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Castleford's quandary

Water situation heats up debate over arsenic levels

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — The topic of arsenic has come full circle for Andy Holderreed.

Associates of the 89-year-old former missionary, who retired to the Castleford area in 1982, benevolently provided Bangladesh villagers tools that tapped into arsenic-contaminated water 50 years ago.

Holderreed, who spent 16 years in India beginning in 1951, was quite familiar with the activities of his missionary brethren in neighboring Bangladesh. They were providing shallow-well pumps to natives so they'd stop drinking dirty surface water.

"The men who started this were Mennonite workers with the best intentions," Holderreed said.

Their hand pumps were a hit. They didn't go deeply into the ground, but they burrowed under state surface water. The missionaries, however, would later learn that their best of intentions had unforeseen consequences.

"These workers were interested in giving the village people a better supply of water than drinking polluted water out of puddles," Holderreed said. "But some years later it became apparent they were being poisoned."

Bangladesh now faces what has been called the largest mass poisoning in world history — up to 80 million people might be affected by groundwater laced with the poisonous natural chemical, according to the World Health Organization.

If Bangladesh epitomizes the trouble with arsenic on the world stage, Holderreed's hometown might epitomize

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Castleford Mayor Rita Ruffing, right, and City Clerk Patsy Kinyon stand in front of the town's water tower Saturday. Castleford is one of many small towns struggling to meet new federal regulations on how much arsenic is acceptable in drinking water. City officials have discussed abandoning their water system and transferring its rights to individuals.

T.F. crash claims two lives

Truck pins occupants in car after collision

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A crash killed two people Saturday east of Twin Falls, while six others required medical treatment after being extricated from their vehicles.

Gabriela Bedolla-Ponce, 17, of Richfield, and one of her two passengers, Samuel Bedolla-Ponce, were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident. An Idaho State Police press release said Samuel Bedolla-Ponce's age was unknown.

The two-vehicle collision occurred at about 2:15 p.m. at 3300 East and 4000 North, which becomes Falls Avenue as it heads west toward Twin Falls.

Gabriela Bedolla-Ponce was headed southbound on 3300 East when she failed to stop for the stop sign at 4000 North, the ISP statement said.

A Kimberly Nurseries truck driven by John Wright, 63, of Twin Falls, was headed eastbound and struck the car driven by Gabriela Bedolla-Ponce. Gabriela Bedolla-Ponce's vehicle then struck a power pole, shearing it off at ground level, the ISP statement said. Wright's vehicle rolled onto its side.

The truck pinned the occupants inside Bedolla-Ponce's car, an official with the Southern Idaho Regional Communications Center confirmed.

Four other passengers in Gabriela Bedolla-Ponce's vehicle required medical treatment. Nick Perger, 22, and 17-year-old Julien Cook — both German exchange students staying in Richfield — were transported to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Saturday. Kyle Jones, 18, and Lia Rathbun, 16, both of Richfield, were air lifted to St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise. None of the occupants of Bedolla-Ponce's vehicle were wearing seat belts, ISP said.

Wright and his passenger Abelino Ortiz, 22, of Wadwell, were transported to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center where Ortiz was treated and released. Wright was admitted for his injuries, ISP said.

Officials identify shooting victims

The Associated Press

OLDTOWN, Idaho — The Bonner County Sheriff's Office on Saturday identified four people gunned down in a bar on the Idaho-Washington border.

Tiki Danielle Wiese, 41, of Oldtown, was the suspect's ex-girlfriend. Leroy Wiese, 84, of Newport, Wash., was her former father-in-law. The other two victims were Chester W. Cavilliere and Henry Shumake, each 63 and of Newport.

Hours after the shootings at the

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Twin Falls looks at experimental arsenic removal

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sometimes you have to spend money to save money.

J-U-B Engineers Inc., along with Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory and Amalgamated Research Inc., are recommending the city of Twin Falls spend close to \$85,000 to build and help operate an experimental facility to remove arsenic from drinking water. The City Council is scheduled to hear a report on the matter at its 5 p.m. Monday meeting.

"We're going to request per-

mission to set up a pilot project in a pump house that would use new technology to remove arsenic from water," said Bill Block, senior project manager at J-U-B Engineers. "The new application has the potential to be significantly less costly than conventional treatment technology. That's the whole idea."

Technology already exists to remove arsenic from water, Block said, but engineers hope their new approach will reduce the cost of treating water and reduce the size that a treatment facility has to be, which in turn would reduce costs.

The financial commitment

from the city for the pilot program would include building the equipment and installing it, labor costs, data collection and evaluation. INEEL wouldn't charge the city for its part in the project.

The city is looking into ways to reduce arsenic levels in water after Congress, the Bush administration and the Environmental Protection Agency required levels to be reduced by a 2006 deadline. City officials have estimated the cost for compliance could be anywhere between \$9 million and \$20 million.

If engineers get approval, the preliminary design would be completed by November.

Fabrication and installation of the pilot vessel would take place in December, with testing conducted during the winter. Data analysis and a project summary would likely be completed by July.

The project is part of a wider study to determine the cheapest and best way to remove arsenic. The final tally of costs for each plan won't be available until spring.

"High arsenic levels are a concern in many communities, not just Twin Falls," Block said. "The technology could be useful to communities nationwide."

Economic indicators look bright for Magic Valley — with some lows

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Western Magic Valley this summer posted enviable 6.3 percent growth in nonagricultural jobs.

That's the best year-over-year comparison in all of Idaho, and it goes hand in hand with Twin Falls' red-hot

home construction.

"Looking at the labor market and the construction data and perhaps some aspects of agriculture, we would have to conclude this area has done significantly better than the state average," said Kelly K. Matthews, a

Quarterly review



gains in the cattle market. Higher values on new homes.

Fargo economist.

The third quarter brought other positive trends, too: Low unemployment rates. Milk prices substantially higher than a year ago. Extraordinary price increases in the cattle market.

More details — D1,3-4

Bigger-than-a-year-ago prices for homes sold. And growing bank deposits.

But the quarter also had weaknesses: Big grocery-price increases. Sluggish sales of new automobiles. Painfully low pota-

to prices. Slower home sales. Decreased all-industries sales. And a mediocre season for tourism.

For the rest of the story, see the Money section in today's edition or Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins' report on third-quarter economic indicators.

7 days, 7 reasons to read

The razor's edge

How to be kind to your face.

Monday

Ruined by spam

How big of a problem is it for computer users?

Tuesday

Special needs cooking

Check out these recipes for healthy meals.

Wednesday

'Steel' challenge

Steelhead fishing on Idaho's rivers gives anglers a true test.

Thursday

Screwball comedy

The Oakley Valley Arts Council discovers "You Can't Take It With You."

Friday

Meet the children

This Rupert Hispanic church is helping kids far from home.

Saturday

Happy birthday

Dive deep into Twin Falls' history.

Sunday

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Sunny and seasonal. Highs near 63.
 Tonight: Mostly clear with light winds. Lows near 35.
 Tomorrow: Fine Autumn weather. Highs near 67.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Sunny and seasonal	Mostly clear with light winds	Fine Autumn weather	Sunny and breezy	Mostly dry and turning cooler	Chilly with clouds
High 63	Low 35	67/37	65/34	60/32	51/28

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Sunny, dry and seasonal. Highs in the lower to middle 60s.
 Tonight: Mostly clear and uneventful. Lows in the lower to middle 30s.
 Tomorrow: Sunny and a little breezier and warmer. Highs in the middle to upper 60s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
 Mostly dry weather will prevail through the middle of the week. Temperatures will gradually warm under mostly sunny skies. Windy periods are likely.

BOISE
 Mostly sunny and dry weather will prevail for majority of the week. Temperatures will trend warmer peaking by mid-week. A cooling trend will develop later in the week.

NORTHERN UTAH
 Mostly dry and sunny for the next several days. Temperatures will level off near to slightly above average through mid-week.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature: 63/35
 Precipitation: 0.00
 Humidity: 67%
 Barometric Pressure: 30.1
 Sunrise and Sunset: 7:05 AM, 5:58 PM

MOON PHASES

Nov. 1 First Qtr. Nov. 9 Full Moon. Nov. 17 Last Qtr. Nov. 23 New Moon.

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Tuesday
Boise	63/35	67/37	65/34
Burley	62/34	66/36	64/32
Rupert	61/33	65/35	63/31

NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	70/55 <td>67/44</td> <td>Phoenix</td> <td>70/55 <td>61/48</td> </td>	67/44	Phoenix	70/55 <td>61/48</td>	61/48
Baltimore	65/49 <td>66/44</td> <td>Portland, ME</td> <td>58/48 <td>57/47</td> </td>	66/44	Portland, ME	58/48 <td>57/47</td>	57/47
Boston	65/49 <td>66/44</td> <td>San Francisco</td> <td>65/51 <td>63/54</td> </td>	66/44	San Francisco	65/51 <td>63/54</td>	63/54
Chicago	66/54 <td>64/51</td> <td>Seattle</td> <td>55/36 <td>51/36</td> </td>	64/51	Seattle	55/36 <td>51/36</td>	51/36

MOONRISE and MOONSET

Monday Moonrise: 6:02 AM Moonset: 7:10 PM

U.V. INDEX

Low. The higher the index, the more protection is needed.

WORLD FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Akron	62/66	67/53	London	61/61	57/51
Albany	61/61	67/53	Los Angeles	61/61	57/51
Albuquerque	61/61	67/53	Madrid	61/61	57/51

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	City	Today	Tomorrow
Calgary	50/30	54/34	Edmonton	50/30	54/34
Halifax	50/30	54/34	Regina	50/30	54/34
Montreal	50/30	54/34	Toronto	50/30	54/34

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Halliburton campaign aims to defend company

WASHINGTON (AP) - The head of Vice President Dick Cheney's former employer, Halliburton, is asking employees to contact newspapers and lawmakers to counter Democratic criticism of the company's no-bid contract in Iraq.

In an Oct. 17 memo entitled "Defending Our Company," Halliburton's president, Dave Lesar, said he was offended by the criticism but cautioned employees to be positive in their letters.

"We should avoid stooping to our critics' level of dialogue, no matter how tempting that may be," he wrote. He said the critics are "distorting our efforts" to restore Iraq's oil industry and provide other services to the U.S. military in Iraq.

Several congressional Democrats have leveled criticism against the Houston-based Halliburton, which Cheney left when he ran for office in 2000. Cheney still receives deferred payments for services previously performed, but his office says he severed his ties with the company and had no role in the company's contracts.

Democrats in the House and Senate have questioned whether Halliburton's oil industry contract resulted from favoritism to Cheney, since there were no competitive bids.

Halliburton's KBR subsidiary has been paid \$1.59 billion so far for the oil industry contract with the Army Corps of Engineers. The Corps has said it would soon award two replacement contracts through competitive bidding.

The Lesar memo was obtained by operators of an Internet site, Misdemeanor.org, which publishes what it calls "misrepresentations, distortions and downright misleading statements by President Bush and the Bush administration." An official of the site said it was provided to a subscriber by a relative employed by Halliburton.

Lesar, Halliburton's president, CEO and chairman, said: "Now I'm asking you to help by writing a letter to the editor of your newspaper." He listed "some facts that you can use to help deliver your letter."

He also told workers "it would be helpful to write to your representatives in Washington, D.C., asking them to support fairness and accuracy."

Halliburton spokeswoman Wendy Hall said: "We often encourage employees to share their voice and opinions on matters that they feel are important. As many companies do, we encourage employees to write to their respective representatives in Washington."

"Many of our employees have expressed appreciation for this effort, so that they have an active voice in support of the company."

Among Lesar's suggestions for the letters to newspapers are: "Halliburton makes our troops more comfortable in a difficult environment by bringing shelter, supplies, clean uniforms and mail from home."

"Halliburton is proud to offer its global resources at this critical time in the Middle East."

California wildfire destroys 200 homes

Thousands flee flames

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP) - A wildfire driven by fierce Santa Ana winds roared through the foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains, burning at least 200 homes and forcing thousands to flee as it leaped through dense residential areas.

The fire erupted at 9:17 a.m. some 30 miles east of downtown Los Angeles, and devoured 10,000 acres of chaparral in a matter of hours. The fire stretched across dozens of miles, arcing along the brushy curve of the foothills from near the town of Devore on the east to Highland on the west.

At least 200 homes were destroyed by Saturday night, said Robin Renteria, a San Bernardino National Forest spokesman.

The cause of the blaze was unknown and no injuries were reported, but 1,000 homes were threatened.

The fire moved erratically, burning down one house, then skipping two before snaring another. In some cases backyards burned and houses were unscathed, or burned only partially.



A fire helicopter flies over homes Saturday as flames approach in northern San Bernardino, Calif.

downtown Los Angeles, a fire near Santa Clarita swelled to 4,200 acres and a voluntary evacuation was called for more than 30 homes in the town of Piru. Firefighters said they had saved the homes, but the evacuations remained in effect.

A new fire broke out near the San Bernardino County fire Saturday night, originating at Camp Fairview, just west of Crestline. An evacuation was ordered at 7 p.m., affecting hundreds of residents, said Stanton Flores, the U.S. Forest Service spokesman.

Although thousands of people in San Bernardino and the community of Crestline were ordered to evacuate, many residents stayed trying to fight the fire with garden hoses.

Robert Wilkes, 50, had red, irritated eyes from the ash as he tried to save his house and his neighbors' homes from the military-grade fire jumped from palm tree to palm tree, igniting a house across the street from Wilkes. He blazed it with a garden hose, but turned around when the fire spread to a home next to his.

Rockets hit Iraq hotel where Americans are based

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Six to eight rockets struck the Al Rashid Hotel early Sunday, where U.S. military and civilian employees stay, the U.S. military said.

A spokesman for the military command said there were an "unknown number of casualties" and a quick reaction force had been dispatched to the scene. U.S. officials declined further

comment.

The luxury hotel is located in an area tightly controlled by the U.S. military on the western side of the Tigris River near the headquarters of the U.S.-led coalition.

Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz began a three-day tour of Iraq on Friday,

was in Baghdad, but his whereabouts were unclear.

"Some balconies in the midlevel of the hotel appeared damaged and a large hole was visible on one side of the building."

Several Army Humvees and at least one armored personnel carrier were blocking the street leading up to the hotel.

The Al Rasheed, made famous by CNN's telephone calls under

fire and rooftop broadcasts during the 1991 Gulf War, was taken over by the American military in Baghdad last U.S. forces in April.

The hotel, which was built and owned by the deposed Iraqi government, was Iraq's marquee guesthouse. Inaugurated in 1982 for a summit of national leaders, its style remains a cross between 1970s American Jewish and Soviet institutionalism.

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Shooting

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Stallone Bar, Ralph Reeves, 53, died of a self-inflicted gunshot as sheriff's deputies approached his car. Authorities were not seeking any other suspects in the case.

Bonner County Sheriff Phil Jarvis released few details about the killings, saying only that a dispute between Reeves and his ex-girlfriend apparently prompted the shootings.

There were other people in the tavern who were not injured, Jarvis said.

One witness said he noticed nothing unusual until the shooting began.

"Then, all of a sudden, boom, boom, boom," said Earl Hunt, a resident of Diamond Lake, Wash.

"We were kind of walking out and heard this, what turned out to be gunshots," Hunt told The Spokesman-Review newspaper.

"It all happened behind me, so I turned around and all I saw was a

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Ralph Reeves

guy there. I thought, 'What idiot is shooting blanks in here?' That's what entered my mind, except they weren't blanks."

Hunt said the gunman pointed a semiautomatic pistol at him from about 20 feet away.

"He turned and pointed it at me and pulled the trigger, but there was nothing left in the gun," he told The Spokesman-Review.

A friend of Reeves' said he and the female victim had a relationship but were not a couple.

"I just don't at all understand," said the friend, Greg Cavanaugh, who let Reeves park a trailer on his property and stay there periodically. "I can see where he'd be at odds with (the woman) but pulling out a gun just doesn't make sense."

Reeves, who was divorced with two adult children, was homeless and living in his car, Cavanaugh and authorities said.

"He's conveyed to me several times the fact he's suicidal," Cavanaugh told The Spokesman-Review. "Life wasn't always the greatest for him."

After the shooting, sheriff's officers distributed a fire description Reeves and his car, and authorities in Washington and Idaho searched for him.

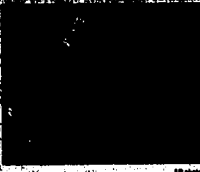
The sheriff said deputies from Pend Oreille and Bonner counties had the car under surveillance for some time Friday night and "they apparently found the man who shot and killed himself."

Jarvis said he had no details on exactly where it happened but it was believed to be about eight miles south of here, just over the border in Washington state.

Oldtown is a community of about 200 people on the Idaho-Washington border about 50 miles north of Spokane, Wash.

NATION

N. Korea will mull Bush offer



North Korean leader Kim Jong Il salutes during the celebration of the country's 55th birthday in this Sept. 9 file photo at Pyongyang's Kim Il Sung Square.

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Brightening prospects for ending a nuclear stalemate, North Korea said Saturday it will consider President Bush's offer of written security assurances in return for dismantling its nuclear weapons program.

It was the latest about-face by North Korea, which had called the offer "laughable" and "not worth considering" and has been unclear about its actions and plans during the yearlong dispute over its atomic ambitions.

Still, the abrupt shift raised hope of resuming six-nation talks aimed at ending the standoff. U.S. officials believe Pyongyang

already has one or two atomic bombs and can yield several more bombs within months from its nuclear programs.

North Korea has already informed the Bush administration of its new intentions through its diplomats at the United Nations, said an unnamed spokesman for Pyongyang's Foreign Ministry.

The White House responded to North Korea's latest comment with guarded optimism.

"We're looking at the message, and we hope North Korea will return to the Beijing six-party talks," said Jimmy Orr, a spokesman for President Bush.

Separately, the Japanese gov-

ernment said North Korea may have test-fired a short-range missile off its eastern coast Saturday. It is the third suspected missile launch by Pyongyang this week.

A U.S. official said on condition of anonymity that the North Koreans normally do such testing in three stages, and this one appeared to have been previously scheduled.

During a Bangkok, Thailand, summit of Asia-Pacific leaders earlier this week, Bush proposed that the United States, Russia, South Korea, Japan and China would offer written assurances the North will not be attacked if it promises to dismantle its nuclear program.

Infants, toddlers feast on fries and soda as American obesity worsens

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Even before their second birthday, many American children are developing the same bad eating habits that plague the nation's adults — too much fat, sugar and salt and too few fruits and vegetables.

A new study of more than 3,000 youngsters found significant numbers of infants and toddlers are downing french fries, pizza, candy and soda.

Children aged 1 to 2 years require about 950 calories per day, but the study found that the median intake for that age group is 1,220 calories — an excess of nearly 30 percent. For those 7 months to 11 months old, the daily caloric surplus was about 20 percent.

"By 24 months, patterns look startlingly similar to some of the problematic American dietary patterns," said an overview of the Feeding Infants & Toddlers Study, commissioned by baby-food maker Gerber Products Co.

Recent research has found that roughly one in every five Americans is now considered obese, double the rate in the mid-1990s.

"(Your children) are watching you — they see what you do," said Chicago-area dietitian Jodie Shield, who has written two books on child nutrition. "We're on a very dangerous course if we do not make some changes in helping parents step up to the plate and be role models."

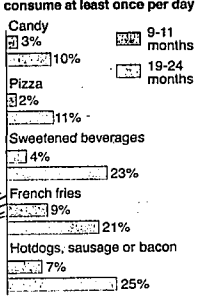
"Across cultures, it's a positive thing to overfeed your chubby little baby," said Dorothy DeLesso, a dietitian at Brown University Medical School in Providence, R.I. But she added that Americans were crossing over to negative patterns of "round-cheeked overweight toddler, overweight pre-

Too much fat, sugar and salt, too early

A new study has found that infants and toddlers are consuming french fries, pizza, candy and sodas resulting in an intake of far more calories and sodium than they need. Up to a third of the children under 2 ate no fruits and vegetables, according to the survey.



Food infants and toddlers consume at least once per day



SOURCE: Feeding Infants & Toddlers Study, by Gerber Products Co. AP

schooler, overweight child, overweight adult."

An overview of the FITS study was presented Saturday at a meeting of the American Dietetic Association. The complete study results are to be published in the association's journal in January.

The study involved random telephone interviews conducted in 2002 that asked parents or primary caregivers what their youngsters ages 4 months to 2 years ate that particular day.

Up to a third of the children under 2 consumed no fruits or vegetables, according to the survey. And for those who did have a vegetable, french fries were the most common selection for children 15 months and older.

Nine percent of children 9 months to 11 months old ate fries at least once per day. For those 19 months to 2 years old, more than

20 percent had fries daily.

Hot dogs, sausage and bacon also were daily staples for many children — 7 percent in the 9-to-11 month group, and 25 percent in the older range.

More than 60 percent of 12-month-olds had dessert or candy at least once per day, and 16 percent ate a salty snack. Those numbers rose to 70 percent and 27 percent by age 19 months.

Thirty to 40 percent of the children 15 months and up had a sugary fruit drink each day, and about 10 percent had soda.

Shield said early diets strongly influence children, whose food preferences are generally shaped between ages 2 and 3.

"If kids are having soda and soft drinks at such an early age, it's going to be very, very challenging to introduce other types of foods for them later," she said.

War protests take place on both coasts

WASHINGTON (AP) — To chants of "Impeach Bush," thousands of anti-war protesters rallied in the nation's capital Saturday and delivered a scathing critique of President Bush and his Iraq policy.

Demanding an end to the U.S.-led occupation and the quick return of American troops, the demonstrators gathered on a sunny fall day at the Washington Monument to listen to speeches and songs of peace.

One man's small cardboard sign gave his summing-up of the day: "This administration does not represent me," it said in black capital letters typewritten on white paper.

The Rev. Al Sharpton, a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, exhorted the crowd not to be content with the gradual withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq.

"Don't give bush \$87 billion, don't give him 87 cents, give our troops a ride home," Sharpton said to loud cheers from the crowd.

Hundreds of anti-war protesters also took to sun-drenched streets in San Francisco.

"We feel it's very important to keep our voices heard because we want our troops home," said Bill Nelson, a Burbank, Calif., bookstore owner. "We want the money here for health care and jobs, not a military industrial complex."

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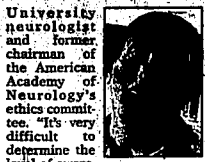
CHICAGO — The emotional battle over whether to let Terri Schiavo die hinges on medicine's inability to conclusively say if a person who is in a persistent vegetative state as she is, has any awareness of herself or her surroundings.

It is a dilemma created by modern technology, which is able to keep severely brain-damaged people alive by artificial means who previously would have died. It is a dilemma created by modern technology, which is able to keep severely brain-damaged people alive by artificial means who previously would have died.

For nearly 30 years, doctors, courts and families have tussled with the dilemma, gradually coming to a generally accepted policy that the next of kin could decide about withdrawing extraordinary treatment.

Some people have a hard time accepting a patient's irreversible condition because they may give signs that look like they are aware. People in a vegetative state, for instance, can make facial expressions and withdraw a limb in response to painful stimuli. But medicine is in limbo when it comes to trying to determine whether there is some conscious awareness behind those movements, or if they are simple reflex reactions.

"The human body has a repertoire of reflexes that respond to things like noxious stimuli," said Dr. James Bernat, a Dartmouth



Terri Schiavo

University neurologist and former chairman of the American Academy of Neurology's ethics committee. "It's very difficult to determine the level of awareness in a case like this. There is no laboratory test that can confirm it."

"It is a clinical judgment that requires a skilled examiner, who has experience with patients in a vegetative state, to repeatedly and methodically look for evidence of responsive awareness of conscious life," he said. "And sometimes you're wrong."

There is also no good way to determine if a patient in a persistent vegetative state feels pain or suffers.

"In terms of what exactly a patient is aware of you can't quite know what he is thinking," said Dr. Jeffrey Frank, director of neurointensive care at the University of Chicago. "What you can do is know the extent of the brain injury and understand that if they have any kind of awareness it might be very primitive."

That raises the question of whether a patient suffers more by having some type of minimal awareness of being bedridden, kept alive artificially and unable to connect to his environment, or by being allowed to die.

"Very discomforts may be very primitive and poorly understood by the patient depending on the extent of their brain injury," Frank said. "But patients do suffer. I would say they suffer

more by the life-sustaining kind of treatments than they would from just being allowed to die peacefully."

The issue of withdrawing life support from a brain-damaged patient first arose in the case of Karen Quinlan. She suffered severe brain damage in 1975 when she stopped breathing after consuming alcohol and drugs.

She was put on a respirator that kept her alive for her and declared to be in a persistent vegetative state. When her father sought approval to discontinue the respirator, the state of New Jersey stepped in and said it had a duty to keep her alive, reflecting the prevailing belief that a person was alive as long as she was breathing even though the breathing was sustained artificially and there was no measurable awareness.

The state Supreme Court ruled, however, that a person's right to privacy allowed him to refuse unwanted medical care and that such a decision could be made by the next of kin following the patient's wishes of what he would have done.

The breathing apparatus was removed, and everyone expected

she would die. But her brain stem, which controls breathing and heartbeat, kicked in and she lived another 10 years in a persistent vegetative state, kept alive through a feeding tube.

Her feeding tube was challenged in another case. Nancy Cruzan was found in a ditch after she lost control of her car in 1983. She was not breathing, but paramedics succeeded in restarting her respiration and heart beat. She was declared to be in a vegetative state.

When her family petitioned to have the feeding tube removed, the state of Missouri balked, saying it had a responsibility to keep her alive.

The state Supreme Court ruled in favor of the state insisting that because she was breathing on her own she was alive and artificial nutrition could not be cut off.

The U.S. Supreme Court, however, ruled that the state's decision to refuse to remove the feeding tube was unconstitutional. The court said a person has a constitutional right to refuse life-sustaining therapy, including feeding tubes, and if the person is incompetent, that right is transferred to a legally authorized surrogate decision-maker.

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"The field itself is just beautiful, just rich with different things," said Steven W. Beckwith, director of the institute. Beckwith gathered a half-dozen Ultra Deep Field astronomers around his computer screen last week for their first glimpse of the project's results — some of the earliest galaxies to form after the Big Bang.

"Think of the universe today as a 50-year-old person," Beckwith said. "The changes in people in their early formative years are much faster (than in later life). This is also true of the universe." The Ultra Deep Field observations will allow astronomers to peer backward to a time when the "50-year-old" universe was closer to 2 or 3. "We're really beginning

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Observers see Dean's governing style as mixture of blunt, shrewd

By James Hahnemann
Nightly Editor News Service

BURLINGTON, Vt. — Call it a highway conversion.

As he made his daily drive from Burlington to Montpelier, Gov. Howard Dean kept noticing signs and more commercial signs popping up along Vermont's interstates. He was not pleased.

Once, he had lobbied to permit such signs as alternatives to billboards, which the state had banned, but now that he'd seen them, they had to go.

He punched a number into his phone and snapped an order to his chief of staff, Kathy Hoyt: "I want those signs down over the weekend."

It would take four years. The episode was vintage Dean, now one of the leading Democrats seeking the presidency of the United States. He was impetuous and impatient, yet he displayed a willingness to change course that many who know him find both admirable and exasperating.

An examination of Dean's governing style when he was Vermont's chief executive reveals a shrewd politician who tried to get his way through whatever tactic worked — brinkmanship or partisanship, explosive outbursts or tireless negotiations. His Clinton-like triangulation between extreme-angry conservatives and liberals, but generally delighted moderates, businessmen and bankers.

"He knows who not to offend," said state Rep. Ann Scibert, a liberal Democrat and 16-year veteran of the Legislature who often butted heads with Dean.

But he could be tough on critics, no matter what their politics. When Democrats in Vermont's Senate balked at his budget cuts, he ridiculed them, saying their counterproposal was "in La-La land." He once compared Republicans to the Ayatollah Khomeini. If liberals in his party didn't want to support him, he marginalized them, said Harlan Sylvester, a former top adviser.

And when William Doyle, the longest-serving Republican in the



Democratic presidential hopeful Howard Dean speaks before a home-state crowd during a fundraiser Friday in Burlington, Vt.

state Senate, dared to delay the end of the legislative session over a redistricting dispute, Dean, already campaigning for the presidency, marched to the Senate floor and vented.

"You had your chance," he said, stabbing his finger at the chest of the 76-year-old Doyle. "You're willfully obstructing this session. I've had enough of this! We're going home."

No, Howard Dean — a scion of Wall Street, a physician and now a former governor — is not a patient man. His bedside manner is blunt to a fault.

Yet behind his demanding ways is a non-ideological, goal-driven pragmatist who advanced an agenda that was as socially liberal as Hillary Clinton and as fiscally conservative as Ross Perot.

At the same time, the major initiatives for which he has been praised and damned — lowering taxes, balancing education funding and extending civil unions to gays — were not so much of his doing as they were foisted upon him by others.

In the end, he played the cards he was dealt and served as governor for 11 years.

Dean took his first oath of office

on Aug. 14, 1991, mere hours after Republican Gov. Richard Snelling was found poolside, dead of a heart attack. Dean, who had been the state's part-time lieutenant governor, suddenly held the reins of a state with a \$70 million deficit.

Snelling had already prescribed some tough medicine — a tax increase and budget cuts — that the Legislature enacted. It was up to Dean to manage it.

The tax increase was supposed to be temporary. The law required that it expire within two years. But Democrats, particularly liberals, demanded that Dean extend it to generate more revenue so they could abandon many of Snelling's budget cuts.

Dean refused. After two years of a top marginal tax rate of 34 percent, Dean let it drop back to 25 percent. A year later, he dropped it one percentage point more, to 24 percent.

Yet, while cutting taxes and spending, Dean used waivers obtained from the Clinton administration to expand the state's health care plan for children and made every state resident under 18 eligible for coverage, a significant accomplishment that is the basis for his presidential health-care agenda.

Even so, it was a modest plan compared to what he initially proposed — universal health coverage tied directly to the sweeping changes that Bill and Hillary Clinton called for in 1993. When the Clinton plan failed, Dean promptly abandoned his.

"Howard wanted that program very badly," Hoyt said. "But he's a practical person. He understood when he had to cut his losses."

Instead, he chose to build a system block by block that eventually offered health care access not only to all children without insurance, but also to non-welfare families with incomes up to 300 percent of the federal poverty level.

"He believes that a lot of incremental reforms steadily pursued can result in substantial change," said Eric Davis, a political scientist at Vermont's Middlebury College.

Gay marriage looms as issue

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Republican lawmakers and conservative activists are making plans to turn gay marriage into a major issue in next year's elections, with some Christian groups saying that banning same-sex unions is a higher immediate priority for them than restricting abortion.

Party strategists said the issue could be a bonanza for mobilizing conservatives to fund campaigns and turn out to vote, particularly in the South. Conservative groups said they plan to challenge candidates to sign a pledge in support of a constitutional amendment precluding gay marriage, then use the results — along with votes Republicans hope to force in the House and Senate — as a wedge against Democrats.

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Ballot measures include array of propositions

The Assessment Problem

Maine could see the first casino after the November referendum campaign in state history. Sen. Eric Blodgett could see a "rising wage" of \$8.50 an hour for local workers. And the mellow of the world could take heart if Denver voters endorse a call for citywide stress reduction.

Across the country, state and local ballots on Nov. 4 will include an eclectic array of propositions — dealing with gay rights, mass transit and economic development, among other topics.

Bolinas, Calif. — population 1,200 — has perhaps the oddest item, sponsored by a woman known for wearing hats made from tree bark. Evoking blueberries, bears and skunks, Measure G asks that Bolinas declare itself a "nature-loving town."

In terms of bitterness and spending (more than \$6.8 million by the two sides), the Maine casino proposal had few competitors during this campaign season. It envisions development of a

\$50 million gambling resort in economically-struggling Sanford, in southern Maine about 90 miles north of Boston. It would be built by two Indian tribes and a Las Vegas casino developer, creating thousands of jobs at the resort and possibly thousands more elsewhere if projections of 6.5 million out-of-state visitors were to come true.

Some opponents, including Democratic Gov. John Baldacci, say the claims of economic gains are overstated. Others say the casino would aggravate social problems or tarnish Maine's image as a mecca for outdoor recreation.

"Do you want the tourism industry cannibalized by a business built on losers?" asked state Rep. Mary Black Andrews at a recent "No" rally.

Several other gambling proposals also are on Nov. 4 ballots. Colorado voters will decide whether to allow video lottery terminals at five racetracks and at casinos in three gambling towns. Voters in Iowa's Linn County will be asked to authorize a riverboat casino in

Cedar Rapids. And voters in Indiana's Orange County will decide whether to allow a riverboat casino at French Lick. That's the headquarters of "Buckshot," a comedy club that has been a mainstay in the area since 1964.

Some voters believe that the proposed casino will have a negative impact on the local economy. They argue that the proposed casino will have a negative impact on the local economy. They argue that the proposed casino will have a negative impact on the local economy.

Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., second from left, with members of his crew aboard PCF-31 in the Mekong Delta during the war in Vietnam.

Clark, Kerry boast of military experience

Not many Dem candidates served in Vietnam

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats Wesley Clark and John Kerry are basing their presidential campaigns largely on military service that includes combat in Vietnam — a distinctive qualification in a race full of candidates who came of age during the war but did not fight.

Their White House rivals did not serve in Vietnam, even though they turned 18 while young men were being drafted. They escaped combat with deferments for college, medical problems, fatherhood and by serving in the National Guard.

President Bush was in the National Guard during the war and did not see combat.

Clark and Kerry mention their military service in nearly every campaign appearance, offering their credentials as evidence they are best prepared to lead the nation during the fight against terrorism.

Clark was an Army infantry officer and company commander in Vietnam. He rose to four-star general and supreme allied commander of NATO forces in Europe. Kerry was the skipper of a Navy swift boat in the Mekong Delta of South Vietnam.

Both men received the Purple Heart after being wounded in combat and were awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action.

"Obviously we've had presidents who haven't had military experience," Kerry said in an interview. "I understand that it's not a prerequisite. But we are living in a very different time."

Military service used to be almost a requirement for winning elective office. In 1977, nearly 80 percent of House members were veterans. Some 76 senators in 1983 were veterans. Today, just 28 percent of representatives and 35 senators have military experience.

Twenty-five of the 43 U.S. presidents have served in the military. Pat Towell, a visiting fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, said the social inequities of the Vietnam draft probably kept many of today's current political leaders out of that war.

"Big surprise, the kids that were in the kinds of universities where you grow up and become a senator and run for president weren't drafted," Towell said.

