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A daring rescue

Saudi commandos end shooting rampage

The Associated Press

KHOBAR, Saudi Arabia — Helicopter-borne Saudi commandos drove al-Qaida militants from an expatriate housing complex in the kingdom's oil hub Sunday, ending a shooting and hostage-taking spree that left 22 dead — most of them foreigners.

At least one American was killed in the worst terror attack on Saudi soil in a year and the second this month to target its oil industry. A statement Sunday attributed to al-Qaida's chief in the Saudi region said the violence aimed to punish the kingdom for its oil dealings with the United States and to drive "crusaders" from "the land of Islam."

The 25-hour rampage started

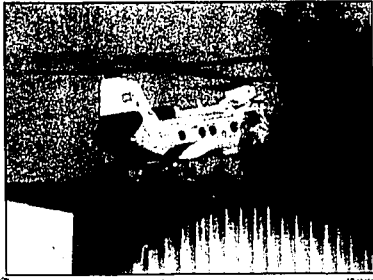
Saturday morning when militants dressed in military-style uniforms opened fire inside two oil industry office compounds in the Gulf city of Khobar and engaged in a shootout with Saudi guards. They then moved up the street to the Oasis, an upscale resort and residence with apartments, villas and hotels, where they took 45-60 hostages.

Saudi security stormed the building early Sunday morning after they found out that the hostages were being harmed, said Jamal Khashoggi, an adviser to Saudi Arabia's embassy in London.

"Intervention then became necessary," he said.

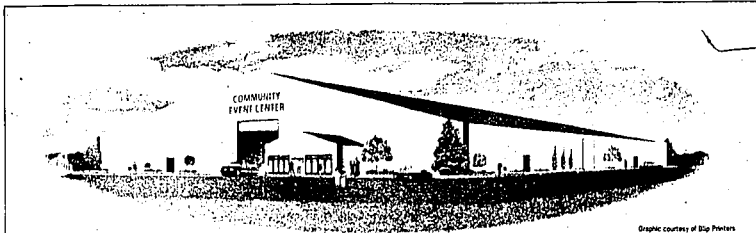
The commandos freed 41

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Saudi security forces exit a helicopter onto the roof of a housing compound, where gunmen were holding hostages in Khobar, Saudi Arabia Sunday in this image taken from TV. Security forces ended the siege and freed the hostages.

A FAIR PROPOSAL



Graphic courtesy of Big Pictures

The board's plan

The Twin Falls County Fair Board would like to build a \$2.8 million, 66,000-square-foot multi-purpose building that could be used year-round for livestock events, soccer games, motor sports

shows, trade shows, fund-raisers, concerts and other events. County residents will vote in November on a \$2.75 million bond issue to help build the facility.

Backers: Building would generate money

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

FILER — A new, year-round multipurpose building at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds would benefit not only the fairgrounds, but local businesses and organizations as well, supporters say.

According to the Fair Board's business plan on the project, Twin Falls County businesses would realize an economic impact of \$1 million in 2006 — the year the \$2.8 million building would open — climbing to \$10 million, in 2015, according to the Fair Board's business plan.

The fairgrounds itself would see almost \$10,000 in net revenue from the multipurpose center in 2006 and almost \$170,000 in net revenue in 2015, money that could be

A chance to learn more

The Twin Falls County Fair Board will hold a public meeting on its plans for a new multipurpose building at 7:30 p.m. Thursday inside the KHMV Community Room at 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

used to repair and maintain fairgrounds buildings. And people would have a new place large enough — 1.5 acres under one roof — to hold everything from livestock events to soccer games, graduation ceremonies, trade shows and concerts.

"People will be able to attend things here that they would normally have to travel to Salt Lake or Boise to attend," Fair

Manager John Pitz said.

And being open year-round, the new building could be the site of concerts, monster truck shows and BMX events even in the dead of winter.

In November, the Fair Board will seek the help of county voters to build the new facility by asking them to approve a \$2.75 million bond issue. The board plans the first in a series of public meetings on the proposal Thursday.

"The multipurpose center would provide an all-weather venue for businesses while boosting the local economy, supporters of the idea say. "Rather than having people going out of town to spend their money, you'll have people bringing their money here," Pitz said. "It will keep local dollars local."

The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce has wholeheartedly endorsed the plan.

"We think it's just the best thing we've got going for a multipurpose facility that will serve not only the business community in the area, but also the opportunity for outside events coming in," chamber executive Kent Just said. "We're very much behind it."

The need for the new building is simple, fair officials say. The fairgrounds buildings are aging. Most of the structures were built in the 1930s and '40s and are in danger of closure due to compliance problems with state and federal building and electrical codes. Revenue from a new building would help fund future capital improvements.

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Saudis try to reassure oil execs

The Associated Press

LONDON — Saudi officials sought Sunday to reassure foreign oil executives — and prevent a dramatic rise in crude prices — after the lethal attack on two compounds housing offices and homes of expatriates working in the country's most important industry.

The weekend rampage by gunmen that killed at least 10 people in the Saudi city of Khobar has the second such attack in less than a month. Saudi officials and foreign analysts voiced concern that it might frighten some would-be investors and oil service company employees from doing business in Saudi Arabia.

At the same time, they worried that the attack — which killed an American oil man, a British oil company executive and an Iraqi cook — might inflame fears about political stability there and drive oil prices higher when trading resumes on futures markets later in the week.

U.S. crude prices eased last week to less than \$40 per barrel after Saudi Arabia assured major importing nations that it would boost its production and urge its OPEC partners to do likewise.

Futures exchanges in New York and London would be closed for holidays on Monday, delaying the market response. "There's bound to be a bump in prices," said Yasser Elgendy of New York-based MetLife Global Advisors. However, the three-day weekends in the United States and Britain should give markets more time to digest the events in Saudi Arabia and help temper any panicked response, he said by telephone from Cairo.

In spite of the ferocity of the attacks in Khobar, oil companies are used to dealing in environments that are even more hostile and threatening, such as parts of Africa and Central Asia. Analysts said the attack and seizure of hostages in Khobar was unlikely to trigger a mass departure of expatriates from the kingdom.

Small towns bear large war burden, says paper

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Nearly half of the roughly 800 Americans who have died supporting U.S.-led operations in Iraq came from small towns, a newspaper reported Sunday.

After analyzing military records of 798 Americans killed in Iraq as of Wednesday, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch said 46 percent of them were from communities of less than 40,000 residents at least 25 miles from a populated place of 100,000 or more. The figures include accidental and non-combat related deaths.

Such small towns make up only about 27 percent of the population, but they have claimed nearly as many war dead as the metropolitan areas that make up the other 73 percent.

Men and women from rural areas disproportionately enlist to continue a family history of military service, escape small-town life or flee economic depression areas that offer little hope, according to experts.

Often, high school graduates with limited options are drawn to the military by its economic packages.

"Whether it's for money for college or just a way to make a living, (inductees) are looking at the money," said Army Staff Sgt. William M. Cox, a recruiter in

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The Associated Press

HAMLIN, N.Y. — After 10 days parked in bird-loud woods near the Lake Ontario shore, John Gerfen will pump 75 gallons of gasoline into his motor home this Memorial Day weekend, drive to his retirement home in Florida and try to keep his wanderlust in check.

"We have no plans to move any place until gas prices come down," said Gerfen, 74, strolling around Hamlin Beach State Park while his wife, Muruvvet, took a nap. "At campsites, the three gripes I hear are fuel prices, the national debt and Iraq. Fuel prices are at the top."

Of all the motorists upset about high gas prices, recreational-vehicle owners pay a particularly heavy toll. Gerfen gets just 8 miles a gallon in his 37-foot-long behemoth — for years his solution to roving coast-to-coast in comfort and keeping property taxes at bay.

Only now, the gas needle is drooping left, and he's running low on cash.

The tenacity with which RV enthusiasts adhere to their freewheeling lifestyle isn't likely to be shaken, industry officials say, because gas accounts for only a portion of their costs. In



John Gerfen, and his wife, Muruvvet, of Port St. Lucie, Fla., talk about the high gas prices while sitting in their recreational vehicle at Hamlin Beach State Park in Hamlin, N.Y., Friday.

particular, those poised for a long-planned getaway probably won't change gear now.

But with pump prices peaking at a nationwide average of \$2.06 a gallon, quite a few might rethink their summer schedule — maybe by keeping closer to home, eating out less or even postponing a trip.

"If you can delay your trip to Aunt Minnie's house for six months, then you might as well because it'll maybe be better then," said David Humphreys,

president of the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association, the \$12 billion-a-year industry's trade group in Reston, Va.

Any RVers who have made arrangements "will say 'By God, we're going,'" he said. "Some may make some minor adjustments but, for most people, it's not an issue."

Mention gas prices to Mario Gatti — proud owner of a 22-foot Allegro he bought in 1984 — and the Italian immigrant throws a look of disgust. "Re-

ce-al bad! I fill it up — 200 bucks!" exclaimed the retired Xerox Corp. copier parts inspector.

