact of) the water. I didn't hit the bottom or any rocks."

Cliff jumping in the Hidden Lakes area is a popular — but dangerous — pastime. A 19-year-old man died there in 1999 while cliff-jumping, and 22-year-old Samuel J. Stone died in 2001 after diving off a 60-foot cliff, according to reports.

Troy Palmer, who manages the lifeguards at Dierkes Lake, said

jumping isn't encouraged.

"We certainly don't encourage people to go back there to jump," he said. "We've thought about restricting certain areas, but I don't know if there is an easy way to do it."

The jump and rescue

Albertson, who has jumped at Hidden Lakes for 12 years, said the last person he saw jump from the height to which Tucker had climbed was eight years ago.

"He broke a lot of ribs and probably had some internal injuries," Albertson said. "That guy was drinking alcohol, too."

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Mayor chides adviser

Firing of Hagerman chief leads official to call for city attorney's replacement

By Sandra Whacover
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — City attorney Phil Brown should be replaced for his role in the firing of Hagerman police chief, Mayor Jim Norwood said Tuesday.

Brown, responding to Norwood's statements at Hagerman's regular city council meeting, defended his actions, but said there is "no reason" for him to stay if the mayor is unhappy with his performance.

"I took an oath," Brown said. "I have to enforce the laws of the state of Idaho. At this time, if you guys feel that we are still good old boys, we can look the other way. Then you have to get another city attorney."

Police Chief Joe Gardner was fired by the City Council last month amid allegations that he misused city credit cards. The Idaho State Police currently is investigating the matter, according to city officials.

After Norwood announced his intentions Tuesday, the council informally agreed to seek proposals for city legal services from other attorneys.

"I think we do need to make some arrangements for a different city attorney," Norwood said. "That is my feeling."

As mayor, Norwood can attempt to block council decisions with a

Phil Brown, city attorney

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Study: Don't blame cell phones

Most accidents result from other types of inattentive behavior

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Nearly all drivers become distracted when behind the wheel, and cell phones aren't the main culprit, a study released Wednesday found.

Reaching for something inside the car and fiddling with the audio system are the primary causes of driver inattention, according to a report by the American Automobile Association's Foundation for Traffic Safety, a nonprofit driver education group.

"What we want to do is make people more aware of the fact that there are distractions beyond cell

Distracted drivers

Researchers installed video cameras in cars and observed these distracting activities while the cars were in motion.



| Percentage of drivers | Percentage of total time | |
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| Reaching, leaning | 97% | 3.8% |
| Adjusting radio, music | 91% | 1.4% |
| Conversing | 77% | 15.3% |
| Eating, drinking | 71% | 4.6% |
| Grooming | 46% | 0.3% |
| Dealing with passengers | 44% | 0.9% |
| Reading, writing | 40% | 0.7% |
| Using cell phone | 30% | 1.3% |
| Smoking | 7% | 1.6% |

Note: Multiple activities observed.
Source: AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, study of 70 U.S. drivers.
Graphic: Nancy Balzberg, Tim Gohsen

Hormone therapy hikes heart risk, researchers say

The Associated Press

Women who take hormone replacement pills after menopause nearly double their risk of heart attacks during the first year of treatment, a landmark study concludes.

The findings, part of the federally sponsored Women's Health Initiative, also found the popular therapy appears to compound the risk among those who already have elevated levels of bad cholesterol in their blood streams.

Preliminary results, released last year, showed an overall increase in heart attack risk of nearly 30 percent, compared with women taking dummy pills.

The study's final version, published in today's New England Journal of Medicine, found a similar elevated risk of 24 percent,

but said the risk was especially high — 61 percent higher — during the first year that women took the hormone pill Prempro.

The findings were a surprise because experts had assumed that hormone replacement therapy reduces risk of heart attacks. Sales of Prempro and Premarin have plummeted since last year's results were announced.

The "medical drama" shows the error of believing, without solid proof, that hormone pills would prevent heart disease simply because they lower some of the risk factors, Drs. David M. Herrington and Timothy D. Howard of Wake Forest University School of Medicine wrote in an editorial accompanying the latest findings in today's New England Journal of Medicine.

Marines land in Liberia, where hunger reigns

By Karl Vick
The Washington Post

MONROVIA, Liberia — In a city so preoccupied with hunger that people are hunting dogs for food, the arrival of seven U.S. Marines Wednesday elicited none of the rapture that greeted an American military assessment team that touched down on the same embassy helipad a month ago.

Liberians instead expressed creeping exasperation with Washington. Rebels hold the capital's crucial seaport and are expected to surrender it only to American troops. But President Bush has repeatedly said

Bush steps gingerly into peacekeeping mission — A4

no U.S. troops will arrive until President Charles Taylor has left the country.

Taylor has said he will resign at noon Monday. He has not, however, set a date for leaving Liberia.

"If Taylor doesn't leave, does that mean we should die?" said Joseph Kamara, who is sleeping in an abandoned U.N. office building with his deped U.N. office building with his

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Above, Lt. Col. Del Colliano, of the Isonson team that the U.S. is contributing to a peacekeeping force, speaks Wednesday with an unidentified Nigerian soldier at Robertsfield airport near the Liberian capital Monrovia. At right, an unidentified child with bullet wounds cries during treatment at a beef factory turned into a makeshift hospital in the rebel-held port area of Monrovia.

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Jump

Continued from A1 But Tucker was only high on adrenaline as he looked 130 feet to the lake below, Albertson said. Still, I knew something was going to happen, so I moved over to where he was going to land, Albertson said.

How to jump safely

- 1. High fall (over 20 feet) into water can be dangerous. There are several ways to increase your safety according to "The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook" by Joshua Piven and David Borgenicht. Here is the safest way to jump: 2. Keep your body completely vertical. 3. Separate your feet together. 4. Enter the water feet first. 5. Immediately after you hit the water, spread your arms and legs.

But beware:

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Driving

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Iceland's whale Hagerman plans upset some

WASHINGTON (AP) - Iceland said in a surprise announcement Wednesday that it would begin hunting whales for scientific purposes, drawing criticism from conservation groups and many other governments. Japan, also a whaling nation, welcomed the decision.

Councilman Robert Petronik said he supported Brown. "I'm the new guy, but I've thought he's done a pretty good job," Petronik said.

The council had to make a decision and there had to be an investigation, Councilman Pete West said. "Right now we owe the city police coverage," he said. Norwood is currently interviewing applicants for the opening in the police department as a result of Gardner's termination.

Aftermath

Tucker said Wednesday he was state time: daily and Sunday \$7.00 per week, daily only \$5.00 per week. Saturday and Sunday only \$3.00 per week. A \$15.00 charge will be levied for all returned checks.

The thrill - and danger

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Home will help young men

To live in their own's A new item in Tuesday's paper contained incorrect information about a transitional home being developed by Twin Falls County Commissioner Bill Brockman and others in the community.

Girl was dissecting pig eyeball at science camp

A caption with a photograph in Wednesday's paper contained incorrect information. Abi Herring was dissecting a pig eyeball at the College of Southern Idaho's Science Camp.

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Official: Bombing targeted U.S. symbol Ashcroft orders sentencing reports

But mostly Indonesians died when suicide attackers hit hotel

Combined wire reports

JAKARTA, Indonesia — Attackers who detonated a car bomb outside the JW Marriott Hotel in Jakarta apparently aimed to strike at the United States by attacking a popular gathering spot for Americans.

But whether by a quirk of fate or bad planning, the bombers' biggest success Tuesday was in killing and maiming Indonesians. The Indonesian Red Cross said Wednesday that at least 90 percent of the more than 160 dead and injured were Indonesians; security guards and taxi drivers, wealthy businessmen and office workers, who happened to converge at the wrong place and the wrong time.

Two American women were hurt in the blast. One was treated for minor injuries and released; the other was evacuated to Singapore for treatment of burns on her hands.

"It was very likely an attack on an American symbol," said U.S. Ambassador Ralph Boyce. "But the death and casualty rate shows that these terrorists have no compunction about taking anybody down with them in their despicable effort to cause mass casualties."

Authorities say the bombing might have been a suicide attack carried out by Jemaah Islamiyah, an extremist group with connections to al-Qaida that has been responsible for more than a dozen deadly bombings in Southeast Asia.

The car bomb exploded near the lobby of the Marriott at lunchtime, when the area was bustling. The explosion devastated the lobby, a hotel restaurant and the adjoining Mutiara office building. Many of the victims were dining in the ground-floor restaurant, many were outside near the hotel driveway when the bomb went off. The Indonesian Red Cross initially reported 15 dead, but on Wednesday the organization's secretary general, Iyong Sukander, said that nine people were confirmed dead and 27 bags of body parts still remained to be identified. It was unclear how many individuals' remains were in the bags. Sukander said it also is unclear how many people, if any, have been missing since the explosion. Of the dead identified so far, Dutch banker Hans Winkelmolen



Wife cries as she pulls herself onto her husband Yohannes' coffin Wednesday at the Cipto Mangunkusumo Hospital morgue in Jakarta, Indonesia. Yohannes was a victim in the Marriott Hotel bombing on Tuesday.



Amrozi bin Nurhasyim, a key suspect in last year's Bali bombings, is escorted from a court Wednesday in Denpasar, Indonesia. The methods in the Bali and Tuesday bombings appear similar, officials said. Bin Nurhasyim yelled 'Bomb!' outside the courtroom Wednesday.

Tuesday's arrests, authorities expressed happiness at the attack. "Thank God. I am thankful," Imam Samudra, the alleged mastermind of the Bali bombings that killed 202 people Oct. 12, shouted after he testified in Bali during another suspect's trial. "I am happy, especially if the perpetrators were Muslims."

One of his alleged accomplices, Amrozi bin Nurhasyim, grinned and yelled "Bomb!" when asked about the Marriott attack, which came two days before a verdict in Amrozi's own trial. Police said they were searching for two men who purchased the Toyota Kijang minivan two weeks ago. Authorities released a sketch of one of the suspects, a clean-shaven man about 30 years old.

Investigators say the hands, head and other remains of a man who was in the minivan at the time of the blast were found at the scene.

Mandate transfers more appeal power to lawyers in D.C. from prosecutors in states

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Attorney General John Ashcroft has ordered federal prosecutors across the country to become much more aggressive in reporting to the Justice Department cases in which federal judges impose lighter sentences than called for in federal sentencing guidelines.

The directive, contained in a July 28 memo from Ashcroft, is the latest salvo in an escalating battle over how much discretion federal judges should have in handing down sentences in criminal cases. The more extensive reporting will lay the groundwork for the Justice Department to appeal many more of those sentencing decisions than it has in the past.

Ashcroft's critics reacted angrily to the memo, which was first reported by the Wall Street Journal. Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), accused Ashcroft of engaging in an "ongoing attack on judicial independence" and of requiring federal prosecutors "to participate in the establishment of a blacklist of judges who impose lesser sentences than those recommended by the sentencing guidelines."

Justice Department lawyers, who had championed even tougher measures to limit judicial discretion in sentencing, say the change was needed because of the increasing willingness on the part of some judges to ignore sentencing guidelines. The fact that nearly all departures from the guidelines resulted in more lenient sentences further angered Ashcroft and his conservative-minded attorneys, officials said.

"Some judges felt they were not bound by any guidelines," said one senior justice official. "They were ignored out of some sense that the judge was not beholden to them..."

The Ashcroft memo amended a section of the United States Attorneys' Manual that previously said that federal prosecutors had to report to the Justice Department only those sentences that the prosecutors had objected to and wanted to appeal. In the new directive, prosecutors were told to report all so-called "downward departure"

sentencing decisions that meet certain criteria in nine separate categories. The effect of the change will be to shift most decisions on whether to appeal a sentence that is less than called for in the sentencing guidelines from federal prosecutors in the field to Justice Department lawyers in Washington.

Justice spokesman Mark Corallo said that under the previous system, federal prosecutors in Washington were alerted to problematic sentences on an "ad hoc" basis. By requiring U.S. attorney's offices to report the lighter sentences in a systematic way, Corallo said, Ashcroft and his advisers will be able to identify judges and jurisdictions that deviate from legislative mandates on sentencing.

Corallo set the stage for the latest showdown over sentencing practices in April when it adopted an amendment to the "amber alert" legislation on child abductions. The amendment, crafted and pushed by the Justice Department, restricted the ability of federal judges to depart from the sentencing guidelines and made it easier to appeal and overturn "downward departures" from the guidelines.

Aide's role in water policy draws scrutiny

WASHINGTON (AP) — Environmental and commercial fishing groups asked the White House to explain the role President Bush's top political aide played in developing water policy in the Northwest.

The request followed the disclosure that White House political adviser Karl Rove briefed dozens of political appointees at the Interior Department a year and a half ago about diverting water in the Klamath River in Oregon to help nearby farms.

The White House called the request "a public relations maneuver by special interest groups." Sen. John Kerry, one of the Democratic presidential candidates, called on the Interior Department's Inspector General to look into whether "political pressure from the White House is intimidating staff and influencing policy."

"The Bush Administration needs to understand that federal agencies like the Interior Department are not a division of the Republican National Committee and at their disposal to give out political favors," said Kerry.

Republican leaders in the area wanted to help the farmers, a key



Karl Rove



Sen. John Kerry

constituency. The Interior Department increased the water supply to drought-stricken farmland several months later despite environmentalists' complaint that diverting water from the river would kill threatened coho salmon and endangered sucker fish.

Word of Rove's January 2002 briefing, which took place following a trip by President Bush and Rove to Oregon, was first reported last week by The Wall Street Journal. Rove made a second trip to Oregon before the Interior Department made its decision increasing the water flow to farms. Interior Department spokesman Mark Pfeiffer, who attended Rove's January 2002 meeting, said the Klamath water diversion issue took up "probably 30 seconds to a minute" of a 25-minute presentation.

FBI catalogs weapons for screeners

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI is warning security personnel about dozens of everyday items — from belt buckles to keys — that can conceal knives or other weapons terrorists could use to hijack an airplane.

Many items cost less than \$20 and can be difficult to detect using airport screening devices, according to an FBI statement accompanying the 89-page catalog obtained by The Associated Press. The catalog has been converted into a CD and circulated to airport screeners and law enforcement around the country amid heightened vigilance aimed at preventing another suicide hijacking by al-Qaida.

"It was designed to raise security awareness for law enforcement and airline security," FBI spokesman Paul Bresson said. U.S. law enforcement officials previously have warned that al-Qaida might use improvised or easily obtained substances to mount attacks, especially chemicals that are dangerous when mixed. What makes the FBI weapons list unusual is that most of the concealable knives, pepper spray devices and other items are inexpensive and can be purchased from manufacturers in the United States, Taiwan, Japan, Italy, Sweden, China and elsewhere.

U.S. develops vaccine against Ebola

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Government scientists have developed a new vaccine against the dread Ebola virus that works rapidly after a single injection, an unexpected success that means the nation could soon have a defense against one of the most fearsome weapons in the

terrorist arsenal. So far the vaccine has been proven to work only in monkeys, which were completely protected against death from Ebola infection. But vaccine results in monkeys usually translate well to humans, and government scientists hope to launch human tests of the vaccine by next year.

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NATION

U.S. takes reluctant step into peacekeeping mission

By Barry Schwid Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Philosophically allergic to U.S. peacekeeping in dangerous foreign climes, the Bush administration is dipping a tentative toe into Liberia after months of hellish fighting between government and rebel forces and pleas for help from humanitarian groups.

President Bush's dispatch of seven American Marines came after weeks of deliberation keyed to seeking a commitment from West African governments to help in Liberia. It was "a part of doing what is necessary" to assist in relief operations, Bush said Wednesday at his Texas ranch.

Even as the death toll mounted, with bodies piled up in the U.S. Embassy compound in Monrovia, the stricken capital, Bush and Secretary of State Colin Powell hesitated until they had locked in the arrival of Nigerian troops as the vanguard of a West African force.

Amid it all, "the international relief agency Oxfam pleaded with the Bush administration to 'show its hand' and commit American peacekeepers under a U.S. umbrella.

"People here are really suffering, but as long as the fighting continues, we are unable to help them," Oxfam project officer Sam Nagbe said last month in Monrovia, where he was trapped by the fighting. "We need international peacekeepers now, not in one month or two months."

The help he pleaded for has begun to arrive, with lingering administration uneasiness. "Do not look at this as a commitment for more people to come," a U.S. official said.

Educator resigns over ties to mobster brother

LOWELL, Mass. (AP) — University of Massachusetts President William M. Bulgur resigned Wednesday after months of mounting pressure over his role in the federal investigation of his fugitive mobster brother.

The state's board of trustees immediately voted to accept the resignation, which is effective Sept. 1.

The departure came just two months after Oxfam trustees expressed confidence in Bulgur even as a storm of protest swirled around him and his testimony before a congressional committee investigating the FBI's ties to its mob informants.

He testified under immunity before the panel in June about his mob brother, James "Whitey" Bulgur, who has been on the lam since 1995. Whitey Bulgur fled just before his indictment on federal charges related to 21 murders.

While admitting he had spoken to his brother once since he fled,

Libera's history timeline from 1815 to 1997, including events like American Colonization Society, ACS creates private colony, President Abraham Lincoln recognizes Liberia, and Charles Taylor overthrows Doe.

At a hangar where Americans sat with Nigerians, one of the Americans was overheard saying, "There are certain things we cannot provide you with."

And while the president has not hesitated to go to war in Afghanistan and Iraq to remove governments he found repulsive and tyrannical, he has steered clear of peacekeeping operations.

The capital prompted Clinton to withdraw. As far as Sen. John Warner, the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, is concerned, the Bush administration has not made the case yet for dispatching troops to Liberia.

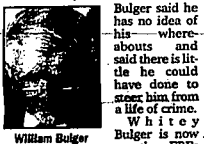
Bush administration with "learning forward," but he said he was wondering why it was waiting "for everything else to happen before we actually participate."

Do-not-call list tops 30M people

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than 30 million Americans have signed up for the government's do-not-call list, a free registry for blocking unsolicited telephone sales pitches, the Federal Trade Commission said Wednesday.

The FTC said 3.4 million people signed up in California, 2.2 million in Florida and 2 million in Texas. Eight of every 10 people who joined the list did so online rather than by telephone.

Telemarketers have challenged the list in court, saying the registry



Bulgur said he has no idea of his whereabouts and said there is little he could have done to steer him from a life of crime.

Liberia

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wife, three children and more than 1,000 other refugees. "He's just an individual. What about the masses who are starving?"

The U.S. team flew in from a three-ship Navy group—carrying 2,000 Marines off Liberia.

A third day of calm in this wretchedly overcrowded city of 1.5 million, the focus of heavy fighting for the previous two weeks, has not opened up the commercial corridors that feed it.

On the government side, the local vendor dips a tin can into a bowl of rice, pours an extra handful of grains on top and asks for 100 liberias, or \$2.

"Even though the guns are silent, there's nothing to eat," said Sulah Bala, an elderly woman pointing to her stomach. "I have nothing to eat today. I ate nothing yesterday."

She stood outside the razor-

wired wall of the U.S. Embassy, on a sloping two-lane avenue that now doubles as an open-air supermarket. Except for a case of Chinese sardines selling for \$2, all the foods spread on plastic sheets in the roadway were foraged: 10 cents would buy a handful of the rock-like shellfish Liberians call "ton meat," a bouquet of the tasty foliage of cassava plants or a half-

dozen "toilet snails," as locals call the specimen collected in urban areas. At another market, a woman peddling goat meat clutched the animal's severed head to demonstrate the provenance of her merchandise.

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NATION

Cuomo urges Gore to seek office

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Labeling the Democratic voices from the presidential field "babble," prominent Democrat Mario Cuomo is calling on former Vice President Al-Gore to enter the race for the party's nomination.

"Gore, who lost the disputed 2000 race to President Bush, has said he would not seek the party's nomination — a point stressed by his spokesman Michael Feldman. "The vice president is not going to be a candidate in 2004," Feldman said.

Still, Cuomo urged Gore to return to the political fray because the party lacks a single candidate to rally around.

"I would like to see him get in," said Cuomo in an interview with WROW-AM radio in Albany, N.Y.

"Right now, the Democratic voice is not a single voice. It is not a chorus. It is a babble," said the former New York governor. Webster's Dictionary defines "babble," as "to make incoherent sounds, as a baby does, prattle."

In a subsequent interview with

The Associated Press, Cuomo said that the Democrats are lacking a "positive agenda, one that the whole party can come around, and a guy like Gore — who has done it, who has it and who can point to it — I think he would be an advantage to the campaign." Cuomo's comments came one day before Gore was to deliver a speech at New York University on the Bush administration's handling of the U.S.-led war against Iraq and other national security issues.

Schwarzenegger says he'll run for governor

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Arnold Schwarzenegger ended the suspense Wednesday and said he would run in California's recall election, awarding Republicans his marquee value in their campaign to oust Gov. Gray Davis. Demo-critic Sen. Dianne Feinstein ruled out a run, labeling the election "more and more like a carnival every day."

Schwarzenegger's announcement came as a surprise; advisers had said in recent days that he was leaning against running in the Oct. 7 election.



Arnold Schwarzenegger

"The man that is falling the people more than anyone is Gray Davis. He is falling them terribly, and this is why he needs to be recalled and this is why

I am going to run for governor." Political commentator Arianna Huffington said Wednesday that she would run as an independent, one of the only other well-known names in the race so far. Former Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan, a moderate Republican, has said he would enter the race if Schwarzenegger did not.

Feinstein's decision not to run gave a big boost to Davis, while frustrating some Democrats who wanted her to run to ensure the governorship would remain in the party's hands if Davis lost.

Labor union delays choice for president

CHICAGO (AP) — The AFL-CIO will not immediately decide who to back for the Democratic presidential nomination, a move that gives new hope to Dick Gephardt's rivals.

The former House minority leader came here hoping to build on the labor support he already has garnered in his race against eight other Democrats.

But on Wednesday, a day after labor leaders and hundreds of rank-and-file heard appeals from Gephardt and his competitors, the governing executive council decided that no endorsement would come at this meeting.

The federation's executive council, which met here this week, does not itself have authority to endorse candidates. But it could have voted to recommend its favorite to the larger AFL-CIO general board, on which union presidents from all 65 affiliates sit.

The executive council did vote Wednesday to give President John Sweeney authority to call an endorsement meeting by Oct. 15.

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EDITORIAL

Small towns can't afford lower arsenic standards

If you don't believe the federal government pays too little attention to Western states' concerns, look no further than the new arsenic standards for drinking water.

It's a textbook case of an unfunded mandate — a pet issue for Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne when he was a U.S. senator. If Kempthorne ascends to the EPA, administrative tasks should be pushing Congress to ante up aid for more for communities with high arsenic levels.

Our view: The federal government needs to ante up aid help Western communities pay for lower arsenic levels.

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

Studies show high exposure to arsenic can contribute to certain forms of cancer. Yet arsenic is a naturally occurring element in much Western drinking water.

Small towns in Idaho are among those U.S. communities that are behind the eight ball with the new requirement to reduce arsenic levels.

By January 2006, public drinking water systems must reduce arsenic levels from the current standard of 50 parts per billion to 10-ppb. The standards were passed in the Clinton administration's waning days, but the Bush administration has allowed them to stay on the books.

One ppb is about the same as one drop of water in a 10,000-gallon swimming pool. A little bit of arsenic presumably goes a long way — yet the scientific studies do not show conclusively that the old standard was a risk to communities.

The EPA initially wanted 3 ppb as the standard. So does that mean the 10-ppb standard is still a risk? Go figure.

The mandate to reduce arsenic levels will inflict huge costs on many Western communities. Twin Falls is expected to spend between \$9 million and \$20 million to meet

the EPA standard. And spending that money on new arsenic technology, relocating wells or blending high-arsenic water with low-arsenic water saps the city's ability to make other improvements to its water system.

City Manager Tom Courtney has noted, "We aren't going to develop one drop of new water supply when we begin the process of bringing our system into compliance."

Of course, when cities begin meeting arsenic standards, you will pay the cost — through higher water rates and possible higher taxes.

Twin Falls is better off than many towns, because it has a relatively wide tax base, fairly low water rates, and a number of options for getting under the standard. But what about smaller communities such as Hollister, Castelford, Bliss, Filer and Bluff? How will they absorb the costs?

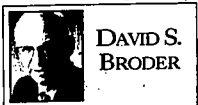
The EPA is distributing \$5 billion in federal grants to help smaller communities upgrade water systems. Twin Falls is applying for a \$1 million grant from that agency, to fund research on fractal technology made by a local company and the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

But \$1 million is only a fraction of what Twin Falls taxpayers will spend. If Twin Falls is typical, \$5 billion spread across the nation is a drop in the bucket.

The standard is hardly practical, but due to politics it probably won't be rolled back. It's time Washington and its rabid environmentalists started understanding that when federal rules impose new costs, the feds need to help carry the burden.

W's legacy will follow FDR or LBJ

A ryphe who compared the frequency of their news conferences — and their fondness for such encounters — would automatically place George W. Bush and Franklin D. Roosevelt as polar opposites. Where FDR enjoyed sparring with reporters and invited them into the Oval Office twice a week, Bush's mind-such sessions so rare that each one becomes a special event.



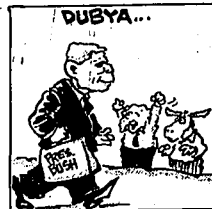
DAVID S. BRODER

But as last week's Rose Garden news conference demonstrated, there is one respect in which Bush and Roosevelt were very much alike. In both of them, self-confidence was overflowing. As a counterpuncher to criticism and as a doubt-free exponent of his own beliefs, the current president is right up there with the inventor of the New Deal.

In a remarkable feat of journalistic precision, the cover story of the July 26 issue of National Journal, a highly esteemed Washington weekly, depicted Bush as FDR, electronically placing the Democrat's plaid tie and trademark signature holder on the Republican's face in a pose that emphasized both men's jaw-jawed readiness to take on the opposition.

The photo illustrated an essay titled "The Accidental Radical," by Jonathan Rauch, one of the most insightful journalist-authors in the capital. His hesitating forward march, which I, like most of us, came to the White House after relatively short stints as governors of New York and Texas, respectively, lost no time in charting the widespread misapprehension that they would, as good Establishment aristocrats, do nothing to rock the boat.