An Associated Press review of the presidential candidates' Selective Service records shows that only Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina and Howard Dean were assigned a lottery number.

Edwards was assigned No. 178 for 1973, but the draft ended that year before his number was called.

Dean was assigned No. 143 for 1970 — a number that was called up — but he was rejected after a physical in February of that year. In an interview with the AP, Dean said he had known since he was in high school that he had an unfused vertebra, a condition called spondylolysis.

Dean tried to spell the condition during the interview, but got it wrong after three tries, even though he is a medical doctor and worked as an internist before entering politics. He laughed over his difficulty and defended himself by saying he is not a bone specialist.

Spondylolysis is a stress fracture of a vertebrae that is a common cause of back pain in teenage athletes. Dean said his back started bothering him when he was running track his junior year of high school.

Dean said he decided not to correct the problem because it would require an extensive operation with a long recovery time. But when he got his draft lottery number while an undergraduate at Yale University, he took his X-rays and a letter from his orthopedic surgeon to Fort Hamilton, an Army installation in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dean said he wanted to find out if he would qualify for officer candidate school if he were drafted. He said he was relieved that the military physical disqualified him from service except in times of national emergency.

"I was not anxious to serve in Vietnam," said Dean, whose brother, Charles, died under mysterious circumstances in Laos during the Vietnam War. "I was opposed to the war and I was glad I was classified that way, but it was obviously not my decision."

Like Dean, anti-war candidate Dennis Kucinich was disqualified from serving because of a medical problem. The Ohio congressman said he has a heart murmur.

Kucinich said in an interview that he opposed the Vietnam War, but would have served if he could. He said as a child he was interested in going to one of the service academies and following in the footsteps of his father, a World War II veteran who had a silver plate in his knee from a combat wound and kept a Marine emblem hanging on the wall.

Kucinich has a sister and two brothers who served in the military. His brother Frank served in Vietnam.

"The heart murmur changed a lot," he said. "I graduated in '64, a class that took a lot of casualties."

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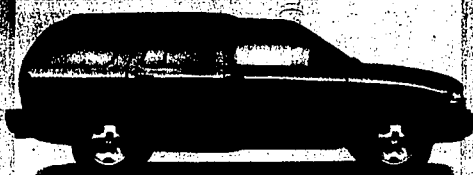
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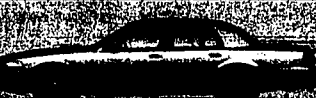


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RAVIO BORN BY BLOOD

Sons' drug connections tear two families apart

COEUR D'ALENE — Blood trickled from Brendan Butler's nose and mouth as he pleaded a recent life said to have been given from his killer's hand.



...worse time than we had," Molly Butler said. "Bright, personable and determined," Brendan decided to forgo college to try his hand at business, his parents said.

Butler knew the man strangling him. He had hired Giovanni Mendiola, a job and assassin, rivals in the lucrative Canadian marijuana smuggling trade.

But in an apparent dispute over money, Mendiola turned on his 20-year-old boss. Mendiola stabbed Butler in the neck and throat to finish the job.

The ferocity of the killing near a remote northern Idaho campground on Oct. 11, 2002, rocked two families shocked at their beloved sons' entanglement in the drug trade.

The Butlers struggle to deal with the pain of losing a promising son. The Mendiola family, which includes two University of Washington women's basketball stars, clings to a fierce and defiant loyalty.

"This has been a tragedy for both families," Molly Butler, Brendan Butler's mother, said recently.

Giovanni Mendiola has pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in an agreement that spares his two brothers lengthy prison terms. The deal also prevents his two basketball star sisters, Giuliana and Gioconda, from having to testify in court.

His sentencing is set for Wednesday.

The Associated Press has pieced together details of this tragedy from interviews and court documents.

Piero Mendiola awaits his sentencing at a court hearing Sept. 25 in Coeur d'Alene. Both Piero Mendiola and Eddie Mendiola pleaded guilty to being accessory to a felony and were sentenced to three-to-five year terms, which could be cut to six months after prison boot camp. In a plea agreement, Giovanni Mendiola is scheduled to be sentenced Oct. 29 for second-degree murder in the death of Brendan Butler in October 2002.

graduate with honors from private Gonzaga High School in Spokane, Wash.

"You can't dwell on what would have happened with Brendan, had he lived," Stewart Butler said. "But you never know when the sorrow is going to hit you."

The first and youngest of four sons adopted by the Butlers, Brendan was "everybody's ideal kid" who wanted to become a basketball star, although he grew no taller than 5-foot-4, his father said.

His three brothers, adopted from a Colombian orphanage, looked to him as their leader, his mother said.

"Those three kids probably had

The day before his death, Butler, known to friends as "Wang," had filed paperwork to form Community Uplift LLC, a music, promotion and entertainment company in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

But investigators believe it was his involvement in a more clandestine business that led to his death.

"Music was an attempt to go legitimate," said Kootenai County Sheriff's Sgt. Dan Mattos, one of two lead investigators. "He invested some of the money he made from drug proceeds. I think his intention was to get up and running and get out of the drug business."

The Butlers had a suspicion of their son's involvement with drugs, but believe he was trying to quit the business when he became entangled with the Mendiolas.

"The entertainment company totally consumed the last three or four months of his life. In the end, it may have been responsible for his death," Stewart Butler said. "He just couldn't make the break."

Authorities believe Butler had been involved in the drug business for about a year prior to his death, Mattos said.

The government characterized Butler as an upper-level player who used several associates to do the "grunt work" of smuggling a potent strain of marijuana across the border from Canada.

When others began muscling in on his lucrative business, Butler asked acquaintances about hiring "muscle" to intimidate, and even kill, his rivals.

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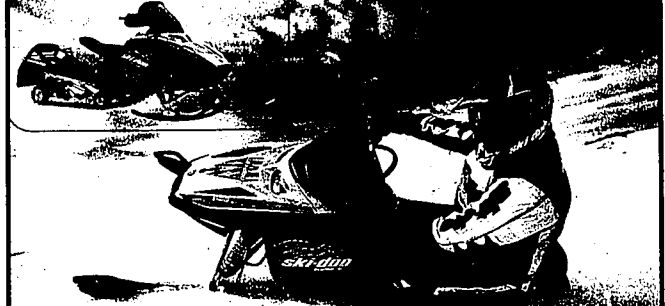
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Former roommate Josh Sheffield introduced Butler to Justin Miller, a minor-league hockey player who had known the Mendiolas when he lived in Southern California.

Giovanni Mendiola, Miller said, "was the right person for Butler's needs," Kootenai County Prosecutor Bill Douglas said in court documents.

For the Mendiolas, a son's downfall is a test of a rock-hard family unity.

Alicia Mendiola is matriarch of the large immigrant family from Southern California's Orange County.

The former Peruvian national women's basketball star is fiercely loyal to her nine children and is expected to testify on behalf of Giovanni at his sentencing in Coeur d'Alene.

"We are an unbreakable bond family," she said after sons Eddie and Piero were sentenced in August on charges stemming from Butler's death. "People like my family should never go to prison. Our reputation is destroyed beyond repair."

Alicia Mendiola conceded her sons "made a bad decision" by getting involved with Butler, but contended they were railroaded by prosecutors and the media.

"Idaho should be thankful to the Mendiola family," she said. "Coeur d'Alene High School is free from its biggest drug dealer."

Giovanni Mendiola, 32, a self-employed graphic artist, shuttled between Southern California and his sisters' Seattle home.

Investigators said witnesses saw Butler's 1995 Cadillac parked at the sisters' home shortly after his murder. It later was found a few blocks away from a second home where the Mendiolas had moved.

The girls, now preparing for the upcoming college basketball season, were questioned about their brothers, but were never considered suspects, Douglas said.

Two brothers, Eddie, 33, a writer, and Piero, 31, a quality control manager in a Southern California aerospace plant, joined Giovanni as part of a "crew" hired by Butler, according to court documents.

Eddie and Piero pleaded guilty

to lesser charges of accessory to murder and were sentenced to three-to-five year terms, which could be cut to six months if they successfully complete a prison "boot camp."

Giovanni, who had no criminal record, agreed to plead guilty to

rob him. Scozzaro and his girlfriend were released.

It was during planning for a second attack on the rival drug dealers in October that Butler was killed, apparently because Giovanni was angry that Butler hadn't handed over the payoff.

After Butler was killed, Mendiola's crew took 60 pounds of marijuana from a "safe house" in the Spokane Valley in nearby Washington state and drove the victim's silver 1995 Cadillac El Dorado to Seattle, according to the court documents.

Giovanni later ordered Sheffield to bring the marijuana to the house in Seattle. Sheffield kept eight to 10 pounds of the marijuana, sold it on Giovanni's orders and brought \$15,000 to Mendiola in Seattle.

Adams, Giovanni's lawyer, contends Giovanni was never involved in the drug trade.

"This is a guy who never even had a drink of alcohol," Adams said. "He never touched drugs. He is against drugs and alcohol."

avoid the possibility of a life sentence without parole, but also to protect other members of his family, said John Adams, the public defender who represents him.

"Giovanni felt, and he and I stated, part of the reason he was taking this was he felt there was some pressure on him regarding his sisters. Also, the brothers were going to face substantially more exposure," Adams said. "We never felt that if he went to trial ... he would be convicted."

Three others indicted in the case - Justin Miller, 23, of Spokane, Wash.; Brian Wetherbury, 24, of Lake Forest, Calif.; and John "B.J." Altamirano, 25, of Mission Viejo, Calif. - will be sentenced later.

They also reached plea agreements to being accessories in exchange for dismissal of a variety of conspiracy charges involving robbery, kidnapping and attempted murder aimed at Butler's competitors.

Investigators said Giovanni Mendiola balked at the original \$10,000 Butler offered to rob and kill Ben Scozzaro and Nate Norman. Butler eventually offered about \$100,000, and agreed that Mendiola could keep any drugs or money found on the rival drug dealers.

A trial run in June netted \$40,000 and several pounds of marijuana after Giovanni and his crew broke into Scozzaro's Hayden Lake house to beat and



Sisters Gioconda Mendiola, left, and Giuliana Mendiola listen to their brother Piero Mendiola speak at his sentencing hearing Sept. 25 in Coeur d'Alene.

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Pentagon repositions for decades-long war on terror

WASHINGTON (AP) — Given the chance to talk to the defense secretary, one soldier from the 101st Airborne Division asked what was on the mind of many. When will the worldwide fight against terrorism be over?

"I mean, should I get my 3-year-old ready for air assault school?" the soldier asked. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld during an Iraq tour last month.

"I wish I could give you a date, but I can't," Rumsfeld said. That would be like estimating when a town will no longer need firefighters or police, he told the soldier.

Privately, administration officials have said for months that they see the anti-terrorism fight as a decades-long struggle similar to the Cold War that dominated the second half of the 20th century. A private memo from Rumsfeld to his top aides brought the issue once again to the public's eye last week.

"It is pretty clear that the coalition can win in Afghanistan and Iraq in one way or another, but it will be a long, hard slog," Rumsfeld wrote in the memo, which was leaked to the press.

Two years after the Sept. 11 attacks, the Pentagon clearly is digging in for that long slog. In one of the most striking signs, the military is repositioning its forces to encircle areas of the world seen as possible hotbeds of terrorism.

Many of the changes were envisioned before the Sept. 11 attacks. But the terrorism fight has added momentum and urgency.

Rumsfeld's memo expressed doubt that those changes can be made quickly.

"It is not possible to change

DOD fast enough to successfully fight the global war on terror; an alternative might be to try to fashion a new institution," Rumsfeld wrote.

Some of the most visible changes involve where American troops will be based overseas.

Pentagon planners are considering moving some of the 116,000 troops under the U.S. European Command away from their Cold War bases in Western Europe and into former Warsaw Pact countries closer to the Middle East.

"We think we have a fairly good rough sense about how we should be arranged in the world," Rumsfeld told soldiers at Fort Carson, Colo., this month.

Last month, the Army announced it will close two logistics bases in the Netherlands that had handled prepositioned military gear.

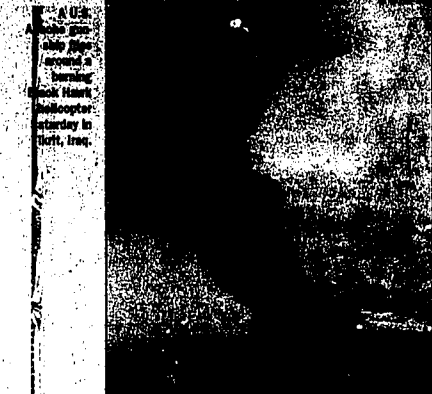
Officials in Romania and Bulgaria have said the United States is considering using huge

training bases in those countries that could be used as staging points for counterterrorist military action.

"This is probably the closest point in Europe to the sort of threat which is centered in the areas of Central Asia," or the Persian Gulf, Romanian Defense Minister Ioan Mircea Pascu told The Associated Press.

Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic have joined NATO. Romania, Bulgaria and five other former communist nations are in the process of joining the alliance. Eastern European countries — which Rumsfeld famously termed "New Europe" this year — are eager to help the United States and generally supported the war in Iraq.

Poland, for example, commands a division of troops in Iraq, which also includes troops from Ukraine, Bulgaria, Romania and other former communist countries.



Gunmen shoot down U.S. helicopter in Iraq

TIKRIT, Iraq (AP) — Guerrillas fired small arms and rocket-propelled grenades at a U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopter after it came down Saturday in a field near Tikrit, wounding one soldier and causing the craft to explode in flames and spew a column of black smoke, the U.S. military said.

Near Fallujah, three civilians were killed and two wounded when their convoy came under fire. An American engineer and an Iraqi security guard said U.S. troops shot at their vehicles, but the military denied that.

Amid the ongoing violence, U.S. military officials prepared for the holy fasting month of Ramadan, which begins in Iraq on Monday. For weeks, chaplains have been training troops to be sensitive to Muslim religious traditions.

In the incident near Fallujah, three SUVs of the European Landmine Solutions, a British-based private contractor, were hit by gunfire, according to an American engineer with the firm, David Rasmussen, who was hospitalized with wounds.

Asked where the shots came from, Rasmussen replied: "from the USA."

The Iraqi security guard traveling with the convoy, Laith Yousef, gave the same account.

"We were the target of an attack by the Americans," Yousef said. "They shot at our car. The translator burned to death in the car. A man with us was killed. He was going to get married next week."

A U.S. command spokesman in Baghdad denied troops fired at the convoy, saying coalition forces went to the secure the area after the attack and evacuated the wounded.

Lt. Col. Charles Hardy, spokesman for the 82nd Airborne Division, which is responsible for the area, said the civilian convoy turned around after a bomb exploded ahead of it, and then was hit by another improvised bomb,

rocket-propelled grenades and small-arms fire.

"U.S. forces arrived after the attack and treated the wounded," he said. "This was not initiated by our forces."

Near Fallujah, Iraqi civilians reported a roadside bombing Saturday night in the town of Khalidiyah. They said several U.S. soldiers appeared to have been wounded; the U.S. command had no immediate information.

The Black Hawk came down at about 4 p.m. in a field near Saddam Hussein's hometown of Tikrit. Both it and Fallujah lie inside the "Sunni Triangle," which sees multiple attacks every day against U.S. forces. The region, in central Iraq north of Baghdad, is where the ousted dictator drew his strongest support; his loyalists are now believed to be leading resistance to the U.S.-led occupation.

A U.S. military spokesman in Baghdad, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the helicopter landed for undetermined reasons.

A preliminary report by U.S. soldiers, however, said the helicopter was apparently downed by ground fire. U.S. officials have been warning that thousands of shoulder-fired anti-aircraft missiles remain unaccounted for after the fall of Saddam's regime.

Only one U.S. helicopter has been confirmed shot down by hostile fire since President Bush declared an end to major combat in Iraq on May 1. A U.S. Army Apache attack helicopter was shot down June 12 by hostile fire in western Iraq. The craft's two crewmembers were rescued.

Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz, on a three-day tour of Iraq, was in Tikrit earlier Saturday visiting a U.S. garrison.

Before leaving, he told commanders it was hopeful American troops would get more money to train Iraqis to assume a greater role in security as they fight resistance forces.

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Arsenic

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nize the trouble with arsenic in Idaho.
Castelford and other small cities are trying to figure out how to finance upgrades to their water systems to meet a new federal standard that some say is too stringent. And so far there hasn't been much help from the federal government to pay for the work.

Castelford's arsenic dilemma

Earlier this month, Castelford's City Council members raised water rates an unprecedented 73 percent.
Their reluctant rate hike was adopted in response to a controversial policy that requires U.S. cities to reduce the arsenic levels in their water by January 2006.

Castelford is the poster child of problems associated with the Environmental Protection Agency's unfunded mandate — but the challenge to finance remedies doesn't stop at the tiny Magic Valley town.

Measured in parts per billion, Idaho Department of Water Resources tests show that Castelford's water averages arsenic levels at 22.3 parts per billion. The EPA mandate requires cities to bring their levels to below 10 ppb.

"It's not panic, this is not Bangladesh," Holderred said. "This is just hitting us now."

But it's a different kind of hit Castelford and other small cities throughout Idaho are expected to take.

While city officials say they want their drinking water to be safe, they're most concerned with how to pay for cleaning the water. After all, critics of the EPA mandate point out, arsenic levels in Bangladesh often top 1,000 parts per billion.

"Everybody's concerned about whether the things we eat or drink are healthy for us," Castelford Mayor Rita Ruffing said. "But we have people that have lived here all their lives that are 70 to 90 years old, and I don't think you can convince them arsenic has been harmful for them."

The jury's still out on how high levels of arsenic have to be to be harmful to the public.

Levels exceeding 10 parts per billion are found in 3,000 water systems serving 13 million people in a 10-state wide area, according to the EPA. Most of these systems are in arid West states.

The Clinton administration approved the new 10 ppb standard as part of the Safe Drinking Water Act in the waning days of the former president's tenure, throwing out a standard that had been 50 ppb since 1977. The Bush administration initially put the new standard on hold, then decided to let it take effect.

Castelford raised its water rates to position itself for potential grants. Government agencies wouldn't consider giving the city financial assistance to study arsenic levels or build facilities to treat the water — without the city charging enough to cover normal operating expenses while building funds for future improvements.

Unfunded mandate

Cities in south-central Idaho want answers.
Although the new rules don't go into effect until a little more than two years from now, the EPA has not yet established a list of technologies to achieve compliance.

"It's kind of like shutting the barn door after the horse is out," said Buhl Water Superintendent Steve Highberger, whose city also is caught in the arsenic dilemma. "They passed the rule and then decided to go take a look."

The rules also require the EPA



JERRY STOK/ The Statesman

Andri Holderred points out the place in Bangladesh where the practice of using portable wells was introduced as an effort to combat cholera and dysentery outbreaks. Andri worked with his family as a missionary and relief worker in Dahanu, India, for 18 years beginning in 1951, where he sank wells into the ground only to find out years later that the water in both places was contaminated with arsenic.

to list of technologies that achieve compliance that are affordable and applicable to small drinking water systems, in three population categories ranging from 25 to 10,000 people.

City officials hope those technologies will be found in round one of an EPA arsenic demonstration program. Congress appropriated \$5 million for small-system arsenic removal research this year.

That money is to be used by EPA for construction and demonstration of low-cost treatment technology.

In the first round of demonstration projects, including one in

Twin Falls officials, who want the city to have its options for meeting the arsenic mandate determined by April, estimate the cost for compliance could be anywhere between \$9 million and \$20 million. Six of the city's eight wells have arsenic levels running between 12 and 18 parts per billion.

Hollister is right on the edge of being out of compliance. Arsenic levels were measured at 11 parts per billion in August 2000. But last October, Hollister's arsenic concentration was below the mandate level. With quarterly monitoring of the arsenic fluctuations, the city is expected to be in compliance on a yearly flow basis.

According to Buhl's Highberger, shallower wells in the area might eliminate the city's arsenic problem, but could be a trade-off for a different contaminant. Arsenic is not found in surface water and generally comes from deep wells.

"A confining clay layer that is a prehistoric lake bed, approximately 400 feet beneath Buhl, will not let the underlying aquifers and perched aquifers through."

"If we run the well casing past that, we have excellent water except for arsenic," Highberger said.

About arsenic

Arsenic is a natural chemical element present in air, soil and water. In groundwater, arsenic is the result of minerals dissolving naturally from weathered rocks and soil. It has been linked to several types of cancer, including bladder and liver cancer.

At low levels, it is toxic and poisonous, but at what level is still a topic of debate — one that hasn't been able to avoid the political arena.

According to a U.S. Geological Survey map, some of the highest concentrations of arsenic in groundwater are in the southwestern United States, including Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico.

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Buhl was one of the cities nominated for the demonstration project, but it did not make the final cut. Buhl has on its table an unsigned contract for an arsenic engineering study that the city has been negotiating for an entire year. Of the city's five wells, one is over the mandate at 15 parts per billion.

"The state Department of Environmental Quality has taken the direction that they don't need to do anything with this arsenic rule just yet, but for municipalities the clock is ticking," Highberger said.

In addition to Castelford and Buhl in the Magic Valley, the clock is ticking for Twin Falls and possibly Filer. Hollister is teetering on the brink of compliance.

Desperate pleas from Castelford

Castelford City Attorney Mark Guerry has written strongly worded letters to Idaho's federal delegation concerning arsenic, which is not-so-subtle job of U.S. foreign policy and corporate welfare.

"Cities and villages are at a complete loss as to how to pay for this mandate," Guerry wrote in a recent letter. "Frankly, at this point, it is extremely disheartening to see the Federal Government appropriate money for the airlines, homeland security and to see foreign governments receive assistance from the Federal Government while our villages and cities in much of the West are struggling desperately to meet this obligation."

Those sentiments are shared by other Castelford residents, including 170 or so residents who could end up paying the tab through their water bills — which already are up 73 percent.

"The government tells you to do this, but can't tell you how," said Richard Schlund, a Castelford resident. "They've got the cart before the horse."

But beyond that information, said Ruffing, Castelford's mayor, there are no real answers on how to remove the arsenic from the water or how to dispose of it. Costs related to arsenic removal and disposal also are unknown.

Estimates for building an arsenic treatment plant have been as high as \$200,000.

Ruffing said EPA estimates also suggest the cost of maintenance and operations of the plant will run at about \$1,000 per household.

But he's better to let the city's two wells, that translates to about \$104,000 in annual maintenance costs alone, the mayor said.

"Our entire city budget is \$175,000," Ruffing said. "You can see what it's going to do to us. It's killing us."

But Castelford's cries are not falling on deaf ears, said a spokeswoman for Sen. Mike Cropp, R-Idaho, a critic of the EPA mandate since its inception.

"Senator Crapo has concerns about the one-size-fits-all federal approach in some communities," said Susan Wheeler, Crapo's press secretary. Castelford is probably a good example of why that is a significant problem.

"Senator Crapo does not think that is right," she added.

If there is no federal funding for the construction of treatment plants, Castelford council members have said they might as well hand over the keys to the city. A possible solution might be to abandon the city water system, transfer water rights to residents and allow them to drill domestic wells, which are not regulated by the EPA.

As for Holderred, the retired missionary, the solution is prudence.

"I don't think Castelford should be required to go to the expense themselves into debt at this point," he said. "Let's do some more exploring before Castelford has to bite the bullet."

Times-News assistant city editor Troy Foster also contributed to this report.

MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

Oldest synagogue in West starts new life

BOISE (AP) — The Abaveth Beth Israel synagogue has stood on the same ground for more than a century as generations of Idaho Jews celebrated Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Chanukah and other holy days.

"When it was built in 1895 with the help of Idaho Gov. Moses Alexander, the synagogue had just 25 members. Today, more than 200 families fill the building beyond its capacity."

That's why the oldest operating synagogue west of the Mississippi River is being picked up and towed to a new home in Boise's West Bench neighborhood, which already holds the synagogue's administrative offices and classrooms for more than 200 families.

Seeing the synagogue in a totally new location will seem strange to everyone at first, said Bob Parenti, a member of the synagogue since 1981. But he's better to let the 3,500 square-foot historic landmark than to see it go to waste.

"I look at this as a dedication to our founders, to honor to them and to maintain their original thoughts and ideas," Parenti said. "We're taking them with us to their new home."

In the past week, the 31-by-61-foot structure has been hoisted off its foundation, boarded up and strapped down to a custom trailer. The whole package was set to roll

through the streets of Boise early Sunday morning.

"This is just like watching your child go through surgery. You know you've got to do it, and the end result is going to be great. But it's really hard to watch," said Betty Groves, chairman of the committee that has overseen the five-year project.

The old site of the synagogue at the corner of 8th and State streets was purchased by the downtown YMCA. It will become a parking lot.

Neighbors say they will miss the landmark. Jim Rhodes, 51, grew up just a few blocks from the synagogue.

Although he now lives in a small town outside of Boise, Rhodes, who is not Jewish, stood and stared at the building, jacked up on the trailer like a massive ark.

He peered into open basements, expected to the site for the first time since Grover Cleveland was president of the 44 United States.

"As a young man, I can remember the beautiful stained glass, skating in the parking lot," Rhodes said with a wistful emotion. "This was here from the very earliest of my days."

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Winning hearts, minds of Iraqis doesn't appear close at hand

By Charles J. Hanley
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Statistics tell one story. In recent weeks, the daily average of attacks on U.S. forces has stepped up to 25 or 26, and even to 35 on one day, from around 20.

The cold eyes of many Iraqis tell a different one. In places like Fallujah, where 82nd Airborne Division troops came under attack every day this week. The main crossroads in the city, 35 miles west of the capital, is adorned with graffiti proclaiming "Fallujah will be the graveyard of Americans."

"Whenever they enter Fallujah, they'll be attacked," Assou Nadim Hamid told a reporter. The fact that he was a policeman may give Americans some insight into the quandary their forces face in parts of Iraq.

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld wrote in a memo last week that the United States can win in Afghanistan and Iraq, but it will be a long, hard slog. His deputy, Paul Wolfowitz, arrived in Baghdad on Friday for a three-day visit to take another look at just how long and hard it might be.

Pentagon officials say Wolfowitz has pushed to realign hundreds of millions of dollars in spending to meet the needs on the ground in Iraq - getting better body armor to the troops, for example, and more armored Humvees.

The U.S.-led occupation army faces harassing attacks from a shadowy array of Iraqi and possibly foreign foes - die-hard Sunni Muslim loyalists of the toppled Baathist government, other Iraqi nationalists who want the Americans out, terror bombers who may be driven by Islamic fanaticism. In Shiite Muslim areas, the Americans have an uneasy, sometimes bloody coexistence with the armed militias of clerical factions.

"A 'win' doesn't appear at hand on any side."

Even in a string of spectacular suicide bombings that left considerable physical evidence, investigators apparently are stymied.

Whole regions of Iraq are relatively peaceful, enabling the 101st Airborne Division in the northern city of Mosul, for example, to shift troops from the city to the Iraqi countryside. But even there, division commander Maj. Gen. David H. Petraeus says the Americans are "in a race to win the hearts and minds of the Iraqi people."

Those hearts appear hardest in an arc of territory stretching from north of Baghdad to the west, and none are harder than in the Euphrates River city of Fallujah. Hit-and-run guerrilla attacks by roadside bombs and rocket-propelled grenades have bloodied the Americans there repeatedly in recent weeks.

The U.S. command in Baghdad said it has changed tactics in the past two months, since a brigade of the tough 82nd Airborne was added to the western zone, backed by a borrowed battalion of heavy tanks.

"The level of presence is a lot higher. You can conduct many, many more operations," command spokesman Lt. Col. George Krivo said.

Many more operations appear to be drawing more attacks. "That's our purpose out there," to "engage," the overall U.S. commander here, Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez, said.

As for hearts and minds, "most people in the area, given the right approach, will support the future of Iraq," Krivo said.

Whether the 82nd Airborne's aggressive approach is the right

Bush pushes upbeat message on Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) - For the fourth week in a row, President Bush devoted his weekly radio address to Iraq, saying Saturday that billions in new aid from other countries will provide momentum for rebuilding the nation.

"This growing financial support will allow us to build on the success of the broad military coalition already serving in Iraq," Bush said.

But a top Democrat said other countries aren't contributing enough to rebuilding "because the White House squandered the reservoir of the world's goodwill that we had immediately after (the) September 11th attacks."

"If we are going to succeed in rebuilding Iraq, we need to build a real coalition, based on respect for our allies, to share the burden," Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont said in the Democrats' weekly radio address.

one remains to be seen.

During a first tour in Fallujah earlier in the year, the division killed 20 Iraqis in two demonstrations, and when the division returned last month, its paratroopers killed eight Fallujah policemen in an incident still under investigation. Just this week, 82nd Airborne soldiers were accused of coldly shooting an Iraqi detainee dead, a charge disputed by the division, and were caught on camera beating a truck driver in Fallujah.

When townspeople dance on

bombed U.S. vehicles in Fallujah, they may be remembering such incidents.

On his visit, Wolfowitz is said to be looking toward turning the fight over to Iraqi allies. But "Iraqization" is going slowly: Although thousands of Iraqi police have been deployed, they're often under-equipped and poorly trained, and only one 700-man battalion of a new Iraqi army has been trained.

"It's difficult work," Rumsfeld said of Iraq. "It won't be over anytime soon."



U.S. Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz speaks with U.S. Army officers during breakfast Saturday at the military base in Tikrit, 120 miles north of Baghdad. Wolfowitz, on a three-day visit to Iraq, is one of the principal proponents of the U.S. mission to oust former Iraq President Saddam Hussein, along with Vice President Dick Cheney.

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EDITORIAL

PUC should make balanced decision on base power rate

If the chill of winter feels like it's hitting early this fall, you're not alone. And the weather may have little to do with it.

Idaho Power's request for an average general rate increase of 17.7 percent probably got a frosty reception from most electricity users last week.

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has six months to analyze the company's request, which means it wouldn't go into effect this winter.

Our view: As inconvenient as it may be, some kind of base rate increase for Idaho Power may be warranted. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

rates to fluctuate, a base rate increase would be permanent. PUC spokesman Gene Fadness says a 10-year span between base rate increases is a longer period than usual.

As this summer's massive blackout along the East Coast proved, a stable grid with dependable transmission lines is critical. And, at the same time, the need to expand power supplies is constant.

The Northwest's reliance on hydropower is increasingly being challenged by other environmental needs. Yet creation of other power sources (coal, natural gas, oil, nuclear energy) is constantly being demonized as unsuitable for society.

Given those factors, ratepayers will have to pay their share to keep our electrical system going. But the pain of such an increase could be offset next spring — if we have a fairly wet and snowy winter.

If nature helps out, an approved base rate increase of 17.7 percent could be offset by an expected PCA reduction next spring.

But remember — that reduction is conditional on a healthy snowfall. If drought conditions continue, the PCA may need to go up.

The company's 17.7 percent base rate request may be excessive. But some kind of increase is probably appropriate.

Members of the PUC should watch carefully and try to use the annual PCA to offset any base rate increase. If ratepayers get lucky with a snowy winter, they may not notice any increase in their bills.

One more thing ...

While Idaho Power is justified to ask for a base rate increase after 10 years of stable prices, the company's request for a 4.2 percent interim rate increase seems unnecessary.

The company wants the Public Utilities Commission to hike rates that much in the next month to help the company's cash flow and its credit rating.

It would stay in effect until the PUC evaluates the full base rate proposal.

The interim rate request is too much to ask. Interim rate increases are reserved for extreme circumstances. (Think California's 2000 power shortage.)

Idaho Power doesn't show any sign of a dire emergency. The PUC should reject the request.

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Primary race features many twists

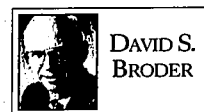
A recent Democracy Corps poll of likely participants in the Democratic contests in Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina goes a long way toward dispelling some of the myths that have built up about the race to choose a challenger to President Bush.

As is the case with almost every survey, the early October sampling by the Democratic polling firm of Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research found former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean a breakout winner in New Hampshire, leading with 38 percent to 21 percent for Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts and 11 percent for retired Gen. Wesley Clark, with the others all in single digits.

By contrast, Dean was essentially tied with Rep. Dick Gephardt of Missouri among prospective Iowa caucus-goers, and the South Carolina poll found six candidates — Gephardt, Clark and Sen. plus Sens. John Edwards of North Carolina and Joe Lieberman of Connecticut and New York civil rights activist Al Sharpton — all within 4 points of each other. Kerry was just a shade further back in what is still an unformed race.

Since Dean has emphasized his early opposition to the war in Iraq as his calling card in the race, it is easy to assume that his antiwar stand and his criticism of Lieberman, Gephardt, Kerry and Edwards for supporting the resolution authorizing the use of force must account for his strong showing — especially in New Hampshire.

Wrong. When the Democracy Corps asked whether voters in those three states wanted a Democratic nominee "who opposed the Iraq war from the beginning" or one "who supported military action against Saddam Hussein but was critical of Bush for failing to win international support for the war," voters in all three states chose the sec-



DAVID S. BRODER

ond alternative. Dean's position was preferred by only 35 percent of the likely voters in the New Hampshire Democratic primary — fewer than supported it in Iowa or South Carolina — while 58 percent chose the alternative.

That should not come as a surprise. New Hampshire is not a pacifist state. In 1968, when anti-Vietnam War candidate Eugene McCarthy ran so well against President Johnson that LBJ soon announced he would not seek another term, a post-primary poll found that many of McCarthy's supporters favored more vigorous prosecution of the war in hopes of bringing it to an early end.

In 1972, antiwar candidate George McGovern surprised Ed Muskie by the size of his vote — but Muskie, who had equivocated on the war, still won. Even with all the new residents who have moved into southern New Hampshire from Massachusetts in hopes of finding high-tech jobs and low taxes, the state is pro-military and pro-defense. Remember the way its independent voters, many of whom voted in the Republican primary in 2000 and will switch to the Democratic contest this time, embraced war hero John McCain.

The fact that Democratic primary voters in New Hampshire are not reflexively opposed to our involvement in Iraq is underlined by the poll finding that by a margin of 54 percent to 38 percent, they favor a nominee who "reluctantly supports" Bush's \$87 billion aid request over one who opposes it — while Iowa and South Carolina voters lean slightly the other way. If it's not his early antiwar

stand that is powering Dean, what explains his lead in the Jan. 27 first-in-the-nation primary? The Democracy Corps poll strongly suggests it is because the New Hampshire primary electorate — including many of those independents — is overwhelmingly liberal on social issues where Dean has identified himself. By a margin of 76 percent to 18 percent, they favor civil unions giving homosexual couples the same legal rights as married couples. Dean signed the first such law as governor of Vermont. Two-thirds of those likely to vote in New Hampshire also approve of gay marriage.

