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Ex-T.F. clerk pleads guilty

By Sandy Miller, Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS - Surrounded by his family, former County Clerk Bob Fort Wednesday pleaded guilty to one felony count of misusing more than \$60,000 in public funds.
"I pled guilty to the charges as outlined today in court," Fort said following the hearing before 5th District Judge Monte Carlson. "I will have further information for you at a later date."

Commissioners plan audit decision next week

Fort was represented by local attorney Roger Harris.
A sentencing hearing will be scheduled in October. In the meantime, the Idaho Department of Correction will prepare a presentencing report. Such reports give judges further insight into defendants' history and character.
Fort resigned in June after being accused of spending more than

\$64,000 of taxpayers' money, which Fort reportedly told county commissioners he had used for gambling.
According to county credit card statements, Fort used his county credit card to take 114 cash advances between January 1998 and June 2003. The advances peaked in 2002, with more than \$21,000 in cash advances and transaction fees - more than \$3,300 during April alone.

The attorney general's office says Fort could face one to 10 years in prison, a fine of up to \$50,000 and prohibition from holding any office. He will also have to pay restitution.

Deputy Attorney General J. Scott James said he wasn't sure what sentence his office would ask for, but Attorney General Lawrence Wasden takes public corruption cases seriously.

"The attorney general is obviously Please see FORT, Page A2



Bob Fort

PUTTIN' ON A SHOW



Sarah Butler nudges her heifer into position as Judge Scott Nash watches during the breeding beef quality competition at the Gooding County Fair and Rodeo on Thursday. Butler's cow took first place in its division.

Gooding County fair celebrates youth

By Mickey Walker, Times-News correspondent
GOODING - Scott Nash will tell you that his favorite part of the fair is interacting with youth.
"It's what brings me back to the fair," said Nash, a beef judge at the Gooding County Fair and Rodeo, which swung into full gear Wednesday with a variety of 4-H and FFA events. "Sometimes the kids get caught up in placing first or second, but in the end

they're just good kids working with animals."
Nash, of Pocatello, is an extension educator from Bingham County who's been judging beef classes at county fairs for more than 20 years.
Children and their animals - a combination hard to resist - are playing a major role in the 78th annual Gooding County Fair and Rodeo. To Nash and others, they're the heart of the fair.
Among the many 4-H and FFA

competitions on the first major day of activity was the breeding beef quality section. Breeding classes differ from market classes in their length and scope.
A typical breeding project, where youth intend to start their own herd of cattle or sheep, is ongoing. Market projects, meanwhile, typically end with the sale of the animal on the last day of the fair.
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Analysts: Recovery hinges on consumers spending refunds

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON - Jodi Fields is eyeing a digital camera. Luigi Esposito is buying a new boat. Jack Manasco is saving for a rainy day. What Americans do with the fatter paychecks or child tax-cred-

it checks from President Bush's latest tax-cut package will play a critical role in the strength of the economy's anticipated rebound this year.
The more consumers spend their tax windfalls, the better for the economy's budding revival.

Consumer spending accounts for roughly two-thirds of all U.S. economic activity.
Fields, of Potomac, Md., is thinking about buying a digital camera with the \$400 check that will arrive in her mailbox soon. "It's kind of like found money,"

said Fields, who has one son and another child on the way.
Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com, predicts consumers will spend about half of their tax break.
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Arms agent promised to supply 50 more missiles, records show

The Washington Post
In September 2002, arms dealer Hemant Lakhani met with a prospective customer in a hotel room overlooking Newark International Airport. Watching the airplanes come and go, the two discussed the purchase of illicit Russian surface-to-air missiles - and the benefits to terrorists of downing a commercial airliner in the United States.
"Make one explosion...to shake the economy," Lakhani allegedly said.
Unknown to Lakhani, court

How to guard against missile strikes - A5

documents show, his customer was actually a government informant and their conversation - along with some 150 others over the last 18 months - was recorded on audio and videotape by the FBI.
The recordings form the heart of the criminal case unveiled Wednesday against Lakhani, 63, a British national who was ordered held without

bond on charges that he sold a Russian SA-18 shoulder-fired missile to federal agents posing as terrorists. He also allegedly promised to supply 50 more at a price of \$5 million and was interested in purchasing tons of C-4 plastic explosives, officials said.
Two other men who allegedly helped arrange financing for the deal, Malaysian resident Moimuddeen Ahmed Hameed and Manhattan jewelry merchant Yehuda Abraham, were also denied bail Wednesday by
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Hemant Lakhani arrives at the federal courthouse in an FBI car Wednesday in Newark for a hearing on charges of trying to sell surface-to-air missiles to an undercover agent posing as a Muslim terrorist bent on shooting down an airliner.

Rupert plant adds 35 jobs

Kraft plans give M-C rare bit of good employment news

By Virginia S. Hutchins, Times-News writer

RUPERT - A Rupert factory will add 35 jobs this fall, as Kraft Foods North America begins production of natural cheese on equipment it installed last year.

"This is a bright spot that we haven't had for a while," Brent Tolman, manager of Mini-Cassia Job Service, said Wednesday.

Since January 2002, Job Service has counted a devastating 1,220 jobs lost to layoffs, or pegged for upcoming layoffs, at various employers in Minidoka and Cassia counties. That number doesn't include secondary job loss, which is harder to measure.
Mini-Cassia unemployment is at 6.8 percent and - expected to approach double-digits by early 2004.

"Kraft pays well. They have good benefits," Tolman said. "So 35 jobs for folks who may have had no hope of jobs coming soon - that's a positive."

Jill Saleetta, a Chicago-based spokeswoman for Kraft Foods North America, said the jobs will have benefits and the same pay scale as Rupert's existing cream-cheese line. But she declined to name wages.
The Idaho Department of Labor's profile for Minidoka County - posted online at www.labor.state.id.us/minipubs/MinidokaProfile.pdf - lists an average hourly wage of \$9.42 for cheese-processing jobs in the county, and Kraft is, the only sizable cheese processor in Minidoka County.

Kraft makes only Philadelphia-brand cream cheeses at its Rupert plant, after discontinuing bulk cheddar cheese production there in 2002. Last year's investment in new equipment enabled Kraft to make another natural cheese product - which Kraft declines to name. But the company said business conditions forced postponement of production.

In addition to that delay, Kraft cut -50 - cream-cheese jobs in Rupert in the final months of 2002, citing excess manufacturing capacity. That reduced Kraft's local employment to the current full-

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Possible record breaking heat with sunny skies. Highs in the mid 90s to near 100.

Tonight: Clear and continued quiet. Lows in the 60s.

Tomorrow: A mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the 90s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Hot with record high temperatures possible. Highs in the 90s.

Tonight: Partly cloudy skies. Lows near 60.

Tomorrow: Mostly sunny to partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. There is a chance for a few isolated thunderstorms through Friday...

Today Highs/Lows 97 to 102 / 63 to 68 BOISE Continued hot, dry and sunny weather conditions will stay in place...

NORTHERN IDAHO The hot summer heat and sunshine will hold on through the rest of the week...

Today High/Low 97 to 102 / 63 to 68 BOISE Continued hot, dry and sunny weather conditions will stay in place...

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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Table with 2 columns: Yesterday's High/Low, Today's High/Low. Includes temperature and precipitation values.

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REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tomorrow, Saturday. Lists cities like Boise, Burley, and their respective weather forecasts.

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Comunidad advertisement with phone number 733-0931 and 677-4042.

Kraft

Continued from A1. Todd Spranger of Declo - laid off from his \$16.80-per-hour job as a Kraft line technician in mid-October...

Police arrest Pakistani man at Seattle airport

SEATTLE (AP) - Two Pakistani men were being held on possible immigration violations Wednesday after an airline employee at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport found their names on a terrorism-related "no-fly" list.

Fort

Interested in public corruption cases because he wants to ensure people have faith in their elected officials, James said. When it comes to restitution, the attorney general's office will ask that Fort not only pay back every penny he took...

Fair

Continued from A1. Sarah Butler, a member of the Clover Creek 4-H Club, showed her animals in the breeding beef quality classes Wednesday.

Goat numbers could cluster near Ketchum

KETCHUM (AP) - The mountain goat population in the Boulder and White Cloud mountains is falling sharply, prompting possible closure of the area to winter recreation.

Economy

While some Americans tend to be savers, most are spenders, said Daniel Howard, a consumer behavior specialist and chairman of the marketing department at Southern Methodist University's School of Business.

Times-News telephone directory listing circulation, classified advertising, and news services.

IDAHO LOTTERY advertisement for Wednesday, August 13, 2003, listing winning numbers and prizes.

CORRECTION advertisement stating that Eric Elman was the person who pulled in the fish.

Troops return fire into crowd gathered around Islamic flag

Two more soldiers die in separate attacks

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. soldiers shot into a crowd of thousands of demonstrators in a Baghdad slum on Wednesday, killing one civilian and wounding four after a rocket-propelled grenade was fired at them, the military said. North of Baghdad, guerrillas killed two American troops.

In Sadr City, a Shiite Muslim slum, about 3,000 demonstrators gathered around a telecommunications tower where they said American forces in a helicopter tried to tear down an Islamic banner. U.S. military spokesman Sgt. Danny Martin said it was apparently blown down by rotor wash from a helicopter.

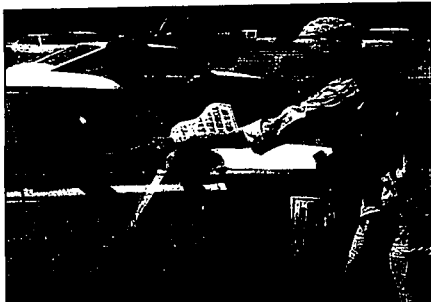
However, amateur video footage obtained by Associated Press Television News showed a Black Hawk helicopter hovering a few feet from the top of the tower and apparently trying to tear down the banner. Later, U.S. Humvees drove by and the crowd threw stones at them. Heavy gunfire could be heard and demonstrators were seen diving to the ground.

Martin said U.S. forces opened fire with stones, gunfire and one rocket-propelled grenade were directed at soldiers of the 1st Armored Division. One civilian was killed and four were wounded, he said. He said no soldiers were hit.

Sadr City, formerly known as Saddam City, is a Shiite stronghold in the otherwise Sunni Muslim-dominated capital.

"We're peaceful people, but one edict from the imams and the

ENLISTING HELP



U.S. soldiers distribute an updated coalition forces' "most wanted" poster to Iraqis Wednesday in Fallujah, about 40 west of Baghdad. Fallujah and neighboring Ramadi have been the sites of recent attacks on U.S. troops.

entire American Army will become our prisoner," said Hassan Azab, a member of the local district council.

Also Wednesday, an attack 15 miles south of Tikrit, Saddam Hussein's hometown, killed one U.S. soldier and wounded a second when their four-vehicle convoy hit a roadside bomb, according to Maj. Josslyn Aberle, spokeswoman for the 4th Infantry Division.

The military also reported a soldier killed and two wounded in a bomb attack Tuesday near Taji, 12

miles north of Baghdad. The attack was in the same region where an oil pipeline fire sent flames 200 feet into the air on Tuesday.

It was unclear whether the pipeline fire was the work of saboteurs. Many pipelines across Iraq have been hit by guerrillas seeking to destabilize U.S. reconstruction efforts.

Officials at the 4th Infantry Division said they had released 10 men detained Tuesday in a sweep through the outskirts of Tikrit, but four remained in custody.

Violent Afghan day leaves 58 dead

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) — An explosion ripped through a bus and heavy fighting erupted between government soldiers and Taliban remnants Wednesday, one of the bloodiest days in Afghanistan since U.S.-led forces ousted the hard-line Islamic regime.

The bus bombing killed 15 civilians — six of them children; the death toll for Wednesday — including two explosions and gunbattles in two provinces — was 58.

The deaths were part of a trend of stepped-up attacks and killings that are increasing the pressure on the fragile Afghan government and creating an atmosphere of constant fear in the country.

In addition to 21 fighters killed in Khost province near the Pakistani border, two students died making a homemade bomb and 20 men were killed in a feud in southern Urugan province between rival commanders both loyal to President Hamid Karzai's government.

Officials were quick to blame al-



SOURCES: Associated Press; ESRI AP

government to be established. That's why they want to create instability and make the people of Afghanistan afraid," Ghulam Mahammad, a district administrator, told The Associated Press by telephone.

He also speculated that the blast was an accident. Someone may have been transporting explosives to carry out a terror attack in Lashkargah when the bomb went off prematurely.

Afghan officials have said Taliban rebels are using bases inside Pakistan to launch cross-border attacks. Suspected Taliban fighters have been stepping up attacks over the last several months in southern and eastern Afghanistan.

Iraq opens key oil pipeline to Turkey

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Iraq began pumping crude oil from its northern oil fields Wednesday for the first time since the war — a milestone in the restoration of the country's oil production that augurs well for thirsty world markets.

Iraq sits atop the world's second-largest proven crude reserves, and oil exports are vital to its postwar reconstruction and

the success of U.S. efforts to implant democracy in the country. Before the war halted Iraq's oil production, the country pumped around 2.1 million barrels a day, most of it for export.

Analysts said it was unclear how reliable the flow of oil from fields near the northern Iraqi city of Kirkuk might prove to be, but the reopening of the pipeline to Turkey's Mediterranean coast is a

key step in rebuilding Iraq's oil industry.

Saboteurs and looters have dogged efforts to rehabilitate the 600-mile pipeline from Kirkuk to the Turkish city of Ceyhan. The lack of storage and export facilities forced the Iraqis to reinject much of the northern crude left over after refining for domestic use back into natural underground reservoirs.

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NATION

World Health Organization urges less use of antibiotics for livestock

Farmers worldwide should take a lesson from Danish bacon producers and reduce the use of antibiotics on their livestock to help stem the growth of drug-resistant bacteria in humans, the U.N. health agency said Wednesday.

The World Health Organization said a panel of experts had studied a landmark program in Denmark — the world's largest exporter of pork — which in 1998 imposed a voluntary ban on the use of the drugs, also known as antimicrobials, to boost animal growth.

WHO has said overuse of drugs for purposes other than treating animal disease is partly behind a rise in the number of resistant bacteria found in livestock. The agency fears such bacteria can be transmitted to humans who eat affected meat.

Advances in many rich countries use antibiotics to treat sick livestock and also because the drugs boost an animal's growth when added to its feed, "but said it could not continue until new DNA processes were developed.

Up to 1,000 WTC attack victims might be unknown

NEW YORK — The remains of as many as 1,000 people lost in the World Trade Center attack might never be identified, according to the forensic biologist leading the monumental DNA identification project.

The city medical examiner's office has identified slightly more than half of the 2,792 people killed in the attack — only about 100 of those in the last year, as technicians struggled with DNA degraded and damaged by fire and the elements.

Robert Shaler, chief of forensic biology, had once hoped to reach 2,000 identifications, but he told The Associated Press he no longer considers that a realistic goal. He cautioned that he doesn't mean the trade center DNA effort would be closed forever, but said it couldn't continue until new DNA processes were developed.

Schwarzenegger names Warren Buffett as advisor

LOS ANGELES — Arnold Schwarzenegger has named

Nation in brief

Warren Buffett as his senior financial and economic adviser in his bid to replace Gray Davis, the Republican's campaign announced Wednesday.

Buffett, chairman of Berkshire Hathaway, is a billionaire investor legendary for his financial prowess. He is also a Democrat. Buffett has lent political assistance in the past to former Nebraska Sen. Bob Kerrey, who ran for president in 1992 but lost the Democratic nomination to Bill Clinton. He has also donated money to Sen. Hillary Clinton, former presidential candidate Bill Bradley, and Florida Sen. Bob Graham during his campaign for the 2004 Democratic presidential nomination, Federal Election Commission records show.

Four teen camp counselors drown in New York river

ELIZABETHTOWN, N.Y. — Four teenage camp counselors drowned at a popular swimming hole in the Adirondacks after one fell into the water and three friends dived in to try to rescue him from the raging current.

Authorities recovered one body Tuesday and the other three Wednesday. Using drop cameras on long poles, they found the three bodies trapped under a ledge in a small pool about 20 feet deep.

The four disappeared Tuesday at Split Rock Falls, a series of waterfalls and pools on the Boquet river near Elizabethtown, 110 miles north of Albany.

"This time of year with this much rain, it's a dangerous place to be," State Police Capt. Bruce Manning said. "It's completely whitewater today."

FDA OKs souped-up stair-climbing wheelchair

WASHINGTON — Stairs are about to become less of an obstacle for some of the nation's 2 million wheelchair users.

The Food and Drug Administration on Wednesday approved a wheelchair that literally can go up and down steps — as well as shift into four-wheel drive for grassy hills and elevate its

occupant to standing height.

Called the iBOT Mobility System, the wheelchair uses sensors and gyroscopes to navigate stairs while balancing on two wheels. DePuy has said the technology is potentially revolutionary. But it is so complex that the FDA decided the wheelchair will require a doctor's prescription and special training to drive.

The iBOT costs \$29,000, less than some top-of-the-line models for the severely impaired but far more than basic wheelchairs. The maker, Johnson & Johnson subsidiary Independence Technology, is negotiating with Medicare and other insurers but could not say Wednesday if payment to users was likely.

Sales will begin by year's end, a J&J spokesman said.

NASA urges Russians to use care in tapping lake

SAN JOSE, Calif. — If Russian researchers in Antarctica succeed in drilling through the final 120 meters of nearly 4 kilometers of ice to reach an ancient, unexplored lake underneath, scientists at NASA warn the hole could

cause a dangerous eruption that spews water thousands of feet into the air.

The American scientists speculate that the water in pristine Lake Vostok, filled with gases and pressurized under tons and tons of ice, would exit like a carbonated drink in a can that's shaken and then popped open.

Their concern is that the lake water, which has not been exposed to Earth's atmosphere in as many as 15 million years, might become contaminated with microbes and chemicals from the surface.

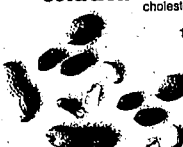
It remains a compelling mystery what, if anything, lives in the dark depths of the nearly freezing, highly pressurized, oxygen-filled environment.

Chris McKay at NASA-Ames Research Center has his sights set on Mars and Europa, one of Jupiter's moons. Ice has been detected on both bodies, and he and other scientists speculate that liquid water exists underneath their frozen caps.

Heart-healthier peanuts head to grocery stores

WASHINGTON — Two new

The peanut solution



SOURCE: USDA Agricultural Research Service

New heart-healthy peanut breeds contain as much total fat as regular peanuts but more healthy fat, oleic acid, that reduces bad cholesterol and risk of clogged arteries.

	Regular	Healthy
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Total fat	5 g	5 g
Saturated	20%	20%
Unsaturated		
Oleic	55%	75%
Linoleic	25%	5%

heart-healthy peanut varieties developed by the Agriculture Department and university researchers are expected to reach grocery shelves next year.

The peanuts contain extraordinarily high levels of oleic acid, a healthful monounsaturated fat. Such fats raise levels of good cholesterol and reduce the risk of clogged arteries, and they lower bad cholesterol that damages arteries.

The new peanuts are the latest development in peanut research

by the Agriculture Department's Agricultural Research Service. The agency recently began trying to help the 1.5 million people who are allergic to peanuts by breeding a hypoallergenic variety.

For most consumers, peanuts can be healthy. The Food and Drug Administration now allows companies to tout that a handful a day can help reduce the risk of heart disease because of their polyunsaturated or monounsaturated fat.

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U.S. to send more troops to Liberia

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon plans to send 200 more troops ashore in Liberia to help West African peacekeepers, a move that will triple the number of U.S. military personnel in the country, defense officials announced Wednesday.

U.S. military officials insisted the increase does not reflect any change in the basic U.S. objective in the war-ravaged country, which is to help ease the delivery of humanitarian aid and support African peacekeepers.

But the escalation marked a significantly greater commitment of U.S. forces than Pentagon officials had said for weeks they wanted to make.

It appeared to represent a recognition by the Bush administration that the Nigerian-led peacekeeping effort has been moving too slowly, particularly in securing Liberia's main seaport in the capital city of Monrovia.

Missile

Continued from A1 federal judges in New York and New Jersey.

Lakhani — described by one U.S. prosecutor Wednesday as a "significant international arms dealer" — was the primary target of an 18-month sting by U.S., British and Russian law enforcement authorities, who used undercover agents and a dummy missile to fool Lakhani into believing he was dealing with real terrorists, according to court documents. He is charged with providing material support to terrorists and illegal weapons dealing.

Lakhani is not alleged to have direct ties to actual terrorists, and authorities said they made certain the deal did not include a working missile. Nonetheless, the arrests captured the attention of lawmakers and airline executives worried about the use of missiles against passenger aircraft and comes at a time of heavy summer travel by nervous U.S. and European vacationers.

U.S. officials are increasingly concerned about the availability of shoulder-fired missiles in the global black market and terror groups' keen interest in obtaining

Countering the portable missile

While airliners are safe from shoulder-fired surface-to-air missiles when flying at cruising altitude (30,000 feet), they are vulnerable during takeoff and landing.

The threat

Shoulder-fired surface-to-air missiles (SAMs) These missiles are frequently called heat seeking missiles because they employ sensors that lock in on the target's infrared signature, often the engine.

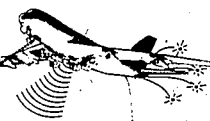
Some different solutions

Commercial planes may be fitted with one or more defensive measures found on military cargo planes.

Directed infrared countermeasures (DIRCMs)
Laser focuses infrared energy directly on the incoming missile; provides most effective defense against modern portable-SAM, but weight, cost, size and reliability are an issue.

Infrared countermeasures (IRCMs)
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Flares
White-hot flares shot from the plane attract and confuse older shoulder-fired SAMs, but not on the newer models; pose a fire hazard and may be too risky over urban areas.



SOURCES: GlobalSecurity.org; The Electronic Warfare and Information Operations Association

them. In November, two SA-7 missiles barely missed an Israeli passenger plane after it took off from Mombasa, Kenya, an attack that has been blamed on al-Qaith. Chechen rebels have used SA-18 missiles against Russian military aircraft.

Following the discovery in recent days of a plot in Saudi

Arabia against airliners, British Airways announced Wednesday that it was suspending flights to the desert kingdom after discussing "heightened security" concerns with Britain's transportation department.

Federal prosecutors and FBI officials characterized the Lakhani case as an important vic-

tory in the war against terrorism, stressing that Lakhani had no qualms about dealing with terrorists.

The evidence against him includes Lakhani's own taped remarks praising al-Qaith leader Osama bin Laden and the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

During a January 2002 meet-

ing, the FBI informant told Lakhani that he represented a Somali group interested in anti-aircraft guns and missiles, according to the complaint against Lakhani in U.S. District Court in New Jersey. Lakhani said bin Laden "straightened them all out" and "did a good thing," according to the documents.

At another meeting that April, the FBI informant told Lakhani that he represented a buyer who wanted missiles for "jihad" against "planes," and "wanted to hit the people over here," court documents said. "The Americans are bastards," Lakhani allegedly responded.

"There is no question that Mr. Lakhani was someone who was sympathetic to the beliefs of the terrorists who are trying to do damage to our country," U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie told reporters in Newark. He added later: "Mr. Lakhani knew full well what he was doing, why he was doing it."

The case originated with a tip from the cooperating witness who is featured in the recordings of Lakhani's negotiations, according to officials and documents. Russian police were brought into the sting after Lakhani began searching for missiles on Russia's black market, officials said.



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EDITORIAL

Kemphorne stays put, to the benefit of Idaho

President Bush's decision to go with Utah Republican Gov. Mike Leavitt - instead of Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne - as EPA administrator is a win for Idaho on many fronts. And it certainly shouldn't hurt Kempthorne.

The months of speculative waiting for Kempthorne ended Sunday night, when White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card told him Bush was picking Leavitt, the three-term governor of Utah.

Once again, Kempthorne was hung out to dry by the White House. The first time was when Bush passed over the Idaho governor as a possible interior secretary nominee.

Kemphorne should feel relief. The EPA administrator in the Bush Cabinet is a whipping boy for the environmental groups that loathe Bush.

Kemphorne worked hard and was well-liked as a senator in Washington before becoming governor. Even so, it would have been a sour experience indeed for him to face the vicious attacks of hard-line Democrats in a Senate confirmation process.

Leavitt has been a strong advocate for Western states' perspectives on the environment, land use, water, air and antiquities. He should be just

as effective in representing Idaho's interests as Kempthorne would have been. Kempthorne has proven to be an effective and stable leader for Idaho and should continue to serve the state well. All across the country, state governments are struggling to get control of their budgets and spending patterns, but Idaho remains on pretty solid ground, comparatively. (See California; Gray Davis; recall election.)

Kempthorne deserves credit for mostly steering Idaho in the right direction, despite attacks from the left for not spending enough or taxing more.