Instead, FDR created the model of the welfare state and forged the New Deal political coalition that largely dominated American politics from 1932 to 1968. Bush, Rauch argues, is pressing forward major structural changes in both



foreign and domestic policy, revising the doctrine and reputation of conservatism and aiming for long-term political dominance by the GOP.

Roosevelt made his changes under the spur of the Great Depression and World War II. Bush has the impetus of 9/11 to thank for the doctrine of pre-emptive wars, used to justify the attack on Iraq, and for the creation of the Homeland Security Department, one of the biggest restructurings of government since the New Deal. But many of Bush's other innovations, such as his sweeping tax changes, his education initiative and the pending expansion of Medicare to include prescription drugs, are rooted in nothing other than his own sense of what the times require.

But there is one big difference, as he points out. We know how the New Deal turned out. It was a smashing political success and Roosevelt's unprecedented three-plus terms, during which he led the nation in escaping the Depression and defeating Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan, earned him the monument memorializing him on the Mall.

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Work is the key to welfare success

BRIAN RIEDL AND ROBERT RECTOR

Should Congress make work requirements for welfare recipients stricter? That's what would happen under a bill the House has passed. It would require more recipients to work 40 hours a week instead of the current 30 and stop vocational training from counting as "work."

Bad idea, the critics say. They claim that education and training programs lead to successful, high-paying careers, while putting welfare recipients to work immediately traps them in low-paying, dead-end jobs.

families back up to self-sufficiency by placing adults in permanent jobs.

The undeniable success of this approach is demonstrated by the more than 5 million people (including 3 million children) who have risen out of poverty since the law was enacted. After remaining static for nearly a quarter-century, the poverty rate of black children has dropped by a third and is now at the lowest point in U.S. history.

shows that employers consider a positive attitude, reliability, work ethic and punctuality the most important traits they seek when hiring for entry-level positions. These traits can't be taught in a classroom or training program; they are acquired through first-hand work experience. Not surprisingly, the same employers consider job training the least important qualification.

Welfare recipients assigned to immediate work see their earnings increase more than twice as fast over the following five years as those first placed in education-based programs, according to calculations we made using data from the Manpower Demonstration Research Corp., a New York-based nonprofit group. In fact, most government-run job training programs barely raise hourly wage rates at all, a report commissioned by the U.S. Labor Department reveals.

If the goal of welfare reform is to raise earnings while reducing dependency, then quickly moving welfare recipients into real jobs is the answer. Prolonged classroom training tends to be the dead end.

But welfare reform wasn't perfect. Today fewer than half of TANF adult recipients are employed or preparing for employment in any way. Most remain idle and continue to collect welfare.

President Bush and his congressional allies want to strengthen welfare reform by increasing the TANF work-participation rate to 70 percent; opponents seem content excluding millions of families from working or even preparing to work. Yet those who would enact legislation that leaves hundreds of thousands of welfare recipients in idle dependence are clearly harming those they wish to help.

Unlike those stuck in a classroom or government-run job-training office, individuals placed in immediate work gain real-world experience mastering job duties. As they build work records, more job options and higher earnings become available. In the meantime, even minimum-wage parents can use the earned income tax credit, food stamps, Medicaid, the Child Care Development Fund and the school lunch program to raise their total income to two-thirds above the federal poverty line.

Before the 1995 welfare reforms, the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) safety net was that safety net — not only catching but also trapping nearly all who fell into it. Welfare reform replaced AFDC with a program called Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF). This program was designed not as a net but as a trampoline, springing

And those who believe welfare recipients are better served by education and training programs are ignoring the skills that help these poor adults the most. A study conducted by the Washington-based Urban Institute

Some critics insist that all employable adults have already left welfare, leaving only individuals with insurmountable personal barriers to work. Not true. Urban Institute data reveal the current welfare recipients are no less work-ready than those who have left welfare. In fact, a substantial number of them aren't classified as having any barriers to work. And most of those with such barriers as a lack of transportation, a slight disability or an inability to speak English can, in fact, land jobs. But their chances of doing so are much better if we insist on immediate work.

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LETTERS

Internment camp story headline was wrong

Your headline, "Public says change name of former internment camp," was very misleading.

At the July 29 National Park Service public comment meeting on Minidoka Internment National Monument in Twin Falls, one person said the name was too benign and the reporter stated that in her story. The Times-News changed one person's opinion into the headline, "Public says..."

In a separate comment, the Minidoka City clerk said, "...an average of five cars per week go to the town of Minidoka looking for the Minidoka Internment National Monument. She pointed out all the "Minidokas" in this area and suggested a Minidoka Monument sign on the interstate and more available literature.

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MAYA HATA LEMMON
Twin Falls

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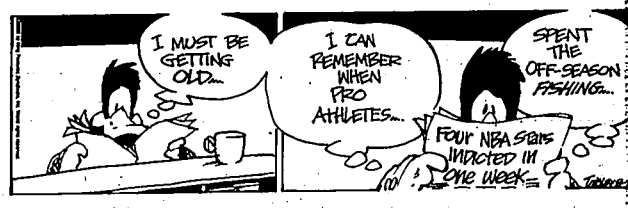
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Survivor recalls days at sea, watching others die

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — The Pakistani fisherman "shivered as he remembered six days floating in the Arabian Sea, clinging to a makeshift raft made of wooden planks and plastic buoys after his boat sank in fierce monsoon rains."

Mohammed Mumtaz Magasi washed ashore on Pakistan's southern coast — the only survivor from a crew of 17. He faced high waves, hunger, stinging fish bites and a blistering sun that slowly took the lives of five other survivors of the initial disaster. "I don't know how I held on, the thirst was so bad," the 22-year-old said.

"Thin, with a dark scraggly beard, Magasi recalled his ordeal Wednesday as he crouched on a mattress in the two-room hut he shares with his parents and five siblings in the slums of Karachi, in southern Pakistan."

A single bull provided the only light, making him look even more exhausted as he told his story three days after he came ashore. Cuts and sores covered his arms, injuries caused by salt water and the rope he used to lash himself to the raft. It was not possible to independently verify Magasi's account. However, Ghazanfar Ali Boota, a coordinator at the Fisheries Department who has spoken to Magasi, said he believed the fisherman.

"I have no doubt in my mind about his story," Boota said. "This is not the first time a fisherman spent days swimming



Pakistani fisherman Mohammed Mumtaz Magasi describes his ordeal Wednesday in Karachi, Pakistan.

to shore." Only three weeks ago, Magasi said he and a friend, Pervaiz, were job hunting on the Karachi docks. Magasi said he used to work at a textile factory and heard that fishing paid better.

Experience wasn't necessary. He just needed to be able to swim.

Both young men found work on a fishing boat and were told they could each make \$85 to \$100, a big sum for Magasi's

poor family. Magasi said he didn't care that the boat had no radio, life jackets or safety gear or that the most sophisticated equipment on board was a compass.

Within a week, Magasi's body ached from hauling nets heavy with fish and grubs and storing them in ice at the back of the ship.

On the seventh day, the weather turned stormy, but the men kept working.

He had just crawled inside the tiny space he shared with six other men under the ship's deck when the floor heaved and he was thrown against the wall. Cold water started pouring in as the men scrambled to get back on deck.

The wooden boat rattled and creaked, shaken by huge waves. Magasi said he remembers lightning and strong winds. The rear of the boat was sinking fast and there was no sign of the 11 men who had been working on deck only hours earlier.

"The rest of the crew simply disappeared. We never knew what happened to them," Magasi said.

The six survivors fashioned a crude raft using wooden planks and fishing buoys. "We just hung onto it and within minutes we were far from the boat," said Magasi.

"One of the men managed to bring a rope along, and we tied it around our chests and secured it to the raft," said Magasi, raising his thin arms to show the yellow welts made by the rope.

"He also told us to cover our palms and soles with cloth. He said that otherwise they would shine in the water and attract fish," Magasi said.

Two days after the ship went down, the sun began burning. Parched, hungry and exhausted, the men were losing hope. "I was the youngest. I thought I would be the first one to go," he said.

Magasi remembered the first man to die: He could no longer endure the thirst and swallowed sea water.

"He started foaming at the mouth," said Magasi. "He said 'I'm going.' We tried to stop him at first but then we let him go."

One by one the men died, and by the sixth day only Magasi was left. "I think it was early morning on the sixth day when I saw something in the horizon," Magasi said. He swam to land, but says he doesn't know where he got the strength.

Villagers found him and took him to a hospital on a donkey cart.

"What happened to the crew remains a mystery," said Khan Mohammed Peerzada of the Fishermen's Cooperative Society. Not even the wreckage of the boat has been recovered, he said.

The day after he was rescued, Magasi was taken by police to identify a body that had washed ashore. It was his friend Pervaiz, last seen by Magasi on the boat. "I saw death up close. I can't believe that only I am alive," he said.

Prisoner release draws wary response from Palestinian leadership

The Washington Post

JERUSALEM, Aug. 6 — The Israeli government released 339 Palestinian prisoners Wednesday, a move hailed by Israel as a goodwill gesture and assailed by Palestinians as a public relations sham in what has become a growing battle of recriminations in a troubled U.S.-backed peace effort.

The freed prisoners — a fraction of the thousands of Palestinians being held in Israeli jails — were taken by bus to three Israeli military checkpoints on the edge of the West Bank and one at an entrance to the Gaza Strip.

"This is very nominal when you release a few hundred people," said Ziad Abu Amr, a member of the Palestinian Authority cabinet. "Some of them were criminals, others were about to be released from Israeli jails anyway."

Although the release of Palestinian prisoners is not a part of the initiative of the renewed peace process known as the roadmap, it is exploded into a contentious political issue between Israeli and Palestinian leaders.

Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas has requested the release of prisoners as a confidence-building measure and Palestinian militant groups have demanded the prisoners' release in return for the three-month cease-fire they declared on June 29.

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“Our theme this year is ‘Leave no doubt.’ Last year, we didn’t go to the playoffs because some people out there doubted us. This year, we don’t want that to happen.”

—Idaho State football coach Larry Lewis

TRIVIA

QUESTION:
From the U.S. Golf Association rules quiz: A ball enters a hole burrowed by an animal, the entrance to which is out of bounds, and comes to rest under ground in bounds. Is the ball considered out of bounds?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Legion baseball

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Burley vs. Coeur d'Alene, 11 a.m.
Sandpoint vs. Mountain Home, 2 p.m.
Marsh Falls vs. Boise Barons, 5 p.m.
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IN BRIEF

Bruin football holds player-parent meeting

TWIN FALLS — Interim Twin Falls football coach Gary Krumm will hold a player-parent meeting and helmet check-out tonight at 7 in the gymnasium. Practices begin Monday.
Junior high and youth football camps will be announced at a later time.

Oakley holds high school football meeting today

OAKLEY — All players and parents of Oakley High School football are encouraged to attend an informational meeting on Thursday at 7 p.m.

Burley hosts volleyball rules clinic Thursday

BURLEY — Volleyball officials and coaches have two shots at attending mandatory state volleyball rules clinics, with the first at Burley Junior High tonight and the second one Monday at Twin Falls High School.

Registration for both will be at 6:30 p.m. with the clinic at 7. All officials and coaches must attend one of the meetings.
Call Velma Jean Mabey at (208) 678-7252 with any questions.

Gooding hosts annual Lyon Memorial tourney

GOODING — The 38th edition of the Bob Lyon Senior Golf Championship comes to the Gooding Country Club on Aug. 16-17.
Space is available with a \$50 entry fee for the first 68 paid players. Carts are \$18 for two days.
There will be a 100 percent payout for both gross and net and an awards banquet.
Both days will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. For more information, call the pro shop at 934-9977.

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TRIVIA ANSWER:

No. The ball is in bounds, because whether a ball is in bounds is measured vertically. The player may drop the ball without penalty within one club length of the ground directly above the ball's position in the burrow.

CSI volleyball begins long march

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's only just begun for the College of Southern Idaho volleyball team.
After the second day of practice, the conference season, Region 18A tournament and certainly nationals seem a long time away. In reality, conference is five weeks away with the postseason set for mid-to-late November.
But now during the heat of August, it's a matter of getting back to game shape for a new group of volleyball players who practiced together for the first time on Tuesday.

Season opener

The Eagles begin the season with the Outback Steakhouse Invitational Aug. 22-23 in the CSI gym.



"It's a little hard," said a winded Andrea Santos, a returning All-American and only sophomore on this year's Golden Eagles squad. The soreness of the first few days of practice could be seen Wednesday by coach Ben Stroud.

"We're working them real hard," he said. "They're sure not jumping like they will in a week. We'll be good, how good we don't know."
Judging from their efforts Wednesday, the freshmen do know that starting positions are up for grabs this season. Wednesday's afternoon practice at Twin Falls High School had the Eagles going through game situations with conditioning work done during the longer morning session.

"Everyone gave their best effort," Santos said. "They work hard."
As Stroud will certainly remind

them, they have to. "We have to be patient," Stroud said. "We're changing stuff with them. They're athletic and talented but there's something missing. It will eventually pay off."
Even now, the roster remains in flux with 6-foot-2 Brazilian middle hitter/blocker Eliane Santos expected to arrive in Twin Falls Friday. Eliane is not related to Andrea, also of Brazil.

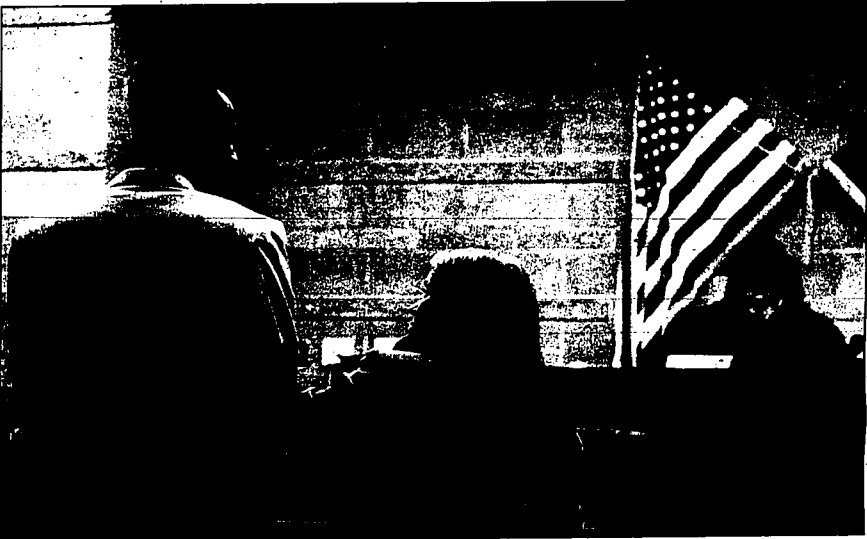
"She is really fast and very athletic," Stroud said. "She's going to be, I hope, a really good player. She could change the complexion of the team."

Eliane Santos makes it five middles on the CSI squad, giving the

team tons of depth at that position. Which ones move to either side will be determined as the two-day practices continue. The season opens with the Outback Steakhouse Invitational Aug. 22-23 at the CSI gymnasium.
How the team does at the starting six emerge is the primary goal of the preseason. The lineup juggling could continue during the non-conference tournaments.
"It's going to take a little longer than normal," Stroud said. "With 11 freshmen, we have lots of stuff to do. They could reach their potential at the end."

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Bryant attends initial hearing



Kobe Bryant looks at his defense attorney Pamela Mackey as he is advised by Eagle County Judge Frederick Ganett during a hearing at the Eagle County courthouse Wednesday in Eagle, Colo. Bryant is charged with felony sexual assault against a 19-year-old woman who worked at an exclusive resort hotel in nearby Edwards when Bryant stayed there June 30.

NBA star utters only two words during brief court appearance

By Tim Dahlberg
Associated Press writer

EAGLE, Colo. — NBA superstar Kobe Bryant made his first court appearance on a sexual assault charge Wednesday, uttering just two words during a seven-minute hearing that created a media frenzy in this quiet mountain town.
Attorneys for the 24-year-old Bryant waived his right to be formally advised of the felony



Kobe case
assault charge, sparing the Los Angeles Lakers guard even more time in the candleblock courtroom that was jammed with reporters.
Eagle County Judge Frederick

Ganett set an Oct. 9 preliminary hearing to determine whether the case will go to trial. The hearing would be one day after a Lakers preseason game and about three weeks before the start of the regular season.

Bryant spoke only once during the hearing, answering "No, sir" when the judge asked if he objected to giving up his right to have the preliminary hearing held within 30 days.

Bryant left the courthouse immediately and was expected to return to California by private jet.

Bryant has said he had consented with the 19-year-old hotel clerk June 30 but is innocent of assault.

If convicted, Bryant faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life on probation, and a fine of up to \$750,000. He is free on \$25,000 bond.

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M's ship Nellie to New York for Benitez

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — The Seattle Mariners traded reliever Jeff Nelson back to the New York Yankees on Wednesday for right-hander Armando Benitez and cash.
Nelson criticized the Mariners' front office last week after the team failed to make a major deal at the trade deadline, but was told that wasn't the reason he was dealt.

"It gives us more options," Mariners manager Bob Melvin said. "Not to take anything away from Shigetoshi (Hasegawa), who has been fabulous as a closer, but we've got another guy experienced in that role."

Nelson, 36, has pitched for only two teams in his 12-year career — two stints with Seattle and this will be his second with the Yankees. The right-hander helped New York win four World Series titles from 1996-2000.

The Yankees acquired Benitez in a trade with the New York Mets on July 16, but he didn't last long in the Bronx.
The deal comes less than a week after the trade deadline, meaning both players had to clear waivers before being dealt.
"When they told me New York,



Mariners reliever pitcher Jeff Nelson closes a game against the Devil Rays in his July 13 photo in Seattle.

I was very surprised," Nelson said. "The big surprise is that they would deal with a rival team."

The Mariners and Yankees open a three-game series at Yankee Stadium on Friday night and it could be a playoff preview — both teams are in first place.

Nelson was 3-2 with a 3.35 ERA and seven saves in 46 games for the Mariners. Benitez, a first-time All-Star this season, saved 21 games for the Mets before being shipped across town. He was 1-1 with a 1.93 ERA for the Yankees.
Last Thursday, Nelson ripped into Mariners management for failing to make a major trade before the deadline. A day later,

Bobcats will open against Coeur d'Alene

By Scott Thompson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The Burley Bobcats Single-A American Legion baseball team and coach Doug Bailey left for the state tournament in Lewiston Wednesday, not knowing and not caring what team they will face.

"That's the way you've got to look at it," Bailey said. "It's not like basketball and football where you can scout their offense and defense. You just have to do your job."

The Bobcats (23-11) face Coeur d'Alene in the first game today at 11 a.m. MDT.

And Burley, though more focused on itself than the opponent in front of it, knows mistakes will be costly and the margin for error slim.

"The Bobcats are not a tremendous hitting team, so it is imperative they play well defensively," Bailey said. When they have done this, they have been tough to beat. And when they've struggled in the field, it's made for long games.
"That's the story of us," Bailey

Bengals hope to discredit doubters

By Jared Eborn
Special to The Times-News

POCATELLO — The Idaho State University football team isn't used to anyone but themselves having high expectations at the beginning of the season.

But after last year's 8-3 campaign that culminated with a share of the Big Sky championship, the Bengals are suddenly one of the hot teams on the national I-AA scene.

Conveniently, however, ISU has chipped on its collective shoulder over a snub from last year's I-AA playoff field.

"We've got unfinished business," said fifth-year Bengals coach Larry Lewis. "Our theme this year is 'Leave no doubt.' Last year, we didn't go to the playoffs because some people out there doubted us. This year, we don't want that to happen."

The Bengals opened their fall camp Wednesday and welcomed 90 athletes to the practice field outside Holt Arena. Among them are a handful of All-American candidates and coach defensive end Jared Allen, offensive lineman Steve Burch and wide receiver Brett Fowler.

"We've created depth at every position," Lewis said. "This is the best we've been across the board since I got here."

Idaho State opens its season in just 21 days when it hosts Montana-Western in what is being seen by many fans as a warmup for the Boise State Broncos a week later.

The last time Lewis had this many of his student-athletes gathered together, tears flowed freely as the Bengals learned they were not invited to the 16-team I-AA field.

"It was a terrible feeling," said Allen, a 6-foot-6, 280-pound senior. "We all decided we didn't want that feeling again. I think we

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American Legion Baseball State Tournament

Single-A
In Lewiston
Today's first round
All-Time record
11 a.m. — Burley vs. Coeur d'Alene
2 p.m. — Sandpoint vs. Mountain Home
5 p.m. — Marsh Falls vs. Boise Barons
7:30 p.m. — Lewiston vs. Treasure Valley

said. "If we play defense behind our pitching, we are very, very tough."

At the core, Burley is led by a trio of seniors — center fielder Matt Hope, shortstop/pitcher Ryan Bailey and third baseman/pitcher McMurray — who were also integral parts of the high school team.
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SPORTS

HIGH SCHOOL TRYOUTS AND PRACTICE TIMES

TWIN FALLS - Here are times and dates that area junior high and high schools are holding practices and tryouts for the fall sports season. Note: All prospective student-athletes must have a physical examination on file for the 2003-04 academic year.

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| Jerome HS Equipment check-out and parent meeting: Aug. 11-12 Aug. 11 Juniors and seniors; Aug. 12 Sophomores and freshmen When, where: 6:30 p.m. both nights, Jerome HS cafeteria Contact: Terry Waitley, 735-1301, 539-1682 | Contact: Kirby Bright, 423-6298 Kimberly HS First practice: Aug. 18 When, where: 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.; practice fields Contact: Kirby Bright, 423-6298 Kimberly MS Equipment check-out: Aug. 21-22 Aug. 21 eighth-graders; Aug. 22 seventh-graders When, where: 7-9 p.m., TBA Contact: Marvin Mumun, 733-2748 Minico HS First practice: Aug. 11 |
| Jerome HS First practice: Aug. 15 When, where: 5 p.m., Jerome HS Contact: Terry Waitley, 735-1301, 539-1682 Kimberly HS Equipment check-out: Aug. 13-14 When, where: 7-9 a.m., Kimberly HS | O'Leary JHS First practice: Aug. 18 When, where: 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Practice field Contact: Brett Doyle or Shawn Walker, 733-2155 |
| Volleyball | |
| Buhl HS First practice or tryout: Aug. 15 When, where: 7-10 a.m. and 5-8 p.m., TBA Contact: Erin, 308-1310 Burley HS First practice or tryout: Aug. 15 When, where: 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m., Burley HS gym Contact: Matt Seely, 878-8891 School Burley JHS First practice or tryout: Aug. 15, west gym Times: 9 a.m. Contact: Vic Jackman, 878-8093 or 878-6613 Kimberly MS Volleyball Clinic First practice or tryout: Volleyball Clinic, Aug. 12-14 When, where: 8:30-11:30 a.m., Kimberly MS Gym Cost: \$25 Contact: Jan Hall, 734-5724 | Kimberly MS First practice or tryout: Aug. 18 When, where: 3:30-5 p.m. (eighth-graders); 4-6:30 p.m. (seventh-graders) Contact: Megan Garner 308-2346; Kelly Gibbons 423-6303 Kimberly HS First practice or tryout: Aug. 18 When, where: 6 a.m., gymnasium Contact: Jan Hall, 734-5724 Minico HS First practice or tryout: Aug. 15 When, where: 10 a.m., Minico HS gym Contact: Jackie Rasmick, 436-3637 O'Leary JHS First practice or tryout: Monday, Aug. 18 When, where: 9 a.m. (ninth-graders); 1 p.m. (eighth-graders), Big gymnasium Contact: Coach Briere or Karen Burns, 733-2155 |
| Twin Falls HS First practice or tryout: Aug. 18 When, where: 7-8 a.m. front of Twin Falls HS; 5-7 p.m., Ascension Field Contact: Steve Schmid, 736-8735 | Girls soccer Twin Falls HS First practice or tryout: Aug. 18 When, where: 7-8 a.m. front of Twin Falls HS; 5-7 p.m., Ascension Field Contact: Steve Schmid, 736-8735 |
| 49ers SANTA CLARA, Calif. - Quarterback Jeff Garcia will skip the San Francisco 49ers' exhibition opener against Kansas City on Saturday to rest his sore back. The three-time Pro Bowler hurt his back in a workout a few days before training camp. He had been participating in nearly every practice at camp until Tuesday, when his back got stiff again. Garcia missed the 49ers' workouts Wednesday. Garcia passed for 3,344 yards and 21 touchdowns last season leading San Francisco to the NFC West title and the second round of the playoffs. His absence in the preseason could be a good thing for the 49ers, who must evaluate their backups. Tim Rattay, Garcia's seldom-used understudy for the past two seasons, will start against the Chiefs. Rattay will give way to Brandon Doman during the second quarter, and rookie Ken Dorsey probably will get his first NFL snaps in the fourth quarter. | Cross country O'Leary JHS First practice or tryout: Aug. 15 When, where: 3 p.m., Twin Falls HS Contact: Curtis Asay, 733-2155 |

Fiedler, Garcia rest with back problems

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) - Quarterback Jay Fiedler was held out of the Miami Dolphins' practice Wednesday with what the team described as back spasms.
 Dolphins coach Dave Wannstedt said he thinks the injury occurred while Fiedler was stretching before practice.
 "I think he probably stretched too much and it just tightened up on him a little," Wannstedt said. "It didn't get hit. It didn't do anything drastic. It tightened up on him a little bit and he was out of synch, so we decided to give him a little rest."
 Fiedler missed six starts last season with a broken right thumb. Former Denver QB Brian Griese, signed in the offseason to be Fiedler's backup, worked out with the offensive starters Wednesday.

Training camp roundup

will probably start at left end.

Bucs

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. - Derrick Brooks returned to the Bucs after spending eight days with his ailing mother and got a standing ovation from fans that lined up to watch practice.
 Led by Warren Sapp, his teammates bowed to salute the NFL Defensive Player of the Year.
 Brooks, who missed the team's exhibition game against the New York Jets in Japan, said his mother's condition has improved, though he would like to be more specific about her illness.

Broncos

HOUSTON - Quarterback Jarious Jackson is going to get his chance to show what he can offer the Denver Broncos, not just for this year but in the future.
 Broncos coach Mike Shanahan said Wednesday that backup Steve Beuerlein probably will not play in Saturday's preseason opener against the Houston Texans so the team can evaluate the other quarterbacks on the roster, most notably Jackson.
 Starter Jake Plummer will get about 10-15 plays and then Jackson will start his audition for a roster spot as the No. 3 quarterback.