In this respect, they are very different from the blue-collar caucus-goers in Iowa, many of them union members, who will vote eight days earlier on Jan. 19, and even more at odds with the voters in South Carolina, probably the most publicized of the round of primaries on Feb. 3 and the first place where African-Americans in large numbers will weigh in the balance. Support for civil unions is 20 points lower in Iowa, at 56 percent to 35 percent. In South Carolina, prospective Democratic primary voters oppose civil unions, 52 percent to 36 percent.

Other elements also make New Hampshire different. Its voters are far less responsive to populist, anti-corporate appeals, far more critical of Democrats in Congress and far more interested in finding someone who can appeal to independents and thereby improve the chances of beating Bush than the voters in the other two states.

In short, it is cultural forces — far more than anything else — that explain Dean's appeal in New Hampshire, forces that may tug the other way when the race moves to more typical battleground states.

David Broder is a columnist for the Washington Post.

LETTERS

City candidates have been supportive of Downtown

With the upcoming elections, I would like to express my support for a few candidates that have been very helpful and supportive of the Downtown area. Although I find it difficult to single out particular candidates, I would like to point out those that have helped out by serving on Downtown committees and have contributed quite a bit of their time to seeing that Downtown grows and prospers.

Trip Craig has been a great supporter of Downtown, helping by serving on our committee to try to come up with a conclusion that would help create a more equitable system. He has also been our voice to gain enhancements to the Second Avenue sidewalk that this area could be more pedestrian friendly. He has recently stepped in as co-chairman of the Design Committee.

Wayne Bohm has been a strong supporter of Downtown, having a business that is just outside of the district. Wayne currently serves as co-chairman of the Historic Old Towne Design Committee.

Dennis Maughan is another person who strongly supports Downtown, where his wife is a business owner in the Downtown District. He had also served on the Organization Committee. He had also served on an advisory committee that focused on attracting retailers to the area.

Each of these candidates has been not only a strong supporter of Downtown but they have also been active and made an effort to make a difference. I would like to thank these three and many more who have served on boards and committees for both Downtown and Old Towne.

RYAN HORSLY
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Ryan Horsley is the president of the Historic Old Towne business improvement district.)

ISAT fails to meet Idaho Achievement Standards

At a minimum, every Idaho school district must have a written curriculum that meets or exceeds the Idaho Achievement Standards. Next, school districts must offer courses of instruction which help students meet the minimum requirements outlined in the state standards. Finally, the schools need to develop assessments to show that students are actually learning what is outlined in the standards.

The ISAT tests are based on something called the Learning Continuum — they are not based on the Idaho Achievement Standards. Work has been done to map, or match, the ISAT with the standards. This mapping actually shows that the ISAT is not in alignment with the Idaho Achievement Standards.

I propose that the state of Idaho develop assessments which are aligned with Idaho Achievement Standards. Accountability of our schools is important. Testing to see that our students are actually learning is important. However, the ISAT is not the answer.

STEWART GISSIN
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LETTERS

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writing for someone I trust. DOUG MAUGHAN
Twin Falls

Ed board members have no expertise on education

To The Times-News editorial board:
Your claim in Thursday's edition that "Boozing student performance depends on promoting the Idaho Standards Achievement Test" is as ridiculous as telling the beef producer

that producing a fat cow depends on weighing it! I am continually dumbstruck at the number of people who, with no first-hand knowledge of a situation, presume to pose an opinion in a public forum. Certainly, this is your opinion and you are entitled to it.

Readers should be cautioned, however, that the members of The Times-News editorial board are not trained and experienced educators. The members of The Times-News editorial board have not, to my knowledge, spent even a day in a classroom. And yet, with this dearth of experience, they offer us an opinion.

Readers, I urge you to find out for yourselves just what goes on in schools and determine for yourselves if achievement truly does depend on testing, as the editors would have you believe. Perhaps even the members of the editorial board would be willing to take some time to visit schools and learn first-hand what is happening in schools today. You might just be pleasantly surprised. Perhaps even the members of an educated opinion to your readers! BOB WITHEROW
Burley

Barigar finds solutions with swift action, good sense

Shawn Barigar was more than a year away from finishing his degree at the University of Idaho when he dropped by KMYT one day to ask about a television news internship the following summer. Though I had gone to school in Buhl with his mother and several of his cousins, he didn't rely on name-dropping as he engineered a way to get some practical experience in television before he graduated. We struck an arrangement for the following summer. So began my association and, ultimately, my friendship with the man I hope will become one of the next members of the Twin Falls City Council. Shawn went on to become a hard worker, a smart worker, in the KMYT newsroom. Soon, he was training and leading other young reporters. He was a problem-solver I could always count on. When I left KMYT to work at the College of Southern Idaho, he took over my job as news director for a short time before going to work in communications for Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. I am impressed with Shawn's

organizational skills, his understanding of business and his communication ability. I especially appreciate his appreciation for training, a problem to death. He has a knack for seeing through the clutter, implementing a solution and moving on. I have no doubt that he would be an asset to the Twin Falls City Council. It's good to have Shawn Barigar on the ballot this November. I'll be voting for a friend. But more than that, I'll be

Malaysian prime minister's anti-semitism is inexcusable

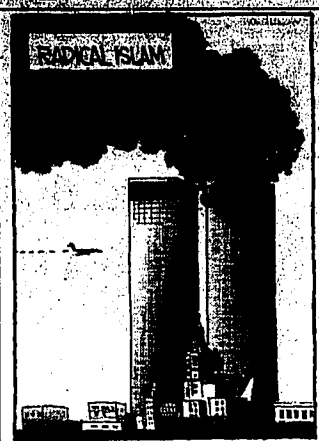
One of the things I try to do is point out that when talking about world affairs, matters are often not simply black and white, but gray, complex, and nuanced, and need to be recognized. But not always.

JAMES KLURFELD

The current case in point concerns the comments made by Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamed at an Islamic summit meeting last week. He said, "The Europeans killed 6 million Jews out of 12 million. But today the Jews rule this world by proxy. They get others to fight and die for them."

Anyway you want to look at it, this is a blatantly anti-Semitic comment from the head of a government of 23 million people. It plays on the Big Lie, the gross inaccuracy and obnoxious stereotype that Jews somehow have inordinate power in the world and exercise that power in a cowardly, clandestine manner. It comes directly out of the Hitler playbook, and before that centuries of anti-Semitism that also led to pogroms and genocide.

It must be recognized for what it is, and denounced as wrong



and evil.

And yet people who should know better are trying to tell us that Mahathir didn't really mean it, that he is a moderate in the Muslim world and only said what

he said because he is in a difficult political position in his country. This is just plain wrong. New York Times columnist Paul Krugman wrote such a column Tuesday in which he said we



should understand that Mahathir "is in many ways about as farward looking a Muslim leader as we're likely to find." He urges us to read the rest of Mahathir's speech in which he criticizes

Islamic fundamentalists and extremists. Krugman suggests that the anti-Semitism is just part of a political balancing act. Mahathir has had to perform in the context of Malaysian domestic politics. He also praises Mahathir as an effective economic reformer who has often gone against the conventional economic wisdom offered by Western experts.

I have great respect for Krugman as an economist. His book "Peddling Prosperity," published in 1995, was a gem. A brilliant and clearly written analysis of contemporary economic issues, it's still on my recommended reading list. But he now seems to have been driven to such levels of anger by the Bush administration's economic policies that he's not thinking straight. He suggests Mahathir was forced into his anti-Semitic balancing act because of the Bush administration's invasion of Iraq and its unconditional support of Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon. Krugman suggests Mahathir didn't really mean it but was just trying to balance the wave of anti-Americanism and anti-Western sentiment that the fundamentalists in his country want to exploit.

If we learned anything from the atrocities of the 20th century, it's that evil must be confronted, that lies must be exposed, that hate speech — if not immediately

dealt with — can lead to the most hateful actions. What our nation especially has learned, because of its legacy of racism, is that it's as important to change racist behavior as racist attitudes.

I don't have the slightest insight into whether Mahathir really is an anti-Semite or was just posturing before the world for domestic political reasons. And I don't care. His motivation isn't important. It's what he said that counts, and he not only said it but later refused to apologize for it. His comments should be unacceptable in any civilized gathering. And they cannot be rationalized or justified for any reason.

The Holocaust did not come about out of the blue. It was the culmination of decades, centuries, of unabated, undisputed anti-Semitism — some of it, no doubt, said for politically expedient reasons. The Jews have too often been a convenient scapegoat for leaders who could not deal with their real problems. World leaders, especially those in Islamic countries, have been slow to condemn Mahathir's words while others rationalize them. They don't want to recognize that this is a story about history, not economics.

James Klurfeld is a columnist and editor of *Newsday's* editorial pages.



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Princes ask Di's butler to button it

Former servant reveals secrets in coming book

LONDON (AP) — In an unusually emotional written statement, Prince Charles and his sons have pleaded with their former butler to stop revealing secrets of her private life, saying their late mother would have been mortified by his revelations.

The former butler, Paul Burrell, has written a book about Diana, "A Royal Duty," which has been excerpted all week in the Daily Mirror tabloid.

"We cannot believe that Paul, who was entrusted with so much, could abuse his position in such a cold and overt betrayal," the princes said in a statement released by Clarence House, where they live in London with their father, Prince Charles.

Clarence House Prince William, 21, and Prince Harry, 19, — who often played with Burrell's children at Kensington Palace when they were growing up — were willing to meet with him to discuss the matter.

In a statement issued through his publisher Penguin, Burrell

said he was saddened by the princes' statement "because I know that this book is nothing more than a tribute to their mother."

"My only intention in writing this book was to defend the princess and stand in her corner," Burrell said.

Burrell has written about private letters including one in which Diana reportedly said, 10 months before her death in a Paris car crash August 1997, that she feared someone was plotting to harm her in a staged car accident.

"It is not only deeply painful for the two of us but also for everyone else affected and it would mortify our mother if she were alive today and, if we might say so, we feel we are more able to speak for our mother than Paul."

"We ask Paul please to bring these revelations to an end," the princes' statement said.

Burrell, whom Diana called "my rock," was once one of the royal family's most trusted servants and still professes loyalty to them. He worked for Diana for almost 10

years, was the first friend to reach her side after the crash that killed her and sat with her body through most of the following night.

He was the only mourner from outside her immediate family to attend her burial, and the queen awarded him the Royal Victorian Medal for services to the family.

The excerpts from his book, due out next week, have included references to private correspondence and a raft of intimate details about Diana's life and her relationships with her royal in-laws.

He quoted her as writing in one letter to him, 10 months before she died in Paris, that "this particular phase in my life is the most dangerous."

She reportedly wrote that someone was planning "an accident in my car, brake failure and serious head injury in order to make the path clear for Charles to marry."

Burrell quoted a letter Diana received from Prince Philip, her father-in-law, as saying he had "never dreamed" Charles would leave her for his companion Camilla Parker Bowles.



Princess Diana

Officials detain Russian tycoon in plane

MOSCOW (AP) — Black-uniformed special forces swooped onto the airplane of Russia's wealthiest man Saturday and forced him back to Moscow, where he was ordered to jettison criminal charges — a dramatic escalation of the politically charged probe into Russia's largest oil company.

Mikhail Khodorkovsky was charged Saturday with fraud, forgery and other crimes hours after the special forces troops, weapons

drawn, surrounded his plane and a Siberian airport.

The dramatic arrest disrupted the country's business and political elite, with many analysts saying the actions against Yukos are a Kremlin-directed campaign to keep Khodorkovsky out of politics.

Khodorkovsky, who has openly funded opposition parties, is the latest of Russia's powerful oligarchs to be pursued by President Vladimir Putin's government.

Yukos, the company of tycoon Boris Yeltsin's son-in-law Vladimir Gusinsky, have gone to self-imposed exile to avoid criminal prosecution.

The Prosecutor General's office charged Khodorkovsky with fraud, forgery, embezzlement and personal and corporate tax evasion, the news agency Interfax reported. A spokesman for the office told The Associated Press that charges had been filed, but gave no specifics.



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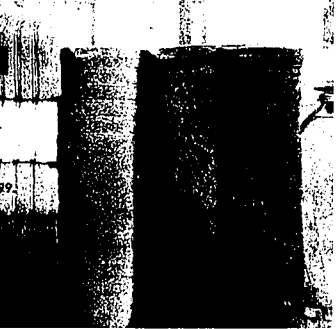
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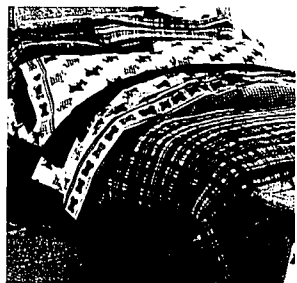
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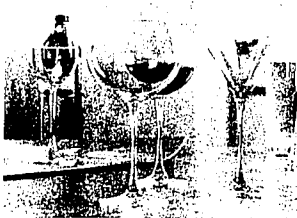


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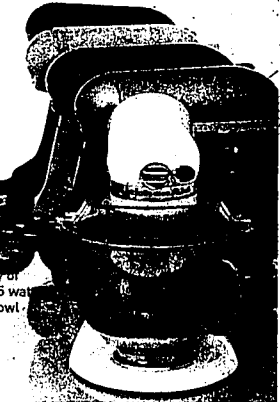
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Candidates address water issues

By Rebecca Henry
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Water and development issues are spurring Trip Craig and Russ Lively to run for the City Council.

Craig, the incumbent and a member of the local groundwater committee, doesn't see a way around federal water quality mandates, so he would like to tackle them head on.

"We need to be ahead of the curve" in dealing with the issue of arsenic and nitrates in groundwater, he said.

Lively, an architect, is also familiar with water issues and supports a proactive approach in



dealing with contaminated resources. "We should be able to use the water here," he said. Council members serve a term of four years with a monthly salary of \$750. The election is Nov. 4.

Here's a look at the candidates' positions on other issues:

Russ Lively

Lively keeps his eye on the way
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Meet the candidates



Trip Craig

in drinking water. "I can see some problems coming down the road that are kind of scary," he said. He has served on many committees and said he has a good relationship with the people who will make policy in the coming years.

Trip Craig

- Background: Age 38, lifetime resident of Twin Falls.
- Education: graduate of Boise State University.
- Occupation: Farmer, small business owner.
- Political experience: City Council seat 3 Incumbent.

- Why he's running: A few key issues are bringing him back, he says, including arsenic and nitrates in drinking water.
- Political experience: none.
- Why he's running: He decided to run when Howard Allen announced his retirement. "He was a logical, sensible anchor," he said. "The thought of the city council progressing without his vision of what the city could be spooked me into running." He has worked with the city for 40 years and said he can offer a unique insight to issues because of the education he has and because of his construction background.

Russ Lively

- Background: Age 56, native of Buhl, Twin Falls resident for 25 years.
- Education: Bachelor's degree in architecture, University of Idaho.
- Occupation: Has had a private architecture practice for more than 20 years in Twin Falls.
- Political experience: none.

- Why he's running: He decided to run when Howard Allen announced his retirement. "He was a logical, sensible anchor," he said. "The thought of the city council progressing without his vision of what the city could be spooked me into running." He has worked with the city for 40 years and said he can offer a unique insight to issues because of the education he has and because of his construction background.



Russ Lively

HAVING FUN ON THE RUN



Six-year-old Kaden Stewart runs from mask-wearing Army Specialist Nick Earl in 'Spook Alley' during the Twin Falls Army Reserve's 'Goulash Gathering for Kids' Saturday. The event, which also included a spooky pond, pumpkin walk, costume parade, bobbing for apples and cookie decorating, was a fund-raiser to pay for care packages for overseas soldiers.

Cassia judge will retire after 28 years on bench

By Shelley Ridenour
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Judge Roy Holloway has spent half his life as a magistrate judge in Cassia County.

Holloway retires from his judge's spot Friday - five months into his 28th year on the bench. He was 28 when he was appointed to the position in 1976.

"My two youngest children have never known me as anything but a sitting judge," Holloway said. "And my oldest son was only 2 when I became a judge so he doesn't remember much before then."

His three children and his four - soon to be five - grandchildren are the key reason Holloway decided to retire now. He would not have stood for retention until May 2007, because he was retained in May, albeit by a narrow margin.

Holloway wants to spend more time with his family and pursuing his two hobbies - horses and model railroading. When presented a gift of a horse blanket from the Idaho State Bar at his Friday retirement party, Holloway, assured, the crowd his horse "are going to get a lot more attention than they've had for a while."



Judge Roy Holloway has presided in magistrate court in Cassia County for 28 years. He retires from the bench Friday.

He's applied to be a senior judge and has been told there's plenty of work in the state for retired senior judges. The positions are appointed by the Idaho Supreme Court.

There have been significant changes in the types of cases magistrate judges hear over the last three decades, Holloway said in an interview last week. "When I first took office the majority of the cases were traffic related," he said.

But the number of cases heard in magistrate court in Cassia County hasn't increased tremendously in 28 years, Holloway pointed out. In 1976, there were 10,600 cases filed in Cassia County Magistrate Court, and 8,000 were traffic-related. In 2000, there were 11,000 cases filed and 6,000 were traffic cases.

Holloway attributes some of the decrease in traffic cases to a loss of money at the state level, which means the port of entry in

Cassia County is closed more today than it was 30 years ago. In his early years on the bench it wasn't uncommon for 300 traffic cases to come to court stemming from citations issued at the port of entry. Today the number is much lower.

The number of civil filings has increased significantly in the last three decades, he said.

Another noticeable change in court cases revolves around domestic violence issues, Judge Holloway said. In the 1970s domestic protection orders didn't exist. There were mechanisms in place for people to get protection orders, but the process was more difficult than today's system, Holloway said.

"Domestic protection cases now get filed much more," he said.

While the judge realizes some people need protection from abusive or aggressive spouses, he worries that some people file for protection orders as leverage in divorce proceedings or to circumvent custody orders.

He's also concerned that protection orders are simply paper - and while an order serves as a deterrent most of the time, there

Hagerman explores options for drainage

By Sandra Wisecaver
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN - City Council members have agreed the drainage problem in front of the Hagerman Senior Citizen Center needs to be fixed.

"We need to fix it, but we need to fix it right or we will be right back there," Councilman Jim Scott said.

Scott and Pete Weir will meet with representatives of the center and the Department of Transportation to look for ways to fund the project. Alan Hansten, a contract engineer with J-U-B Engineers Inc., estimated the best option could cost the city \$17,700.

This option would include the installation of a catch basin to capture runoff from State Street. By piping that water along Lake Street to the catch basin near the senior center, the problem of gravel plugging the basin would be eliminated. A contributing factor to the poor drainage has been the gravel carried from the parking area at the Hagerman American Legion Hall sloving or stopping the flows.

Another option would be to pave the Legion Hall parking area. But since the rock and mortar foundation was built in the 1800s, "if we get vibrators in there as part of the asphalt operation, the building would probably come down on top of us," Hansten said.

The State Street runoff and drainage from the block to the south of the center would flow through a pipeline under Lake Street to the city park.

With only an 18-inch fall from the center of the park, there would not be enough room to accommodate one foot of covering on top of the pipeline under the roadway. Hansten suggested using heavier pipe, encased in concrete, which would help keep it from flexing and breaking under traffic loads.

"This relates to a safety issue at the senior center," Scott said. "It's not just fixing a city street. We need to find a way to leverage some dollars, work with the senior center and see if they can get some help. We need to work on this together."

Other City Council business included:

- Grant application - The city will apply for a Local Rural Highway Investment Program grant seeking funds to develop a 20-year street master plan with a complete inventory of streets. The cost could range between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

- "We don't score too well in grant applications, park program repair without a street plan," public works employee Casey Kelley said.

- Volunteers clean park - Two volunteers recently cleaned up Hagerman's Pocket Park. Blaine Fike and Terry Florky took it upon themselves to clear weeds and prune trees and shrubs after neglect of the park had become an issue at a recent council meeting.

- Vandals cost city - Vandals have cost the city \$900 in Please see HAGERMAN, Page B7

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Sharon Lu Ann Ray - Twin Falls

Sharon Lu Ann Ray, of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, Oct. 23, 2005, at SunBridge Healthcare Center, Twin Falls, Idaho, after a courageous battle with breast cancer, surrounded by her loving family.



Sharon was born Feb. 22, 1938, in Santa Fe, N.M. She was the only child of Edmund S. and Dorothy A. Persinger. She attended schools in Santa Fe and Albuquerque, graduating from Albuquerque High in 1956. In 1957, while working as a dental technician, she met a young fireman from Kirtland AFB who swept her off her feet. James H. Ray and Sharon were married Feb. 23, 1957, on the base chapel. After discharge, Sharon and Jim moved back to California where, he was from. Sharon started work at Security First Bank in Los Angeles and Jim worked in the missile program. After three years of big city life, and the birth of their first daughter, Denise, they decided to move to Oregon and buy into the family farm outside of Redmond, Ore. While on the farm another daughter, Deborah, and son, Michael, were born. The farm sold in 1963. Moving back to Albuquerque, they had to go through Twin Falls. They fell in love with the whole area. So after a short time in Albuquerque, they moved to Twin Falls in 1965. Sharon continued her banking career with First Security Bank.

In the 80s, she did a short stint with Mutual of New York. She then changed to Lamb-Weston, and retired in 2001.

Sharon's passions in life included her family, working on her computer researching the family history, camping, and taking care of feline friends. She would spend hours on the Internet searching for a family member or getting historical data for her family tree book. When not surfing the net, she loved to spend a weekend in the South Hills or longer trips north to the Stanley Basin area, where she and Jim would search out old towns and pan for gold. She had a great love for all animals and stray cats were never turned away from a meal, and when needed, medical attention. Sharon was a shy, quiet

person, but had a strong will, a solid work ethic, a quick sense of humor and a kind heart. She was not a complainer or a quitter, but a get in and get it done sort of person. She was a great supporter of her granddaughters' many activities and held her family and friends in high regard. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She is survived by her husband of 46 years, James (Jim) Ray; daughters, Denise Smith and Deborah (Debbie) Ray; son, Michael (Mike) Ray; and two granddaughters, Jennifer (Jenny) Smith and Rebecca (Becci) Smith, all of Twin Falls. Her parents preceded her in death.

At her request, there will not be a memorial service. She asked that all who knew her gather with their own families in celebration of life and to embrace each other. We never have as much time as we think.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Mountain and the staff at Mountaineer States Tumor Institute, Dr. Jolley and the nursing staff at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and the nurses and staff at SunBridge for all their help and care. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to breast cancer research or to the People for Pets Fund. Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," Twin Falls, Idaho.

Cora Francis Pitts - Twin Falls

Cora Francis Pitts, 87, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2005, at her home.



She was born Aug. 22, 1916, in Marble, Ark., the daughter of A.C. and Emma Armstrong Cain. At the age of 10, she moved by covered wagon to Beatrice, Okla. where she completed her education. She married Ira William Pitts on Aug. 26, 1934, at Pryor, Okla. In 1934, they moved to Idaho from Pryor, Okla. They returned to Oklahoma in 1938, where they remained until permanently moving to Idaho in 1945. She and her husband were involved in farming for many years.

Cora loved bowling, and was active in various leagues through the years. At the time of her death, Cora was an active member of the Twin Falls Church of the Nazarene, had earlier helped establish the Twin Falls South Park Nazarene Church and had

one brother, Jerry L. Cain of Tulsa, Okla., as well as a host of friends. Cora was preceded in death by her husband, Ira, in 1995; by two daughters, Maxine Jane at 11 1/2 months and Geneva Ruth at 13 years of age; and by one brother and seven sisters.

The funeral for Cora will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, 2005, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park" with the Rev. Mel Beason officiating. Interment will follow in the Filer Cemetery. Friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary. The family suggests memorials to the First Church of the Nazarene, 1231 Washington St. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301; American Heart Association, 270 S. Orchard Suite B, Boise, ID 83705; or to the American Cancer Society, c/o Hazel Wilder, 355 Orchardlawn Ave., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Wendell C. Gannon - Buhl

Wendell C. Gannon of Buhl passed away peacefully on Thursday, Oct. 23, 2005, at the age of 88 years.



He was born in Ridgefarm, Ill., on Aug. 15, 1915, to Thomas and Nancy (Whipple) Gannon. Following the death of their parents, Wendell, his brother, Art, and sister, Doris, moved to Buhl to be raised by their Uncle, James and Aunt Clara Gannon. He graduated from Buhl High School in 1934 and went on to the University of Idaho studying agriculture. While attending college he enlisted in the United States National Guard and was called to active duty in 1940, serving as a company commander with the Army Combat Engineers in the South Pacific Theater during World War II. On Nov. 15, 1940, Wendell married Alta Curtis, daughter of Ken and Verona (Clark) Curtis. Following the war, he worked as parts manager and salesman for the Curtis

Chevrolet Company. In 1951, he was recalled to active duty where he continued to serve his country until retirement at the rank of lieutenant colonel. Duty assignments included "tours" in Germany, France and Korea.

Upon retirement from the Army, Wendell and Alta returned

to Buhl where he worked for the John Barker Real Estate Agency and the Buhl Highway District. He was an active member of the Buhl Kiwanis Club and an avid supporter of the Buhl Chamber of Commerce. Wendell also served several years on the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission.

He is survived by his wife, Alta; son, Tom (Jeanne) Gannon; and grandsons, Curtis (Jinney Smith) Gannon and Patrick Gannon. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Ward and Art; and sisters, Vera, Thelma and Doris.

The service for Wendell will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2005, at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. Ninth, Buhl, with committal service to follow at West End Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2005, at the funeral chapel. The family requests donations to be made to the Buhl Quick Response Unit.

Maxine J. Blackmon - Jerome

Maxine J. Blackmon, 66, of Jerome, died Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2005, at her home in Jerome.



She was born Aug. 22, 1937, at Loretta, Neb., the daughter of Howard James and Clara Ann McGroger Lawrence. Maxine married to Jerome as a child, attending school until she met and later married her husband of 53 years, Vernie Blackmon. The most important thing to Maxine was her family. She loved to go camping and fishing, her garden and, of course, her beautiful rose bushes. She was also very talented with many different crafts. Maxine was a simple, warm, loving lady. Through the years, she lived in Nebraska, Nevada, and Idaho. Maxine loved to spend time with each and every one of her family and friends, especially on the holidays. She loved having all of her grandchildren around her, being young and old alike. Maxine

worked at different places through the years including the Holiday Inn in Hawthorn, Nev. In Jerome, she worked at the PDO, Pizza Hut, Tupperware, Jerome School District and with Tim and Darryl Thomason of J & E Farms during spud harvest.

Maxine is survived by her husband, Vern; three daughters, Candy (Kermit) Cochran, Cindy Blackmon (Steve Moser) and Joyce (John) Andoe; one son, Vernie Jr. (Karen) Blackmon, all three daughters' sisters, Margaret Knorr, Ruby Simpson and Dorothy Jacobson; two brothers, Melvin "Bud" Lawrence and Lester Lawrence; six grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and numerous aunts and uncles. She was preceded in death by her mother and father, and nine brothers and sisters.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27, 2005, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome with the Rev. Gene Kissing officiating. Friends may call from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel. Burial will follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

DEATH NOTICES

Warren K. Mohrhang

BURLEY - Warren K. Mohrhang, 82, of Burley, died Friday, Oct. 24, 2005, at his home. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2005, at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley with David Lind officiating. Interment will be at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. A complete obituary will be in Tuesday's edition.

Stanley K. Douglas Sr.

CALDWELL - Stanley K. Douglas Sr., 84, of Caldwell and formerly of the Magic Valley died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2005, at a Boise hospital. Arrangements will be announced by Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Caldwell.

Henry Perez

GOODING - Henry Perez, 54, of Cali, Colombia, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2005, in Wendell. The funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2005, at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, 1515 California St. in Gooding. Arrangements are under the direction of Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome.

Arvilene Carter

JEROME - Arvilene Carter, 64, of Jerome, died Saturday, Oct. 25, 2005, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Ivan F. Russell

RUPERT - Ivan F. Russell, 80, of Rupert, died Friday, Oct. 24, 2005, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

Arrangements will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Donald J. "Donnie" Dickson

WALNUT GROVE, Calif. - Donald J. "Donnie" Dickson, 57, of Walnut Grove, Calif., and formerly of Rupert, died Thursday, Oct. 23, 2005, at his home. Services will be held in California.

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OBITUARIES

Esther M. Kraus - Report



Kraus, all of Rupert, a grandson, Joshua Kraus of Spokane, Wash., and a brother, Elmer (Marge) Graubinger of Greeley, Colo. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, two brothers and one sister.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 27, 2003, at the Paul Congregational Church, 121 N. Second W., with Pastor Vince Frank officiating. Burial will be in the Paul Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, and one hour prior to the funeral on Monday at the church. The family suggests memorials be made to the Paul Congregational Church, Paul Pine Chapel or charity of choice.

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Trial for Salt Lake Olympic officials will open Tuesday

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Years after the Olympic bid-rogging scandal captured the world's attention and long after the games are over, the stage is set for a federal trial of two executives who headed Salt Lake's campaign for the 2002 Winter Olympics.

The trial, which opens Tuesday, is unlikely to be cut short by a plea deal, which the defendants rejected twice before and the government has yet to renew. Both sides seemed emboldened, and the judge says they're well-prepared for battle before a Utah jury.

"I'm not looking for a deal and I don't expect one. Nor do I want one," says Tom Welch, 59, who was president of the Salt Lake bid and organizing committees.

Welch and Dave Johnson, 44, who was senior vice president, are fighting 15 felony charges that could land them 75 years in prison. They dispute what they did, but the government's version of why they did it.

Thousands of pages of evidence show the bid executives doled out \$1 million in cash, gifts, travel, family scholarships, medical care, real-estate deals and more on International Olympic Committee delegates who awarded Utah the games that turned a \$100 million profit.

But it wasn't bribery, Welch and Johnson always insisted; it was the Olympic way of business, the way

all bid cities did it, the way some cultures expected, and the revelations that grew from a single leaked memo forced changes at the IOC.

"It was open and notorious that people in the IOC were treated like royalty," Max Wheeler, Johnson's defense lawyer, told a federal magistrate who refused to dismiss charges.

Welch and Johnson insist that in spite of denials their board members, including Utah Gov. Mike Leavitt, knew of the gifts. Leavitt is among those scheduled to testify, and he may have to travel from Washington, D.C., to do it. Leavitt is President Bush's embattled nominee to lead the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Wheeler ran down a list of perks he said IOC members expected from Salt Lake — the finest hotels, front-row Utah Jazz seats, Lake Powell helicopter jaunts and fancy gifts. If the IOC really wanted to enforce its once-loose gift rules, "we'd all be in jail," he said. "The point is, the line (was) never drawn."

Welch and Johnson were indicted in 2000 by a federal grand jury on charges of bribery racketeering, conspiracy and mail, wire and "honest-services" fraud. They were also accused of violating the Travel Act by lobbying IOC delegates overseas.

SERVICES

Reynolds Chapels of Home prayer services with rosary at 7 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, funeral Mass at 1 p.m. Monday at Church of the Immaculate Conception, 1628 Poplar, Burley. Friends may call from 5 p.m. until time of the rosary today at

Reynolds Chapel. Joseph G. Hackney of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Church of the Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls. Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home & Crematory, Twin Falls.

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Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy
Thursday: Donuts
Friday: No school
Lunch Menu
Salad bar and milk served daily.
Monday: Chili
Tuesday: Tuna fish
Wednesday: Corn dogs
Thursday: Pepperoni pizza for middle school
Friday: No school

CASTLEFORD SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Milk and juice served daily.
Monday: Hash brown patties
Tuesday: Donuts
Wednesday: Biscuits
Thursday: Biscuits
Friday: Donuts
Lunch Menu
Salad bar and milk served daily.
Monday: Spaghetti
Tuesday: Italian chicken
Wednesday: Breakfast for lunch
Thursday: Rainbow treasures
Friday: Breaded chicken

CLOVER TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Milk served every day.
Monday: Spaghetti
Tuesday: Ham and beans
Wednesday-Friday: Menu not available

FLIER SCHOOL

Monday: Tacos
Tuesday: Pizza
Wednesday: Turkey gravy
Thursday: Hamburgers
Friday: Corn dogs

HANSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Breakfast Menu
Milk served daily.
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy
Wednesday: Quesadillas
Thursday: French toast
Friday: No school
Lunch Menu
Milk served daily.
Monday: Chicken patty
Tuesday: Rib-bee
Wednesday: Fish sticks
Thursday: Chili
Friday: No school

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Choice of milk daily.

Monday: Barbecue beef recipe
Tuesday: Hamburger gravy
Wednesday: French toast
Thursday: Lasagna
Friday: Pizza

KIMBERLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Milk served daily.
Monday: Corn dog
Tuesday: Potato bar
Wednesday: Taco salad
Thursday: Pizza pocket
Friday: Chili dog

KIMBERLY HIGH SCHOOL

Milk served daily.
Monday: Corn dog
Tuesday: Potato bar
Wednesday: Taco salad
Thursday: Pizza pocket
Friday: Chili dog

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Milk served daily.
Monday: Chicken burgers
Tuesday: Turkey gravy
Wednesday: Burrito
Thursday: Russian hamburgers
Friday: French dip sandwich

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Monday: Chef salad
Tuesday: Sloppy joe
Wednesday: Italian dunkers
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Friday: No school

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Monday: Naches
Tuesday: Chicken and noodles
Wednesday: Barbecue beef sandwich
Thursday: Pizza
Friday: Chicken noodle soup

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Milk served daily.
Monday: Surf burger
Tuesday: Spaghetti
Wednesday: Hamburger
Thursday: Baked potato
Friday: Sloppy joe

DIETRICH SCHOOLS

Salad bar, fruit and milk served every day.
Monday: Hot dogs
Tuesday: Ham
Wednesday: Burritos
Thursday: French dip
Friday: Spaghetti

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Choice of milk served every day. The third choice is for junior high and high school students only.
Monday: Pigs in a blanket, salad bar or burrito
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Wednesday: Mini corn dogs, salad bar or pizza
Thursday: No school
Friday: No school

HAGERMAN SCHOOLS

Choice of milk offered daily.
Breakfast menu
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Breakfast burrito
Wednesday: Cereal
Thursday: Muffin
Friday: No school
Lunch menu
Monday: Pizza
Tuesday: Turkey and cheese sandwich
Wednesday: Beef noodle
Thursday: Naches
Friday: No school

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Milk served every day.
Breakfast menu
Monday: Cereal
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Wednesday: French toast
Thursday: Croissant toast
Friday: Waffles
Lunch menu
Salad bar and choice of milk served daily.
Monday: Burrito
Tuesday: Grilled ham and cheese
Wednesday: Corn dog
Thursday: Idaho nachos
Friday: Fish nuggets

JEROME SCHOOLS

Milk served daily.
Monday: Flour taco
Tuesday: Lasagna
Wednesday: Hib-b-ue
Thursday: Pizza
Friday: Hot dogs

RICHFIELD SCHOOLS

Breakfast
Milk and juice served daily.
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Waffles
Wednesday: Cereal
Thursday: Scrambled eggs
Friday: No school
Lunch
Monday: Chili
Tuesday: Soft shell taco
Wednesday: Sausage pizza
Thursday: Pigs in a blanket
Friday: No school

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Breakfast and choice of milk served daily.
Monday: Chicken patty sandwich
Tuesday: Ham
Wednesday: Roast turkey
Thursday: Burrito
Friday: Hot dog

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Breakfast menu
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Breakfast on a stick
Wednesday: Cereal bar
Thursday: Cereal
Friday: No school
Lunch menu
Monday: Chicken nuggets
Tuesday: Crispy burrito
Wednesday: Pizza
Thursday: Corn dog
Friday: No school

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Thursday: Student choice
Friday: Chicken nuggets

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Choice of milk served every day.
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Tuesday: Taco, corn dog or pocket sandwich
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets or chicken fried steak
Thursday: Menu not available
Friday: No school

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Drought grips ski industry, raises fears for spring

WINTER (A) - A lack of snowfall could lead to tighter restrictions against next year's downstream states, but to most ski areas, a poor harvest. But until a cold front sweeps across Colorado early Friday, it was too warm to even make snow.