We would not be surprised to hear Kempthorne's name thrown around again by the White House for future Cabinet posts. Should Bush be re-elected in 2004, a number of possibilities could arise, leading to further speculation for Kempthorne.

If he's smart, Kempthorne won't be quite so willing to allow his name to be floated. Twice burned should be enough.

Now that he has experienced two Cabinet courtships, Kempthorne certainly won't be packing his Harley before the call is certain. For now, his mandate is to keep on riding for Idaho. That's hardly a disappointment for most Idahoans.

Our view: The appointment of Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt to the EPA is good news for Idaho and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne.

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

Media fail the balance test in Episcopal issue

"Don't believe what you read in the secular press," an Episcopal priest warned his congregation in Sebring, Fla., on Sunday. And perhaps with good reason. Despite the emphasis on sensitivity and fairness in today's newsrooms, many in the media have failed to uphold their standards of equity and reliability in their coverage of the recent controversy in the Episcopal Church.

Last week the church made history when it confirmed the election of an openly gay bishop and recognized the blessing of same-sex unions. The moves have caused great consternation within the body, which is a province of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and divided clergy and laymen alike over interpretation of Biblical scripture and modern-day marriage. In response, the archbishop of Canterbury has summoned church leaders worldwide for an emergency meeting in October.

LILA ARZUA

Journalists shouldn't be choosing sides. Yet as the controversy has unfolded, many in the mainstream media have revealed a fundamental misunderstanding of this church and its members. Advocates of the gay bishop and the blessing of gay unions are regularly portrayed as progressive, inclusive and conciliatory, while the other side is described as infuriated, intolerant and, worst of all, schismatic.

Lifelong Episcopalians who feel their church should change with the times far exceed their counterparts who want it to stay the same - according to news coverage. Judging by the preliminary and final votes on the core issues, however, feelings are more evenly divided. Stories about gay clerics and how they share their spirituality with their congregations abound. Absent are feature stories on churches that emphasize a traditional understanding of marriage, and the families who flock to those. And one can regularly read about the experience of gay clergy and parishioners coming out. But without the stories of those who acknowledge homosexual inclinations



but believe that their faith calls them to celibacy? Those who voice their allegiance to the orthodox understanding of doctrine are depicted as homophobic, bigoted or, at the very least, old-fashioned. Parallels have been drawn between opposition to same-sex blessings and historical proscriptions against interracial marriage - without its being noted that the strongest opposition to gay marriage in the Anglican Communion has come from its predominantly non-white provinces in Africa and Asia.

In fact, the roughly 2.3 million Episcopalians in the

rest of the world. Yet these concerns have received little coverage.

Instead, news reports often emphasize that those upset with the decision have threatened to split the church, a characterization so simplistic it borders on inaccurate. While some groups have splintered from the church in the past, what many traditionalists now seek is a realignment within the existing framework of the Anglican Communion. They believe that by making a decision that violates the established beliefs of the faith, the Episcopal Church has in effect split itself off from the larger body. The traditionalist goal, though rarely explained by the media, is to restore the worldwide church, not divide it.

The church will consider this question to discern how its doctrine would change its membership. But as the theologians do their jobs, reporters should too. Journalists must represent the opposing sides of the controversy as thoroughly and honestly as possible. They owe this to their readership, faithful and secular alike.

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LETTERS

Government fails to expect the worst in Iraq

In a letter to you dated June 27, I suggested that the Iraqis may have deliberately offered minimal resistance to American invasion, planning to sabotage and wage guerrilla war against us after our conquest and occupation of their sovereign nation.

The following day in a New York Times article titled "Iraqi saboteurs' goal: disrupt the occupation," Michael Gordon reported that documentary evidence had been found to support what was purely conjecture on my part. The document was apparently prepared by the Iraqi intelligence service in January and instructed Iraqi officers to carry out the very acts of sabotage that were ongoing in June and that are continuing today.

Mr. Gordon's report seems to be commensurate with a later column in the Washington Post (July 16) by Jim Hoagland. Mr. Hoagland's piece was titled "A classic case of incompetence" and suggests that the Iraqi "guerrilla insurgency" was a surprise

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to our government - and government incompetence caused the surprise.

It is hard to believe that government failed to anticipate or plan for this possible contingency. We, the people, implement the principle of self-rule through our Congress. We should, therefore, each of us instruct our congressmen and congresswomen to find out if the executive branch of the government indeed considered, during the planning before the invasion and conquest, that there was the possibility of this kind of planned Iraqi "surrender and sabotage" strategy. If the existence of such possible strate-

gy occurred to an ordinary citizen such as myself, and most probably many other laymen, surely it must have occurred to government? It wouldn't be an impeachable offense if the government did not consider and weigh such an eventuality. But wouldn't it be a sure manifestation of government incompetence? And wouldn't it be true patriotism if we, the people, do our own "impeachment" for this incompetence when we go the polls next year?

In addition to this possible government incompetence, there is the suspiciously less-than-truthful reasons that the government gave us to persuade us that the war was necessary?

JACK HARTLEY
Twin Falls

State Board is meddling in matters best left alone

Has the State Board of Education actually been on the site to assess the situation at the Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind as they just sit in their "black leather chairs" making so-called "better" decisions?

Have they asked the students and teachers what is working or are they making decisions based on what one disgruntled person says?

Points of objective should be put in place only when necessary and with good reason.

Angel Ramos seemed to be doing a good job for the school, showing his support and compassion for the people in addition to the school.

Isn't this supposed to be about the success of the students and not about the success of politics? Why is the board trying to fix something that apparently wasn't broken? They need to look a little harder to find the deep-seated controversy.

I get the impression that this has become a personal vendetta.

LOIS GEHRIG
Jerome

Band performance reminded us of the classics

Thursday night, Aug. 7, a few hundred old folks and a sprinkling of young people were at the park to hear live music. The new orchestra, led by Brian Farnon, was a real breath of fresh air. I played the same music I have played for at least 40 years. So I'm an old foggy with a taste for good music.

What I heard Thursday night was not the great music of the old bands, but it was close. With the same background and experience, these players would be as great or greater than the old bands. I'd love to give them the time and the opportunity to play for us again.

Jaime Thierren, a lovely young lady, sings beautifully. Unlike the other young female singers today, she kept her clothes on. Thank you for that. Singers who feel they must disrobe know they can't make it on their voice alone. I think Jaime can.

The old music has a tune that we have come to know and love. Leave it in place and don't put your own spin on it. No one has ever sung "God Bless America" as well as Kate Smith. Those who do sing it as it was written do it very well. Sing those old songs as they were meant to be sung. The old songs were love

words put to music. Sing them as you would say them. But more so! When a word is written on one note, sing it on one note. When a word is written on 10 notes and three ups and downs, sing it any way you want "cause no one will know the difference."

Jaime, I would love to hear you sing the old songs the old way because I think you can do as well or better than some of them. Remember, the best arrangements make no big changes to the original tune.

Brian did a great job of picking good selections from the past. A bit heavy on the wrong side of my taste, but I can't fault that. What he picked was the best of what they did. I play my stereo every day, but your music was the best live music I have heard in more than 40 years. Old music, played by real musicians as it was meant to be played.

A little bit of heaven. Please give us more. Much more.

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OPINION

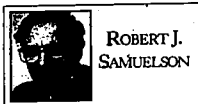
Arrogance continues to plague N.Y. Times

"Even at the Times' lowest moment, which may be right about now, it is almost impossible to exaggerate the paper's significance.

...An event it doesn't cover might, in a manner of speaking, just as well not have happened."
— Elizabeth Kolbert in the New Yorker, June 30

No place in American journalism is so smug and superior as The New York Times. Kolbert's casual observation captures the reigning conceit, which she absorbed in 14 years as a Times reporter before leaving. It was this conceit — the belief that the Times must be right because it is the Times and sets the rules — that ultimately caused the Jayson Blair debacle. Until that conceit is purged, the Times will remain vulnerable to similar blunders. The people at the Times don't seem to grasp this. Recently, the Times published its examination of the Blair affair, a 58-page report of a committee headed by an assistant managing editor, Allan M. Siegal, and including 21 other Times journalists and three outsiders. Though it received little attention (the Blair scandal is "old news"), it is revealing. Nowhere does the report discuss journalistic "fairness" or "objectivity," two reportorial standards that if never fully attainable — are always worth pursuing. Somehow, nearly two dozen Times reporters and editors didn't dwell on these bedrock concepts in a report titled "Safeguarding the Integrity of Our Journalism."

Indeed, the report deals heavily with personnel policies. One proposal calls for the "appointment of a senior masthead editor



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

...for Career Development." Said the report: "In our talks throughout the newsroom, we detected a pervasive desire for such an editor... who could serve as a sympathetic advocate and counselor in career planning."

The Times should also "reward courtesy and collegiality and penalize rudeness" among reporters and editors. The paper should "encourage a healthy balance between work and personal commitments." Similarly, the Times should welcome newcomers by reviving "the New Faces poster and cocktail party." Now, these may (or may not) be good ideas, but they have little to do with Jayson Blair.

Somewhere, what began as a huge case of journalistic fraud became a pretext for a palace revolt against two unpopular editors — Executive Editor Howell Raines and Managing Editor Gerald Boyd — for unrelated grievances. The rap against Raines was that he was tyrannical and played favorites. Boyd was his agent. Publisher Arthur Sulzberger Jr. admitted that he was "stunned" by the newsroom hostility and then asked (according to Raines) for his editor's resignation.

The point is that both Sulzberger's reaction and the Siegal report aimed more at restoring inside morale than dispelling outside criticisms. True, the Siegal report did propose a "public editor" — an ombudsman — to receive and make criticisms of the Times. But the proposal and its acceptance were grudging; the public editor's appointment will last for a year and be reviewed.

The preoccupation with staff morale presumes that the Blair scandal stemmed mostly from bad chemistry. The paper fell victim to Blair's deceit (the theory goes) and the high-handed management of Raines and Boyd. With Blair gone, fixing management would "protect our precious credibility," wrote new Executive Editor Bill Keller to the staff. This theory is remarkable for its self-deception. Of course, Raines is arrogant. He recently said, "I don't remember us (the Times) ever getting out though." Ever? But his arrogance is not isolated; nor was the Blair scandal the Times' only recent journalistic lapse.

Beginning in 1999, the Times ran articles alleging major Chinese nuclear espionage involving U.S. government researcher Wen Ho Lee; the charges were later dropped as unfounded. In 2002, the Times killed two sports columns that differed with the paper's intensive coverage of the demand that women be allowed to join the Augusta National Golf Club; after a furor, the columns ran.

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For years, critics have accused the Times of pursuing "liberal" agendas through its news as well as its editorial pages. Although the charges are often overwrought, they were given credence by Sulzberger's decision to switch the editorial page editor (Raines) to the news pages — as if the distinction barely mattered. The Siegal Committee ignored these issues. The Blair affair was treated as a stand-alone mishap. Here is a culture of arrogance. The thread that connects the Blair scandal with the Times' other recent journalistic lapses is overconfidence — a faith that it can be "out-thought." If the Times were serious about self-examination, it would have assigned the task to outsiders. The Times is a good and sometimes great paper. But it is not perfect or infallible. The humiliation it suffered from the Blair scandal produced little humility or learning. Until it is tough on itself as it is on others, it will not deserve the "significance" now so thoughtlessly accorded it.

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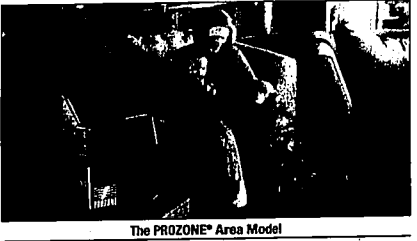
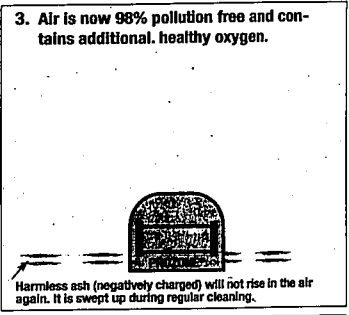
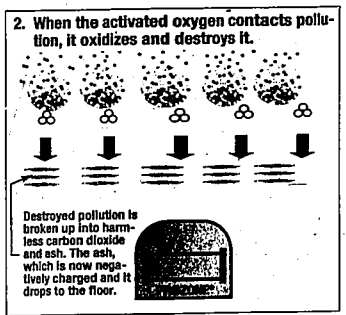
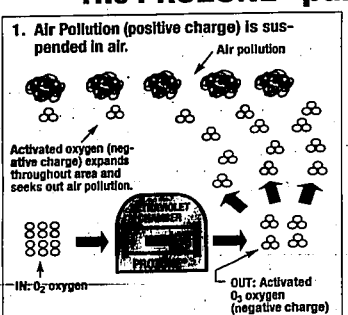
For more details on how the remarkable PROZONE® works, here is my interview with BioTech Research® Chief of Staff for Research and Development, John Whiteaker.

Q. Mr. Whiteaker, how did you choose the PROZONE® for your custom made residential air purifier?

A. We have carried out research to find the best air purification technology in the world over the past 7 years. The PROZONE® beat every other technology by a wide margin. Our research found that it is the best air purifier in the world.

Q. How does the PROZONE® work?

A. The PROZONE® takes common oxygen, which is O₂, and raises to the level of ozone, which is O₃.
The ozone, O₃, is created in nature by the sun and thunderstorms. It is done with a process using 2 forms of ultraviolet light. Other popular ozone air purifiers use electrical spark to create ozone. This spark can be hazardous. It can cause an explosion if you have a gas leak and it produces acid in the air.
After this ball of oxygen atoms, O₃, is formed by the patented PROZONE® process, its natural tendency is to get back to O₂. Therefore, it starts dispersing activated oxygen, which is negatively charged, throughout the room. Pollutants that float in the air are positively charged. When this activated oxygen contacts the pollutant, it oxidizes the pollutant and breaks it up into harmless carbon dioxide and a negatively charged ash which drops to the floor.



The PROZONE® Area Model

Now this is important. That ash, once it drops to the floor, will not go back into the air again. It is harmless there on the floor until it is swept or vacuumed up through regular cleaning.

Q. But why do they give ozone levels in air pollution alerts? Does ozone cause an allergic reaction?

A. Absolutely not. Ozone relieves allergies. That alert is a big misunderstanding. Nature increases ozone in high pollution conditions to balance out pollution. So the weather services measure ozone levels to determine how high the pollution because ozone is easy to measure.

Q. There are so many air purifiers on the market. How does the PROZONE® differ?

A. You cannot compare the PROZONE® with any other air purifier on the market. That would be like comparing a diamond to a lump of coal.
The PROZONE® has a patented technology and other air purifiers do not have it.

Other air purifiers fall into 3 categories. One is forced air filtration systems where the filter has to be changed. Two, are electrostatic filter systems where an electrically charged plate snags a few types of pollutants. But, the electrically charged plate has to be cleaned. And, three, as aforementioned, electric sparks ozone air purifiers which produce oxides of nitrogen that form an acid in the air which is corrosive and toxic. The electric spark can cause explosions and it will interfere with radio and T.V. signals.

Typical air purifiers require the air to be brought to and pulled through the unit, either by a fan or electronic charge. This causes the pollutants to be drawn through the unit to the machine. They do not eliminate pollutants at the source. Therefore they are very inefficient.

The PROZONE® is patented activated oxygen generator disperses activated oxygen like guided missiles throughout the room. It seeks out and destroys pollutants at the source without the pollutants having to come to the actual machine.

Q. What about that air purifier that is being heavily advertised right now that claims to have no moving parts, no fans and no filters? Does it operate on the same principle as the PROZONE®?

A. No. That unit is an electrostatic filter. You must pull out the electric plate and wipe it off. The air has to go through the unit and therefore there is no way it can come close to cleaning the air

to the level of the PROZONE®.

If those units have an ultraviolet bulb, they will kill some fungus and bacteria. But if they do not have an ultraviolet bulb, when you go to wipe them off, fungus and bacteria that you are wiping off is alive and can be harmful. That unit does produce some ozone but, again, it doesn't produce enough to be effective and it also can produce oxides of nitrogen which can be harmful. That unit has no fan. They say it moves air with an electronic charge. There is no way to purify the air in a room without a fan. The electronic charge air movement is very minimal.

Regarding that very popular unit, Consumer Reports did a test on that unit. They reported that it was next to useless. Also, if you go on E-Bay, you can find people selling that popular air purifier for \$50 when they paid \$350 for it. Your readers do not have to take my word for this. Go to Consumer Reports' web site at www.consumerreports.org and to E-Bay at www.ebay.com and they can see for themselves.

Q. Does the PROZONE® have anything you have to clean, is there anything you have to replace, and does it run quiet?

A. There is nothing to clean and nothing to replace. And, the fan runs super quiet.

Q. What is the range of pollutants that the PROZONE® takes out of the air?

A. It removes nearly all organic and inorganic pollutants. Organic pollutants removed by the PROZONE® include: fungus, bacteria, formaldehyde, ammonia from pet urine, cooking odors, skunk odors, fecal odors, fecal and other urinary odors, perfumes, colognes, tobacco, smoke and creosote from fireplaces. It also kills viruses.

The PROZONE® removes the following inorganic pollutants: all types of dust, methylene chloride, phenols, PCBs, butyric acid, DIMPs, explosives such as TNT, glycerols, kepoxes, methyl ethyl ketones, acetone from fingernail filings, styrene, all types of nitro compounds, formic acid, benzoic, butanes, ethanes, pentanes, propanes, methanes, alcohols, cyanides, detergents, phosphates and many more too numerous to mention here.

The Wall Street Journal recently reported that there is 5 times more air pollution in a house than there is in the open air outside the house. Every day you breathe all these pollutants into your lungs and many go

Testimonies from a few of the many satisfied PROZONE® users

The PROZONE® is the most remarkable product that I have tried in years. All of the claims hold true. Not only did it eliminate the dust in my house, I have not had a sinus headache or scratchy throat since I began using it. The whole house smells fresh and clean. You would never be able to tell that I have two dogs and a cat. It is also nice not to have to bother changing filters. You just plug it in, turn it on and forget about it. It is truly refreshing to use a product that does everything that it is supposed to do and more. *Michelle Goldsmith*

The PROZONE® that I used in my apartment for approximately a week was different than any air purifier that I have tried. Everyone was able to take deeper breathes than normal in the apartment. My cats now stay in the room more when someone is smoking. They would not before. My boyfriend's allergies were unnoticeable when he was inside. I personally like the fresh smell the PROZONE® let off. *Jerry Klee*

I have terrible sinus problems. I'm also allergic to dog and cat dander, grass, dust, and ragweed. Before using the PROZONE® I had to take antihistamines and use allergy/sinus nasal spray. I was embarrassed because my eyes were red and I always sounded like I had a cold. I then got an amazing PROZONE®. I plugged in the PROZONE® and went about my daily duties when I suddenly noticed I wasn't coughing or wheezing or clearing my throat. This was incredible. The PROZONE® really works! I am so happy. My eyes are clear and I can breathe. I've tried many other air purifiers, they're all in my storage room with other failed products. The PROZONE® truly does what it claims to do. *Diane C. Vance*

into your body.
Q. How long does it take for the PROZONE® to purify the air in a room?

A. It depends on the amount of pollution. On average, a 400 square foot room can be 98% purified in 15 minutes. Up to 1,000 square feet will take longer. If you have odors in the walls and in carpets, it will also remove those odors eventually. But it will take longer to do that. It will even deodorize your clothes.

The PROZONE® will take the mustiest room and make it smell like fresh air again. In fact, it will make the room smell like the pleasant fragrance you experience after a thunderstorm.

It will also help you sleep much better. This is because there will be more active oxygen in the air and you will be taking in more oxygen. You will also be much more alert when you are awake because you are taking in more oxygen. Also, the air is ionized and it is proven that oxygen ionized air makes you more alert and it relieves fatigue. It regulates the serotonin in your body.

Q. Let's elaborate more on odors, which are a major problem in most houses. Will the PROZONE® take out cigarette odors, pet odors, mildew odors, and so on?

A. Yes, it will. The odor elimination power in the PROZONE® is such that it will even eliminate skunk odor within minutes.

Q. Will the PROZONE® take out the pollens, dust mites, and other pollutants that cause allergies?

A. Yes, it will. It will kill pollens and dust mites. Yet, at the same time, it will not harm pets or even small birds.

Users report that they now feel so much better since they have the PROZONE®. Users say that before they were taking medication for allergies, sinus and many other such ailments. They said they do not have to take the medication while they are in the presence of the PROZONE®.

Q. Will the PROZONE® get rid of carbon monoxide?

A. Yes. Many people do not realize that most houses have carbon monoxide but it is not to a level where it is fatal. But, this carbon monoxide can be very toxic and damaging to your health. The PROZONE® removes this low level carbon monoxide.

Q. How much electricity does the PROZONE® use?

A. Only 50 watts. Therefore, you use no more electricity than a 50 watt light bulb.

Q. Is the PROZONE® totally safe to use?

A. Definitely yes. The same PROZONE® air purifier technology is used by the Federal Government, the United Nations and many of the major corporations in the world. Studies on ozone show that it has no harmful effects on human tissue.

The ozone produced by the PROZONE® is amazing because it destroys everything bad, but does not harm anything that is good.

Q. Does the PROZONE® come with a warranty and a satisfaction guarantee?

A. The PROZONE® comes with a one-year warranty on parts and labor and a 60 day total satisfaction guarantee or all money will be refunded.

Q. I understand that you are running a 10 day sale on a residential model which will be available to readers of this publication. What is the price and the sale price of this PROZONE® residential model?

A. The residential model we are offering at this sale price is the PROZONE® Area Model. It purifies the air in an area up to 1,000 square feet in size. It measures 6 inches by 6 inches by 2-1/2 inches. Other air purifiers cost \$350 to \$700. The price of the PROZONE® Area Model is only \$290 plus \$12 shipping for a total of \$302 delivered. But, for this 10 day sale readers can get this unit at a \$75 discount, for only \$227 delivered. There is a limit of 3 units at this discount. The PROZONE® Area Model will not be available in stores for an extended period.

End of Interview.

For readers who want to obtain the PROZONE® Area Model at this 10 day sale price please see the Special Readers Discount Coupon on this page. Those readers ordering after 10 days from the date of this publication must pay regular price.

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“As a point of reference with regard to the course's rough, visualize a cross between Don King and Carrot Top.”

—Steve Elling in *The Orlando Sentinel*, on the conditions of the course at Oak Hill Country Club for the 85th PGA Championship

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Rodeo
Cassia County PRCA, 8 p.m.
Gooding County PRCA, 7:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Cassia, Gooding rodeos get going

BURLEY — Both the Cassia and Gooding county rodeos get under way tonight, beginning a three-day run at each. Both rodeos are sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, with the Gooding rodeo starting at 7:30 and Cassia's beginning at 8.

Each annually brings in top talent from across the country with former College of Southern Idaho cowboys Cody De Mers and Blute Steinhilber both scheduled to make an appearance in Burley as two of the top roughstock riders in the world.

In Gooding, there will be the annual induction to the Legends Rodeo Hall of Fame at 6 p.m. Saturday. Grandstand tickets are \$8, bleacher seats \$6 and children 12 and under are \$2 for the Cassia and \$1 for the Gooding rodeo are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children with free fair admittance for all.

Tonight is kids' night in Cassia and they will be admitted free. Friday night is family night, with a family of five admitted for \$29.

Eighty-year-old shoots age at Canyon Springs

TWIN FALLS — Milo Pearson, 80, shot a round of 78 Wednesday at Canyon Springs Golf Course.

Witnesses included Jim Oberner, Norm Thomas and Duane Schueberger.

Halley's Cropper wins IGA Seniors tourney

BOISE — Dave Cropper of Halley captured the 2003 Idaho Golf Association Men's Senior Amateur Championship by shooting a 157 at Falcon Crest Golf Course in Kuna.

Cropper fired equal rounds of 1-under 71 for a two-day total of 142 to beat Boise's skip Pierce and Mike Walling of Hayden Lake by a stroke for the tie.

Walter Litzenberg of Ketchum shot 157 and Mansel Rogers of Halley shot 158.

In the men's first flight, Keith Nelson of Burley took second with a 154, three strokes back of runner-up Bruce Martini of Boise. Robert Doyle of Ketchum won the men's second flight with a 157 and Randy Kolash of Bellevue shot 159 for third. Dennis Neffert of Sun Valley shot 166 and Tom Schmidt of Twin Falls shot 182. In the fourth flight, Vince Falco of Ketchum shot 182.

In women's play, Jean Smith of Eagle shot 153 to win the championship flight by five strokes. Sergene Jensen of Burley came in sixth place with a 162.

For the first flight, won by Joanne Odiga of Eagle with a 186, Mary Ferrell-Schmidt of Twin Falls shot 212, Carol Knudsen of Twin Falls carded a 214 and Vi Duro of Twin Falls shot 237.