Colts

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. - Indianapolis Colts backup quarterback Brock Huard broke a finger on his throwing hand and will be out about two weeks.
 Huard cracked a bone in his left index finger on the last play of Tuesday afternoon's practice. Coach Tony Dungy did not say how the injury occurred.
 With Huard out for Saturday's exhibition game with the Chicago Bears, former Arena League quarterback Jim Kubiak and undrafted college free agent James MacPherson are expected to take a lot of the snaps.

Cowboys

SAN ANTONIO - Offensive lineman Gennaro DiNapoli signed with the Dallas Cowboys, who were looking for help because rookie Al Johnson has a knee injury.
 The Cowboys also traded long snapper Jeff Grau to Tampa Bay for a condition of a pick to make room on their roster, which is now at 82 players.

Ninety-year-old golfer still has eye on the ball

By Trudy Tynan
Associated Press writer

GREENFIELD, Mass. - Concentration, Lois Cronk said, is key to winning golf. And a little practice doesn't hurt.
 At 90, Cronk looks and plays as if she were decades younger. She recently won her first U.S. women's title, capturing the gold medal in her age group at the National Senior Olympics.

"If I can serve as an inspiration to other women to get out and play, it would be great," she said.
 Despite a tussle with a turtle, Cronk carded a three-day, 54-hole total of 270 in June at the Honey Bee Golf Course in Virginia Beach, Va., which attracted more than 400 senior golfers.

Playing through a string of three long water holes, Cronk sat her ball on the edge of the drink. As she approached, the ball moved.

"This turtle had it in its front claws and was pulling it back into the pond," Cronk said.

"I reached down and said 'shoo' and grabbed the ball," she said. "I had to take a penalty, of course, but I wasn't about to let a turtle make off with my ball. You can't let anything distract you in a tournament."

That competitive spirit was very much in evidence recently when Cronk, who lives in the small western Massachusetts town of Shelburne Falls, and friend Ron Weller placed second in a member-guest tourney at the Greenfield Country Club.

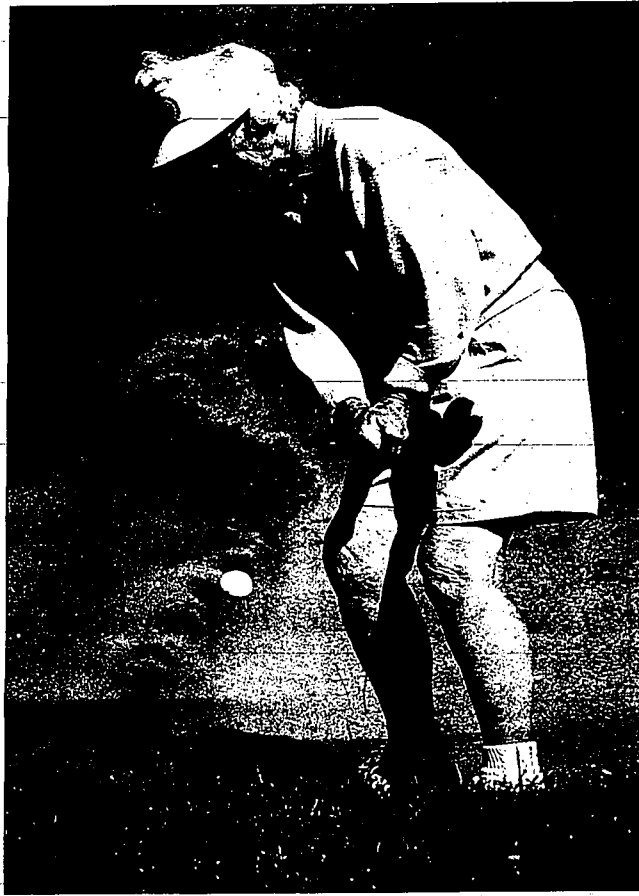
"It was very relaxed and putting very well," Cronk said, making a beeline for the scoreboard upon reaching the clubhouse, while much younger players scrambled for cool drinks in the 90-degree heat.

"And still hitting those straight drives," added Weller, who admits to being "more than 30 years younger" than his partner.
 "She's an amazing woman, just amazing," said club pro Buckley O'Brien. "And we're very proud of her."

Cronk was just warming up with the 18-hole tournament. Every Tuesday she plays 27 holes. Her only concession is taking a cart on the hilly Greenfield course. She still walks the nearby nine-hole Meadows Golf Course.

"I call it my day off," she said. "It's my relaxation. You have to put everything else out of your mind. You can't be thinking about anything else when you address the ball."

Her late husband, Coast Guard Capt. Paul Cronk, introduced her to the game in 1935 when they were stationed in Spring Lake, Mich. He hoped it could provide some relief from the often worrisome life of a Coast Guard wife.
 "He got some rental clubs and we played nine holes. I shot a 47. He shot a 53," she recalled. "He looked at the scoreboard and said, 'You've played before.' I said, 'Yes.'
 It wouldn't be the last time best-



Lois Cronk, 90, of Shelburne, Mass., plays golf at the Meadows Golf Course in Greenfield, Mass., June 8. Cronk recently won her first U.S. women's title, capturing the gold medal in her age group at the National Senior Olympics.

ing the men for this contemporary of golf's first female phenom - Babe Didrickson Zaharias.
 "My nickname was the 'Second Babe,'" Cronk laughed. "I got to meet her once at a tournament."
 "I really had no opposition at the senior games, but I was very happy when I looked over the card and found I had beaten the men," she said.
 Initially apprehensive about

Annika Sorenstam's foray into male competition, Cronk said she quickly became a rouser glued to her television. "I just couldn't see how it was possible for her to play a good game with all the distraction," she said.
 For most of her life, golf was her private time, the release that had to be squeezed in between moves and family responsibilities, with never enough time for proper

practice.
 Still, Cronk got sponsorship offers to turn professional.
 "My husband said if I wanted to do it that would be fine with him," she recalled. "And I just looked at him and said, 'I don't know why you would say that. I have two babies and you are going to be transferred.'"
 And, now, at 90, she is a champion with a gold medal to prove it.

CSI

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 "And that's during the region tournament and nationals, when wrist count the most."
 It's a lot of hours at practice and in the weight room to reach that point. Stroud is hopeful this group has the makings of a strong team.

"I like this team's attitude," Stroud said. "The starters are pretty good and they'll get better and better!"

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ISU

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 all made it a goal to leave no doubt and earn our way into the playoffs."
 The Bengals have depth at most positions, but there's precious little experience at quarterback.
 Caleb Eastman has been on the Pocatello campus for three seasons, but seen only spot duty as veteran quarterbacks have led the Bengals in recent years. Mark Hetherington and Roman Ybarra were brought in this year after stellar careers at junior colleges in California.
 Working those quarterbacks into the system, though, will be made easier by the veteran group of offensive linemen. Burch, a junior from Oakley, is the starting left

tackle and did not allow a sack all year last season.
 Isaac Mitchell, a senior running back from Pocatello High, ran for 968 yards last year despite fighting injuries much of the time.
 "I'm real excited about all of our players," Lewis said. "It's great to have the senior leadership that we haven't always had while I've been here."

The Bengals are getting plenty of respect nationally. After finishing 2002 ranked No. 17, ISU has been ranked in preseason polls as high as No. 6 in "Football Gazette," No. 9 in "Street & Smith's," and No. 15 in "Athlon."
 "We didn't like the way last year ended," Burch said. "We've still got something to prove."

Legion

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 team's state title in 2002.
 "That will be invaluable for us," Bailey said. "Because all three of those guys were big parts of the state championship team... They will be able to show the younger guys what it takes."
 Junior ace Zac Pickup will also have to give the kind of performance that he summoned against Upper Valley in the district tournament game Saturday that earned Burley a berth to state.
 "I don't know the teams that will be at state, but if we play our game like we did today then we'll do great," Pickup said after the 7-0 Mountain Home, which draws

some players from Glenns Ferry, is back to defend its state title. The Royals face Sandpoint in their opener.

And Area C champion Marsh Falls, which finished as the state runner-up a year ago, is also back, opening with the Boise Barnons. Marsh Falls (40-19) defeated Burley 15-5 in the Area C championship game a week or so after Burley defeated the Eagles in the regular season.
 Lewiston and Treasure Valley finish the first day of action.

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SCORES AND STATS

Bucks introduce Porter as new coach

ST. FRANCIS, Wis. (AP) — Terry Porter is finally over the hazy clouds of being bypassed by his hometown team in the NBA draft 18 years ago. Now he's coach of the Milwaukee Bucks. "I'm glad they didn't pass on me this time, '85 was a tough year for me," Porter said Wednesday at his introductory news conference. Porter replaces George Karl, who was fired on July 20, and becomes the first black coach in franchise history. After starting at Milwaukee South Division High School and Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Porter was hoping to be drafted by the Bucks in 1985. He even spent the evening as their guest at the club's draft headquarters at the Milwaukee Arena. But coach Don Nelson selected LSU's Jerry Reynolds instead and Portland grabbed Porter two spots later with the 22nd pick. He trained for a decade with the Trail Blazers, becoming their career assists leader before stops at Minnesota, Miami and San Antonio before retiring in 2002. Through it all, he never forgot that awful night in 1985. "It always stuck me," Porter said. "Whenever I see Nelson and the staff, I always give them a little jab: 'Hey, you guys passed up on me.' I always say that. Growing up in this town and being a part of the draft day and then not get draft-

BASEBALL

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Tennis

- ATP Tennis Masters-Canada, early rounds, ESPN, 11 a.m.
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WHAT'S ON T.V.

Golf

- Euro Tour, Nordic Open, first round, TBC, 7 a.m.
• Nationwide Tour Omaha Classic, first round, TBC, 11:30 a.m.
• PGA, The International, first round, USA, 2 p.m.

Tennis

- ATP Tennis Masters-Canada, early rounds, ESPN, 11 a.m.
• ATP Tennis Masters-Canada, early rounds, ESPN2, 9 p.m.

Softball

- Little League WS, West vs. Asia Pacific, ESPN2, 9 p.m.

Basketball

- WNBA, Sacramento at San Antonio, ESPN2, 6 p.m.

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SPORTS

D-Train chugs past Cards for 11th win

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Rookie Dontrelle Willis pitched eight impressive innings and Ivan Rodriguez homered as the Florida Marlins beat the St. Louis Cardinals 7-3 on Wednesday night.

The win put the Marlins a game back of Philadelphia, which lost 5-1 at Colorado, in the NL wild-card race.

Willis (11-2), who beat Randy Johnson in his last outing, shrugged off a shaky start to tie the team record for wins by a rookie set by Brian Meadows in 1998. Willis walked Bo Hart on four pitches to start the game and gave up a two-run double to Scott Rolen later in the first, but then was virtually unhittable after that.

Eduardo Perez homered in the eighth off Willis, who allowed three runs and five hits.

Astros 11, Mets 1

HOUSTON — Adam Everett hit the first inside-the-park home run at Minute Maid Park, and Jeff Bagwell and Richard Hidalgo each homered and drove in three runs for Houston. Wade Miller (8-10) allowed one run and six hits in six innings for the victory for Houston, which used a 15-hit attack to beat the Mets.

Braves 10, Brewers 2

MILWAUKEE — Greg Maddux won his fifth straight game, and Marcus Giles and Andrew Jones each hit a pair of home runs as Atlanta beat Milwaukee. Julio Franco also homered for Atlanta, which avoided losing three straight games since dropping the season-opening series to Montreal. Milwaukee reliever Brooks Kieschnick hit a two-run homer in the eighth.

Rockies 5, Phillies 1

DENVER — Chin-hui Tsao allowed two hits in six innings, and Todd Helton hit a three-run homer in the Colorado Rockies' 5-1 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies Wednesday night. Tsao (2-0), the first Taiwanese pitcher in the major leagues, combined with three relievers on a five-hitter. Tsao struck out five and walked two and retired 10 straight during one stretch for his second win at Coors Field.

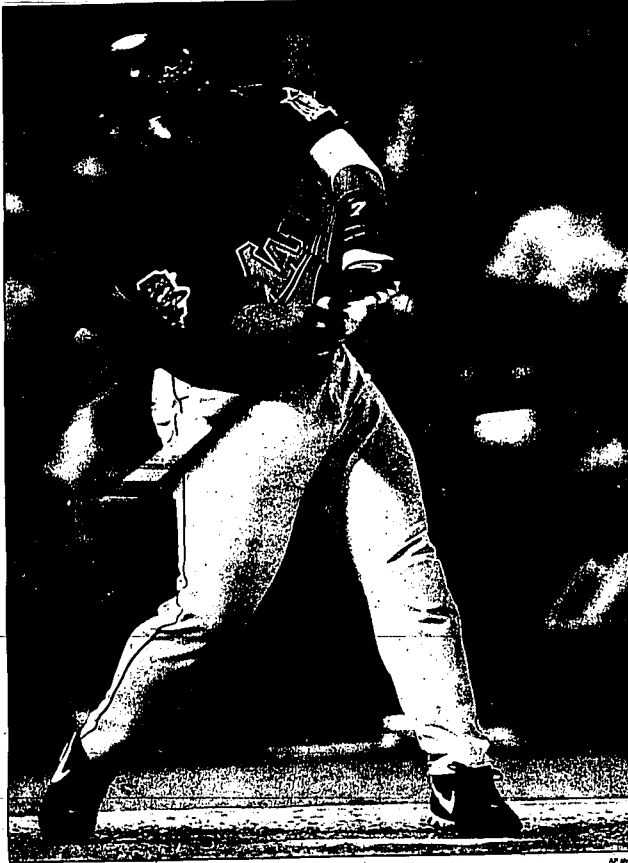
Marlon Byrd got the Phillies off to a good start with a leadoff homer, but Philadelphia was shut out the rest of the way.

American League

White Sox 4, Royals 3

CHICAGO — Barrolo Colon scattered three hits over eight shutout innings, and Roberto Alomar homered twice and drove in three since being traded as the Chicago White Sox beat the Kansas City Royals 4-3 Wednesday to pull within a game of first place in the AL Central. Charles Lee homered and drove in a pair of runs for the White Sox, who followed last week's record sweep of the division-leading Royals by taking two of three from them.

Tom Gordon gave up a three-run homer to Carlos Beltran in the ninth, cutting the lead to 4-3. But Damaso Marte got two outs for his ninth save. The White Sox are a major league-best 15-5 since the All-Star break, and have made up six games on Kansas City. The teams won't meet again until September, when they'll play



Florida Marlins catcher Ivan Rodriguez connects for his third hit in the ninth inning against the St. Louis Cardinals Wednesday in St. Louis. The Marlins beat the Cardinals 7-3.

Indians 10, Mariners 6

CLEVELAND — Travis Hafner homered and drove in a career-high four runs as Cleveland snapped Joel Pinheiro's eight-game winning streak with a victory over Seattle. The Indians ended a five-game losing streak by putting Pinheiro (13-6) for seven runs and 10 hits in 2-3 innings—his shortest outing of the season. The 24-year-old right-hander lost for the first time in 10 starts since June 11 against Montreal.

Rangers 5, Yankees 4

NEW YORK — Reliever Mariano Rivera threw away a punt that set up pinch-hitter Hank Blalock's two-run single in the ninth inning and Texas rallied past New York. Texas had been 0-59 this season when trailing going into the ninth. But Rivera (5-2), who has blown five saves in 26 attempts, walked pinch-hitter Rafael Palmeiro to start the inning. Dominic Soder followed with a sacrifice bunt, and Rivera's high throw sailed into foul territory, with the error putting runners at

second and third.

Blalock batted for Todd Greene and followed with a single that scored pinch-runner Laynce Nix and Soder. Rivera has blown three of his last five save tries. Alex Rodriguez hit a solo homer off David Wells in the eighth to get Texas within 4-3.

Athletics 9, Tigers 3

DETROIT — Eric Chavez homered twice, doubled and drove in five runs as Oakland beat Detroit. Tim Hudson pitched the Athletics to their 10th win in 13 games. Detroit has lost eight of nine and dropped to 29-82, clinching its 10th straight losing season.

Twins 7, Orioles 3

BALTIMORE — Torii Hunter hit a three-run homer and Shannon Stewart had a solo shot in a five-run fourth inning that powered Minnesota past Baltimore. Kyle Lohse (8-9) allowed two runs and seven hits in six innings for the Twins, who won the season series from the Orioles for the first time since 1995. Minnesota is 4-2 against Baltimore with one game left.

American sprinters sweep 100 meters; U.S. falls in hoops

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — Two U.S. sprinters gave the Americans a 100-meter sweep while, next door, the U.S. men's basketball team's poor shooting sent it home without a medal from the Pan American Games.

Puerto Rico, which beat the United States in the preliminary round, did it again Wednesday night, 76-70. That gave Puerto Rico the bronze medal and left the Americans with nothing. It was the first time in 32 years that the Americans did not medal at the Pan Ams.

Brazil played the Dominican Republic for the gold medal. "I think that they realize that you don't get many nights off," U.S. coach Tom Izzo said. "I think they learned how passionate other countries are about basketball." Lauryn Williams was considered ending her sprinting career only 24 hours earlier, won gold in the women's 100-meter dash. She ran a personal-best 11.2 seconds, and American Margo Grimes was victorious in the men's 100 only

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minutes later. It marked the first time the United States swept the 100-meters in the Pan Ams since 1987 in Indianapolis.

Olympic Stadium was overcrowded for the finals and fans crashed the gates trying to get in, causing security officers to use dogs to try to hold people back. Stadium capacity is 85,000. Nearly everyone was trying to see the men's 400 hurdles with Dominican hero Felix Sanchez. Those who got in were thrilled when he ran a brilliant race to set a games record, 48.13.

American Stephen Moore made up more than 68 points by winning the 1,500 meters in the final event of the decathlon, beating Luiguy Claus of Puerto Rico 7,805-7,074. The United States won the event in three straight Pan Am Games. Moore, of Plainview, Texas, sustained a deep bruise in his right heel during the hurdles and also dealt with a troublesome lower back.

He hoped to top his personal record of 8,037 points, but was satisfied given the state of his body. He held his heel 10 times Wednesday.

Joanna Hayes of Riverside, Calif., won the 400 hurdles in 54.77. "I came in thinking I could win this thing and everything just seemed to fall into place," she said. Williams, who will be a junior at Miami next season, overcame a poor start to pass Cuba's Virgen Benavides and U.S. teammate Angela Williams of Ontario, Calif., who earned silver for the second straight Pan Am by finishing in 11.15.

Grimes crossed the line in 10.10, to edge Jamaica's Michael Frater (10.21). American Marcelle Scates earned bronze in 10.22. "It's not Olympic gold or world championship gold, but it's my first big championship, so I'm happy," Grimes said. "This is fine with me right now." World champion Sanchez led almost all the way as fans jumped

to their feet and cheered madly through his race. He took a victory lap with the Dominican flag wrapped around him.

Achraf Tadili became the first Canadian in 40 years to win the 900 at the Pan Am Games (1:45.08). In softball, Leah O'Brien-Amico hit a game-winning home run as the Americans beat Canada 1-0. Jennie Finch pitched a one-hitter and struck out 10.

In women's 10-meter platform diving, reigning Olympic champion Laura Wilkinson placed fifth as the Americans failed to medal in the event. Canada took two of the top three spots, including gold by 21-year-old Emilie Heymans of Montreal. Canadians Alexandre Despatie and Philippe Comtois won gold in men's 3-meter synchronized diving. The American brother team of Justin and Troy Dumais of Ventura, Calif., earned bronze. The U.S. women routed the Dominican Republic 109-54 in basketball to close the round-

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| Boston | 68 | 46 | 589 | 2.5 | 2-6 | W-3 | 37-16 | 25-30 | 10-9 | | | |
| Toronto | 56 | 57 | 477 | 15.5 | 4-6 | W-1 | 30-27 | 23-31 | 5-13 | | | |
| Baltimore | 53 | 58 | 477 | 15.5 | 4-6 | L-1 | 30-27 | 23-31 | 5-13 | | | |
| Tampa Bay | 43 | 69 | 394 | 25.5 | 6-4 | L-1 | 24-32 | 19-37 | 3-15 | | | |

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| Minnesota | 57 | 56 | 504 | 3.5 | 6-4 | W-1 | 26-28 | 20-39 | 6-12 | | | |
| Cleveland | 47 | 67 | 407 | 14.5 | 4-6 | L-1 | 19-38 | 16-43 | 4-14 | | | |
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| Oakland | 53 | 59 | 473 | 15.5 | 2-8 | L-4 | 31-28 | 22-31 | 11-7 | | | |
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| Houston | 61 | 52 | 540 | - | 2-5-5 | W-1 | 34-21 | 27-31 | 11-7 | | | |
| Chicago | 57 | 54 | 514 | 3 | 2-7-3 | W-1 | 28-29 | 29-25 | 9-9 | | | |
| St. Louis | 58 | 55 | 513 | 3 | 2-5-5 | L-3 | 31-24 | 27-31 | 10-8 | | | |
| Pittsburgh | 51 | 61 | 455 | 9.5 | 2-7-3 | L-2 | 27-31 | 24-30 | 7-5 | | | |
| Cincinnati | 45 | 68 | 398 | 18 | 4-6 | L-1 | 20-36 | 25-32 | 5-7 | | | |

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| San Francisco | 70 | 42 | 625 | - | 2-5-5 | W-2 | 38-16 | 32-28 | 10-8 | | | |
| Arizona | 59 | 54 | 522 | 11.5 | 2-4-6 | W-2 | 32-22 | 27-32 | 10-4 | | | |
| Los Angeles | 56 | 55 | 505 | 13.5 | 2-7 | W-2 | 30-26 | 25-31 | 9-9 | | | |
| Colorado | 58 | 58 | 500 | 14 | 2-5-5 | W-1 | 33-17 | 19-41 | 9-9 | | | |
| San Diego | 44 | 70 | 386 | 27 | 2-5-5 | L-1 | 22-33 | 22-37 | 8-10 | | | |

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| Wednesday's Games | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chicago White Sox 4, Kansas City 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Boston 4, Anaheim 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oakland 9, Detroit 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Minnesota 7, Baltimore 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Minnesota (Reed 5-10) at Baltimore (Lopez 4-6), 10:35 a.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Texas (Benoit 6-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 11-6), 11:05 a.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oakland (Zito 8-9) at Detroit (Bonderam 4-15), 11:05 a.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Anaheim (Ra.Oliva 1-3) at Boston (Buckner 8-5), 5:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seattle (Garcia 8-1) at Cleveland (Traber 5-5), 5:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kansas City (May 5-5) at Tampa Bay (Bell 2-2), 5:15 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Tuesday's Late Games | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Arizona 8, Montreal 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Los Angeles 5, Cincinnati 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Atlanta 10, Milwaukee 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Florida 7, St. Louis 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Arizona 3, Montreal 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cincinnati 4 at Los Angeles, late | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Today's Games | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Atlanta (Hampton 8-5) at Milwaukee (Obregon 11-7) at 2:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Philadelphia (Lilly 11-7) at Colorado (Stark 1-0), 1:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh (St. Louis 5-3) at San Francisco (J.Williams 5-2), 1:35 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chicago Cubs (Zambrano 8-4) at San Diego (Lanus 4-3), 3:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N.Y. Yankees (Francis 1-3) at Houston (Rios 8-5), 5:05 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Florida (Bocken 7-7) at St. Louis (Tonko 7-7), 6:10 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Montreal (Ohtsuka 8-10) at Arizona (Baltista 7-6), 7:35 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cincinnati (P.Wilson 6-8) at Los Angeles (Homo 12-9), 8:10 p.m. | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Hewitt faces upset; Agassi, Ferrero win in straight sets

MONTREAL (AP) — Former No. 1 Lleyton Hewitt was upset in the second-round of the Canada Masters, losing 7-5, 6-7 (4), 7-5 to Max Mirnyi on Wednesday.

Hewitt has lost four of his last nine matches, including a first-round exit as the defending champion at Wimbledon. His ranking has dropped to No. 5 in the world.

Earlier, Andre Agassi waited through a 1.5-hour rain delay, then made quick work of Nikolay Davydenko 7-6 (3), 6-2 to reach the third round. The top-seeded Agassi is trying for his fourth title at this hard-court tournament for the

U.S. Open, which starts Aug. 25. His next opponent will be Simon Larose of Canada, who beat Jose Acasuso 7-6 (5), 1-6, 7-5.

"This is something I dreamed about when I was 12 or 13, and I watched him play when he had long hair," Larose said, referring to Agassi. "I remember saying: 'One day, I'll play against him. Now, that day is here.'"

Larose, who's ranked 314th, upset three-time French Open champion Gustavo Kuerten in the first round.

In other action, Wimbledon champion Roger Federer beat Greg Rusedzki 6-4, 6-3.

Bryant

The case has been the subject of widespread speculation about Bryant's accused, college student who worked at the front desk of the Lodge & Spa at Cordillera in nearby Edwards. Bryant was in Colorado to have knee surgery in nearby Vail.

Gannett, who has already issued a gag order in the case and rejected media requests to release court records of the case to investigate leads to the media.

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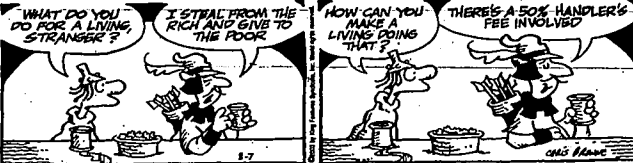
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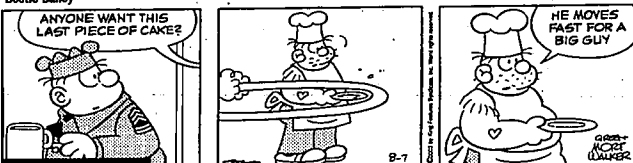
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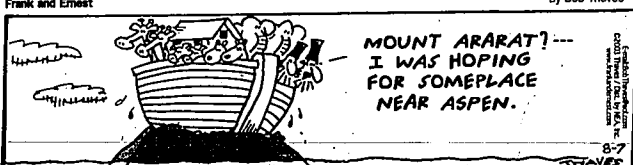
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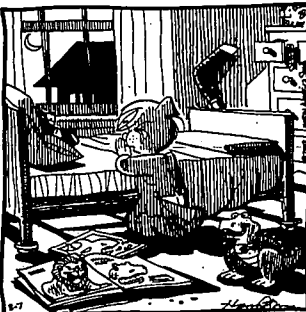
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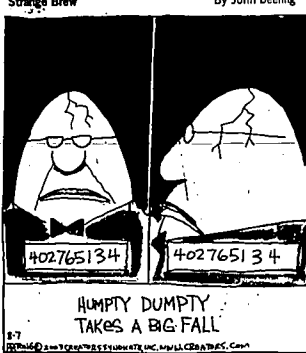
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U.S. Army officers work July 30 inside the Tactical Operations Center of the 4th Infantry Division, dubbed the digital division because it is the most technologically advanced, set up in one of Saddam Hussein's former palaces in Tikrit.