Winter wheat farmers, who rely on snow as much as ski resorts, are in bad shape, too. Snow protects wheat when subzero weather arrives - and warm weather sucks out badly needed soil moisture.

Wheat is a crop of grain before it is harvested. The USDA (USDA) reports that the West of the M. and M. (Mountain) cooperative in Brush, just Colorado's northeast plains, wheat has more than a "cat and dog" kind of situation. "We're getting, like, a half inch, could be as through."

Besides the wheat fields, range for livestock will also be dry.

Across much of the Rocky Mountain West and Southwest the scene is just as grim. The National Weather Service's winter forecast offers little hope of relief for the area, parts of which have been in drought for five years.

Climate specialist Klaus Walter of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Boulder said there is cause for concern for Arizona and New Mexico but other states in the region may fare better.

"The last four to six weeks have been a nail biter," he said. "If it continues like this we will be in real trouble."

Dry Octobers occur about every five years, said Mike Gillespie of the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service. "Given that we are on the verge of a major drought it is not very encouraging."

Much of Colorado benefited from a wet spring and water restrictions were eventually eased along the populous Front Range

since 2001.

Autumn droughts have less impact, at least in Colorado, than those that hit at other times and can quickly be made up by winter and spring storms, said Nolan Doosken, assistant state climatologist.

The biggest immediate impact is fewer bookings for the ski industry, where officials are keeping a brave face.

"Last year the weather changed drastically in the last week of October," said Kelly Ladyga, spokeswoman for Vail Resorts. "We opened Vail a week early with one of the best early season snow years in history. We are optimistic."

Denver dropped behind the seasonal average this week for the first time since early spring.

Salt Lake City, like Denver, has received only a trickle of precipitation this month. Utah and Colorado both have been warmer than average and Arizona was hit with a heat wave that broke several records.

Montana, meanwhile, got only 40 percent of its average precipitation in September, and some parts of the state are 25 inches behind in total precipitation over the past five years. Wyoming's snowpack, the main source of surface water, has been below average since 2001.

Wheat yield by county, according to Oct. 21 survey

Adams	28 percent
Alamosa	29 percent
Archuleta	40 percent
Aspen	44 percent
Boulder	65 percent
Chaffee	21 percent
Clear Fork	36 percent
Crowley	18 percent
Delta	22 percent
Front Range	19 percent
Gunnison	24 percent



Drifts of snow cover the slope at the base of Loveland Ski Area near Golden, Colo., where snow-guns make man-made snow on Friday. Warm temperatures and a lack of rain are again creating drought problems throughout the Rocky Mountain region.

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Madison ski school gets one-year reprieve

REXBURG, Idaho (AP) — A barrage of calls from parents has prompted the Madison School District to keep its popular ski school program operating for one more year.

The district's administrative council had voted unanimously to end the program, saying it pulls students away from valuable classroom time just as schools are struggling to meet strict federal academic standards.

State will take wind measurements at reservation

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Energy Division officials and Coeur d'Alene tribal leaders are launching a wind power measurement project next week at several sites on the tribe's northern Idaho reservation.

Energy specialists said they will meet with the tribe Oct. 23 to select three power measurement sites to install the wind-measuring anemometers by next spring. Once installed, the 66 foot-tall towers will record wind speed, direction and frequency for a year or more.

Results of the study would form the basis for further wind power developments. Tribal leaders said they welcome the possible development. "I have been interested in the potential of wind energy development on our reservation for some time," said tribal council member Leta Campbell. "We're pleased that the tribe and State of Idaho are taking this important first step

and look forward to the results of this project." The project is part of the energy division's Idaho Tribal Wind Power program started last spring. The division has already given high marks to sites on the Fort Hall Reservation near Pocatello and the Duck Valley Reservation on the Nevada border. Idaho ranks 13th in the nation in wind power resources but does not have a single operation producing commercial levels of power.

and staff will must schedule the ski school sessions and organize transportation and other needs. "We know it's a popular program," Goodfellow said. "We're just wondering now if that time couldn't be better spent." Parents from each district school will be asked to join committees and consider the merits of ski school. The committee reports are due in March and the district could decide on the future of the ski program by April.

NOVEMBER COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- 1st — West End Theater Co. Mystery Bag Dinner, \$15 for dinner & performance. Doors open at 6pm Eighth Street Center.
- 4th — Election Day
- 5th & 12th — Couples Massage, Part I & II, 7-10pm, \$30 per couple, Debbie Cottle at Eighth Street Center.
- 6th — Octogenarian Night at Popplewell Elementary
- 7th — Gallery Opening: Chin Musselman - Oriental Paintings 5-7 pm at Eighth Street Center
- 8th — Dance at Senior Center — Roseland Band 8-11PM \$4 each
- 10th — City Council 7pm City Hall
- 11th — Veterans Day
- 15th — Community Breakfast, 8-10 am, \$3 per person. All you can eat. — West End Senior Center
- 15th — Shoehorn & Jugglemania/Rhys Thomas Performance - 8pm Adults \$20, Youth 12 & Under \$15, Eighth Street Center
- 19th — Kinesiology Intro, Debbie Cottle \$10, Eighth Street Center
- 22nd — Stones, 6am-6pm, \$50 per person, Debbie Cottle, Eighth Street Center
- 26th — 1/2 Day of School
- 19th — Thanksgiving Day
- 19th — No School
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- Monday — 2nd and 4th Mondays — Castledorf Men's Club 6th and 20th of Nov — 12 noon at the Red Barrel
- Monday — Cards at the Senior Center 6-9pm
- Tuesday — First and 3rd Tues. — Chamber Lunch 12 noon at Grandstands 7th — Bonnie Lezamis, Ex. Director, Twin Falls Community Commission 21st — Peter Mundi, Id. Dept. of Ag., Speaking on Idaho Preferred Program
- Tuesday — every other Tues — Bingo 7-9PM 4th & 8th — West End Senior Center
- Wednesday — Kwanzaa 12 noon at Grandstands
- Wednesday — Bingo at the Moose Hall 7PM
- Thursday — Second and third Thurs. — Rotary 13th & 20th, 12 noon at Grandstands
- Thursday — 2nd Thursday — Regular Meeting of the Moose 15th at the Moose Hall 8PM
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Keep the momentum going

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

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About the candidate
Name: Audrey Newirth
Age: 55
Occupation: Owns a boutique and a bookkeeping business.
Incumbent: Rupert Mayor Audrey Newirth is running for reelection. She faces challenges from Allen Norris and Scott Hauer. The mayor's job pays a salary of \$120,000 a year.

Work is set to begin on North A Street next year and the sewer system upgrades move forward, Newirth noted. Beautification and historic preservation contin-

ue to be important to the city. The City Council has moved forward appropriately on plans for a new sewer system, Newirth said. It's important to be pre-

paring for the future opportunity with strict requirements from the Department of Environmental Quality inevitably coming.

With the upgrade we will be in a position to invite another cheese plant to come in or another industry," Newirth said.

Bringing in a large industrial employer would be best, Newirth said, but small shops are important, too. No matter whether industry moves in or the

city develops as a bedroom community the city will grow.

Newirth pointed out the city provides incentives, such as deals on utility costs, to business moving to the area or to local business that expand.

Along with economic development, tourism continues to be important to the city. With advertising signs on the interstate, people do stop in Rupert.

The historic district works to showcase itself.

Newirth pointed to a newly passed ordinance that will require owners of buildings in the historic district to come before the Historic Preservation Committee to obtain approval

before changing visible pieces of the building.

"We think the (Wilson) theater is going to be a big drawing card," Newirth said.

And new people do come to the city to stay. Newirth mentioned the recreation program as a draw.

"We do have a lot of empty houses, but we do have some young families moving in," Newirth said.

Regarding the police department, Newirth said officers are not complaining about pay. City Council members have adjusted salaries to an adequate level, now, she said. Most of the concerns in the department deal with communication.

"We have good officers and none of us complain about the officers," Newirth said, pointing out she feels extremely safe in Rupert.

Newirth said she has the time to devote to the mayor post and the experience of the last four years to rely on.

"Together we can set and achieve goals for continuing a good quality of life, the development and improvement of our beautiful city," Newirth said.

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Age: 52
Occupation: Assistant manager at Swensen's Market in Rupert.

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were given salary adjustments. Half the increase was allocated last year and half this year.

Norris likened police officers to teachers in that the two professions are often paid less than they deserve. "I can't do anything about teachers; maybe I can do something about police," Norris said.

The city also needs to allow police officers to do their job as they see fit, Norris said.

Money could be found in the budget to help alleviate some of the city's woes. Small things such as not leaving a car running when someone runs into the office quickly would save gas and money, Norris suggested. Those small things would add up.

That saving dime to save dollars attitude comes from his position as assistant manager at Swensen's, Norris said. The job also helps Norris be the ear of the town, he said. He hears when people aren't happy.

Norris aims to "give the people back the voice they seem to want."

While initially Norris just wanted to give residents a choice, he said it's no lack now.

"If the people of Rupert are looking for a change, then I'm their candidate," Norris said.

Hauer says development is high priority

By Shari Chaney
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Rupert needs to evaluate, and probably reset, its priorities.

Mayoral candidate Scott Hauer wants to help the city prioritize and then be at the helm of a possible new direction for the next four years.

Hauer's top three priorities include economic development, keeping money in the community and keeping judicial, police and social services running. But he has a list of topics much longer than those three.

"The city has just been coasting," Hauer said. "You can only coast when you're going downhill."

Rupert needs industry and industry that pays a living wage — near \$15 per hour, Hauer said. To do that, Rupert needs to provide a friendly atmosphere and infrastructure.

"If we don't have jobs, then we don't have a community," Hauer said.

So far, Hauer said, the current council has moved forward correctly on the sewer system upgrade.

Currently, Rupert's a main hub for potatoes, farm equipment and the methamphetamine, Hauer said.

The city needs to attract what is good for the city and keep other items, like methampheta-

mine, out.

Problems such as an understaffed drug task force and unhappy police department employees need to be remedied to help, he said.

Regarding police, Hauer said he understands low pay and being told how to do their job are

The money to help police and fund other projects is in the budget, Hauer said. "They (cities) always have the money if it's a priority."

More money would help several projects Hauer would like to see move forward.

A new swimming pool is a good idea and park on the planned domestic violence shelter is needed. The city had some involvement with the house, but the windows are still boarded up, Hauer said.

Utility rate savings need to be reflected in city rates and utility deposits are too high, Hauer said.

Some families can't afford to have the electricity turned on when they move to Rupert.

Rupert needs to admit its problems and begin fixing them, Hauer said. "The fabric of our community is at risk. Our love of family, our industriousness, diversity and feeling of comfort and safety within our community must be maintained."

While he has lived in other cities including Salt Lake City, Hauer said he has made Rupert home.

"I love Rupert," Hauer said. "I intend to die here."

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About the candidate
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Age: 44
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Judge

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cases when the abusive spouse initiates an order. Sometimes that process becomes easier because the victim of abuse lets his or her guard down somewhat, because he or she has a protection order in place.

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he's surprised by that decrease.

He also thinks public awareness has increased about what is appropriate conduct toward children.

Holloway's pleased that those type of programs and others — such as increased rehabilitation programs, the juvenile detention program and the misdemeanor probation program — have been

developed. Such programs offer people who take proper advantage a chance at a fresh start.

Holloway agrees with people who attribute today's higher crime rates to the increased abuse of drugs, especially methamphetamine. He believes drug and alcohol abuse account for nearly all adult crime and a good portion of the crimes com-

mitted by juveniles.

"As far as criminal factors, the meth epidemic has played as big a role as anything," Judge Holloway said.

At his retirement party, Holloway said he considers himself lucky to have been a magistrate judge in Cassia County, because the county "fits my lifestyle."

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city money is spent. "If the city's going to spend over \$500,000 on something that's not a line item on the budget, they should ask the taxpayers," he said. "If we have a reserve account, why isn't it published?"

Parks and recreation: The soccer field should have gone to voters, he said. "It was a breach of trust," he said. "It's mind-boggling to me they would put that outside the city limits."

Subdivisions should stand on their own, he said, and development of parks should be decided by private industry, based on the need of the public at the time.

Traffic: Cars' speed isn't so much an issue for Lively as lighting. "Kids' safety and lighting go hand in hand," he said. It doesn't make sense to him to have cars go

slower when there's not adequate lighting and sidewalks.

Traffic violates neighborhoods, he said, and he hasn't seen an effort to rectify congestion. If traffic were designated downtown, it would help ease the Blue Lakes congestion problem.

He doesn't think the city should deal with a third bridge study. "It's a regional issue, not a city issue," he said.

Water: The city is doing a good job trying to address water issues, he said. "We have enough domestic water, but we need to protect it from ground pollutants," he said. He is a supporter of using recharged water and pressurized irrigation.

Airport: Lively is against raising airport rates. He also would like to reopen an investigation of combining airports with Halley. "They have too much traffic and

we have too little," he said. "They're boxed in and can't expand anymore." A regional airport, perhaps located north of Twin Falls, might be beneficial for both communities.

Area of impact: Non-annexed land is a planning tool, he said, like a safety zone. "It allows for expansion of a city's limits, so it does need to be managed by the city." He supports requiring new developments to be incorporated into city water and sewer systems, thereby limiting the number of septic tanks and wells that are potential contamination sources.

Tip Craig

Craig brings to the table his experience in dealing with other council members, city staff and members of committees. He has a good relationship with the folks

making policy," he said.

Parks and recreation: The land for the soccer complex was taken by the city because it was free, he said. "The neighbors weren't enthused and were not treated well," he said. Craig would like to see more recreation opportunities, including a Shakespeare Theater in Auger Falls. "Before we go out and buy more park land we need to take care of what we have," he said.

Traffic: He supports widening intersections to accommodate

trucks and would like to see downtown business have more control over traffic flow. A third bridge over the Snake River Canyon would help ease local traffic and needs to be studied.

Water: Twin Falls is one of the hot spots for nitrates, he said, and the issue needs to be looked into thoroughly. Nitrates, he said, can be precursors to bacteria and other contaminants. "Once you have nitrates you better start checking for other things."

Airport: He called Joslin

Field a "pretty decent airport" that has the potential to attract more business to the community. He wouldn't support city involvement in a new regional airport because of the potential expense.

Area of impact: Rather than having wells and septic systems in the area surrounding the city limits, he would like to see extensions of city water and sewer systems. The more houses that are put in a subdivision, he says, the cheaper it will be to extend those systems.

Hagerman

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damages at the new public parking lot.

Repairs to a light fixture included replacement of the bulb and hood at a cost of \$628. The cost to replace stolen posts used to close off the emergency exit, at the corner of State and Salmon,

cost the city \$268.

Anyone with information about the vandalism is encouraged to contact Hagerman police at 837-6636.

Light the park — Council members approved a request by the Hagerman Valley Chamber of Commerce to decorate the city

park for Christmas. Each business will be given a section of the fence along State Street to decorate.

Hagerman school organizations will be given the opportunity to do some of the actual decorating to earn funds for their group.

Crump

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your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can — try to reach a full minute. Relax.

After a few weeks, move up to 10-pound potato sacks, and then 50-pound spud sacks, and eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-pound potato sack in each hand and hold your arms

straight out for more than a full minute," he said.

After you feel confident at that level, start putting a couple of potatoes in each of the sacks, but be careful not to overdo it.

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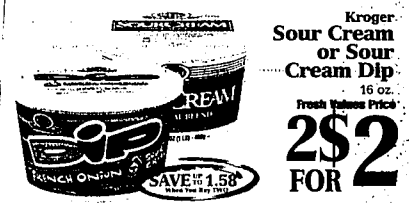
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IN BRIEF

CSI booster lunch will be Monday

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho booster club luncheon will be held at noon Monday in the Taylor Administration Building's Room 277 on campus. Fans and boosters are welcome to attend. Coaches will be on hand to discuss their teams. An athlete will be on hand as well.

Fans and boosters can go through the food line in the cafeteria, buy their food and bring it to Room 277.

Wrestling officials will hold meeting Monday

TWIN FALLS — There will be a mandatory wrestling rules meeting for all area officials and coaches on Monday at 7 p.m. at Twin Falls High School.

All junior high and high schools should have a representative to pick up state information packets and discuss the upcoming season. For more information, call Ed Peterson at 324-5619 or 324-9693.

Gooding cross-country plans fund-raiser

GOODING — The Gooding High cross-country team will hold a spaghetti dinner fund-raiser at 6 p.m. Monday in the school's multi-use room. The cost is \$5 a person or \$20 for a family of five.

Jerome Rec holds men's hoops leagues

JEROME — Players interested in signing up to play in the Jerome Recreation District's men's basketball league should attend a league meeting on Monday at 6 p.m. at the district office.

Fees, rosters, schedules and other information will be discussed.

Pomerelle hosts snow sports teaching seminar

ALBION — Persons 16 and older who are interested in teaching snow sports such as skiing and snowboarding should attend a five-week teaching workshop starting Nov. 15.

The "Pomerelle Sports School" will host an introductory seminar on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Wheels, behind Al's Pizza in Burley.

For more information, call Barry Whiting at 436-5863, 673-6222 or 673-5525. You can also e-mail any questions to info@pomerelle-mtn.com.

Jerome Country Club holds fall golf special

JEROME — Through Nov. 30, Jerome Country Club will offer reduced golf rates for public and guest play.

Please call John or Teresa in the pro shop for details and tee times at (208) 324-5281.

Ninth grade football clash will be Thursday

TWIN FALLS — The annual ninth grade football game between O'Leary Junior High and Stuart Junior High will be held at 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 30 at Bruin Stadium.

Candleridge lowers golf rates for winter

TWIN FALLS — The winter golf rates at Candleridge Golf Course in Twin Falls, Nov. 1 through Feb. 29 is \$5 for nine holes and \$10 all day.

Compiled from staff reports

Krumm calls Highland win 'incredible'

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Gary Krumm's cell phone wouldn't stop buzzing.

The backing of well-wishers wanting to congratulate the Twin Falls football coach after the Bruins' stunning 38-36 win over defending state champion Highland late Friday had numbered 17 by 11 a.m. Saturday. "It was incredible," Krumm said of the miracle finish that ended when full-in Mitch Snook caught Luc Martin's 37-yard Hail Mary with no time left.

"He's got the best hands on the team," Krumm said of Smith's late substitution. "He goes in there and asks, 'Where do I go?'"

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I said 'go line up by AJ (Stone) and just run down the field.'

Martin shared in the heroics, barely getting the pass off before being sacked.

"Luc Martin is a guy I totally believe in," Krumm said. "He makes great decisions, but I just have so much trust and faith in him. He makes plays, man."

Krumm said the team shared in the honors from Snook catching a 31-yard pass to set up the final play, to Zach Schaal's interception in the fourth quarter that led to a field goal, to receiver Eric Snow hauling in three touchdowns then switching to cover as

a cornerback on defense.

"It was like the good Lord above was watching over us," Krumm said. "You work hard, you do the best you can, and once in a while it pays off."

Krumm was already back at work Saturday preparing for an even bigger game against Idaho Falls Friday.

Because as well as ending the Rams' 19-game winning streak was Friday, beating Idaho Falls at home Friday is even more important as a loss would end the Bruins' season.

But a win gives them the No. 1 seed out of the East into the state playoffs.

"This week meant nothing. It's letdown week if we let (a loss) happen," Krumm

said. "We will not let it happen. We went to work last Sunday to get ready for Highland and now we have a chance to be undefeated at home and the chance to be number one out of our region."

"I think we grew a lot this week, and we learned a lot more. It's not a miracle," Krumm compared the career-making victory to the state baseball championship he won at Buhl in 2001.

"No doubt. It is an incredible feeling and it is still today," he said. "But it's the program, it's the team. It's not a miracle. It's to the grindstone stuff. So far it's worked out all right."

"But it's kind of fun to get up and go to work today."

2003 WORLD SERIES • MARLINS WIN IN SIX

Marlins dance in N.Y.

Beckett helps Florida take title at vaunted Yankee Stadium

By Ben Walker
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The Josh Beckett gamble turned out to be pure genius. The wild-card Florida Marlins wrapped up their wild ride with a most improbable World Series championship, stunning the New York Yankees 2-0 Saturday night behind the strong right arm and sheer determination of their young MVP.

Manager Jack McKeon was second-guessed the moment he said Beckett would start Game 6 on three days' rest. But the 23-year-old fastballer, called "Rock" by his manager, made McKeon look brilliant.

Starting on short rest for the first time in his career, Beckett drew a five-hitter to give the Marlins their second title in seven seasons.

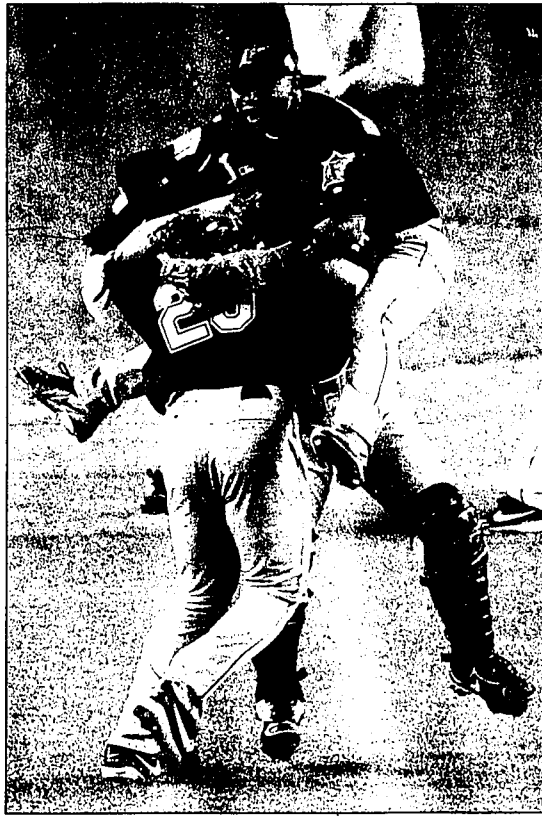
"You'll believe me now that anything can happen," McKeon said. "This guy has the guts of a burglar." Beckett outdueled Andy Pettitte and defeated a Yankees team that had won four of the last seven crowns, never allowing a runner past second base.

"That kid showed that he was going to be a great one down the road, if he hasn't already," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. Not since 1981 had another team celebrated a Series championship on the field at Yankee Stadium. When the Los Angeles Dodgers did it then, Yankees owner George Steinbrenner apologized to the city for the dismal performance.

Yankees general manager Brian Cashman and former star Reggie Jackson, chins resting on hands, watched from a box with the same incredulous look on their face.

This time, credit the resilient Marlins for their performance. It was as if the sellout crowd of 55,773 couldn't believe what it was seeing — then again, Florida has been an

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Florida's Alex Gonzalez, right, leaps on catcher Ivan Rodriguez, center, and Josh Beckett after the Marlins beat the Yankees Saturday in Game 6 of the World Series in New York. The Marlins won the series, 4-2.

Marlins prove they belong

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — They were a laughingstock franchise just a few months ago, a young team with an old manager, small crowds and even smaller expectations.

And now they're the World Series champions. The Florida Marlins overcame a 19-29 start. They won a tight wild-card race, then surprised San Francisco and stunned the Chicago Cubs in the playoffs. And on Saturday they beat the New York Yankees 2-0 to win the World Series, 4-2.

The list of Marlins heroes is as long as their roster. It includes Brad Penny, who won Games 1 and 5; light-hitting shortstop Alex Gonzalez, who hit the homer to end Game 4; and brash young Series MVP Josh Beckett, who pitched a five-hit shutout Saturday on three days' rest.

Perhaps the most improbable hero is 72-year-old manager Jack McKeon, who was hired in May and orchestrated a turnaround that revitalized baseball in South Florida. McKeon often mangles the names of his players, but he batted almost 1,000 in October with a series of daring, unconventional moves — such as sending Beckett to the mound on short rest for Game 6.

The cigar-smoking McKeon tossed aside a match at the ballpark the other day and when it landed on a piece of trash, he briefly feared he had started a fire. "That's just what I need — to burn down Yankee Stadium," he said.

For New Yorkers, what McKeon and the Marlins did was almost that disastrous.

The upset will be called outlandish and farfetched. The Marlins won their series even though they were outscored 21-17.

But it's no fluke. The Marlins have baseball's best record since May 23.

STATE HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER PLAYOFFS

Eagle puts end to Bruins' year

By Kevin Hall
Times-News writer

BUHL — With its best scorer benched, the Twin Falls girls soccer team had its offense shelled.

Two goals by fullback Kylie Lombardi and another by center forward Katie Keller gave the 5A girls soccer team a 3-0 shutout of the Bruins in their 5A inter-district state soccer playoff game Saturday at a sun-drenched Bobby Dierckson Field in Buhl.

The win sends the Mustangs (12-1) into the Girls 5A Idaho Soccer Tournament starting Thursday in Pocatello.

For the Bruins, a 12-12-1 season ended in disappointment, but not disenchantment. "They've come a long way," said Twin Falls coach Steve Schmid.

To make his point, Schmid noted how the Bruins lost their first season meeting to Pocatello 7-1, fell in the second game only 3-2, before beating the Indians in the district tournament 1-0. "They worked hard, but

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Eagle High School full-back Kylie Southernland (8) fights for the ball against Twin Falls forward Adrienne Browning during their 5A inter-district state playoff game in Buhl Saturday. The Mustangs won 3-0 to advance to the 5A state tournament in Pocatello.

Lady Bobcats book first ever state berth

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

4A girls soccer

TWIN FALLS — The Burley girls' rally call was simple before their inter-district soccer state playoff match with District 2, the Vallivue Saturday at Ascension Field in Twin Falls.

"Get her done," the Bobcats screamed in their pregame huddle.

Though it took longer than expected, they "got it done" with a 3-2 win in overtime, clinching a berth in Thursday's Class 4A Girls Idaho Soccer Tournament.

Ashley Williams' goal off a penalty kick rebound eliminated the Falcons (2-1) and sent Burley to its first-ever state tournament in girls soccer. The Bobcats take on District Six champion Hillcrest at 3:30 p.m. Thursday in the first round at the Bannock Soccer Complex in Pocatello.

Burley coach Shane Ogden said the win showed how far the Lady Bobcats (6-12) have come this season.

"The way this team has been in the past, they would've just given up," Ogden said, "So you

can tell how much it meant to these girls."

Both defenses held for 46 minutes until Vallivue's Alyssa Newbold sent a penalty kick — one of three in the game — streaking past Bobcat goalie Brylee Whitehead to give the Falcons a 1-0 lead. A second Vallivue goal from sophomore Courtney Gaskell netted her team a two-goal cushion, quieting the Burley bench.

Nearly 60 minutes into the contest, Burley's Amy Thomas struck a shot that ricocheted off a defender and past Vallivue goalie Beth Johansen to cut the Falcons lead in half, 2-1. The goal energized the team who came out of the kick off attacking. Only two minutes after Thomas' goal, a Vallivue handball near its goal gave senior Ashley Williams a chance to tie the game for Burley. Williams, who sent a similar shot off her hand in last year's final game had only one thing on her mind.

"Just keep your hands back, Ashley," she said.

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Never-say-die Bruins put off ups and downs

Twin Falls can secure No. 1 seed with win over I.F.

By Jared Ebon
Times-News correspondent

POCATELLO — It would have been easy for the Bruins to lower their heads and accept defeat — just as the previous 19 teams had done when facing the Highland Rams.

Instead, Twin Falls showed something that had been missing with Bruins teams over the past decade or so. Composure and faith.

"You have to have passion," said Twin Falls quarterback Luc Martin. "I had faith that they had enough heart to make the play."

The "play" was a 37-yard Hall Mary pass Martin heaved with no time left on the clock and only his faith holding that it would land in a teammate's hands.

Mitch Smith's capable mitts grabbed the football, falling into the end zone amid a chaos of players as a stunned Highland audience could only try to wipe away the disbelief from its eyes.

The catch and subsequent touchdown

sent a euphoric wave through the sizeable Bruins contingency as Twin Falls took the shocking upset, 38-36, over the defending state champions.

The win means the Bruins will be playing for the top seed out of the East next week when Idaho Falls visits Bruin Stadium.

"There's no miracles here," said a triumphant Twin Falls coach Gary Krumm. "We just work hard. Once in a while hard work pays off for you."

The Bruins could have easily folded and gone home losers when Highland took a 36-32 lead to erase a 32-28 deficit in the final nine minutes.

The Rams regained the lead after Nick Ray scored from a yard out for his third touchdown of the night with just 61 seconds remaining in the game.

That play came a minute after a controversial intentional grounding penalty was called on Martin in the Twin Falls end zone, giving Highland two points to pull within a field goal at 32-30.

At the time, momentum was firmly

behind the Rams.

Following the kickoff after Ray's go-ahead TD, Martin went to work.

With 16 seconds and 68 yards to go, he found AJ Stone for a 31-yard catch-and-run that gave the Bruins one last chance at paydirt.

Martin, playing a stellar game and matching Highland's Cole Nielsen big play for big play, scrambled while waiting for his receivers to reach the end zone.

Just in time to avoid a sack, he unfurled a high floating bomb that attracted a crowd underneath it.

Smith, who was inserted into the game specifically for the play, "I told him, 'Go line up by AJ and just run down the field,'" said Krumm, said he just reached out for the ball.

"I never saw the ball coming," Smith said. "We all just turned around. I reached up and grabbed it."

After snugging it, Smith came down near the goal line as his momentum carried him into the end zone with what may be the biggest points scored for the Bruins in several years.

"We knew we could do it," Martin said. "There was a sense of urgency, but not a

sense that we were going to lose."

Early on, Twin Falls looked like it might beat up the high-powered Rams after allowing an 80-yard kickoff return.

The Bruins rattled off 21 unanswered points.

Highland, though, stormed right back, tying the game at 21-21 at the half and taking a 28-21 lead in the third quarter.

The Bruins, however, showed their heart. Martin, referred to by hanging tough. When it was all over, the Bruins said they wanted to send a message to the rest of the state.

"This is the biggest statement in Idaho," Martin said. "It shows we're stepping it up. We're a team to be reckoned with."

Martin finished with 259 yards passing and four touchdowns — three to Eric Snow — on 15 of 24 attempts.

"Luc is not Cole Nielsen," Krumm said. "Luc is Luc Martin and that is pretty good."

Nielsen, widely regarded as the best

quarterback in the state, threw for 282 yards and two touchdowns.

But in the end, Krumm said the game

was a statement. "We just showed the state that we're not just a team to be reckoned with, we're a team to be feared."

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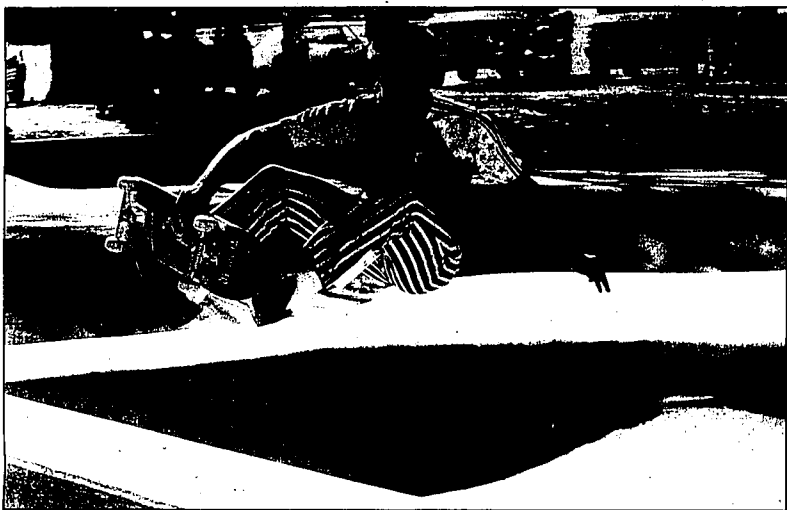
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HANGING A HALLOWEEN OLLIE



Randall Miller, sporting stripes and stars, competes in the 24-and-under age category during the third annual Halloween-themed skateboard competition at Harmon Park Saturday. The contest and fund-raiser brought in enough money to put a preserving sealer on the concrete in the skate park. Nearly 30 skateboarders and more than 100 spectators enjoyed the contest.

Series

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upset special this October in improving to 6-0 lifetime in post-season series.

In this 100th World Series game at Yankee Stadium, Beckett and the Marlins never gave the Yankees much of a chance. Florida became the first team in the post-expansion era to win two titles, having joined the majors in 1993.

Beckett finished 1-1 in this Series. He lost Game 3 despite 7-1-3 impressive innings.

Luis Castillo snapped his 0-for-14 run with an RBI single that saw Alex Gonzalez make a neat slide home in the fifth and Juan Encarnacion added a sacrifice fly in the sixth.

That was plenty for Beckett,

who fielded Jorge Posada's tapper up the first-base line and tagged him for the final out. He struck out nine, featuring a 97 mph fast-ball, and walked two.

"Nobody gave us a chance and here they are world champions," said McKoon, the oldest manager to win a World Series title.