M.V. Open tennis tourney arrives Friday

TWIN FALLS — Some of the top tennis talents in the Northwest will be in Twin Falls Friday through Sunday for the Magic Valley Open. A dozen of the top men's players in the state and five of the best women's players will compete for cash prizes of up to \$300 in singles and doubles divisions.

All open division matches will be contested at the College of Southern Idaho courts. Play begins with first-round matches in open mixed doubles and open men's doubles Friday at 6:30 p.m.

Compiled from staff reports

Curtis factor: Players have hope at PGA

Unlikely British Open winner inspires other low-profile players entering year's final major

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press writer

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Optimism at the PGA Championship has never been so high for so many players, and not just because Tiger Woods has gone five majors without winning one.

It comes from Ben Curtis winning the first major he ever played. “The inspiration is ... you know what? Anyone can win any week out here,” Steve Flesch said Wednesday. “That’s what you have to keep in mind.” It shouldn’t be hard to remember.

Only a month ago at the British Open, a 26-year-old rookie unknown by most of his peers captured the oldest championship in golf by beating the best players in the world. Curtis became the first player in 90 years to win a major in his first try.

Who’s next? Maybe it will be Chris Riley, who learned his lessons from Royal St. George’s. Riley finished third in the PGA Championship last year, and won his first PGA Tour event a week later. But in the first round of the British Open, a 7-over 78 made him wonder if he was fooling himself.



Additional PGA coverage:

- A bird's-eye view of the course
- Oak Hill residents cash in
- Watson rides emotional year

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On TV today: First round coverage, 11 a.m. on TNT

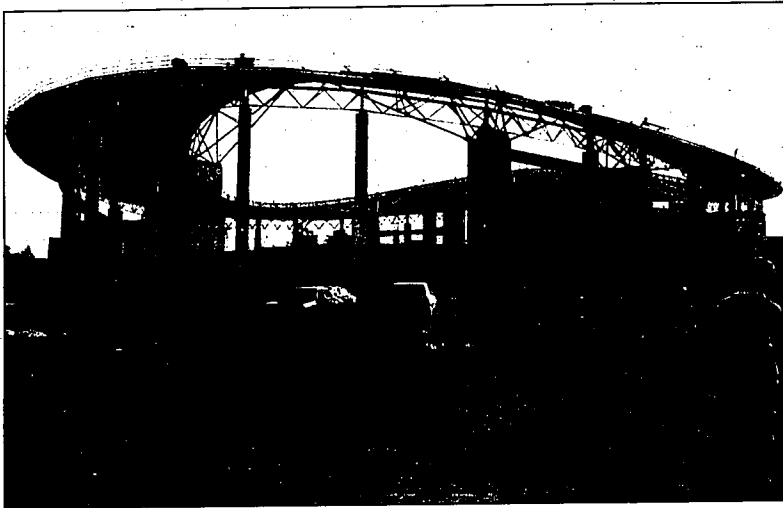
“I was like, ‘Look at the names who win this tournament — Ernie Els, Tiger Woods: Did I really have a chance coming over here?’” Riley said. “Usually, the big names win the major championships. To watch Ben Curtis win ... I’ll never take that attitude again.”

“It obviously gives guys like myself a lot of confidence.” PGA That means the PGA Please see PGA, Page B4



Ben Curtis, winner of the 2003 British Open, right, talks with Kenny Perry during practice for the PGA Championship in Rochester, N.Y., Wednesday.

Promise of 'magical' games



A worker stands next to the Faliron Sports Pavilion in Athens, Greece, Tuesday. Athens will host the Summer Olympics in 2004.

Olympic flame returns to birthplace, Athens, in one year

By Lisa Orkin
Associated Press writer

ATHENS, Greece — The front-page ads in Greek newspapers Wednesday proclaimed: “One year until the big celebration.”

Not everyone was in a party mood, though, as concerns remained over whether Athens can pull all the pieces together in time for the Olympic opening ceremony Aug. 13, 2004.

With the countdown now measured in days and weeks rather than years, Athens' Olympic marathon has moved into its final act. And no one can reliably predict how it will end.

Many construction delays have been finally overcome by round-the-clock work and a series of Olympic test events are under way.

The chief Athens planner, Gianna Angelopoulos-Daskalaki, insists the games will be “magical.”

“Athens will host a games that will make all Greece proud and fill the world with the true spirit of the Olympic Games,” she said at IOC headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Critics say the hardest part may be still ahead: bringing together all the venue construction, transportation works, security details and other projects into a coherent Olympic package. The price tag is a staggering \$4.6 billion in a country of less than 11 million people.

“I believe that they will be ready to stage the games, but I don't feel they will be ready or able to stage a great Olympic Games,” five-time Olympic gold medal sprinter Michael Johnson wrote in a column in the British newspaper *The Daily Telegraph*.

Johnson, who leads the world record in the 200 and 400 meters, said it was “unfortunate” Athens would stage the Olympics following the widely praised 2000 Sydney Games.

“Athens, by contrast, though a great city with much history in a beautiful country, is crowded and old and not properly equipped for the numbers of visitors it will attract for next year's games,” Johnson wrote.

Iraq and Afghanistan, were among the record 201 countries invited to Athens. Greece — the birthplace of the Olympics and host of the first modern games in 1896 — received the first invitation in keeping with tradition.

Afghanistan's Olympic committee was suspended by the IOC under the Taliban regime but was reinstated last month. East Timor and the tiny Pacific island of Kiribati were recently granted Olympic status.

Iraq's Olympic committee, formerly headed by Saddam Hussein's son, Qdai, was dissolved by the IOC earlier this year.

A three-member IOC delegation visited Baghdad last month to help set up a new committee and identify potential Olympic athletes. Pending formal recognition of a new committee, Rogge is sending an invitation to Iraq's provisional Olympic body.

“It is symbolic that the IOC is sending out invitations to all the countries of the world, and all the countries of the world, and all the countries of the world,” Rogge said.

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Seattle receiver downplays brutal hit

Jackson nearly died in locker room last year

By Jim Cour
Associated Press writer

CHENEY, Wash. — Nearly 10 months after the hit that almost killed him, Darrell Jackson tries to downplay it.

“Honestly and truly, things like that happen,” the fourth-year Seattle Seahawks' wide receiver said. “A hit's a hit. You understand.”

Despite Jackson's protestations, the helmet-to-chin shot he received from Cowboys safety Darren Woodson in a game on Oct. 27 in Dallas was not just a hit.

It knocked him out, and coach Mike Holmgren said Jackson “almost died” as medical personnel struggled to keep his airway open for 40 minutes when he suffered a postgame seizure in the



Seattle receiver Darrell Jackson reaches for a ball overthrown by quarterback Seneca Wallace Tuesday at training camp in Cheney, Wash. Cornerback Tony Scott, left, defends on the play.

Come-from-behind Marlins take lead in wild-card race

The Associated Press

MIAMI — The Florida Marlins have been behind all season.

They were way behind on May 22, when their record was 19-29. They were behind on July 4, trailing eight teams in the NL wild-card race. They were behind three times Tuesday night but rallied and beat the Los Angeles Dodgers in 13 innings.

And on Wednesday, the Marlins began the day with a lead. They were atop the NL wild-card standings for the first time this season, one-half game ahead of Philadelphia.

Playing catch-up, the Marlins have the best record in the major leagues since May 23.

This is all new to most of the Marlins. Infielders Travis Lee, Luis Castillo, Alex Gonzalez and Mike Lowell, outfielder Juan Encarnacion, closer Braden Loper and starting pitchers Josh Beckett and Brad Penny have never played on a winning team.

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Outfielder Juan Pierre has never been in a playoff race. Ace Dontrelle Willis and left fielder Miguel Cabrera are rookies.

The Florida player with the most big-game experience is catcher Ivan Rodriguez, whose Texas Rangers went 1-9 in three playoff series.

The Marlins were 16-22 when Jack McKeon replaced Jeff Torborg as manager on May 11. Tuesday's victory left them 49-32 under McKeon.

“It has been a great uphill climb, but it's too early to get excited about being half a game in front,” McKeon said. “There are a lot of clubs behind us interested in doing what we're doing — winning.”

The only winning season in the Marlins' 11-year history came in 1997, when they won the World Series, and no holdovers remain from that team.



Top sprinter balances workouts, motherhood

workouts, motherhood

By Rob Gloster
Associated Press writer

RALEIGH, N.C. — Marlon Jones gets in one last cuddle with her 6.5-week-old son and heads to her day job as the world's fastest woman.

“I say, ‘All right, now, Mommy has to go to work. When you want to go to Harvard, someone has to pay the tuition,’” Jones says.

Jones, the star of the 2000 Sydney Olympics, already is back to her pre-pregnancy weight of 159 pounds. She's been back on the track for a month, and feels ready to race.

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She is taking this season off — though she won't absolutely rule out a return in September — and focusing on the Summer Games, which begin Aug. 13, 2004.

For now, she's juggling three to four hours of daily workouts with diapering, feeding and pampering Tim Montgomery — named for his dad, the world-record holder in the 100 meters, who is Jones' boyfriend and training partner.

“I had a preference for a boy,” Jones said Wednesday in an interview with *The Associated Press*. “It's a tomboy and I don't know how to braid hair and I don't like pink.”

Jones found out she was pregnant last December. She was still running in spikes until February. During those three months, she

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SPORTS

Piazza returns with a bang

NEW YORK (AP) — Mike Piazza honored and drove in five runs in his long-awaited return to the lineup, propelling the New York Mets over San Francisco by a score of 9-2.

Steve Trachsel shut down Barry Bonds and the Giants, but Piazza was the star of the show.

Playing his first major league game since severely straining his right groin May 16 in San Francisco, he grounded out his first time up, then connected for a two-run shot off Jerome Williams in the third inning. It was Piazza's eighth homer of the season.

One night after hitting two homers to reach 650 for his career, Bonds went 1-for-3.



The Mets' Mike Piazza hits a two-run home run in the third inning of New York's 9-2 win over the San Francisco Giants Wednesday in New York. It was Piazza's first game since being injured May 18.

Cubs 6, Astros 4

CHICAGO — Moises Alou hit a three-run homer and Chicago's bullpen didn't allow a run over the final 4 2-3 innings as the Cubs beat the Houston Astros 6-4 Wednesday.

Houston lefty Jerome Reedman (11-6) bidding to become the first rookie this season with 12 wins, entered the fifth with a 4-3 lead before giving up singles to Kenny Lofton and Alex Gonzalez.

Dan Miceli relieved and struck out Sammy Sosa before Alou lofted a long drive to left for his 18th homer, sending the Cubs ahead 6-4.

Castro beat the Dodgers with a two-out homer in the 13th inning Tuesday.

Florida, which moved atop the wild-card standings for the first time this season Tuesday, remained one-half game ahead of Philadelphia. Los Angeles fell 4.5 games back.

Braves 7, Padres 1

ATLANTA — Mike Hampton extended his winning streak to seven, Chipper Jones and Vinny Castilla homered, and Atlanta got some payback over San Diego.

Hampton (10-5) allowed only three hits in eight innings, but he didn't get a chance for his second straight complete game. Manager Bobby Cox lifted his starter for a pitcher-hitter deciding that 99 pitches was enough with a comfortable lead.

San Diego, who had the worst record in the National League, opened the three-game series Tuesday with a 14-4 rout of the NL's best team. The Padres tied a franchise record with 24 hits.

Expos 6, Rockies 5

MONTREAL — After an electrical failure briefly plunged the ballpark into complete darkness, Brian Schneider and Javier Vazquez provided the power for Montreal in a 6-5 win over Colorado.

Schneider hit a three-run homer in the sixth inning and Vazquez had an RBI triple in the fourth after a delay of 1 hour, 16 minutes.

The power went out in Olympic Stadium in the second inning while Vazquez (10-9) was in the middle of his windup. Preston Wilson homered in his 30th, off Vazquez to start the inning to put the Rockies up 1-0.

Phillies 11, Brewers 4

PHILADELPHIA — Jim Thome homered, three-time Kevin Millwood pitched seven solid innings, leading Philadelphia over Milwaukee.

Keith Ginter hit a three-run homer for the Brewers.

Bobby Abreu had three hits, three RBIs and three runs scored, while Placido Polanco had two hits and scored three runs for the Phillies.

American League Royals 11, Yankees 0

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kevin Appier reintroduced himself to the Kauffman Stadium crowd with six innings of three-hit ball as the Kansas City Royals routed New York 11-0 and won their first home series from the Yankees since 1993.

Mike Sweeney drove in four runs and Brent Mayne had four hits and two RBIs for the Royals, whose \$41 million payroll is less than one-quarter of the \$180 million carried by the Yankee franchise that has dominated them for almost a decade.

By taking two of the three games, the surprise leaders in the AL Central won their first home series from the Yankees since Sept. 10-12, 1993.

Diamondbacks 3, Reds 1

CINCINNATI — Luis Gonzalez hit a two-run homer, capping an eighth-inning rally that sent the Arizona to their 16th consecutive win over Cincinnati.

The Reds avoided their third straight shutout, but lost for the seventh time in eight games.

Devil Rays 6, Orioles 5

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — After Tampa Bay manager Lou Piniella was ejected during the hat-kicking tirade in the ninth inning, the Devil Rays beat Baltimore 6-5 on Travis Lee's RBI double in the 10th Wednesday.

Carl Crawford had three of Tampa Bay's team-record six stolen bases. The last-place Devil Rays completed a three-game sweep and improved to 16-11 since the All-Star break.

Piniella was tossed as the Orioles tied it against reliever Jesus Colome.

Pirates 6, Cardinals 5

PITTSBURGH — Randall Simon's pinch-hit single with the bases loaded in the ninth gave Pittsburgh a victory over St. Louis.

The Cardinals, who lost for the first time in five games, trailed 2-0, only to go ahead 4-2 with a four-run sixth keyed by Albert Pujols' second three-run homer in as many nights.

Pujols' homer ran his hitting streak to 27 games, the longest in the majors this season.

Rangers 7, Tigers 3

ARLINGTON, Texas — Rafael Palmeiro hit a three-run homer and Alex Rodriguez had a two-run shot as the Texas Rangers beat the Detroit Tigers 7-3 Wednesday night.

Palmeiro's 23th homer in the second inning gave the Rangers a 6-1 lead. Rodriguez's 32nd put Texas ahead 2-0 in the first.

Marlins 2, Dodgers 1, 11 Innings

MIAAMI — Utility infielder Mike Mordecai hit the second game-winning homer to give the Florida Marlins a victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Francis supplied steroids to Ben Johnson, who was stripped of his 100-meter gold medal at the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

While the true world focused on whether that would hurt Jones' career, she already knew and the world championships that begin next week in Paris to give birth to the first time I felt him kick, that was so great," she says.

On June 28, with her due date still 18 days away, she started feeling slight pressure in her belly. Montgomery's younger brother,

Jones

Gamar, drove her to the hospital. Montgomery was in Scotland for a track meet. Though it was the middle of the night in Europe, he called constantly.

"He's on the cell phone and I'm like, 'Baby, I'm having contractions, you have to give me a break.'"

Monty, weighing in at 5 pounds, 11 ounces, was born at 9:58 p.m. on June 28. His daddy called at 9:59 and heard one of his son's first cries.

"It's so great to see a little human being change in front of your eyes," she says, her voice rising with excitement. "Every day is the best."

Jones is not sure if she'll go to Paris to watch the world championships, where she would have

defended her title in the 200 and been favored in the 100. She'd like to be there to cheer on Montgomery.

He sure could use the help. Montgomery, who set the world record of 9.78 seconds last year in Paris, has struggled through the coaching changes this season. And he has been especially lead-footed since the birth, finishing sixth in 10.37 at a meet in Stockholm and failing to make the final of a race in London.

Montgomery shocked the track world, and Jones, by announcing in London last week that Jones would race Sept. 5 in Brussels. Jones says she has no intention.

"Tim, he thinks sometimes that I can do it all. He hears my confi-

Major League Baseball

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W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr				
New York	71	47	.602	-	4-6	L-1	33-24	28-23	13-5			
Toronto	68	51	.571	3.5	2-5	L-3	39-19	29-32	10-7			
Baltimore	59	60	.496	12.5	2-5	L-1	26-32	33-28	10-8			
Baltimore	57	62	.479	14.5	2-5	L-3	31-27	26-35	5-13			
Tampa Bay	48	71	.403	23.5	2-7	W-3	29-34	19-37	3-15			
Central Division												
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr				
Kansas City	64	55	.539	-	2-5	W-1	33-28	31-27	9-8			
Chicago	63	58	.528	1.7	2-5	W-1	32-27	26-34	10-8			
Minnesota	61	58	.513	3.7	2-3	L-1	33-28	28-30	10-8			
Cleveland	51	69	.425	13.5	6-4	W-1	39-29	21-40	6-12			
Detroit	31	87	.263	32.5	2-8	L-1	14-42	17-45	4-14			
West Division												
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr				
Seattle	72	47	.605	-	2-8	W-1	36-25	32-22	10-8			
Oakland	69	50	.580	3.4	W-2	32-28	27-32	9-9				
Anaheim	55	64	.462	17.8	2-8	L-1	32-29	23-35	11-7			
Texas	53	67	.442	19.5	2-8	W-1	31-30	22-37	4-14			
NATIONAL LEAGUE East Division												
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr				
Atlanta	77	42	.647	-	2-5	W-1	41-18	36-24	10-5			
Florida	66	54	.550	11.5	6-4	W-2	37-24	29-30	9-6			
Philadelphia	65	54	.546	12.2	2-6	W-1	35-28	30-28	8-6			
Montreal	61	60	.504	17.4	2-6	W-1	39-23	29-37	9-6			
New York	50	69	.420	27.4	W-2	25-35	25-34	5-10				
Central Division												
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr				
Houston	64	56	.533	-	2-5	W-1	34-25	29-32	10-8			
St. Louis	63	57	.525	1.7	5-1	L-1	34-25	29-32	10-8			
Chicago	62	57	.521	1.5	2-7	W-2	30-30	32-27	9-9			
Pittsburgh	55	63	.466	8.4	4-6	W-1	26-34	29-29	5-7			
Cincinnati	52	67	.437	11.5	2-8	L-3	23-33	23-37	7-6			
Milwaukee	47	72	.395	16.5	3-7	L-1	21-39	26-33	5-7			
West Division												
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr				
San Francisco	73	46	.613	-	5-5	L-2	41-18	32-26	10-4			
Arizona	64	55	.538	2.8	W-2	35-23	29-32	9-6				
Los Angeles	61	58	.513	12.7	2-3	L-2	34-28	27-32	11-7			
Colorado	61	62	.496	14.2	2-5	L-1	31-29	20-43	9-6			
San Diego	47	74	.388	27.4	4-6	L-1	24-36	23-38	8-10			

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countries of the world will be represented by Russia and Afghanistan athletes, Iraqi athletes and athletes from East Timor all three countries have been affected by war in recent years.

In Greece, organizers planned celebrations in the four Greek cities - Volos, Iraklion, Patras and Thessaloniki - where soccer preliminaries will be held.

Athens Mayor Dora Bakoyianni acknowledged Athenians are now paying for the years of delays. Major roads are torn up to add highway interchanges and extra lanes.

Seahawks

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locker room.

Woodson was fined \$75,000 by the NFL for the shot and Jackson was held out of the next three games.

Jackson's family and friends were as alarmed as the Seahawks' coaches and his teammates.

"My mother didn't like it and all my relatives who saw it on TV didn't like it," Jackson said. "Nobody really likes seeing somebody laying on the field unconscious."

Jackson makes his living running precise routes in the middle of the field. That's where Woodson nailed him.

After his severe concussion, he showed his courage on the field by having a seven-catch, 114-yard, two-touchdown receiving game at San Francisco Dec. 1, a seven-catch, 99-yard game at Atlanta Dec. 15 and a five-catch, 90-yard, one-touchdown contest at San Diego Dec. 29.

Before his injury, he set career highs against Arizona in Seattle Sept. 15 with 10 catches and 174 yards, including a season-long 48-yarder.

He finished his third season with 62 catches for 877 yards and four touchdowns in 13 games after catching 70 passes for 1,081 yards and eight touchdowns in 2001. In 2000, he led all NFL rookies with 53 receptions.

Holmgren said Wednesday that he's seeing a different Jackson in his fourth Seahawks' training camp.

"He's a little more serious," Holmgren said. "By that I mean he's not quite as vocal as he's been in the past. He wants to have a great year. I kind of sense how he wants to approach this year."

Holmgren is impressed by the way Jackson has been able to recover.

"He got banged pretty good, but then he came back and played with the same kind of passion before he played before he got hurt," Holmgren said.

Construction cranes loom over almost every part of the city, including the marble stadium that hosted the first modern Olympic 107 years ago.

Greece's president once said it was the Greek way to pull things together at this last minute. Now, politicians are trying to change this sloppy image.

"There was a caution and distrust about if our country can get the Olympic works ready. I believe now that everyone has understood that the Olympic works will be ready because in large part they are ready," Culture Minister Evangelos Venizelos told Flash radio.

Seattle receiver Bobby Engram, talking about teammate Darrell Jackson

Seattle wide receiver Bobby Engram, who is Jackson's good friend, said he doesn't think Jackson has missed a beat since his injury.

"It was a pretty serious situation, but he didn't show any signs of backing down on the field to me."

Engram said.

And that wasn't easy to do. "It's tough, man, it's tough," Engram said. "It's kind of like, you know, when you get kicked off that horse, you've got to get back on. If you're in this game and you're thinking about being hurt, that's not a good thing."

Jackson, 24, hasn't talked to Woodson nor does he plan to do that. He refuses to call Woodson's hit a cheap shot.

"I just thought he was playing ball," he said. "They say he hit me with the crown of his head in the face and stuff. I just play ball. I don't know if it's fair or unfair or if it was intentional or not intentional. All I know is I got hit and knocked down and I recovered well from it."

A third-round draft choice in 2000 from the University of Florida, where he tied the school record with six consecutive 100-yard games, Jackson is eligible to become an unrestricted free agent after this season.

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R.A. Dickey (7-5) allowed three runs and seven hits over six innings to win his third straight start. He struck out three and walked two.

For now, the focus is Athens. Though she'd like Monty to have siblings, Jones says that would wait until her retirement after the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

The Times-News

SPORTS

U.S. field hockey falls, missing trip to Olympics

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — Pan American Games gold eluded the United States field hockey team...

The women's 400-meter freestyle relay squad set a game record of 3 minutes, 41.93 seconds...

In a 1-2 finish, Elizabeth Hill of Atlanta set a games record of 4:10.18 in the 400-meter freestyle...

Argentina's Ines Garcia won the men's 100 freestyle, and Brazil's Rogerio Romero edged Luke Wagner of Englewood, Colo...

U.S. Americans came away empty in three weightlifting classes. Carrie Boudreau of South Portland, Maine...

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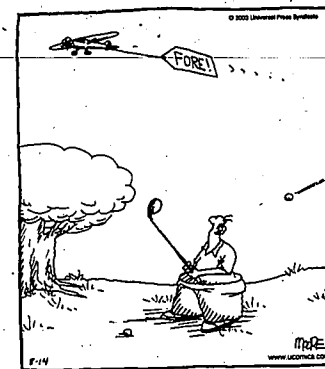
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IN THE BLEACHERS By Steve Moore



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Table showing game statistics for Royals vs Tankers.

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Table showing game statistics for Ramkers vs Texas.

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Table showing game statistics for Pirates vs Cardinals.

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PHILLIES 11, BREWERS 4

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COLGADO

Table showing game statistics for Colgado.

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Table showing football game results and statistics.

Pan Am Games

flyball was dropped. Stavay Noveman singled her home in the seventh inning.

Featherweight Aaron Garcia of Vista, Calif., scored the United States' biggest home run thus far, beating Cuba's Yosvani Aguilera, 16-14.

The women's hockey players got the first shot at a big win as Agustina Garcia scored two goals, and Argentina earned the berth in the 2004 Olympics.

"They came out flat and we could have jumped on them in the first 15 minutes," goalie Peggy Storrer said.

The United States had a positive result in cycling as Tanya Lindemann of Trenton, Pa., won a gold medal in the 1000-meter time trial.

Argentina's Ines Garcia won the men's 100 freestyle, and Brazil's Rogerio Romero edged Luke Wagner of Englewood, Colo., and Joao Fulcuro, Union Mills, N.C., in the 200 backstroke.

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Firm denies SI report that Williams' DNA is missing. SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — A doctor of a chronic company...

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SPORTS

THE 85TH PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Tiger's last chance

By all accounts but one, Tiger Woods has every reason to call this year a success. Despite knee surgery to start the year, he has won four times, leads the money list and has the lowest scoring average. Still, he won't consider it a great year without a major. Woods must win to avoid only his first season without a major championship since 1998. His last chance comes at the PGA Championship, the fourth and final major dubbed "Glory's Last Shot."