Trooper figures her unit will nab Saddam

By Edmund Sanders
Los Angeles Times

TIKRIT, Iraq — Sliding through the Tigris River in a flat steel boat, 2nd Lt. Sharon Edens is officially searching for arms smugglers in the murky green waters around Saddam Hussein's former palace compound here. But as she passes a series of sandstone mansions built by the despotic dictator, it's hard not to think about catching the man himself.

Edens knows that if any military unit is going to nab Saddam it's likely to be hers, the Army's 4th Infantry Division. Its 16,000 soldiers are spread throughout a large region north of Baghdad, including Saddam's native Tikrit, where U.S. intelligence officials believe that loyalists are helping him evade capture.

"You think about it, but you try to focus on the mission," said Edens, 29, who has been leading some of the daily river patrols, the first by the U.S. Army since Vietnam.

Although she knows it's unlikely she'll find Saddam hiding in the high grass along the Tigris, Edens believes that her patrols — along with scores of raids and searches in recent weeks — are helping to tighten the noose around the former Iraqi leader, who was last seen in April.

U.S. officials believe that capturing or killing Saddam will help cut down on the substantial number of attacks directed at U.S. forces and those working with them.

Edens, 1st Platoon leader of the 502nd Engineers Battalion, is well aware that hostilities are on the rise. Reports of drive-by shootings at the Tikrit base are growing, although most shooters miss their target, according to Master Sgt. Dave Johnson. And soldiers recently moved out of one palace along the river when it was struck by a homemade bomb thrown from an adjacent bridge.

Edens' general patrol boat glided past several of Saddam's former riverfront residences Tuesday, dozens of residents splashed around near the banks, seeking relief from the 115-degree heat.

Occasionally, Edens gave a tenta-



live wave. Sometimes a small child waved back, but most just stared. One boy threw a rock.

"When we first started, there were more waves," she said. "Now there are less. I understand."

Most of the division arrived in April, and the soldiers are eager to go home. Some hope that if Saddam is captured, the U.S. military presence can be scaled back.

Others express frustration with the focus on the search for Saddam and say that even if he is captured or killed, U.S. soldiers will be required to stay in Iraq to assist in the many rebuilding projects.

"The search is a wild goose chase," said one soldier, who asked not to be named. "Even if they do catch him in a raid, with Bush screaming about all these rebuilding projects, it won't mean anyone's going home."

Maj. Josslyn Aberle, spokeswoman for the 4th Infantry, said Tuesday that recent intelligence reports suggest that U.S. forces have come within 24 hours of catching Saddam, although she added that a recent near-miss reported last week concerned Saddam's new security adviser, not the former leader himself.

The unit has been dispatching 3,000 to 4,000 soldiers every 24 hours on about 300 patrols and an average of 10 raids, some aimed at catching Saddam or his lieutenants and many based on tips by local Iraqis.

Some of the tips from locals — perhaps motivated by the \$25 million reward for Saddam — have turned out to be dead ends, leading one Army officer to characterize them as "Elvis sightings."

The major suspected of organizing guerrilla attacks, nabbed Sunday by Iraqi police officers, was the brother of a Saddam Hussein bodyguard captured by U.S. forces on July 29, said Lt. Col. Steve Russell of the 4th Infantry Division.

replace U.S. forces heading home.

For the fifth straight day, no U.S. military personnel were reported killed in attacks.

Military combat deaths had been coming almost daily, with 52 U.S. soldiers killed in combat since May 1, when President Bush declared major combat over.

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Gangs become brazen

Kidnappings grow as trouble for Iraqis

By Robyn Dixon
Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Stolen from his Baghdad street 13 days ago while playing with friends, Peter Yakob, a mute child of 6, couldn't tell the gang of Iraqi kidnappers his phone number.

For two days, the kidnappers tried to get the number from him while the boy's family waited frantically for a message from the criminals.

The terrified boy, who can communicate with his family but not strangers, often cried. All one of the kidnappers, would hold a gun to his head, screaming at the boy to suggest a level of criminal organization and commitment well beyond the looting spasm that followed the regime's fall.

The kidnappings have a dark, ruthless quality, often targeting children and teenagers, usually from Iraq's tiny Christian community who have no tribal networks to fight back against the gangs. In middle-income or wealthy families are seized. The kidnappings, committed brazenly in broad daylight, are said to be so brazen that nowhere is safe, day or night.

Bernard Kerik, the former New York police commissioner who is overseeing Iraq's police force, held a news briefing Tuesday to announce that a kidnapping gang of nine had been caught Monday in central Baghdad and several hostages freed.

He did not mention that one woman hostage was shot dead by the kidnappers during the operation by Iraqi police, a fact that outraged the Iraqis. Kerik said the police officers near the end of the briefing, Kerik said the Iraqi police carried out the operation without firing a shot, attacking the house at dawn, triggering a gun battle. One kidnapper was wounded.

Even primitive crime statistics don't exist in the Iraqi police force, so it is difficult to establish the exact number of kidnappings, but members of the Christian community listed many cases.

Kerik said that police gangs had been arrested in recent weeks. Kerik said Iraqi police uniforms were found at the home of the gang members arrested Monday, suggesting they had posed as police. He urged Iraqis to report kidnappings.

But several families of kidnap victims interviewed by the Times in Baghdad said they had approached police or the U.S. military for help but got little or no assistance. They paid ransoms of up to \$100,000 for the release of loved ones.

"There are so many of these cases in Baghdad," said Adib Yunnan, 40, Peter's uncle, a businessman and liquor store owner, who bargained the ransom price down. "It's a matter of money, simple money." Yunnan's brother, the boy's father, works in his store and has a rental house.

The gangs carefully track their targets, watching the victim's routine carefully and finding out many details of the family's situation and activities.

Makdonya Yusuf got her son back four days after he was kidnapped. But the happy, smiling boy had changed. He was confused and seemed drugged. At night he lay awake, frightened.

"My son used to be carefree, but now he's nervous and terrified. He can't sleep. He shouts, 'Ali is coming. Ali is coming to take me.'"

She has pinned a medallion of Christ to his pillow so that he can kiss it to help him sleep.

Attacks top illness as key worry

By Scheherzade Faramarzi
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. forces in Iraq say they're more concerned about guerrilla attacks and the heat than about pneumonia outbreak that has killed two soldiers and sent more than a dozen to Europe for medical care.

In Washington, military health care experts say they have issued new guidelines to fight the illness, but more than a dozen soldiers interviewed Wednesday by The Associated Press in Baghdad and Tikrit said they haven't seen them.

"That's news to me," said Staff Sgt. Oliver, 28. "They have put out nothing on it."

He and six other soldiers

maned a checkpoint on the 14th of July. Bridge in the capital, Baghdad.

"I don't know how it's possible to get pneumonia in this heat," said Oliver of New York City, sweat streaming down his face. "There is more danger out there for me and my soldiers than pneumonia."

More than 100 soldiers on duty in Iraq have been infected with pneumonia since March 1, according to Col. Guy Shaheen, a top military spokesman in Baghdad. Fourteen of the cases were serious enough to merit evacuation to a military hospital in Landstuhl, Germany.

The soldiers who talked to AP said they were more worried about

the near daily guerrilla attacks and avoiding heat stroke than pneumonia, an inflammation of the lungs that can be triggered by a variety of bacteria and viruses.

"It's the lowest of my worries here," said Spc. Brian Richter, 21, of Dayton, Wash.

Others, including Capt. Alex Morales, 39, a medic with the 1st Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment in Tikrit, said soldiers have heard about the outbreak, but have more important worries.

"It's not that pneumonia isn't important. It's just not high on our radar screen," said Morales, of New York City, adding attacks against soldiers by rocket-propelled grenades and homemade bombs were "more real."

Iraq's fledgling police force begins to regain control in Baghdad, if slowly

By Jamie Tarabay
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Crowds are still way below prewar levels at one of Baghdad's busiest fruit and vegetable markets, where many shoppers still fear lawlessness — pickpockets in the market and car thieves on streets outside.

Those fears should be easing soon as Iraq's new police slowly retake the streets.

Iraqi police, conspicuous in their brand-new blue uniforms, patrol the perimeter of the market. Unarmed plainclothesmen work indoors, blending with shoppers until someone shouts "Ali Babal! Ali Babal!" — the Iraqi vernacular for thief.

Suddenly, a man behind a fruit stall jumps forward, joined by another man who moments before was sweeping the street. Other undercover police help grab the culprit. Uniformed police step in with handcuffs and lead him away. The plainclothesmen blend again into the hubbub of shoppers.

Looters and murderers still engender fear in ordinary people and sabotage joint Iraqi and U.S.-led coalition efforts to rebuild the country. Iraqis have cited the security situation and a sense of general lawlessness in the streets as one of the biggest blocks on the road to a free and one-day democratic Iraq.

Thousands of Iraqi men have been recruited and trained to guard public facilities — banks, government ministries, power plants. Thousands who worked with Saddam Hussein's fallen regime and were dismissed have come back to work, patrolling alone or



U.S. soldiers serve breakfast to new recruits of Joint Iraqi Security Company, or policemen, Wednesday in Mosul.

with coalition forces day and night throughout the capital, capturing car thieves and smugglers of ancient Iraqi artifacts.

Thousands more have enlisted and trained to work in customs and immigration. More than a thousand traffic police are on the beat, trying to persuade impatient Iraqis to follow the rules of the road.

Thousands of others have slipped undercover against crime syndicates and kidnapping rings.

In Tikrit, Iraqi police arrested the brother of one of Saddam Hussein's top bodyguards and handed him over to U.S. forces, who wanted the man for allegedly organizing guerrilla attacks against American soldiers, the military reported Wednesday.

Over the next two years between

30,000 and 35,000 police officers will be trained and operating, said Bernard Kerik, the former police commissioner in New York City who was called in by the U.S.-led civil administration running Iraq to establish an interim Interior Ministry. "The total number (eventually) will be between 65,000-75,000," he told The Associated Press.

Guards to protect public facilities are envisioned at about 8,000, Kerik said.

Right now there are 1,850 traffic police in Baghdad, 12,000 police on the street in the capital and 5,200 in the rest of the country. Customs inspectors and police at the different airports number 5,000.

Kerik also wants to hire 5,000 firefighters.

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U.S. reports capture of guerrillas

TIKRIT, Iraq (AP) — U.S. forces arrested 18 suspected members of the anti-U.S. resistance and found a huge stockpile of weapons in a series of raids, and Iraqi police captured an alleged organizer of attacks on American troops, military officials said Wednesday.

Iraq's postwar efforts at recovery continued. In Baghdad, the U.S.-installed Governing Council asked for U.S. help in creating desperately needed jobs, while to the south in Diwaniyah, Spanish soldiers began setting up a base for troops from Spain and four Latin American countries to

replace U.S. forces heading home.

For the fifth straight day, no U.S. military personnel were reported killed in attacks. Military combat deaths had been coming almost daily, with 52 U.S. soldiers killed in combat since May 1, when President Bush declared major combat over.

The man suspected of organizing guerrilla attacks, nabbed Sunday by Iraqi police officers, was the brother of a Saddam Hussein bodyguard captured by U.S. forces on July 29, said Lt. Col. Steve Russell of the 4th Infantry Division.

OPERATION JOHNNY CROSS

Campers help a Wendell man with cerebral palsy reach new heights

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent



Doug Ramsey, front-left in the white shirt, and Jack Hunsaker, wearing a broad-brimmed hat, help carry John Bertus on a pilgrimage Saturday to the top of Cross Hill near Ketchum with the aid of several other Sawtooth campers. Bertus, who has cerebral palsy, had previously never been able to make the journey his fellow campers take every year.

KETCHUM — Countless pilgrims have climbed Cross Hill above Camp Sawtooth to touch the cross that stands on a pinnacle of jagged rocks.

But few of these pilgrimages could be any more special than the one that brought John Bertus to the foot of the cross this past Saturday.

"It took 36 men, women and children," said Jack Hunsaker. "But what a special moment!"

Bertus, you see, has cerebral palsy. He tools around Wendell in a motorized three-wheeler wheelchair with a Harley Davidson sticker, stopping in for coffee at the Pit Stop on weekdays and in to the United Presbyterian Church of Wendell on Sundays.

But Bertus could only dream of climbing to the cross where many of his fellow campmates go every year during the church retreat.

Hunsaker, who works at a feed lot, vowed to change that during last year's retreat and spent the months that followed outfitting a wheelchair with yard-long hand-levers in front and back.

At 6:30 Saturday morning, he and 35 fellow campers huddled around Bertus for a moment of prayer before heading out on Operation Johnny Cross.

"It's only a half mile to the cross but it's almost straight up over shale and fallen timber with no trail. An able-bodied person in good shape can make it in an hour. Hunsaker said he hoped to make it to the top with Bertus in three.

"This isn't a race. This isn't an opportunity for anyone to show how macho he is," Tom Burnham cautioned the group as the drama began unfolding. "We're going to need to help each other."

Children led the way, carrying water bottles and miniature candy bars. Six men followed, carrying Bertus and his converted wheelchair in rickshaw fashion.

"Are we halfway there yet?" a couple kids teased — after five minutes. "Watch your step," one child told another. "The men are right under you and you can hurt them bad if you send a rock crashing down on them."

As the hill became steeper and those carrying the chair began to look like weary oxen, others tried to ease the haul by pulling the chair by rope, hand over hand.

"O! boy," panted Kevin Lynott, his hat completely soaked in sweat. "It's not the weight. It's gravity."

During a five-minute rest stop, Emergency Medical Technician Paul Medelcan put on Sam's collar around Bertus' neck as a precautionary measure.

Bertus is a hardy guy, though, his campmates noted. He was hit by a semi-truck and drove down one of Wendell's main streets a few years ago, an accident that forced him to retire from his job cleaning restrooms. He's also taken a few accidental swims on whitewater raft trips.

"I'm tough," Bertus said, his eyes smiling beneath his bushy black eyebrows.

The men took up their lead again. "Ready, charge!" one man bellowed. "Yeehaw!" another yelled.

"I think this is great," said Joann Cox, a high school student at Wendell, as she tried to scout a suitable trail. "Even though John's body can't do a lot, he has a lot of spiritual wisdom and he's so much fun. He races us up and down the hills sometimes."

"He does more for us than we can do for him," added Joann's father, Pastor Mark Cox. "John's never had the opportunity to climb to the cross like the rest of us so we're giving him that chance. It's symbolic of us going to the cross."

Near the top, the climb becomes almost vertical, the procession of people appearing tiny against the vast interface of mountain slopes sweeping down to the Big Wood River.

"John, you've had your eyes closed most of the way up. Is that scary?" one person asked as the group worked its way up a rocky spine.

At the top, the group picked its way precariously across jagged rocks that are scarcely a foot wide before dropping off.

With 25 feet to go they lifted Bertus out of his chair and carried him to the base of the cross.

As he wrapped his arms around the

wooden cross — a broad grin stretching from ear to ear — the group let out a big "Whoop!" and began singing "This is the Day that the Lord Has made."

"I couldn't tell whether he was saying, 'This is so cool. Or this is so cruel,'" said an elated Hunsaker. "I think it's good that we've got John to the cross since he couldn't get there on his own. But now I think we've got a long way down. And believe me, this chair will be demolished by the end of the day."

And what did Bertus think? "This is fantastic!" he said as he gazed at the panorama that included Baldy and other peaks jutting 11,000 feet into the sky.

"I would do it again tomorrow in a heartbeat."

Well, make that a couple hundred thousand other heartbeats of some very good friends.

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John Bertus of Wendell grins after reaching the top of Cross Hill above Camp Sawtooth.

AROUND THE VALLEY

Conservation league cancels meeting

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Conservation League canceled its meeting Wednesday concerning the group's campaign for wilderness protection of the Boulder-White Cloud mountain ranges east of the Stanley Basin.

A rescheduled meeting date was not available.

Talk of Boulder-White Cloud wilderness designation circulated without results for decades but has been reintegrated by Idaho Republican Mike Simpson.

"At this point we haven't developed legislation, but we have come up with concepts," said Lindsay Slater, Simpson's chief of staff.

The congressman has been meeting with interest groups including the Idaho Conservation League, snowmobilers, off-road vehicle users, mountain bikers and Custer County ranchers.

Simpson's office plans to announce more details of the congressman's legislative proposal in September, Slater said.

Simpson has recommended 250,000 acres for wilderness preservation. In exchange, the government would offer Custer County an economic stimulus. The government would give the county — which is 96 percent federal land — 15,000 acres. The county could then sell the land up for sale and use proceeds for economic development and a community education center in Challis. Private property ownership would generate property tax revenue for the area.

TD plans meeting on highway 75 project

SHOSHONE — The public is invited to a storefront office open house Tuesday, Aug. 19 regarding the Idaho 75 Timmerman to Ketchum Project, the Idaho Transportation Department and the Federal Highway Administration have announced.

Information will be available from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Wood River Middle School Multipurpose Room, located at 900 N. Second Ave. in Hailey. No formal presentation will be made.

Wood River Valley residents and businesses are encouraged to participate in the National Environmental Policy Act process by providing input on the project. Discussions at the open house will be around several project alternatives concerning noise impacts, physical elements and future traffic operations.

For more information, contact the project managers at carnaha@td.state.id.us or adkins@pbworld.com. Information on the project is available on the Web at www.ih-75.com.

Randy Roberts headlines Ketchum concert

KETCHUM — Randy Roberts and his Cow-Blues Band will headline the free Ketch-am Alive music concert on Wednesday, Aug. 13 in Ketchum's Forest Service Park.

Roberts, who has toured extensively with Rob Quist and the Great Northern band, will play a selection of bluesy country and rock from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

Opening act at 7 p.m. will be the 812 Band, with a variety of music ranging from acoustic music to the full electric sound, from original compositions to Dylan and Marshall Tucker favorites.

M.V. military support group prays for soldiers

JEROME — The Magic Valley Military Support Group will meet at 10 a.m. on Monday at the Jerome Public Library on First Avenue East.

The group meets to share information, encourage one another, and pray for the military in Iraq and other parts of the world and the nation.

Anyone who wants to meet with other military families is invited. For more information, call Shing at 536-6159 or Sharon at 536-6111.

Christian Motorcyclists meet for breakfast

TWIN FALLS — The Calvary Riders Chapter of the Christian Motorcyclists will hold its monthly breakfast meeting at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, at the Elmer's Restaurant, located in Twin Falls at 536 Blue Lakes North. Interested persons are invited to attend.

For more information contact Rene Burkhalter at 736-6111.

Spate of dead birds prompts BLM to act

Ranchers have been asked to inventory water troughs

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — More than 100 dead birds found in 13 days on an eastern Idaho grazing plot prompted the Bureau of Land Management to send letters this week to all southern Idaho ranchers who run livestock on public rangeland.

The BLM documented about 150 dead birds of all kinds in or around water troughs on the Plessanview Grazing Allotment near Falala, the agency reported. The high number drew the attention of state BLM director K. Lynn Bennett's office,

which requested swift action.

Bird ladders must be installed. The BLM will provide them where needed, and the ranchers will be responsible for maintaining them.

The BLM requires bird ladders in all water troughs on BLM land. The agency is asking ranchers statewide to report the number of troughs on their allotments and whether bird ladders are in place. Troughs that do not have ladders are to be equipped with them immediately.

"The problem could be more widespread," said Barry Rose, a spokesman with the BLM's state office.

Field staff and fire crews are carrying bird ladders so they can check and fix ladders without delay, he said.

Some water troughs throughout

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Blaine coroner completes tardy death certificates

The Associated Press

KETCHUM — Blaine County Coroner Russell Mikel has finally completed all his death certificates, some dating back to the summer of 2001.

But the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare is still pursuing thousands of dollars in fines against him for letting the cases go unfinished for so long.

The state filed suit in June against the six-term coroner. The lawsuit initially sought \$7,880 in fines, but Health and Welfare officials are now demanding nearly \$14,000.

The lawsuit also requested an order to find Mikel in contempt of court if he failed to complete the documents on remaining cases.

"We have received all of the death certificates, which means that the fines have stopped

accruing," Health and Welfare spokesman Bill Walker said. "But we are proceeding to collect the fines."

Death certificates for five people were involved. In each case, the state had sent Mikel three letters demanding complete certificates.

"For each day Mikel failed to complete the documents beyond May 30, the date the \$7,880 in fines was established, fines mounted by as much as \$175 per day until the certificates were completed.

In letters sent to the Blaine County prosecutor's office this week, the department said it now wants \$13,575.

"He also filed suits for people — by hand," said the 82-year-old Bober.

Long before there was machinery to sharpen tools, Hess learned the art of filing a saw "until it was absolutely perfect," his daughter

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Jerome lends support to new Snake crossing

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The city of Jerome has pledged its financial support behind a Snake River crossing impact study to be conducted by the Greater Twin Falls Area Transportation Committee.

The City Council voted Tuesday evening to help fund the research behind a new crossing, but council members stopped short of determining how much their financial obligation will be.

David Maestas, chairman of the transportation committee, told the council that 60 percent of the traffic that crosses the Snake River in Idaho does so between Twin Falls and Jerome. Maestas said the Idaho Transportation Department performed a study in 1998 and 1999 to help mitigate the bottleneck of traffic crossing the river.

Of the original 60 ideas generated from that study, three ideas were gradually boiled down to acceptable proposals, Maestas said.

One proposal calls for a crossing directly south of Jerome using South Lincoln, although the canyon is one mile wide at that point. A second proposal is to connect 300 West Road in Jerome County across the 1,500 feet of canyon to 2300 East Road in Twin Falls County.

A third, most-favored choice is to connect 300 West Road in Jerome County across the canyon to 2400 East Road in Twin Falls County.

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One of Magic Valley's oldest dies at 107

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Milford N. Hess, one of Idaho's oldest residents, died at his home on Tuesday.

According to baptismal records, he was 107 years old.

While a certificate of his birth was never found, family records list his date of birth as Feb. 6, 1896.

"That makes him 107 and a half — and at his age, those halves

count," said Hazel Bober, the oldest of his two daughters.

Born near Parkersburg, Idaho, Hess' came to the Filer area "to get away from the hard winter."

Bober said.

While he would eventually buy a



Milford Hess

Centenarians in Idaho

- (according to the 2000 U.S. Census)
- Women ages 100 to 104: 112
- Women ages 105 to 109: 11
- Men ages 100 to 104: 39
- Men ages 105 to 109: 5
- Men ages 110 and older: 7

40-acre farm near Filer for his family of two girls and four boys, he earned the money for the purchase outside the area, as far away

as Hawaii.

Although he was a skilled carpenter who "always carried his own toolbox," that was only part of what made the man.

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Max Ervin Humphries - Kimberly



Max Ervin Humphries, 86 of Kimberly, Idaho, died peacefully Sunday morning, Aug. 3, 2003, at his home in Kimberly, Idaho.

Max was born on Dec. 7, 1916, in Tooele, Utah. He and Olive Terry Humphries. He attended Abraham Elementary, Hinckley High School and Utah State University. He lived in Tooele, Abraham, Delta, Salt Lake City and Elsinore, Utah and Twin Falls and Kimberly, Idaho.

Max married the love of his life, Edith May Van De Venter, July 23, 1938, in Delta, Utah. Later their marriage was solemnized in the Idaho Falls Temple on April 23, 1962. This was one of the highlights in his life. He has two children, Carolyn Humphries Knudsen (Dennis) Gene and Max Gail Humphries (Darla Jean Anderson), were another highlight. He loved and served his children all the time. He had six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

His accomplishments were many. He was in the Merchant Marines in World War II and served his country well. Then he and Edith settled down in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was married to Edith for 55 years. He had 13 brothers and sisters whom he always served and loved greatly. He worked for Nalley's for a number of years as a salesman, and then moved to Elsinore, Utah, where he worked in hardware and appliance store there. He moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, where he had his own appliance store, Max Humphries Sales and Service. He worked for Wilson Bates as their manager and then in 1961 bought the Pizza Oven, which became Maxie's Pizza and was very successful. His son now owns and runs it.

Max loved to fish and whenever he and Edith could go fishing, they would. He had a cabin on I.P. Bills Island in Island Park and he and Edith spent many long hours there. He loved to go water-skiing and snowmobiling with his family. He enjoyed family outings. He loved his grandchildren and spent many hours going to their various activities. He was a great family man. Max has been very active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints up until his death. He loved his church and Savior with all his heart. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do for his Savior and church. He instilled these beliefs in his children and grandchildren. He loved his neighbors and friends and would do all he could for them. He was very successful in life. Max married LaVeri Stastny from Murrough in 1995.

He is survived by his children of Twin Falls and Kimberly, Idaho, and his grandchildren, Jonathan Max Knudsen (Erin Peterson) Germantown, Wis., Kristina Humphries Detwiler (Milke), Boise, Idaho, Michael Dennis Knudsen (Candice Smith), Bountiful, Utah, Holly Humphries Sutherland (Dale), Twin Falls, Idaho, Terry David Knudsen, Twin Falls, Idaho, and William Max Humphries, Kimberly, Idaho; six great-grandchildren; his wife, LaVeri Stastny from Murrough, Idaho; and his sister Cecil Rosavall of St. George, Utah.

Max was preceded in death by his parents and his 12 brothers and sisters.

The service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, 2003, at the Kimberly LDS Stake Center, 3857 N. 3500 E. Kimberly, Idaho, by Bishop Blake Gardner conducting. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. with family greeting friends from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 7, at White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park" and one hour prior to the service on Friday, Aug. 8, at the church.