Pettitte was sharp through the first four innings, working around an early double by former Yankees farmhand Mike Lowell.

Pettitte started strongly in the fifth, too, retiring the first two batters before the Marlins struck.

Gonzalez singled — yet another hit from a ninth-place hitter whose bat is headed for the Hall of Fame, based on his 12th-inning homer in Game 4 — and moved to second when Juan Pierre singled.

That brought up Castillo, only 3-for-23 in the Series, and he quickly fell behind in the count 0-2.

Posada then made a trip to the mound to visit Pettitte and while the catcher and pitcher talked, on-deck hitter Ivan Rodriguez took several steps toward Castillo to shout some sort of encouragement.

Moments later, Castillo poked an opposite-field single to right and third-base coach Ozzie Guillen immediately waved Gonzalez home.

Right fielder Karim Garcia made a strong, one-hop throw to the plate that beat Gonzalez. But Posada caught the ball a step up the first-base line and had to reach back on a swipe tag.

Gonzalez saw his opening and

slid wide, reaching to touch the plate with his left hand as he tumbled past.

Down 1-0, the Yankees tried to rally in the fifth, putting a runner on second with two outs. Beckett took care of his nemesis with his fastest pitch of the night, a 97 mph fastball that Derek Jeter missed for strike three.

Perhaps Jeter was still thinking about that key at-bat when Jeff Conine opened the sixth with a routine grounder to the All-Star shortstop. Jeter bobbled it and bounced his throw past first base for his first error in his last 27 Series games.

Florida took advantage of the error. After a walk and a bunt, Encarnacion lifted a sacrifice fly for a 2-0 lead.

Kavemen tame Tigers, earn state tourney trip

By Dustin Lapray
Times-News writer

4A boys soccer

TWIN FALLS — The Kuna and Jerome boys soccer teams came to Ascension Field Saturday looking for a state title berth.

And the Kavemen came away with a 2-0 shutout of the usually potent Tigers.

The disappointing loss closed the book on an otherwise solid season for Jerome (13-5), which had a hard time penetrating the rock-solid defense of the third-place team from District Three.

Kuna keeper Chris Harmon stopped all 13 shots he faced, many from 30 and 40 yards out.

The Tigers were forced to shoot from long distance, as Kuna's defensive tandem of Erem Garcia and Jacob Waldorf shut down any attacks inside their own zone.

Tigers coach Jose Morales lamented his team's lack of passing in the defeat.

"Our passes weren't there,"

Morales said. "They would change fields and we would change fields also, we just couldn't get the ball through their feet."

The Jerome defense wasn't as tight.

The Kavemen took only seven shots on goal, putting two past keeper Jose Castillo.

Brandon Homan scored in the 39th minute, a mere 30 seconds before the end of the first half, on a header in front of the net off a Cam Gumam free kick from about 45 yards out.

Kuna's other goal came in the 73rd minute off a rare Castillo error.

Austin Andrus took a shot that Castillo initially knocked down, but the ball escaped him, and Kody Dossset put it in from the front of the net for the 2-0 lead.

Taito Terasawa and Chris Edwards again led Jerome on offense, by trying to force the issue with several aborted attacks. Eleazar Hernandez led the way for the Tigers on defense.

Lady Tigers make state

The Times-News

Local sports

POCATELLO — Jerome beat Righty in five games Saturday to advance to the Class 4A Idaho Volleyball Tournament starting Friday at Sandpoint High School.

Head coach Brent Clark said the win — 23-25, 26-24, 25-18, 21-25, 15-13 — puts Jerome into state for the first time in 10 years.

"This week has been a good week for us," Clark said. "We've put away teams we are supposed to beat."

West-Clark State College basketball signee Vanessa West and Elisa Hope each had 10 kills in the victory.

West also tallied 12 blocks and Krista Kuhl served 15 points with four aces.

Raney Glassett and Alicia German had five kills and setter Whitney Clark had 36 assists.

"I liked the leadership that Whitney had today," Clark said. "It was the first time she was really vocal all year."

The Tigers' senior maturity showed in the final game. Trailing 13-11, Jerome rallied for four points in a row. Clark said the final point reminded him of last year's inter-district playoff loss against Madison.

Holding the 14-13 lead, a serving error cost the Tigers their chance at state. This season, that 14-13 serve wasn't even returned.

Jerome (12-12) faces District Three champion Emmett in the first round Friday at 12:30 p.m. MST. The second round begins at 4:30 p.m. Friday. Gooding is the reigning state champions and is 32-0 this season.

Boys soccer

3A Interdistrict playoff

Middletown 3, Wendell 1

MOUNTAIN HOME

Overcoming a 4-0 deficit at halftime, Middletown pounded in three second-half goals en route to a 3-1 win over Wendell Saturday in Mountain Home.

The loss ended the Trojans' season at 9-6, while the Vikings soccer to the Class 3A Boys Idaho Soccer Tournament Thursday-Saturday in Burley.

German, foreign exchange stu-

Late Results

Football

Gooding 17, Wood River 14
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The win came on a Kiley Koski 3-yard run after the Wolverines botched a punt on fourth down, with under two minutes to play to give Gooding the ball at Wood River's 3-yard line.

Koski finished the night with 24 rushes for 141 yards and two touchdowns on the ground.

Through the air, he went 5-for-12 for 44 yards. Gooding tailback Angel Aguilar added 15 rushes for 87 yards.

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Bruins

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they'll be back," he said.

It was clear the Bruins missed senior striker Ota Wisla, who was reduced to a cheerleader after receiving a pair of yellow penalty cards in the team's 3-1 loss to Highland on Thursday.

Walsh, in her usual colorful way, donned a long-sleeved, rainbow-hued tie dye shirt as she barked at her mates on the field to attack the Mustangs.

But it was Eagle that quickly went on the attack, kicking the game's first shot on goal in the first minute and finding the net six minutes later when Lombardi headed in a corner kick past keeper Brittany Hunzeker.

"We didn't mark (cover) up, and

when they're that close it's hard to get to those balls," Hunzeker said.

The Bruins were quick to counterattack — finding their way into the Mustang zone, but mustering only a soft-footed shot toward keeper and designated ball magnet Amy Rhoades.

Rhoades, who had been stellar in net, started strongly in the first, too, retiring the first three points-blank shots and making six saves of eight shot attempts, had to leave the game with 15 minutes left in the second half after taking a foot to the nose — and suffering a second broken nose this season — on a scramble for a free ball.

But it didn't matter. Without Walsh, the Bruins posed only a slight threat, though their best

scoring opportunity came in the 33rd minute when Adrienne Browning missed from 5 yards out. Anisic blocked the shot with the bottom of her cleat, allowing Rhoades to easily pounce on it.

The Bruins pressed to open the second half and the tactic yielded several shot attempts. Laura Filas whiffed from 10 yards out; Anisic Watkins weaved through traffic but her shot flew high; and the Bruins got an indirect kick by the near post, but Watkins' header off a rebound was cleared away.

In the meantime, Lombardi scored her second goal in the 65th minute off a crossing pass she took to her left and redirected through two defenders and an out-of-position Hunzeker. Keller near-

ly made it 3-0 a minute later, but her shot clanged off the post, she did find the net minutes later on a hard spinner from 25 yards out.

Lombardi said the Mustangs, who outshot Twin Falls 25-8, played relaxed after her early score.

"I think that helped a lot and we talked a lot and played well," she said.

Hunzeker, who passed her last game as a Bruin along with Maia Simic, Lauren Adrian, Melissa McCoy, Darci Wood and Walsh, said the Bruins should be proud after going 3-3 over the last eight days.

"We were second to last and just played with our hearts and ended up third, that's awesome."

Burley

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Williams blasted a line drive past the Falcon keeper, tying the game at 2-2.

Burley's team speed proved to be a major factor in keeping the score tied in regulation as the Robcats were able to keep the ball in their attacking side until time ran out.

"In the past, we put a lot of our

speed on defense and pushed through," Ogden said, "today we put our three fastest girls on the front line. That's what forced it in for us to get those two goals."

Only 1:30 into the golden goal overtime, Vallive was called for a second handball in the box, setting up Williams' game-winning shot, her second penalty kick try

of the day. Williams sent a low roller to the right side that are up the Vallive keeper. The ball took a short hop and deflected off Johansen's chest, right back to a stunned Williams.

"I was so scared, I saw it coming back and told myself, 'I gotta take it easy,'" Williams said, "I've seen so many girls pop it over the net,

so I was just like, 'Tap it in.'"

This year, Williams came through big, sending the ball home and her team to state.

After the game, Ogden played his role as coach.

"It might make a switch on a penalty, but this is all about the girls. They played their hearts out," he said.

TOP 25 COLLEGE FOOTBALL



Florida State players douse coach Bobby Bowden after their win over Wake Forest Saturday in Tallahassee, Fla. The win was Bowden's 339th in Division IA, an all-time record.

Bowden sets win record

Oklahoma manages to hold off Colorado

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida State's Bobby Bowden became the winningest coach in major college football history Saturday with his 339th victory as the sixth-ranked Seminoles captured at least a share of the Atlantic Coast Conference championship with a 48-24 victory over Wake Forest.

Bowden, 339-97-4 in 38 seasons as a head coach, surpassed Joe Paterno, whose Penn State team lost 26-14 at Iowa. Eddie Robinson has the overall college record with 408 wins. Bowden picked up 31 wins at Samford (Ala.) College, another 42 at West Virginia and is 266-65-4 since coming to Florida State in 1976.

There wasn't much mystery in Bowden's record win as the Seminoles (7-1, 6-0) built a 48-17 lead as they ran their league record to 12-0 against the Deimon Deacons (4-4, 2-3).



Oklahoma wide receiver Mark Clayton, center, outruns Colorado defensive end Gabe Nyenhuis, left, for a fourth-quarter touchdown during the Sooners' 34-20 win over Colorado Saturday in Boulder, Colo.

No. 1 Oklahoma 34, Colorado 20

BOULDER, Colo. — Jason White threw three touchdown passes, including a 53-yarder to Mark Clayton with 1:59 left, as top-ranked Oklahoma survived a scare to beat Colorado 34-20 Saturday night.

The Sooners (8-0, 4-0 Big 12) built a 27-7 third-quarter lead before Colorado closed to 27-20 with two touchdowns in the fourth.

No. 4 Georgia 16, UAB 13

ATHENS, Ga. — Billy Bennett kicked three field goals, the last to break a tie with a 53-yarder to Mark Clayton, and Georgia avoided a huge upset with a victory over UAB.

No. 5 Southern California 43, Washington 23

SEATTLE — Matt Leinart threw for 351 yards and four touchdowns as Southern California beat Washington for its first victory at Husky Stadium in 10 years.

No. 6 Washington St. 38, Oregon St. 30

FULLMAN, Wash. — Matt Kegeles threw three touchdown passes, two to Scott Lunde in the fourth quarter, and Jonathan Smith scored twice as No. 6 Washington State rallied to beat Oregon State 36-30 on Saturday. Kegeles was 21-of-40 for 305

yards, but threw five interceptions — one more than he had in the Cougars' previous seven games this season — and also lost two fumbles.

Oregon State's Mitch Meeuwse had three interceptions, one that he returned 45 yards for the Beavers' first score.

No. 8 Ohio St. 35, Indiana 6

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Lydell Ross ran for a career-high 167 yards and three touchdowns, backup receiver Santonio Holmes caught two TD passes and Craig Krenzler threw for 272 yards for Ohio State.

No. 19 Texas 56, Baylor 0

WACO, Texas — Vince Young ran for 101 yards and two touchdowns Saturday night as No. 19 Texas wrapped up a rugged October with a 56-0 win over Baylor.

Young and Longhorns (6-2, 3-1 Big 12) set the offense on cruise control from the start, rolling to a 35-0 halftime lead in the freshman's second start at quarterback.

Mississippi 19, Arkansas 7

OXFORD, Miss. — Mississippi shut down a short-handed Arkansas offense and Jonathan Nichols kicked four field goals to help the Rebels move into first place in the SEC West.

The Rebels (6-2, 4-0) are off to their best start in the SEC in 33

years and are a half-game ahead of Auburn and LSU.

No. 23 Bowling Green 34, No. 12 N. Illinois 18

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio — Josh Harris threw for 438 yards and three touchdowns as Bowling Green handed Northern Illinois its first loss of the season.

Harris was nearly unstoppable, breaking his career high for passing yards in what might have been the biggest Mid-American Conference game ever. Only once before — in 1973 — had two MAC teams ranked in the Top 25 met in the regular season.

The Huskies (7-1, 3-1 MAC) were just one of four unbeaten teams in major college football coming into the week and were 10th in the first BCS standings.

No. 13 Michigan 31, No. 10 Purdue 3

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — John Navarre threw two touchdown passes to Brylon Edwards as Michigan beat Purdue.

The Wolverines (7-2, 4-1 Big Ten) took control with two first-quarter TDs and their stingy defense never gave Purdue (6-2, 3-1) a chance to win at Michigan for the first time since 1966.

No. 14 Nebraska 28, Iowa St. 0

LINCOLN, Neb. — Josh Bullocks blocked a punt to set

up a touchdown and returned another blocked punt for a score as Nebraska kept Iowa State.

No. 16 Iowa 26, Penn St. 14

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Nathan Chandler threw for two touchdowns and ran for another, and Fred Russell ran for 148 yards as Iowa handed Penn State its fourth straight loss.

No. 18 Oklahoma St. 38, Texas A&M 10

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Tatum Bell ran for 196 yards and three touchdowns and became the third player in Oklahoma State history to have back-to-back 1,000-yard rushing seasons.

Northwestern 16, No. 20 Wisconsin 7

EVANSTON, Ill. — Jason Wright caught a 53-yard touchdown pass and added a 1-yard scoring run following a fake field goal as Northwestern upset No. 20 Wisconsin 16-7 on Saturday.

No. 22 Tennessee 51, Alabama 43, 50T

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Casey Clausen nudged across the goal line on a 1-yard sneak in the fifth overtime and Tennessee stuffed Shaun Williams twice as the Volunteers beat Alabama.

Weber State snuffs Idaho State offense

By Jared Ehom
Times-News correspondent

OGDEN, Utah — Idaho State can count on one thing.

No matter how good the Bengals might be playing, and no matter how poorly Weber State is playing, ISU does not win in Ogden.

Weber State shut down the Big Sky's best offense Saturday, limiting the Bengals to just eight first downs and 176 total yards, while cruising to a 38-21 whitewashing of the 15th-ranked Bengals.

It was the Bengals' ninth straight loss in Ogden.

"We just got beat," said ISU quarterback Mark Hetherington. "Every aspect of their defense beat our offense."

Making matters worse, the Wildcats (-5-4 overall, 2-3 Big Sky) rolled up 306 yards of rushing offense, keeping the Bengals (5-3, 3-2) off the field and wearing down the already slanky Idaho State defense.

All told, WSU held the ball for more than 42 minutes in the game while Idaho State enjoyed just over 17 minutes of possession.

Nick Chronos, a junior from nearby Tremonton, set a career high in rushing yardage with 227 on 38 carries.

"That was an easy game plan," ISU defensive end Jared Allen said after Idaho State passed the ball into the line 74 times.

"Just run the same play over and over."

Hetherington had a forgettable day for the Bengals. After passing for 398 yards and four touchdowns last week, the junior completed only 9 of 30 passes for 148 yards. He threw four interceptions and had two returned

for touchdowns.

"I can't put all of this on the quarterback," said ISU coach Larry Lewis. "There were a lot of break downs in a lot of areas. That was just one of them."

With a nonexistent passing game, the Bengals were also unable to mount any semblance of a rushing game. Isaac Mitchell carried the ball just 12 times for 22 yards.

The loss means the Bengals again need help to get back into the Big Sky title chase. With Northern Arizona falling to Montana State Saturday, Idaho State still trails the Lumberjacks by just a game, while holding tiebreakers over MSU, and Montana — both of which also have one conference loss.

The Bengals return home next Saturday, hosting Portland State at 6:35 p.m.

WEBER STATE 38, IDAHO STATE 21

Idaho St.	7	0	13	28
Weber St.	7	7	13	27

WSU-Chronos 15 run (Johnson 145, 2:11, 10:00)
WSU-Johnson 37 FG 1:56
WSU-Chronos 22 interception (Happley pass left) 8:07
WSU-Chronos 63 pass from Hetherington (Hetherington 140, 11:01)
WSU-Johnson 24, 12:16
WSU-Chronos 1 run (Garner run back) 1:56
WSU-Chronos 37 pass from Hetherington (Hetherington 140, 11:01)
WSU-Chronos 31 interception (Hetherington pass from Hetherington) 1:45
WSU-Chronos 31 interception (Hetherington pass from Hetherington) 1:45

First downs	ISU	WSU
Passing yards	207	74
Rushing yards	306	176
Comp. At. Int.	9-24	5-12-0
Return yards	6-63	6-41
Fumbles lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties	8-66	11-97
Time of possession	17:34	42:26

RECORDING STATISTICS
RECORDING-WSU: Michael 1-10, Dewey 1-4, Decker 1-3, James 1-0 (return 1), Hetherington 1-0 (return 1), WSU-Chronos 2-27, Stewart 1-0 (return 2), Barnes 1-0 (return 1)
RECORDING-WSU: Johnson 9-24, 1-4, WSU-Chronos 5-12, 0-0
RECORDING-WSU: Kay 4-4, Mitchell 2-11, Key 1-3, Leonard 1-1, Seaton 1-2, WSU, Johnson 3-3, Decker 1-3, Nash 1-7

BSU puts up record numbers in 77-14 win

BOISE (AP) — Ryan Dinwiddie threw five touchdown passes and ran for another score as Boise State routed San Jose State 77-14 in a college Western Athletic Conference action Saturday.

BSU's 77 points were the most it ever has scored in a single game. The previous mark was 74 against Humboldt State in 1986.

Dinwiddie, who was removed from the game after one series in the third quarter, completed 17 out of 28 passes for 350 yards as the Broncos improved to 7-1 overall and 4-0 in the WAC.

Dinwiddie passed for 279 yards in the first half alone and BSU out-gained San Jose (2-5, 1-3) 340-144 in the first two quarters as the Broncos seized a 47-7 lead at the half.

Dinwiddie's other touchdown passes were a 37-yarder to Lawrence Bady in the first quarter and 51-yard bomb to Tim Gilligan in the third quarter. Dinwiddie scored on a 1-yard dive and David Mikell had a 7-yard touchdown run for BSU.

Louisiana-Lafayette 31, Idaho 20

LAFAYETTE, La. — Chester Johnson ran for 157 yards and three touchdowns to carry Louisiana-Lafayette to a 31-20 victory over Idaho on Saturday night.

The Ragin Cajuns (2-7, 2-3 Sun Belt), averaging just 88 yards rushing as a team through their first eight games, gained 227 rushing yards against Idaho (4-1, 1-3).

Terry Babb completed 14 of 20 passes for 144 yards and one touchdown, a 6-yard pass to Kimmie Lewis that gave Louisiana-Lafayette a 7-0 lead in the first quarter.

Zach Gerstner had 177 yards rushing, 59 yards receiving and two touchdowns for Idaho. Michael Harrington completed 17 of 28 passes for 190 yards and a touchdown, but was intercepted once.

Montana St. 21, N. Arizona 17

BOZEMAN, Mont. — Quarterback Travis Lulay rushed for 56 yards and two touchdowns in the final 1:07 Saturday as Montana State rallied to upset Northern Arizona 21-17.

NAU (6-2 overall, 4-1 Big Sky), ranked 10th in NCAA Division IAA, took a 17-7 lead on a 30-yard field goal by Paul Ermerst with 2:19 remaining.

On the Bobcats next possession, Lulay completed four passes for 42 yards — three to Scott Turquist — then ran 32 yards for a touchdown with 1:07 remaining to pull within 17-14.

Corey Smith recovered an onside kick by Nate Cook. Lulay completed two passes to Turquist, rushed for 18 yards, then completed two

Regional scoreboard

- BYU 27, UNLV 20, OT
- Boise St. 77, San Jose St. 14
- California 42, Arizona 14
- Carroll, Mont. 59, E. Oregon 7
- Colorado Mines 75, N.M. Highlands 40
- E. New Mexico 10
- Texas A&M Commerce 3
- Fresno St. 31, Rice 28
- Louisiana Tech 42, Nevada 34
- Montana 42, Utah 21
- Montana St. 21, N. Arizona 17
- Montana Tech 37
- Montana St.-Northern 16
- Montana-Western 41, Rocky Mountain 16
- N. Colorado 55, Adams St. 14
- New Mexico 47, Utah 35
- Oklahoma 34, Colorado 20
- Oregon 35, Stanford 0
- Pacific Lutheran 48, Lewis & Clark 7
- Southern Cal 43, Washington 23
- St. Mary's, Cal. 33, SE Louisiana 17
- Utah St. 49, Arkansas St. 0
- W. Washington 17, Cent. Washington 26
- Washington St. 36, Oregon St. 30
- Weber St. 38, Idaho St. 21

more passes before scoring on a 1-yard run with 15 seconds remaining.

Montana 42, Portland St. 14

MISSOULA, Mont. — Craig Ochs passed for 159 yards and two touchdowns and ran for another score Saturday as Montana took advantage of four Portland State turnovers to post a 42-14 victory (4-4 overall, 1-3 Big Sky) got within 20-14 in a 30-yard touchdown pass from Joe Wiser to Deonte Taylor with 8:19 left in the third quarter, but No. 12 Montana (6-2, 2-1) scored three touchdowns in the fourth quarter to pull away.

Montana's win, coupled with No. 10 Northern Arizona's loss to Montana State, leaves the Grizzlies, Lumberjacks, and Bobcats all with one league loss. Montana plays at Northern Arizona next Saturday.

New Mexico 47, No. 24 Utah 35

SALT LAKE CITY — DonTrell Moore ran for 119 yards and two touchdowns and D.D. Cox added 106 yards and a score as New Mexico gained 633 yards in a 47-35 victory over No. 24 Utah on Saturday.

Utah State 49, Arkansas State 0

LOGAN, Utah — Travis Cox passed for 260 yards and three touchdowns as Utah State snapped a three-game losing streak by defeating Arkansas State 49-0 Saturday.

Cox was 14-of-21, and threw TD passes of 40, 12 and 14 yards before leaving with 2:52 to go in the third quarter of the victory (2-6, 2-1 Sun Belt), whose 49-point victory was the most since the 197-0 rout over New Mexico State in 1964.

Singh holds onto lead at Funai

Rough back nine leaves Woods six shots behind

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Vijay Singh made three straight birdies to start the back nine and holed a 25-foot birdie putt on the 16th hole Saturday for a 3-under 69 that left him in a four-way tie for the lead in the Funai Classic at Disney.

Scott Verplank (66), Stewart Cink (65) and John Rollins (67) also were at 18-under 196.

Singh not only is shooting for his fourth victory of the year, but with Tiger Woods stumbling on the back nine for a 71, the big Fijian has an excellent chance to surpass Woods on the money list and maybe even clinch by the time they get to the Tour Championship.

Champions Tour

SONOMA, Calif. — Jim Thorpe bogeyed the final hole, yet maintained his three-stroke lead over Tom Jenkins through three rounds of the Charles Schwab Cup Championship.

Thorpe's round of 2-under-par 70 was enough to hold off Jenkins, who was within two strokes of the lead after 11 holes. Thorpe birdied the next two holes to extend his lead in the Champions Tour's final event of the season.

Thorpe is at 16-under 200. Jenkins, who also had a 70, is at 13-under 203.

Tom Watson remained four strokes back, at 12-under 204, after matching Jenkins and Thorpe's 70 at Sonoma Golf Club.

Korean Tour

SEOUL, South Korea — Playing against men on the Korean tour, Se Ri Pak shot a 3-under 69 to tie for 10th out of 63 entrants through three rounds of the SBS Super Tournament.

Pak, the first woman in 58 years to make the two-round cut in a men's golf tournament, shot a bogey-free third round and moved to 1-under 215, seven strokes



Scott Verplank chips onto the 15th green during the third round of the Funai Classic Saturday in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Verplank is in a four-way tie for the lead.

behind leader Chang Ik-je.

Parcells also left introductory 29th after shooting 72 and 74. She is the latest in a series of female golfers to play against men this year, but the first to make the cut since Babe Zaharias played in three PGA Tour events in 1945 and made the 36-hole cut at all.

In May, Annika Sorenstam became the first woman since Zaharias to play on the PGA Tour but missed the cut at the Colonial.

Madrid Open

MADRID, Spain — Paul Casey took a four-stroke lead into the final round of the Telefonica

Madrid Open after shooting an even-par 71.

Casey is at 14-under 199 at the Club de Campo as he tries for his third European Tour title of 2003.

Paul Lawrie (who carded a 70 Saturday), Peter Fowler (70), and Nick O'Hern (69) were tied for second at 10 under.

Rangers beat Wings for first time in four years

NEW YORK (AP) — Petr Nedved scored for the second straight game as the New York Rangers got their first victory over Detroit in four years, beating the Red Wings 3-1 Saturday night.

Bobby Holik and Mark Messier also scored for the Rangers, who had lost seven straight games to the Red Wings since their last win over Detroit on Oct. 30, 1999. The drought at home was even longer as Detroit had won seven in a row at Madison Square Garden, dating to March 1997.

Mike Dunham was sharp again for the Rangers, making 23 saves. Dominik Hasek made 29 saves one night after his 62nd career shutout. Mathieu Schneider scored for the Red Wings.

Lightning 3, Wild 2

TAMPA, Fla. — Cory Sullivan scored a breakthrough short-handed goal early in the third period as undefeated Tampa Bay overcame a two-goal deficit for its franchise-best third straight win to open the season.

Sullivan scored from the low right circle off a pass by Tim Taylor during a two-on-one at 1:14.

The NHL record is 10, set by the 1993-94 Toronto Maple Leafs.

Senators 6, Canadiens 2

MONTREAL — Marian Hossa had three assists to help Ottawa extend its winning streak to four.

Jason Spezza, Kadek Bonk and Daniel Alfredsson each had a goal and an assist for Ottawa, which beat Montreal for the second time in a little more than two weeks.

Islanders 7, Penguins 2

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Mariusz Czerkawski and Trent Hunter each had a pair of goals as New York won for the third time in four games.

Jarne Ninimaa, Jason Blake and Sean Bergenheim also scored for New York.

Maple Leafs 4, Capitals 1

TORONTO — Mats Sundin scored his first goal of the season

and 300th with Toronto, which won its third straight.

Toronto goalie Ed Belfour made 33 saves en route to his 404th win in four years, beating Grant Fuhr for sixth on the career wins list.

Panthers 3, Thrashers 2

ATLANTA — Olli Jokinen scored a third-period goal and backup goalie Steve Shields made 33 saves as Florida handed Atlanta its first regulation loss of the season.

Avalanche 5, Predators 3

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Milan Hejduk scored two goals less than two minutes apart in the second period and added an assist, and Peter Forsberg added a goal and two assists.

It was the sixth straight win for the Avalanche on the Predators' home ice.

Bruins 5, Devils 2

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Rookie Andrew Raycroft made 31 saves and Boston scored four third-period goals to rally.

Patrice Bergeron, Sergei Samonov, Glen Murray and Joe Thornton tallied in the final period for the Bruins.

Flyers 4, Hurricanes 4

PHILADELPHIA — Mark Recchi scored short-handed late in the third period as Philadelphia rallied from an early two-goal deficit.

Niclas Wallin scored two goals and Jamie Storr made 28 saves in his first start of the season as Carolina finished a four-game road trip unbeaten at 1-0-3-0. Radim Vrba added a goal and an assist, and Danny Markov also scored for the Hurricanes.

Stars 3, Blue Jackets 2

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Bill Guerin assisted on three third-period goals.

Jason Arnott, Philippe Boucher and Rob DiMaio scored for the Stars, who had gone 160 minutes and 41 seconds without a goal before Arnott tied the game at 1-1 midway through the third period.

Parcells' Cowboys set sights on defending champ Tampa Bay

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Bill Parcells would rather talk about almost anything other than why he's coaching the Dallas Cowboys instead of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

The two-time Super Bowl winner backed out of agreements to take over the Bucs twice in the past 12 years and remains unapologetic.

"I don't know that I have the right answer. This just hit me right," Parcells said. "But hey, things worked out very well for them, so I'm happy about that."

The Bucs won their first Super Bowl in January, barely a year after Parcells opted against coming out of retirement to replace Tony Dungy.

The sons of Tampa Bay owner Malcolm Glazer eventually pried Jon Gruden from the Oakland Raiders, but it cost the Bucs four high draft picks and \$8 million just for the right to negotiate a contract with

the NFL's youngest coach.

Parcells also left original Bucs owner Hugh Culverhouse saying he felt "jilted at the altar" in 1991, when the coach spurned Tampa Bay because of health issues.

"There were just things that are of a personal nature that I couldn't get myself to do it. ... I don't look back on that at all, and I don't have any animosity about it. Deep down, I don't think they do either," Parcells said.

The 62-year-old coach reiterated that he doesn't regret turning down an opportunity to work with a seasoned team on the verge of winning a championship and later accepting the challenge of rebuilding the younger, less experienced Cowboys, who are off to a surprising 5-1 start under his direction.

"You make your decisions. ... The time to worry is before you place the bet, not

after the wheel is spinning," Parcells said. "Once it spins, you forget about that, so I don't look back on that stuff honestly."

With Parcells bringing his new team to town to face the struggling defending Super Bowl champions (3-3) on Sunday, the Glazers have maintained their usual low profile and declined requests for interviews.

Last December, though, the Glazers revealed just how close they were to bringing Parcells to Tampa Bay. The owners disclosed they had a signed contract and wanted compensation from Dallas if the Cowboys hired him.

Although some speculated that Parcells no longer had a passion for the game when he turned down the Bucs, he's clearly showing otherwise with Dallas, which has won five straight games — its longest winning streak since 1994.

"He's brought a winning attitude,"

Cowboys quarterback Quincy Carter said. "He's brought a competitive spirit. ... We believe in him. He's done it before."

Tampa Bay's Keyshawn Johnson played three seasons for Parcells when he was with the New York Jets. He isn't surprised that Dallas, off to its best start since 8-1 in 1995, is reaping immediate results.

Parcells is unmatched as a teacher and motivator, and the coach's zest for winning is infectious, the Bucs' receiver said.

"Whether they get to the playoffs or not, it's a dramatic turnaround from last year," Johnson said. "He's already a success in Dallas."

But as much as Johnson thinks of Parcells, he's not sure he would have been the right fit for a Tampa Bay team that underachieved under Dungy. After all, it's difficult to argue with the success the Bucs have had with Gruden, who built on

the foundation laid before his arrival.

"I don't know if we would have won a championship with (Parcells) here last year," Johnson said.

Parcells conceded he's a little surprised by the Cowboys' quick start. He spent much of the past week stressing problems the team needs to fix to continue to be successful and beat playoff-caliber teams like the Bucs, who have dropped two of their past three games.

Dallas' coach said people shouldn't be deceived by Tampa Bay's 500 record. The Super Bowl champions have been beset by injuries and lost twice in overtime.

"I still think they're solid," Parcells said. "I told my players that when you've been a championship team like they have, and they have some qualities and confidence and things that not every team you play has. We have to be ready for that."

NFL WEEK 8

Cowboys looking for sixth straight

Bill Parcells seems to have connections with almost every team his Dallas Cowboys play, even the ones he never coached. Parcells twice backed out of coaching the Bucs. First in 1993, then in 2002, when Parcells backed out after signing a contract. This matchup shows how quickly things change in the NFL.

Chargers get their first win. Holcomb, back from a broken leg, nearly rallied the Browns, but Butch Davis hasn't decided on a starter because Holcomb's leg still hurts. The Patriots survived an overtime coin toss flap to win in Miami and take over the AFC East lead.

The Rams have won three straight. Marshall Faulk began practicing this week, but probably won't play Sunday. The Steelers lost three straight before their bye week, averaging just 83 yards per game on the ground.

Denver at Baltimore
5-2 3-3

The Broncos Jake Plummer has a broken foot and Steve Baurfield went on injured reserve this week with a broken finger. So Danny Kanell, who spent the last three years playing minor league baseball and Arena League football, will start. The Ravens' loss in Cincinnati barely a year after Parcells opted against coming out of retirement to replace Tony Dungy.

Detroit at Chicago
1-5 1-5

The Bears scared Seattle last week. The Lions did not scare the Cowboys.

Seattle at Cincinnati
5-1 2-4

Seattle is 5-1 for the first time, but isn't blowing anyone out. The Seahawks have one-point wins over St. Louis and San Francisco at home and a narrow escape over Chicago at the Coliseum. The Bengals have won two of three and

Tennessee at Jacksonville
5-2 1-5

The Titans may be the best team in the AFC right now, Kansas City City's unbeaten record notwithstanding. Steve McNair is certainly the best quarterback. Jacksonville used to be one of the conference's best teams and this used to be a major rivalry. But the Jaguars are 20-34 and are in a serious rebuilding mode.

New York Giants at Minnesota
2-4 6-0

State tie: The Giants rank sixth on offense and 15th on defense. They are in trouble because of special teams mistakes, coaching misjudgments and plain bad luck.

Cleveland at New England
3-3 5-2

Tim Couch was pulled to help the

Carolina at New Orleans
5-1 3-4

The Panthers beat the Saints at home 19-13 three weeks ago. The Saints' offense woke up last week, although the 47 points it scored came against an Atlanta defense that's allowed 220 points. A win for New Orleans gets it marginally back in the NFC South race.

St. Louis at Pittsburgh
4-2 2-4

Dallas at Tampa Bay
5-1 3-3

The Cowboys have won five straight after an opening-week loss to Atlanta, after three 5-1 seasons under Dave Campo. The Bucs are 3-3 after San Francisco beat them last week 24-7.

San Francisco at Arizona
3-4 1-5

The 49ers have St. Louis and Seattle to play in the NFC West, but their domination of Tampa Bay's defense last week was a start in regaining the offensive punch they've traditionally had. The best thing that can be said about the Cardinals is they were off last week, so they didn't lose.

Houston at Indianapolis
2-4 5-1

The Texans impress even when they lose, as they did to the Jets last week. David Carr and Andre Johnson should have connected on what could have been the winning TD pass last week. The Colts had the week off, but their run defense, is still a problem.

New York Jets at Philadelphia
2-4 3-3

The Jets will start Vinny Testaverde, then bring in Chad Pennington, back early from his broken wrist. The Eagles were lucky to beat the Giants on Brian Westbrook's punt return after being dominated for most of the game.