Oak Hill Country Club - East Course
Rochester, N.Y. - Aug. 14-17



Length	7,134 yards																
Par	35-45-70																
Purse	TBD (\$5.5 million in 2002)																
Winner's share	TBD (\$90,000 in 2002)																
Field	156 professionals (25 club pros)																
Defending champion	Rich Beem																

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In
Par	4	3	5	4	3	4	4	4	4	35	4	3	4	5	4	3	4	4	4	35
Yards	460	401	214	570	428	175	461	428	452	3,589	429	266	372	598	323	181	439	495	482	3,545

TV schedule
First and second round coverage (all times Eastern)
August 14-15, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., TNT
Third and fourth round coverage
August 16-17, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., TNT; 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., CBS Sports

SOURCES: PGA Championship; Associated Press

Oak Hill offers 'rough' test

By Steve Elling
The Orlando Sentinel

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Judging by the reaction of players, the groundskeeper at the 85th PGA Championship this week must be named Vidal Sassoon. There have been hair-raising tales all week about the organic cuffure at storied Oak Hill Country Club, already one of the toughest courses around. As a point of reference with regard to the course's rough, visualize a cross between Don King and Carrot Top. They've used everything but mousse to condition the rough, which has sprouted to twice the

desired length of 4 inches in some spots. Tiger Woods wears even saw course workers covertly raking out the grass with a comb of sorts during a morning practice round. "I don't know if you guys were out there early enough to see it, but they are raking the rough up," Woods said. And stylishly blow-drying it, too. "They were out there with (leaf) blowers," Scott Hoch said. When the best field in golf tees off Thursday on one of the country's greatest courses, anybody who hits it sideways certainly will get clipped. Thanks to persistently wet weather that has saturated

much of New York, it has been hard to get the deep grass mowed, which has everybody comparing the punitive Oak Hill setup to that of a U.S. Open. That is only fitting: While scoring records were being set at the Open in June, it seemed more akin to a PGA course. "I haven't seen rough like this in a long time at a major tournament," said Paul Azinger, the 1993 PGA champion. "The key shot here is going to be the first shot on every single hole. The premium is going to be putting the ball in the fairway, first and foremost." It's the final major of the year, which means that for a slew of players, including Woods, it's the final shot at Grand Slam glory.

Homeowners cash in on tourney

PITTSFORD, N.Y. (AP) — A golf circuit is rolling into town, and Williams and Carol Ruby are rolling out. For upward of \$1,000 a day, the couple decided it was worth the disruption to rent their home during the PGA Championship in this upscale Rochester suburb. The four-bedroom colonial, with pool and hot tub, is a 3-bedroom shot from the fifth hole at Oak Hill Country Club. Ruby, an attorney, and son, Brett, 16, will move in with friends. The 14-year-old twins, Alyse and Alexis, are booked into a YMCA camp in the Adirondacks. And his wife is staying with a former college roommate in Syracuse, 75 miles away. The wedding will be over the top, although it is \$5,000 less than the family took in during the 1995 Ryder Cup at Oak Hill. "We're very fortunate this has happened a second time," Carol Ruby said. "It's not as big as the Ryder Cup but it's a fun experience. It's like an adventure."

The golf calendar's last big tournament — and Tiger Wood's final chance to win a major this year — will bring an estimated \$30 million to \$40 million to this metropolitan region of 1 million people along Lake Ontario's southern shore. A good drunk will flow directly, and tax-free, to scores of temporarily displaced homeowners, many of whom live within walking distance of Oak Hill. Not everyone is cashing in. Steve and Jackie Braverman, who picked up \$25,000 eight years ago when they bought a Cape Cod-style house along the 14th fairway, sniffed at the \$6,000 dangled by a real-estate agent. "Who needs that aggravation?" said Braverman, who owns a money-management firm. "By the time you clean the white place out and take the risk of their breaking something or burning a hole in the ceiling, it just doesn't seem like it's worth it."

Sunday, is expected to draw some 35,000 spectators a day — up to one-third of them out-of-town visitors. Most of the 6,400 hotel rooms in the city and surrounding Monroe County are booked, some since last summer, and hotel chains as far as an hour's drive away are filling up. Visitors who opt for home rentals are splurging anywhere from \$2,000 for an apartment to at least \$20,000 for a six-story mansion. The ranch and colonial-style homes bearing the course have mostly been snapped up by corporations entertaining clients. Retired Hallmark Cards salesman Dick Reddington and his wife, Ann, didn't think twice about turning over their five-bedroom house to a corporate customer. They own a second home in the Bristol Hills 30 miles away. "It's not a big hassle for us," Reddington said. They're giving back their time at the PGA Championship — working as unpaid volunteers.

PGA

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Championship, which starts today at Oak Hill Country Club, could be more wide-open than ever. The fourth major of the year is famous for its surprises — John Daly in 1991 at Crooked Stick as the ninth alternate; Jeff Sluman at Oak Tree in 1988 for his first PGA Tour victory; even Rich Beem last year at Hazletune, although he had won his previous start. Two of the last 15 winners at the PGA Championship had never won a major. Who's next? Maybe it will be Phil Mickelson and Colin Montgomerie, the best two players to have never won a major. "Mike Weir and Jim Furyk were up there with those people that were some of the best players in the world not to win a major championship, and they both got that off their backs now," Thomas Bjorn said. "Players like Mickelson and Monty, that must give them a lot of feeling that they can go in here and have a chance." Mickelson tied for sixth last week at the International first top-10 since he was third at the

Masters in April. He has kept out of the spotlight this week, and could be ready to claim that first major when not as many people are watching. Don't forget about Woods. His last major championship was the 2002 U.S. Open, his only major when not as many people are watching. He comes into the PGA Championship with a tie for second, a tie for fourth and a victory in his last three tournaments, and he appears to be playing well. "Tiger is still the man to beat every week," Els said. Still, Woods might have lost some of the intimidation factor he had when he won seven out of 11 majors through the '02 U.S. Open. A year ago, Woods was only one shot behind Beem going into the back nine at Hazletune, and Beem proceeded to build an insurmountable lead. "Before, I think there was an attitude that you had to play really well to beat Tiger," Padraig Harrington of Ireland said. "Now players are saying if he plays great and he wins, fine. But let's see him do it." The PGA Championship likes to boast it has the strongest field in golf, with 96 of the top 100 play-

Emotions, support run high for Watson and dying caddie

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — Tom Watson is playing in his 118th major, but he's never had something like this happen. Walking through a corridor of frenzied fans on his way to a practice round at the PGA Championship, someone thrust a \$1,000 check into his hands. "He said, 'Tom, I'd like to give this for Bruce,'" Watson recalled Wednesday, tears welling in his eyes as he talked about caddie Bruce Edwards, who is dying from Lou Gehrig's disease. Indeed, it's been a year like no other for Watson. He is trying to become the first player to compete in nine majors (five on the Champions Tour). And in his 33rd year as a pro, he has never experienced so much raw emotion. "When you have somebody that is close to you like Bruce, that becomes a priority in your life rather than just about anything else," Watson said. "The golf is just a sidelight of what I do. ... Yeah, I get upset when I don't play well, but not as upset as before."



Tom Watson watches a drive during practice for the PGA Championship Wednesday in Rochester, N.Y. Watson and his caddie, Bruce Edwards, who has Lou Gehrig's disease, have become emotional fan favorites.

Enjoying a resurgence at age 53, Watson has a new focus off the course at a time when he's glad of the extra attention. "I'm a pretty level-headed guy but there are some spiritual things that I know can occur and I think this is one of them," he said. "This could be something of a greater power, what's happening here. Is it just luck or coincidence? Well, it's anybody's guess." Watson is hoping to keep the spotlight shining by performing well in the PGA Championship, the only major keeping him from the career Grand Slam. He tied for ninth as recently as 2000 at Valhalla. Edwards, 48, was diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis in January. He doesn't know how much longer he'll be able to do his job, or live. He is in the Bahamas this week, trying an experimental therapy to slow the ravages of the disease. Medical research takes time that Edwards doesn't have. "What your time frame is three years, you want it to be faster,"

Watson said. There is no known cure for ALS, a fatal disorder that causes progressive loss of voluntary muscles because of the destruction of nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord. On Edwards' behalf, Watson has led efforts to raise money to fund a cure for his disease. "The public response has been heartwarming. It's been sincere. It's been very human and I think it's been successful to a great extent in helping make this disease more aware to the general public of the United States and the world. "I think that has been a very, very rewarding experience — bitter-sweet, meaning that obviously people are dying ... but the sweet part is that people are more aware of it." At the close of the U.S. Open last month, Watson and his caddie walked off the 18th green arm-in-arm to waves of cheers. Shooting a 65 to share the first-round lead gave him a platform to talk about Edwards and the need for more research money.

He had another strong start at the British Open and won the Senior British Open two weeks ago at Turnberry. Barring injury, he is moving toward a record of playing the most majors in one year. He got an invitation to play in the PGA Championship and already has played in the Masters, U.S. Open and British Open. The Champions Tour expanded to five majors this year. Watson has played the Senior PGA Championship, Senior U.S. Open and Senior British Open. The final stop is the Tradition later this month in Oregon. Jack Nicklaus played in all eight majors on the schedule in 2000. Edwards predicted before the Senior British Open that Watson would win across the Atlantic. Asked if his caddie made a prediction for the PGA Championship, Watson said no. "I'm worried now," he said, smiling.

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Section C

AROUND THE VALLEY

Police investigate stabbing in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS—Police recovered a knife after a man suffered minor injuries in a stabbing Wednesday. The stabbing occurred in the 200 block of Washington Street North around 6:15 p.m., according to Sgt. Steve Ryan of the Twin Falls police. The victim, an unidentified male, was treated and released from the hospital. The incident remained under investigation Wednesday night.

Developers propose subdivision in Kimberly

KIMBERLY—The city's planning commission soon will hear a proposal for a 181-lot subdivision. City Council members recently discussed requirements for the development, which is proposed west of Kimberly on West Center Street and 3400 East. The developers are expected to meet with P&Z on Sept. 2. In other city news: The council has accepted a \$78,208 bid from Stutzman Inc. to pave sections of Elm Street, Jackson Street and Madison Street. Kiefer Inc. bid \$79,333, and Idaho Sand and Gravel's bid was \$89,407. The city is discussing a requirement for pressurized irrigation systems to be included in new subdivision plans. Playground equipment for the park in the Gem Addition should be installed within the next few days.

Injuries reported in Highway 93 accident

TWIN FALLS—A car accident occurred Wednesday night on Highway 93 near milepost 36. At least two injuries, possibly severe, were reported. A helicopter ambulance was called to the scene. No other information was available from the Idaho State Police Wednesday.

Animal shelter group plans to gather today

TWIN FALLS—The Animal Shelter Advisory Commission will meet from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday at 302 Third Ave. E. The agenda includes approval of the July 10 minutes, an update on the "Build the Shelter Fund," an overview of county funding, introduction of the animal control officer and new business.

Dilletantes present in Shakespear

TWIN FALLS—The Dilletantes of Magic Valley will present "Mayhem in Shakespear," a summer variety-style show, at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Sheehy St. W. The variety show, adapted from Shakespear's "Midsummer Night's Dream," includes the process of putting on a play from auditions to rehearsals and dress rehearsal. Featured music is from "The King and I," "A Chorus Line," "Wizard of Oz" and "Kiss Me Kate." The production is directed and adapted by Jessie Williams. Sharon Warner is the music director. Cost is a \$3 suggested donation at the door.

Public can attend ceremony for new judge

BOISE—The public is invited to the investiture ceremony for newly appointed Idaho Supreme Court Justice Roger S. Burdick next week. The event will take place at 3:30 p.m. Aug. 21 in the Supreme Court Courtroom, 451 W. State St. in Boise. A public reception will immediately follow the ceremony. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne recently appointed Burdick to be Idaho's 53rd Supreme Court justice. Burdick graduated from the University of Idaho School of Law in 1974. He worked as a bank examiner in Boise, then joined a Twin Falls law firm. He was a deputy prosecutor in Ada County and then became partner in a law firm in Jerome. He was a public defender in Caines, Jerome and Gooding counties, and in 1980 he was elected Jerome County prosecutor. He became a municipal judge in Jerome County and later was appointed district judge in Twin Falls County. Burdick most recently was administrative judge for the 5th Judicial District.

Compiled from staff reports

Board delays action on Ramos

GOODING—The State Board of Education announced on Wednesday that it is delaying any decision on whether to fire Superintendent Angel Ramos at the State School for the Deaf and the Blind. In a brief statement, the board said it agreed to the indefinite delay at the request of Ramos and his attorney. His fate was to have been decided this week.

Ramos, the first deaf person to run the Gooding school, was placed on administrative leave last month for what state board officials said was an uncooperative attitude toward implementing a 31-point improvement plan. After rejecting charges that he was undermining the board's plan, Ramos turned down an offer of \$14,000



Angel Ramos administrator.

and a neutral letter of recommendation if he would resign before the board fired him. He said then that he would fight to keep his job, blaming criticism on a small group of parents and employees he said resent his stature in the deaf community. Others have rallied around the embattled administrator.

Meanwhile, the school's budget chief, Jeff Woods, said implementation of the improvement program was continuing as the staff prepared for the opening of the fall semester at the school. The board directive called for changes in handling personnel, finances and information technology. Just over 100 children attend school on the Gooding campus, while nearly 650 more are served in their local school districts

through the school's seven outreach centers around the state. State board member Laird Stone of Twin Falls said the uncertainty over Ramos had subjected the school to an "unsettling time" but the staff remained committed to offering the students the "opportunity to obtain academic excellence, develop positive self-esteem and social skills and promote an understanding of identity and culture."

RETIREMENT HAVEN



Getting her bingo bag ready for a trip to Jackpot, Ella Mae Corley, left, 65, and Willilo Colunga, 69, reminisce about past winnings. Colunga and Corley retired and moved from New Mexico to Idaho in 1998.

Orlando it's not, but Idaho draws share of retirees

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS—On a hot summer evening, Ella Mae Corley and Willilo Colunga might be found at the El Parolito bar in Jerome, sipping ice water and playing pool. The couple relocated from New Mexico to spend more time with Colunga's daughter, who owns the bar. "The people are nice here," Corley said. Corley and Colunga represent a growing number of retirees who are shaking up traditional retire-

ment patterns. Though Florida is still the top destination for people 60 and older, it is slipping as the retirement destination of choice as other states become more popular, according to an analysis of 2000 census data by Charles Longino, a Wake Forest University sociology professor. Among the reasons for the changes are cheaper housing, lower property taxes, more open spaces and closer proximity to family, said Mark Fagan, a sociologist at Jacksonville (Ala.) State University, an expert on

retiree migration. Some Idaho areas are feeling the trend. "There's been a huge influx of seniors retiring to the Twin Falls area in the past couple of years," said Jacques Nix, director of the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Federation. Their reasons for coming here are as varied as their backgrounds. "Some have driven through while on vacation from California or the Seattle area and fell in love with this part of the country," Nix said. "They didn't realize the high desert was so beautiful."

Southern Idaho also offers an agreeable climate: moderate temperatures and little rain. "When you get to be 80 years old, the rain really bothers you," Nix said. The past few weeks' brutal temperatures didn't bother Corley and Colunga—not after living in New Mexico. "The weather in Twin Falls is good," said Corley, who dealt with the heat wave at home by keeping the fans going and making sure the blinds were closed to the afternoon sun. Please see RETIREES, Page C3

Court order tells Buhl to ante up

By Mary Lou Potts Times-News correspondent
BUHL—Mayor Barbara Gietzen is hot under the collar upon receiving a court order last week. The order, signed by every judge in the 5th Judicial District, instructs the city of Buhl to increase payment of its share of the costs associated with operating the court and processing Buhl's citations. "Knowing this increase was evident, the commissioners could have had the courtesy to inform us before we finalized our budget," Gietzen said at the Buhl City Council meeting Monday. According to a letter signed by Administrative District Judge Roger S. Burdick, the order is nothing more than a continuation of an existing order dated Aug. 2, 1995, which says each city in the county shall negotiate an amount payable. The city of Buhl paid \$2,260 in both 2001 and 2002. Please see BUHL, Page C3

Cassia parade turns into rock festival

By Sharl Chaney Times-News writer
BURLEY—Many people watching the Cassia County Fair and Rodeo parade Wednesday clamored for the candy. Others wanted Frisbees and pencils. And some even scrambled for rocks. Employees of Northern Stone Supply in Oakley brought a flatbed tractor-trailer piled high with stone and handed out flat pieces of rock along the parade route to many outstretched hands. Eight-year-old Ethan Pfeiffer collected a piece of stone and lugged it back to his place on the curb. "This thing's heavy." Before anyone clamored for anything, there was the waiting. Some people had staked out parade-watching spots by 9 a.m., even though the parade didn't begin until 10:30 a.m. Parade participants also spent a fair amount of time waiting before the parade. The children on the View second ward float passed the time telling jokes and



Steve Ormand, right, and Dale Smith, center, talk while David Deight pulls the Zions Bank train into its place in the staging area at the Cassia County Fair parade Wednesday.

cutting snacks. Dressed as historical American figures such as pilgrims, George Washington and Christopher Columbus, they also spent a few minutes discussing whether it was Columbus or Amerigo Vespucci who discovered

America. A few blocks down the street, people riding on the MDC float passed the hour or two before the parade listening to karaoke from the float next door and making a

Small fire breaks out at INEEL

The Times-News and The Associated Press
IDAHO FALLS—Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory employees were evacuated at about 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, when workers noticed flames as they vented a 55-gallon waste drum. The fire, in the advanced waste treatment facility, was extinguished by emergency crews, officials said. There were no injuries or contamination at Rocky Flats near Denver, spokeswoman for BNFL Inc., the contractor handling the waste. The Energy Department declined to say anything about what was going on for more than 25 minutes after announcing that some kind of incident had occurred. The fire, in the advanced waste treatment facility, was extinguished by emergency crews, officials said. The site contains plutonium-contaminated waste shipped there in the 1970s from the manufacture of nuclear weapons at Rocky Flats near Denver, Riedesel said. The waste was put on an asphalt pad and was covered with six feet of soil. A building the length of four football fields now covers the site, she said. BNFL was contracted by the U.S. Department of Energy to retrieve the waste and prepare it for shipment, according to a company news release. To retrieve the waste under the soil and prepare it for shipment to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in New Mexico," she said. BNFL started retrieval about two months ago and has since removed about 500 containers, Riedesel said. About 20 drums were found to be "bulging" from built-up pressure, such as hydrogen gas, she said. These drums are remotely vented, Riedesel said. But she said she didn't know why flames erupted when a barrel was vented. "We are waiting for the results of an investigation before we vent any more drums," she said. However, retrieval work had resumed by Wednesday afternoon, Riedesel said. The investigation should be finished in a couple of days, she said. In March, the government authorized BNFL to begin operations, which started removing the soil to uncover large sections of the waste stack, according to the release. Over the past three months, more than 10,000 cubic yards—or 600 truckloads—of soil have been removed. With the waste containers now revealed, BNFL has begun removing containers from the stack, according to the release. Retrieved barrels and boxes of waste undergo a series of tests to determine their contents and any residual traces. The tests include real-time radiography, neutron and gamma measurement, and sampling.

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MAGIC VALLEY

T.F. hospital will fund health projects

The Times-News
TWIN FALLS - Part of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's job is to improve the community's health. So the county-owned hospital has established a Community Health Improvement Fund, designed to support local health organizations.
 Through Sept. 3, Magic Valley Regional will accept applications for projects addressing health maintenance, health education, improving access to health care services, prevention, wellness, health information services and other health-related services or activities.
 Funding will begin Oct. 15, the news release said.

Community Health Improvement money may be awarded for proposals from eligible organizations that address one or more of the following community health priorities:
 • Alcohol, tobacco or other drug abuse.
 • Cancer.
 • Heart disease.
 • Unintentional injuries and accidents.
 • Child health and development.
 • Pneumonia and influenza.
 • Mental health of adults and adolescents.
 • Alzheimer's disease.
 The Hospital Board established

these priorities using community health assessments, the news release said. Applicants must address one or more of the priorities and are expected to demonstrate collaboration and coordination with other community organizations including Magic Valley Regional.
 Each applicant must also include a mechanism with which to measure health improvements. Preference will be given to projects that support multiple communities in south-central Idaho and northern Nevada.
 To request an application packet, call 737-2243 or write to: MVRMC Marketing, Attn. Jody Tremblay, P.O. Box 409, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

CSI extends its hours to serve students in their last-minute rush

The Times-News
TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho is accommodating the last-minute rush for fall semester registration by offering longer hours, walk-in advising and consolidated student services.
 For two weeks starting Monday, all main campus offices - admissions and records, advising, business office, financial aid, information office, student information - and the CSI Book Store will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays. Registration also will be done from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Saturday and Aug. 23.
 The CSI Testing Center, located on the second floor of the Meyerhoeffer Building, will be

open until 9:30 p.m. weekdays.
 To help new students and returning students who want to make sure they are meeting the necessities of their chosen majors, faculty advisers will staff designated work areas in the CSI cafeteria from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday and from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. No appointments will be necessary. Students are encouraged to meet faculty members to discuss class needs, job markets and other topics pertaining to the programs offered at CSI. The cafeteria is located on the second floor of the Taylor Administration Building in an effort to better meet the needs of new and returning students. CSI will consolidate its stu-

dent services offices into one area of the newly re-decked lower floor of the Taylor Administration Building. This area, known as the Matrix, will combine all business, advising, financial aid and other student assistance in the area that used to be known as the Eagle's Nest. Employees of those offices are expected to be in their new location by Monday.
 Construction on the rest of the new 40,000-square-foot CSI Student Union building will continue until late this year, when both floors will open with expanded student meeting areas, cafeteria and other food vending, game room, meditation area, and administrative offices.

OBITUARIES

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Alvin V. Hoffman - Burley

Alvin V. Hoffman, 77, Burley, died Aug. 12, 2003, at Burley Care Center.
 Alvin was born in Idaho Falls to Christian and Irene Van Leuven Hoffman. His mother died when he was 4 years old and was raised by his grandmothers, Mary and William VanLeuven.
 Alvin worked at Ore-Ida for 21 years. He enjoyed traveling and after retiring, he went on several tours back East and to Canada.
 He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
 Alvin is survived by three half-sisters; five nieces, Elizabeth



Hoffman of Buhl, Kathy

Hoffman of Layton, Utah. Cheryl Hoffman of Burley, Cheryl Mullen of Burley and Priscilla Archuleta of Bakerfield, Calif., and several cousins in Idaho.
 He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents, two sisters, two brothers and seven step-brothers and sisters.
 The service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, 2003, at the View 1st and 2nd Ward LDS Chapel, 550 S. 500 E., Burley. A viewing will be held from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, 2003, at Hansen Mortuary, Burley. Burial, 321 E. Main and one hour prior to the service at the church; Interment will be in View Cemetery.

Charlotte Dorothy Staples-Burk - Jerome

Charlotte Dorothy Staples-Burk, of Jerome, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2003, at home after a short battle with cancer.
 She was born Jan. 29, 1928, at Eden, Idaho. Her family was the light of her life. She was happiest when her whole family was together.
 Charlotte loved to crochet and do crafts. She also loved camping, hunting and fishing.
 Survivors include her husband, Wayne of 57 years; seven daughters and one son, Cheryl (Pete) Burril of Wilder, Linda (Gordon) Helmer, Cheryl (Marjorie) Helmer, both of Twin Falls, Dorothy (Chuck) Lambert, Marjorie (Joe) Lambert, Rodney (Patty) Burk all of Jerome, Diana (Bob) Martinecz of New Mexico and Sharon (Jim) Flora of Arizona.
 Also surviving are a brother, Wallace Staples of Washington; 22 grandchildren; 34 great-grand-



children; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, four brothers, one daughter and two granddaughters.
 No services will be held, but

friends may call or visit from 2-4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, 2003, at the home of Chuck and Dorothy Bryant.
 Cremation services are under the direction of the Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

God Takes The Best
 "God saw you were getting tired and a cure was not to be. So he put his arms around you And whispered, 'come with me.'
 With tearful eyes We watched you suffer, And saw you fade away. Although we loved you dearly We could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating.
 You're now at peaceful rest, God broke our hearts To prove to us, He only takes the best."