Rachel F. Walkup - Kimberly



Rachel F. Walkup, 90, passed away on Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003, at her home.

Mrs. Walkup was born July 6, 1913, in Winamac, Ind., to Dorsey and Rebecca Wallace. She moved with her family to Kimball, Neb., in 1919, where she graduated from high school. She attended Central Bible College for one year and then taught school. On Oct. 30, 1933, she married Homer Walkup and they began their lifelong pastoral ministry in Stoneham, Colo. They moved to Idaho in 1938, where they served as pastors of several Assembly of God churches. From 1966 to 1981, Homer was superintendent of the Southern Idaho Assemblies of God. Rachel served as Women's Ministries director. They retired to Kimberly in 1981. Homer passed away in 1992, but Rachel remained active in pastoral ministry and served as pastor of the

Milford N. Hess - Twin Falls



Milford N. Hess, 107, of Twin Falls, died Aug. 5, 2003, with his family by his side.

He was born Feb. 6, 1896, in Bloomington, Idaho, to Jacob and Hannah Thornock Hess. He graduated from Fielding Academy in Paris, Idaho. He married Marie Rieder in 1915. She preceded him in death in September 1970. He farmed and did carpentry work throughout his lifetime. In 1936 they moved to Twin Falls, on an acreage. After the war he purchased a farm in Filer. He lived there until he was 98 years old. He moved to Buhl in 1994 and lived there until he could not live alone. Then moved in with a daughter in Twin Falls.

Survivors include Leslie (Esther) Hess, Hazel Bober of

William H. Barron - Buhl

William H. Barron, 83, died Monday evening, Aug. 4, 2003, at home from lymphoma.

He was born Feb. 28, 1919, at Buhl to Frank and Esther Howard Barron. He graduated from Buhl High School in 1937 and attended the southern branch of the University of Idaho. At the outbreak of WWII, he volunteered for service, and after basic training was sent to Foesia, Italy as part of the 776th Squadron of the 46th Bomb Group in the 53rd Army Air Corps. He was promoted to master sergeant and line chief for nine squadrons of B-24 Liberators.

At the end of war, he returned to Buhl and to farming, which he loved, until his retirement. William was a passionate bird watcher. He was an avid book reader and a Bible scholar and taught adult classes in both Twin Falls Church of Christ and the Buhl Church of Christ, of which he was an active member.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Andy (Mary) Barron; one daughter, Susan Jones; five grandchildren - Josh (Christy) Barron, Sara Barron, Sally Jones, Colt Jones, June (Philipp) Van der Kelen; and one great-grandchild, William Van der Kelen, all of Twin Falls; and one sister, Virginia

Shirley Davis - Gooding

Christopher C. Trujillo - Jackpot, Nev.



Shirley Davis, 67, of Gooding, was home to be with her Savior on Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2003, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Shirley was born on March 24, 1936, in Boise, Idaho, the daughter of Anna Laib. She was raised in Dietrich, the oldest of five children. Shirley married Bob Davis of Gooding on Jan. 4, 1957, at the Assembly of God Church in Gooding. The loving mother of three daughters, Shirley was a faithful wife, homemaker and member of the Christian Church of Hagerman. Shirley committed her life to Christ as a young woman and continued to live for him throughout her life. She expressed often her love for the Lord and demonstrated that love by serving others.

She is survived by her husband, Bob Davis of Gooding; three daughters, Faith Morelock, Teresa Grausam and Bobbie Herlke and their families, which includes seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, all of Boise.

Shirley was preceded in death by her mother, stepfather and a grandson.

The graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, 2003, at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. Family members and friends may call from 3-5 p.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Shirley's family requests in lieu of flowers, that Gideon Memorial Bibles be dedicated in Shirley's memory or donations be made in her name to Gideon's International.

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Lynn Reinsdorf, Gary Walker and Gary Barris and the many others that loved him.

Chris is survived by his father, Roger Trujillo; mother, Susan Dickson; stepfather, Mike Dickson; one son, Curtis Trujillo; and his sister, Lisa Easterday.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather.

The memorial service for Chris will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, 2003, at the First Church of the Nazarene, 1251 Washington St. N., Twin Falls, with Pastor Mike Seward officiating. Arrangements and services are under the direction of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park" in Twin Falls.

Floy Newberry - Twin Falls

Ada Zelma Craner - Buhl



Ada Zelma Craner, 83, passed away on July 29, 2003, at her home in Buhl, Idaho.

Zelma was born June 1, 1920, in Hollister, Idaho, to Clara and J. B. Boyd. The family moved to Buhl, Idaho, when Zelma was 6 months old. After receiving her beautician's license, Zelma owned and operated a beauty shop in Buhl, as well as becoming a part owner in a women's clothing store in Buhl.

Zelma married Jack Craner of Twin Falls. They made their home there for 13 years. Zelma was a dedicated employee of The Paris for 20 years. In 1990 she was moved back to the family home in Buhl. Zelma was a talented artist receiving many ribbons for her work she

William H. Barron - Buhl

William H. Barron, 83, died Monday evening, Aug. 4, 2003, at home from lymphoma.

He was born Feb. 28, 1919, at Buhl to Frank and Esther Howard Barron. He graduated from Buhl High School in 1937 and attended the southern branch of the University of Idaho. At the outbreak of WWII, he volunteered for service, and after basic training was sent to Foesia, Italy as part of the 776th Squadron of the 46th Bomb Group in the 53rd Army Air Corps. He was promoted to master sergeant and line chief for nine squadrons of B-24 Liberators.

At the end of war, he returned to Buhl and to farming, which he loved, until his retirement. William was a passionate bird watcher. He was an avid book reader and a Bible scholar and taught adult classes in both Twin Falls Church of Christ and the Buhl Church of Christ, of which he was an active member.

He is survived by his wife; one son, Andy (Mary) Barron; one daughter, Susan Jones; five grandchildren - Josh (Christy) Barron, Sara Barron, Sally Jones, Colt Jones, June (Philipp) Van der Kelen; and one great-grandchild, William Van der Kelen, all of Twin Falls; and one sister, Virginia

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Brian McCormack: Idaho's man in Baghdad

BOISE (AP) — At 29, Brian McCormack has been across the nation and the world — at Vice President Dick Cheney's side and right behind Washington's top man in Iraq.

"You gain a much greater respect for what the American founding fathers went through to achieve what they did," McCormack said in a telephone interview from his home in the Al Rasheed hotel in Baghdad.

"It's an Iraqi five-star," he quipped, but a long way from the White House where McCormack found himself for several years.

"I was looking for different opportunities," he said, and two months ago he found one.

A New Jersey native, McCormack came West a decade ago, eventually graduating from Boise State University in 1996 and deciding to stay in Idaho — at least for a while.

He hooked up with the state Republican Party and worked for Dirk Kempthorne when Kempthorne was a senator, a candidate for governor and a congressman, before signing on in 2000 to manage the campaign then-4th District Judge Daniel Eismann was supplanting incumbent Supreme Court Justice Cathy Shlak.

It was after Eismann claimed victory in late May that the pace began to quicken for McCormack.

"When I was working in governor's office, I did some advance work for the Bush exploratory committee, and then after the convention I got on with Cheney," he said.

Personable, hardworking and pragmatic, McCormack became the vice president's personal aide.

"I traveled everywhere with



Brian McCormack, an aide to U.S. civilian administrator L. Paul Bremer, stands in front of Saddam Hussein's Republican Guard Palace in Baghdad, now the headquarters for the Coalition Provisional Authority. In the summer of 2003.

him and was the time keeper," McCormack said. "The hours were very long, but everything was great."

"Working for him, working at the White House, just being able to see firsthand government, at its highest levels, in operation — it

was amazing," he said.

But after nearly three years, McCormack said he wanted to see what else government had to offer.

"One of the things I used to hate the press during the war down in Kuwait, and I had stayed in contact with him," McCormack said. "When General Gardner wrote to construct the coalition case, he needed a guy to do logistics, and he gave me a call."

By the time that was arranged, retired Lt. Gen. Jay Garner was replaced by long-time State Department official L. Paul Bremer, who kept McCormack.

Now, and for at least the rest of this year, wherever Bremer goes, McCormack follows, making sure Bremer keeps his schedule.

They work out of former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's Republican Guard Palace, now the headquarters for the Coalition Provisional Authority. It is riddled by heavy security, making for what McCormack called the safest place in Baghdad.

"The most amazing thing to me was the immediate shock of how poor the people were in general and how bad the infrastructure was," he said. "But you also see at the same time kids waving and people wanting you to give them a high five or giving you the thumbs up. They're reassuring signs, but you also see immediately the amount of work that needs to be done."

McCormack has five years of experience at the center of history in the making.

"It's not too often you get to see a regime end and a new government start to come together," McCormack said.

New range fire causes some evacuations in eastern Idaho

DUBOIS (AP) — A new large range fire lit up the sides of eastern Idaho Wednesday night, causing evacuation of a local dude ranch.

The Deep Fire was burning about ten to 15 miles west of Dubois and five miles south of the Montana state line.

The blaze began as a 500-acre brush fire at noon when the winds picked up and spread it to an estimated 23,000 acres by 8 p.m.

Bureau of Land Management Fire information officer David Howell said.

Thirteen engines and about 70 firefighters were trying to take winds overnight to halt the fire's progress.

The fire is burning in range-land, mostly sage and grass, but Howell said it has the potential to burn into timber. A Type-II firefighting team is expected to begin arriving Thursday.

Meanwhile Wednesday, a wild fire burning near Elk City calmed Wednesday with favorable weather. But environmentalists were calling on fire crews to stop using heavy equipment to cut containment lines.

The 8,920-acre Slims fire in north-central Idaho was slowed by rain and was burning only within its perimeter. It is about 6 miles away from Elk City and its 140 residents.

"It is not moving in any direction. It hasn't in several days," Forest Service spokeswoman Tricia Humphreys said.

Gary Macfarlane of the Friends of the Meadow Creek road said that fire lines being constructed with heavy equipment could cause environmental damage in the Meadow Creek roadless area, which is proposed for wilderness protection.

He said the work could harm water quality in Meadow Creek, where wild steelhead spawn, and cause erosion on the road.

"If there is any place on the Nez Perce National Forest they should be using their minimum-impact suppression techniques, it needs to be in the Meadow Creek roadless area," he said.

He contends the fire should not be fought, but managed like the smaller fires in the wilderness area.

"If the fire were to come up out of Meadow Creek we would need that fire line to contain it and keep the fire out of Elk City," Humphreys said.

More than 800 firefighters were working on the blaze. It was 35 percent contained with full containment predicted on Aug. 20. Cost was estimated at \$7.4 million.

On other Idaho fires, the Hot Creek fire, Idaho's largest wildfire so far this season, was held at 26,560 acres Wednesday and firefighters were making better than expected progress.

Estimated full containment was moved up to Thursday evening after fire bosses reported the fire was 90 percent contained Wednesday night.

Three from Malta are set to change pleas in theft case

The Times-Hews

BURLEY — Three members of a Malta family are scheduled to change their pleas to a variety of charges in district court in Cassia County on Tuesday.

Dell Carlson, Betty Carlson and Dustin Carlson all are scheduled to appear in 5th District Court that day in connection with charges filed against them for stealing money from the Raft River Fire Protection District.

Betty Carlson is charged with eight counts of grand theft by manufactured check, one count of fraudulent use of a financial transaction card, one count of grand theft and one count of grand theft of a financial transaction card.

Dell Carlson is charged with one count of grand theft of a financial card, one count of fraudulent use of a financial transaction card and one count of grand theft.

Dustin Carlson faces the same three charges as Dell Carlson.

All three have pleaded innocent to the charges.

West Nile kills three more in Colorado

DENVER (AP) — Three more people have died of complications from the West Nile virus in Colorado, bringing the statewide total to four, health officials said Wednesday.

Family members identified one of the victims as JoAnn Marie Kesler, 88, of Fort Collins, who died Sunday.

Two Pueblo County women, ages 83 and 84, died last week, said Jane Anne Hollandsworth of the Pueblo City-County Health Department. Their names and the dates they died were not released.

Kesler had multiple sclerosis and was bedridden for two years, Kesler. He said she may have contracted the disease from a mosquito bite while they sat on their deck to watch the sunset.

"We had citronella candles, a smoke generator and a \$400 super mosquito zapper. We put on all kinds of (insect repellent)," he said. "It wasn't enough, even though we did what we could."

The first West Nile victim confirmed by state officials, 77-year-old Maria Flores of Greeley, died on Friday.

The state has 111 confirmed human cases and 99 suspected cases. Colorado has more confirmed cases than any other state, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said.

Nationwide, at least seven people have died from West Nile, including two victims in Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and the westernmost states to report human cases of the disease. Of those, only Colorado has had fatalities.

West Nile is the virus to eventually spread to every state.

Senator chides Interior employees for Utah land swap

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Sen. Charles Grassley on Wednesday chastised several Interior Department employees involved in a Utah land swap that he deplored.

The senator's general said was unfair and would have cost federal taxpayers.

In a letter to Interior Secretary Gale Norton, the Iowa Republican said the Bureau of Land Management employees who raised objections to the uneven exchange. But he also questioned whether Norton believes it was

appropriate for Interior employees to provide false information to department decisionmakers and Congress.

The (inspector general) report highlights that the American taxpayers were well-served by whistleblowers at Interior. However, far greater concern is the jaw-dropping account of what appears to be cover-up and concealment by senior government officials at Interior," Grassley wrote. "It is only the tip of a very big

iceberg exposed in the report."

The letter of responsibility for the swap is signed by one of the Grassley, who is chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said needs to be raised.

The San Rafael land swap was supposed to consist of federal land in Utah's picturesque San Rafael Swell, a maze of redrock slot canyons and bluffs. It would have facilitated a request from Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt that President Bush declare the area a national monument.

Appeal delays determination on payroll checkoff ban

BOISE (AP) — Attorney General Lawrence Wasden and Secretary of State Ben Yursa want the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to dismiss the case as defendants to organized labor's challenge to the ban on government payroll deductions.

Their appeal is delaying a court determination on the legality of the ban, which prevents government labor unions from using public funds to finance political activity.

Wasden and Yursa contend

they have no authority to enforce the ban and therefore have no place in the dispute over its legality.

Wasden said enforcement is the responsibility of court prosecutors. Yursa said his role in campaign financing is simply to accept campaign-finance reports from candidates and political committees.

A month ago, U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnmill issued a temporary order prohibiting Bannock County Prosecutor Mark

Hiedeman, Wasden and Yursa from enforcing the law. A hearing to decide whether that order should be made permanent was expected later this month, but will now depend on when and what the federal appellate court does with the appeal.

White Winnmill acknowledged that the other 43 county prosecutors were not covered by his July 3 order, he said those prosecutors would withhold any action under the new law until its legality is finally resolved.

Coroner

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is required, they may be delayed for up to 15 days.

Mikel clarified in June that he had submitted signed death certificates to Health and Welfare but had not specified the manner of the deaths. Instead, he had checked boxes on death certificates labeled "pending investigation."

Some routine examinations can run six to eight weeks, and the results of one autopsy took seven months to come back, Mikel said. Those cases cited were not routine, he said.

Without completed death certificates, survivors were unable to collect death benefits.

Birds

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The Pleasantview allotment had ineffective ladders or were without them. Ladders allow nonwaterfowl birds that stop for a drink to climb up the otherwise smooth sides of the trough and dry out their feathers before launching into flight.

Miriam Austin, who says the volunteers with Red Willow Research Inc., a nonprofit environmental consulting agency in Twin Falls, reported the dead birds to the BLM and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Red Willow Research does contract work for Jon Marvel's Western Watersheds Project, which two years ago sued the BLM for Pleasantview management.

The birds are excellent swimmers, but they can't climb out of the troughs, Austin said. They drown in circles until they exhaust themselves and drown.

The ranchers involved feel like they are being picked on yet again by environmentalists who want to see an end to public lands ranching.

"We're not deliberately trying to kill birds or drown birds," said Lloyd Briggs, a board member of the Pleasantview Grazing Association.

Some birds were able to find their way out of the troughs, he said. He wondered if more birds were getting out than were drowning.

"Every time we turn around it's, 'look what those Pleasantview permits are up to now,'" Briggs said.

Jeff Lord, co-chairman of the Idaho Cattlemen's State and Federal Lands Committee, said he wished range issues could be solved with cooperation and not litigation.

"It's proving not to be a very effective and neighborly way to get along," Lord said.

Ranches, said they are appropriate ways to ranch. The situation at Pleasantview is the worst she has seen, but she also has reported dead birds in Craters of

the Moon National Monument's Lava Park grazing allotment.

She took a picture of what appeared to be a dead prairie falcon floating in a steel trough.

Rick VanderVoet, monument manager, said on Friday the BLM found a total of four dead birds in the eight water troughs in use in Laidlaw Park. They were sparrows and a blackbird. As far as they know, all of the troughs had bird ladders in them, VanderVoet said.

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Oldest

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remembers.

"His work was very precise," she said.

Falks at Morrison-Knudson seemed to agree.

After he helped the company construct a new building, an in-house article was written about Hess. In August 1943 calling him "the best (expletive) worker in the world."

Hess learned his carpentry skills at the Fielding Academy Park. At age 19, in 1910, he saw Halley's Comet, and family members say he reported as a scary event — he thought it was the end of the world.

While he was known locally as "the filer from Filer," it was his honesty and hard work throughout his lifetime that set him apart. And he passed it along.

In other business

No reconsideration: Former Mayor and Renting Housing Authority board member Gerald Ostler asked the City Council to reconsider a recent decision denying a waiver for a \$1,200 building permit fee, but the council took no action on his request.

The housing authority had requested the waiver for a \$145,000 remodel at the Heritage Homes in Jerome. The remodel will make Heritage Homes completely handicap-accessible, Penny Earl, director of the Twin Falls Housing Authority, said in a telephone interview Wednesday.

The project at Heritage Homes is being funded by federal grant dollars to the Twin Falls Housing Authority. Earl said she is only able to get \$75,000 per year for

Jerome

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The 2400 S. Road eventually became U.S. Highway 93.

Maestas originally asked the city of Jerome to contribute \$30,000 toward the impact study. Twin Falls' suggested share also was \$30,000. The council felt that since Jerome was roughly one-fourth of the size of Twin Falls, its share should be considerably lower.

Maestas also said several businesses have indicated that they want to help with the financing of the study.

City Engineer Scott Bybee volunteered to help develop an equitable formula for determining pledges from the various government entities, which also will likely include Twin Falls and Jerome, plus the Twin Falls, Jerome and Filer highway districts.

Maestas said the transportation committee has received \$1.4 million from the Federal Highway Administration. The estimated cost of the study will be around \$1.7 million, so local entities might have to come up with a 20 percent match, Maestas said the pledges need to be in place by Sept. 20 or the \$1.4 million grant will have to be returned.

Maestas said Jerome is the first city to actually pledge funds to the study.

the remodeling project, so the remodel wipes out two years of her building funds. Heritage Homes is an assisted living facility located at 100 North Hillmore in Jerome.

Earl said the city of Twin Falls routinely waives housing authority building permit fees for the housing authority.

The housing authority is a nonprofit agency of volunteers dedicated to providing quality housing to low-income residents, Ostler said.

"Other companies who provide housing to low-income people are in business to make a profit," Ostler said. "The housing authority is not."

Ostler told the council that if they did approve the waiver they would not be setting a precedent. But council members expressed their skepticism.

"Other nonprofit agencies are charged building permit fees," Councilwoman Danni Bobrowski said.

"The school was denied a waiver for the building permit fee for the recent construction," she continued.

Councilwoman Marjorie Schmidt said since the housing authority is a tax-supported entity, taxpayers already have subsidized it.

"They shouldn't have to subsidize it again by waiving the building permit fee," she said.

Ostler said: "Mike Magnelli, who lives on East Sixth Street, asked the council to consider reworking the city's noise ordinance. Magnelli said he can't go any further and enjoy his yard anymore because of the 'annoying noise,' citing boom boxes and car stereos with bass so loud it vibrates the floors of his home."

The council agreed to look at the noise ordinance.

Magnelli also complained about cars turning left across double yellow lines into Wells Fargo Bank on East Main Street.

The council agreed that the left turns into the bank was a problem and would contact the Idaho Transportation Department about erecting a barrier to stop it.

the dates on a calendar — on a date he had set for himself.

Even his circles needed to be perfect. To accomplish that, he came up with the idea to use a quarter to trace around for circling dates.

"One of his last goals was to make it to his birthday," said Pam Crabtree, who is a nurse at Home Health and Hospice. He met his last date — with a smile.

"He was always friendly and always said Thank you for coming — you come by any time," Crabtree said.

Services for Hess will be held Friday at the LDS Fifth Ward Chapel at 421 Maurice St. in Twin Falls.

Times-News correspondent Loretta Burkhardt can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3990.

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The Times-News

5TH DISTRICT - Recent activity in 5th District Court in the city of Twin Falls included the following:

Driving under the influence sentencing

Chad A. Callison, 22, 449 Sunridge Drive, Jerome, driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not consume or possess any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohol testing; attend court alcohol school; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; obtain alcohol evaluation and comply with recommendation; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Douglas Kiehl Rickley, 26, 1210 Harmony Road, Twin Falls, driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not consume or possess any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohol testing; comply with alcohol evaluation recommendations; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Stanley Jay Sheppard, 32, 1070 Palmdale Drive, Twin Falls, driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended; credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; shall not possess any alcoholic beverages; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Misdemeanor sentencing

Nicholas L. Mac, 31, 152 Harrison St., Twin Falls, battery; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine, \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; \$63.18 restitution; no contact with victim; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

TWIN FALLS CITY COURTS

Charles P. Brumback, Jeremy L. Shafer, 20, 2588 E. 3500 N., Twin Falls, one count possession of controlled substance, marijuana; found guilty; \$400 fine, \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; submit to alcohol/drug testing; obtain substance abuse evaluation and comply with recommendations; one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine, \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Teia E. Engman, 23, 323 N. Beverly, Shoshone; petit theft; amended to willful concealment; pleaded guilty; \$150 fine, \$50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; six months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Brita J. Brumback, 37, 146 Addison Ave. W., No. 12, Twin Falls, willful concealment; pleaded guilty; \$50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Autumn L. McWaters, 17, 2629 E. 3500 N., Twin Falls, entering prohibited area; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs; 40 hours, sheriff's work detail; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

David House-Beiring, 32, 325 Pierce St., Twin Falls, driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine with \$300 suspended; 180 days in jail with 178 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Pavel Nalduchov, 31, 19515 N. E. Glean St., Portland, OR, driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Juan G. Estala, 28, 300 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended; credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; shall not possess any alcoholic beverages; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

sheriff's work detail; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Erwan R. Birrell, 25, 344 Sixth Ave. E., Twin Falls; petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; restitution to victim; 24 hours, sheriff's work detail; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Jared A. Dickson, 23, 491 Washington St., Twin Falls, driver's license - fail to give notice of address change; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Pillboxer River, 21, 871 E. 4000 N., Buhl; malicious injury to property; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohol/drug testing; no contact with victim; restitution to victim; 24 hours, sheriff's work detail; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Robert Leon Nicholson, 31, 428 Main Ave. N., No. C, Twin Falls; trespass; amended to disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; submit to alcohol/drug testing; 16 hours, sheriff's work detail; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Robert Leon Nicholson, 31, 428 Main Ave. N., No. C, Twin Falls; trespass; amended to disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 29 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Ricardo C. Beruan Jr., 16, 1122 Washington St., Twin Falls, driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Willis D. Simpson, 19, 528 Second Ave. W., No. 214, Twin Falls, one count petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine, \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 180 suspended; 24 months probation; one count petit theft; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Gerald Struble McConnell, 38, 409 Highway 30, Twin Falls, possession of a controlled substance; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs, uncollectible; 160 days in jail; one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Karen J. Brown, 39, 390 Loe, No. 3, Twin Falls, one count restraining or obstructing an officer; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; credit for three days served; six months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; one count battery on a peace officer; dismissed by prosecutor; take all prescribed medication; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Angela Lynne Kiser, 35, 530 N. St., Plover, fail to purchase/maintain driver's license; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Robert Lee, 50, 924 Sunny Lane, Nampa, fraud-inflated funds check; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 73 suspended; credit for 17 days served; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; \$55.91 restitution to victim; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Lucas A. Berni, 20, 8107 Southside, Nampa, driving without privileges; amended to fail to purchase/maintain driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

James Anthony Schouten, 40, 229 Tyler St., Twin Falls, battery; pleaded guilty; \$150 fine, \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; six months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Joseph J. Thompson-Mattox, 24, 647 Fawnbrook, No. 5172, Twin Falls, domestic battery; amended to battery; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 179 suspended; credit for one day served; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; complete anger management counseling; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Barbara A. Virgo, 47, 533 Blue Lakes, Twin Falls, obscene conduct; amended to disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs, waived; one day in jail, credit for time served; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

to willful concealment; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$150 fine, \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Robert M. Perry, 22, 308 E. Ave. E., Jerome; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Gayle A. Bolich, 30, 610 N. Davis, Jerome; injury to a child/children; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohol/drug testing; obtain alcohol evaluation and comply with recommendations; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Douglas E. Biggers, 42, 595 Terry Court, Twin Falls, domestic violence; failure of protection order; amended to violation of no-contact order; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Charles Ivan Winkler, 17, 361 Fifth Ave. E., No. 2, Twin Falls, driving without privileges; amended to fail to purchase/maintain driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; six months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Andrew Arden Layne, 44, Pioneer Trailer Park, Twin Falls, one count obstructing an officer; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs, uncollectible; 180 days in jail; one count open container; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Ricardo Moses Bernun, 49, no street address available, Twin Falls, fail to purchase/maintain driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Erik R. Lundgren, 20, 808 20th Ave. E., Jerome, possession of a controlled substance, marijuana; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohol/drug testing; 16 hours, sheriff's work detail; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Misdemeanor dismissals

Daniel Donaldson, 36, 120 Washington, Twin Falls, one count driving without privileges and one count possession of a suspended driver's license; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Idaho prisons trim plans for expansion

BOISE (AP) - The Board of Correction has cut its proposed prison construction program in half as inmate growth tapers off. The board gave Gov. Dirk Kempthorne a revised \$38 million building budget for fiscal year 2004-2005 while boosting its operating budget request by 8 percent to more than \$116 million.