Buffalo at Kansas City
4-3 7-0

The Chiefs, who have won four straight games that could have gone the other way. Their luck almost turned when Rich Gannon got hurt Monday night. Gannon probably couldn't have rallied the Raiders to within a couple of feet of a tie. Buffalo is dangerous when running. Terry Henry rushed for 167 yards last week in a 24-7 win over Washington.

Monday night

Miami at San Diego
4-2 1-5

Junior Seau returns to the city where he spent his first 13 NFL seasons. There are questions at quarterback for Miami. Jay Fiedler has a sprained left knee and Brian Griese could get his first start.

Open dates: Green Bay, Oakland, Washington

— Dave Goldberg/AP Football Writer

SPORTS

Trainer pulls off incredible performance at Santa Anita

Four of Richard Mandella's horses win

By Richard Rosenblatt
Associated Press writer

ARCADIA, Calif. — A trainer who was known more for his Panama hat than winning races no longer has to work in the shadow of Bob Baffert and D. Wayne Lukas.

Richard Mandella completed the greatest day in racing history when his Pleasantly Perfect swept past the leaders in the stretch and won the \$4 million Breeders' Cup Classic on Saturday.

Mandella, a quiet Californian and son of a blacksmith, also won the \$1.5 million Juvenile with Action This Day, the \$2 million Turf as his Johar dead-heated with High Chaparral, and the \$1 million Juveniles with Hinfordred, ridden by Julie Krone.

Krone, 40, became the first female jockey to win a Breeders' Cup race.

But it was Pleasantly Perfect's stunning win in the Classic that had the crowd of 51,648 roaring at Santa Anita.

With 3-1 favorite Medaglia d'Oro and Congaree locked in a

stretch duel, Pleasantly Perfect charged past them on the outside and won by 1.5 lengths. Medaglia d'Oro finished second for the second year in a row. Dymever was third.

Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner Funny Cide was never in contention and finished ninth in the 10-horse field. Defending champion Volponi, who ran the final race of his career, was last.

Pleasantly Perfect, with six wins in 13 career starts, simply ran the best race of his career in beating many of the world's top horses.

The 5-year-old son of Pleasant Colony, ridden by Alex Solis, came into the race off a victory in the Goodwood Handicap three weeks ago on this track. Clearly, the horse loves the course.

And Mandella has himself an early birthday present. The trainer who turns 53 on Nov. 5, won two Breeders' Cup races the last time these championships visited Santa Anita, 10 years ago.

Of the seven horses he ran Saturday, four won and two others cashed, bringing the total earnings to \$4,564,040. Trainers earn a

standard 10 percent, but expect his owners to deliver some extra cash.

"I never thought lightning would strike twice, but it struck harder," Mandella said.

While Mandella celebrates, Bobby Frankel will have a hard time recovering from another dismal day at the Breeders' Cup.

He sent out eight horses, including favorites Medaglia d'Oro, Sightseek in the Distaff and Aldebaran in the Sprint — and did not win. He is now 2-for-57 in the Breeders' Cup.

Pleasantly Perfect, ridden by Alex Solis, covered the 1.25 miles in 1:53.88 and returned \$30.40, \$9.60 and \$6.60.

Congaree was fourth, followed by Hold That Tiger, Perfect Drift, Evening Attire, Ten Most Wanted, Funny Cide and Volponi.

The upset virtually assures that the restored Mineshaft will end up as Horse of the Year. Medaglia d'Oro, Perfect Drift and even Funny Cide were ready to stake a claim to the title with a Classic victory.

With the victory, Pleasantly Perfect earned \$2,080,000 for Gerald J. Ford, who owns Diamond A. Racing Corp.

dance to "West Side Story." They edged Ukraine's Elena Grushina and Ruslan Goncharov, who won the compulsory, and France's

Isabelle Delobel and Olivier Schoenfelder, who were first in the original dance, for the championship.

Cohen carries off Skate America title

READING, Pa. (AP) — Sasha Cohen has found the formula for winning Grand Prix events. She simply stops thinking and starts skating.

Cohen won her third Grand Prix competition and her first Skate America title Saturday night with a solid and swift free skate program. The American, who turns 19 Sunday, also won the overall series crown in 2002.

"The biggest thing I know is I can do it," Cohen said. "I just have to turn my brain off and let my body do the work."

"When you're twisting your body, the body works perfectly. I think just brains get in the way."

The only thing getting in Cohen's way was the triple flip, which she two-footed. She had a shaky landing on a triple loop and was a bit out of synch with her music from "Swan Lake."

But that's quibbling. She's on a hot streak after winning an invitational earlier this month in New York, beating Michelle Kwan for the first time. And Cohen easily outdistanced the field at Skate America, garnering the 197.35 points in winning both the short program and free skate.

"I think the experience I've had competing has helped a lot," she said. "I really picked up this season where I left off."

Jennifer Kirk, with one of the best performances of her career, was second.

"I think that was my best since I won world juniors (in 2000)," she said. "I was able to really relax and be confident."


Cohen, Kirk, Ann-Patricia McDonough and, of course, Kwan — if she decides to compete this season — are a formidable group of American women.

That's encouraging for the United States, which could struggle on the international scene in other disciplines this season.

But perhaps not in ice dancing, long a U.S. weakness. Tanith Belbin and Benjamin Agosto became the first American dance team to take a Grand Prix event in six years when they won Saturday with a rousing free

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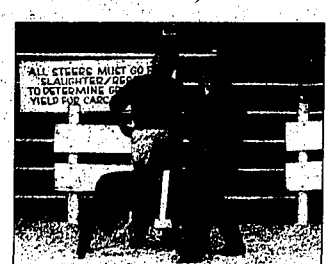
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Biffle's brilliant moves net win

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) — Greg Biffle passed Michael Waltrip for the lead on lap 10 of the Aaron's 312 at Atlanta Motor Speedway on Saturday, his second victory in the past three Busch Series races.

Biffle, whose crew changed a flat tire on the starting grid, became the first Busch driver to win from the pole at Atlanta since Jeff Gordon in the inaugural race in 1992.

David Green finished eighth and took the points lead from Brian Vickers, who fell off the pace after an early spin and finished 14 laps down in 31st. Green leads Scott Riggs by 13 points, Vickers is 49 behind in fifth.

Walt Kenseth trailed Biffle by 0.951 seconds, about 10 car lengths, and Bobby Hamilton Jr. was third. Michael Waltrip and Hank Parker Jr. rounded out the top five.

Kenseth, the Winston Cup points leader, came from the back of the field after an engine change. He led three times for 42 laps.

"If we could have had a little more horsepower, I think we might have been able to win," Kenseth said.

Biffle drove the same Chevrolet that carried him to the win two weeks ago at Lowe's Motor Speedway.

"It's pretty much not fair when we bring the race car," Biffle said. "It's just an awesome car." The turning point — other than

the discovery of Biffle's flat before the race — came during a caution on lap 10 when Biffle, with 16 laps left:

"A miscommunication with his crew left Waltrip as the only driver on the lead lap who didn't pit, so he inherited the lead. Scott Riggs took only two tires on his stop and came out second, and everybody else got four."

Kenseth, running third on the restart, tried for a lap to get by

Riggs on the inside, but Biffle passed both with a brilliant move on the outside in turns 3 and 4.

"Three laps later, Biffle never lifted his foot off the accelerator and used the same move on Waltrip for the lead. He drove away for his 11th career victory. "The car started to get a little sideways," he said. "So I opened up the wheel a little, and the thing went through the center of the corner unbelievable."

Nalbandian knocks off Roddick at Swiss Indoors

BASEL, Switzerland (AP) — Top-seeded Andy Roddick was upset by David Nalbandian 7-5, 7-5 Saturday in the semifinals of the Swiss Indoors.

It was a rematch from the U.S. Open semifinals, where Roddick overcame a two-set deficit and a match point to win en route to his first Grand Slam title.

Nalbandian will play Guillermo Coria in an all-Argentine final Sunday. Coria eliminated Ivan Ljubicic 6-4, 6-4.

Both finalists are playing in their first tournament since the U.S. Open, having taken time off because of injuries.

The countrymen have known each other since childhood, having toured the junior circuit together and frequently shared hotel rooms. Coria has won both of their pro matches.

Nalbandian beat Roddick with impressive returns and passing shots.

"I'm not disappointed with my performance," Roddick said. "He just played better."

The big-serving Roddick was broken in the first game of the match, and while he had 13 aces, he put in fewer than 60 percent of his first serves.

Clijsters, Rubin will meet for title in Luxembourg

LUXEMBOURG — Kim Clijsters overwhelmed 16-year-old Maria Sharapova 6-0, 6-3 Saturday in the SEAT Open semifinals.

Clijsters, who will regain the No. 1 ranking next week, will play Chanda Rubin in the final. Rubin eliminated Marlene Weingartner 6-2, 7-5.



Andy Roddick makes faces after losing a point to David Nalbandian during their semifinal match at the Swiss Indoors in Basel, Switzerland, Saturday.

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HOMES AND THE ECONOMY



Journeyman plumber Tony Wunderlich of Ron Smith Plumbing Inc. installs pipes in the crawl space of a new home in the Magic Valley Ranch subdivision south of Twin Falls on Friday.

Construction, job creation go hand in hand

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - With credits so cheap, the Twin Falls area's rapid growth in home construction - though twice as fast as statewide - isn't entirely surprising.

But here, unlike the rest of Idaho, there's sufficient job creation to keep the hammers ringing when mortgage rates rise.

"Looking at the labor market and the construction data and perhaps some aspects of agriculture, we would have to conclude this area has done significantly better than the state average," said Kelly K. Matthews, an executive vice president and economist for Wells Fargo.

Matthews was in Twin Falls on Wednesday to talk economy with the bank's local leaders. Most days he works from a Salt Lake City office, where he also tracks Utah trends.

Unlike Twin Falls, Salt Lake City and Utah as a whole are experiencing too

much home building for Matthews' comfort. It's sustained by low mortgage rates rather than job growth, he said.

"I'm a little bit nervous about the ability to absorb those homes," Matthews said.

Not so in Twin Falls. The number of home permits, while setting new records this year,

isn't excessive in light of the equally extraordinary job creation. "The Magic Valley economy continues to perform very well despite recessionary tendencies both nationwide and statewide, but the area has not been immune to negative situations," said regional labor economist Greg Rogers of the Idaho Department of Labor.

Despite layoffs, drought and low prices, "the Magic Valley economy remains diverse and one of the strongest in the state," Rogers said. Indeed.

Quarterly review

forecasting until 2004.

Jeff Thredgold said last week he expects the Idaho economy to return to its traditional role as a job creator next year, following nearly three years of employment weakness.

"A combination of stronger U.S. economic growth and more solid global performance will bode well for the state," said Thredgold, economic consultant to Zions Bank. "In addition, serious California issues will likely lead to another round of California out-migration, comparable with that of

Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties combined saw year-over-year non-agricultural job growth of 8.7 percent, 4.6 percent and 6.3 percent, respectively, in the first three quarters of 2003.

But non-farm job numbers are essentially flat statewide this year - with losses in some months - and economists aren't significant improvement

record. By Monday, year-to-date building permits in Twin Falls showed total values of \$56.9 million, city building official Marianne Barker said.

Matthews praised local job creation but called construction the most identifiable strong point in the Twin Falls-area economy.

The *Times-News'* survey of third-quarter economic indicators revealed these positive trends, too: Low unemployment rates. Milk prices substantially higher than a year ago. Extraordinary price gains in the cattle market. Higher values on new homes. Bigger-than-a-year-ago prices for homes sold. And growing bank deposits.

But the quarter also had weaknesses: Big grocery-price increases. Sluggish sales of new automobiles. Painfully low potato prices. Slower home sales. Decreased all-industries sales. And a mediocre season for tourism.

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the mid-1990s. Idaho's economy is likely to attract its share of those people."

In Twin Falls, hearty construction - both residential and commercial - is a key driver of job growth.

For building inside the city limits, the previous \$55.1 million record for the values of combined construction types was set in 1994. Last year's total was \$49.8 million.

Already, 2003 has set a new annual

Local home building sets records; outlook remains good

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - The housing market nationwide is helping to power an economic resurgence, and the trend is pronounced in Twin Falls.

Residential construction around the country was red hot in July and stronger than anticipated in September. Home builders expressed optimism about sales prospects for the next six months, according to a survey by the National Association of Home Builders.

"The builders' outlook for single-family housing is very good, and we expect the improving economy to sustain robust levels of housing market activity even though mortgage interest rates are somewhat higher than the record lows that we saw earlier this year," David Seiders, the asso-

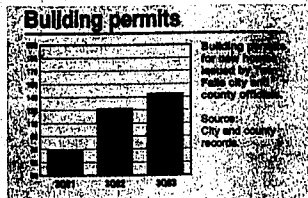
ciation's chief economist, told The Associated Press.

The rate increases have done nothing to slow new-home construction in Twin Falls, though they might have explained the third quarter's hiccup in home sales here.

Average rates on benchmark 30-year mortgages, after rising for two straight weeks, were unchanged at 6.05 percent last week as the bond market stabilized, the AP reported.

Rates on 30-year mortgages slid to 5.21 percent, the lowest level in more than four decades, in the middle of June. In late June, those rates started marching back up, but then they posted a month of declines, the AP said. Earlier this month they started rising again, breaking above the 6 percent level.

Even with the recent gyrations in mortgage rates, the AP said,



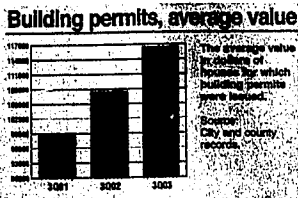
home sales nationwide are expected to set new record highs this year.

Hammer and nails

The city of Twin Falls and the unincorporated portion of Twin Falls County together issued more new-home permits during the July-to-September period than

they did during any other third quarter since at least 1990, when *The Times-News* started tracking their combined data.

By the end of September, department records showed a 13.3 percent rise - from 128 new single-family homes a year ago to 145 - in the quarterly combined number of permits the two depart-



ments issued. The third-quarter total was just 81 in 2001.

More than 70 percent of the activity in the most recent quarter was in the city, where the volume of home building this month already set the third consecutive new annual record.

Builders and owners here in the July-to-September quarter lifted

new single-family home values by 8.3 percent compared with a year earlier.

The average value on new-home permits issued by Twin Falls city and Twin Falls County building departments combined rose to an estimated \$116,576 from the \$107,715 average of third quarter 2002 and the \$98,995 of a year before that.

Those results exclude duplexes and apartment units but do include manufactured homes, and the few mobiles valued in department reports at less than \$20,000 were rounded up to \$20,000.

Homes permitted in the rural areas of the county rose more significantly in value, on average, than did their Twin Falls city counterparts.

But city building official Marianne Barker said the true value of the city's home construc-

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YOUR BUZZ

CAREER MOVES

Larry Watson
TWIN FALLS—Larry Watson of Twin Falls received the Distinguished Service Award at the Idaho School Psychologists Association Conference in Boise.

Watson was recognized for his high ethical standards toward students, staff and parents in public schools; his contributions to educational measurement and the school improvement movement; and his research studies; his dedication to special needs students; and his creative mass assessment data publications, a press release said.

Watson began his 38-year educational career as a biology teacher at Pocatello High School and served 34 years in the Twin Falls School District. A nationally certified school psychologist, he retired in July from public school service and the University of Idaho-Boise Graduate Center as an adjunct professor of educational administration.

He graduated from Twin Falls High School and earned his master's degree from the University of Idaho.

Patty Hatch

TWIN FALLS—Bon-Macy's promoted Patty Hatch to store manager of the Twin Falls Bon-Macy's effective Oct. 6.

Hatch began her career at Bon-Macy's in Washington in 1991 as a part-time sales associate in the Burlington store shoe department. Four years later, she was promoted to department sales manager with responsibility for the Centercore, dresses, coats and suits. In 1999, she became the senior sales manager at the Alderwood location, where she managed women's and men's shoes and hosiery. In 2001, she was promoted to merchandise team manager at the Bellingham location with responsibility for Centercore and Home, before her current promotion to store manager at the Twin Falls store.

Hatch has a husband, Darrell, he has three sons.

Alex Wilder

TWIN FALLS—Clearwater Mortgage appointed Alex Wilder to the Twin Falls office as a mortgage loan officer.

Wilder has 20 years of experience in real estate, property management, construction and land planning. He is a former partner in ERA-Sacramento Realty, board member of Crown Investments and a director of American River Title Co. in California. For the past 12 years, his company has built custom homes and retail stores in Idaho.

Wilder graduated from Vincennes University and is pursuing a doctoral degree in urban planning at Northwestern International University. He lives in Twin Falls and can be reached at 732-6022.

Lindsay Chambers

TWIN FALLS—Maurice in Twin Falls named Lindsay Chambers as store manager. She will be responsible for day-to-day operations of the store, including sales performance, visual presentation and personnel recruitment and training.

Maurice, in business since 1931, is owned by American Retail Group, a privately held corporation that operates more than 400 stores nationwide.

The store provides clothing and personal services to those who prefer fashionable styles and reasonable prices, a press release said.

For career and store location information, visit www.maurice.com.

Laurie Geren

TWIN FALLS—A Twin Falls school counselor was honored by her colleagues at the Oct. 3 state conference of the National Direct Sales Council's Association in Nampa.

Laurie Geren, counselor at Vera C. O'Leary Junior High School, was named ISCA Junior High School Counselor of the Year.

The organization annually honors school counselors at the elementary, junior high/middle school and high school levels, in addition to presenting a Counseling Advocate of the Year award.

Jan Spackman

BURLEY—Jan Spackman of Burley recently became a consultant for Tastefully Simple Inc., a national direct sales company based in Alexandria, Minn.

Spackman conducts in-home presentations of convenience-driven gourmet foods. During interactive taste-testing parties, guests receive easy meal ideas, recipes and entertainment suggestions. Products are received at the party; gift boxes may be ordered for personal and corporate gifts.

Spackman joins more than 13,000 consultants in 50 states and Puerto Rico who sell Tastefully Simple's products. The company was founded in 1995.

Spackman can be reached at 677-2236 and Tastefully Simple's corporate headquarters at (320) 763-0695; or visit the Web site at www.tastefullysimple.com.

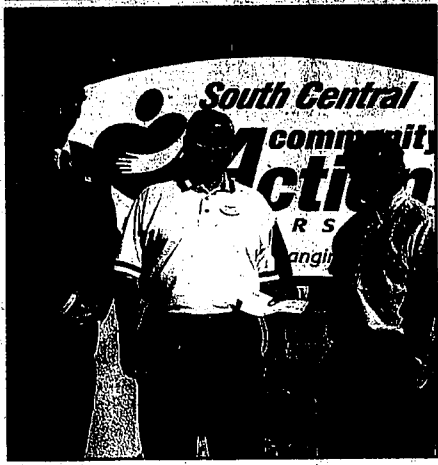
Bud Tracy

MALTA—Longtime employee Bud Tracy announced his retirement as general manager of Ruff Electric Cooperative in Malta, effective Oct. 10.

Tracy has worked for the utility for 36 years, starting in 1967 as a work order accountant, then working his way to general manager in 1991.

Tracy has been involved in many organizations through out the Northwest dealing with various power issues.

CONTRIBUTIONS



Bill Bryant, region president for U.S. Bank in Twin Falls, center, presents a contribution to Ken Robbette, South Central Community Action Partnership's executive director, left, and Bill Lehman, SCCAP's housing director, right.

■ U.S. Bancorp Foundation contributed \$5,000 to South Central Community Action Partnership to help its housing program for homeless families. The foundation's previous contributions assisted with rent, transportation and child care allowing single mothers with children to attend College of Southern Idaho and become employed.

The private, non-profit SCCAP, with offices in Twin Falls, Burley and Jerome, aims to reduce effects of hunger, poverty and homelessness in Magic Valley's eight counties.

SCCAP has a long-term plan to increase affordable housing for homeless and other low-income individuals in south-central Idaho. Currently focusing on homeless families with children, SCCAP has nine transitional housing units where the families can stay up to 24 months. They are in the counties of Twin Falls, Jerome, Cassia and Minidoka. Rent is based on the families' incomes.

The transitional housing allows time to help previously homeless families stabilize their lives, find permanent housing, keep their children in school and become self-sufficient.

The program also provides assistance and referrals. SCCAP is converting a home in Twin Falls into a duplex, increasing the program's availability.

Long-term SCCAP low-income housing plans include more transitional units and the development of senior-occupied affordable housing.

For information about SCCAP's transitional housing, call Bill Lehman at 733-9351.

■ The Magic Valley Builders Association volunteered to fix up the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's visitor center building on the Snake River Canyon rim.

The association and these companies bought the materials for the project: Beams Quality Flooring Inc., First Federal Savings Bank, Intermountain Gas Co., Strand Construction and Terry's Heating & Air Conditioning.

But the association is looking for help from its members for the labor in replacing the visitor center's windows and siding. The work session is set for noon Tuesday at the center. Association members who are interested in doing some physical labor may call Tom Gilbertson at 733-4222 or Cyndie Woods at 736-8991.

New Company sale

WINDPOWER ENERGY has sold WINDPOWER. The new company, Windpower Unlimited LLC, is an independent dealer and distributor for renewable energy products.

Owners John and Daniel Rosenkrantz are factory-authorized dealers for Bergy Windpower, Dancoff Solar, Southwest Windpower, and SunWise Technologies. Some of these dealership agreements include yearly training and warranty certification.

Windpower Unlimited performs site evaluations for water, wind and solar power production, at no charge. It sells and installs on- and off-grid renewable energy systems and weather monitoring equipment. With the company's Pumpk line, it has the ability to pump and move water for domestic or livestock use. It also designs systems for remote sites, such as traffic control, telecommunications and remote data acquisition.

The company handles over 60 product lines from major manufacturers in the environmental monitoring and renewable energy business.

Windpower Unlimited is at 2037 G.E. 3500 N. in Filer and can be reached at 735-9463. Its Web site is www.windpowerunlimited.com.

Evergreen Studio adds staff member

TWIN FALLS—The Evergreen Studio LLC just completed its first year of business in Twin Falls, and it added a staff member with computer drawing capability.

Architect Steven Wilden said he chose the Twin Falls area to start his architectural firm because of the stable economic growth, beauty of the area and warmth of the people. He has 20 years of architectural experience and has extensive experience in church architecture as well as retail and other commercial and residential projects — whether new construction, additions or remodels.

The Evergreen Studio's latest staff addition is Stacey Young, a native of Jerome, who joined the firm in May after graduating from CSI's drafting program. Young is a certified CAD technician who provides interior and exterior drawings. She also has experience in manual drafting, construction and office procedures.

Evergreen Studio provides full architectural services including programming, planning, budgeting, design drawings, rendering, construction drawings, specifications, energy evaluations, engineering coordination, bidding and negotiations and construction observation.

It can be reached at 736-9292.

Gooding sports store opens for business

GOODING Bull Moose Sporting Goods, owned and operated by Dennis and Heather McArthur, opened for business in



McArthurs have a federal firearms license, and Dennis McArthur is certified to repair and perform maintenance on Glock firearms in Idaho. Bull Moose Sporting Goods can be reached at 934-5450.

Snipz Day Salon adds services in T.F.

TWIN FALLS—Snipz Day Salon recently became a full-service day salon by adding the services of Elements Custom Skin and Body.

Care, which offers facial, specialty pedicure, body treatments and massage therapy. The salon hosts special occasion parties for girls' night out, birthdays, bridal

and bachelorette events. Owner Tamara Main has been in hair design for 24 years, specializing in color, weaving, precision and micro cutting.

Snipz Day Salon can be reached at 736-7255 or 404-9555.

Two retailers participate in Energy Star program

TWIN FALLS—YR Homes and Magic Homes Inc., both near U.S. Highway 93 north of Twin Falls, are now official program participants in the Idaho Energy Division's Energy Star home certification program.

The two Magic Valley retailers join 30 other Idaho manufacturers, home retailers in the partnership program with the Idaho Energy Division. The Energy Star Program is part of the Northwestern Energy Efficient, Manufactured regional energy efficiency program.

"Homes built to the NEEEM option are considered the most energy-efficient manufactured homes in the region," said Bob Minter, senior energy specialist manager with the Idaho Energy Division.

The homes constructed in Idaho's five manufacturing plants are certified by the Idaho Energy Division to meet the higher energy efficiency option. An additional 15 plants in Oregon and Washington are certified by their respective state energy offices.

NEEM's regional industry program assists manufacturers and retailers in Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Washington. Under the Idaho partnership program, retailers participate in an energy-efficient home construction and marketing briefing with the Idaho Energy Division.

"The program also helps educate and support the retailers so their sales staff can better promote the efficiency option to their customers," Minter said.

For information on the NEEEM option, call YR Homes at 324-0202, Magic Homes Inc. at 624-9641 or the NEEEM regional hotline at (888) 355-6277.

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Your business is a weekly feature that highlights commercial activity in the Magic Valley. If you have information about any of the following, The Times-News wants to hear about it:

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Please e-mail items to Business Editor Virginia S. Hutchins at virginia@magicvalley.com

Or contact her at: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303, 733-0251, Ext. 242. Fax: 617-4543 or 734-5538.

Building

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is greater than her department's reports reflect. That's because City Hall holds down its permit fees by using 5-year-old formulas for calculating home values.

"We continue to use construction values from 1998, hence for determining our fees," Barker said.

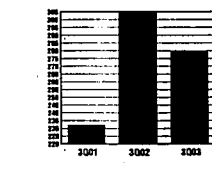
The city values a single-family home at \$47.44 per square foot, the benchmark set for 1998 by a national code-writing group that updates values annually.

"So it does affect our reporting," she said.

Sold signs

Local real estate agents' sales of houses during the third quarter — including both new and previously occupied homes — dropped from year-earlier levels by just the second time in three years.

Home sales

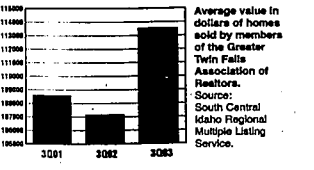


homes) fell from 304 a year earlier to 279 in the third quarter, according to data from the South Central Idaho Regional Multiple Listing Service. That's an 8.2 percent decline.

But 2002's third quarter would have been a hard one to beat. Sales abated up 31.0 percent because the third quarters of 2001 and 2002.

The average transaction price did advance. The average paid in the most recent quarter, \$113,538, was 6.0 percent above that of the 2002 average of \$107,155. That average figure, by comparison, was down 1.3 percent from third quarter

Home sales, average value



2001's \$108,588 average. Standard single-family homes in all of Twin Falls County which were sold in the third quarter spent an average of 115 days on the market before the sold signs appeared in their yards. Their residential-creage counterparts spent 165 days on market, on average, according to data from the multiple listing service.

In the first category, that's significantly faster turnaround than the first quarter's average of 141 days on market and slightly improves from the second quarter's 119-day average. In the latter category, average time on the market was 171 days in both of the previous quarters.

Rates outlook

U.S. mortgage rates may jump in the coming weeks, but will settle back down and end the year about where they are now, the Mortgage Bankers Association's chief economist told CBS MarketWatch.

And although a strengthening U.S. economy in 2004 will push rates higher, the underlying expectation that inflation will remain tame will keep the 30-year mortgage from heading much above 6.5 percent, Doug Duncan predicted.

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Economic growth slows at MW banks

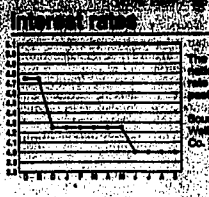
By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley banks are showing a slower rate of growth than in 2001 and 2002. The Magic Valley branches of four locally based banks at the end of September (total \$770.412 million) grew by 9.6 percent. That growth was noticeably slower than the 10.7 percent rise in deposits at the four banks between the end of the 2001 and 2002 third quarters.

The Times-News gathers deposit data from Buhl-based Farmers National Bank, Burley-based D.L. Evans Bank, Twin Falls-based First Federal Savings Bank and Twin Falls-based Magic Valley Bank.

That isn't the entire local banking market, of course. But these four provide a measure of changes in economic activity.

Quarterly rates of growth from



year-earlier deposits ranged between 10.0 and 13.5 percent in 2001-02, but growth dropped to 9.0 percent in early 2003 and has inched down in single-digit territory since then.

Borrowing rather than saving? The prime interest rate, which remained at its lowest point in decades throughout the third quarter, helped consumers and small businesses who were in the buying and borrowing mood.

Major banks keep their prime interest rates set at three per-

centage points above the federal funds rate, which is the direct reflector of the Federal Reserve's monetary policy.

With the lowering of the funds rate June 25, commercial banks cut their prime lending rates — the benchmark for many consumer and small-business loans — from 4.25 percent to 4 percent, the lowest level since May 15, 1959.

And there it remained.

Fed policy-makers meet Tuesday to review interest rates,

and most analysts believe the central bank will leave the key rate unchanged at 1 percent in the belief that economic recovery is finally beginning to pick up steam, The Associated Press reported.

Fed officials have indicated they are prepared to leave rates low for a considerable time to ensure economic growth strengthens enough to spur companies to start rehiring laid-off workers, the AP said.

F.F. visitor counts, lodging sales decline

But air boardings make headway

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — For those in the travel and tourism business, it was a summer to be satisfied with less.

But Kent Just, a Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce executive, hasn't heard any business people from travel-dependent sectors proclaiming the season a terrible one.

"I think it was kind of a hold-your-own year," he said.

Hotels, motels, campgrounds, recreational-vehicle parks and other lodging facilities in Twin Falls County saw lodging sales — taxable and non-taxable combined — drop 15 percent in July reports, and they endured another 3 percent decline in August reports, compared with the same months in 2002. The gap narrowed to a 1 percent decline in September reports, compared with the same months in 2002.

Because of the normal reporting lag, the September sales totals, for example, reflect activity that happened for the most part in August, the Idaho State Tax Commission says.

Tourist-dependent neighbors to the north, however, ended the quarter on a bright note.

Jerome County's total lodging sales were down 33 percent in July reports, but they shot up 41 percent in August reports, then grew a nice 26 percent in September reports, compared with a year earlier.

The larger picture was not so nice.

counts during the same months in 2002. The September count is up less than 1 percent, essentially flat — from a year ago.

From the visitor center's mid-March opening through the end of September, visitor traffic was 4 percent below the same months in 2002 and only a hair above the end-of-September tally in 2001.

The Buzz ends its season in mid-October.

The majority of Magic Valley's visitors arrive by road, and that was a costly matter this summer.

Idaho's average fuel prices set a record of \$1.87 per gallon for self-service unleaded gasoline late after the Labor Day holiday weekend, according to the American Automobile Association's daily fuel gauge survey. Idaho's average price by mid-October remained among the highest in the nation.

Meanwhile travelers found arrival by air an increasingly attractive option.

The evidence? Passenger boardings at the Twin Falls airport gained altitude.

SkyWest Airlines, a Delta Connection carrier, reported Twin Falls boardings up by 17 percent, 15 percent and 20 percent in July through September, respectively, compared with those months in 2002.

That's good news to an airport where year-over-year declines had been the norm for months.

SkyWest's "fly local" fare reductions — a result of SkyWest's new deal with Delta Air Lines — drove the increased demand.

Before Aug. 1, Delta paid SkyWest a flat fee per departure for operating the Twin Falls-Salt Lake City route, regardless of how many seats were filled. Delta assumed the business risk, did the marketing and made decisions about the route. But on Aug. 1, the airlines switched to an "at-risk" arrangement that makes SkyWest's revenue dependent on passenger numbers.

The St. George, Utah-based carrier now has autonomy to set prices and flight schedules and market the route. One result was the introduction of SkyWest's "fly local fares" to entice Magic Valley travelers to board planes in Twin Falls rather than drive elsewhere to hop aboard.

Apparently it's working.

But an air industry consultant this month advised Twin Falls leaders that the time isn't right to recruit a second airline to do business at Joslin Field.

Beef cattle command higher prices

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

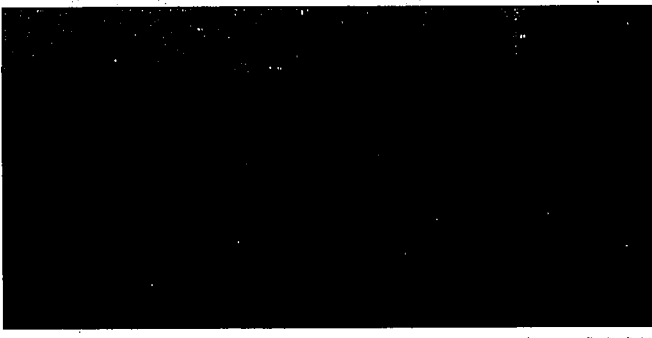
TWIN FALLS — As Americans exhibit a growing appetite for beef, Magic Valley cattle producers in the third quarter enjoyed their highest local prices since mid-1991.

Americans are eating steaks, chops, prime rib and ground beef at a pace not seen since the 1980s, Knight Ridder News Service says, and they're paying record prices for it.

Give part of the credit to diet doctor Robert Atkins, who died in April, who promised quick weight loss to those who avoid carbohydrate-rich foods in favor of meats and fats. The Atkins diet has shot up in popularity recently.

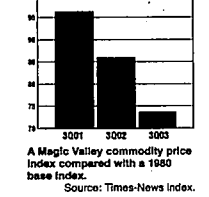
And on the supply side, U.S. prices got a boost from a case of mad cow disease in Alberta, which led the U.S. Agriculture Department in May to ban cattle imports from Canada.

"I haven't seen any prices like this in many, many years," Wells Fargo economist Kelly K. Matthews said.



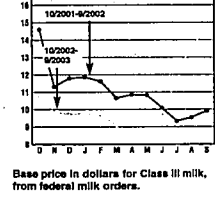
Beef cattle on a ranch in Hollister stand silhouetted by the sunset. Local cattle producers in the third quarter received the highest local prices since mid-1991.

Farm price index



A Magic Valley commodity price index compared with a 1980 base index. Source: Times-News Index.

Milk prices



Base price in dollars for Class III milk, from federal milk orders. Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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The plummet by potato prices was severe, and the overall index fell by 14 percent from a year ago.

Here's how third-quarter index prices compared with year-earlier ones:

- Cattle, up 21 percent (in

mental factors associated with dairy farms are very much in the mind of public officials and not many new confined animal feeding operations have been approved."

Extreme heat and drought have raised concerns about the 2004 water year, he said.

"Groundwater tables are dropping and the need for moisture during the winter cannot be overstated. Already farm operators are looking at alternative irrigation methods, and senior water right holders are maneuvering to solidify water claims," Rogers wrote.

No wonder.

After an extremely dry fall, the forecast calls for continuing drought in southern Idaho. And Idaho could sure use moisture this winter.