Gatti, 72, who lives in nearby Rochester, burns 150 gallons driving to and from his favorite campground in Virginia Beach, Va., each summer, and he isn't backing out now.

"I'm thinking a lot of people say you stay home," he said. "If you enjoy, it's worth (it) to spend. It's \$30 a day to camp. In a motel, you pay double."

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Fair to partly cloudy with near average temperatures... Tonight: Scattered clouds with quiet conditions... Tomorrow: Sunny and pleasant

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Today: Scattered clouds and mostly dry... Tonight: Dry with mostly clear skies... Tomorrow: Sunny and mild

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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U.V. INDEX

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IDAHO'S FORECAST

Map of Idaho with weather forecasts for various regions like Sun Valley, Boise, and Northern Utah.

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP showing weather fronts across the United States.

Bush keeps Saddam's pistol as war trophy

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Bush keeps a trophy of one of his high points in the Iraq war, the pistol that Saddam Hussein held when soldiers pulled him from his underground hideaway.

Small

Continued from A1. Klamath Falls, Ore., a town of just under 20,000 residents. The newspaper said Orangeburg, S.C., lost three young men in the war.

Fair

Continued from A1. The board had considered putting the bond issue on last Tuesday's primary ballot, but decided it was best to take more time to educate the community.

Rescue

Continued from A1. Hostages, the Saudi Interior Ministry said. The Saudi ambassador to Bahrain, Turki al-Faisal, told the BBC that the bodies of nine hostages had been found on the premises when forces went in.

Small

The attack marks a fresh challenge to efforts by the kingdom to crack down on Islamic militants. There also were concerns the attack could drive up oil prices.

Multipurpose plans

Here are some details of the Twin Falls County Fair Board's proposed 66,000-square-foot multipurpose building: Estimated cost: \$2.8 million.

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President flies on taxpayers' dime

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is using Air Force One for re-election travel more heavily than any predecessor, wringing maximum political mileage from a perk of office paid for by taxpayers.

While Democratic rival John Kerry digs into his campaign bank account to charter a plane to roam the country, Bush often travels at no cost to his campaign simply by declaring a trip "official" travel rather than "political."

Even when the White House deems a trip as political, the cost to Bush's campaign is minimal. In such instances, the campaign must only pay the government the equivalent of a comparable first-class fare for each political traveler on each leg, Federal Election Commission guidelines say.

Usually, that means paying a few hundred or a few thousand dollars for the president and a handful of aides. It's a minuscule sum, compared to the \$56,800-per-hour the Air Force estimates it costs to run Air Force One.

It is an advantage that Bush and other presidents before him have enjoyed. President Clinton frequently was criticized by Republicans for his record-setting use of Air Force One in the campaign season, and Bush is exceeding Clinton's pace.

"It's really something that's abused," said Bill Allison, managing editor of the Center for Public Integrity, a nonprofit government watchdog group.

"On the one hand, the presi-



dent can't fly coach," Allison said. "But on the other hand, taxpayers are in essence subsidizing campaign trips, something that goes against the grain of how the political system is supposed to operate."

The White House says it is following both the law and tradition in deciding which events are official, and thus paid for by taxpayers.

"Federal election laws set forth clear guidelines as to how costs should be incurred, and consistent with decades of past practices, we strictly adhere to those guidelines," said White House spokeswoman Erin Healy.

Bush has logged more than 68,000 miles this year on Air Force One, all within the continental United States except for a quick run to Mexico in January. With rare exceptions, he confines his travels to the more than a dozen states he and Kerry are fighting hardest for, and to places where he is raising campaign money.

Of those states, Bush has made five trips to Pennsylvania, four each to Missouri, Florida and Ohio, and three to Wisconsin.

He also has flown to 24 fundraisers for himself and the Republican Party.

Poll picks Bush for barbecues

WASHINGTON — But do they know his drinks non-alcoholic beer and hogs the cobble? Americans, by 59 percent to 39 percent, would "rather have a backyard barbecue" with Bush than Democratic challenger John F. Kerry, according to a poll by Quinnipiac University.

In brief: But voters would rather have Kerry teach their children, the poll found. Bush outdid Kerry in the question of which man they would rather have run their business.

Official hints that troops work harder for GOP

WASHINGTON — President Bush's secretary of veterans affairs took an unusual foray into politics last week when he suggested that U.S. troops shoot straighter for Republican presidents.

"I think our active military respond better to Republicans because of the ideals we believe in and because of the tremendous support that President Bush and previous Republican presidents provide for our military and our veterans," Secretary Anthony Principi ventured Thursday afternoon in a chat on the Bush campaign's Website.

That unorthodox assertion emerged when Principi was asked by Lars Thernstrom of Philadelphia: "Why do you think troops, in general, respond better to Republican as opposed to Democratic leadership?"

Democratic National Committee spokesman Jano Cabrera said it is wrong to say troops "put partisanship before duty."

— compiled from wire reports

Bush leads Kerry in new Ohio poll

CLEVELAND (AP) — President Bush leads Democratic rival John Kerry in the key swing state of Ohio in a three-way matchup that includes independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader, a new poll shows.

Republican Bush was at 47 percent, followed by Kerry at 41 percent and Nader at 3 percent

among registered voters surveyed by Mason-Dixon Polling and Research for The Plain Dealer. Results were released late Saturday.

Nine percent of voters were undecided.

Bush's lead came although about half in the poll expressed disapproval of his handling of the economy, found to be the

No. 1 issue among Ohio voters. The state is one of several in the region to lose manufacturing jobs under Bush, while Kerry has made the jobs issue central to his White House campaign.

These latest results come two weeks after an American Research Group poll of 600 likely voters found Kerry had

edged ahead of Bush in the state, 49 percent to 42 percent, with Nader at 2 percent.

Bush won Ohio in 2000 by 4.4 percentage points.

The Mason-Dixon Polling telephone survey of 1,500 registered voters was conducted May 20-25, and has a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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Gunmen target civilian convoys

Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Gunmen targeting caravans of four-wheel-drive vehicles killed at least three people Sunday, and cheering bystanders doused two of the bullet-riddled SUVs with gasoline and set them ablaze, according to Iraqi police and witnesses. The attacks, the latest in a spate of ambushes targeting foreigners, came as a tentative cease-fire between occupation forces and fighters loyal to radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr threatened to unravel. U.S. troops and the cleric's militiamen reportedly engaged in a major firefight in the city of Kut after the troops moved to secure an ambushed police station. The military reported that two soldiers were wounded in the fighting.

The more violent of the two ambushes on civilian convoys Sunday occurred at dusk near a highway overpass in north Baghdad.

Attackers fired machine guns at a convoy of up to four British civilian vehicles, sending the vehicles swerving into highway dividers and causing two of them to smash head-on into each other.

The accounts of police and witnesses varied widely. But police said at least one Iraqi security guard and an Iraqi bystander were killed.

Study: Love helps kids overcome poverty

Knight Ridder News Service

MILWAUKEE — Children who are outgoing and receive lots of love and support from their mothers are better equipped to overcome the negative effects of poverty, a new study shows. The combination, though not surprising, suggests that genetics and motherly love can work together to fight against poverty, allowing many children to dodge emotional setbacks and potential conduct problems.

"The main point of the research is that neither genes nor poverty can determine a child's fate," said Julia Kim-Cohen, study co-author and a postdoctoral fellow in psychology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Institute of Psychiatry at King's College in London.

"Many children, and parents, use their natural talents and abilities to turn lemons into lemonade," she said.

But the results raise another, more basic question that has intrigued many researchers for decades: Why do some people escape adversity relatively unscathed while others seem to get hit by every bad thing it has to offer?

"It's been clear for a number of years that individuals contribute to their own outcomes and that we're not just the passive beneficiaries or victims of fate," said Mark Sims, professor of pediatrics at the Medical College of Wisconsin and the director of the child development center at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.

"Fortunately or unfortunately, some people start out with a little more than others, but within these parameters, there are things that people can do to modify their situations."

For the study, researchers analyzed responses from 1,116 mothers with 5-year-old same-sex twins to determine the impact of hereditary traits and environment on children's cognitive and behavioral resilience to poverty.

Many of the participants in England and Wales were single parents, lived in unaffordable housing, were unemployed, had little or no education and had no access to cars.

Tornadoes rip through Missouri, Indiana

WEATHERBY, Mo. (AP) — Thunderstorms continued battering the Midwest on Sunday, killing one person in a southern Indiana town after three people in Missouri were killed by a tornado the night before.

At least eight people were injured by the weekend's tornadoes, which also ripped through parts of Nebraska and Kansas, where high wind was blamed for two highway deaths.

In Marengo, Ind., about 35 miles northwest of Louisville, Ky., witnesses reported a tornado that toppled trees, making roads impassable. One person was killed in the storm, said Alden Taylor of the Indiana Emergency Management Agency, but he had no further details.

High wind also destroyed homes and businesses in the town of about 1,000 people.

"It's pretty well devastated," said Ralph Seacat, an emergency management director. "Roofs off of houses and trees down everywhere."