Correction Director Tom Beauchair called it a basic budget. Stripped from the construction schedule were two new 250-inmate prisons no longer considered necessary.

In the past three years, the growth in prison population has slowed dramatically.

After jumping by more than 400 inmates during the year through May 2001, the system reported a net increase of 76 for the 12 months through this past May.

The building plan still calls for a \$17.9 million prison for inmates with mental health problems and more than \$9 million to expand the prison boot camp program at Cottonwood. That program has been used extensively by judges as a diversion from lengthy prison terms, and it is credited for easing pressure on limited cell space.

Group seeks Boise campaign reform

BOISE (AP) - Campaign finance reform advocates want Boise to create a pool of public money for local candidates.

Jan House, campaign manager for Idahoans for Fair Elections, asked the city council this week to put the measure on the Nov. 4 ballot.

But council members said they have legal and practical concerns about the proposal, which would give mayor and council candidates access to funds from a public campaign finance account as long as they agree not to accept private campaign contributions.

House said the system, similar to those used in other states, would reduce the influence of special interest groups and free candidates to spend more time discussing issues and less time fund raising.

Advertisement for DELANO CHANDELIER LAMP and other home goods. Features images of lamps, kitchen faucets, and ceiling fans. Text includes 'It's Where You Go for What You Need!', 'WANT SERVICE WITH YOUR PLUMBING OR ELECTRICAL SERVICE?', and 'THE BEST SERVICE, QUALITY PRODUCTS, AND LOW, EVERYDAY PRICING...'. Lists various products like '4" POP-UP SPRINKLER HEAD', 'STAINLESS STEEL KITCHEN SINK', 'TWO HANDLE KITCHEN FAUCET', 'PERIOD STYLE KITCHEN FAUCET', 'PREMIUM KITCHEN FAUCET', 'NATURAL STONE VANITY TOPS', 'DRASSEK 2-Piece G-Max Toilet Flushing System', 'ULTIMATE TOILET', 'CEILING FAN', and 'CEILING FAN'. Includes prices and contact information for TOTO and DELANO.

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COMMUNITY

Community Editor: Pat Marcantonio - 735-3288

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Symphony League holds an organizational meeting

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Symphony League will hold an organizational meeting at 9:30 a.m. today at the home of Elaine Bowen, 268 Heyburn Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Carleen's Fabrics & Crafts, etc. sets Heyburn classes

HEYBURN - Carleen's Fabrics & Crafts, etc., 450 21st St. (Alfresco Road) in Heyburn, announces its August class schedule:

Friday, piece maker's calendar block of the month, 6-8 p.m., free, Aug. 20, beginning piecing, 6-9 p.m., cost is \$30 and includes a second class.

Aug. 22, stitcher's corner, 6-8 p.m. and free.

Aug. 23, horseshoe stars scrap quilt, 1-4 p.m., includes a fabric swap, cost is \$20, and participants will need a book.

Aug. 27, broom stick skirt, 5-7 p.m.

Aug. 30, dancing diagonals wall hanging, 2-5 p.m. The cost is \$15.

Aug. 19, trapunto by machine. The time will be scheduled after registration is filled.

Sept. 20, painting on fabric, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$35 and class size is limited to eight students. Call to reserve space.

For more information, call 679-3573.

receive a complete catalogue of classes or to register, call 732-6288 or 732-6290.

Buhl VFW holds monthly meeting Tuesday

BUHL - The Buhl Veterans of Foreign Wars Thurston Fence Post 3604 will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Lincoln Courts, 1310 Main in Buhl.

New members are always welcome and should bring proof of military service.

For more information, call Harvey Pilant at 736-5023 or e-mail thechie@rmci.net.

VFW, auxiliary meet Tuesday in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS - Members of the Twin Falls Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Magic Valley Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave. in Twin Falls. All members are encouraged to attend.

Members will review the agenda for the remainder of the year.

New members are always welcome and should bring documentation of military service.

For more information, call 733-6042 or e-mail thechie@rmci.net.

Filer Public Library announces new additions

FILER - Recent additions to the Filer Public Library, 219 Main St., were announced.

Juvenile fiction: "Scooby-Dool and the Bowling Boogeyman," "Scooby-Dool and the Ghosty Gorilla," "Scooby-Dool and the Karate Caper," "Scooby-Dool and the Scary Slimmer" and "Scooby-Dool and the Vicious Viking" by James Gelsey; "Scooby-Dool and the Fantastic Puppet Factory" and "Scooby-Dool and the Weird Water Park" by Jesse Leon McCann; "Funny Faces, Wacky Wings and Other Big Bird Things" by Cynthia L. Copeland and Alexandra P. Lewis; "How is a Moose Like a Goose?" by Bobi Michael Koonz; "What do You Do At the Zoo?" and "What Do You Do On a Farm?" by Susan E. Goddman and "Willy the Champ" and "Willy the Wimp" by Anthony Browne.

For more information, to

For more information, call the library at 326-4143.

Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

GOODING - The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announced its winners for Aug. 1.

North/south: first, Riley Burton and Bev Clark; second, Al and Frances Anglen; third, Carol France and Mary Steele; fourth, Howard and Mary Tucker.

East/west: first, Sue Borden and Lorna Barr; second, Bill Simonsen and Sid Bokovoy; third, Henry and Dolores Robinson; and fourth, Susan Faulkner and Adelaide Gerrard.

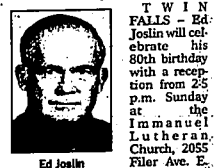
Refreshments were served; and Carl France's birthday was celebrated. The club plays at 1 p.m. every Friday at Gooding City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W.

Magic Valley Iris Club holds sale Saturday

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Iris Club will sponsor the annual iris rhizome sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in front of D & B Supply, 2964 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Plants are 50 percent off. For more information, call Jeanette at 734-3613.

Twin Falls man celebrates 80th birthday Sunday



Ed Joslin

TWIN FALLS - Ed Joslin will celebrate his 80th birthday with a reception from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Filer Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Joslin was born Aug. 10, 1923, in Rogerson. He is a lifelong resident of the Magic Valley.

The event will be hosted by his children Shirlee (Jack) Huston of Mulberry, Fla. and Karl (Kim) Joslin of Twin Falls. He has many grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The family requests no gifts. - compiled from staff reports



Felicia Burkhardt of Rupert and Matilda.

Rupert woman, Matilda, help area residents cope with change

The Times-News

RUPERT - Felicia Burkhardt of Rupert and animal teammate, Matilda, have completed training through a nationwide program which registered them as a person-animal volunteer team qualified to provide animal-assisted activities and animal-assisted therapy to patients and residents of Vista Assisted Living Community in Rupert.

Burkhardt and Matilda were registered by the nationwide Pet Partners Program, which established guidelines for person-animal volunteer teams to qualify them to enter hospitals, nursing homes and other facilities. The program registers teams that successfully complete health and temperament screening and volunteer training, representatives said.

Burkhardt and Matilda and other Pet Partners volunteer with an animal-assisted activities or animal-assisted therapy program. In such programs, volunteers and animals become formally involved in patient treatment regimens, representatives said.

The Pet Partners Program was created by the Delta Society, a nonprofit organization based near Seattle, Wash., that works to improve health and well-being by promoting mutually beneficial contacts among people and animals.

To become a registered Pet Partner, Matilda passed the Pet Partners skills and aptitude screening administered by Sunny Grant, a Pet Partners licensed Grant, a Pet Partners licensed evaluator, and a health examination administered by Thomas Blaney, a practitioner at Burley Veterinary Hospital in Burley.

CSI makes info available on enrichment classes

TWIN FALLS - Catalogues for zero credit enrichment classes running from August through December through the Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho are available. The catalogues feature class descriptions, times, dates, cost, instructor information and information on how to register for any classes.

The center is offering new classes this semester on wheat weaving, online banking, surviving pen-menopause and teen shul. Popular repeat courses, such as computers for seniors, pottery and dog obedience, will also be offered.

For more information, to

NEW LIONS ROAR INTO OFFICE



The Twin Falls Lions Club installed new officers. They are, from left, front row; second vice president Fred Cogburn and President Ann Patterson; second row: Bonnie Harpator, secretary; Larry Himpie, treasurer; and Nell Cross, first vice president. Other officers elected were "talltowers" Dale Metzger and Heather Walker; directors Stuart Canada, Mary Fort, Ruth Stutzman and Joe Martin; Honorary Lavinna and Duane Way; and membership committee Rich Whitescarver, Dave White and Joe Shaw. Twin Falls Lions Club meets noon Wednesday at the Jade Restaurant.

Idaho first lady visits Zontas

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Zonta Club of Magic Valley will hold its fourth annual Literacy Luncheon at noon on Sept. 25 at the Red Lion Hotel Canyon Springs.

Highlights of this year's program will include guest of honor first lady Patricia Kempthorne's presentation of this year's Leaders in Literacy Award, as well as insight into the No Child Left Behind Act and the Reading First program by Judi Baxter, a kindergarten teacher at Oregon Trail Elementary School in Twin Falls.

Tickets are \$15 and available from Everybody's Business, any Zonta member or by calling 735-3326.

All lunch attendees are requested to bring a new children's book for ages pre-school through third grade. A list of book selections is available at Barnes & Noble and the Twin Falls Public Library.

Proceeds from the luncheon will benefit the Twin Falls Public Library Foundation for the children's department of the Twin Falls Public Library. The library foundation is a nonprofit charitable organization that supports the programs, book collections and the electronic technology at the Twin Falls Public Library.

Last year, more than 2,700 children attended the 127 programs created by the librarians, and more than 169,000 patrons visited the library.

Zonta is a worldwide service organization of executives in business and the professions working together to advance the status of women both locally and worldwide. The club has operated in the Magic Valley for four years.

For more information, call Zonta member Deby Johnson at 735-3326.

Businesses, congregation helps provide food for needy

Safe Harbor Inc. provided a Saturday meal for needy people at the Twin Falls City Park on July 5.The following groups and individuals are to be thanked for making that possible:

The Sizzler, Grocery Outlet, Falls Brand-Independent Meat, Barbara Schmitz and the Safe Harbor volunteers.

Safe Harbor also salutes the Ascension Episcopal Church, whose members have helped provide a number of Saturday meals.

PHYLLIS BERG President Safe Harbor Inc. Twin Falls

Methodist church thanks those who helped

On behalf of the congregation of First United Methodist Church of Twin Falls, I would

like to thank the following businesses for their generous donations to the Manos de Amistad (Hands of Friendship) Day Camp held the week of July 21 at our church as part of our Hispanic Ministries outreach.

With the help of these donations, we were able to provide a light breakfast, hot lunch and an afternoon snack to an average of 60 children and 40 adult and youth helpers for the five days of the camp.

Thank you to the United Dairyfarm of Idaho-Darigold of Twin Falls for milk, cheese and ice cream; Independent Meat for hot dogs and hamburgers; Great Harvest Bread for cookies, scones, bread and rolls; Wonder Bread for bread and buns; Garibaldi's Restaurant for tortillas; Eduardo's Restaurant for rice, beans, taco and tostada shells and for cooking meat for us; Albertson's Grocery for store credit; and Smith's Grocery and Swinnart

LETTERS OF THANKS

for fresh produce. **CATHERINE POPPINO** First United Methodist Church, Twin Falls

Many make annual COP-barbecue a success

The Buhl Citizens on Patrol would like to thank the following contributors for their substantial help in making the Southern Idaho COP programs annual barbecue held Aug. 2 a complete success:

Arctic Circle in Buhl, Buhl Fire Department, Buhl Herald, Buhl Moose Lodge, Buhl City of Buhl (for its help), Buhl Police Department, Buhl School District (for its help), and students of Buhl Falls Brand in Twin Falls, Farmers National Bank in Buhl, LifeFlight from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, MM Health Farms in Buhl and Wonder Bread in Twin Falls.

KATHY HODULIK Buhl COPS No. 1578 Buhl

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Twin Falls student accepts scholars membership

Melanie Ann Baldwin of Twin Falls accepted membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, and will be honored during a campus ceremony this fall at the University of Idaho in Moscow.

The society is a national, nonprofit organization that recognizes first and second year undergraduate students who excel academically.

Foundation scholarship go to Twin Falls student

The Best Buy Children's Foundation has awarded a \$2,500 scholarship to Leah Meeks, a 2003 graduate of Twin Falls High

School. Meeks is the daughter of Sharon and Jim Meeks and plans to attend Cal Poly State University in San Luis Obispo, Calif., next fall.

This year, the foundation, through its partnership with the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America Inc., awarded more than \$2 million to graduating high school seniors and college undergraduates across the country.

Scholarships were awarded to students who volunteer time to their communities, excel in academics, participate in extra-curricular

activities, and are entering or attending an accredited university, college or technical school.

The program is promoted by Dollars for Scholars and administered by Scholarship Management Services, both departments of the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation, which is a national nonprofit educational support and student aid service organization that seeks to involve and assist the private sector in expanding educational opportunities and encouraging educational achievement.

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Woman coping with pain inspires teen to do same

DEAR ABBY: "Smiling Through the Pain," a reader who has suffered with chronic pain since childhood, offered some wonderful suggestions to other people in her predicament.

I am 13, and I want her to know her message was very inspirational to me and helped me to realize, a lot. I have depression and suffer from an obsessive-compulsive disorder called trichotillomania (hair pulling). It has overcome suicide and I am in therapy.

When I read that letter, I felt like "Smiling Through the Pain" was talking directly to me. It made me realize that there is a way to bounce back from the pain I have been experiencing.

I would like to thank that person for giving me back the hope that I lost a long time ago.

- A NORTHEAST HIGHLAND TEEN IN VIRGINIA



DEAR ABBY
Abby
VanBuren

She said, "Surround yourself with positive things - positive people, sunshine, rainbows, roses, puppies and kittens."

After reflecting upon what she had said, I realized that this is a great prescription for anyone's life. That doctor probably saved mine. Not only did she give my monstrous disease a name, she helped me to make my life worth living again.

I have good days and bad. I curse the bad ones and praise God for the good ones. The "good" pain comes when I have accomplished what I wanted to do that day. The "bad" pain comes when I refrain from doing what I want to do - and hurt anyway.

Every day I get up, get dressed and have something planned to do. And, Abby, I try to perform at least one act of kindness for someone each day. Regardless of my pain, it makes each day seem fuller.

I hope you will find this letter appropriate to share with your readers. If it helps someone else who is hurting (for whatever reason), then my effort will not have been in vain.

- TRYING TO SMILE THROUGH THE PAIN, PARK HILLS, MO.

DEAR TRYING: I don't know what act of will it took for you to compose your letter, but it is certainly worth space in my column. Your doctor is a wise woman, and you are far more than a survivor. Your philosophy will help more people than you know, and on my behalf and theirs, I thank you for sharing it.

I wish you continued success in your daily battle. You are an inspiration.

DEAR ABBY: I am 13 and have an older sister who ruins our family vacations. She turns everything into an argument and makes it impossible to enjoy family time together. We're going on a two-week trip soon and I don't want it to be a disaster.

How can I get my sister to behave and not start World War III?

- SISTER TROUBLES IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEAR SISTER: You are not responsible for your sister's behavior. Don't give her the power to spoil your vacation. When she acts out, distance yourself and tune her out. It appears you are more mature at 13 than she is.

If things do not improve soon, suggest to your parents that you ALL get to family counseling. It will be an opportunity to express your feelings with a professional therapist who will listen and help to improve your family's interaction.

He's so vain but who is subject of Carly Simon song?

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (AP) - Carly Simon will finally reveal who she so vain to a man with major connections in the media world - she thinks he ever decided to break his vow of secrecy.

But Dick Ebersol, chairman of NBC Sports and NBC Olympics, said he'll never tell once Simon divulges to him the subject of her 1972 song "You're So Vain" after a private performance in about two weeks. Ebersol won the information with a \$50,000 bid, but the auction: he also gets a lunch of peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

"It won't be hard to keep a secret," he said on NBC's "Today" show Tuesday morning.

Ebersol said Simon gave him one clue about the man's identity that she said he could reveal. He has the letters "E" and "S" in his name. That could be any of the chief suspects: actor Warren Beatty,

whom Simon dated; Mick Jagger, who sang backup on the song; and her ex-husband, James Taylor.

Ebersol said he was happy to put up the cash for a secret he can't tell.

"It's a great cause and I wanted to make sure Carly didn't have to tell a total stranger," Ebersol said.

The auction Monday raised \$500,000 to benefit Martha's Vineyard Community Services, which provides child care, counseling, substance abuse treatment services and visiting nurses to the community.

Other celebrities offered dinner, lunch or golf, including actors Ted Danson and Mary Steenburgen; newswoman Diane Sawyer and her husband, director Mike Nichols; and veteran newsman Walter Cronkite.

The annual event has raised nearly \$4 million for Community Services since it began in 1979.

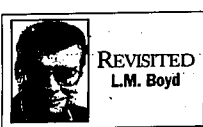
Imagine a childhood without peanut butter

Antlers grow from the tip. Could be the eldest of the elders in your own family grow up without peanut butter sandwiches. Such weren't made everywhere, hardly anywhere, in fact, until the 1920s.

Q. In American music, ragtime came before jazz, but what was the popular music before ragtime?

A. Minstrel maybe. With tunes like "Dixie." And Stephen Foster's songs. Generally, though, highbrows had classical, lowbrows folk up to the late 1800s. Then came ragtime, jazz, swing and rock. Some musicologists say there was no such thing as "popular music" before ragtime.

It's a melancholy matter of fact that many a would-be immigrant was turned back at the old Ellis



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Island because of poor eyesight. Australia claims the world's second largest population of Greeks. Does your weather reporter know a falling raindrop changes its shape up to 300 times a second?

Casualties of sports go way back. Gladly bracers of Sparta. Gladiator battles of Rome. In the Middle Ages of England, it was tournament jousting. Historical footnotes of the year 1240 indi-

cate about 70 combatants were killed in just one tournament.

You and I write left to right. Hebrew and Arabic go right to left. Ancient Greek went both ways on alternate lines. It was called "boustrophedon" meaning "ox turn." An allusion to plowing furrows.

Q. Who was the first American woman to make a living as a writer?

A. Hannah Adams, 1755-1831. She wrote books on matters religious. Plus "A Summary History of New England."

Feeling bad Sagittarius? Blame moon, Pluto

IF AUGUST 7 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY - your attainment covers a wide range on the scale of creativity, from excellence in the arts to gourmet cooking. You're an idealist who has touched the philosopher's stone. This year should see your love life blooming and plenty of good fortune, especially in December/January. Strengthen your immune system through good nutrition as Mars is soon retrograding at a critical angle.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): The pressures are only in your mind. Nevertheless, you may be busy writing and bashing the keyboard. You demand answers to your questions. Children and spouses play games and avoid the issue.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): You're one step closer to turning a possibility into a reality. You know things can improve. It's only your insecurity that hampers your progress. There's a breakthrough on the home front.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You're giving your all at work, so much so that your batteries may be running low. Your first-class

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know-how and skills are greatly appreciated.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your request to partners and associates falls on deaf ears. Wishful thinking doesn't pay your bills. Someone from the past offers a helping hand.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your romantic nature is searching for the ideal partner, if single. Your financial success finds a furious outlet.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your social life should be fast and furious. There's major change pending at home; you're making new friends. You have to admit that sometimes you need a helping hand.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You always recognize when others need help, even before they do. You receive a gift that may be health- or nutrition-related. You're

in for further responsibility at work.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): There are pressures at work. Emotionally you feel as if you're entangled in the middle of a jungle and don't know where you stand. Best to wait it out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The moon in tandem with Pluto is adding to your feelings of insecurity and distraction, giving you false confidence. You're having second thoughts about home. A message filters from on high.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have a nose for ferreting out

problems before they start. It's how you communicate your ideas that counts. Wear that black outfit to shine at a social event!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Partners are pulling the wool over your eyes. Get rid of that rose-colored glasses! Have your wits about you and double check home security. Be observant and secure your possessions.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You are feeling threatened. It would be good if you argue your point of view at work; your career may depend on it. You may have to swallow your pride.

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The Rev. Nicholas B. Rausch - Lacey, Wash.

The Rev. Nicholas B. Rausch, OSB, age 74, passed away in Lacey, Wash., on Aug. 5, 2003. Born Bernard Joseph on Nov. 29, 1928, to Charles and Marie Henschel Rausch. Bernard attended schools in Rupert, graduating with the class of 1947. After two years at St. Martin's College in Olympia, he entered the Benedictine seminary at St. Martin's Abbey. His theology studies were at the Benedictine Monastery in Mt. Angel, Ore. He was ordained a priest in the Catholic Church in Seattle in May 1956. He taught high school boys at the St. Martin's High School for many years until they closed their doors. After further studies, he began teaching on the college level at St. Martin's College. Speech and



debate were his favorite subjects. He was active in the Knights of Columbus organizations of Lacey and Olympia as chaplain. He

loved music and especially making his own music, playing different instruments from guitars and harmonica to accordion, banjo and wood/fute instruments. He also was an avid golfer. Father Nicholas is survived by his sisters, Sister Dorothy (Anna Mae Rausch), Sister Christine (Genevieve Rausch) and Sister Regina (Regina Rausch), all of Mt. Angel, Ore. and Gertrude (Ernest) Stuart of Rupert; two nephews, Tom Stuart and Bill Stuart; and four nieces, Colleen, Debby, Julie Sparrow, Beth Beck and Rosella Stuart. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister. The service will be held Monday, Aug. 11, at the Abbey church with interment in the Abbey cemetery.

SERVICES

Dorothy M. Ramsey of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. today at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St.; burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 10-10:45 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Esther C. McCray of Wendell, service will be held at 1 p.m. today at Demaray's Wendell Chapel; burial will be in the Wendell Cemetery.

Leta E. Howard of Burley, service at 2 p.m. today at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., Burley; burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends may call from 1-1:45 p.m. Thursday at the Payne Mortuary.

Warren Holm of Burley, service at 2 p.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley; burial will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 1-1:45 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley.

Ferrell Brent Catmull of Rupert, service at 11 a.m. today at the Rupert LDS 7th Ward, on the cor-

ner of Eighth and G streets; burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery; friends may call one hour prior to the service at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Ethel Olds Stobaugh of Twin Falls, service at 10:30 a.m. today at the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home; interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls.

Daniel J. Draper of Jerome, service at 1 p.m. Friday in the Jerome LDS 2nd Ward Chapel, 50 E. 100 S., Jerome; visitation from 6-8 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome

and one hour prior to the service at the church; interment to follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

Freddie Tolman Larson of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints Star 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel, 100 S. 200 W., Burley; burial at the Pleasant View Cemetery; friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Anna Vermer Davis of Polk City, Fla., memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Methodist Church in Bull.

DEATH NOTICES

Ruth W. Robinson
GOODING - Ruth W. Robinson, 82, of Gooding; died Thursday, July 31, 2003, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital in Gooding.

The memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, 2003, at Demaray's Gooding Chapel. Cremation arrangements

will follow the service.

Myrtle Sarah Brady
TWIN FALLS - Myrtle Sarah Brady, 91, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003, at SubBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center. Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary, Twin Falls.

FEDERAL COURTS

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BOISE - Recent civil filings in U.S. District Court in Boise included the following south-central Idaho cases: **Jeremy Allen vs. The Anamgated Sugar Company, also known as Tusco LLC.** Seeking judgment against the defendants for statutory damages in an amount to be proven at trial for lost wages, benefits and other compensation; additional liquidated damages in an amount to be proven at trial; equitable relief in the form of reinstatement of front pay as the court deems appropriate; attorney fees and costs; other relief as the court deems just. Plaintiff alleges that he was fired from his employment with the defendant because he exer-



cised his rights under the Family Medical Leave Act after suffering a severe chronic medical condition. Case no. 4:03-CV-275. **Hobson Fabricating Corporation vs. Blaine Construction Co. Inc., a Idaho corporation; Blaine County Board of Commissioners; Mary Ann mix, an individual; Dennis Wright, an individual, and Sarah Michael, an individual.** Seeking the issuance of an injunction barring the defendants from denying plaintiff property interest in the contract for the work in Bid Package 22

by re-advertising, re-bidding or awarding that contract to someone other than Hobson in violation of plaintiff's 14th Amendment rights to due process; for an injunction barring the defendants from attempting to award the contract to anyone other than Hobson in violation of Idaho code; declaratory relief that the conduct of the defendants violates the competitive bidding statute for the state of Idaho by failing to award Hobson the contract for the work in said bid package; attorney fees and costs. Plaintiff Blaine County Courthouse Annex construction project. Plaintiff alleges that it was the lowest bidder but was never awarded the contract. Case no. 1:03-CV-288.

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Over the hill

After years of resisting pressure from family and friends (and waiting in vain for a plumber), my wife and I finally decided: Hey! If you can't fight 'em, join 'em. We can't fight down the money on a used, 20-foot camp trailer. We were pleased with our purchase, but I couldn't shake a nagging sense of defeat as I cruised down the interstate at a steady 45 miles an hour towing our newly acquired home on wheels.

There was a time when I had something akin to disdain for this kind of camping. After all, the outdoors was about roughing it - getting back to nature! Sitting by a lake in a lawn chair may have sufficed for our parents, but I yearned for something more noble and adventuresome in my outdoors experience.



COUNTRY LARKS
 Sam Hutchins

Now here I was, lumbering along the highway with a camp trailer. I'd only had it for about 20 minutes, and already it seemed my hair was a little thinner and my gut a little plumper. I was stubbornly hanging on to my resolve to never wear one of those Gilligan hats, but that was small consolation. Deep down I knew the truth. Somewhere between that lot and Exit 182, I had become my dad.

I soon found one of the greatest challenges in owning a camp trailer is in simply backing the thing up. It's a tricky skill to master but one at which we guys feel compelled to show our proficiency. I don't mean to sound prejudiced, but really the problem is that it's often the duty of our wives to guide us as we back up the camp trailer, and for my wife, that's as mysterious a process as levitation. Now that I have become my dad, I can easily understand his frustration over my mom's unintelligible hand signals when he was attempting to back up our old trailer years ago. It doesn't help anything that by the time a man gets his family and the rig to a campsite, his quota of patience has been just about used up. There is a simple reason for this and that reason is - trailer wiring.