Reservoirs on the Upper Snake River are nearly empty. The system this month reached its lowest end-of-season tally since Palisades Dam was built more than 40 years ago, Mike Beus, a hydrologist with the Bureau of Reclamation in Burley, told The Times-News in mid-October.

A year of normal precipitation would be enough to fill the reservoirs, Beus said, but perhaps insufficient to soak up parched soils.

The National Weather Service's annual winter weather outlook bases drought forecasts on soil that remains dry across Idaho. But long-term forecasters are neutral when it comes to whether Idaho could see a dry, wet or normal winter, the newspaper reported this month.

Magie Valley prices).

- Butter, up 18 percent.
- Sugar, essentially unchanged.
- Wheat, down 10 percent (in local prices).
- Beans, down 14 percent (in local prices).
- Potatoes, down a devastating 70 percent (in local prices).

The outlook Magic Valley labor economist Greg Rogers wrote this analysis recently:

The growing season in agriculture has been average. An extremely hot summer has resulted in early grain and potato harvests. The dairy industry is facing extreme challenges due to very low prices, and growth in that sector has flattened out. Also, environ-

Troubles in two markets

The base price for Class III milk — manufacturing-grade milk destined mostly for cheese — edged up throughout the spring and summer from an agonizingly low \$9.11 per hundredweight in March.

The price finally broke back into double digits in the third quarter — \$11.76 in July, \$13.80 in August and \$14.30 in September — according to federal milk orders. Those prices were up 26.45 percent from year-ago prices.

About 20 months of all-time price lows have stretched dairy farmers to the limit and strained other economic sectors that depend on them.

Nationwide, the dairy industry's Cooperatives Working Together program is working to reduce milk supplies by cutting production and retiring herds. But no Magic Valley farmers are among the few from Idaho participating in herd retirements.

The Class III price is an important economic indicator for the valley because most Magic Valley milk gets turned into cheese and related products.

In the spud market, meanwhile, a combination of heat, drought and acreage cutbacks lowered production throughout the West. That might help improve potato prices, which in the third quarter were at the lowest level ever since The Times-News started tracking farm

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Automobile buyers slow their pace

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In one big-ticket market, an upward trend that began in the early months of 2003 put its foot on the brake in the third quarter.

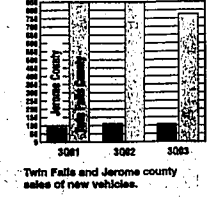
Twin Falls County and Jerome County dealers sold 76 fewer new cars and trucks in July through September than they did a year earlier. That's a 7.9 percent decrease — following the first quarter's 13.3 percent year-over-year rise and the second quarter's 3.1 percent growth.

That's been the way.

The two counties' combined new-auto sales saw double-digit percentage drops in five of the 11 quarters of 2001 through 2003.

The total of 884 new cars and trucks sold in the most recent July

Auto sales



Twin Falls and Jerome county sales of new vehicles. Source: Idaho Automobile Dealers Association.

through September compares with 960 in the corresponding months of 2002. Then, the two-

county Twin Falls and Jerome total had been up 2.8 percent from the 934 new cars and trucks sold in 2001's third quarter, according to reports from the Idaho Automobile Dealers Association.

The Federal Reserve's latest survey of business conditions around the country, released in mid-October, showed that local dealers weren't alone in their troubles. Consumer spending in general improved in much of the country, helped by the latest round of federal tax cuts, although most of the Fed's districts reported a slowdown in auto sales.

A separate federal report said overall retail sales were down 0.2 percent in September, reflecting a big drop in auto sales. Excluding autos, retail sales were up 0.3 percent last month, The Associated Press reported.

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George McIntosh and his wife, Carrie, both of Wells, Nev., load groceries into their car Friday afternoon in Twin Falls. The McIntoshes spent some \$200 on groceries during their visit to the store. A three-store survey showed that groceries were a lot costlier in Twin Falls in September, on average, than a year ago.

Grocery bills take bigger chunk of budget

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Before last week's shopping trip, Ann Peters estimated her grocery bill at \$65.

But her list gobbled more cash than that.

"I went grocery shopping this morning, and I bought a few things, and it came to \$93," the Jerome woman said Monday.

"And I thought, 'Man, prices must be going up somewhere.'"

With five children still at home, Peters shops for a family of seven. So she tracks her food spending, at least roughly, and found Monday's bill hard to believe.

After leaving the store with four or five bags and five gallons of milk, Peters looked over her receipt. What she found, she said, seemed to be little increases in

Quarterly review



lots of places. It's not her imagination. Weekly grocery bills are indeed taking a bigger bite than a year ago, according to a Times-News survey.

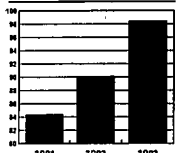
A three-store survey showed Twin Falls shoppers paid significantly more for a selection of groceries at the end of the third quarter (the three stores averaged \$98.42 for items on the survey list) than in September 2002 (\$90.10 on average).

That 9.2 percent jump hurt shoppers more than the 6.8 percent rise between September 2001 (\$84.39) and September 2002.

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In fact, the third quarter's 9.2 percent year-over hike was the largest for any quarter since at least the beginning of 2000. (The Times-News compiled grocery prices differently before 1999.)

Market basket



An average cost in dollars of a basket of goods at three area grocery markets. Source: Times-News survey.

The previous record during that period was the 7.6 percent grocery-price growth between the first quarters of 2001 and 2002.

Western Magic Valley enjoys job growth

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Brisk construction, store openings and strength in food processing have created new jobs for workers in western Magic Valley.

"Many sectors showed outstanding growth in the past year," said Greg Rogers, a regional labor economist for the Idaho Department of Labor.

"The robust housing market is the major factor in the strong growth in construction jobs, while technology jobs, represented primarily by Dell (Inc.) workers, are holding steady," he said.

That's while the rest of Idaho's job numbers are flat or declining. In Jerome, Gooding and Twin Falls counties combined, unemployment ended the third quarter at 4.2 percent. That was more than a full point below the statewide 5.5 percent joblessness in September.

The Labor Department frequently revises local jobless-rate data. Its most recent computations pegged the three-county labor market's seasonally adjusted rate at 3.9 percent in July and 3.8 percent in August.

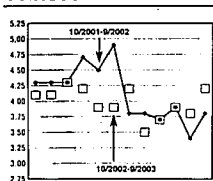
In statistics not adjusted for seasonal fluctuations, Jerome, Gooding and Twin Falls counties combined gained a noteworthy 2,534 nonfarm jobs compared with the third quarter of 2002.

That 6.3 percent gain was faster growth than in any of the previous nine July-to-September quarters.

The most recent third-quarter average number of nonagricultural jobs in the three counties, at 43,004, compares with third-quarter 2002's average of 40,470. That's a much more exciting story for job seekers than the 2.2 percent, 851-job growth between the third quarters of 2001 and 2002.

Recent developments
The third quarter brought the

Jobless rate



Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding Counties during the past 24 months.

Source: Idaho Department of Labor.

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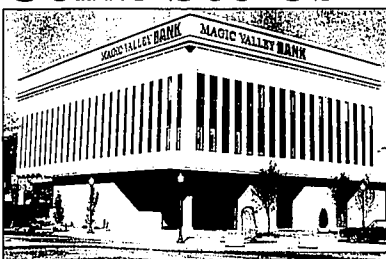
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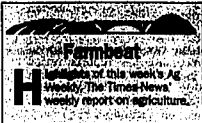
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Onion growers say sprouts up



Glenn Jacklin, location manager for Simplot/Jacklin Seed in Post Falls, discusses the separation machine at the facility.



Onion growers say they're happy with 2003 harvest

...the area, water calls in the Thousand Springs reach are threatening the agreement.

Onion growers say they're happy with 2003 harvest

PARMA — Harvest of both Spanish onions in eastern Idaho and Oregon and Walla Walla sweet onions in Washington did well this year.

Hot dry weather was perfect for Spanish onion harvest this year, said Larry Link, office manager for the Idaho-Eastern Oregon Onion Commission.

The Idaho Eastern Oregon onion-growing area is known as the largest onion-growing region in the United States. The IEO Web site claims that more than 25 percent of all fresh bulb onions consumed in the United States each year come from the Snake River Valley of Southwestern Idaho and Malheur County, Ore.

"It looks real good," Link said. "Quality is excellent, but total production could be down slightly."

...Preliminary indications show that yield per acre could be a bit lower, he said. But overall harvest was excellent, he added.

Hot weather shrivels sweet corn crop

CALDWELL — Sweet corn harvest in the Treasure Valley did not fare well this year.

"It's been a difficult year," said Jerry Neufeld, University of Idaho crops extension educator for Canyon County.

Neufeld said he heard that some sweet corn growers did fine, but quite a few did not do well. Heat came at a bad time — during pollination, he said.

"Yields were way down," Neufeld said, adding that hot weather adversely affected pollination.

A poor harvest can affect more than just the Treasure Valley. Between 90 to 95 percent of the world's hybrid sweet corn seed comes from Canyon County, Neufeld said.

"Inventories could be tight," said George Crookham, CEO of Crookham Co., which is one company that contracts with many sweet corn seed growers in Canyon County.

"The last two seasons have been two of the worst growing seasons in the last 40 years," he said. Last year, high heat damaged the crop and this year, heat came at the worst possible time, Crookham said.

Dave Heimkes, ag manager for Seneca Foods Corp. in Buhl, was asked by Ag Weekly to comment on sweet corn harvest in Magic Valley. But Heimkes declined, saying that company policy prevented him from doing so.

Americans make plans to travel more in '04

Major factors: New routes, lower fares

SAN FRANCISCO — Throwing mixed economic signals in the air, Americans' consumer plans to spend more on vacations — an average \$2,962 next year, up from the \$2,163 they said they'd spend this year.

Just as business travelers are likely to get back on the road in greater numbers, consumers plan to spend more on vacations — an average \$2,962 next year, up from the \$2,163 they said they'd spend this year.

That \$800 increase is driven mainly by more and longer trips rather than pricier travel, said Christine Elliott, a spokeswoman at American Express.

American travelers are an increasingly value-oriented lot. Whatever they plan to do — fly, take a cruise or stay at a hotel — the No. 1 driver in consumers' decision is cost, according to the telephone survey of 1,356 people.

"People are willing to spend a bit more, but when they spend it's really driven by what they're going to get for it," Elliott said. "They want a certain value for what they're spending."

Still, the number of big spenders, though small, is on the rise. 11 percent plan to spend more than \$5,000, up from 6 percent this year.

More people will be taking to the skies next year, with 55 percent saying they'll fly, up from 44 percent this year.

And, in a sign that fears of terrorism and SARS might be reced-

ing, the percentage of travelers who said they would skip international flights declined to 36 percent from 51 percent a year ago. Domestic flights, however, rose to 77 percent, cited prices as an important driver in their choice of airfare. More than 90 percent cited flight schedules, 42 percent noted air customer service, and rebooking policies and frequent flier miles were cited by 23 percent of travelers.

Given that price is so important, it's perhaps not surprising that 77 percent of travelers also said they prefer low-cost airlines such as JetBlue, Southwest and Song.

Cruise lines will also see a ramp-up in business if the survey respondents hold true to their word: 16 percent plan to take a cruise next year, up from 10 percent this year.

Cruise-takers are equally concerned with price, however: 40 percent cite it as their main criterion. Thirty-one percent said convenient departure points were important when planning their cruise.

The top vacation destination for most travelers next year? A visit to family and friends, cited by 55 percent of respondents, up from 52 percent last year.

But that trip may not be what most are wishing for: More Americans cite the "ideal vacation" as a chance to unwind than to spend time with family: 63 percent say their ideal vacation is a place to relax, up from 57 percent this year.

Stipulated water agreement looks to be in jeopardy

JEROME — Two stipulated agreements that were crafted two years ago to keep ground-water users pumping seem to be heading in different channels.

Despite mitigation efforts in the area, water calls in the Thousand Springs reach are threatening the agreement.

The agreements called for ground-water pumpers to provide mitigation water to surface-water users or curtail ground-water usage during the two-year period. At the same time, the Idaho Department of Water Resources would recalibrate the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer model.

That model should be completed this December, but additional time is needed to run scenarios and evaluate how different diversions and climate cycles impact aquifer levels. To give IDWR time to run those scenarios, surface and ground-water users in the American Falls reach have agreed to extend their stipulated agreement one year and to eliminate the curtailment provision.

Jobs

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Falls — both substantial employers — and of an expanded Hagerman grocery store. A decorative hardware maker put the finishing touches on a new manufacturing plant in Sheehone, for which the governor will preside over a ribbon-cutting this week.

The manufacturing sector also had a hand in western Magic Valley's job creation.

Rogers said food processing drove that upswing, but "Despite serious layoffs in food processing in the Mini-Cassia region, the western Magic Valley remains very strong in that sector," he said. "Seneca Foods is running at full volume, and ConAgra/Lamb Weston has increased its staff by a few potato processors."

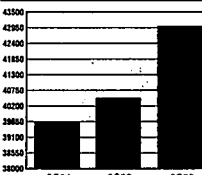
Also, hmi Hamilton Manufacturing Inc.'s Twin Falls plant is adding workers as it begins production of insulation on a much.

Help wanted

Magico Valley businesses turned up the heat in their search for work-

ers. The newspaper's classifieds sales manager, Debby Johnson, in early September said advertisers had been cautious and were only advertising for the positions that they had to fill.

Non-ag employment



The three counties' average number of non-agricultural jobs per quarter, not adjusted for seasonal fluctuations.

Source: Idaho Department of Labor.

Economic-development leaders hint that California's political and economic troubles could bring a few new employers to Magic Valley, but they aren't giving details yet.

But on the negative side, the third-quarter closure of a Jerome business forms plant put more than 100 people out of work. And growing competition in Twin Falls' restaurant sector put an end to Creekside Steakhouse, North's Chuck Wagon and the Twin Falls location of JB's Family Restaurants in recent months.

Even with an enviable number of new jobs, overall, in western Magic Valley, not everyone enjoys good pay, benefits and steady work.

At a Sept. 30 career fair in Twin

Falls, participants reported problems such as prolonged job searches, wage freezes and limited hours on the job.

To the east

In Mini-Cassia, meanwhile, another flurry of pink slips is forecast as J.R. Simplot Co.'s Heyburn employees work their final shifts this week.

The plant's pending closure — combined with recent mass layoffs elsewhere in Mini-Cassia — could push Mini-Cassia jobless rates up to anywhere from 8.5 to 10 percent after a few months.

Cassia County dropped out of the running for dairy processor Glanbia Foods Inc.'s new cheese-processing plant, which will go to New Mexico instead, the company announced during the quarter.

But Mini-Cassia got a rare bit of good employment news in mid-August, when Kraft Foods North America said its Rupert factory would add 35 jobs this fall as it finally begins production of natural cheese with equipment it installed last year.

A recent development might make a Twin Falls-area job search more palatable to Mini-Cassia

workers. The Trans IV public bus service received a grant to study a potential bus route that would link unemployed Mini-Cassia workers with jobs in the Jerome and Twin Falls areas.

Trans IV and a handful of the Twin Falls area's biggest employers attempted to put together a Burley-Twin Falls bus route last fall, when Simplot made its first round of layoffs in Heyburn.

But organizers couldn't schedule stop on the route because of differing shift times at the participating employers. The study aims to find a scheduling solution.

More good news could come this week, as economic-development leaders expect to name a new employer that likely will employ 50 people in Mini-Cassia with potential for growth.

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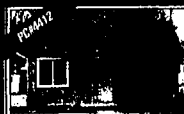
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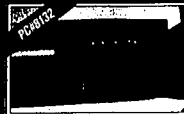
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***\$74,500 • Elba • MLS#106340**
 *2 bedrooms, 1 bath
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***\$74,900 • Twin Falls • MLS#106006**
 *3 bedrooms, 1 bath
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 *3 bedrooms, 1 bath
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***\$83,900 • Janes • MLS#108196**
 *3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths
 Nicely maintained beautiful large lot
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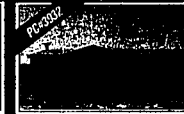
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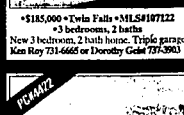
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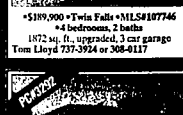
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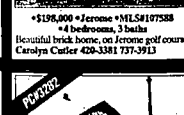
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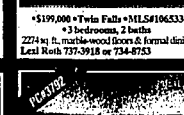
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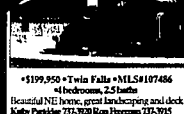
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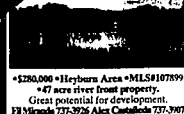
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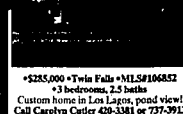
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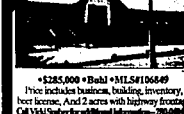
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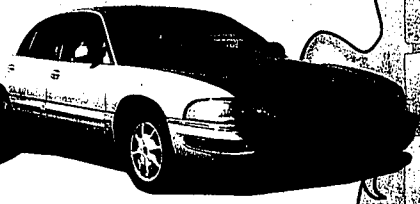
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Some good reasons to do it right

I'm happier when everything is in place. But I wish I weren't, I think. Sometimes in restaurants, members of my family will move my fork slightly sideways when I am not looking. Then they laugh at me when I straighten it back up. I've always struggled with perfectionism, because I don't want to be a classic case. I don't want to become a complete neurotic.

I know that perfectionism has been linked to all sorts of health problems, everything from insomnia to depression. Not to mention the fact that most people think perfectionists are nuts.

Once read a magazine article that identified perfectionism as a distinct personality trait, and cited some new research on the subject. The study was conducted by two Canadian professors, who have concluded that there are three types of perfectionism.

Other-oriented perfectionists are those who expect everyone around them to be flawless. These are the people who hardly ever delegate anything.

Socially-prescribed perfectionists are people who believe everyone expects them to be perfect, so they respond by setting impossible standards for themselves.

Self-oriented perfectionism isn't quite so bad. These people adopt certain personality expectations for themselves, but they are often able to increase or decrease their expectations in response to the situation.

I'm not sure I fall into any of these categories, exactly. I'm more of a thwarted perfectionist. Or to put it another way, I was getting really good at being a perfectionist until I had kids.

When I was young and newly married, I used to color code and label everything in my closet. Two months into motherhood, and I was grabbing the first clean blouse I could find.

Maybe I should thank my kids for saving me from myself. Someday. On the other hand, there are times when I think people should act out their perfectionist tendencies. I mean, I'd prefer that doctors have pretty high standards, especially if they are operating on me.

I even prefer a bit of perfectionism from the people who repair my car. And I would love to find a perfect TV dinner that some perfectionist slaved to create.

But I know that some people carry the whole thing too far.

Someone once told me about a doctor who has defined "the migraine personality." Before any patient comes to see him about a headache, he always moves one chair in his office slightly askew. He insists that the person with migraines will invariably straighten it.

This might not be definitive diagnostic procedure, but I suspect the doctor is on the right track.

In the magazine article about perfectionism, there was a quiz. If you agreed with certain statements, you were deemed a perfectionist. After answering a couple of the questions, I decided I am not really a perfectionist at all. Not anymore, anyway. Not since I became a mom.

One of the statements: I change my order in restaurants, usually more than once.

Moms don't have time to read menus. Another statement: When dinner guests compliment me on the meal I have served, I'm quick to point out something wrong with it.

Not me, I figure, if something is wrong with the meal, that's Pizza Hut's problem.

I know a woman who won't allow any flower pots in her house, because they have dirt in them.

I'm advising her to have a baby.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

Who's nearing the aisle, or already walked it?
Please see page E5

Won't you help?



Sue Thomson, center, holds her son Gregory, 18 months, with daughters Annie, right, 11, and Gema, 8, in the copy room at Hansen Elementary. Thomson volunteers seven hours a week at the school, copying handouts and tests for teachers, reading to students and anything else that needs doing.

When volunteering moms overextend themselves

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

HANSEN - She's the kind of volunteer for whom PTAs, public-service agencies and charitable organizations would give their last bake-sale cookie, but even Sue Thomson has learned how to say no. "There are only so many hours in the day," said Thomson, mother of three who carves seven hours out of her week to volunteer at Hansen Elementary School. "I've learned to set limits."

Not that it's easy. "I like to help," said Thomson, who also devotes part of her summer to a children's reading program.

Thomson is among the stay-at-home and working mothers who find themselves bombarded almost daily with requests to volunteer at school, at church and for numerous community organizations. But the pile of opportunities out there can be overwhelming and stressful, especially for newcomers who feel guilty saying no and sign up for everything they're asked to do. Even for more seasoned volunteers,

Tips on volunteering

- "So you want to volunteer? Think about..."
- Starting slowly.
- Setting priorities.
- Figuring out what you enjoy.
- Finding a niche, let other things go.
- Learning to say no.
- Getting support from spouse or friends.
- Involving your family.
- Being organized.
- Carrying a planning calendar.
- Remembering what you signed up for.

Source: Kansas City Star

balancing work, family and community service is difficult.

"It can be so overwhelming because so many of us bite off more than we can chew," said Liz Folger, a nationally syndicated columnist, author of books for working mothers and creator of Bizymoms.com (<http://www.bizymoms.com/>)

Folger tells women, "Instead of just signing up for everything people ask you to, you've got to stop and think:

"What are my priorities? What are my kids' priorities? Where can I make the biggest impact with my volunteering?"

"Any organization that depends on volunteers relies on a core group of people," said Marsha Stallones, prevention volunteer coordinator for Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation Services and overseer of the local school "lunch buddy" program. "And they're worth their weight in gold. But you can't ask them to do everything all the time."

That's particularly true of volunteers in school-related activities, who commit to be somewhat regular at a certain time.

Psychotherapist Dr. Susan Sanders of Kansas City, Mo., frequently counsels overfunctioning adults, and they are usually women.

"There are gifted people out there who can juggle all these things, but the reality of it is, it's still wearing them down," she said.

"I think one key to avoiding volunteer burnout is flexibility," said Nora Wells, who heads the Twin Falls-based Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers. "If

you can adapt your volunteer activities to your own schedule, it's just easier to keep going."

But from the standpoint of organizations that rely on volunteers, finding dependable help is critical, and that's one reason they keep going back to stalwarts such as Thomson. "They know I'm going to be there, every week," she said. "It's a commitment."

Thomson, who has an 18-month-old son as well as two school-aged daughters, says she's careful not to overbook herself.

"I have some time for myself, usually late evening," she said. "And I take time to garden and work in the yard."

Next year, when her 11-year-old daughter moves to middle school, she plans to switch her volunteer efforts to spending an afternoon a week photocopying for teachers and staff.

"Basically, I'm a go-fer," she said. "I do what the teachers need to have done, but I enjoy it. I get to be around my kids and I get to know their teachers."

Please see VOLUNTEER, Page E5

Too much stroller time can be unhealthy

Los Angeles Times

Strollers are a staple in every parent's collection of baby items, and moms and dads swear to their convenience. But they might want to consider parking those strollers.

Some pediatricians believe that the devices may be contributing to less active lifestyles for toddlers and, as a result, an increase in obesity. "Parents will walk the dog and put the child in the stroller for convenience sake," says Dr. Joel Steinberg, professor of pediatrics at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

Steinberg acknowledges strollers are useful for keeping kids safe in crowded malls or on busy sidewalks, but cautions against strapping kids in when they could be walking. "People think that toddlers have limited ability, and it's not true," he says. Too much time in the stroller "teaches them that the best way to go is to ride, not to walk."

Obesity rates, which have been climbing for children and adults, also seem to be creeping up for the under-4 set. Although the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other groups have only tracked children's weights starting at age 5 or 6, many pediatricians say they've seen a marked increase in overweight and obese preschoolers in the last several years.

Because children don't become obese overnight, poor examples learned at an early age can have serious consequences. As medical director of KidShape Foundations, a Los Angeles nonprofit, David Folger says that many parents are unaware of the risks of stroller use. "It's not that uncommon any-



Strollers are a familiar sight at Southern California theme parks such as Disneyland.

more," says Neufeld, also a clinical professor of pediatrics at the University of California, Los Angeles. She says that keeping kids in strollers for long periods without allowing them time to walk is part of a larger problem in

the United States, where parents are increasingly relying on strollers for convenience. "It's not that uncommon any-

Please see STROLLERS, Page E5

Is your child using?

Signs of drug abuse:

- Change in eating habits
- Poor physical coordination
- Cold, sweaty palms
- Red, watery eyes
- Unusual laziness
- Excessive need for privacy
- Paranoia
- Silliness
- Sudden oversensitivity
- Change in friends; sudden avoidance of old crowd
- Difficulty in paying attention
- General lack of motivation
- Change in habits at home

Tips for parents:

- Talk and listen to your child. Ask questions.
- Spend more time together - eat dinner together.
- Be aware of who your child's friends are.
- Be aware of where your child is, especially at night.
- Have discipline.
- Check out your child's bedroom.
- Kids will use drugs if parents do.

Source: Columbus, Ga., Ledger

FAMILY LIFE

Birthday today? You set the pace

IF OCTOBER 26 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY — you're ambitious, a planner and inclined to think you're a cut above other Scorpios; you like to run your own show and work toward a definite goal. At times, you have to curb a sharp tongue. This year sees you reorganizing your lifestyle and home. New friends and travel could change your life, providing opportunities for spiritual renewal.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): The truth will be revealed. Someone or something opens your eyes and fires up your inspiration. Benefits will be reaped. You're tempted to make changes on the home front.

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): Partners are demanding your all and you may want to break free of a binding promise. Fate singles you out. A Libra offers a way out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Not for long are you keeping your future secret. You're on the edge of doing business. The shrewd side of you gets the better of a deal or business matter.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You're seeing things in a fresh way. Your house of love is piggybacked with planets Venus, Mercury, the sun and moon are giving you a smorgasbord of excitement and passion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Having more living space to move around in is good for your love life. You're considering a move or spending money to improve your home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Honesty rules in a relationship, and promises made will be kept. Family and kin appreciate your smart ideas, and talks go well. A library or books could be serendipitous.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Money outstanding or a gift is winging its way in your direction. Don't expect any favors from others as they look to you for a speedy solution.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You're usually wise about money, and splitting the cost is all in good fun. A delayed plan is getting under way. You need to be on guard where travel or a love connection is concerned.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Destiny knocks as you are invited to a celebration. Of two minds about money, your prudent attitude wins out with the best-ever idea.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your ruler, Saturn, enters retrograde motion this evening, indicating that the pressure is off. You can rethink your strategy for the next few months.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Someone wants to know if you're still interested. You need a little tenderness and loving care to open up. Sitting on the fence and rather defensive, you have to make up your mind.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Whatever you say today can make a big difference in the life of someone who could be a family member.

The Times News

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center
530 Shoshone St. W.

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. The cost is \$5 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Pool room open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Menus:
Monday: Lasagna, green beans, tossed green salad, green beans, French bread, pineapple cake
Tuesday: Goulash, broccoli salad, mixed vegetables, bread, pudding, cake
Wednesday: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls, vegetables, coleslaw, apple pie
Thursday: Cube steak with onion sauce, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, bread, salad, dessert
Friday: Corned beef and cabbage, red potatoes with carrots, vegetables, Jell-O salad, chocolate cake

Activities:
Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Flu shoot clinic and health fair
Tuesday: Blood-pressure checks, 10-11:45 a.m.
Square-dance club, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Quilting
Flu clinic, 1 p.m.
Elks card club, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Pinochle, 1-3 p.m.
Friday: Bingo, noon
Quilting
Blood-pressure checks, 10-11:45 a.m.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.
1010 Main St., Buhl

Meals:
Today: Baked ham dinner
Monday: Sloppy joes, french fries, green salad, fruit
Tuesday: Scalloped potatoes with ham, salads, vegetables, dessert
Wednesday: Cook's choice
Thursday: Alligator chops, slime with gravy, witches' teeth, Dracula's fingers, bat eyes
Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Cards, 6-9 p.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Crafts, 1-4 p.m.
Bingo, 7-9 p.m.
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.

Filer Senior Haven
222 Main St., Filer

Dinners served at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals are available each mealtime.

Menus:
Tuesday: Vegetable soup, corn-bread, cottage cheese-and-orange salad, fruit-crumble dessert
Thursday: Oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, buttered peas, carrot-raisin salad, hot rolls, cake and ice cream.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.
310 Main St. N., Kimberly

Thrift store is open Mondays through Fridays, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Menus

Monday: Weiners and sausage-kraut, potatoes, carrot-and-pineapple salad, bread, peaches, cookies, coffee, milk
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, fried potatoes, green beans, Jell-O, bread, pineapple, coffee, milk
Friday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, glazed carrots, tossed green salad, bread, pumpkin bars, coffee, milk
Activities:
Monday: Board meeting, 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Crafts, 1 p.m.
Friday: Bingo, 11:55 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizens Inc.
308 S. Center Ave.

All dinners are noon. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors.

Menus:
Monday: Spaghetti and meat sauce, peas and carrots, tossed green salad, garlic bread, custard
Tuesday: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cottage cheese and apricots, bread, dessert
Wednesday: Sweet 'n sour pork, rice, oriental vegetables, salad, bread, apricots
Thursday: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, three-bean salad, rolls, Cobbler
Activities:
Today: Mexican train
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.
Wild one, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Flu shots, 8:30-10:30 a.m. (no charge with Medicare card)
Pinochle, 1:30 p.m.
Bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Massage, 10-11 a.m.
Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting social, 9 a.m.
Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Sing-along, 12:30 p.m.
TOPS, 4 p.m.
Massage, 10-11 a.m.
Friday: Bridge, 1 p.m.
Hand/foot clinic, 1 p.m.
Bowling, 1:30 p.m.
Halloween party, 6 p.m.

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

Menus:
Monday: Ham and beans, corn-bread, pickled beets, fruit and cookies
Tuesday: Chicken Alfredo over noodles, oriental vegetables, fruit medley, carrot cake

SENIOR CALENDAR

Wednesday: Porcupine meatballs, Thai rice, mixed vegetables, Jell-O with fruit

Thursday: Hot-turkey sandwiches, mashed potatoes and gravy, green-bean casserole, fruit, apple crisp
Friday: Beef stew, biscuits, fruit salad, cupcakes
Activities:
Monday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Snack bar opens, 6 p.m.
Early-bird bingo, 6:45 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.

Camas County Senior Center
127 E. Willow, Fairfield

Meals are served at noon Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The suggested donation for seniors is \$2.50. Cost is \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children under 10. All meals are subject to change. To eat a meal at the center, call ahead at 764-2226.

Menus:
Tuesday: Cube steak, baked potatoes, vegetables, salad, fruit crisp
Wednesday: Ham loaf, broccoli, apple sauce, rolls, cookies
Friday: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, vegetable, rolls, fruit, cake
Activities:
Monday: Art class, 9 a.m.
Weight-loss group, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Quilting, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Quilting, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 1-3 p.m.
Friday: Pool, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Quilting, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Birthday party, noon

Richfield Senior Center

No menu were made available this week.

Shoshone Senior Center
218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

No menu were made available this week.

Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.
Quilters, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Silver and Gold Senior Citizens
203 Wilson, Eden

Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Mondays are coffee and bread bake days and Wednesdays are

Monday: Assorted salad, chicken, nuggets, french fries, green beans, biscuits, cheese-cake

Tuesday: Bean salad, pork chops, potato casserole, vegetables, pudding
Wednesday: Fruit salad, baked ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, cake
Thursday: Beef salad, hot-beef sandwiches, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, cake
Friday: Special Halloween dinner
Activities:
Monday: Bingo, 7-9 p.m.
Friday: Chuckwagon dinner and auction

Hagerman Valley Senior/Community Center
140 E. Lake, Hagerman

Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch is served at noon and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested donation is \$3, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.

Meals
Monday: Salisbury steak, potatoes, peas, salad, strawberry/thubarb pie
Wednesday: Pork chops, sweet potatoes, corn and peas, rolls, peach cobbler
Friday: Chicken-fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, cherry pie
Activities:
Thrift store open Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday is \$2 bag day in the thrift shop
Wednesday: Bingo before the Wednesday noon meal.

Blaine County Senior Center
721 Third Ave. S., Halley

Meals are served at noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Milk, juice, coffee and tea are served with all meals.

Menus:
Tuesday: Fried chicken with gravy, biscuits, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit compote, butterscotch brownies
Wednesday: Baked potato and salad bar, shine Jell-O salad with fruit, bread pudding with sauce
Friday: Buzard meatballs, cheese bread, pumpkin fettuccini, green peas, frog-eye salad, pumpkin pie
Activities:
Tuesday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Thursday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Friday: Halloween party

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center
702 11th St., Rupert

Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals.

Monday: Assorted salad, chicken, nuggets, french fries, green beans, biscuits, cheese-cake

Tuesday: Bean salad, pork chops, potato casserole, vegetables, pudding
Wednesday: Fruit salad, baked ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, cake
Thursday: Beef salad, hot-beef sandwiches, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, cake
Friday: Special Halloween dinner
Activities:
Monday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pinochle, 1-4 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Blood-pressure checks, 10 a.m.-noon
Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pinochle, 1-4 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
SHBA assistance, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Friday: Quilting, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pool, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Pinochle, 1-4 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center
2421 Overland, Burley

Menus:
Monday: Lasagna, hard rolls, tossed green salad, green beans, peach cake
Tuesday: Barbecue-rib sandwiches, potato soup, Jell-O, apple-sauce, assorted desserts
Wednesday: Salisbury steak, noodles with gravy, summer vegetables, breadsticks, Waldorf salad, better-than-sex dessert
Thursday: Sloppy joes, french fries, mixed vegetables, ginger-bread with lemon sauce
Friday: Squiggle bugs, mummy wrap, mixed bruns, shreds moon, haunted woods
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Pinochle, 1 p.m.
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Simply For Seniors

More Seniors out to Rekindle the Flames of Romance

The dating game may be a problem for the young, but it looks to be a lot more fun for seniors. Unprecedented numbers of older adults are heading back into the dating circuit, using everything from newspaper personal ads to online dating services to mingle, meet and possibly marry.

Who Know?
Experts say the rise in senior dating can be attributed to a multitude of factors, including an increase in life expectancy, climbing divorce rates among adults over 50 and earlier retirements. Many seniors experience feelings of loneliness as they age, especially as spouses, siblings and friends die. A return to romance offers a welcome — and healthy — social distraction.

Relationship Tips
Seniors should be careful to decide first what it is they want from any new relationships and what they are willing to risk to get it. If the risk doesn't pay off, it's important to take that lesson and apply it to the next dating decision.

Experts say it's also important to trust one's instincts. If it doesn't work, it doesn't work. They recommend against compromising one's desires or dignity just to be with someone.