Jeremy Don Winn - Jerome

Jeremy Don Winn, 25, of Jerome, died Friday morning in Jerome.
 He was born Feb. 20, 1978, at Jerome and was reared and educated here.
 Jeremy had worked for Teleperformance in Twin Falls and Satterwhite Painting and loved to play baseball. He was an avid sportsman and had played semi-professional football at Idaho Falls.
 Survivors include his mother, Rita O'Toole of Jerome; Ronnie Winn of Ucon and Mike O'Toole of Twin Falls; his grandparents, Margaret Atwood of Jerome, Ronda O'Toole of Jerome and Doug Winn of Ucon.
 Also surviving are his brothers



and sisters, Steven O'Toole, both of

Jerome, Julian Winn, Marcus Winn and Shannon Medina, all of Ucon and Brian Medina of Idaho Falls.
 Jeremy was preceded in death by his grandparents, Kenneth O'Toole, Homer Atwood, Linda Winn; and a cousin, Ryan Atwood.
 The service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at the Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Rudy Bauder officiating. Burial will follow in the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the chapel.
 In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be left at Hove Robertson Funeral Chapel, 629 E. Third, Jerome.

David R. Hamlett - Twin Falls

David R. Hamlett, 82, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Aug. 11, 2003, at Bridgeview East in Jerome.
 He was born April 11, 1921, in Jerome, Idaho, the son of Ray and Maude Lewis Hamlett. Dave was raised and educated in Jerome and graduated from Jerome High School in 1939. He attended Henagar's Business College in Salt Lake City. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the Pacific Theatre, and later served in the National Guard until 1950. After his honorable discharge in November 1945, he returned to Jerome and worked with his father for a short time.
 He married Fern Bower Hamilton in Kimberly on Aug. 1, 1947. In 1953 they moved to Twin Falls and in the mid 1950s Dave began a long and successful career in the real estate business. He retired in 1995 after serving as president of the Board of



Realtors in 1961, being named Realtor of the Year in 1973, and serving as chairman of the Multiple Listing Service in 1976. He was an active member of the Twin Falls First United Methodist Church and the Toastmasters Club where he

served as president in 1959-60.
 He is survived by his wife, Fern, of Twin Falls; three children, Linda (Richard) Hamilton Bennett of Big Fork, Mont., Cecelia (Frank) Birrell of Bedford, Texas, Anita (Howard) Colne of South Lake City, Utah; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and by one sister, Jackie (Dick) Woodhead of Twin Falls.
 He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Arnie Hamlett Thomas.
 The memorial service for David Hamlett will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 15, 2003, at White Mortuary Chapel, with the Rev. Greg Lindsay, pastor of the Twin Falls First United Methodist, officiating.
 The family suggests memorials to the Twin Falls First United Methodist Church, 360 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls, ID, 83301, or the Idaho Youth Ranch, P.O. Box 8538, Boise, ID 83707-9921.

Fair will feature centennial booth

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent
TWIN FALLS - Although the Twin Falls Centennial Commission skipped one of its twice-monthly meetings on Wednesday, progress in bringing 100 years of history to the upcoming Twin Falls County Fair is right on track.
 And where history is concerned, fairgoers can expect to get an eye full.
 The commission is setting up a display booth that will include a large exhibit of items from long ago, but that's only part of the big picture.
 The commission's attraction at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Filer will be a continuous visual display of the Bisbee collection of photographs from the city's past, said ZoeAnn Shaub, co-chair of the commission's heritage committee.
 And while a final decision on whether to present a historical show on a big screen projector or a large television set has yet to be made, where the power-point dis-

Interested?
 To become involved in the Twin Falls Centennial, contact Director, Bonnie Loomis at 736-0800 or by e-mail at bonnie@twinfallscentennial.com. Or write to: Twin Falls Centennial Commission, Inc., P.O. Box 2004, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-2004 or drop by the office at 184 Second Street W., in Twin Falls.

tributed by Chris Bolton and the Twin Falls County Historical Museum.
 In a funding update, Ken Edmunds, the centennial commission's chairman, said that over the past two weeks, a few more Twin Falls businesses have made some "very significant" commitments to the centennial.
 And while Edmunds would "love to be going a little faster" in reaching the commission's funding goals, he said he's still "happy with the new sponsorships."
 An estimated budget of \$1.1 million is needed to cover the cost of the planned centennial events and activities throughout 2004, including disbursement for the legacy air/trail projects, historical committee expenses, marketing fees and administration costs.
 To help with the high-cost expenses, the commission has established six sponsorship levels: a \$50,000 platinum sponsorship, a \$25,000 gold sponsorship, \$10,000 silver sponsorship, a \$2,500 "Ferrite" sponsorship and a \$1,000 "Bisbee" sponsorship.

SERVICES

Oliver Morgan Lusk of Rupert, and formerly of Kingman, Ariz., and Muskogee, Ok., services 10 p.m. today at the First Baptist Church, 2263 Hiland Ave., Burley (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).
 Ernest Fabela of Wendell, rosary service at 7:30 p.m. today at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Wendell; Mass at 10 a.m. Friday at the church; visitation from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

celebration of life at 11 a.m. Saturday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Violet Jean (Pat) Gridley of Mountain Home, service at 11 a.m. today at the Nazarene Church, 950 N. Seventh E., Mountain Home; burial at 3

p.m. in the Hagerman Cemetery in Hagerman.
 Rachel F. Walkup of Kimberly, service at 2 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Twin Falls First American and Good Church, 143 N. Locust; a private family burial will precede the service (White Mortuary, Twin Falls).

DEATH NOTICES

Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Marjorie Anne (Turner) Register

BOISE - Marjorie Anne (Turner) Register, 61, of Boise died Sunday, Aug. 10, 2003.
 A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, 2003, at the LDS Castle Drive Chapel, 5900 Castle Drive, Boise. The family will greet friends from 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday at the church.
 Memorials may be made to The Idaho Humane Society, 4775 Dorman, Boise, ID 83705 or to The Nature Conservancy, 1109 Main, Boise, ID 83702.

Carthel (Cart) F. Hardwick

BLISS - Carthel (Cart) F. Hardwick, 79, of Bliss, died Aug. 9, 2003, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Kae Sedam

BURLEY - Kae Sedam, 55, of Burley, died at her home.
 Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

John L. Meade

HEYBURN - John L. Meade, 79, of Heyburn, died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2003, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.
 Arrangements will be announced by Hansen Mortuary.

Douglas R. Harper

MALTA - Douglas R. Harper, 74, of Malta, died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2003, at his home.
 Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Gary Halverson

BURLEY - Gary Halverson, 63, formerly of Kuna, died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2003, at Park View Care & Rehabilitation.
 Arrangements will be announced by Hansen Mortuary.

Zoey Erdmann

BUHL - Zoey Erdmann, infant daughter of Brad Erdmann and Nicole Newton of Buhl, died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2003.

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Rodeo starts tonight at Cassia fair

The Times-News

BURLEY - The first of three nights of Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association rodeos begins tonight at the Cassia County Fair.

The rodeo starts at 8 p.m. in the rodeo arena. Tonight's rodeo features the wild cow riding contest. Teams may enter for \$30. It's also kids' night at the rodeo. All 4-H and FFA members and any other child younger than 12 are admitted to the rodeo free. Rodeo queen contestants demonstrate their goat tying skills during the rodeo, too. And a cow scramble is planned, with the ribbon catcher taking home \$10.

The rodeo stock contractor this year is Bar T Rodeo. Admission is \$8 for grandstand seats, \$6 for adult bleacher seats and \$2 for children 12 and younger.

The rodeo queen and princess contestants also are scheduled to compete in a horsemanship contest during the rodeo at 1 p.m. Two livestock shows are planned today, both at 9 a.m., with



Taylor Whitaker and Megan Jones offer sheep comes to a sheep at the Cassia County Fair Wednesday. Jones and her sheep earned a third-place award in the sheep show. Whitaker will show a steer Friday.

4-H and FFA members showing pigs and cattle.

4-Hers demonstrate their knowledge in a quiz bowl on the free stage gazebo from 2 to 4 p.m.

Another highlight on the free stage is Terry Yodler, who was selected 2000 Female Yodler of the Year at the International Festival of the Western Music

Cassia County Fair

- Today**
- 9 a.m. - 4-H and FFA swine show.
 - 9 a.m. - 4-H and FFA beef show.
 - 9 a.m. - 4-H and open class exhibit hall opens.
 - 11 a.m. - Commercial exhibit halls open.
 - Noon - Carnival opens.
 - 1 p.m. - Queen and princess horsemanship, rodeo arena.
 - 1-2 p.m. - Free stage entertainment.
 - 2-4 p.m. - 4-H quiz bowl, free stage gazebo.
 - 3 and 7 p.m. - Hypnotist Arthur Wayne.
 - 4-6 p.m. - Free stage entertainment.
 - 6:30 p.m. - Yodler Terry Taylor, free stage gazebo.
 - 7-9 p.m. - Free stage entertainment.
 - 8 p.m. - Rodeo.
 - 9:45 p.m. - 4-H and open class exhibit hall closes.
 - 10 p.m. - Commercial exhibit halls close.

Association. She performs from 6 to 7 p.m.

Hansen City Council OKs 2003-04 budget

The Times-News

HANSEN - The City Council has approved a \$425,832-budget for the 2003-04 fiscal year.

The budget is \$29,259 less than the present year, due to various revenue cuts.

In other business this week:

Mayor George Urie reported Operations Maintenance International had recommended the city a larger grinder pump at the sewage plant, which would take care of occasional increased flow. The council agreed to make the improvement.

Pastor Wesley Johnson from the Hansen Assembly of God asked the council for requirements for a new illuminated sign

for the church. Because the church could be considered commercial in a residential area, Urie recommended church representatives appear before the planning and zoning commission, where neighbors could express their feelings on such a sign.

That meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 8.

Kathleen Murgovero approached the council about establishing a community market somewhere in Hansen, where residents could sell their produce, crafts or other items during the summer. The council had no objection to such a location and told her to find a location and report back to the council.

Creepy crawlies come out Saturday at Herrett Center

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS - The Idaho Herpetological Society will hold its second annual "Creepy Crawly Day" from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

Most of the activities will be outside, weather permitting. Members will display and explain snakes, lizards, spiders and other creatures. There also will be games and prizes for children.

All events are free and people of all ages are welcome.

For more information, contact reptile specialist Nick Peterson at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science at 732-6671 or at npeterson@csidi.edu.

Magic Valley in brief

on both Aug. 16 and Aug. 19. Participants should meet at the visitor center. They will be required to use their own vehicles to drive the two-mile route.

Evening programs for the week at Redfish Amphitheater include "Starstruck," at 8 p.m. Thursday; "M. Sheepeatar, Native American," at 9 p.m. Friday; and "Fire and Ice," at 9 p.m. Sunday. 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. at Stanley Lake Overlook; "Animal Olympics," 2 p.m.
- Sunday - "Animals," 1 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 19 - "There's No Place Like Home," 1 p.m.

T.F. Parks and Recreation department offers scuba class

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department is offering a Discover Scuba class from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 11, at Twin Falls Community Pool. Register at 136 Maxwell Ave. or call 736-2265.

- compiled from staff reports

Parade

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few last-minute repairs to their entry.

Having music nearby was a good thing, the MDC group agreed, and so was being lined up next to the portable toilets.

Parade entries stretched down many side streets. At the far end of Burton Avenue, where asphalt gives way to dirt, sat the Bureau of Land Management trucks and the

First Federal quadcycles - entry Nos. 96 and 97 in the parade.

Local Lions and Kiwanis helped people find their places in line. Kiwanian Dale Smith looked over the list of parade entries and the maps with yellow highlights showing where each entry was to line up. Near 10 a.m. he still waited for the Zions Bank truck.

The traveling show starts at No.

1, with the parade theme banner and works its way through each of the entries, Smith said. He pointed to No. 20 as integral to the parade - pooper scoopers, it read. Judges wasted no time before the start of the parade. Golf carts zipped from float to float as judges marked down their scores. The three "best of show" judges spent just minutes looking over

the float they named best of show - D.L. Evans Bank. Judge Mary Lynne Bristol said judges look for workmanship and effort, along with creativity, color and use of the theme.

Times-News writer Shari Chaney can be reached at the newspaper's Mini-Cassia Bureau at 677-4042, Ext. 638.

Cassia looks to improve students' 'average' marks

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Idaho Standards Achievement Test scores in Cassia County might not be where they need to be yet, but improvement is being made.

Education Services Director Rich Davidson presented test scores to School Board members Tuesday night and said in many areas the district is above the national mean, but below the state mean.

"The bad news is we're average," Superintendent Mike Chesley said. "The good news is we're getting better."

In language usage, all grades tested were higher than the national mean, except for ninth grade. Students in grades two, three and 10 showed the highest district scores in language usage;

each was three or more points higher than the national mean.

In reading, only grades two, three and 10 were above the national mean. But, Davidson pointed out, all students improved from where they were last spring. They had been even further behind then.

In math, grades two through four earned scores above the national mean; others were below. Davidson showed all but seventh-grade students made increases from last spring to this spring.

Chesley said math will become a focus for students and teachers. When compared with the state means, rather than national means, Cassia County students did not fare as well.

"That wasn't where we need to be totally yet," Davidson said. Davidson also showed board

members the number of students listed as below basic, basic, proficient and advanced, based on ISAT scores. The time may come when students must earn scores in the proficient or advanced range to graduate.

Moving students from the below basic and basic areas to the proficient level needs to be a focus, Davidson said, but numbers of Cassia students in the advanced section also sit below the state numbers. School leaders must raise proficient students into the advanced area, not just focus on low-performing students.

Davidson praised teachers for what they have done so far to improve test scores. If someone tells a teacher where students need to be, "they'll get them there," Davidson said.

Test scores should only get bet-

ter as district personnel embrace more programs to help students.

Davidson mentioned the full-day kindergarten, which will be implemented in more schools throughout the district this year. Students who need extra help attend summer school before kindergarten begins, then they attend two sessions of kindergarten every day, spending the full day at school. Those students also attend a summer session after kindergarten, Davidson said. Students need to receive help before they begin having negative feelings about themselves and school because they are failing.

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Firefighters battle blazes across backcountry

BOISE (AP) - More than 2,300 firefighters working across Idaho on Wednesday are attacking the many wildfires burning on more than 37,000 acres in the rugged backcountry.

Crews were protecting homes and other property in several areas, where fire could mushroom through under-dry timber. Many other small blazes cropped up in

remote areas. "A lot of them are little pokers, less than five acres," said David Howell, spokesman with the Eastern Idaho Interagency Fire Center. "We've got at least 15 of that, but we've got a good handle on them."

The 4,700-acre Canyon Creek fire in the Boise National Forest spread rapidly through multiple

drainages 20 miles northeast of Lowman. It was 10 percent contained. Campers were asked to evacuate from the Bull Trout Campground, Idaho Highway 21 was closed between Lowman and Stanley.

Motorists heading to the Stanley Basin were rerouted over Interstate 84 to Mountain Home, then Idaho Highway 20 through

Fairfield to Idaho Highway 75 and north over Galena Summit.

In north-central Idaho, 690 firefighters were on the lines of the 11,500-acre Slims fire near the remote community of Elk City. Fire officials said the crews were in the mop-up phase, although containment was not expected until next Wednesday.

Festival leaders resign after mayor says no to gay groups

IDAHO FALLS (AP) - Two coordinators of the Idaho Falls Annual Heritage Festival resigned Wednesday after the mayor requested that the festival no longer include gay, religious or political booths.

In a letter to the mayor, Festival Chairman Glenn Rodgers and Executive Coordinator LaDonna Foster said they could not serve in

the volunteer positions as long as the mayor tried to restrict participation.

"From our perspective, your decision to discriminate is reprehensible, un-American, and totally unacceptable," Rodgers and Foster wrote.

Mayor Linda Milam objected to participation by Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, the Southeast Idaho

AIDS Coalition and the Gays and Lesbians Alliance.

But Milam said she was not discriminating, only trying to return the festival to its original focus on ethnic heritage. She says she's "absolutely not."

The Mayor's Cultural Awareness and Human Relations Committee took over sponsorship of the 13-year-old festival several

years ago when participation dropped so low that it was nearly canceled, Milam said.

It was still called the "Ethnic Heritage Festival," and the mayor's committee was created to focus on ethnic and racial issues, Milam said. Asked if she opposes gays and lesbians, Milam said, "No, absolutely not. I'm not against anybody."

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Burdick's letter to the mayor states that the 1995 order has expired and is being replaced with an updated version. The newer version requires cities to reimburse Twin Falls County for their respective percentages of infractions, but not more than 50 percent of the total costs.

It said the city of Buhl has to do all told, with an additional \$6,260 on Oct. 1 above what it historically has been paying.

"I don't know how law increases our taxes, and I do not know where the money is coming from to pay it," Glezen said. "Maybe we could get pay SIRCUMANO. It isn't a court order."

Other cities owing money include Twin Falls, Kimberly and Tiler.

Twin Falls is expected to pay \$2,236; Kimberly \$12,400 and

Filer \$5,671 by Oct. 1.

Mayor Glezen asked City Attorney William Nungesser to check with other city attorneys to propose that the county commissioners grant a year's deferment, before designating with corresponding items. Nungesser said there should be a breakdown of how much were fines and how much were designated with corresponding items.

Other business at the City Council meeting included: Paving problems - The council agreed to withhold a \$33,000 payment to Gordon Paving for work on Main Street during the town's revitalization.

City Engineer Scott Bybee told the council that because the

paving on four blocks of Main Street did not meet specifications, time will tell whether the paving will hold up.

"There could be some rutting caused by stops, especially by trucks and the asphalt could bleed through to the surface," Bybee said. "At this point, there are no visible signs of this happening, but we will continue to check."

Bybee also reported on the Local Improvement Development loans for business owners' share of the downtown revitalization. The lower amount of the LID is about \$1,625 and a public hearing will be held on Sept. 8 for comments.

Arsenic study - Bybee told the council that a three-year extension will be applied for in the arsenic study project. The project has a 2006 deadline.

The Department of Environmental Quality had some

issues not covered in the original study, and it might be spring before any actual testing can be done, Bybee said.

Police cars - Police Chief Ron Romero informed the council of a government vehicle procurement program where cities may request the rental of police cars for \$1.

Romero explained that the government entity would seek local area sponsors for the cars and would grant the sponsors a small reimbursement on the cars.

At the end of three years, the city sells the car back to the entity for \$1.

"We have been approved for the program and I asked for two cars," Romero said.

Retirees

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The cost of living in Idaho is a big draw for retirees as well. Seniors can see the home in California and build a gorgeous home here," Nix said. The slower pace of life and lower crime rates also attract newcomers.

Benefits of the 2000 Census showed 11,218 people 65 and older moving into the state from 1995 through 2000, and 8,423 moving out. That's a positive net migration of 2,795 for citizens in the state. The lion's share of those - 1,715 - were in the 65- to 74-year-old age group.

The Census showed positive net

migration of senior citizens into Gooding, Blaine, Camas and Twin Falls counties during that time. But it showed negative net migration for that age group in Lincoln, Jerome, Cassia and Minidoka counties.

In Twin Falls, Corley and Colunga find much to keep them busy. Besides bingo,igsaw puzzles and billiards, the Magic Valley's various senior centers provide opportunities to meet other retirees.

"We meet a lot of friends," Corley said. "I love it here."

(The Associated Press contributed to this story.)

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Sides rest in case of polygamous officer

ST. GEORGE, Utah (AP) - Two witnesses who would have testified about Rodney Holm's religious beliefs were kept from the taking the stand on Wednesday to defend the polygamous police officer from charges he had illegal sex with his allegedly underage third wife.

Holm, 37, is accused of having sex with Ruth Stubbs when she was 16. State law bans sexual relations involving 16- and 17-year-olds when their partner is 10 or more years older, unless the couple is legally married.

Holm was 32 when he allegedly took Stubbs as a legal wife, which is not a legally recognized union.

The defense hoped to call Ken Driggs, a historian who has written about the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and Matt Davies, a psychologist who has studied FLDS culture, to discuss Holm's religion.

Instead, they put the witnesses' expected testimony into the record, without the jury present, after objections by prosecutor Kristine Knowlton.

"It's not on trial," said Knowlton. "What (Holm's) beliefs are, are his beliefs. His practices are what's on trial."

Holm's attorney, Rodney Parker, then called a single witness, David



Rodney Holm

Ruth Stubbs

David Stubbs

Stubbs, Ruth Stubbs' father, said he approved of his daughter's marriage to Holm even though he had not been part of the religion for a number of years. He said he thought it would be good for his daughter to get married.

The defense rested its case Wednesday afternoon.

The trial had resumed for the third day Wednesday with defense attorney Max Wheeler finishing his cross-examination of Stubbs.

Stubbs said she and Holm took trips out of Utah about once a month. However, Knowlton had objected to Wheeler's question about whether the couple's children were conceived outside Utah.

Fifth District Judge G. Rand Beacham upheld the objection. Stubbs, who had been consid-

ered a hostile prosecution witness, was then dismissed.

Prosecutors presented birth certificates to show how old Stubbs and Holm were when their two children were born.

Holm's marriage license for his union with Stubbs' sister Suzie also was entered into evidence. The prosecution is using the documents to prove the charges of unlawful sex and bigamy.

Wheeler began the defense's case by asking for the charges to be dismissed. He cited the U.S. Supreme Court's recent ruling in Lawrence v. Texas, which overturned sodomy laws in several states, including Utah.

Wheeler closed the bigamy statute it was applied unequally. "This statute is never applied to

those people who are living in adultery, but is solely applied to polygamists," he said.

Knowlton countered that non-religious bigamies have been prosecuted in Utah. She said the Supreme Court's Lawrence case involved the conduct of consenting adults, not underage teenagers.

She also said the state didn't need to prove the exact date of conception, that the birth of each child was enough to prove unlawful sex occurred.

Beacham refused to dismiss the case.

The charges against Holm began after a child custody dispute between Holm and Stubbs. During the custody hearing, Holm invoked his Fifth Amendment rights against self-incrimination when asked about having sexual relations with Stubbs when she was a teenager.

The bigamy and illegal sex charges were filed against Holm last October. Holm, a police officer in the border towns of Hildale, Utah, and Colorado City, Ariz., has been on suspension since his arrest. Most of the towns' residents are members of the polygamous FLDS church.

Closing arguments in the trial were expected this morning. The case then will be turned over to the five women and four-man jury.

Patriot Act worries Craig, too

ORFENO (AP) - Republican Sen. Larry Craig still supports the Patriot Act, but he appears to be coming around to the view of GOP Congressman Butch Otter that the anti-terrorism law may have gone too far.

"They have used the act 400 times in the last year, and it has resulted in 200 arrests and 100 prosecutions of people who were deliberately planning acts" of terrorism, Craig told Clearwater County Republicans.

But he also said Congress must monitor how the law is being used, "and there may come a time, and it may be next year, that we need to pull it back."

Otter, one of only three Republicans to oppose the law when it passed shortly after the 2001 attacks, is at the center of a growing movement to repeal some of

the more sweeping powers it bestows on federal agents.

Craig's comments Tuesday evening came as Attorney General John Ashcroft was planning visits to cities across the nation to defend the law.

The Patriot Act granted the government broad new powers to use wiretaps, electronic and computer eavesdropping and searches, and the authority to access a wide range of financial and other information in its investigations.

Otter, a second-term congressman with a libertarian bent, is aligned with conservatives and liberals in the campaign to repeal some provisions. He was instrumental in getting the House to prohibit delayed notification of searches, which was highly criticized by the Justice Department as the "terrorist tip-off amendment."

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Congratulations to Safe Air for Everyone of Sandpoint and its executive director, Patti Gora (above), as the winner of the 2003 Max Dalton Open Government Award sponsored by the Idaho Newspaper Foundation.

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The award's purpose is to increase awareness by citizens of their rights under Idaho law to have access to government records, and to educate the public of open meeting laws under which state and local agencies are bound.

Nominations for the 2004 award may be submitted to the Idaho Newspaper Foundation, 1000 First St., McCall, ID 83638, or via e-mail to starnews@citlink.net.

Buhl's Boys & Girls Club moves ahead

By Mary Lou Potts Times-News correspondent

BUHL - The Buhl School Board has agreed drop a requirement that the Boys & Girls Club receive a surety bond before building a new facility on district property.

Instead, the contractor will be expected to build the new facility will have to secure a bond to guarantee it gets completed.

School board members and club officials agreed to the new terms Tuesday. Also, the Buhl School Board agreed to lower from three years to one year an operating-expense guarantee to ensure the club has enough money to operate its facility following completion.

The Boys & Girls Club lease will be on a yearly renewal plan, it is nontransferable.

The school board agreed to give the club no more than two acres for its new facility. The property is located in the same area where the Buhl School District will construct a new high school near Seventh and Linden streets.

Board members asked club officials what direction they planned to build their facility because of the existing city water tower in its vicinity. Buhl Mayor Barbara Gietzen also reminded the board that the city has a 50-foot easement running behind the proposed site to Sawtooth Boulevard.

"We will have to get a surveyor out and mark the two acres and see what works best for us," Boys &

Girls Club Director Steve Kaatz said.

Don Hall, a facilitator for club, said the organization might not need all two acres.

"I can assure you that we will use no more land than needed because of the cost of the maintenance and upkeep," Hall said.