In all the advances of modern technology, trailer wiring has been the most grossly neglected. They can send a man to the moon, as the saying goes, but no one yet has devised a system for wiring a camp trailer that will remain intact and functioning from one camping trip to the next.

Two days of lying on the driveway under the trailer, trying to trace the mysterious maze of voltage and wires, is enough to make anyone need a vacation or at least a marriage counselor, which brings us to another challenging phase of camping - surviving the preparations.

I certainly wouldn't think to air my dirty laundry in this public forum, but let us just say between me banging my head under the trailer and my wife doing everything else to get ready to go, marital harmony was strained.

Was it worth it you ask? In the end, I must admit that it was. We finally departed for the South Hills and a short time later, we found our own little slot in the trees next to Rock Creek. The instant we stepped, Katie was out the door and into the stream, in search of pretty rocks. Zack was already fishing as I set the stabilizer jacks under the trailer. I unfolded the lawn chairs and my wife and I sat down with a sigh. I put my arm around her and we watched the kids play. I hadn't managed to get the refrigerator working and the trailer brakes were a little stiff, but somehow it didn't seem to matter much now.

"Why do we buy them all these toys when they like playing with sticks and rocks so much?" I asked my wife.

"I don't know - they really love it out here don't they?"

"Yeah, say, did you bring the stuff for smores - I could get a fire going."

My wife patted me on the tummy.

"I sure did, and I brought your Gilligan hat, too - you know how easily your head gets sun-burned."

"Thanks," I replied, and then I took a nap.



Elephant rock, pictured here at dawn, is popular with climbers, but portions of the rock are on private property and can't be climbed without the land owner's permission.

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Climbing among the castles

City of Rocks and recently opened Castle Rocks State Park provide ideal climbing conditions

By Christijan Dreper
 Times-News writer

City of Rocks and Castle Rocks

- Day use in City of Rocks is free, but camping is \$7 for one vehicle. Reservations can be made but are not required.
- Castle Rocks charges a day-use fee of \$3.
- For more information, call the park at (208) 824-5519.

Bulging mounds and pillars of granite flank the dirt road running through City of Rocks National Reserve. At about noon it seems like each rock is pecked by the silhouettes of climbers and hikers. Dozens of them.

Brad Shilling, climbing ranger at City of Rocks since 1995, said the park is "bursting at the seams" during the reserve's peak season.

Early spring sees hundreds of climbers daily, filling the camping spots to overflowing, but at the height of summer the visitors wane.

"In the heat, people stop coming," Shilling said. "The mountains open up. People think, 'Why climb in the heat when you can climb up in the Sawtooths?'"

According to park service publications, climbers "come from

around the world, aiming to climb one of the 650 to 700 named routes within the reserve.

On a recent Saturday, Doug Davis, of Belgrade, Mont., said the park was the least busy he had ever seen it.

He was climbing with a group of about 10 people from the Bozeman, Mont., area. When they started climbing at around 9:30 in the morning it felt like they had the rocks all to themselves, but as the day warmed, more climbers began scaling the granite cliffs.

Davis first came to the reserve in 1983, before it was a reserve. He said he comes about every other year.

"The rock is friendly," Davis said. "Certain areas have a feeling when you climb them. This rock is definitely friendly."

There are a lot of cracks in the rock for placing protection while features on the rock faces provide good hand and foot holds.

Shilling said City of Rocks is unique in that way.

"Granite does not normally erode this way," he said of the reserve's peaks. "The rock lends itself to climbing."

He said climbers scale granite spires and pillars all over the world, but, normally,



Here with a group of about 10 people from the Bozeman, Mont., area, Britt Alsaker, front, on 'Tow Away Zone' and Frank Tazzara on 'Just Another Pretty Face' climb these parallel routes up Parking Lot rock.



Doug Davis, of Belgrade, Mont., belays Dan Baker on 'Skyline.' Davis has been coming to City of Rocks about every other year since 1983. He describes the rock in the reserve as 'friendly.'



Lindsay Langsdale is on belay for Toby Ebes, both of Reno, Nev., on Elephant Rock. Langsdale was making her first visit to the City of Rocks.

your only climbing option is to follow cracks and fissures up the rocks. At City of Rocks, the faces have hand holds and foot holds that allow you to go up the rock faces more easily.

The "friendliness" of the rocks makes City of Rocks extremely popular. And now, Shilling says, climbers can get a double dose of superior climbing.

Castle Rocks State Park opened for public use on Memorial Day weekend this year, just a couple of miles from City of Rocks.

"All of a sudden there's twice as much," said Shilling, who is climbing ranger for the new park as well. Castle Rocks doubles the amount of climbing areas available.

Right now, Castle Rocks has a 25-car, 75-person daily limit. But, Shilling said, the park has not seen a lot of use.

Ten cars is a busy day at the park, he said.

Shilling said he could not speculate as to why it hasn't been very busy. There's a short hike from the parking area to the climbing rocks and the routes are relatively new.

In City of Rocks, most of the climbs have been 1,000 ascents or more, Shilling said. That actually makes the routes clean - free from grit and lichen. In Castle Rocks, however, a busy climb will have seen maybe 50 ascents.

Castle Rocks will retain its

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Erin Bard, of Bozeman, Mont., tries her luck on 'Just Another Pretty Face.'

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OUTDOORS

Bats rarely pose problems for people

Question: "I've seen lots of bats flying around this summer and a friend of mine found one in her yard. Should I be concerned about my family's safety?"

Answer: Bats are some of the most unique and misunderstood mammals around the world. Myths and legends about bats abound, but most are untrue.

Several bat species occur in southern Idaho, roosting in buildings, trees, and under bridges. They consume large numbers of moths, mosquitoes, and other insects at dusk and after dark.

Bats are classified as Protected Nongame Species in Idaho. It is illegal to collect, harm, or otherwise remove Protected Nongame Species from their natural habitat.

Contrary to popular belief, few parasites and diseases of insectivorous bats pose any threat to

ASK THE OFFICER Gary Hompland

human health. Rabies and histoplasmosis are the most significant public health issues to consider when dealing with bats.

Rabies is an acute infectious disease of the central nervous system. It is transmitted to humans through the bite of an infected animal.

Histoplasmosis is a respiratory illness caused by inhalation of a fungus that naturally occurs in the soil of areas with warm and humid climates.

Bird droppings (particularly of European starlings, pigeons, and chickens) and bat guano (feces) enhance the development of this fungus. Hot, dry attics where bats may roost do not usually provide conditions favorable for fungal growth.

During hot summer days, many people see bats roosting under

the eaves of houses or in outbuildings. These individuals are resting after a hard night of catching insects. This is normal behavior and, like anyone resting after "pulling a night shift," they should be allowed to sleep. They will set out to feed again as night approaches and chances are, you won't see them again.

Most of the bats in Idaho do not migrate. Instead, they find a quiet place with cool temperatures and relatively high humidity to hibernate through the winter.

Hibernating bats are very sensitive to disturbances and often die if disturbed. If you encounter hibernating bats, move away quietly and avoid the area until warmer temperatures arouse the bats from their long winter "sleep."

It is not natural for a bat to be observed out in the open or "flying around on the ground" any time during daylight hours. If you see one doing this, call your local animal control agency or your nearest Idaho Department of Fish and Game office.

Under no circumstances should you try to capture a bat behaving

this way. Bats acting suspiciously will be collected for disease analysis.

As mentioned, insectivorous bats provide a tremendous service for people and agriculture. Some insects each night. For those interested in providing a summer refuge for these insect eaters the department can offer plans to build bat boxes.

To answer your question, if you see bats flying around at night, that's what they're supposed to do. They are gorging themselves on insects. If you see one during daylight hours, leave it alone and contact your local health department, animal control officer, or the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Contributed by Scott Bailey, Nongame Wildlife Biologist

Gary Hompland is a regional conservation officer at the Magic Valley Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. Contact him at (208) 324-4350 or e-mail him at (208) 324-4350 or e-mail him at www2.state.id.us/fishgame.

TROPHIES BASSERS TOURNAMENT



The 2003 Mini-Casella Bassers sponsor tournament was held in June at Milner Dam. Winning first place was Hector Hinojosa; left, and Kevin Nelwert, pictured above, members of the Falls Brand Meats team. Second place went to the team of Jeff Stromire and Carl Smith, pictured below. Stromire won the big fish award with his catch weighing 3.34 pounds. Winning third place was Dale Adams and Kerry Kirkinitch of the Butte Irrigation team.

Organization offers rattlesnake training for dogs

The Nevada wildlife Federation will offer a potentially life-saving training for dogs in Elko on Aug. 9. The class is designed to teach dogs that spend a lot of time outdoors hiking or hunting to avoid the sight, sound and smell of a rattlesnake.

The avoidance behavior is taught by putting a remote controlled electronic collar on the dog. When the dog's attention is on the collar, an unpleasant stimula-

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tion is applied to the dog. The stimulation is similar to static electricity. The session takes about 10 minutes on average, depending on the dog. The trainers are AKC judges and active sportsmen.

A map to the training location will be sent to all who register, and the training can be scheduled

throughout the day beginning at 8 a.m. To register call Lorna at 775-677-0927 or 775-677-8951.

Celebrate Smokey Bear's birthday at Redfish Lake

The Redfish Lake Visitor Center will celebrate Smokey Bear's birthday with a party on Saturday, Aug. 9, starting at 1 p.m. Kids and adults are invited.

A Moraine Hike will also be on Friday, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Hikers should meet at the visitor center in the Fishhook Creek area and bring drinking water.

"Salmon, Wonders from the Ocean," will also be held Saturday, Aug. 9, and Tuesday, Aug. 12 at 2 p.m. Participants should meet at the center for an introduction to the area's three salmon and walk to the salmon habitat.

And a Native American Rock Shelter Tour is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 10, and Tuesday, Aug. 12 at 10 a.m. Meet at the visitor center, where participants will use their own vehicles to drive the two mile route.

Evening programs for the week at Redfish Amphitheater include "Beetlemania," on Thursday at 8 p.m.; "Gold Fever in the Stanley Basin," Friday at 9 p.m.; and "Living with Fire," Sunday at 9 p.m., with guest Smokey Bear. Junior Ranger programs are as follows:

- Thursday, "Wild Wild Journey," 10 a.m.; "Animals," 1 p.m.
• Friday, "Amazing Animals," 10 a.m.
• Saturday, "Bet You Didn't Know," 10 a.m.; "Fire on the Mountain," 2 p.m.
• There's No Place Like Home," 1 p.m.

Moonlight paddle is Saturday at Dierkes Lake

Twin Falls Parks and Recreation and Riverratt Whitewater Tour will be hosting a moonlight paddle on Dierkes Lake Saturday, Aug. 9 from 9:30 p.m. to midnight. The event is \$10 for admission and for paddlers 16 and older.

Register by Aug. 6 for this nighttime, flatwater paddling experience. Bring your own boat or use one of the demos. Bring warm clothes, life vests and headlamps. Treasure hunts for floating buoys and prizes are available. A late night smores feast is included. For information call 736-2265.

Climb to benefit breast cancer will be Aug. 15-16

The Expedition Inspiration Fund For Breast Cancer Research is pleased to announce its first climb up Idaho's highest peak, Mt. Borah. It is scheduled for August 15-16, 2003.

At 12,668 feet, Mt. Borah will offer a challenging day of climbing in the beauty of the Lost River Range. Expedition Inspiration is thrilled that a group of 10 plus climbers will be participating, including many who have been affected by the disease. All funds raised by our team of climbers will benefit the Ketchum based non-profit.

The purpose of the Expedition Inspiration Fund for Breast Cancer Research is to raise awareness of the disease and money to benefit innovative breast cancer research, public awareness and patient support.

Contact Expedition Inspiration at: 208-726-6456, e-mail ei@expeditioninspiration.org, or check out our website at www.expeditioninspiration.org.

— compiled from staff reports

Magic Valley Angler's Guide. A map showing fishing locations in the Magic Valley area, including Boise, Sawtooth, and various reservoirs and lakes. A list of locations follows the map.

The Magic Valley fish report is for the week of Thursday, Aug. 7. Updated conditions from Silver Creek Outfitters and major rivers in the Magic Valley/Wood River regions. Check Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations for restrictions.

Malad River: GOOD. Great little fly fly for below the dam. Pocket water and undercut banks are good places to start. Use stimulators, seducers, adams, elk hair caddis, wulfs, streamers such as clausers and spruce flies.

Big Wood River: GOOD. The Wood is flowing at 1.47 ft. (218 cfs); down from 1.60 ft. last week. The Wood is fishing well in the morning and evenings, but can be a bit challenging during the day. It's still early yet for the hoppers, but a hopper (or Stimulator) with a nymph dropper has potential during the day. The Pink Albert hatch in the evening is very strong right now. Caddis (size 18-20) are mixed with Pink Albers (size 18) in the evening with more fish coming to the surface as dusk approaches.

Little Wood River: FAIR/GOOD. Fishing is concentrated below the dam and near Bear Track. Williams stream to the confluence with Silver Creek and hoppers are hot. Try using Joe hopper, parachute hopper, present talls, clausers.

Silver Creek: FAIR. Trico hatches are still going strong, yet some mornings trout seem more interested in other bugs. Have an array of patterns with you. Callibaets are hatching around midnight and spinners are hitting the water first thing in the morning. PMDs have been on and off, but when they're on, trout tend to key on

them. Beetles are out in varying strength throughout the morning. Try a beetle and damselfly in the afternoon and Caddis in the evening. Big Lost River: GOOD. The Lost is fishing at 251 cfs; down more than 150 cfs since last week. The water has dropped enough to wade into areas that haven't been fished since the season began in May. Nymph fishing will be your best bet during the day. Keep your eyes open for Tricos. Caddis play a strong role in the evening. The North Fork, East Fork and Wilchese Creek are fishing well.

Magic Reservoir: POOR. Water conditions are the main factor here. If you're willing to fish at night, it will fish better. Use ducktail clausers, jumbo midge pupae, crawdad patterns, trolling rapalas, flatfish, triple teasers to hit hot spots.

Trail Creek & Warm Springs: GOOD. Try a "hopper dropper" during the heat of the day. Parachute Adams and Stimulators are good attractor patterns. Later in the evening switch to a small elk hair caddis pattern in tan, yellow, or lime, size 14-18.

Penny, Dollar Lakes, and Lake Creek Lake: GOOD. Slowly stripping a small (size 14-18) green or dark bodied, jumbo midge pupa is a sure fire way to get a few bites. If the fish turn off to this, try switching nymph patterns since fish get pattern shy. Parachute Adams, Gulpel's Species,

beetles and ants are reliable dry patterns to use when the fish are feeding on top.

C.J. Strike Reservoir: GOOD. The smallest bass are doing well. Fishing is concentrated on drop offs and channels. Recommended rigs are rebels, frenzys, spinnerbats, shad raps, poppers.

South Fork of the Boise: FAIR. Nymphing is always a good producer, but some of the best action will be from nymph 6 or 7 p.m. on hoppers. Use Joe Hoppers, parachute Hoppers, bares ears, elk hair caddis.

Dierkes Lake: FAIR/GOOD. Awesome bass fishing at dusk. Try fishing right off weed beds or literally in them. Throw out frenzys, shad raps, jointed shad raps, jurple jigs or weedless rigs. Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir: GOOD. Walleye fishing at depths of 20 feet plus at midday and shallows during low light is a productive way to catch. Try trolling wedding rings and rapala husky jerks in fire tiger and perch.

Rebel crawdads are working well. Lake Walcott: FAIR/GOOD. Warm water has led bass to become aggressive. Fish the shelvees with poppers early and late in the day. Use frenzys, shad raps, buzz and spinnerbats.

For additional updates on the Big Wood, Silver Creek, Warm Springs, Trail Creek, Penny/Dollar Lake and the Big Lost, call Skooter Gardner of Silver Creek Outfitters at 1-800-732-5687 or (208) 726-6282. For updates at all other locations call Doug Curry at Blue Lake Sporting Goods (208) 733-8446.

Climbing

Continued from D1 vehicle and visitor limit until more trails and improved parking facilities can be made.

Shilling said the ultimate goal of the park service is maintaining City of Rocks and Castle Rocks to protect the resource. All of the development of the area is designed to control and minimize the impact of visitors.

"We care a lot about that place and are trying to make it better. We're always trying to protect it from the impact," Shilling said.

For instance, he said, when the reserve develops a tent pad, it impacts one certain area, but it also protects other areas and vegetation by keeping camping in that one location.

Shilling said there is a new campground in the planning stages that will help alleviate the crowding problem during peak season. The planned campground will be outside the traditional park boundaries and Shilling said a lot of money has already been invested in the project.

Climbers hail the rock at City of Rocks. There are multiple independently published guides to the climbs and professional guides take climbers to the park. Additionally, the reserve's climbing ranger, in conjunction with the College of Southern Idaho, puts on an annual seminar on climbing in the City of Rocks for those seeking to learn more.

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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@emiron.net; or bring it to our Burley or Twin Falls office. Be sure to include a contact name and phone number.

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Editor.' Then mail it to P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83301; or e-mail it to twnews@miron.net; or bring it to our Burley or Twin Falls office.

Washington park has uncrowded beauty

OLYMPIC PENINSULA, Wash. (AP) — Olympic National Park could easily be a triple gold-medal winner in a hypothetical competition with other outdoor locations in the United States. With its stunning beaches, spectacular snow-capped mountains and dense, moist rain forests, the park has a variety of terrain and climate. From coastline to glaciers, this national preserve is an uncrowded delight for visitors.

Located some 50 miles from Salt Lake City, Olympic is well worth a visit in any season. Although it hosts more than 4.5 million visitors a year, unlike the Grand Canyon or Zion National Park — where people are concentrated together — they are pretty evenly spread out over Olympic's more than 900,000 acres. Solitude is never hard to find, especially on weekdays — even in the busy summer season, because 95 percent of its acreage is designated as wilderness. It's a hiker's paradise.

Kathy Steichen, assistant chief of resource education — for Olympic, agrees that it's the diversity that sets Olympic apart from most other national parks.

Olympic protects incredible wilderness resources," she said. "You'd have to go to Alaska to find as much wilderness."

Desert/mountain dwelling Utahns are likely to find Olympic's 60 miles of rugged Pacific coastline and its primeval rainforest that receives up to 200 inches of rainfall annually as its most appealing attractions.

Despite their soggy reputation, Steichen said the park and rainforests can have some drought periods each summer.

Weekends are the busiest days in the park, and she said the most common mistake visitors make is overambitious scheduling.

"You can be deceived by maps and underestimate driving times," she said, explaining that, ideally, visitors need a minimum of one day for each of the park's three major features — rainforests, beaches and mountains.

"It's a really large park, facilities are spread out," Steichen said. "It's a challenge to manage it."

Olympic's pristine beaches, full of eerie sea stacks and rocky reefs, constitute the largest section of wilderness coast in the lower 48 states. Unlike most national parks, the beaches are isolated from the main body of Olympic Park.

Not to be missed is Second Beach, located in the La Push area. A 0.8-mile hike is required to reach this remote beach. That trail includes a 200-foot climb from the parking lot, some level territory and then a 200-foot drop to a sandy beach. Exciting dense forest on this beach is like entering a piece of heaven. Low tide is the best time to visit here, where a natural arch and the Quillayute Indians dominate the landscape.

"Third Beach, a 1.4-mile hike, is more crowded than the others,

because of its surfing possibilities and gray whale sightings in the spring. Rialto Beach, just north of La Push, is a 0.1-mile walk to the beach on a paved trail.

Another prime seaward candidate is Ruby Beach, located just 400 yards off U.S. 101 — the main thoroughfare that takes a loop around Olympic. A walk to Ruby Beach is some 400 yards and all downhill. It offers excellent views of Destruction Island and has its own variety of rocky headlands and incoming streams.

Hazards to negotiate on nearly all Olympic beaches are piles of driftwood on the sand at the edge of forest. These logs usually fall from interior forests where river banks gave way, washed trees downstream, out to the ocean and eventually back to the coast in a smoothened fashion — with no trees left.

Besides occasional fog and possible tsunamis, the biggest danger on Olympic beaches is the tide. Never attempt to hike around a point or headland in an incoming tide. Use overland trails when possible. Serious mudludgy backpackers can have a heyday here, but back-country permits are required. Special instruction about climbing cable ladders, fording streams and flooding should also be obtained from park rangers.

Although summer is the warmest time to visit Olympic beaches, storm watching — at a safe distance — is a popular activity each winter.

It can snow anywhere in the park in winter, but typically snow is confined to the mountainous areas. Mount Olympus, at 7,965 feet above sea level, is the park's tallest summit. That may not seem like much by Utah standards, but the sea level elevation less than 40 miles away does represent a huge contrast.

Steichen said one of the park's gems that is often overlooked is the Salmon Cascades. Located about 5 miles off U-101 on the way to Sol Duc, only a 400-yard walk is required to see migrating salmon in the late summer migration season, she believes this is one of the park's best overlooks.

If you have the time, The Hoh Rain Forest is the best forest to visit in Olympic. It's an extra 20-mile side drive off U.S. 101, but it offers a visitor center, camping and picnicking. It has a 0.8-mile loop "Hall of Mosses Trail," where you see dense rainforests rain-soaked and lush and green. It is the only true temperate rainforest in the Northern Hemisphere.

Dominant low pressure systems, the nearby ocean, the mountain breezes and line of freezing weather create this mossy oasis. The atmosphere itself is so fertile that nutrients from rain alone keep most of the moss-algae and soil not needed. Moss grows on roofs here, too.



Two egrets perform a natural ballet as they settle onto Wilson Pond in Keene, N.H., July 31.

Boise Front makes for great scenic drive

By Pete Zimovsky
The Idaho Statesman

BOISE — The tree-rimmed mountains guard the north end of the valley. They are only minutes away, but they're visited by few.

But there's a forest road system that crisscrosses the Boise Front and makes an excellent half-day scenic drive.

"It's gorgeous up here," said David J. Smith, the chief engineer for KTVN-9 television in Boise. He drives part of the road at least three times a week when he maintains the station's facilities at Deep Point.

"It's gorgeous up here," he said, stopping his Dodge Ram truck on the dusty road.

"I saw a cougar," he said, "She was beautiful."

Smith has also seen deer, elk, bald eagles and falcons.

The Eighth Street Extension, Shafer Butte Road and Deer Point Road combine to make a scenic loop for explorers in SUVs and high-clearance vehicles.

It's an excellent family drive and a chance to have a picnic with mountaintop vistas and to see wildlife.

The drive can take 3 or more hours. But don't rush it. Try to drive about 10 to 12 mph and take it all in.

The road system is an opportunity to see some of the wild country only minutes from Boise.

Buckle up and let's head out.

Start your mileage — Mile 0 — at the end of Eighth Street near the Boise Hills Gulch Nature Reserve. Mileage may differ slightly depending on your odometer and how you drive.

Here we go.

Mile 5: Notice the sandy cliffs with all the holes. Look like swiss cheese. Actually there are swallow nests around. Pigeons seem to be using them today.

Just up ahead is the parking lot for the Hills Gulch trail system.

Keep on the look out for runners and walkers. The road is popular.

Mile 3.1: This is the Bureau of Land Management's gate. It is

closed in the winter when the road gets wet to prevent erosion. No turning back now. Let's go for it.

Mile 3.3: Parking for area trails and the Lower Hells Gulch Trail.

We're passing through grasslands, and sagebrush country spiced with rabbit brush and bitterbrush.

There are lots of song birds flitting around. Get out of the car and smell the morning air and listen to the sounds of birds.

Mile 5.3: Cricket alert! Stay in the car.

Don't let them bother you. Stop a second and look back and get some good views of the city and valley.

The hills are taking on pastel brown, gold and green colors in the morning light.

Mile 5.4: Here's your first good glimpse of the 1996 Tracer Bullet Fire that pretty much wiped out a lot of timber on the Boise Front.

Down the canyon to the right is the Hells Gulch Nature Trail.

Mile 6.3: Here's the trailhead for the upper Hells Gulch Nature Trail. Make a mental note to do this hike in the future.

Mile 7.1: We're really getting close to the burned trees. Gray snags are bluish against the sky.

Look closely. Bruhret is flourishing in the fire zone. Elk really like terrain like this. The Boise Front has a pretty good elk herd, but you hardly see them because it's rugged, brushy terrain.

Mile 8.1: At last. We're on top of the ridge and in the trees. It's green and shady. Notice the temperature change from the valley.

Look over at the terraces.

Boise experienced a big flood year on the Front in 1959. Floods were swollen and mud was sliding down into houses. The next spring was just as wet.

State and federal agencies teamed up and went up there and prevented the mountainside to prevent further erosion and flooding.

Mile 8.3: Keep a close eye. You have to take a left turn up here in the summit. There are no warning signs.

Mile 8.5: Nice little cabins in

the trees. Private property.

Mile 9.2: Here's the first sign. It's bullet-riddled. It's on the left and hidden in the brush. Don't miss it.

Keep going straight. Head for Bogus Basin Road.

Just down the hill is an awesome view of the valley, Shafer Butte, Deer Point and Bogus Basin Road. You can really get a feel for the immense country up here, just out of the city.

Mile 10: You're in the evergreens. Get out of the car. Take in the cool, fresh air (except if the forest fires are still burning). Smell nature's perfume.

Look for wild turkey and grouse tracks on the road. Keep an eye out for snowshoe hares.

Mile 10.7: Big puddle. Throw'er in 4WD. Only kidding.

Look at the Indian Paintbrush. It has an orange hue.

Mile 13.1: Check out the views to the north. A haze creates a bluish color on the mountain ridges.

Mile 13.6: Ruts. Hit the 4WD. Only kidding. You don't need it.

Mile 14.3: Stop a second. Look over the spiny ridge. You can see in both directions to the valley and then the mountains to the north.

Head in Shafer Butte and Deer Point. They're getting closer.

The country to the north looks so isolated. There are a lot of hiding places for deer and elk.

Mile 15.6: Watch out. A coyote just darted in the road.

Look out over the ridge. There's an eagle soaring over the trees.