A tornado reported in Spencer, about 50 miles south-west of Indianapolis, sent about 30 people scrambling to find cover in a gas station bathroom.

The twister "jumped over our store and touched down on the road in front of us. I was freakin' out," said Billie Jo Roecker,



Connie Halbauer holds her dog, Angol, while looking at her storm-ravaged home Sunday in Marengo, Ind.

assistant manager of the Speedway gas station.

Spencer's tornado was not immediately confirmed, but strong winds sent trees and power lines crashing to the ground all over town, Spencer Fire Chief Hick Shields said.

On Saturday night, a tornado

hit northwest Missouri near the town of Weatherby, killing two women in a house and a man whose mobile home had been ripped from its base. Two children the man had tucked underneath him survived, Daviess County Sheriff Kevin Heidenbrand said.

The children and two others from the women's home were taken to Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, where three were listed in critical condition and one was in serious condition, hospital spokeswoman Jennifer Benz said.

gist with the National Weather Service, said tornadoes were reported in six other Missouri counties, including one in Platte County that appeared a quarter-mile wide on video footage.

The National Weather Service issued tornado warnings in counties across Missouri throughout the day, but there were no immediate reports of confirmed sightings or touchdowns. Authorities in Linn County reported a funnel cloud early Sunday afternoon near Purdin, about 90 miles northeast of Kansas City.

In Kansas, high wind was blamed for two deaths in separate accidents Saturday on Interstate 70 in northwest Kansas, including that of state Sen. Stan Clark, R-Oakley. Clark was killed when his car was run-ended by a tractor-trailer after the wind blew dust that cut visibility, the Kansas Highway Patrol said.

Severe weather also swept through Nebraska, including at least two tornadoes in the southern part of the state. Two people jogging in Omaha on Saturday were seriously injured by a lightning strike, authorities said.

The storms knocked out electricity to thousands of customers in Nebraska and Oklahoma, but much of the power was restored by Sunday.

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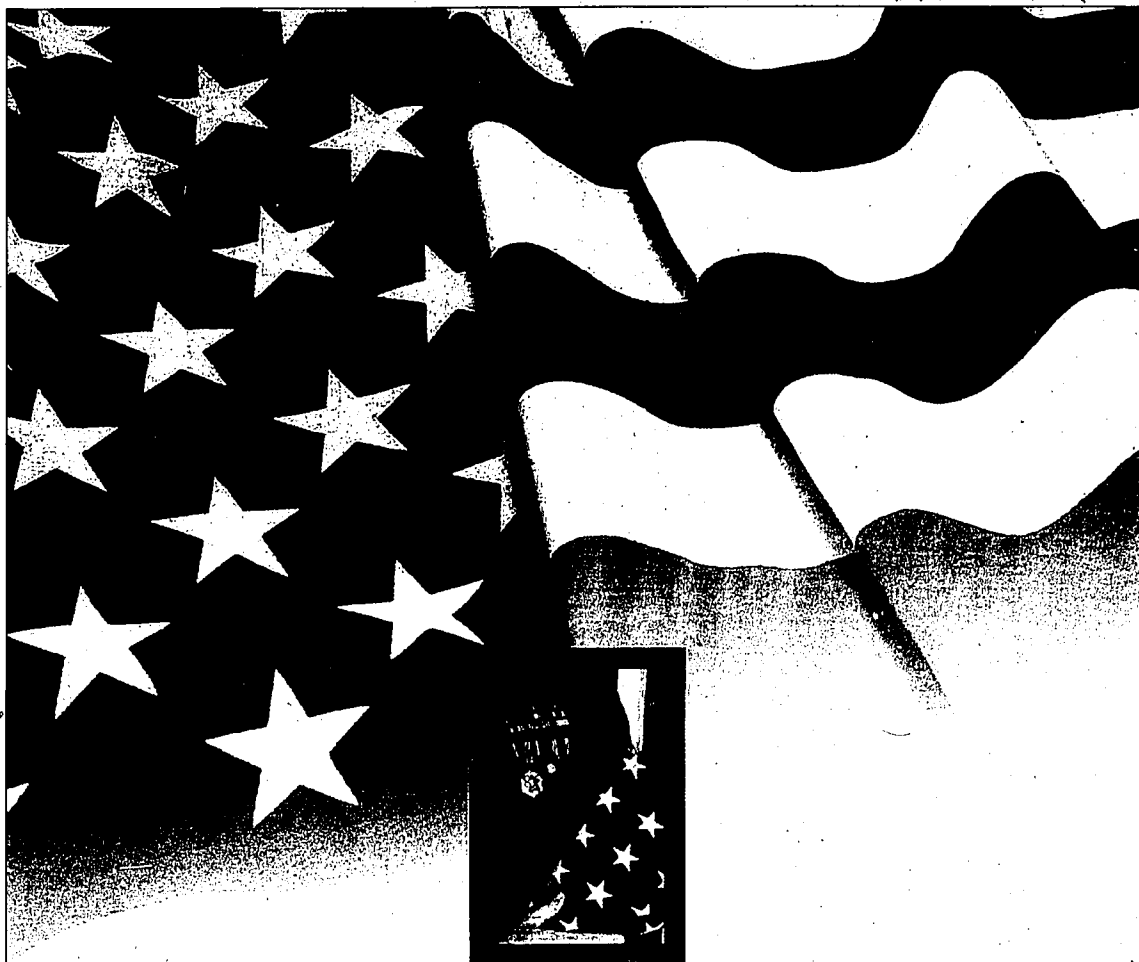


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OTHER VIEWS

Public needs education on historic water deal

Idaho State Journal (Pocatello)

The water deal consummated a couple of weeks ago by various parties is trumpeted as historic, a milestone, extraordinary. If it eventually wins approval of Congress, the Idaho Legislature and the

Their view: This

guest editorial from the Idaho State Journal in Pocatello says Idahoans need more details on the state's Nez Perce water pact.

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

farmers who pump water out of the Snake and irrigate lands on the high plateaus in the area could be forced to dry up tens of thousands of acres, Barker writes.

What's in it for the water users who have priority rights dating back more than a century to use the Snake water? For one thing, the Bureau of Reclamation

proposes to pay some farmers for their water rights. How much? Figures range all the way from \$14.55 in Water District 1 in eastern Idaho to \$35 to \$50 per acre foot for water it leases from farmers who pump water between Buhl and Murphy, Norm Sema

executive director of the Idaho Water Users Association, says the agreement gives irrigators certainty they will have water in the future.

Because it took more than a decade to reach the agreement finally forged in Boise on May 15, we should not expect the remaining obstacles to be easily overcome. The Idaho Legislature, for one, will have to be convinced the canal companies and irrigation districts serving more than 1.5 million acres of farms growing vital crops are not put in jeopardy before it signs on to the Nez Perce deal.

But the courts have said the treaty of 1855 guaranteeing tribal rights remains in effect, and the Endangered Species Act is applicable to salmon. Those are big clubs.

What Idaho needs most at this point is some education for all concerned, especially the Legislature. This agreement may indeed be historic, a milestone and extraordinary, but unless it also is completely understood, it will go back to the drawing board for perhaps another decade. Tell us more.

Memories of sacrifice and selflessness

Monuments are tricky. One hopes that art and architecture combine to capture the essence of an individual or the sentiment of the essence of the horror and sacrifice of war. Most fall in some measure.

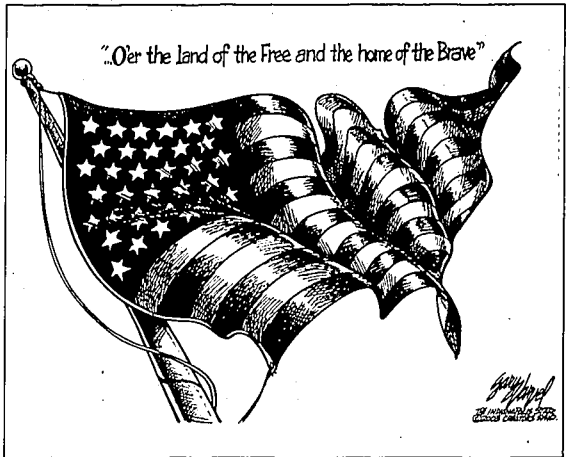
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Washington is full of monuments, that are mostly ignored: the Civil War Nurses Memorial, the Titanic Memorial and the Boy Scouts Memorial, to name a few. The Lincoln Memorial broods over all and symbolizes the clash in monuments between the neoclassical and the romantic.

But it is the Vietnam Veterans Memorial that has raised the monumental bar. Emotional and evocative, it speaks to the division that war created. For the veterans, it is the recognition of blood and heroism denied to them in their homecoming. To opponents of that war, it is an indictment of it.

Now, belatedly, comes the World War II Memorial, nestled in the middle of one of the greatest city vistas anywhere: the National Mall. To reduce the cataclysm of that war, which affected every corner of the globe, to stone and water may be an undertaking too far.