Experts also stress the need to learn about oneself to create and enforce dating limits. The more comfortable seniors are with the boundaries they have set for dating, romance and sex, the easier it will be to feel more open and appreciative about the delights of a new relationship.

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Man's 'friendship' lunches raise suspicions of his wife

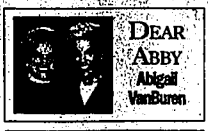
DEAR ABBY: I think I am going crazy. My husband, "Lou," retired from his retail business two years ago. Since then, he has maintained a friendship with a married woman, "Maggie," who worked in his office. I didn't mind their bimonthly lunches as long as they took place in a public restaurant. I recently learned by chance that they have been having lunch in Maggie's home, have taken a business trip together out of town, and even went canoeing. They also seemed to travel together. My husband to select land to build a cabin on. When her husband couldn't go, Lou and Maggie went by themselves.

Lou has become sneaky and secretive about his meetings with Maggie, but he insists that they are "just friends" and that "nobody is going to tell him to give her up."

He finally agreed to go back to meeting her in public, but he complains that I am "suspicious." I know he eagerly awaits their lunches together because he gets all dressed up and puts on deodorant.

Abby, I am 10 years younger than my husband. I am active and considered good-looking. All through Lou says he loves me, his words ring hollow. I don't know how much more of this I can handle. Am I justified in asking him to give up this "friendship"? Should I consider leaving him?

—SECOND FIDDLE
IN ONTARIO, CANADA



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Maggie may be just a friend, but your husband should consider your feelings first. His lack of candor and secretiveness would make anyone suspicious. Since this is "only a friendship," it's time you were included in these lunches. Make a point of making yourself available. If your husband refuses, try marriage counseling before you pack your bags.

DEAR ABBY: As I sat on my porch today, I could hear my neighbor beating his children. I called Child Protective Services and reported it.

I have lived here only a few months. Abby, but the child abuser has lived here for about 10 years. Why am I the first person to report it? The other neighbors have certainly heard the screaming, too.

Did the social worker "it" sounds like a leather belt striking the skin." When he asked how I knew what a belt sounds like

when it hits skin, I told him that I was abused as a child. For 13 years, I was beaten almost daily. No one ever came to my rescue. Our neighbors must have heard my screams, too, but no one did a thing to stop it — just like the neighbors I have now.

Abby, people must realize that they may be the only ones who can make a difference in a child's life. Children can't stand up to an adult who beats them. Help is available — and it's just a phone call away. You don't even have to give your name.

I made the phone call because when I was a child I prayed every day for SOMEONE to help me — but no one ever did. I refuse to allow another child to be treated the way I was.

—GOOD NEIGHBOR IN RENO

DEAR GOOD NEIGHBOR: You were right to speak out. All a person who suspects child abuse and/or neglect has to do is pick up the phone and ask the operator for the phone number of Child Protective Services. One phone call can prevent years of suffering — and literally make the difference between life and death. Kudos to you.

DEAR READERS: At 2 a.m., daylight-saving time came to an end. Did you remember to turn your clocks back one hour? And have you replaced the batteries in your smoke alarms? If not, now's the time!

Dear Abby is written by Jeanne Phillips.

Here comes an updated Cranium

Fans of the popular and award-winning Cranium board game can look forward to two new games this fall.

Cranium Hullabaloo is a high-energy game for ages 4 and up, featuring a battery-powered arm that directs kids to bounce, twist, spin and dance. Cranium Conga, for ages 8 and up, has players racing against time and each other to solve clues about one another.

Both games will hit store shelves this month. Hullabaloo retails for \$24.95, Conga for \$19.95.

Family news you can use

children are expected to spend some time in a cohabiting, unmarried-couple household during their childhood.

- The percentage of American children living apart from their biological fathers has doubled over the past 40 years, from 17 percent to 34 percent.
- By 2010, the Census Bureau projects that married couples with children will account for only 20 percent of total households.

How to help

Looking for simple ways to be involved in your child's school? Here are some suggestions:

- Speak to the class about a job or hobby. To spice it up, bring a small project for the kids.
- Help the teacher decorate the classroom for the holidays.
- Put together a phone or e-mail list for parents.
- Make calls to help arrange a class trip, or make a supply run before a party.
- Share videos of school events with other parents in the class.

Lunchbox savings

Your kids' school lunches shouldn't take a bite out of your budget. To pack the savings, consider these suggestions from Parents magazine:

- Buy snack-size plastic bags and fill them with pretzels, crackers or carrot sticks that you can buy in bulk.
- Use dinner leftovers for lunch. Chicken breast, for example, makes a great sandwich. Plain pasta can be tossed with dressing and mixed with veggies and turkey to create a kid-friendly salad.
- Save money on juice boxes by putting drinks in reusable bottles.
- Encourage your kids to bring home whatever they don't eat, and monitor the leftovers. If you regularly pack half a dozen cheese cubes and your child only eats three, cut back.

Beware cat's eyes

Add one more item to the list of potential Halloween dangers: cosmetic contact lenses.

Statistics show that last year there were nearly 1,100 contact lens-related injuries treated in U.S. hospital emergency rooms, said Daniel Garrett, spokesman for Prevent Blindness America.

Cosmetic contact lenses come in a variety of patterns and colors — one style makes you look like you have scary cat's eyes. They look cool but can cause serious problems, including bacterial infections, swelling, eye pain, sensitivity to light, conjunctivitis (pink eye), corneal scratches and loss of clarity.

If you want cosmetic lenses, experts suggest you visit a licensed eye-care professional to be fitted. Always clean and disinfect lenses according to instructions. Never share or trade contact lenses with friends. And never wear opaque lenses if you have problems with night vision.

Memorable meals

A recent national survey shows that 55 percent of American families eat dinner together less than four times a week, and 10 percent don't eat together at all.

In an effort to bring more families together, Eckrich, a company that produces smoked sausage and other foods, is holding a contest asking families to share how they make mealtime memorable.

To enter, explain in 50 words or less how your family makes mealtime memorable. Mail it to Eckrich Family Super Night, Contest Entry Submission, c/o ePrice LLC, P.O. Box 9052, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9052, or go online to www.eckrich-brand.com and click on the contest link. Entries must be postmarked by Friday.

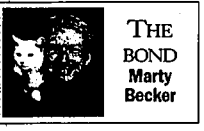
The grand prize winner will receive a \$5,000 family vacation. Other winners will receive grill and smoked sausage.

— compiled from wire reports

Dog walkers can make big bucks

Dog walkers can walk away with a lot of money.

"Annie Lever walks a trail in the Hollywood Hills surrounded by her Labrador retrievers, a golden retriever, a Gordon setter, a pit bull mix and a Maltese. "Are they all yours?" another hiker wondered. Yes and no.



THE BOND
Marty Becker

According to an article in the Los Angeles Times, Lever, 46, is a professional dog walker who earns \$150,000 a year. Granted, most dog walkers don't do as well as Lever's clients who include Hollywood moguls such as Steven Spielberg and have included movie stars such as Reese Witherspoon.

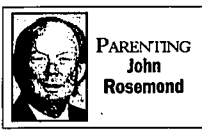
The job of dog walker has been described as a combination kindergarten teacher, drill instructor and chauffeur. "It's like being the mother of 10, two-year-olds," said one walker.

Although Lever happily dispenses treats upon request, she rolls her eyes at the owners who serve their pets bottled water. After all, she says, "dogs lick their own" bottoms.

Former Twin Falls veterinarian Marty Becker is the author of the new book "Chicken Soup for The Horse Lover's Soul" and a popular veterinary contributor for ABC-TV's "Good Morning America." Write to him in care of Knight-Ridder Tribune News Service, 700 National Press Building, Washington, D.C. 20045.

Don't worry too much about 'wiccan' element

Q: My 13-year-old daughter came home from boarding school last weekend and announced at a family dinner that she is a witch and a "wiccan." Then she told me she is an atheist. My mother told me that you would advise me not to tolerate this. So, I took my daughter's wiccan books away and forbid associations with peers who are wiccans. She rebelled, and the more I tried to control her, the more she rebelled. I have recently started attending church and have decided that this is something the whole family should do together. Do I make my daughter go with us?



PARENTING
John Rosemond

A: Your mother may be a big fan, but she did not correctly predict my advice.

I advise parents to not tolerate blatant misbehavior. Wicca, which is a New Age religion that involves nature, worship and belief in magic, is not misbehavior. This is not something I would forbid.

You're trying to control what you cannot control, namely, what your daughter thinks. Simply say something like:

you to become convinced that you are a witch, so be it. Just don't ever again disrupt this family with announcements of that sort, which you know as well as I do are simply designed to draw attention to yourself. Good witches never, ever attract attention to themselves, but you should know that. That tells me, by the way, that you really don't understand the responsibilities involved in being a witch. In any case, you are going to church with us. We do this as a family. You don't have to listen. You don't have to believe. You can even sit there and practice casting spells. Perhaps you can cause the minister to begin babbling incoherently."

In short, this is a time for not taking your daughter or yourself too seriously.

John Rosemond is a family psychologist. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at Affirmative Parenting, 1020 East 86th Street, Suite 268, Indianapolis, Ind. 46240 and at his Web site: <http://www.rosemond.com/>

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COMMUNITY



Rob Dobler demonstrates how to make beer from a kit at a club meeting of the Rock Creek Brew Makers.

Kimberly club brews up beer and good times

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — There are some horror stories.

Like the one that Rob Dobler tells about putting the carboy — the container used to ferment beer — in a bathtub of water to cool the brew.

He didn't realize the overflow drain was plugged, which flooded three rooms in his house. His wife came home to find a carpet-cleaner at work.

"I must warn you too that if you are using your electric stove you have to really watch," said Dobler, who gave a demonstration on making homemade beer from a kit at the Rock Creek Brew Master's October club meeting. "When hops boil over the smell never goes away."

It is best to work outdoors, he added. Not only is the smell of boiled-over hops hard to get rid of, but the steam is hard on wallpaper.

The club formed about two months ago in connection with a new store, Wert's Brew Haus in Kimberly. The store provides supplies for making beer and wine.

Day Eguisquiza, a store owner, said she is amazed at the interest in the brew club. About 20 people attended the first meeting and about 20 more people came to the second.

The brew enthusiasts gather around with their necks craned and peer into the pot of whatever is being demonstrated.

"They love to learn and they love to learn from each other," Eguisquiza said.

Brew up a batch

Interested in making beer? The next Rock Creek Brew Master's club meeting will be held Nov. 1, which is the Teach a Friend to Homebrew Day. Demonstrations will be held for beginners and advanced home brewers. The meeting will be at Mike Tyka's home in Jerome.

For more details, call Daryl Wert at 423-6274. Cost for the advanced class is \$35 plus about \$12 worth of supplies.

Beer and Wine home brewing classes also will be offered through College of Southern Idaho. "Brewing for the Beginner" will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. Jan. 29 at Wert's Brew Haus on Highway 20 in Kimberly. This class will teach the basics of home brewing, equipment usage, processing and bottling. The class will cost \$30 plus about \$10 for supplies.

"All Grain Brewing for the Advanced Brewer" will be from 7-8:30 p.m. Feb. 5 at Wert's Brew Haus. This class will introduce different grains and tastes and new ideas for the home brewer. Instructors Daryl Wert and Mike Tyka will walk students through creating a recipe, fermenting and bottling. For more information, call Wert at 423-6274.

Club members compare recipes, techniques and more. As Dobler stirred mead syrup into the mixture at the meeting, Daryl Wert talked about the honey heifers that he brewed and brought for the group to sample.

"Extract brewing is simple," Dobler said as he worked over an outdoor propane stove to bring the temperature of the steeping bags to 160 degrees. "You can make really good beer with it."

But home brewing beer is an experiment, Daryl Wert said.

Jason Torgirson, a club member, said he started experimenting with brewing while in college in Montana. One day, he and his fishing and hunting buddies decided to brew their own recipe. After that, the passion grew. He's been experimenting on and off for the past 10 years since.

Torgirson and his buddies enjoy trying imported and micro-brewed beer.

"It was kind of a challenge to see if we could make something better," he said.

The brew master's group also discussed ingredients, such as how well water is better than tap water.

"It's non-chlorinated and is 100 times better," Dobler said.

Often Irish moss is added in the last 20 minutes as a clarifying agent. Another member of the group said that isinglass, obtained from air bladders of some fish, also is used to clarify beer.

While recipes, ingredients and techniques differ with each brew master, they have one thing in common — their passion for brewing.

"I go to work so I can afford to brew beer," Dobler said.

Times-News correspondent Lorraine Cavener can be reached at (208) 438-8446 or lcavener@pmt.org.

KEEPING GOODING HISTORY ALIVE



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Longtime members and supporters of the Gooding County Historical Society were honored with a certificate of appreciation for their dedicated service. Those honored included Lorna Bard, Helen Bray, Alberta Butler, Keith Clark, Leo Coleman, Emma Coleman, Robert Cree, Jim Eaton, June Faulblon, Mary Gagne, Dean and Judee Gooding, James Henshaw, Margaret King, Patricia Klingler, Berdell Lesneski, Fred Locke, Ralf Locke, Don Mays, Ruth Ellen Parks, Jack Rice, Alfred and Florence Sandy, Robert Smith, Frank Stone, Floyd and Mary Thornton, Donald Walbrecht, Beverly Wallace, Frank Ward and Carmen Wheeler.

M-C BUDDIES



Photo courtesy of South Central District Health Department

Lunch Buddies and their mentees enjoy cookies during the Mini-Casala Community Asset Celebration. Under the program, mentors eat lunch with youngsters. For more information, call Tammy Hanks at the Mini-Casala HealthNet Coalition at 436-0481, Ext. 385.

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

David Alexander Beltran, son of Patricia and Jorge Armando Beltran of Buhl, was born Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003.

Mikahla Layke Chapman, daughter of Kerrie Lynn and Steven Robert Chapman of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Oct. 16, 2003.

Katelynn Elizabeth Grimm, daughter of Rachel Twila and Chad Eugene Grimm of Jerome, was born Friday, Oct. 17, 2003.

Sailor Feld Maisch, daughter of Misti Noelle and Jason Voth

Maisch of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Oct. 17, 2003.

Daniela Regalado, daughter of Ana Lilia and Hugo Regalado of Shoshone, was born Friday, Oct. 17, 2003.

Dallis Justine Shockey, daughter of Jasmine Justine and Bradley Curtis Shockey of Rupert, was born Saturday, Oct. 18, 2003.

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

Nathan R. McDonald, son of Connie and Mike McDonald of Jerome, was born Friday, Oct. 3, 2003.

Bruce Lee Carpenter Jr., son of Bruce and Jeannette Carpenter of Gooding, was born Monday, Oct. 6, 2003.

Gage William Mead, son of Jason and Amy Mead of Jerome, was born Thursday, Oct. 9, 2003.

Madyson Nicole Arellano, daughter of Megan Hays and Luke Arellano of Jerome, was born Saturday, Oct. 18, 2003.

Cassia Regional Medical Center

Leah Isabel Rementeria, daughter of Jose and Amber Rementeria of Burley, was born Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003.

Cassia Regional Medical Center will no longer be sending birth announcements to The Times-News. To have a birth announcement printed in the Stork Report, bring a copy of the child's birth certificate to The Times-News office in Burley or Twin Falls. Parents who bring in their child's birth certificate will receive one free issue of the newspaper.

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Trinity Lutheran Church holds Harvest Festival

EDEN — Trinity Lutheran Church, 1602 E. 1100 S. in Eden, will hold its annual Harvest Festival from 6-8 p.m. Friday.

The event will include games for children and bingo for adults. Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be served. Each family is asked to donate one bag of candy for the Tailgate Trick or Treating at the end of the evening. A freewill offering will be taken.

Buhl High School FFA sponsors haunted house

BUHL — The Buhl High School FFA will sponsor a haunted house

from 6-10 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the school ag shop. Admission is 50 cents. Proceeds will go to FFA programs and activities.

Hollister School plays host to potato dinner

HOLLISTER — Hollister Elementary School will hold its annual potato feed from 6-8 p.m. Thursday at the school, 2463 Contact Ave. in Hollister. Tickets may be purchased at the door for \$3 each or \$10 for a family (up to six members). Baked potatoes with choice of toppings, stroganoff and dessert will be served starting at 6 p.m. Entertainment will feature a stu-

dent musical presentation. An open house will be held prior to the dinner. Students are encouraged to wear Halloween costumes.

Proceeds will support activities of the parent-teacher organization.

For more information, contact the school at 655-4215.

Disabled American Vets Auxiliary holds dance

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

Archie Turner will provide the music. Suggested donation is \$2.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Recent Wood River Bridge winners announced

HAILEY — The recent Wood River Bridge winners were announced:

Monday at the Blaine County Senior Center in Hailey: first, Steve Frickey and Timmi Praena; third, Ed and Shirley Useink. Winners for east/west: first, Betty and Peter Gray; second, Ken Anderson and Lois Deboer; third, Linda Edwards and Beverly McLean.

Wednesday at the Harker Center

Winners for north/south: first, Dee Swartz and Marilynn Nesbit; second, Steve Frickey and Timmi Praena; third, Ed and Shirley Useink. Winners for east/west: first, Betty and Peter Gray; second, Ken Anderson and Lois Deboer; third, Linda Edwards and Beverly McLean.

Have a club?

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ENGAGEMENTS

Rice-Sylvester

BURLEY — John and Allison Rice of Boise announce the engagement of their daughter, Tasha M. Rice, to Joshua J. Sylvester, son of Rodney and Cynthia Sylvester of Sandy, Utah. Rice is a 2000 graduate of Burley High School.

Sylvester is a graduate of Centennial High School in Boise and is working at Larson Farms in Rexburg.

The wedding is planned for Thursday, Oct. 30, at the Boise LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Burley Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave.



Joshua Sylvester and Tasha Rice. The couple will reside in Rexburg.

Humphries-Miller

JEROME — Martin and Sonja Humphries of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Jenna Louise Humphries, to Jacob Rex Miller, son of Rex and Rianne Miller of Filer. Jenna is a graduate of Jerome High School and is attending the College of Southern Idaho. Miller is a graduate of Filer High School and is attending CSI.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Nov. 14, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

A reception will be held from 6



Jacob Miller and Jenna Humphries at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Jerome LDS Church, 50 E. 100 S.

Pridmore-Pickering

FAIRFIELD — Angie Sue Pridmore and Christopher David Pickering were married Aug. 30 at the Fairfield Community Church.

The bride is the daughter of Rod and Sally Pridmore.

The bridegroom is the son of Jim and Marcia Pickering of Manhattan, Mont.

Pastor Dan Nagel of Bozeman, Mont., officiated the ceremony.

Jessie Webb of Boise, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor and Maggi Bennett was maid of honor.

Thru Earnest, Chrissy Turner, Amber Kraft, Brianna Kevan and Andrea Krapp were the bridesmaids.

Best men were Jamie Pickering of Manhattan, Mont., and Neal Pickering of Spokane, Wash., brothers of the groom. Brian Pelatt, cousin of the groom, Erik Browne, Jeremy Emerline, Corey Mitchell, Greg Clarke and Kory Weasel served as groomsmen.

Madeline Duncan of Billings, Mont., cousin and goddaughter of the groom, served as the flower girl.

Ringbearer was the bride's nephew, Hunter Gill of Boise.

Eric Thaut of Billings, Mont., cousin of the groom, was the pianist. Soloist was Adam Pelatt of Spokane, Wash., cousin of the groom, with Eric Thaut on the guitar.

Sobi Proeston of Fairfield, assisted by Darci Gill, took the



Angie and Christopher Pickering

photographs. Friends of the couple, Krystal Saylor and Megan Rutherford, attended the guest book. Linda Frostenon, Shari Simon and Sharon Smith arranged and designed the flowers. Teri Backstrom was the wedding day coordinator. Greeting the guests as they arrived was an order of service on the bulletin board created by Darci Gill, sister of the bride. Candle lighters were mother of the bride and mother of the groom.

An outdoor reception was held following the ceremony at the Pridmores. The cake was crafted by Sue Robbins. Sharon Smith along with Kathy Whipple, JoEd Baldwin, Teri Backstrom and Bridget Smith prepared and served the food at the reception.

The couple is residing and working in Whitefish, Mont.

Corbridge-Blauer

BURLEY — Shanna Corbridge and Michael Blauer were married Oct. 23 at the Logan LDS Temple.

The bride, wedded for 17 years at the Logan Urology Clinic and was recently employed at Harold B. Lee Elementary School in Dayton.

The bridegroom is employed as the controller for Evans Grain and Western Seeds.

Friends and family are invited to an open house to honor the couple from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, at their home, 847 East 400 S.



Shanna and Michael Blauer. Declo. The couple requests no gifts.

Hagan-Bland

TWIN FALLS — Holly Hagan and Michael Bland were married July 12 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls.

The bride is the daughter of Susan Schwanz of Eden and Rocky Hagan of Kimberly.

The bridegroom is the son of Mike Bland and Kim Bland, both of Murtaugh.

Pastor Lawrence Vedder officiated the ceremony. Greg Hula was the organist. Jenny Effe was the soloist.

Jana Dille, friend of the bride, served as the bride's matron of honor.

Bridesmaids included Renae Coffman, friend of the bride, and Aimee Smith and Ginger Matkin, sisters of the groom.

Stan Sorenson, friend of the groom, served as best man.

Groomsmen included Craig Hagan, brother of the bride, and Karl Smith and Brent Matkin, brothers-in-law of the groom.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Ken and Donna Beem of Hunt and Iolene Hagan of Hazelton, and grandpar-



Holly and Michael Bland

ents of the groom, Jim and Midge Perkins of Murtaugh.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the Shoshone Room.

The bride is a graduate of Valley High School. She is employed at Evertrust Bank in Everett, Wash.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Murtaugh High School. He is serving in the U.S. Navy and is stationed in Everett, Wash.

The newlyweds reside in Everett.

ANNIVERSARIES

The Parrotts

JEROME — Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Parrott of Jerome will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the First Church of God, 131 E. Ave. F in Jerome.

Parrott and Adeline Dickson were married Oct. 31, 1953, in Twin Falls.

They have lived in Twin Falls, Glading and Jerome.

He worked at Idaho Hide and Tallow, Allen's and Blincoe's before going into the towing and salvage business.

She worked at the Dairy Inn, Tupperware cafeteria and then for the family towing business. They have been active in supporting the food pantry at the



Bruce and Adeline Parrott

First Church of God and also the clubs their children and grandchildren join.

The event will be hosted by their children. Ruth (Marten) Vonk and Sherry (Andy) DePew, both of Boise, and Shawna (Terry) Harbaugh, Gina (Mike) Ordaz and Holly Parrott, all of Jerome, and their 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Weaver-Griff

TWIN FALLS — Chrissy Weaver and Lance Griff were married July 12 at the Moscow Church of the Nazarene.

The bride is the daughter of Dan and Sally Weaver of Moscow. The bridegroom is the son of Ron and Janie Griff of Twin Falls.

Pastor Greg Dalton officiated the ceremony. Joan Gerrish, aunt of the groom, was the pianist. Julie Tonn, sister-in-law of the bride, and Kim Knudsen and Katie Payne, friends of the bride, were the singers. Vince Gerrish, cousin of the groom, performed on the trumpet. Scripture reader was Diane Rathbun, friend of the bride.

Kim Knudsen, friend of the bride, served as the matron of honor.

Bridesmaids included Katie Payne, Kendra Biceau, Amy Reeves, Beth Easter and Nikki Scheibe, friends of the bride.

Emma Tonn, niece of the bride, and Clara Dixon, cousin of the bride, were the flower girls.

Candle lighters were Kandis Turly and Jerica Griff, sisters of the groom.

Travis Tonn, brother of the bride, lit a candle in memory of the bride's deceased brother, James Weaver.

Gabe Gerrish, cousin of the groom, served as best man.

Groomsmen included Andy Griff and Brad Griff, brothers of the groom; Curt Jones, friend of the groom; Mike Harman, friend of bride and groom; and Vince Gerrish, cousin of the groom.

Ushers were Travis Tonn, brother of the bride; Michael Tonn, nephew of the bride; and David Shepherd, honorary Weaver member.

Blake Vincent, cousin of the groom, was the ringbearer. Special guests included Ryan



Lance and Chrissy Weaver

Weaver of Moscow, brother of the bride; Ray and Rose Miller of Moscow, godparents of the bride; and Eugene and Betsy Griff of Twin Falls and Roger and Margaret Vincent of Filer, grandparents of the groom.

A reception was held following the ceremony July 12 at the residence of the bride's parents with dinner and dancing, and also Aug. 3 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church. Serving at the reception were Terry Lindsey, friend of bride's family, and Rose Miller, godmother. Callie Goodman attended the guest book. Gift attendants were Kelsey Vincent and Taylor Vincent, cousins of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Moscow High School and the University of Idaho. She is employed at Lighthouse Christian School in Twin Falls.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Filer High School and the University of Idaho. He is employed at Griff Land and Cattle.

After a honeymoon in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the newlyweds reside in Twin Falls.

Strollers

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without allowing them time to walk is part of a larger problem in which time-crunched parents pay little attention to their children's exercise and nutrition needs.

"This generation of parents," she says, "is more likely to be over-worked, commuting 90 miles to their job, and when they're with their kids they're so strapped for time and distracted that maybe they pop the kid in the stroller."

Jane Clark, chairwoman of the department of kinesiology at the University of Maryland, says reliance on strollers is part of a larger trend in which children are "containerized."

"It's spending time in baby chairs rather than putting them down on the floor, or at least in playpens, which allows them more freedom," she says. "Anything that keeps children from doing large muscle activity is going to contribute to a lack of physical activity."

Even the design of strollers may be adding to their increased use, Clark adds. Those old heavy, cumbersome prams couldn't be yanked out of a car with one hand the way today's models can.

If parents aren't thinking about excessive stroller time, it might be because they believe their always-on-the-move toddler is getting enough exercise during the day. Not necessarily true, say some experts.

"Kids who spend a lot of time in

day care don't always get that much physical activity," says Clark. "Sometimes there's no physical activity area, and it makes it difficult to get the kind of exercise we did when we were kids and just went out to play."

Television as baby sitter is another culprit that can suck up time spent being active. "If parents are busy they might pop in a Barney tape, but if you're playing them hour after hour, kids aren't getting a lot of activity," says Dr. Douglas Gregory, a Tidewater, Va.-based pediatrician and fellow with the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Parents who tremble at the idea of being caught stroller-less should take comfort in Mila Allinson's recent trip to the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach, Calif., with son Aidan, 20 months. The 36-year-old mother arrived to discover she had forgotten to load the carriage into her SUV and "felt my life had been turned upside down for lack of a stroller." But all was not lost.

"We ended up having a great time and, to be honest, I never missed it," she says. "He was happier. He ran around and he was more active."

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Volunteer

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That's especially important, she believes, as children get older, because they don't always want to share what's going on at school with their parents.

"I can still be part of my daughter's education," she said. "And that's not the case with a lot of parents."

Thomson advises potential volunteer parents to pick their shots — projects they enjoy enough to stick with.

"We have a volunteer, a mom,

who worked with an older gentleman," Wells said. "He loved to go out for pie once a week at the Depot Grill, and the woman would bring her young daughter along. Pretty soon the daughter was calling him 'Grandpa.'"

"That's the best kind of volunteer experience."

—The Kansas City Star contributed to this report

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Centennial

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How to get involved

Here are a few of the ways for Magic Valley residents to get involved in Twin Falls' centennial celebration:

Plan to attend

The Twin Falls Centennial Commission will kick off its festivities with a New Year's Eve Gala.

Three music venues inside Magic Valley Mall will cater to the tastes of teens, adults and families. And the commission plans fireworks, a magician, face painters, clowns, dance performances, robotic shows, food, decorations, photography, a historic gallery and merchant sales.

Organizers expect at least 5,000 people to attend.

• When: On Dec. 31, family events will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m., and alcoholic beverages will be sold - in a designated area - only after 9:30 p.m.

• Where: Magic Valley Mall.

• Cost: Advance tickets will be \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors or \$35 for families of up to five. They cover admission, food and activities, but not alcohol.

Tickets will be sold around town, but locations aren't lined up yet.

Check the attic

The Times-News is looking for old photographs depicting people and scenes from Magic Valley before 1940.

We'd love to share with our readers that treasured print that spent decades in your junk or scrapbook. Maybe it's Grandfather at the homestead, or Grandmother visiting the falls.

Drop by the newspaper office at 132 Third St. W. in Twin Falls to drop off your photograph and tell us what you know about the people in it. We'll scan the photograph while you wait and return it immediately.

Buy a brick

The Centennial Commission needs help funding the activities coming up in 2004, and the best way for the public to help is to buy Centennial Bricks.

Each brick will be engraved as the buyer wishes - within the commission's guidelines of taste. Bricks will be placed around the new I.B. Perrine bronze sculpture to be erected in a new centennial plaza next to the Twin Falls visitors center at the Perrine Bridge.

• Cost: The bricks cost \$50 for one or two engraved lines, or \$55 for three lines.

• How to buy: Go to www.twinfalls-centennial.com online and download an order form. Then send the completed form to the address on the form.

Or call the Twin Falls centennial office at 736-0800.

Shop for Christmas

Get your official Twin Falls centennial merchandise at Magic Valley Mall.

For now, the offering consists of T-shirts, sweatshirts, mugs, hats and polo shirts.

The Centennial Commission plans to add other locations for merchandise sales soon. And other items should join the offering in time for the holiday season.

Sheet music for the city's Centennial Song - "Just Add Water" written by Donna Scott and arranged by Teddy Snow and George K. Halsell - is available at The Music Center, Welch Music and Magic Valley Mall.

Fighting demon rum

Young city struggles to regulate saloon keepers

Life was tough for saloon owners in early Twin Falls. They soon learned - as the editor of the *News* put it - that "the law is mightier than the corkscrew."

It was, after all, a time of fervent prohibitionist sentiment - the Prohibition Party had selected a fellow with the unfortunate name of Silas C. Swallow to run for President in 1904; temperance crusader Carry Nation had been smashing saloons with her hatchet for the past four years; and the Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) was, just then, the largest women's organization in the country.

And with good reason. Drunkenness and alcoholism were all too common in that era of rude living conditions and low wages.

Almost from the beginning, our new little town had two flourishing taverns - Robert Jones' Palace at the corner of Main and Third Street South, and the Headquarters Saloon and Restaurant at Shoshone Street and Second Avenue East.

The Headquarters - known to its patrons as the "Buckler of Blood" - was owned by George Bassett and leased to S.G. Hamburg. As one man said, the building was "not exactly an architectural beauty, but it had its place in the upbuilding of Twin Falls." Later sentimental old-timers would recall the days when they "trudged through the dust to the Headquarters for their meals." And their booze.

Bassett was the first to run afoul of the law. On Feb. 22, 1905, a district judge issued a warrant ordering officers of the court to search the Headquarters for gambling devices operating in violation of the Idaho penal code, and to seize any such devices found. That evening, Deputy Sheriff F.E. Ramsay executed the warrant and took from the saloon's basement a collection of gaming tables, cards and other items. The next morning, as ordered by the judge, the impounded materials were piled on a bed of sagebrush and burned in the presence of a large crowd.

By this time the number of saloons in town had grown to six, and county authorities decided to take action to rein them in. A state law, passed a few months earlier, prohibited the selling of liquor within five miles of the construction of public works employing more than 25 men. In March 1905, the same district judge who had ordered the gambling raid, C.B. Taylor, had all six saloon owners arrested for breaking the five-mile rule. The judge maintained that the canals being dug near Twin Falls constituted a public work.

On April 13, 1905, while the bar owners awaited trial, Twin Falls was finally incorporated as a village. Six days later, the saloon owners were tried. They all pled guilty, but, since Twin Falls was then incorporated and in the five-mile law



The Twin Falls WCTU destroys liquor in 1922, during Prohibition.

Photo courtesy of Twin Falls Public Library



TALES OF THE TRACT James Varley



W. L. 'Billy' Coltharp's saloon in Hagerman was typical of the era. Here, some off the 'boys' show off. Perhaps the bartender is pretending to be Carry Nation.

Photo courtesy of Twin Falls Public Library



Photo courtesy of Kansas State Historical Society
Carry Nation

no longer applied, they were fined only token amounts. The trustees got right down to the work of passing ordinances and devising ways to raise money with which to run their new village. An ordinance was issued on April 24 that fixed saloon licenses at the price of \$2,000 per year. It also prohibited gambling and required saloons to close between

midnight and 7 a.m., and all day on Sunday. Women weren't allowed to enter them after 7 p.m.

The defiant saloon keepers refused to pay the exorbitant license fee and threatened to lobby for revocation of the village incorporation. Accordingly, all six were arrested for selling liquor without licenses. After one of them was tried on May 20 and found guilty, both sides agreed to a compromise. The trustees would amend the saloon license ordinance so as to enable applicants to pay for their licenses in quarterly installments, instead of paying the entire \$2,000 in a lump sum. And, the charges would be dropped if the defendants obtained licenses.

The saloon keepers agreed to obtain licenses on the quarterly system, but they would test the validity of the saloon ordinance and, in the event they succeeded in having it set aside, their money would be refunded. The saloon ordinance was never set aside, but in December 1906, the trustees reduced the cost of licenses to \$1,000 per year. Even with this reduction, 37 percent of 1907 village income came from liquor license sales.

James Varley's newspaper columns will be collected in a book titled "Tales of the Tract: The Beginnings of Twin Falls, Idaho and the 'Magic Valley,'" to be released May 1.


The WCTU

The Women's Christian Temperance Union was founded in 1874, with the goal of eliminating liquor consumption. In June 1906, the organization's state president, Adaline Garlock, came with her husband to live in Twin Falls. Within two weeks she had a local chapter up and running with more than 50 members, many of whom were Filer residents.

But, rather, concerned themselves with such peaceful tasks as running a reform school ministry, distributing temperance literature, and lobbying political entities. Schoolgirls often attended the weekly meetings. A Silver Medal contest at Filer, in 1906, was won by an eighth-grade student, Elsie Hubbell, for her recitation, "The Drunkard's Blow."

The YMCA

The Young Men's Christian Association was another organization involved in the battle against booze. At the time, it was a part of the business and social life of nearly every city in North America, providing reading rooms, gymnasiums and a wholesome place for young men to gather. The Twin Falls YM was formed at a meeting in the Christian Church in late November 1905. Using donations, a reading room was established in the basement of a downtown building in January 1906. With 100 books, it became, in effect, Twin Falls' first library. Various pastors lectured there on subjects such as "The Liquor Business."



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