But the club agreed to develop all its land after school board members raised concerns.

"We don't want bare patches in the proposed plot," school board member Grant Loveliss said.

Boys & Girls Club representatives said they will scope out the area and have an answer regarding how much land is needed and in what direction they plan to build by the district's Aug. 19 meeting.

Other business by the board included:

Drug policy - High School Principal Gary Moon told the board that career suspensions for students who violate the school's drug policy three times will remain in effect.

Board member Don Campbell had asked Moon to approach the parents' committee and ask parents whether a more lenient punishment would be more appropriate.

But Moon reported that no changes concerning career suspensions were suggested by the parents committee, which was adamant on that topic.

Under Buhl School District's drug policy, a student-athlete test-

ing positive for drugs three times would be suspended from Idaho High School Athletic Association participation for the remainder of his high school career.

Other drug-policy changes approved by the school board Tuesday included:

• A student whose number is randomly drawn for a urine test and cannot comply at the time will be required to wait in the testing office until they are able to produce a specimen. Students in this situation may not leave and return later the same day as previously stated in the policy.

• On first and second offenses, the out-of-school suspension has been increased by one day.

• If the student has been suspended for violating the drug policy, make-up work is due the day the student returns to school. Additionally, the student will receive half the value of any completed work or test.

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Panhandle fair dumps jeans contest

SANDPOINT (AP) - Bonner County Fair organizers have canceled a tight-fitting jeans contest because of community complaints.

"Some ladies in the community think that it's inappropriate," Fair Manager Rhonda Livingston said.

Opponents of the tight-fitting jeans contest took their complaints to county commissioners, who deferred to the Bonner

County Fair Board.

The women were worried the contest would exploit those who competed for the most painted-on pair of jeans, Livingston said.

Livingston said the event was canceled to keep the peace. "I don't want people coming to the fair with negative attitudes. I don't want people to be unhappy - the fair is supposed to be fun."

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Cowgirls seek Miss Teen Rodeo title

By Betty Taylor
Times-News correspondent

GOODING - Eight young women are competing at the Miss Teen Rodeo Idaho Pageant. Reigning queen Jamie Chathburn will hand her crown over to the 2004 winner on Saturday night at a coronation during the rodeo.

The contestants are as follows:

Jaclyn Bruhn, daughter of Monte and Anna Bruhn of Filer, will attend the College of Southern Idaho this fall. Throughout high school she was active in volleyball, basketball, FFA, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America; yearbook staff; 4-H and rodeo.

Scharlee Roberts, Meridian Lions Rodeo Junior Queen, is the daughter of Benjamin and



Jaclyn Bruhn



Scharlee Roberts



Natalie Bish



Morgan Anselmi



Shelsea Johnson



Aleaha Lee



Ashley Fuchs



Megan Larkin

Nachele Roberts of Nampa. She enjoys dancing, reading, singing, drawing, painting and writing. In high school, Roberts was a varsity cheerleader on the "High Fight" Dance Teams, in concert

choir and a member of Natural Helpers, Students Against Destructive Decisions, Spanish Club, Bible Club and Rodeo Club. Natalie Bish, Twin Falls Western Days, Teen Queen,

Miss Teen Rodeo schedule

Following is the schedule of the Miss Teen Rodeo competition. The public is invited to attend most of the events.

Today
An extemporaneous speaking breakfast will be held at 9 a.m. in the Lincoln Inn in Gooding. The cost is \$4.00 per person.
The parade will start at 5 p.m. The rodeo starts at 8 p.m. The contestants will carry flags in the grand entry.

Friday
Breakfast with the Gooding Chamber for Impromptu questions will be held at 8 a.m. at the Gooding County Fair free stage. The cost for breakfast is \$5. The horsemanship competition will be held at 10 a.m. at the Gooding Arena. The rodeo starts at 8 p.m.

Saturday
The rodeo starts at 8 p.m. The coronation will be held during the rodeo.

Shelsea Fawn Johnson of Rigby, St. Anthony Pioneer Days Rodeo Senior Queen, will attend CSI this fall, major in equine science and specialize in chiropractic, animal massage and acupuncture. She likes training horses and giving lessons to young students, is a teen leader for the Girls Scouts of America and attends 4-H horse camp as a volunteer adult reining and barrel racing instructor. She owns

Morgan Kay Anselmi, Intermountain Pro Rodeo Association Teen Queen, enjoys dancing, singing, writing poetry, and raising and showing dairy goats, dairy heifers and limousin beef.

her own business in lawn care and enjoys country dancing.

Aleaha Lee represents the Valley Rodeo Club. She enjoys snowboarding, barrel racing, goat tying, dancing and camping. At Valley High School, she was a cheerleader on the honor roll and listed in Who's Who in American Students.

Ashley Fuchs of Chester, Jefferson Stampedee Junior Queen, enjoys volleyball, basketball, track, ballet, band, jazz band, choir, cheerleading and 4-H. She is a member of the All Star Band that will march in the 2004 Rose Bowl parade.

Megan Larkin, daughter of Cindy and James Miller of Jerome, is the Champion's Rodeo Camp Senior Queen. She enjoys participating in rodeo, queen competitions, 4-H, FFA, basketball, swimming, skiing and training horses. She is involved in the "Young Adult Literacy Program."

CLOGGERS HOLD SALE

The Rocky Top Cloggers will hold a yard sale between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at 3259 Woodridge Drive in Twin Falls. The dance team members are raising money to attend a national competition in Scottsdale, Ariz. In July 2004. They have earned top awards in various divisions in several western regional events, including at Anaheim, Calif., and are eligible to compete at the national level. The dance team adheres to the traditional/bluegrass methods of country clogging and its ultimate goal is an opportunity to participate in the International Folk Dance festival held yearly in Innsbruck, Austria, organizers say. Donations to the yard sale are welcome and can be dropped off before the sale. Pictured are members of the junior and senior competitive teams 2002-03.



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M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced its weekly winners:

July 31: first, Renee Bulcher and Kay Higer; and tied for second, Gladys Hartruff and Sue Skinner, Riley Burton and Bobette Plankey with Don and Ruth Rahe.

Aug. 2: first, Nathan and Kay Higer; second, Dick and Mary Cook; and tied for third, Marilyn Botkin and Mary Kielen with Howard and Mary Tucker.

Aug. 4: first, Tise Hylton and Doris Watts; tied for second, Sideria DiCostanzo and Doris Finney with Dara Jones and Leona Watson; and flight C, Marilyn Boss and Vi Croshaw. A going away party was held for Marilyn Boss, who is moving to Three Creek where she will be the teacher.

Aug. 5: first, Dottie Miller and Mary Lee Pfefferle; second, Emma Lou Andrews and Veeta Roberts; and tied for third, Bonnie Aspartate and Ruby Grimes with Sideria DiCostanzo and Betty Sabo.

Aug. 6 for north/south: first, Riley Burton and Mary Kielen; second, Renee Bulcher and Wilma Driscoll; third, Lonnie Burns and Gladys Hartruff; and flight B, Al and Frances Anglin. East/west first, Joyce Astorquia and Jessie Lingnaw; second, Kay Higer and Polly Mulliner; and third, Harold Bulcher and Jan Fitzhugh. Flight B: first, Sideria DiCostanzo and Teresa Hall and second, Elaine Bowen and Ruth Sisco.

The club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday and at 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 246 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Refreshments are served.

For a partner, call 324-2000.

Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary holds dance

TWIN FALLS - The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a dance at the DAV Hall, 459 Shoup Ave. in Twin Falls at 8:30 p.m. Friday.

Archie Turner will provide the music. There is a \$2 suggested donation.

Wendell high, middle school sets registration days

WENDELL - Wendell High School and Wendell Middle School announced their registration dates:

Tuesday
Eleventh and eighth grade - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Twelfth and seventh grade - 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Wednesday
Ninth and sixth grade - 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Tenth and fifth grade - 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Aug. 21
New student registration - 9 a.m. to noon. Students will register at their appropriate schools.

Middle school fees are: activity card, \$25; activity card/high school pass, \$45; annual, \$14; physical education uniforms, \$10; locker fee, \$7.50; art/music: \$15; arts and crafts, \$15; dance, \$15; experimental science, \$10; life management skills, \$15; lifetime sports, \$10; scrapbooking, \$15; and Young Ambassadors, \$15.

High school fees are: activity card, \$35; activity card/middle school pass, \$45; drawing/painting, \$12; ceramics, \$15; photography, \$16; bus graphics, \$12; drafting, \$8; hydroponics, \$8; adult athletic pass, \$65; and student high school athletic pass, \$20.

For more information call the high school, 750 E. Main, at 536-2100 and the middle school, 350 E. Main, at 536-5531.

Rotary seeks students interested in program

The Rotary clubs of the Magic Valley are seeking local young people who are interested in attending high school overseas for a year as part of the Rotary international student exchange program.

A student should be in the upper third of his or her class, of good character, emotionally stable and aged 15 to 19 at the start of school year overseas. Most importantly, he or she is expected to be a good representative of the United States, Rotary representatives said.

This year, 13 students from southern Idaho will spend a year abroad in several European countries, Japan, and Latin America.

The Blue Lakes Rotary Club and the Buhl Club are hosting students from Norway and Venezuela.

The Rotary clubs will start the screening interviews this fall, and the District Rotary committee will conduct final interviews the first week in November. Those accepted will be notified in December and will go overseas in the fall of 2004.

Call Jim Barker at 543-4371 or ask any Rotarian for more information.

Art guild announces prize winners at festival

TWIN FALLS - The Art Guild of Magic announced the following prizes were awarded at the Summer Fine Arts Festival (Art in the Park):

Fine Arts First place, Ron McNeley; second place, Donna Baker; third place, Ingrid Strope; honorable mention, Rod Mathis and Iris Boyd; and Judges Award, Jim Gaskill, Janet Birrer and Janic Mack.

Crafts First place, Jeff Lohr; second place, Roma Marks; third

club gathers Tuesday

KIMBERLY - The Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Kimberly City Park. Get there, drive past the Wells Fargo Bank, turn east on the next block, Madison, and then go two blocks. Participants should bring snacks. For more information, call Galen 733-9045.

Area square dance club gathers Tuesday

KIMBERLY - The Magic Valley Singles Square Dance Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Kimberly City Park. Get there, drive past the Wells Fargo Bank, turn east on the next block, Madison, and then go two blocks. Participants should bring snacks. For more information, call Galen 733-9045.

CSI offers new online auction workshop

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will offer "Intro to Auction Watch" from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesdays, Aug. 26 to Sept. 23 in Shields room 201 on the CSI Campus. The cost is \$50, and the instructor is Paula Munier.

The course will teach students how to use Vendio (AuctionWatch), one of the auction services online; explore what the auction service provides; and discuss setting preferences, using Sales Manager Pro, listing online using and image hosting (keeping images online indefinitely and for free).

Also covered will be customer service abilities, including automatic responses to auction win/loss notification received notification, shipping notification and inventory management online.

For more information or to register, call 732-6288 or 732-6290.

North Side center slates classes

GOODING - Enrollment for fall 2003 semester adult enrichment classes at the College of Southern Idaho North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E. in Gooding, is under way.

The classes include a variety of subjects ranging from self-help to purely pleasurable.

"Strategies for Living with a Positive Attitude" will focus on helping to improve coping skills and reduce stress levels.

"Successful Money Management" will provide the skills to maximize financial well-being.

Relaxation and fun courses include "Yoga," "Relief at Your Fingertips" and "Triple Yoga/Country Dance or Waltz/Cha-Cha."

Classes that will help with holiday preparations include "Earn Money with Mystery Shopping," "Christmas in October: Gingerbread Houses," "Creating gifts for family and friends will be possible with "Quilting," "Peppermint," "Creating Felt Dolls," "Knitting: Socks and Strings" or "Meals and

Memories: Keepsake Cookbooks." For those tackling a computer for the first time, there is "Computers Made Simple," and for those ready to move on to more complicated computer skills, the center is offering "Computer Mail Merge," "Computer Maintenance," "Computer File Management," and "Flyers and More with MS Word."

Regular favorites include "Pen & Ink Drawing with Watercolor Wash" and "Handgun Safety and Responsibility."

For those interested in adding to their language skills, there is "Conversational Spanish," "To Improve Homes and Save Money," the center is offering "Frugal Decorator." Or students can find their roots in "Genealogy 101" to use a computer. The new coverage of getting the support group up and running. Again, thank you, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, for all you have done for us as a group.

GALE CARLOCK, Chairman, New Beginnings Gastic-Bypass Support Group of Magic Valley Twin Falls

Sprint PCS fund-raiser helps animal shelter project

People for Pets-Magic Valley Humane Society would like to thank Sprint PCS, Jolene Giber, and the Sprint PCS Staff for having the baked food sale fund-raiser for the Build the Shelter Project on July 19 at its store. The \$114.70 raised helps get us closer to our goal of building the new animal shelter and their efforts are appreciated.

Many thanks.

KATHLEEN OLMSTEAD
People for Pets
Magic Valley Humane Society
Staff and Board of Directors
Twin Falls

MVRMC lends a hand to area support group

I would like to thank Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for the administration's support and backing of getting our support group a meeting place, publicity and for all the cooperation we have received. I believe this

goes above and beyond the responsibility of the hospital, and I know all in the support group are very appreciative of all they have done for us.

I would like to thank Dr. Ko; he has been a big support and helpful in getting the group information to help a gastric bypass patient do two things - make an important decision to have the surgery and help the patient after the surgery if important support. The news media has done a fantastic job in covering of getting the support group up and running. Again, thank you, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, for all you have done for us as a group.

GALE CARLOCK
Chairman, New Beginnings Gastic-Bypass Support Group of Magic Valley Twin Falls

Outback Steakhouse helps support shelter

People for Pets-Magic Valley Humane Society would like to thank the Outback Steakhouse,

John Lockhart and staff for the wonderful lunch held Aug. 5 for the Build the Shelter Project. The \$178 raised helps get us closer to our goal of building the new animal shelter; their efforts are appreciated.

Also, thank you to the staff for volunteering their time.

Many thanks.
DEBRA BLACKWOOD
Director
People for Pets-Magic Valley Humane Society
Twin Falls

Congregation appreciates vacation Bible school article

To Steve Turner:
Thank you so much for doing such a nice job on our Vacation Bible School article for the Magic Valley Bible Church. Everyone in the congregation is appreciative of the story and large pictures you allowed us to have on the front page of the religion section. It made a difference! Many children attended as a result of reading the article.

LETTERS OF THANKS

God blessed us abundantly as we grew in size from 96 kids last year to 196 this year.
JILL RAU
Twin Falls

Area art guild thanks Art in the Park supporters

The Art Guild of Magic Valley would like to thank all of those who supported the 44th annual Summer Fine Arts Festival (Art in the Park):

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Daniel Ortiz runs the controls on Danny Casias' lowrider to a height of 40 inches during a second attempt in the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta car hopping contest. During the first try, Ortiz got the car up to 35 inches. Casias took first place.

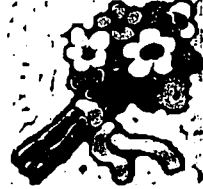
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Girl celebrates her quinceanera in T.F.

Sandra Torrero celebrated her 15th birthday on July 26, 2003. She was born April 3, 1988. Sandra is the daughter of Cecelia Yanes and stepfather, Jose Yanes of Twin Falls. A Mass was celebrated by Father John Koelsch with music by Fernando Rodriguez and son. A reception was held at the Radio Ronderos with music by Amanecer and Los Causantes. Sandra's escort of honor was Justin Martinez of Jackpot, Nev. Her damas were Cynthia Beltran of Phoenix, Ariz., Elsa Garcia, Lily Saldívar, Cindi Garcia and Lucie Garcia, all of Twin Falls; and Lorena Sanchez and Shayla Zamora, both of Jerome. Her chambelanes were Ricky Castro of Avendale, Ariz., and Roberto Rodriguez, Luis Saldívar, Juan Saldívar, Oscar Vera, Joe Verduzco and Joey Torrero, all of Twin Falls. Her padrinas of honor were Daniel and Antonia Cardoza. Other padrinas were Susy Torrero, Rosy Guzman, Juan and Sylvia Castro, Jose Yanes, Maria Avales, Alicia Guzman, Fidel Blanco, Lisa Troglia, Octavio and Sylvia Herrera, Deolandra Armenta, Rick and Rose Solano, Cecilia Rodriguez, Lucio Rodriguez Jr., Rosario and Salud Martinez, Pablo and Emilia Ruiz, Salvador and Alicia Acevedo, Chris Rose, Lydia Torrero, Guaberto and Eloisa Cuevas, Rosy and Adrian Guzman, Armano Ruiz, Luis and Maria Louisa Torrero, Nacho Blanco, Evelia Torrero, Emilson Auceda, Paul and Pascual Hernandez and Melissa Wendell. Sandra will be a 10th-grader at Twin Falls High School, and plays basketball.



Sandra Torrero



Quinceañera

news of your quinceanera for free. Bring in a photo and the information to Pat Marantoni at 132 Third St. W. in Twin Falls or mail to The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID, 83301 or call 735-3288 for more information.

A quinceanera is a traditional and spiritual celebration of a girl's 15th birthday. The Times-News will publish

College of Southern Idaho will offer computer class in Spanish

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will hold an open house to provide the public with information about its evening computer classes. The open house will be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 21 in the Canyon Building room 119. CSI also will offer an "Intro to Computers" class in Spanish for the first time. Anyone interested in taking the class must also know how to read English because the book and computer program are in English. Only the lectures will be in Spanish. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone who knows some English but feels more comfortable taking the one-credit class in Spanish, reported Olenka Paredes, evening computer class coordinator. The fall semester will start on Aug. 25, but the "Intro to Computers" class in Spanish will

start Nov. 6 and run until Dec. 11. The cost for each credit class is \$250, plus the book. The Idaho Migrant Council might be able to pay a portion of the class for low-income people based on their qualification requirements. Other evening computer classes offered this semester include "Intro to Windows," "Intro to Spreadsheets-Excel," "Intro to Word Processing," "Photoshop," "Troubleshooting Hardware for the PC," "Intro to QuickBooks," "Using a Scanner," "Using a Digital Camera," "Intermediate Dreamweaver MX" and "Computer Literacy Skill Development." For more information about the open house, the class in Spanish or other evening computer classes, call Paredes at 732-6441 or contact her by e-mail at oparedes@csi.edu or check out the Web site at <http://www.csi.edu>.

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The feel of the fiesta

Car show highlights Hispanic Heritage Fiesta

By Levi Aspytta
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Soon after the 14th annual Hispanic Heritage Fiesta car show had begun, the sound of motorcycles could be heard entering the Twin Falls City Park. Chacon drove in with eight of his friends from Pocatello. "I used to come up here with cars for the show," he said. "This is the first time that I have been here with bikes." Chacon and his friends were among the hundreds of visitors to the park Aug. 10 for "Un Dia en el Valle," A Day in the Valley. For the event, the park was divided into two sections. Half was filled with entries for the car show and sound-off stereo competition. Too Fresh Entertainment deejays played jumping music while crowds admired the vehicles. Power Plant stereo store representatives set up for the stereo competition, which measured the sound pressure levels inside a car with all of the windows rolled up.

A microphone recorded the level in decibels. "I'm guessing that we will have about 25 to 30 cars this year, a few more than last year," said Blaine Wolverton, owner of the Power Plant. "Most of the cars will reach levels of a 120 to 130 decibels, but a few cars will be over 150 decibels." Meanwhile, the fiesta car show was bigger this year with more than 90 cars, trucks and motorcycles entered. Last year, there were 59 entries. "It is very exciting," said car show organizer Monica Solis. "We are giving out about 60 trophies, including for two new categories - under construction and muscle cars." The other half of the park was dominated by food booths and other businesses. The aroma of fresh corn, tacos and other Latin American dishes was strong in the air while people wandered through the area, listening to the music coming from the bands performing in the band shell.



Elizabeth, Maria, and Denise Luna prepare flautas, which are fried pork tacos with lettuce, sour cream and salsa.



Contestants race against each other during the jalapeno eating contest. Miguel Cordova managed to edge out everyone else.

Car show champs

<p>Lowrider bike - Louie Pena '90s - Marco Cortez '80s - Robert Richardson '70s - Sindy Hand '60s - David Flores '50s - Kayla and Toni Webb '40s - Shirley Webb Muscle car - Ron Woodall Street rod - Trevor Mechen Under Construction - Brian L. Plumb</p>	<p>Soundoff competition winners were: First place, 1-160 decibels - Jess Allen First place, 161-260 decibels - Mike Sarnes First place, 261-360 decibels - Russell Nissen First place, 361 plus decibels - Dominic Catalan</p>	<p>Best of Best of Show - Petro Ortiz Best engine - Trevor Mechen Best paint - Petro Ortiz Best interior - Petro Ortiz Best motorcycle - Ron A. Beard Best bomb - Sam Sanchez Best Euro - Chris Langdon Best import - Brian Plumb</p>
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During this year's car show, a representative from Street Customs Magazine covered the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta car show for the magazine. The photos and article will be published in the February 2004 issue. Three cars entered this year's hopping contest, which tested a car's hydraulics. Danny Casias of Twin Falls took first place with his car hopping to a height of 40 inches. Car show first place winners were: Euro - Billy Thompson Motorcycle - Ron A. Beard Imports - Danny Baez Truck - Brian Iera

Campesinos program announces two additional scholarships

NAMPA - The Campesinos Unidos, Families from the Fields Scholarship Program announces additional scholarships to be awarded during this summer. These additional scholarships are made available from funds provided to Campesinos Unidos by Lynd Hoover of Meridian, said Maria Gonzalez Mabbutt, a Campesinos Unidos member. These scholarships will be awarded to either a high school senior who is college bound or to a college student. "Education and knowledge are key in helping us recognize the power that each of us possess. The Campesinos Unidos Families from the Fields Scholarship Program was established to help those who are pursuing higher education," Gonzalez Mabbutt said. Idaho residents who are or have been farm workers and who will be a college student during the 2003-2004 school year may apply. Applications are available from Campesinos Unidos, 603 10th St. S., Nampa, ID, 83651. The application deadline is Aug. 22. The 2003-2004 scholarships will be awarded during the Farmworker Appreciation Day event in Caldwell on Aug. 24. "We encourage all those who work or have worked in the fields and who are pursuing higher education to apply," Gonzalez Mabbutt said. Campesinos Unidos also welcomes new members and donors for the Scholarship Program. For more information, call Gonzalez Mabbutt at (208) 230-2416.

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Woman in bankruptcy worries about truth telling

DEAR ABBY: I am a woman in my late 20s. I declared bankruptcy last year. What led to this decision wasn't so much irresponsibility as it was circumstances beyond my control.

A few months ago, I met a wonderful man. We grew attracted to each other. Andrew has begun talking about seeing me on an exclusive basis. I am extremely nervous about the prospect, primarily because Andrew is a financial adviser. Up until now, I saw no reason to divulge my bankruptcy. However, if we are beginning a long-term relationship, what's the best way to go about it?

I don't want him to feel I've been hiding something all this time, and I don't want him to think I'm using him for his financial expertise. I'm quite independent, have a stable job that I love and am now managing on my own. Any ideas?

— "INVESTING 101"
IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEAR INVESTING: Say it this way: "Andrew, there is something I need to tell you. It's something I'm not proud of, so I have been hesitant to disclose it to anyone. Last year I had to file bankruptcy, and this is why." Then explain the situation.

Tell him how special you feel he is and that you are getting back on your feet without any outside assistance. His response will give you an indication of the depth of his feelings for you.



DEAR ABBY
Abigail VanBuren

edly attracted to men who are not good for you. And get out now before the abuse escalates again. Depression is not the problem with abusive people. Abusers use abuse as a method to control their partners.

PS: It is dangerous to give medications - particularly mood-altering drugs - to people for whom they have not been prescribed. Please call a halt to it now.

DEAR ABBY: I am confused. I have been through four bad marriages and wound up in domestic abuse shelters because all my husbands verbally and physically attacked me.

Six months ago, I met "Mike," and we moved in together. He is very kind, gentle and loving most of the time, but sometimes Mike makes me feel awful. He'll compare me to his former girlfriends and say I can't do anything right. He also makes fun of the fact that I am seeing a psychiatrist, a therapist and taking medication. He says it proves that I am crazy!

Mike won't get help for himself even though I know he needs it, so I have started sneaking anti-depressants in with his daily vitamins. It has made some difference in his mood. I know I shouldn't do it, but I am desperate. Any advice?

— LOOKING FOR TRUE LOVE
IN ALABAMA

DEAR LOOKING: Yes. Admit you have drawn five losing cards in a row, and drop out of the romance game for a while. Discuss with your therapist why you are repeat-

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'Mediterranean' derives name from geography

The "Mediterranean" was so called, because ancient theorists considered it "the middle of the world," which is what the name means.