The architect, Friedrich St. Florian, has been brave and bold. But in the judgment of many, particularly architecture critics, he has fallen short. It is almost as though he approached his work with so much sensitivity to concerns about the memorial that he has drained it of any emotion. It has been called stiff and sterile. The columns, marking the



states and territories that contributed 16 million men and women, are stark. They edify without capturing the human dimension of that great struggle.

In time we will come to love this permanent addition to the Washington landscape, just as we have come to love the Washington Monument, which scarcely captures George Washington and does not make it as great architecture.

What is important this Memorial Day weekend is that it has focused the nation once more on sacrifice and selflessness. Between the advertisements for car sales and store discounts, we are remembering those who died — many too young to vote and

too young to have known love.

I went to the World War II Memorial hoping that I would find an echo of my father and his friends, who survived the war but never quite got over it. I found my echo in the old men of the "greatest generation" acknowledging each other — some still sprightly, some confined to wheelchairs.

They were satisfied and solemn; having been forgotten, they are now remembered. And the spirit of their generation and their time is enshrined in the heart of their nation's capital.

We should be rebuked by them; rebuked for mislaying the everyday spirit of duty and sacrifice of the 1940s.

Young men lied about their

ages, their health and their family commitments to do their bit for the war effort. For those who are still with us, this is a weekend of sentiment and majesty — a celebration of the human spirit ascendant.

I found the memorial, for all its dancing fountains, dry and empty.

But in the end, I am much more glad of it than I am critical. Glad because we can raise people of such humble, noble selflessness, and they are remembered.

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Graying heroes remember the battles

Another Memorial Day, another war, more dead and wounded to remember, but can we just say a word about World War II? The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Dec. 7, 1941, plunged the United States into what we knew was a just war.

When we were first discharged, we were happy to leave the memories all behind.

Fifty years passed; Tom Brokaw called the 50th anniversary of the Normandy landings and published extensive stories of veterans in a book he called "The Greatest Generation." He told of how most veterans were reluctant to talk of their heroic times in battle. He told of how our generation weathers the Great Depression, answered the call to arms and defeated the two greatest dictators the world had ever seen.

The hardships, the privations, the wounded lying for hours with great blood loss. The hardest to bear, the 19-year-old mortally wounded by German shell fire crying for his mother.

For 50 years we talked little of it. It's different now; we are out of the closet. We are answering taps at the rate of 1,000 a day. We write each other, we attend division reunions, we grieve that we just missed by days, contacting a long lost buddy before his decease. We comfort wives, kids and grandkids.

Looking back over our lives and times, we agree with Brokaw; but never do we put ourselves up as a special people. We simply did what fell our lot. We are proud of our record but never haughty.

We are old men and women now. Please support our organizations and let's contribute to society, for we love America. Sometimes we go for a Keenex at something graphic on TV or a phrase of a lo Stafford song.

It was the music we took to the foxhole with us in snow-

smothered Alsace or a thousand other places where our comrades fell in battle.

We feel for one another as never before. There has come a bonding among us that time can never erase. We feel for our men and women in Iraq as no others can. We know it is a team effort, now and then.

I hope you will read our stories, for they are a part of the history of these United States. Above all else, may I remind us all to pray for our men and women and our leaders in the Iraq war.

H.E. (GENE) POLLARD
Jerome

Harsh judgments of rape felons is unfair

I'm appalled at the attitudes shown in the letters of people who are harshly judging the young men convicted under Idaho's rape law.

Obviously, these people have no heart and feelings and are into quick to judge. It is odd that people who do not know the cases and circumstances are even writing.

I suppose that, for some, this issue won't ever hit home until it happens to someone whom they love and care about.

However, it's very likely that a young man in their family has dated a girl that is a minor. Do you people realize that a 17-year-old boy could be convicted of rape (there is no statutory rape law in Idaho) for having a consensual relationship with his 17-year-old girlfriend?

He will then be forced into a sickening child-molester therapy. He is now a felony rapist; his life is stripped of all dignity and rights, possibly forever.

Yes, this may be the law, but this law is not right, period. Many on the Legislature agree, as a more rational law is being considered.

Parents may think that their kids are too well-behaved to have sex at a young age.

Being a young girl and a senior in high school, I've got news for them. A good majority of girls and boys my age are choosing to engage in sexual relationships.

They just hide it from their parents. Some of these boys have already turned 18 while their girlfriends are still 17.

I don't think that girls can possibly realize the full extent of how much trouble their boyfriends could get into. Many of these girls started engaging in sexual relationships with boyfriends when they were only 15. Bude awakening, but true.

If my rape law was applied to every boy at my school that is having sex, the jails and prisons would be full of just young boys. Also, don't let the innocent "I don't know what I am doing" young girl portrayal fool you. Girls always mentally mature faster than the boys.

A 17-year-old girl could be a lot wiser than her 17- or 18-year-old boyfriend. It is unfortunate that the young men prosecuted couldn't have lived in a state with more common sense.

Hopefully, their stories will help get this law changed so that not one other boy has to endure the nightmare that this law has created.

ALYSA KOWITZ
Pocatello

State unfairly delays some adoptions

I am writing about the injustice done to those with large families who try to adopt other children.

I am the oldest of 12, soon to be 13, children — the only problem being that the State Department of Health and Welfare would like to stop our chances from getting the 13th child.

I am 16, and I await the day for my sister to come.

This might not happen if the state has its way and crypts us on June 8, 2004, at 8:30 a.m.

I have spent almost all year planning the things my sister and I will do this summer, and now because of the crippling Health and Welfare wants us to do, none of these goals can be achieved.

This spring vacation we all traveled down to Texas to visit her. We immediately bonded and became close friends. I can't imagine living the rest of my life without her as my sister.

How would you feel if you lost one of your siblings; it isn't fun. We immediately bonded and became close friends. I can't imagine living the rest of my life without her as my sister.

I thought that we were trying to get children out of foster care, but maybe I am wrong. If you look at the Magic Valley alone, there are more than 500 foster children out there waiting to be adopted. Why shouldn't the Health and Welfare system be thankful that we are trying to adopt?

I don't understand this any better than anyone else does. I just want other people to be aware of what the State Department of Health and Welfare is doing to the children in foster care.

SHANEEN MCDANIEL
Dietrich

Lively's effort on animal shelter appreciated

I just wanted to write a quick note to let everyone in the Magic Valley know how proud of my father, Russ Lively, I am. I am proud of how he and the rest of the Magic Valley pulled together to complete the new animal shelter. It is people like you and all who participated that remind us of how a community should be.

Thank you again, Magic Valley, for your support of my father and the new animal shelter.

BILL LIVELY
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Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



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OPINION



Victory should be the only goal

It may seem to be a radical idea, but why not use every means possible — without politically correct detours — to win the war against terrorism?

Our victory in World War II was not achieved by trying to win the hearts and minds of Germans and Japanese. We did not dominate the newsreels with pictures of those things a few American troops did to captured enemies. We did not call for an end to domestic profiling. We did not demonstrate against our military involvement. There was not the outrageous political complaint that "I support the troops but oppose the war."

Instead of all that, we bombed our enemies to submission with all the power and weaponry we had available. After our costly invasion of Europe, with immense U.S. casualties, the atomic bomb was ready — and to prevent another invasion, we used it on Japan. Today, we justifiably call those Americans of the 1940s "the Greatest Generation."

During those years of war, there was one issue winning the war by demanding absolute and unconditional surrender of our enemies. Other issues were put aside as luxuries that would be reserved for a later time: there was not a simultaneous cry for saving the environment and a demand for creating more jobs and an insistence on government-provided health care and lower costs for prescription drugs.

But in the 1960s came the Vietnam War, along with its battles televised to American

BRUCE
HERSCHENSOHN

living rooms. Since that war, too many Americans have insisted only on fast wars with few casualties. They all had to be something like the invasion of Grenada or the liberation of Kuwait.

But if we want to win the war against terrorism we must accept a lengthy war with many casualties, because the consequences of defeat will mean our future generations will be left to lifetimes of fear.

If we lose this war, we will be on the road back to the Middle Ages.

The devil with winning the hearts and minds of enemies who believe in primitive and uncivilized governments while being taught to hate the United States.

The devil with allowing privileged sanctuaries for the enemy as we did during much of the Vietnam War. Now privileged sanctuaries provide safety not for the North Vietnamese army in Laos and Cambodia but for terrorists and their headquarters and safe houses and training centers in Syria and Lebanon and Iran and Yemen and the West Bank and Gaza. And the devil with congressional commissions that do little more than bring aid and comfort to our enemies.

After the defeat in Southeast Asia, the peace achieved by the enemy cost more lives than the war.

This seems lost in history and intentionally lost in the memory of many Americans

who rallied against the war in Vietnam. More than a million "boat people" escaped the horrors of re-education camps in Vietnam, but it's estimated that half of them drowned in the South China Sea.

More than 2 million people lost their lives in the genocide of Cambodia's peace.

If we should lose this war on terrorism, Americans could march to re-education camps, others will become boat people and the U.S. will become a Western mirror of Cambodia's genocide.