Here are some more Indian Paintbrush. They are red, a much different shade than the ones back down the road.

Any one of the rock out croppings can be a good place for a picnic.

Mile 15.7: Here you're at the base of the Deer Point towers and Bogus Basin's Deer Point Chairlift. Looks a lot different than in winter when it's covered by 40 inches of snow.

Be sure to take a left on the Deer Point Road. It's all downhill from here.

Mile 16: You can really see the views of the valley. Awogus.

Mile 17.8: Here's Bogus Basin Road. It's back to pavement and a clear shot back to town.

Mile 22: Hold up a second. Pull over.

Look back up on the ridgeline. You were up there. You completed the Ridge. Ride. Appreciate the backcountry that is right in Boise's back yard.

Mile 30.9: It's back to the city. Here's the stop sign right below Splitpot's flag.

Utah features plenty of quality OHV trails

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — By simple definition, off-highway vehicles are those vehicles capable of traveling over "unimproved terrain."

By law, OHVs are required to run only on public lands or roads designated as open to their use.

The secret is to find unimproved terrain on public land where OHVs can run.

There are a number of areas open to OHV use. The problem often is that rural areas are not aware of the opportunities or are locked into an area they know and like.

Some of the more popular areas include the Little Sahara Recreation Area near Fillmore and the Coral Pink Sand Dunes near Kanab.

Riding on the soft sand is both pleasant and challenging. Some of the best motorcycle riding is in the spring and fall, after some moisture has fallen to give a base to the sand.

All-terrain vehicles and dune buggies, of course, are made to easily move over the sand.

One often-overlooked spot is a patch of Utah no bigger than the Great Salt Lake. The Paiute ATV Trail, a spiderweb-like trail system with more than 3,000 miles of dirt roads, is open to all-terrain vehicles as well as hikers, horsemen and mountain bikers. The area is so pristine that the closest thing to civilization is a hand-

carved trail sign.

The trail itself is a 300-plus-mile loop in the heart of Utah. Surrounding it are a number of small towns — Salina and Aurora to the north; Cove Fort, Fillmore and Beaver to the west; Circleville and Kingston to the south; and Fremont, Loa and Bigcotton to the east.

The idea behind the trail system was to have a place where people could ride and be able to stop for an overnight stay if they wanted.

Most of the main loop is in the Fishlake National Forest. Another part runs through lower lands controlled by the Bureau of Land Management.

Current laws require that no one under 18 can operate an OHV on public lands. Those 18 to 15 must obtain an Education Certificate from the Utah Division of Parks and Recreation to operate one of the vehicles.

Those operators and passengers under the age of 18 are required to wear an approved helmet.



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Notes on the economy



Flying from Twin Falls

Passenger boardings for SkyWest Airlines — a Delta Connection carrier — at the Twin Falls airport:

July 2003: 2,740
That's a welcome 17 percent increase from the 2,347 SkyWest boardings in July 2002. For comparison, July boardings totaled 2,797 in 2001 and 2,805 in 2000.

Year-to-date 2003: 16,926
That's a 13 percent decrease from the 19,560 boardings in the first seven months of 2002. By that point last year, boardings were running just 4 percent below the comparable 2001 total.
(The totals don't include charter flights.)

Source: Darlene Johnson, airport executive assistant

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Commission hosts Japanese trade team

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Barley Commission hosted a four-member barley trade team from Japan in southern Idaho this week.

"The team visited to see the quality and size of the Idaho barley crop and to explore ways to expand the purchase of U.S. barley for food applications in Japanese dairy herds, the Idaho commission said.

"The trade team was to visit dairy farms and feed mills in the Caldwell, Wendell, Buhl and Jerome areas and meet barley producers from Twin Falls County.

"Japan is the second largest importer of feed barley in the world and the largest buyer of U.S. barley," said Clark Kaufman, a Filer barley producer and member of the Idaho Barley Commission.

"Naturally, we are pleased to host these important customers in our state and discuss ways to expand their demand for barley in livestock rations."

"The visiting team was sponsored by the commission and the U.S. Grains Council, an nonprofit organization that develops international markets for U.S. barley, corn and sorghum in more than 80 markets around the world.

Funds arrive to improve unemployment systems

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Department of Labor announced Wednesday that Idaho received a grant of \$112,430 from the U.S. Department of Labor to improve unemployment insurance Internet services for businesses.

Idaho was one of five states and the District of Columbia awarded money to implement systems supporting Internet access for employer registration and tax and wage reporting.

"We are pleased to receive these resources that will help us increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the Internet services we provide to Idaho businesses," said Department Director Roger Madsen. "When claimants and employers enter data directly, errors and duplication are reduced and services are expedited."

The grant will be used to build an Internet Employer Registration System to replace the existing paper forms new businesses must fill out to register with the Idaho Department of Labor.

The Idaho State Tax Commission and Idaho Industrial Commission may also share the data gathered by this process.

The online application will be available on the Internet to every new employer and will distribute the information to each agency as needed.

"State officials expect the new process to decrease the administrative burden on new businesses, making the registration process faster and easier."

Resort will unveil master plan

By Pat Murphy
Times-News contributor

SUN VALLEY — The long-awaited unveiling of a long-range master plan for the expected expansion of Sun Valley Resort is set for Wednesday at a town hall-style meeting hosted by the Sun Valley City Council.

"The resort's future and its successful operation are vital to the city of Sun Valley. Fully \$1 million of the city's current \$5 million operating budget involves tax revenues generated by the resort and

various businesses at its mall. The resort also creates for Sun Valley a world-class image as a premiere destination resort and vacation community.

Speculation for years has centered on Sun Valley Co. possibly building a new hotel as well as condominiums on land owned by the resort to make up for a growing shortage of hotel accommodations in the area.

To be held in the glittering high-tech, remodeled Limestone Room of Sun Valley Inn, the Wednesday session begins at 6:30

p.m., with the Sun Valley Co.'s segment scheduled for about 7:45 p.m., according to Sun Valley Mayor Dave Wilson.

Various city officials will lead off with reports of their department's activities during the past year. A brief discussion will be devoted to the future of five city-owned acres on Sun Valley Road that a citizens coalition attempted unsuccessfully to develop as an arts and culture campus.

But the resort's proposed master plan will be the highlight of the annual town hall meeting.

Wilson said the presentation will be made by Design Workshop of Aspen, Colo., the resort's planning and design firm. Sun Valley Co. general manager Wally Huffman also will attend, but Wilson said he doesn't know whether resort owner Earl Holding will attend. Holding has been recovering from a stroke that left him partially paralyzed.

The mayor has seen some of the plan, he said, but declined to reveal the contents.

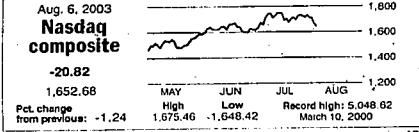
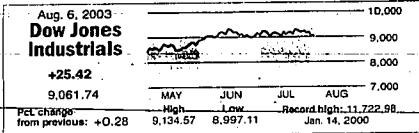
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Wall Street dips, resurfaces



Traders react to the exchange's numbers moments after trading began on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Wednesday in New York. Stocks ended mixed after disappointing news from Cisco Systems and news of lower interest rates.

Stocks end mixed on disappointing Cisco earnings, lower interest rates



NEW YORK — A dip in interest rates assuaged Wall Street Wednesday, sparking a burst of buying and sending stocks moderately higher. Tech shares, however, declined on disappointing earnings from Cisco Systems.

Analysis attributed much of the advance to a surprisingly strong response to the Treasury's sale of five-year notes, which drove bond prices higher and yields lower. The Dow Jones industrial average rose as much as 98 points before giving back some of its gains.

"The concern was that we were having higher interest rates in general, which were hurting the mortgage rate and stirring fears of less consumer spending," said Brian Williamson, an equity trader at The Boston Co. Asset Management.

"But the five-year auction in the Treasury's view pretty well, so people are getting a little excited."

The Dow closed up 25.42, or 0.3 percent, at 9,061.74, having fallen 149.72 the previous session. Earlier in the day the blue chips fell as much as 39 points to 8,997.11, the last time they fell below 9,000 in intraday trading was July 17.

The broader market finished mixed. The Nasdaq composite index fell 20.82, or 1.2 percent, to 1,652.68. The Standard & Poor's

Job-creation campaign chooses oversight group

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Twenty-two business people from around Magic Valley signed on Wednesday to help oversee a third "Business Plus" development program that's more regional in investment, leadership and mission than its predecessors.

"It's very exciting, at least in this district meeting, to see how regional this committee is," said Jody Tremblay, chosen Wednesday as chairwoman of Business Plus III's oversight committee.

Joining her on Business Plus III's executive committee are Steve Westfall as vice chairman, C. Alan Horner as treasurer, Dan Olmsted as secretary, Con Paulos, Jim Lynch and Lyman Frost.

The six-county initiative aimed to raise \$1.44 million to invest in Magic Valley's economic health over five years. Of that money, \$1.15 million is for business attraction and business-retention incentive grants, \$250,000 for regional marketing, and \$40,000 for operations, overhead and investor relations.

Fund-raising efforts have exceeded that goal. By Wednesday the campaign had \$1,454,750 in cash or commitments, Tremblay said.

The issue matters to workers and local businesses. Business Plus III could bring workers in Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and TWIN FALLS counties new job openings with higher pay. For businesses, economic development promises to put more dollars in customers' wallets but could intensify competition for labor and raise wages.

Business Plus III leaders on Wednesday also identified four task teams that will report to the full committee at its regular meeting Oct. 16 in Jerome, Tremblay said.

One will make recommendations about grants criteria and the process the committee uses to research applicant companies' viability. A finance task team will help decide how to invest the Business Plus III money until it's spent, will set a budget and will

Little Caesars chain sees sales start back up

Knight Ridder News Service

DALLAS — After years of absence, Little Caesars Enterprises Inc. is slowly moving back into North Texas as it turns around its national business.

The restaurant chain, famous for its two-toppings "Pizza, Pizza" offers, closed 47 company-owned pizzerias four years ago and effectively exited the Dallas-Fort Worth area. The company, which also dropped from the third-largest pizza chain to fourth place, was suffering nationally from declining sales, increased competition and a franchisee lawsuit.

"Unfortunately, in 1999, we lost the market," said Michael Scruggs, senior vice president of global operations for the Detroit-based chain.

So to clean up the problems, Little Caesars shut down hundreds of company-owned stores and put a plan in place to boost sales. Over the next couple of years, it concentrated on six areas: quality of ingredients; training and operations; local marketing; franchising; store renovations; and new products.

"We focused on making sure we're putting out the best product we can," said Scruggs. "We switched our cheese to fresh shredded as opposed to frozen. We focused on toppings to make sure we were selling the best possible pizza we could."

The changes were complete in 2001, and they seem to be working. Little Caesars had sales growth of 11 percent for 2002, and the chain opened more traditional stores than it closed for the first time in several years. The chain's Magic Valley restaurants are in Twin Falls and Burley.

Little Caesars, which is privately held and controlled by the family of Michael Blich, owner of baseball's Detroit Tigers and hockey's Detroit Red Wings, refuses to reveal store counts or actual sales numbers.

But the company is willing to give percentages and said they warrant expansion.

"That's starting to happen now," said Scruggs. "We're underpinning an aggressive marketing campaign. We've targeted specific mar-

State guards unclaimed property

RUPERT — Robert E. Miller and Mary Truxal have something in common.

The state is safeguarding unclaimed property for both of them, and for dozens of other people and businesses whose last-known addresses are in Rupert.

The Idaho State Tax Commission is looking for these folks, and hoping they'll call to claim the property.

That's not 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, workers' compensation benefits and the like.

The Times-News on Thursdays prints names of a sampling of unclaimed-property owners whose last known addresses are in Magic Valley communities. Today's list is from Rupert, and the tax commission said the people listed here each own unclaimed property worth \$100 or more.

Watch for other towns in coming weeks.

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| Jose H. Avila | Rosalba Medina |
| Paula Baker | Robert E. Miller |
| A. Curt Bergen | Minidoka County |
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| Samuel Crane | Daniel and Bertha |
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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, 83722-0410.

• Send e-mail to: justin@idotax.state.id.us

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Time to grow up and start dealing with finances

Question: I'm getting control of my credit and have paid off most of my credit cards. But I just can't seem to take over my finances for me. Is there such a thing as a financial manager who will pay my bills for me?

Answer: You can, indeed, sign up for such a service. Or you can grow up a little.

Managing our own finances is one of the responsibilities of being an adult. It's not always easy, but doing it is empowering.

By creating a budget, you're thinking about your financial goals and what's most important to you. By monitoring your spending - "keeping to a budget" in your words - you ensure that you're making progress toward those goals and not wasting money on stuff that's not important.

The fact that you've been able to pay off credit card debt shows you have some discipline. What you might need is a better tracking system.

Personal finance software such as Quicken or Money can automate much of the process, allowing you to download and analyze your transactions without having to input a lot of data.



MONEY TALK Liz Pulliam Weston

Or you can try the old-fashioned route: labeled envelopes. Figure out how much you can spend in each budget category each month, put the cash in the appropriate envelope and stop spending when the money's gone.

If you really can't pull this off, then talk to an accountant or check out the AllPay! service available from MyWest at www.mystwest.com. This credit counseling service will pay your bills and give you an allowance, just like your parents used to do. It'll cost you, though. You'll pay \$295 to set up the service plus a monthly fee that averages about \$150.

If you supposed to get a portion of my ex-husband's 401(k) as part of our divorce settlement. If I use some of it now to pay bills, will I put the money back within a certain time limit and not have to pay taxes on it?

taxes on it?

As once the money comes out of a 401(k) you have 60 days to invest it in an individual retirement account or you'll owe not just taxes but penalties. What's more, the 401(k) administrator will withhold 60 percent of the check to cover federal taxes, meaning that you'll have to come up with that much extra money if you want to reinvest the cash in an IRA.

The much better course is to have the 401(k) administrator transfer the money directly to an IRA. That way, you don't have to worry about the withholding and coming up with the extra 20 percent in cash.

Women already are behind the 8 ball when it comes to retirement planning, which is why they must be particularly careful not to blow the savings they have. Most women are paid less than men. They have more career interruptions and have fewer opportunities to set aside deferred money for the future. Age is just another factor that you'd like, so you might as well be prepared as possible.

You have often advised going to a fee-only adviser. A tax preparer...

er friend told me there is no such thing as a free lunch. I don't want to help. It lists lots of investment services, but there's no way to tell how they get paid.

The fee-only financial planning movement has been gaining steam for two decades and many practitioners have gotten wealthy along with their clients. In fact, one of the biggest problems with fee-only planning is that its practitioners often are so successful that they've limited their businesses to wealthy clients only.

There are still fee-only planners who cater to middle-income folks, however. The best of the lot are members of the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors, which offers referrals at www.napfa.org or by calling (888) FEE-ONLY. NAPFA members are compensated only by fees paid by their clients, and they do not accept commissions of any kind.

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Caesars

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North Texas is one of those markets that could make a living out of it. The phone book is no help. It lists lots of investment services, but there's no way to tell how they get paid.

Plan

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The Sun Valley and Ketchum area has lost some 300 hotel rooms over the past several years with the closing of the Elkhorn Resort and the opening of new condos; raising of the downtown Ketchum Christiania Lodge for development of the Colonnade shops; plus new long-term rentals, many in multi-unit developments.

we're back: 100 people know who we are and what we are and what we do.

Although gaining ground is important, Little Caesars isn't concerned about bypassing its bigger rivals, Dallas-based Pizza Hut, Domino's and Papa John's Scroggins said.

"We watch, don't get me wrong, but our goal isn't to be the No. 3, No. 2 or No. 1," he said. "We're just doing what we do best, which is putting out a great pie."

tom woodwork, imported English carvings, Italian chandeliers and high-tech audiovisual systems; air conditioning and remodeling the inn's more than 100 rooms; and extensive landscaping of the grounds obviously is in the millions of dollars.

Holding also owns the four hotels of Mount Bald from the Westgate Hotel in San Diego, the Grand America Hotel in Salt Lake City and the Olympic venue Snowbird ski resort in Utah. One estimate is that Holding invested as much on Sun Valley remodeling as he spent for purchase of the resort along with leases of Mount Bald from former Olympic skier Bill Jans in the mid-1970s - some \$12 million. The Sun Valley Lodge was built in 1936 by the Union Pacific Railroad, then headed by financier diplomat Averell Harriman who set out to create from scratch a ski resort with an international reputation and celebrity clientele.

The resort owns an estimated 2,054 acres and leases another 2,054 on Mount Bald from the U.S. Forest Service. During winter it has 1,000 employees and between 70 and 800 during summer, according to marketing director Jack Sibbach.

Coldwater Creek declares dividend

SANDPOINT (AP) - Coldwater Creek Inc. declared a 50 percent stock dividend on its common stock, which will have the effect of three-for-two stock split.

Stockholders of record on Aug. 13 will be entitled to an additional share of common stock for every two shares they own.

The company will pay cash in lieu of fractional shares of stock.

Payment date for the stock dividend is Sept. 8. After the stock dividend, the company will have about 24 million shares of stock outstanding.

Burger King gets subpoena in Frozen Coke case

ATLANTA (AP) - Burger King Corp. has received a subpoena from a federal grand jury investigating allegations of fraud at Coca-Cola Co., a Burger King spokesman said Wednesday.

Rob Dougherty would not say when the subpoena was issued or what documents it covered, but he confirmed it was related to an investigation by the U.S. Attorney into claims that Coke employees rigged a marketing test of frozen Coke.

Miami-based Burger King is one of Coke's biggest customers.

A Neither Coke nor the U.S. Attorney's Office in Atlanta, where Coca-Cola is based, would comment on the subpoena.

We're not going to go beyond our statu-

ment of July 11, that there is an investigation and that we are cooperating in it," Coke spokesman Dan Schafer said.

A spokesman for the U.S. Attorney said he could neither confirm nor deny the investigation or the issuance of a subpoena.

The investigation was spurred by a civil lawsuit filed in May by former Coke marketing executive Matthew Whitley that claimed Coca-Cola rigged a marketing test of the popularity of the new drink.

In June, Coke acknowledged that some of its employees undermined the test of the Coke Three years ago at Burger King restaurants in Virginia.

It said the workers had been disciplined.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table of New York Stock Exchange data including columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, and various market indices like S&P 500, NYSE, and Dow Jones.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table with columns for NYSE, AMEX, and NASDAQ, including Most Active, Gainers, and Losers sections.

INDEXES

Table showing various market indices such as S&P 500, NYSE, Dow Jones, and others with their respective values and changes.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing stocks of local interest with columns for Name, Div, PE, Last, Chg, and YTD.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Text explaining how to read the market report, including instructions on how to use the table and what the various columns represent.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

Large table of NASDAQ National Market data, including columns for Name, Div, Last, Chg, and various market indices.

BEST AVAILABLE MARKETS

CLOSING FUTURES

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Open, Close. Includes items like Soybean, Corn, Wheat, and various oil products.

SOYBEAN

Table with columns: Soybean, High, Low, Open, Close. Includes sub-sections for Soybean Meal and Soybean Oil.

WHEAT

Table with columns: Wheat, High, Low, Open, Close. Includes sub-sections for Hard Red Winter and Soft Red Winter.

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POTATOES

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Oversight committee members. Lists names of committee members and their affiliations, including Twin Falls participants and regional participants.

Plus. Article discussing the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce's decision to fund a new business incubator and the role of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce.

Stocks. Article discussing stock market trends, including the S&P 500 index rising and the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

Something missing? Article discussing the challenges of finding a good real estate agent and the importance of a good real estate agent.

Use IRA Money to Purchase Real Estate! What the media is saying. Advertisement for a real estate investment program that allows investors to use their IRA funds to purchase real estate.

The Wall Street Journal From the Archives: July 23, 2003. Advertisement for a financial services company that provides investment advice and financial planning services.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given by the Planning and Zoning Commission for the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, that a public hearing will be held on August 26, 2003, at Tuesday, the 26th day of August, 2003, at 7:00 a.m., in the Council Chamber located at 305 Third Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho, to hear a request by:

LUYO and TARA CASPERSON
Request a Special Use Permit, which, if granted, would allow the applicants to construct a 3,120 square foot detached accessory building on property located at 1951 S. Elm Drive in the City of Twin Falls.

KANDEE ANDERSEN
Request a Special Use Permit, which, if granted, would allow the applicant to develop a massage therapy business as a home occupation on property located at 907 Eastland Drive in the City of Twin Falls.

MORDO BLASZ (IGLO) DEVELOPMENT CO., LLC
Request a Special Use Permit which, if granted, would allow the applicant to establish a business for the wholesale distribution and warehousing of H-1 and H-7(2) (hazardous) chemicals on property located at 473 Hanover Road South in the City of Twin Falls.

STEVE and GAIL KOHNOPP LIVING TRUST
Request a Special Use Permit which, if granted, would allow the applicant to develop a parking lot on property located at 1222 and 1224 Addison Avenue East in the City of Twin Falls.

JIM LASH for JACKSON OIL COMPANY
Request a Special Use Permit which, if granted, would allow the applicant to expand the size of an existing gas station on property at 525 Washington Street North in the City of Twin Falls.

DAVID R. PRICE

WOP LLC and the HOWARD E. & MARY J. COONRAD TRUST
Request a Zoning District Change and Zoning Map Amendment from M-1 (manufacturing, light) to R-4 (residential, medium density) for approximately 21 acres located on the south side of the 100 and 200 blocks of Park Avenue and east of the developing Parkwood Subdivision, aka Parkwood Golf Course Driving Range, in the City of Twin Falls.

On the agenda for that evening is review by the Commission of a request from HISTORIC OLD TOWNE TWIN FALLS for nine signs that are to be located as follows: (1) on the south side of the 100 block of 2nd Avenue North (2) on the southwest corner of 2nd Avenue East and 2nd Street East/Hansen Street East; (3) on the south side of the 200 block of 2nd Avenue East; (4) at the intersection of Main Avenue North/West and 2nd Street North/West/Good Street North/West; (5) at the intersection of Main Avenue East/South and 2nd Street South/South Street East/South; (6) on the north side of the 100 block of 2nd Avenue South; (7) on the north side of the 100 block of 2nd Avenue South; (8) at the northeast corner of 2nd Avenue South and 2nd Street South/Hansen Street South; and (9) at the northeast corner of the intersection of Shoreline Street South and 2nd Avenue South. Copies of the proposed signs and the site plans are available for review in the office of the City Planning and Zoning Administrator.

Complete description is on file with the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Administrator at City Hall, 321 Second Avenue East, 735-7267.

Any and all persons desiring to comment may appear and be heard at the appointed time.

Persons needing special accommodations at a public hearing are asked to contact the City of Twin Falls at 735-7267 at least five (5) working days prior to the hearing.

Shirley M. Orton, Community Development Director

PUBLISH: Thursday, August 7, 2003

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

under the seal of the above-mentioned court on a Default Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure recovered in said Court on the 26th day of January, 2003; (c) in favor of Plaintiff Humboldt Lumber Co., against Hail Const., Inc., for the sum of \$101,089.13, together with interest at the rate of 7.25 percent per annum from the date thereof and (d) in favor of Plaintiff Rain Tree Ent., Inc. for the sum of \$56,808.03, together with interest thereon at the rate of 7.25 percent per annum from the date thereof; 1 am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale and to sell at public auction the property described in said Writ of Execution and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the satisfaction of said Decree of Foreclosure with interest thereon and my fees and Costs. Property directed to be sold is situated in Twin Falls County, Idaho, recorded in Book 13 of Plats, page 14.

No bids to be received on the 13th day of August, 2003, at the first steps of the Twin Falls County Courthouse, in Twin Falls, Idaho. I will attend, offer, and sell at public auction all or as much of the above-described property as directed to be sold and as necessary to raise sufficient funds to pay and satisfy the Decree of Foreclosure as set out in said Amended Writ of Execution to the highest bidder therefor in lawful money of the United States of America.

Dated this 5th day of July, 2003.

TWIN FALLS COUNTY SHERIFF
/Wayne Toussley

PUBLISH: July 24, 31 and August 7, 2003

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

Case No. CV-03-2828
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE Matter of the Estate of ORVILLE F. FAIRCHILD, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent and that the estate is required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

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Dated this 17th day of June, 2003.

JOHN R. GILBERT
6170 S. Scotch Way
Boise, Idaho 83737
Phone: (208) 386-7421

PUBLISH: July 24, 31 and August 7, 2003

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BLAINE
Case No. CV-03-02922
WALTERS REAY MIX, INC., an Idaho corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
DEAN GOODWIN, dba ATEB, & ASSOCIATES, Defendant.

Under and by virtue of an Amended Writ of Execution issued on the 7th day of July, 2003, out of and

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF

Case No. CV-03-2774
MATT AND JULIE ANN WILSON, In the Matter of the Estate of PHILLIP J. ARNOLD,
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Attorney for the Personal Representative
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DATED this 14th day of June, 2003.

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Attorney for the Personal Representative
By Deputy
MARGARITA OROZCO-CRUZ
Blaine, Idaho

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
FA-16137

On the 12th day of November, 2003, at the hour of 10:15 A.M., of said day, (recognized local time), in the Office of First American Title Company of Idaho, Inc., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee of the above-named decedent, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 861 3rd Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said rate will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by HOWARD HEPPWORTH AND JUDY HEPPWORTH, husband and wife, as grantors, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of Fremont Investment Services, recorded November 18, 2000, as Instrument No. 2000017419, and assigned to WM SPECIALTY MORTGAGE LLC, as beneficiary, by assignment recorded June 25, 2003, as Instrument No. 2003018318, Mortgage Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1508(4)(A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Trust No. 166, the monthly payments for Principal and Interest of \$482.34, due per month for the months of March through May, 2003, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, with a monthly late charge accruing at \$28.94, uncollected late charges are due in the amount of \$88.84, with interest accruing at 8.99% per annum, and continuing to accrue from February 1, 2003. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation is \$49,000.00, plus accrued interest, taxes and assessments, all delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and assessments, trustee's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this obligation and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated: July 7, 2003

FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
/s/Elicia M. Rieky, Trust Officer

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Vulnerable: Neither Dealer: West

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Spade raise Opening lead: Diamond king

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South holds: 9 6 2 K J 10 7 3 A K J 8 2

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