Fiscal's Dictum goes: "The primary task of the automotive mechanic is to find out what else is wrong."



REVISITED
L.M. Boyd

It's illegal to wrestle a bear in public, unless you're a proven bear trainer wrestling your own bear. I mean you can't just take out your bear and set up bear wrestling matches with bear volunteers from the audience.

Grand Canyon is pretty deep all right, but Peru's Colca Canyon at 10,607 feet is more than twice as deep. The world's deepest gorge, that Hell's Canyon in Idaho is 7,900 feet. It's only North America's deepest.

Elephants adopt orphans.

The astrologer Michael de Notredame thought he could create a certain mystique with the assumed name "Nostradamus." And so he did.

Q: What's a "levirate wedding"?
A: A marriage, oftentimes compulsory, of a childless widow to her dead husband's brother. Once fairly common in the Near East, India, Africa and South America. Usual purpose was to control the departed's estate, sometimes camouflaged as a noble desire to produce a son to perpetuate the family name.

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MORNING BREAK

Affleck finds humor in movie bomb

NEW YORK (AP) — Despite the drizzle that greeted "Gigli," Ben Affleck is out promoting another movie: "The Battle of Shaker Heights," his latest "Project Greenlight" production with partner Matt Damon.

During Monday night's premiere of the film, Affleck looked out at the crowd of a few hundred people and joked to see every person in the United States who saw "Gigli" is here tonight," according to Wednesday's USA Today.

The actor also read some of his favorite lines from the scathing reviews he and fiancée Jennifer Lopez received for "Gigli" during an appearance on "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno" on Monday night.

The gangster comedy, which cost about \$54 million to make, earned a paltry \$5.6 million in its first 10 days. But with a budget of just under \$2 million, "The Battle of Shaker Heights" comes with a much lower profile — and lower expectations.

"The onus is not on me to go out and make a ton of money," Affleck, who turns 31 Friday, told reporters recently. "If this movie does what 'Gigli' did in its first weekend, it's a hit for us, you know what I mean? Whereas that was a disaster for the other movie."

"The Battle of Shaker Heights," starring Shia LaBeouf and Amy Smart, opens Aug. 22 in New York and Los Angeles and expands to other cities in the following weeks.

Moon moves into your house, Aries

IF AUG. 14 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... your mental discipline and pursuit of the spoken word make you something of a poet, and you often see the unusual angle. You're never satisfied, and greener pastures usually beckon. This pursuit has been extremely fortuitous and promises to continue that way. Mars retrograde should put you on alert: double check finances, personal security and possessions.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): With the moon in your 12th house, you're revising material you plan on presenting. Make notes and put in writing.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): You realize you're on a winning streak. Much is going in your favor. You may consider spending time on a long-term project that has come your way.

HOROSCOPE Geraldine Saunders

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You're calling the shots, but an older partner or individual with clout, who could be a bank manager, is pressuring you to change your lifestyle.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A disagreement shouldn't be of concern, although feelings could be easily hurt. Your health may be fine, but you hear about someone else's changing condition.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): As your earning power increases, you could, in your euphoria, overestimate your skills. Unfortunately, money made is quickly spent.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Involvement with a large corporation or business is in the cards. It's a good day for planning ahead: the moon in Pisces has you on a limb.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): There may be discontent among family members. You're paying more attention to your well-being than is usual.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It's important that views of others are respected today, though you may have little regard for the problems of someone in particular.

Fox sues Franken over 'fair and balanced' title on his book

NEW YORK (AP) — Al Franken, the humorist being sued by Fox News Channel for use of the phrase "fair and balanced" said Tuesday he doesn't mind the legal action.



... when I read ... 'shrill and unstable' in my complaint, I thought for a moment I was a Fox commentator.

— Al Franken, comedian, author

But he does wish it hadn't happened during his vacation.

to force Penguin to rename "Lies and the Lying Liars Who Tell Them: A Fair and Balanced Look at the Right," set for release next

month. Fox News registered "Fair & Balanced" as a trademark in 1995, the lawsuit said.

of the country on vacation when they sued. However, from everything I know about law regarding satire, I'm not worried," Franken, who has not filed a response in court, said in a statement released Tuesday. He is vacationing in Italy.

Franken also thanked Fox "for all the publicity." As of Tuesday night, "Lies" had reached No. 4 on the Bestseller list of Amazon.com, one ranking ahead of the latest Harry Potter book.

ality. He is not a well-respected voice in American politics; rather, he appears to be shrill and unstable. His views lack any serious depth or insight."

Fox alleged that Franken was "either intimidated or deranged" when he attacked the network and conservative host Bill O'Reilly at an April press conference dinner.

"As far as the personal attacks go," Franken responded, "when I read 'intimidated or deranged' and 'shrill and unstable' in their complaint, I thought for a moment I was a Fox commentator."

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Payless ShoeSource sees earnings decline

TWIN FALLS - Kansas-based Payless ShoeSource Inc., which has stores in Twin Falls and Burley - on Wednesday reported second-quarter diluted earnings per share of just 8 cents, compared with the year-ago 59 cents per diluted share.

Net earnings were down to \$5.2 million for the second quarter, compared with \$47.2 million a year ago. The company's second-quarter earnings combined with the sluggish economy, depressed sales of seasonal merchandise including sandals and canvas footwear during the spring season, creating an overabundance of seasonal inventory throughout the footwear industry," said Steven J. Douglass, chairman and chief executive.

"Payless intensified its promotional activity, adding markdowns necessary to minimize the carryover of seasonal merchandise inventory,"

Douglass said managers were encouraged by results in women's casual and dress footwear, the company's Hunters' Bay line of leather footwear for men and its girls' and boys' shoes.

"Our accessories business continues to be an area of rapid growth for us, consistently generating solid positive same-store sales," he said.

During the first six months of fiscal 2003, diluted earnings per share were 28 cents, down from \$1.04 a year earlier. The company reported net earnings of \$19.3 million in the first six months, down from \$71.1 million.

Second-quarter sales fell 5.8 percent, while same-store sales dropped a steeper 6.4 percent. First-half sales fell 5.6 percent, while same-store sales decreased 6.3 percent.

T.F. chamber presents Hot August Nite today

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 10th annual Hot August Nite picnic and auction at 5 p.m. today in City Park.

Attractions at the fund-raiser include a 13-package live auction with an outdoor-Idaho theme; a big prize raffle with a 2003 Jeep Wrangler as the top prize, an array of smaller raffles; a buffet of Idaho rainbow trout and baron of beef; a silent auction of two vacation trips; the chamber's member-to-member trade fair; plastic eggs with surprises inside; chances to win Idaho Lottery tickets; and children's entertainment.

Admission is \$10 for an adult's meal, or \$7 per child under 12.

A \$125 package includes 12 big prize raffle tickets (normally \$10 each); two supper tickets for the picnic; and 50 raffle tickets (normally \$5 each) for the membership-subsidy prizes.

The chamber will accept absentee auction bids until noon; call 733-3974.

Qwest will add 500 customer service jobs

DENVER - Qwest Communications International Inc. said Wednesday it was adding 500 customer service and sales jobs in 11 states to improve customer service.

Qwest had 49,878 employees as of March 31.

The Denver-based company said it was seeking college graduates with sales or customer service experience for full-time jobs in Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah and Washington.

The jobs were in addition to 600 representatives who completed training last year, Qwest said.

"Customer service is Qwest's No. 1 priority," said Annette Jacobs, executive vice president, consumer markets group.

"The Magic Valley, Qwest is the major provider of local-phone service.

Stocks fall as nation's investors lock in profits

NEW YORK - A selloff in the bond market spilled over to Wall Street Wednesday, with investors cashing in profits after five days of blue chip gains. Investors looked past two better-than-expected economic reports, including a jump in retail sales.

"The biggest thing, the largest issue at hand is that Treasury prices took a substantial hit and made people nervous. That put a spook in the equity markets," said Arthur Hagan, chief market analyst at Jefferies & Co.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Valley's construction values fall

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Despite a new Twin Falls sporting-goods store, a Ketchum light-industrial building, a large-scale apartment expansion in Twin Falls and other sizable commercial projects around Magic Valley, the month of May saw the valley's construction permit values slip 2.9 percent.

Projects receiving building permits see CONSTRUCTION, Page D3

Construction values for all permit types

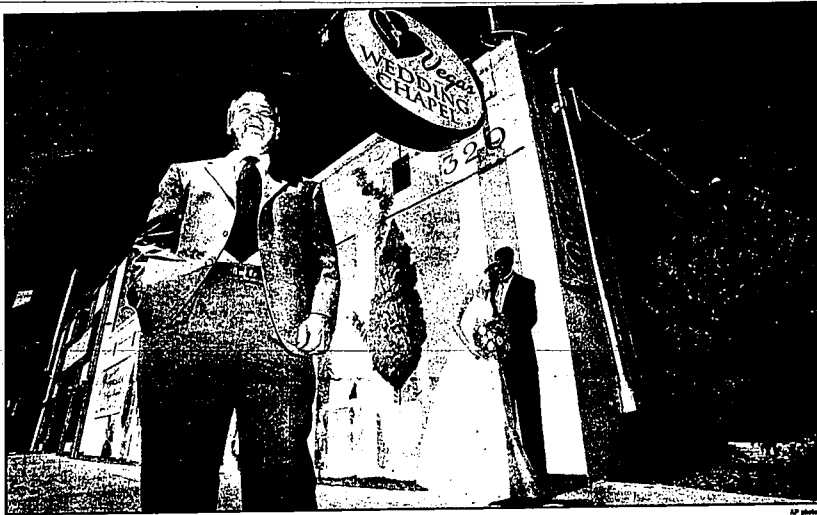
Area	May 2003	May 2002
Gooding County (entire county)	\$751,646	\$1,589,118
Hailey	\$1,922,575	\$2,839,440
Ketchum	\$9,023,730	\$2,067,056
Sun Valley	\$1,007,883	\$2,860,698
Blaine County (unincorporated portion)	\$6,921,500	\$6,393,000
Jerome	\$662,187	\$6,820,811
Shoshone	\$188,000	\$222,000
Twin Falls	\$7,369,056	\$5,072,353
Twin Falls County (unincorporated portion)	\$3,535,355	\$1,712,081
Cassia County (entire county)	\$1,999,895	\$2,663,695
Rupert	\$71,100	\$338,597
Minidoka County (unincorporated portion)	\$1,022,810	\$2,204,668
Total	\$33,776,747	\$34,792,917

Permits for new single-family homes

Area	May 2003	May 2002
Gooding County (entire county)	7	9
Hailey	2	3
Sun Valley	0	3
Blaine County (unincorporated portion)	9	5
Jerome	5	1
Shoshone	1	2
Twin Falls	34	40
Twin Falls County (unincorporated portion)	16	10
Cassia County (entire county)	9	7
Rupert	0	0
Minidoka County (unincorporated portion)	7	6
Total	97	94

Source: "Idaho Construction Report" by Wells Fargo. May report is most recent available.

BRIDAL BATTLE



Founder Cliff Everts stands in front of his Las Vegas Wedding Bureau and Vegas Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas on July 2. Wedding chapel operators often portray their business as a cutthroat industry.

Elbows, accusations fly between competing wedding chapels

The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS - Garden of Love, Chapel of Dreams, Crystal Cathedral.

The names evoke images of love, marital bliss, piety.

But accusations by proprietors of those and other Las Vegas wedding chapels portray a cutthroat industry beset by assaults and death threats - sometimes on the very steps of the Clark County Courthouse.

"We are the wedding capital of the world, and we've got a war zone out there," said Sherrie Klute, owner of the Stained Glass Wedding Chapel and Crystal Cathedral. "We don't need these strong-arm tactics."

Klute has hired armed guards to accompany her to the courthouse, where chapel brokers, ministers and hired hands vie for business from couples just getting their marriage licenses.

Sometimes, the competitors try to outbid one another, passing out brochures or hurling expletives at couples who choose another chapel.

City Finance Director Mark Vincent met recently with chapel owners to discuss concerns that the courthouse crush was tarnishing the industry's reputation. The city is considering tightening some ordinances and parking regulations near the courthouse.

"We all agreed there's a prob-

lem out there," Vincent said. Several officials said the city's handbill ordinance is being widely ignored. It allows the handing out of fliers, but prohibits solicitors from speaking to potential clients or walking them to a chapel.

The city and Las Vegas police have formed a task force to investigate and address the problem, Sgt. Eric Fricker said. "We have reports from chapels and employees of cars being paintballed, fights, tires being slashed," Fricker said. "The whole thing is bizarre, and trying to get to the bottom of it is difficult."

Some accusations are directed toward a newcomer to the Las Vegas wedding industry, the Las Vegas Garden of Love, and its owner, Cheryl Luell.

She called the accusations false. She said she and her husband, Craig Luell, are too busy running their 7-month-old business to harass competitors.

Cliff Everts, owner of the 2-year-old Las Vegas Wedding Bureau and Vegas Wedding Chapel, claims Luell and her husband have threatened to assault him and that Luell's employees have told his clients his ministers aren't licensed.

"She's trying to court the market through illegal tactics," said Everts' lawyer, John Curtas. Luell said she is the one who has been assaulted, screamed at



People line up at the Clark County Courthouse for marriage licenses July 2 in Las Vegas.

and wrongly accused by her competitors of vandalism and selling drugs.

Competitors, prompted by jealousy over the success of her chapel, are uniting to drive her out of business, she said. "You want to know how many weddings I did last month? Five-

hundred-ninety-four!" Luell said. "That's where the problem is. Those people at those chapels used to get more business before I opened."

Klute's husband, the Rev. Stephen Smith, said Luell and Garden of Love employees tried

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Retailer Wal-Mart's earnings jump 21 percent in second quarter

The Associated Press

BENTONVILLE, Ark. - Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the world's largest retailer, said Wednesday it earned \$2.44 billion in the second quarter, a 21 percent

increase. Wal-Mart - whose Magic Valley stores are in Burley and Jerome - said its net income, which equates to earnings of 56 cents a share, rose from \$2.02 billion or 45 cents per share in the

same period a year ago. The retailer earned \$2.28 billion, or 52 cents per share, in its continuing operations, up from \$1.99 billion, or 45 cents per share, a year ago. Wal-Mart closed the sale of its distribution

division, McLane Co., during the period that ended July 31.

The 52 cents per share earnings in continuing operations met the forecast of analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call.

The McLane sale to Berkshire

J.C. Penney catalog helps cut its losses

Knight Ridder News Service

PLANO, Texas - J.C. Penney Co.'s strong catalog and Internet sales helped trim second-quarter losses and counter disappointing sales at its Eckerd drugstore, chain - results management said, provided a wake-up call.

The Plano-based retailer with Penney stores in Twin Falls and Burley said Eckerd's problems are being addressed, but it warned that it will take several months to turn things around.

"Quite frankly it will not come easy, and it may take some time," said Wayne Harris, Eckerd's chairman and chief executive. Total sales in the second quarter increased 1.6 percent to \$7.31 billion. The retailer posted a loss of less than \$1 million, or 2 cents a share, compared with a loss of \$6 million, or 5 cents a share, last year. Analysts expected this quarter's loss to be 5 cents a share.

The company outlined plans to restructure Eckerd, which has 2,710 stores but hasn't kept up with competitors' growth and is losing market share in key regions including Texas and Florida. Operating income declined 26 percent to \$54 million.

Allen Questrom, J.C. Penney's chairman and chief executive, admitted the company "screwed it up" and said the problems should not have happened.

Executives vowed to stock more of what the customer wants and to lower prices to beat competitors with other chains.

"Pricing issues have been called to our attention by several analysts in the past, and my first reaction is a belated thank you," Eckerd's Harris said. "And my second reaction is simply a 'Shame on me and shame on us for not catching these issues ourselves.'"

The company said 300 instead of 55 stores will be remodeled, and 250 new or relocated stores, will open. Phil Zahn, an analyst with Fitch Ratings retail group in Chicago, said he appreciated the company's honesty.

"He's being honest, and it's kind of refreshing," Zahn said. "I think they're probably doing the right thing, but it will just take time to see what that reflected in their sales and earnings," he said.

Meanwhile, J.C. Penney executives lauded performance at the company's 1,040 department stores and its catalog and Internet operation.

After declining for three years, catalog and Internet sales increased 3.9 percent. Salary savings and lower expenses helped operating profit more than double to \$51 million.

"In this environment, it's an accomplishment to be able to generate a positive same-store sales number," Zahn said.

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MONEY

Chapels

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to intimidate him because he began offering services at the Stained Glass Chapel for what-over couples felt inclined to donate to his ministry.

Smith reported to police that on one occasion a man approached him, shoved a pointed object into his back and threatened to beat him up. He said he was beaten outside his church on a Sunday morning in June by a man who told him to stay away from the courthouse.

Smith said he can't connect his assailant to the Garden of Love.

In another case, a former Garden of Love employee Michael Adrian Joseph said in a

signed affidavit that while still employed by the Garden of Love, he witnessed Luell offer someone \$50 to beat up a competitor.

Zarumba, a former employee of the Stained Glass Chapel and other chapels, was the target of the assault, according to Joseph's affidavit.

"I tried to intervene and talk her out of it," Joseph said in the affidavit, which accompanied Everts' request for a court order of protection.

Zarumba, 63, who had worked in front of the courthouse for two years when he was beaten up, said the Luells threatened him for two months before the April attack.

Luell denied Joseph's accusa-

tions, which she said were prompted by Joseph's anger over being fired. Joseph now works at a wedding consultation.

"There are no charges, not one ticket, not a battery charge," Luell said.

She pointed to a June 29 police report of an argument between Luell and Klute outside the courthouse as evidence that she is being victimized.

The report said Luell was holding a cell phone trying to call police when Klute scratched her arm reaching for the phone. No summonses were issued and no charges were filed.

It was unknown who instigated the fight and there were

many different stories as to what happened," the police officer wrote in the report.

Klute denied scratching Luell.

Cynthia Dyson, a wedding coordinator at the Garden of Love and former employee of Everts, who left the Vegas Wedding Chapel on good terms, said Luell was being "crucified" by her competitors.

"Cheryl is not doing anything but being a businesswoman," Dyson said. "She's very outgoing and she's out there doing her job. They're very intimidat-

ed by that."

And the accusations, Fricker said it was difficult for police to establish blame.

"There's a lot of 'He said, she said,'" Fricker said. "We don't have many independent witnesses. Most are employed by one chapel or another."

Woody Bowers, assistant security supervisor for Clark County, said more than one chapel was causing problems at the courthouse. Charlotte Richards, owner of the Little White Chapel and the industry's grande dame, with

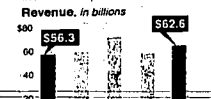
more than 40 years of experience, said she doesn't rely on business solicited at the courthouse.

She said she thought more than one operation was being aggressive, and said her attempts to get the city to address the problem in the past have been ignored.

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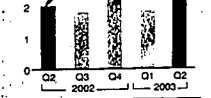
Wal-Mart cashes in

The world's largest retailer posted earnings totaling \$2.44 billion in the second quarter.



Revenue, in billions

Net income, in billions



SOURCE: The company

Wal-Mart

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4 cents per share on the sale of McLane.

Total sales for the quarter ending July 31 were \$62.6 billion, an increase of 11.3 percent over the same period last year.

Wal-Mart's earnings were helped by another 10 cents per share of sales from its international division.

"I am pleased our associates achieved record quarterly sales and earnings," said company president and chief executive Lee Scott. Net sales for the six months ended July 31 were \$119.4 billion,

an increase of 10.5 percent over the yearago period, or a 14.7 percent increase for the six-month period increased to a record \$4.1 billion, or 94 cents per share, up from \$3.6 billion, or 81 cents per share, in the previous year.

Wal-Mart had 3,445 domestic stores, 1,305 international units. Wal-Mart has a 35 percent interest in Siciyu, which has more than 400 stores in Japan, and the U.S. retailer has an option to buy the remainder of Siciyu. Wal-Mart has 1.1 million employees in the United States, plus 300,000 abroad.

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Lee Scott, Wal-Mart president

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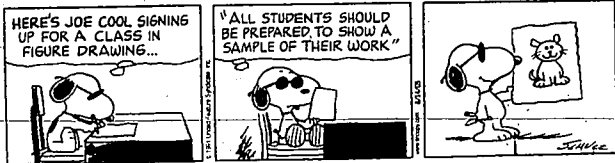
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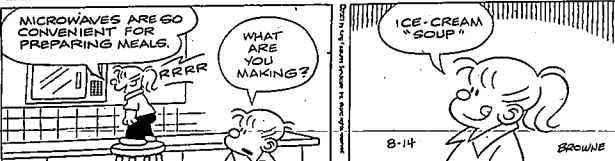
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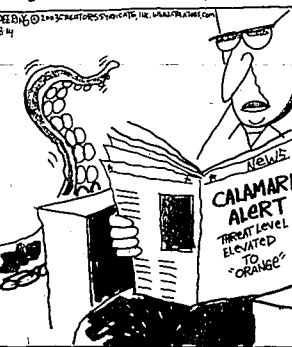
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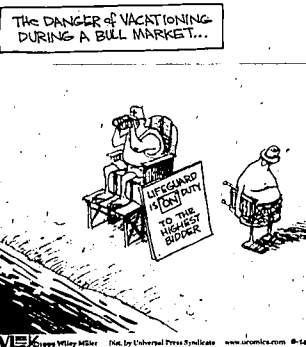
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Section E

Bows and big fish

Carp can make fun targets for bow fishing

By Stu Murrell
Times-News correspondent

What sport combines the thrill of the hunt plus fishing? Why, carp hunting (fishing) with a bow and arrow. This activity is as old as the Indians that used their arrows to harvest a fish.

One of the problems for the bow hunter is conditioning throughout the year, not only during the fall hunting season. It takes a certain set of muscles to pull a bow effectively and summertime bow fishing can help maintain this ability.

What equipment is needed for this archery activity? First, an old compound bow which matches the weight of pull of your hunting bow can be used. You can also use your regular hunting bow if you don't mind getting it wet and sometimes covered with fish slime.

The next accessory is a bow reel that attaches to the front of your bow. A line of braided nylon testing about 100 pounds is needed to fill that reel.

Fish arrows of solid fiberglass tipped with a sharp point that has wires facing backward so the arrow does not pull through the fish. This arrow has a hole in the rear to attach your 100-pound test line.

Wind up the line on the reel, leaving enough slack to allow the arrow to be drawn on the bow.

Summer can be hot fishing, and I normally just wade with an old set of tennis shoes and pants.

The law in Idaho allows a bow fisherman to catch unprotected non-game fish, with carp and suckers being the most common species sought. The person needs a fishing license to participate in such activity. The angling must take place only in those waters open to fishing.

A good pair of Polaroid sunglasses helps immensely to spot fish under water, as well as protecting your eyes from excessive sunlight.

Carp are extremely wary, and a bow fisherman must approach them cautiously. Don't stomp on the bank, wear dark clothes and shoot below the fish as water tends to push the arrow upward. The arrow can only penetrate about 2 feet of water, and having some part of the fish exposed is even better.

Big carp tend to lay in the shade along river banks, a wade can give them away while swimming, or they may stick their noses into surface vegetation, making a slurping sound as they feed. Any shadow cast by the fisherman can send them scur-



Eric Murrell bowfishes for carp on the Snake River near Auger Falls.

rying for deeper water.

Once a fish is spotted, then a boat or wading can be effective in approaching them. If you are successful in arrowing a carp, then reel him in by hand. A large carp may have a million eggs in the female. They tend to overproduce, compete with game fish and muddy the water as they feed, so taking them out of the system can only benefit the remaining fish species.

Carp can be a serious problem if introduced to other waters. A good example is Riley Creek Impoundment on the Hagerman Wildlife Management Area. Someone illegally introduced them and what used to be a good trout fishery has been degraded. They can be seen swimming on the surface on this impoundment, and I'm sure bow fishermen would be welcome.

Carp are considered good eating by some people and are hard fighters when caught on hook and line.

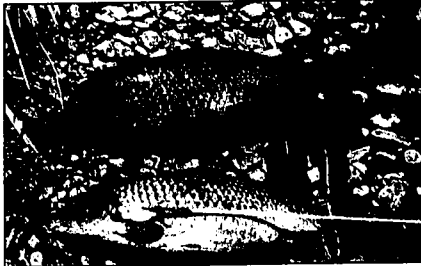
Proper care of the carp as you catch them can lead to some good eating. On hot days, I prefer to fillet them quickly and place the fillets on ice. Soaking the fillets in salt water overnight also helps remove any muddy flavor. The best size for eating are the 2- to 7-pound range.

One of the principle complaints against carp is the fact that the muscle tissue is filled with small bones. By cutting the fillets in small strips in a crosswise manner, these bones can be "cooked crisp" by deep fat frying. Dip the strips in batter and deep fry at a temperature of 375 to 400 degrees F.



The author stalks some carp carefully with a bow and fish arrow.