In fairness, there is an alternative to our involvement in the war against terrorism, and that is to leave our fate to the international community under the United Nations.

Yes, the United Nations can bring about peace: the peace of the palace for the few in authority, the peace of subjugation for the many and the peace of mass graves for the courageous.

The only subject worthy of our national attention and the only pursuit that should be acceptable is total victory — no matter if others are offended or even destroyed.

I know this kind of thinking is not considered acceptable in 2004. But we better accept it — and quickly.

And if we make it our only cause and unconditional victory is achieved, our leadership and our troops and our homefront supporters of their mission will be known as another "Greatest Generation."

Bruce Herschensohn teaches foreign policy at the Pepperdine University School of Public Policy and is the author of "Passport."

Let's get rid of learning factories

The No Child Left Behind Act may be underfunded, but that is not what is wrong with it. Although it is a well-meaning attempt to bring up the lowest third of our students, its real problem is that it amplifies one of the worst aspects of American education: its mechanical, rote nature.

Early in the last century, foundations set up by industrialists helped design our schools to prepare children for factory lives. Kids were to live by the bell, move through schools as if on conveyor belts and, especially, learn to follow instructions. Then they could work in the rapidly proliferating factories.

But the descendants of these corporate barons have shipped those factories overseas. We have factory-based schools in an Information Age — and no factories. The innovative thinking we need to compete in the global economy is not on the agenda.

This factory-based approach, however, is locked in by political gridlock. The right believes in a back-to-the-basis form of

HUGH OSBORN
AND MARGARET
GAYLE

education with strict assessment. The No Child Left Behind Act, for instance, encourages rote learning by aligning highly specified lessons with mechanized tests.

The left, meanwhile, has been open to more enlightened forms of learning, but it also supports the teachers unions, which oppose school choice.

The outcome is the worst of both worlds: endless, mechanistic test prep and very limited choice. Our kids are paying the price, as seen in the 30 percent dropout rate.

We can do better than this. Here are three reasonable, common-sense principles on which to rebuild our school system:

• Engage the students. It is obvious that we learn when interested and motivated, and we don't learn — and are more likely to drop out — when we

are bored. This should shock nobody.

• Use the power of information technology. Our kids live on technology, which can supply not only the infrastructure for learning but also the spectacular learning techniques developed in the games market. Cognitive researchers are finding that games have become intense learning systems that don't rely on drilling and testing. Stripped of their violence, they are a central part of the solution.

• Get our kids into the real world. Activities must be designed that encourage expeditions to museums, libraries, parks and historical sites and get children involved in their communities. Kids must not be slaves to tests or their computer screens.

Hugh Osborn is an educational consultant; Margaret Gayle is executive director of the American Association for Gifted Children at Duke University.

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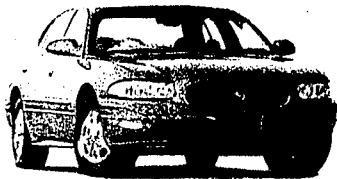


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AROUND THE VALLEY

BASE jumpers injured after fall

TWIN FALLS — Two BASE jumpers were injured Sunday afternoon in jumps off the Perrine Bridge, said Dee Silver, a supervisor at Southern Idaho Regional Communications, the regional dispatch center. BASE is an acronym for building, antenna, span and earth. The extreme sports enthusiasts jump with parachutes from tall structures, and the 466-foot drop from the Perrine Bridge is a favorite of jumpers from around the world. One jumper suffered a broken leg and the other suffered back injuries, Silver said. The first fall came in at 12:51 p.m. and the second fall came in at 4:43 p.m. Both jumpers were taken to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for treatment. No other details were available Sunday.

Authorities continue searching for girl

ELKO, Nev. — Nevada law enforcement officers and search and rescue units were still looking for a missing 11-year-old girl Sunday. A number of agencies joined together in the search for Kathleen Galindo, who was last seen hiking in Lamoille Canyon about noon Saturday, according to a news release from the Elko County Sheriff's Department. The girl has a mild form of autism but can communicate verbally. She is Caucasian with brown hair and is 4 feet-11 inches tall and slender in build. She was wearing blue jeans, a navy blue shirt with Winnie the Pooh on the front and a grey windbreaker jacket, the news release said. If you see a girl matching that description, call dispatch at 775-777-2591.

The Elko County Sheriff's Department initiated the search and rescue effort that involved about an off-duty personnel from the sheriff's department, Elko Police Department, Jiggs Volunteer Fire Department, Spring Creek Volunteer Fire Department, Nevada Division of Forestry, Elko Red Cross, Elko Ambulance, Elko County Sheriff's Office, Nevada State Police, Lee Engine Company, Elko Fire Department, El Aero Helicopter with pilot, Ted McBride, Elko Emergency Response Team, Carlin Police Department, Nevada Division of Investigation, Elko County Sheriff's Office, Spring Creek Security and many other volunteers...the news release said.

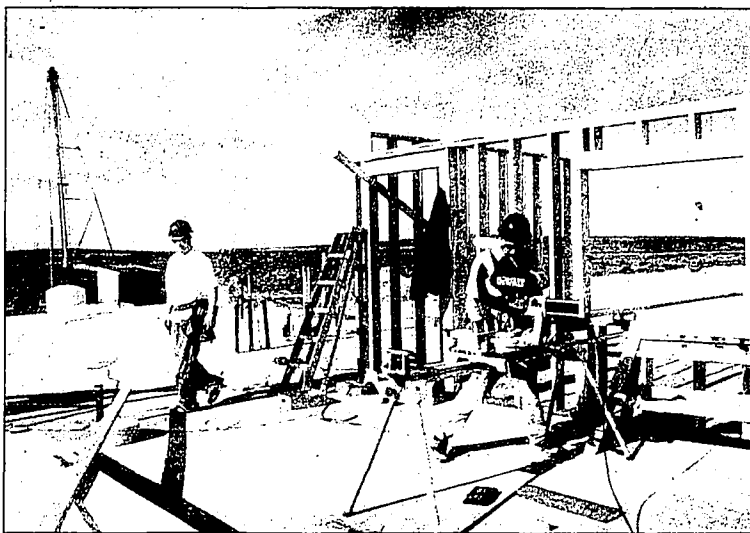
CSI offers workshop for potential students

TWIN FALLS — A back-to-school workshop is being offered by the Center for New Directions at the College of Southern Idaho. The workshop is for anyone considering taking full- or part-time college classes and are unsure of where to start or what resources are available. Participants will learn about the services available at CSI, financial aid resources and college procedures. They will explore the myths that prevent adults returning to college from reaching their goals. Class will be held from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Thursday, June 3 at the Center for New Directions. Admission is free. To register or for more information, call 732-6680 or (800) 680-0274, Ext. 6680.

Memorial dedication service slated today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Cemetery and Magic Valley Veterans and Auxiliary will host a memorial dedication service at 1:30 p.m. today at the Veterans War Memorial in the Garden of Honor and Valor at the cemetery on the corner of Kimberly Road and Eastland Drive. A "Support Our Troops Overseas" program, today is displayed at the cemetery entrance for people to sign today. The Mountain Home Air Force Base will send the scroll to troops overseas. For more information, call Twin Falls Cemetery and Burke's Magic Valley Funeral home at 735-0011.

FIRE WORK



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By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News correspondent

PAUL — Two new Bureau of Land Management fire stations are being built in Magic Valley — one north of Paul at Kimama and one at Carey. The identical stations, which will cost about \$850,000 each, are partly of the result of the severity of the 2000 fire season, which prompted Congress to pass the National Fire Plan in 2001, said Sky Huffaker, public affairs officer for BLM's south-central district.

The money is appropriated through the National Fire Plan, which states that this type of fire station, which BLM personnel

call "out stations" — will become a priority, she said.

The desert between Kimama and Carey contains about 1 million of the 2.8 million acres of land in the south-central district. During an average season the district fights about 150 fires where about 90,000 acres are burned, Huffaker said.

The desert fires typically are lightning-caused, she said. The new Kimama fire station will save firefighters about 45 minutes in response time.

From either Shoshone or Burley it takes between 30 to 45 minutes to get to the Kimama railroad crossing.

The new station is just north of the crossing at 600 W. and

1500 N. Virgil Miller, site supervisor for SE/Z, the general contractor, said the Kimama building would be 3,744 square feet and will contain 13 bedrooms and a kitchen and living area.

A 400-foot-deep domestic well also is being drilled to serve the needs of the facility, Miller said. SE/Z began work on the project April 5. The project is scheduled to be completed in August, Miller said.

The Kimama fire station is within a few miles of Hidden Valley, an area where 20,000 acres of BLM land was scorched by fire in 2000.

The BLM later sprayed Oust, a chemical for controlling weeds, on the scorched land. The wind might have blown the chemical onto adjacent farms, which spawned an \$800 million

lawsuit involving more than 100 farmers and ranchers against the federal government and Dupont. It is still being played out in court. The Kimama and Carey fire stations will each have at least two heavy engines and a minimum of 10 firefighters at all times throughout the fire season, Huffaker said.

The BLM will not hire more firefighters, but firefighters will instead be located at the more strategically placed fire stations, she said.

The buildings will not be completed in time to use for the 2004 fire season but will be used for the first time during the 2005 season, Huffaker said.

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Committee honors servicemen back from Iraq

TWIN FALLS — The Western Days Committee would like to honor the military, specifically any soldiers home from Iraq, at the Western Days kick-off celebration at 5 p.m. Friday at the Twin Falls City Park.

Any soldiers that are home from Iraq and any other military personnel are invited to come in uniform and join the celebration.

Cassia commissioners address parking issue

BURLEY — Cassia commissioners discussed potential ways to ease parking problems at the county courthouse during their Friday meeting.

Commissioner Dennis Crane suggested a memo could be sent to county employees encouraging them to park farther from entrances to free up the nearer spaces for customers.

"We need to take care of the people who take care of us," County Administrator Kerry

Magic Valley in brief

McMurray said.

Commissioner Paul Christensen said that if the alley between the courthouse and the law enforcement building and street parking on 15th Street were left open then it would meet the needs of visitors.

Weather has caused delays in the completion of the law enforcement buildings south lot, but several of those spaces will be needed to free up space north of the building for patrol cars, McMurray said.

Commissioners agreed to discuss the issue further during their June 7 meeting.

Dentist hosts session on diabetes, oral health

TWIN FALLS — Diabetes affects millions of Americans each year.

The disease of the pancreas

can cause problems with eyes, nerves, kidneys and the heart. But it can also wreak havoc with a person's oral health.

Because diabetes reduces the body's resistance to infection, the gums are among the tissues likely to be affected. Local dentist John Roberts will provide more information about diabetic oral health at a free community education session from noon to 2 p.m. June 7 at the hospital's downtown campus basement conference room at 660 Shoshone St. Registration is required. To sign up, call 737-2166.

T.F. Democrats will meet Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls County Democratic Central Committee members will gather at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the conference room at City Hall, 321 Second Ave. E. State Democratic Party Executive Director Maria Weeg will attend

the meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to finalize plans for party participation in a series of summer parades and events, review the May 25 primary election in which eight local Democratic candidates for state and county offices ran unopposed, and to discuss the roles of Twin Falls County delegates to the State Democratic Convention to be held June 17-19 in Pocatello.

To aid Democratic candidates who will compete in general elections on Nov. 2, the county central committee will continue to sponsor strategy planning sessions on at least a monthly basis, Phillips said. Democratic central committee meetings are open to all county residents.

For more information, contact Twin Falls County Democratic Central Committee chairman Larry Phillips at 735-8825 or twinfallsdemocrats@gmail.com.

— compiled from staff reports

CSI aims to increase offerings

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A two-part congressional grant will greatly enhance online education in two programs at the College of Southern Idaho.

The early childhood education and paraprofessional program received money to increase their distance learning options. From the \$298,230 award, \$155,104 will go for the paraprofessional program and \$134,171 will go for early childhood education and the CSI child care center, while the rest will go for indirect costs.

Early childhood

The early childhood education program will benefit from the award, which will help increase access to classes for people who can't get to campus, or who work full time, said Julie Doreen, an assistant professor in the early childhood education program. There will be more Web classes, more independent study and more practice.

Doreen said this will help better serve people in the early childhood field. They may have a lot of experience, but many need to improve their education and are over-working full time.

"It really increases their chances of being able to take and complete a class," Doreen said.

The department learned about receiving the money in late April and is in the process of preparing to implement it, with the hopes of having a new class or two available for students in the fall. The department already has four online classes.

The money will also provide for some new computer hardware and equipment.

"Everybody's going to be learning and developing at the same time," Doreen said.

There are about 60 students in the program, counting part-time students.

Paraprofessionals

The other part of the money is meant to expand the paraprofessional program's online presence. Please see CSI, Page B3

Jerome police chief completes his degree

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Dan Hall, the 42-year-old police chief of Jerome, will graduate from college Saturday.

It's been a long haul, literally. For the last 15 months, Hall has been driving 250 miles round-trip from his home in Twin Falls to attend George Fox University Boise Center.

At least once a week, he leaves at about 3 p.m., attends class in Boise from 6 to 10 p.m., and arrives home about midnight.

The management and organizational leadership bachelor's degree program is designed for working adults with classes one night a week and occasional Saturdays.

Hall earned his associate's degree in criminal justice from College of Southern Idaho in 1986.

Since then, he has tinkered around with college, taking occasional classes at the University of Idaho, Idaho State University and at other institutions.

For 10 years, he considered finishing his bachelor's degree, but the schedules and programs didn't quite meet his needs.

At the time, he was administrative captain for the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department.

The Boise program offered by George Fox — a liberal arts university based in Newberg, Ore. — allowed him to keep Please see DEGREE, Page B3

THIS WEEK AT CSI

"Ring World," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Baptist Campus Ministries "Salt and Light" meeting, 7 p.m., Student Union 248.

Wednesday
Fine Arts building construction monthly progress report, 2 p.m., Taylor 276.
USA Adult Tennis League matches, 6 to 9 p.m., CSI tennis courts (west side of campus).

Thursday
USA Adult Tennis League matches, 6 to 9 p.m., CSI tennis courts (west side of campus).
Styx Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.

Friday
Idaho Power Co. and local dairymen discussion on stray voltage, 9 a.m., Taylor 277.
USA Adult Tennis League matches, 6 to 9 p.m., CSI tennis

courts (west side of campus).
CSI and Region 5 Health and Welfare pre-service foster and adoption training, 6 p.m., Aspen 134.

Narcotics Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.

Friday
South Central Idaho Fire School, all day. Shields and Aspen buildings.
Narcotics Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.

Saturday
Scholastic Aptitude Test, 7:30 a.m., Meyerhoeffer 218 and 202.

Twin Falls Youth Soccer Association Soccerfest 5x5 tournament, all day, soccer field behind dorms.

United Church of God weekly meeting, 10 a.m., Aspen 145.

"Ring World," 2 and 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
Twin Falls Western Days Little Buckaroo Rodeo, 3 p.m., Eldon Evans Expo Center.

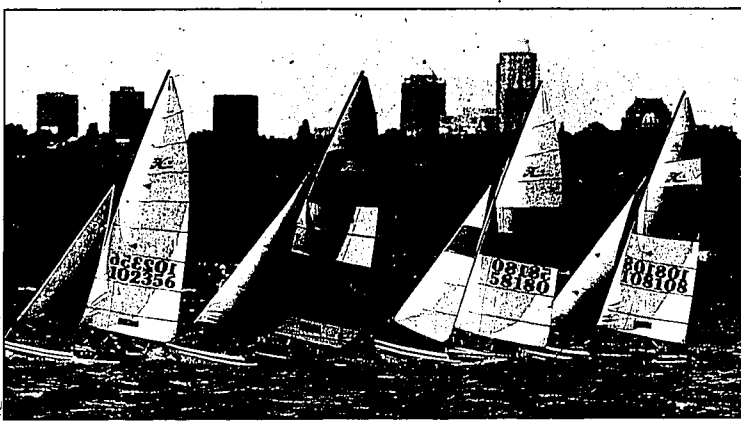
"Mystery of the Missing Seasons" and live sky tour, 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
"Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume 1," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Sunday

Dental assisting national exams, all day, Aspen 180.

MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

SAIL AWAY



Mini-catamarans made by Noble Cat compete in the Kirkland Splash, a sailboat race on Lake Washington off the shores of Kirkland, Wash., Sunday. Boats from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Canada competed in the event.

MINIDOKA COUNTY COURTS

RUIPERT — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Minidoka County included:

Misdemeanor dismissals
Debra Lynn Byelow, 49; leaving the scene of an accident, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.
Owen Richard Jones, 23; driving without privileges, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.
Roy Miller, 44; malicious injury to property, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.
Benjamin J. Navarete Jr., 21; dispensing alcoholic beverage to minor, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.
Benjamin Zubia, 31; insufficient funds check fraud, dismissed; Magistrate Larry R. Duff.

Misdemeanor sentences
Graciela Alvarez, 33; provide false information to officer, pleaded guilty, \$36.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs, three months probation, 30 days in jail, 30 days suspended; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.
Nancy Marie Anderson, 38; peñ teeth, pleaded guilty, \$25 fine, \$63.50 court costs, three months probation; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.
Lenny L. Hright, 38; driving without privileges, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, 180 days driver's license suspension, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail, 21 days suspended, six days credited; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.
Tyler G. Earl, 15; failure to purchase valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Rene V. Hernandez, 32; domestic battery causing traumatic injury, amended - to domestic battery, pleaded guilty, \$500 fine, \$63.50 court costs, six months probation, 180 days in jail, 150 days suspended; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.
Benjamin Lopez Medrano, 21; domestic battery with a child present, amended to battery, pleaded

guilty, \$100 fine, \$98.50 court costs, 12 months probation, 90 days in jail, 90 days suspended, treatment program; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Valorie L. Mulligan, 38; failure to purchase valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 fine, \$65.80 court costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Cristofal Mascorro Ramirez, 37; domestic battery, pleaded guilty, \$210 court costs, 24 months probation, 180 days in jail, 175 days suspended, five days credited, credit five days in lieu of fines and costs; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Nicholas Lance Jay, 21; driving without privileges amended to failure to purchase valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Rick L. Bollar.