Since carp overproduce and compete in habitat with game fish, removing them from popular waters is welcomed.



Carp fishing locations

- Riley Creek Impoundment - Hagerman Wildlife Management Area
- Bad Rapids - Lower Salmon Falls Reservoir
- Silga Reservoir
- Snake River - Milner Reservoir, downstream from Lower Salmon Falls Dam, Auger Falls area, Crystal Springs area, Thousand Springs area near Silgar's Resort

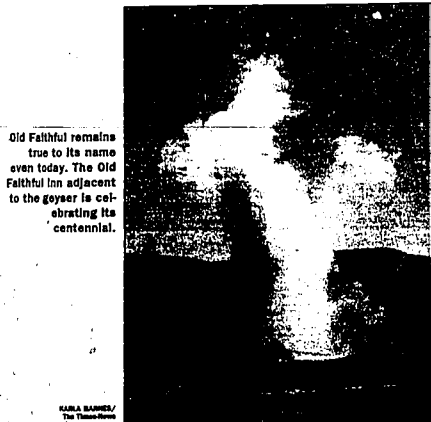
Batter recipe

- 1 c. cold water
- 1 egg
- 1/4 c. salad oil
- Mix and add:
- 1 c. "Wondra" or other fine flour
- 4 t. cornstarch
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1 t. salt

1/2 t. monosodium glutamate (if desired)

Incidentally, the above recipe is good for deep frying shrimp and other fish. But really now, why bother with such mundane table fare as that when you can have carp?

Yellowstone's beauty beckons outdoor enthusiasts



Old Faithful remains true to its name even today. The Old Faithful Inn adjacent to the geyser is celebrating its centennial.

By Karla Barnes
Times-News correspondent

The world's first national park is alive and well. We were in awe of its expanse and beauty as we traveled through the park this summer. Yellowstone encompasses more than 2 million acres of clear lakes, boiling waterfalls, magnificent wildflowers and abundant wildlife.

After spending the night in park the next morning through the west entrance. Our first stop was Old Faithful Inn. The inn is now 100 years old; it was built in the years 1903 to 1904. Old Faithful, the largest geyser in the park, erupted only minutes after we got up to the observation deck. It was as awesome as ever. The plume reaching high into the summer sky was a sight to behold.

Our next destination was Mammoth Hot Springs. We had not visited this area in more than 10 years, and we were anxious to get reacquainted with this section of the park.

The geothermal waters have made their way along the landscape of this area, creating terraces which are world renowned. The pools show magnificent color; these colors have formed by having thousands of gallons of hot mineral water flow over them daily. It is an interesting area to spend time in, and the walking opportunities are numerous.

The drive from Mammoth to the north entrance was a short one, only about five miles. At the north entrance, we were able to see the Roosevelt Arch. This beautiful stone structure was dedicated to the benefit and enjoyment of the people in 1903. The park is celebrating the arch's 100th birthday this year.

Onward to Roosevelt, Tower Falls and Canyon. Here at Canyon, the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone sits majestically in the mountainside. The Upper Falls plunges more than a 100-foot drop, and the Lower Falls roars 300 feet plus through the canyon. It is really impressive. They both are amazing sites and a

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The lower falls of the Grand Canyon of Yellowstone drop 300 feet in a visual feast of water and earth.

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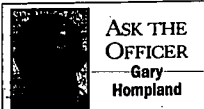
Keep up with hunting license law

Question: "A friend and I were arguing about when you need a hunting license. I thought anytime a person carried an unlicensed firearm in the fields or forests of Idaho, they were required to get a hunting license. My friend said a hunting license was only required when you are hunting animals. Who is right?"

Answer: "Hopefully you didn't get the farm on this one. Your partner is correct this time."

Years ago there was an Idaho law that required a person to possess a hunting license anytime they carried an unlicensed firearm. This law was repealed in the mid 1980s.

The law now says "No person shall hunt, trap, or fish for any



ASK THE OFFICER
Gary Hompland

wild animal, bird or fish of this state without first having procured a license." You are also required to carry your hunting license while in the field.

There are some exceptions such as resident children under 14 years of age who do not need a license to fish or trap for muskrats in irrigation ditches.

A person carrying a firearm for

target shooting or personal protection does not need a hunting license. However, once they begin to hunt any wildlife, they must have a hunting license in their possession.

The legal definition of hunting describes the pursuit of the animal and does not require shooting.

Reference Idaho Code 36-401 and 36-1201(c).

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Deer die in bunches near Clearwater

KAMIAH (AP)—An epidemic on the Woodland area of the Clearwater River breaks has killed at least 100 whitetail deer. Dead white-tails are scattered in draws and near water sources. Ch Bill Brewer's ranch, at least 40 have died.

"It just makes me sick to see this," he said. "These deer are really visible all the time. You can't sit down at the supper table and not see a deer."

The smell of death is prevalent as he drives an ATV around his place. Idaho Department of Fish and Game biologists believe a disease spread by gnats near watering holes is killing the deer. Washington State University veterinarians are running tests to determine the causes.

Behavior displayed by the dying deer appears consistent with epizootic hemorrhagic disease or one similar to it, Fish and Game conservation officer Dave Cadwallader said.

The disease does not spread to other animals or humans and cannot be spread between deer. Brewer raises sheep in the same places deer are dying, and none of his animals has become ill.

Outbreaks of the disease are usually geographically isolated and occur during the hottest part of the summer when deer become concentrated around water sources. The gnats carry the virus and spread it to deer by biting them.

The Kamiah area has high concentrations of deer that could make the herd more susceptible to the ailment. Three years ago, an outbreak of the disease near Peck killed about 70.

The epidemics usually stop when wetter and cooler weather spreads the deer out or a hard frost kills the gnats.

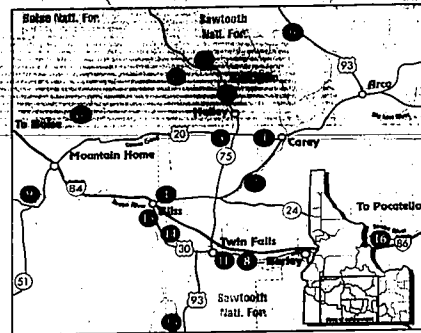
But Brewer fears it will take years for the deer herd around his ranch to recover.

"We have a lot of friends who come and hunt, and relations. There won't be anything to hunt this fall."



Jackline McCall was the winner of the 2003 Big Buck Contest sponsored by Taylor's Texaco Oil and Schlemmer Taxidermy of Twin Falls. McCall shot the buck in Unit 44, west of Ketchum. Pictured from left to right are Guy Taylor, Jackline McCall, and Ryan Schlemmer.

Magic Valley Angler's Guide



The Magic Valley fish report is for the week of Thursday, Aug. 14. Updated conditions from Silver Creek Outfitters and Blue Lakes Sporting Goods are listed for family fishing waters and major rivers in the Magic Valley/Wood River regions. Check Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations for restrictions.

Mald River: FAIR. A great evening caddis hatch on pockets of water has become addictive. Try using elk hair caddis, Henryville, stimulators and adams.

Big Wood River: GOOD. The Wood is flowing at 1.32 cfs (161 cfs); down from 1.47 lit last week. The fish have turned their attention to smaller flies: Tricos, Baetis, and Caddis. The mornings and evenings are the best time to be on the Wood. Try a "Hopper-Dropper" setup with a small Pheasant Tail or Copper John during the mid-day. A parachute Caddis is very effective in the evening. The Big Wood has received fishing pressure since the beginning of summer; consider walking further to runs fished less often. Approach the water with stealth and focus; good presentations with dead drift.

Little Wood River: FAIR. It's hopper time. Use Hi-Vis hoppers, Daves hoppers, Joe Hoppers, pheasant tails and cleavers.

Silver Creek: GOOD. Bring the smul of tipnet sizes to the Creek - mornings provide good opportunities to fish small mayflies on 6X and afternoons hold grasshopper potential. The trico spinners are hitting the water around 7:30 am (give or take a half hour). Baetis will play a larger role on cloudy days. Consider using an indicator fly, such as a PMD Dun or baetis hackle stacker, with a trico spinner trailing 8-12 inches behind. Fishing a PMD, baetis, or calibaetis pattern can also be a very effective technique before and after the trico hatch. Grasshoppers, beetles and ants

are good bets when the wind picks up.

Magic Reservoir: POOR. No water. The Big Wood River below the dam and the Rightland Canal opened to fish salvage on Aug. 8. Try Magic perch, ducktails, seal boppers, scuds.

Big Lost River: GOOD. The Lost is flowing at 153 cfs; down 100 cfs since last week. Look for fish in the shallower riffles and deep pockets. Tricos are hitting the water in the morning. Yellow Sallies, PMD's, Royal Stimulators, and Grasshoppers are working through-out the day. Caddis are on the water in the evening. If the fish are not on top, consider Copper Johns, Pheasant Tails, Prince Nymphs and rubber-legged stonefly nymphs.

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.

Milner Dam: GOOD. Water temperature is prime for bass. Any cover spots or sudden shelves are the hot spots. Shad raps, frenzies, and spinner baits are recommended. **C.J. Strike Reservoir:** EXCELLENT. The water is in excellent condition. The majority of fish being caught off of drop offs and main channels 20 feet plus. Use rapala husky jugs, Carolina rigging plastics and foxy jugs.

South Fork of the Boise: GOOD. This coldwater fishery has a great caddis hatch with some exceptional terrestrial fishing. Don't forget the streamers.

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Dierkes Lake: FAIR. Fishing is hot until around 11 a.m. and picks back up around 7 p.m. Try power-bait, nightcrawlers, rattle traps and shad raps.

Penny, Dollar Lakes, and Lake Creek Lake: GOOD. Slowly stripping a small (size 14-18) green or dark bodied nymph through the water 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, gulfers spacie, beetles and ants are reliable dry patterns to use when the fish are feeding on top.

Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir: FAIR/GOOD. Some healthy walleye are being caught. Hit the southern half of the water during light hours and the northeast banks during low-light or dark hours. Use power-bait, leeches, 3-inch worms, babel crowdds and rapala shad raps. **Clear Lake:** FAIR/GOOD. The inlets and deeper springs are the key on this little lake. Use Clear Lakes special, woolly buggers, ducktails, jumbo midge pupae.

Billingsley Creek: FAIR. Decent caddis hatch with terrestrials now making up the mainstay diet. Throw out some elk hair caddis, CDC caddis, emerging caddis, pheasant tails, Daves hopper and beetles.

Lake Walcott: GOOD. Bass fishing early and late throwing top water and shallow baits is hot. Use poppers, frenzies and rapala shad raps. **Steinhart Reservoir:** Get ready for a big run. Lower Granite reported 5,000 fish over the dam. Expect some exceptional fly rod steel-heading on the lower Clearwater

For additional updates on the Big Wood, Silver Creek, Warm Springs, Trail Creek, Penny/Dollar Lake and the Big Lost, call Skooter Gardiner of Silver Creek Outfitters at 1-800-732-5687 or (208) 726-5282. For updates at all other locations call Doug Cherry at Blue Lake Sporting Goods (208) 733-6446.

Yellowstone

Continued from E1 dramatic reminder of the reasons behind this landscape becoming our nation's first national park. There are more plants and animals at Yellowstone than you will find anywhere else in the lower 48 states. I was thrilled to stop at Mount Washburn to see the fantastic array of wildflowers growing on one of the highest points in the park. I saw varieties I had never laid eyes on before.

Wildlife abounds in Yellowstone. We spotted two young wolves resting in the high grass, several elk and buffalo were grazing on the hillside in various locations in the park, and geese and pelicans were everywhere the water flowed. The highlight in the wildlife category was definitely a large grizzly bear spotted on the side of the road. He looked no threat he had just gotten up from a nap. He avoids the crowds and runs back the trees

where people will not bother him. Driving homeward along the road, we venture toward Jackson, Wyo. We leave this paradise through the south entrance and

now prepare to return to reality. It is great to have Yellowstone so close to home. Take time out of your busy schedule to enjoy the wonders of Yellowstone.

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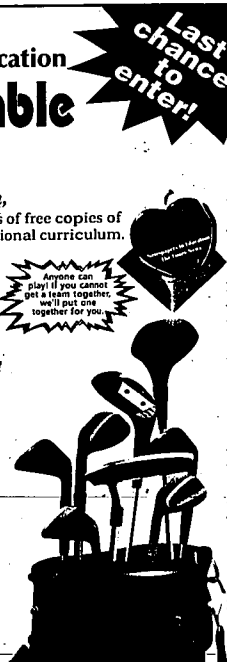
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Cruising the Oregon coast is a cool break from summer

By Bridget Schulte
The Washington Post

Boogie board in hand, middle-aged body shrink-wrapped into a thick neoprene wet suit, I stood with trepidation on Oregon's Short Sands beach. I looked every 15 seconds up to the sky for a black bonnet, like one of those sperm in a Woody Allen film.

After one step into the water, I didn't care. The Oregon coast is wild and lovely in summer, with windswept rocks, craggy mountains and thick forests hugging a solitary and largely undeveloped coastline. But in my years growing up there, the raging Pacific Ocean was for looking at. For walking along on the sand. Maybe for wading in up to your ankles. But the water can hover around a hypothermic 50 degrees. After a few minutes, your feet would literally go numb. You'd stumble on your purple legs out of the surf.

But thanks to the wonders of neoprene and the Cleanline Surf Shop in Cannon Beach, a new-found rental market for neoprenes like me and my family, we were about to dive in.

This was my husband's doing. Every year we make an annual two-week pilgrimage to Portland and the northern Oregon coast to visit my family. The trip was getting well, boring. This year, we had planned our usual routine differently, to search out the hidden places we hadn't made time for on previous visits. Short Sands was one such place.

I hopped in a few yards into the surf, bracing for the hit of freezing water that can make your teeth ache. The water off the Oregon coast is actually colder in summer than any other time of year: The continental ledge that rims the Pacific in the Northwest is fairly narrow, and after a few miles, the ocean floor drops off steeply. In summer, the prevailing north winds bring what's called an upwelling, which churns the deep icy water up from the ocean bottom. Sometimes the water temperature dips into the mid-40s.

Now, however, I was in up to my waist. I lurched myself onto the board and, for the first time in 40 years, went swimming off the Oregon coast. It was surprising, hurtling us in one wild ride all the way to the tide line if we caught the right wave. But because Short Sands is nestled in a crescent-shaped cove, just south of Cannon Beach, the surf is not too rough, as it is in other spots along the coast, nor are there dangerous rip currents. Or sharks.

The place is a local surfer hang-out. Surfboards and neoprene suits hung out to dry along the driftwood logs that line the edge of the beach. Surfline magazine has rated the surf either "great" and "awesome" or "so-so" and "mushy." Which may mean that it's just right for beginners like us.

Most people roar right past Short Sands on Highway 101 as they race north from Astoria to Cannon Beach, which is about a 1 1/2-hour drive from Portland. Growing up in Oregon, I didn't even know Short Sands existed. It's the perfect place for kids to play in the stream that bubbles across the beach, dig in the sand, explore tide pools or poke around the caves cut into the steep cliffs nearby. Those in the know park on the far side of Oswald West State Park parking lot off the highway. They find the wheelbarrows in the woods and haul their gear or picnic fare down the quarter-mile path that winds through one of the last towering patches of old-growth forest left on the Oregon coast.

We started our search for hidden spots in Portland, which has always had its granola-Birkenstock side, but in recent years has become increasingly groovy, with hip boutiques, galleries and trendy restaurants. When the clouds don't hang too low, the city commands a stunning view of Mount Hood, the remnants of the exploded volcano Mount St. Helens and other peaks of the Cascade Range.

While my husband took the kids to the refurbished zoo and well-regarded Children's Museum, my mother and I checked out the new neighbor: the hushed teahouse in the Garden of Awakening Orchids, the city's new tranquil Chinese garden. It's done in the style of Suzhou, a Chinese city where gardens, water, stone and plants are connected with a series of pavilions are tucked away, like their own private universes, behind high garden walls.

The garden sits in the heart of Old Town Chinatown, once a down industrial waterfront area



The author and her family take rented beach bikes to explore Cannon Beach on the Oregon coast.

that has come back to life. Its collection of historic cast-iron buildings is second only to New York's SoHo. Underground, it is riddled with the so-called Shanghai Tunnels, where unsuspecting sailors and loggers were jumped by unsavory types in Portland's wilder early days as Stump Town.

After jasmine tea and tisanes, we headed for Barcroft Sage, a spa just for feet, tucked in a nondescript storefront across the Willamette River—in Portland's east side. The walls are splashed with the colors of sunset, and overstuffed couches sit high off the ground—so you can sink back into the cushions while soaking your feet in a huge ceramic bowl of steaming hot water. There are stones to curl your toes around in the bottoms of the bowls and, depending on whether you order a treatment like "Happy Feet," rose petals may be floating about. A massage therapist then wrests every kink out of your feet and calves.

My husband had always bemoaned our trips to Oregon as a lot of sitting around the kitchen table with my mother drinking coffee and talking about people he didn't know. So we sent him off to ski the glacier on nearby Mount Hood and have lunch at the famous stone-and-wood WPA-built Timberline Lodge, 60 miles east of Portland. Timberline is a small but cozy alpine ski area in the winter, with a three-mile trail through the woods to Government Camp down the mountain. In summer, the skiing in T-shirt and jeans usually is best in the morning, before the high-altitude sun turns the glacial snow to mush.

I, meanwhile, took the kids for a walk at the Audubon Nature Center, where more than 3,000 injured wild animals are cared for or rehabilitated each year. It sits in the heart of Macleay Park and Forest Park, just minutes from downtown, which, with its more than 70 miles of trails, is the nation's largest urban forest park. After happily stomping through mud puddles and wading through a sea of ferns, we sat in the nature center just inside a huge window and watched with amazement as hundreds of wild birds—cardinals, robins, blue jays—pecked at the feeders hanging in the trees.

The walk prepared us for the next family outing—grandmother's cast-iron table, cousins and all—to Bagby Hot Springs, a two-hour drive east of Portland. The springs were "discovered" by a local prospector in 1881 and became a popular soaking site in the early 20th century. In recent years it's had a questionable reputation, with reports of vandalism in the parking lot and general rowdiness in the tubs, especially at night. We'd avoided the place in the past, but the nonprofit Friends of Bagby, which runs the springs jointly with the U.S. Forest Service, is now trying to attract families.

After a gentle, 1 1/2-mile hike through a towering old-growth forest of hemlock, spruce and cedar and across the Collawash River, we reached the rustic Lower Bathhouse. Three hollowed-out cedar logs for solo bathing look more like canoes than anything, and one larger round tub that can fit six to eight sits on a covered deck nestled in evergreens.

The enclosed private cedar log tubs were full when we arrived, as was the upper bathhouse that sits directly on the river. So we joined with about five other people, some in bathing suits, like us, and others letting it all hang out, at the lower bathhouse. Clothing is optional, which brought wide-eyed stares from the kids. Some visitors broke into spontaneous drumming and chanting to become at one with the woods. The kids found that entertaining, and they loved the log flames that bring the 130-degree steaming water from the springs and into the tubs, the oversized wooden stoppers that regulate the flow of water into the tub and the five-gallon buckets for fetching cold water to mix in so you don't stew.

After a soak, we wandered up the trail a few hundred yards—barefoot on the soft forest floor—to Shower Creek Falls, where we took turns standing on a wooden plank under an icy but refreshing waterfall.

Oregon's coast is about a 1 1/2-hour drive from Portland, and most folks swarm to places like Cannon Beach, with its artisan shops, galleries and famous basalt Haystack Rock, or to Lincoln City, with its steep cliffs, great winds for kite-flying and outlet malls far



The cold waters of Cannon Beach on the Oregon coast offer an enervating plunge.

ther south. We, however, stayed in a house in Gearhart, a quiet community a few miles north of Cannon Beach, where the beaches are less crowded and the pace a little slower.

The beach here is a wide stretch of rolling dunes, with craggy Tillamook Head jutting out into the ocean to the south. At the height of summer, there were only a handful of souls on the beach. Days, we braved the waters in neoprene, built sand castles and forts with the kids, flew kites, took long walks and dug for hermit crabs. Sunset was cocktail hour. And the cool evenings were perfect for bundling up in sweaters, lighting a bonfire and toasting marshmallows as the stars came out.

When the bad weather came, as it always does in Oregon, we drove into the town of Seaside, a few miles south. Not only is Seaside a national historic landmark—it is, literally, the end of the line for Lewis and Clark's westward exploration—it also has a great beachy boardwalk and an indoor carousel and arcade.

A good two hours south—more if there's traffic on the winding, two-lane Highway 101—is the town of Newport and the Oregon Coast Aquarium. The kids loved the outdoor seabird aviary, though

it took a bit of restraining to keep them from pouncing lovingly on the terrified tufted puffins, rhinoceros auklets and black oyster catchers. My 4-year-old was fascinated by the caves under the 30-foot cliff, and my 2-year-old loved to watch the birds dive and swim underwater at a big viewing window underground.

Inside, past the tanks of baldeed and surreal-looking Jellyfish, 200 feet of acrylic tunnels take visitors through a 1.32-million-gallon tank filled with all manner of swirling fish—souffin, sevevill and leopard sharks; skates and rays; enormous mackerel. (The tank was once home to Keiko, of the movie "Free Willy" fame).

Later, we stopped for lunch at what looked like a dive, the Whale Cove Inn. But inside, the view was amazing, and its history even more so. We sat at a table perched on the cliffs just above the "secret" picturesque cove, tucked away and forgotten for years. Some historians are pushing the theory that this, not a cove off San Francisco, was the famed New Albion "discovered" by buccaneer Sir Francis Drake in the 16th century when he tired of raiding Spanish ships and settlements and needed to make repairs to his ship before sailing the rest of the way around the world.

We also stopped in Wheeler, a little town we usually blow right through. Wheeler sits on Nehalem Bay, the place to go crabbing on the coast. We rented kayaks at the city dock and paddled around the wild marshes, searching for the lone moose that is said to appear from time to time. On the deck of the Heron Rock Waterfront Grill, which had never looked worth a stop as we'd zoomed by on previous trips, we ate burgers and watched the sun set. Herons patrolled the docks, searching for fish to gulp, while we watched the bay waters slowly drain out to sea.

With our wet suit rental just about at an end, we brought our neoprene and boogie boards to Manzanita, a sleepy stretch of white-sand beach about a half-hour south of Gearhart and Cannon Beach, for a final day in the cold, cold Pacific. The surf here is very strong, and the rides lent themselves to open-mouthed whooping.

I inhaled sharply when trickles of icy water made it into my surf shoes or past the thick zipper of my wet suit and down my back. But I couldn't bring myself to come in. The silly suit was finally enabling me to do what I'd imagined wistfully as a shore-bound child. Fly.

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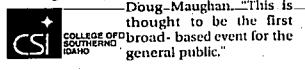
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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR WEST MAGIC FIRE DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004.
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: On Tuesday, August 12, 2003 at 12 noon on August 22, 2003, in the City Building on Pioneer Dr., West Shore Estates, a copy of the proposed budget will be available for public review.

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Estimated Expenditures: Major Equipment, Replacement, Repairs... \$2,237,000; Fire Building Maintenance... 105,000; Office Supply... 500,000; Utilities... 50,000; Fire Truck Fuel... 200,000; Fire Hydrant... 100,000; Insurance... 1,300,000; Building & Emergency Fund... 650,000; TOTAL... \$978,000.

PUBLISH: August 14, 2003
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE: On Wednesday, the 19th day of November, 2003, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. of said day, in the lobby building of the First American Title Company, Twin Falls, Idaho, the following property will be sold to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States.

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ADVERTISING FOR SALE OF TENANTS PERSONAL PROPERTY: I have a large quantity of tenants personal property for sale. The property includes furniture, appliances, and other household items. The sale will be held on Tuesday, August 12, 2003 at 12 noon on August 22, 2003.

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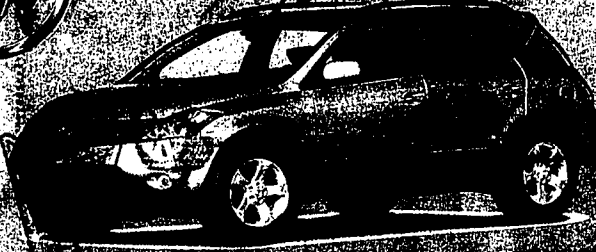
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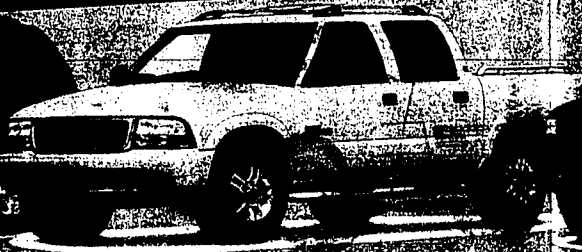


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