Leroy Martin Shoup, 29; failure to purchase valid driver's license, found guilty, \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Hippolite P. Salento, 41; one count unlawful overtaking and passing of school bus, \$11.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs, 150 day forfeiture; two counts contempt of court, pleaded guilty, one count \$20 fine, one count \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Bill Marcus Trujillo, 15; domestic battery amended to battery, found guilty, \$36.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs, 12 months probation, 90 days in jail, 80 days suspended, two days credited; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Sallie Lanny Vega, 23; one count dispensing alcoholic beverage to minor, pleaded guilty, \$36.50 fine, \$98.50 court costs, 12 days probation, 90 days in jail, 88 days suspended, four days MC Work in lieu of jail; two counts contempt of court, one count dismissed, one count pleaded guilty five days in jail, five days suspended; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Clarence Lyle Barks of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Pella Island, 2nd Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 400 S. 160 W., Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

SERVICES

until service time Tuesday at the church.

Margaret Mae Stelmetz of College Place, Wash., and formerly of Jerome, memorial service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Church of Christ in Jerome; memorial service also at 2 p.m. June 12 at the Church of Christ in Walla Walla, Wash. (Mountain View Funeral Chapel, Walla Walla).

Robert H. Lister of Twin Falls, visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; private memorial service will be held.

Clarence Homer Carpenter of Gooding, memorial graveside service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Demaray Funeral Chapel).

David Julius Billiar of Filer, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls; friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, and from noon

Driving under the Influence sentences

Mario Castro, 19; one count driving under the influence, \$103.50 fine, one year driver's license suspension, three years probation, one year determinate time, four years indeterminate time, credited time, 100 hours community service, penitentiary suspension, retained jurisdiction; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Bernardo I. Calvillo, 19; driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$78.50 court costs, six months driver's license suspension, 24 months probation, 60 days in jail, 55 days suspended, five days credited, three days credit towards fines and costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Juan C. Vazquez, 24; driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$300 fine, \$78.50 court costs, 90 days driver's license suspension, four months probation, 20 days in jail, 18 days suspended, two days MC Work in lieu of jail; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Justin Robert Webb, 23; driving under the influence, found guilty, \$200 fine, \$148.50 court costs, 90 days driver's license suspension, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail, 28 days suspended, one day credited, two days MC Work in lieu of jail; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Felony dismissals

Doroteo Jasso Estrada, 43; possession of a controlled substance, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Juan Q. Flores, 29; two counts grand theft, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Wally Kay Schultz, 43; two counts criminal conspiracy, dismissed; one count criminal conspiracy amended to possession of counterfeit apparatus, dismissed; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Wonne Ann Vega, 30; one count

possession of controlled substance, dismissed; one count use of a controlled substance, dismissed; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Felony sentences

Jason Allen Hazel, 25; six counts no account check fraud, one count disposition withheld, five counts dismissed, \$281.76 restitution, one count probation violation, pleaded guilty, one year determinate time, two years indeterminate time, retained jurisdiction; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Commercial truck sentences

Rickey M. Andrade, 44; motor carrier log book violation, pleaded guilty, \$75 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Withheld judgments

Harold Loyd Estes, 64; driving under the influence, disposition withheld; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.

Deferred prosecutions

Nathaniel J. Bair, 18; unlawful overtaking and passing of school bus, deferred prosecution; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Teresa Buono, 28; insufficient funds check fraud, deferred prosecution; Magistrate Judge Michael R. Crabtree.

Anthony J. Mabey, 20; trespassing, deferred prosecution; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Pearline Yocom, 64; insufficient funds check fraud, deferred prosecution; Magistrate Rick L. Bollar.

Juvenile sentences

Juan Pablo Gomez, 17; one count felony escape, pleaded guilty, \$500 fine, \$88.50 court costs, \$65 restitution, two years and six months determinate time, two years and six months indeterminate time, 83 days credited, retained jurisdiction; one count malicious injury to property, dismissed; one count assault upon certain personnel, dismissed; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Businesses say state's smoking laws unclear

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Organized and business leaders are confused about which public places should prohibit smoking as calling the legislator who authored this year's law.

The Upper Valley Friendship Club was uncertain about the new statewide ban. The non-profit organization rents space to six substance abuse recovery groups in Rexburg.

Farmer and club member Doyle Ottesen asked an old schoolmate, Rexburg Rep. Mack Shirley, who called Rexburg's Sen. Brent Hill, the bill's author.

Hill said that because the Friendship Club serves the public, smoking will not be allowed in its building on July 1. That is fine with Ottesen.

"I am smoking out, one way or another," he said. The Legislature this year passed a statewide smoking ban in public places, excluding bowling centers and bars.

It goes into effect July 1, but until the rules used to administer and interpret the law are accepted by the Legislature next year, the guidelines are hazy.

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare receives between three and five calls a day from business owners wondering about the new law. Hill takes dozens of those calls, too.

Health and Welfare tells callers to read the bill and interpret it themselves.

The bar/restaurant situation is perplexing to many. Smoking is banned at bars within restaurants. It is allowed, however, if the business restricts admission to those 21 and over. Bars that serve incidental food, such as peanuts and popcorn, do not have to ban smoking. Bars that cook food for customers do.

The president of the Idaho Lodging and Restaurant Association said this confusion is not going to help those who advocated a smoking ban.

"People will encounter smoking much more than they expect," said Kevin Settles. "I would expect that some of those places simply won't comply."

That is troubling for Gail Baird with the Coalition for a Healthy Idaho, a consortium of health-advocacy groups. Baird said the new law must be enforced immediately.

Otherwise, businesses opposed to the idea will come back next session with evidence the law is not working, and a bill to repeal it.

"It's imperative this be enforced on July 1," she said. "We can't wait another year."

Hill said most business owners understand the law.

City recycling program proves an early success

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — The first month of Logan's voluntary curbside recycling program was a hit.

More than 400 customers have registered for the city's program and the list is growing. For an extra \$6 a month on the utility bill, residents place recyclables in a blue 90-gallon bin that's picked up twice a month.

"Our hope is this will make it much more convenient for people," said Shalayne Merrill, recycling programs specialist for the city. "Everything can go in together, in one container. They don't have to worry about sorting anything out. We're hoping to pick up more recycling."

clables and more public interest this way.

Logan has had recycling, but in January the private company that ran the program went out of business.

Customers called the city and got the effort going for the new program.

"That's kind of what pushed us in this direction, because we feel there is a need for curbside recycling in the valley," Merrill said.

The city council approved the voluntary curbside recycling program in March. City officials hope this makes the program more appealing to potential recyclers.

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REMEMBER THE PAST THANK GOD FOR TODAY LOOK WITH HOPE TOWARD THE FUTURE
Freedom comes with a price, and as we come together on this Memorial Day to remember with honor, those who have died for our country, let us also remember that we are in the midst of a war. One that threatens to tear at the very fabric of our nation. It has taken many of our young people away from our shores and placed them in harms way, in order to bring freedom to the world. So with this in mind, we would like to invite the Twin Falls Community and the surrounding areas to join us at the Twin Falls Cemetery for our Memorial Day Celebration, and to show SUPPORT FOR OUR TROOPS OVERSEAS.
Please stop by to sign the "Support Our Troops Overseas" memory scroll. The scroll will be at the cemetery entrance for everyone to stop by and write a note, sign your name, or have your children draw a picture. Our soldiers overseas need to know that you are thinking of them on this Memorial Day. Lets send them our best. The scroll will be at the Cemetery from Friday, May 28, 2004 through Monday, May 31, 2004. It will then be handed over to the Mountain Home Air Force Base, where it will be sent through the proper channels to reach our troops overseas. Please, whatever your personal views on this political situation, know that someone, somewhere needs to know you care.
Twin Falls Cemetery in conjunction with the Magic Valley Veterans and Auxiliary will host a Memorial Dedication Service on Monday, May 31, 2004 at 1:30 P.M. at the Veterans War Memorial located in the Garden of Honor and Valor of the Twin Falls Cemetery. Please join us in paying tribute to those who have fallen to protect our freedom.
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DEATH NOTICES

Edward Kudrna
WENDELL — Edward Kudrna, 78, a resident of Wendell died Saturday, May 29, 2004, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.
Funeral arrangements are pending under the direction of Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

Jean Hamilton
GOODING — Jean Hamilton, 80, a resident of Gooding, died Sunday, May 30, 2004, at

her home in Gooding.
Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Dorcas Peck
TWIN FALLS — Dorcas Peck, 97, of Twin Falls passed away May 30, 2004, at her home in Twin Falls.
Funeral Services are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Lelan L. Black, service at 2 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.
Lila L. Miller, graveside inurnment service at 3 p.m. Friday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).
Opal Billings of Twin Falls, vigil service at 7 p.m. Friday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; Mass of Christian burial at 1 p.m. Saturday at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church in Twin Falls.

MORNING LINE SPORTSQUOTE

Throw Mike Tyson out there and I'm sure anyone on this team would fight him for the Cup.

- Calgary defenseman
Andrew Ference

IN BRIEF

Kids can attend Buhl hoops camp

BUHL - There will be a Buhl basketball camp June 14-17 for boys and girls in grades 3-5 at the Buhl Middle School gymnasium. Cost is \$45 preregistered, \$50 on June 14. Call Coach Ryan Bowman at 543-2032 to preregister. The fee includes a camp T-shirt, prizes for 1-on-1 and 3-on-3 competitions and so on.

The boys attend the camp from 9 a.m. to noon and the girls from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The camp focuses on fundamentals.

Cobra Golf demo is June 5 at Burley GC

BURLEY - For those who missed the Calloway demo day, or anyone interested in Cobra golf products, a free Cobra Golf Demo Day will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 5 at Burley Golf Course. Customers will have the ability to try out all the latest golf clubs from Cobra, with free rain balls included. A Cobra representative will be on hand to custom fit people.

Burley golf program begins Tuesday

BURLEY - The summer junior golf program at Burley Golf Course will begin on June 1.

Children ages 6-16 are invited to receive 11 days of instruction for \$30 per junior. The program will take place June 1-3 and then run about one session per week throughout the summer.

Coaching basics, such as swing, play, iron play, putting, chipping, rules and etiquette will be covered. Clubs are provided if needed.

Participants are urged to sign up early to reserve their spot. A complete schedule of dates and information can be picked up at the golf course.

Call 878-9007 for more information.

Pleasant Valley GC announces results

TWIN FALLS - Following are the results of the Pleasant Valley Golf Course mens league play May 12.

The highlight of the windy evening was Sam Fisher sinking an eagle on the par-4 fifth hole, his second eagle of the year.

Call 878-9007 for more information.

Shrine All-Stars play Wednesday night

TWIN FALLS - The 27th Shrine North-South All-Star Game will kick off at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 2 at Bruin Field at Twin Falls High School.

Players from 11 Magic Valley high schools will participate in this fund-raiser for the Shrine Hospitals for Children. The event is sponsored by the Magic Valley Shrine and the Fourth District Coaches Association.

The gates open at 6 p.m. Tickets cost \$5.

Spartan softball camp is coming up

RUPERT - The Minico Spartan softball program will host the 2004 Spartan Softball Camp from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., June 7-9 at the Big Valley Softball Complex in Rupert. The program is for girls ages 6-15 and costs \$35. Players will need to bring their own gloves and be dressed for competition. For further information, please call Spartan head coach Jackie Rasmick at 436-5355 or 312-2662.

Compiled from staff reports

Pistons put Pacers on the brink of elimination

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS - The masked man dubbed "Mini-Me" by Reggie Miller put the Detroit Pistons within one victory of the NBA Finals.

Richard Hamilton scored a career playoff high 33 points, 12 of them coming in succession when the Pistons took the lead for good in an 83-65 victory over the Indiana Pacers on Sunday night for a 3-2 lead in the Eastern Conference finals.

In another game dominated by defense, Hamilton did almost all his damage before the

third quarter was over. From there, Rashad Wallace carried Detroit's offense until Hamilton's 3-pointer ended all doubt with 1:45 remaining.

The series now returns to Detroit for Game 6 on Tuesday night, the Pistons having a chance to make it to the championship round for the first time since 1990.

"We're excited," Hamilton said. "There's no greater place to win it than at home."

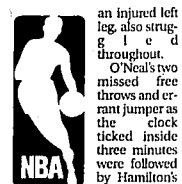
Wallace scored 22 points and was the only Pistons player besides Hamilton to reach double figures.

Detroit held the injury-riddled Pacers to 33 percent shooting and won on Indiana's homecourt for the second time in the series, much to the delight of a vocal contingent of Pistons fans who made the five-hour drive to Conseco Fieldhouse.

Several of them surrounded the tunnel as the Pistons walked out and chanted "Beat LA!"

Indiana got only 11 points from Jermaine O'Neal, who sprained his left knee in Game 5 and had to have it drained Sunday afternoon.

Jamarr Tinsley, playing with



79-63 lead that sent Indiana's fans heading for the exits.

Hamilton, who wears a plastic face mask to protect a nose

that was broken twice this season, shot 12-for-22 from the field and 8-for-9 from the line to thoroughly outplay Miller, his opponent at shooting guard who remarked with the "Mini-Me" quote earlier in the series how Hamilton reminds him of himself.

Detroit never trailed in a first half that was typical of this series, with strong defense by both teams keeping the score down.

Indiana was held to just four points in the final 6.5 minutes of the first quarter, which ended with Detroit ahead 25-17.

Rice reigns in rain



As tradition dictates, Buddy Rice drinks from a bottle of milk as he wears the victory wreath after the shortened Indianapolis 500 Sunday.

Pole-sitter wins rain-shortened Indianapolis 500

By Mike Harris
Associated Press writer

INDIANAPOLIS - Buddy Rice kept one eye on the fuel gauge, one on the darkening sky and his foot on the pedal and won a rain-soaked Indianapolis 500 Sunday.

With storm clouds closing fast, the 28-year-old Rice grabbed the lead for good in a final flurry of pit stops and took his first career victory under a yellow caution flag as the rain that first delayed the race and then interrupted it for almost two hours finally ended it 50 miles short of the scheduled finish.

"This is unbelievable," said Rice, who got his ride with Rahal Letterman racing this season only because 1993 Indy winner Kenny Brack was out

with injuries. Michael Andretti, son of Indy's most famous hard-luck family, suffered the same also-ran fate in his second year as a team owner as he had in 14 years behind the wheel: ever so close, but not first. Three of his drivers - Tony Kanaan, Dan Wheldon and Bryan Herta - finished second, third and fourth.

Rice was the surprise pole winner earlier this month, and started Sunday's race like a rocket, driving off to a lead of more than three seconds - nearly a straightaway on the 2.5-mile oval - before the first caution flag came out on lap 11 when A.J. Foyt IV hit the wall.

It wasn't going to be that easy. As fast as Rice's Honda-powered G Force was, he had to

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Dave Letterman reacts as Buddy Rice crosses the finish line Sunday. Letterman is the first celebrity co-owner to win the Indianapolis 500.

Venus, Serena reach quarters

The Associated Press

PARIS - Venus Williams' body language worried her mother. At least twice, Williams swayed awkwardly at a ball, winced, then grabbed her stomach.

Perhaps there was nothing significant - and Williams laughed off a question after her victory - but it was reasonable to wonder what with so many injuries at the top of women's tennis over the past year, and at the French Open on Sunday alone.

Jennifer Capriati strained her right hip, though that didn't stop her from setting up a quarterfinal showdown against Serena Williams. Lindsay Davenport's right knee injury did contribute to her loss to Elena Dementieva, one of three Russians in the final eight.

Venus, meanwhile, suddenly found herself in a second-set struggle before getting past 23rd-seeded Fabiola Zuluaga of Colombia 6-1, 7-6 (3). That put Venus in the quarterfinals, a round better than she faced at Roland Garros in 2003, when she was hampered by a torn abdominal muscle.



Venus Williams returns the ball to Fabiola Zuluaga during Williams' 6-1, 7-6 fourth-round French Open win Sunday in Paris.

"Let's hope it's not that old injury," Oracene Williams said after shuttling between show courts to see parts of both daughters' matches. "I thought she wanted to cry out there. She's had so much happen to her."

Venus has yet to drop a set while running her winning streak on clay to 19 matches.

CSI equestrian team takes seventh in nation

The Times-News

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - The College of Southern Idaho equestrian team took seventh place in the American Quarter Horse Association trophy team competition held recently at the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association National Championships in the Tennessee Miller Coliseum in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

In all, 126 universities and colleges and 458 competitors participated in the three-day event.

Texas A&M won, followed by California State University Fresno, Oklahoma State, Ohio State, Blackhawk College, the University of Findlay and CSI in seventh.

Cazenovia College took eighth followed by Middle Tennessee State and 10th-place

New Mexico State.

Angie Cameron of Bellevue took fourth in the AQHA team intermediate division. Stephanie Watkins of Fernis-ton, Ore. took fifth in the novice event.

CSI team riders included Brenna Burris of Rock Springs, Wyo., Katie Collier of St. Charles, Mo., and Jaylene Lammers of Hansen.

Katie Brunelle of Meridian took fifth in the individual intermediate equestrian competition.

Other team riders completed in the IHSA Horse Judging Contest prior to the national event. CSI, took sixth overall.

Judging team members were Meghan Sederholm of Lewis-ton, Mont.; Burris, Brunelle, Cameron and Collier. The IHSA nationals will be held in Sunbury, Ohio next year with Findlay hosting.



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Johnson easily wins Coca-Cola 600

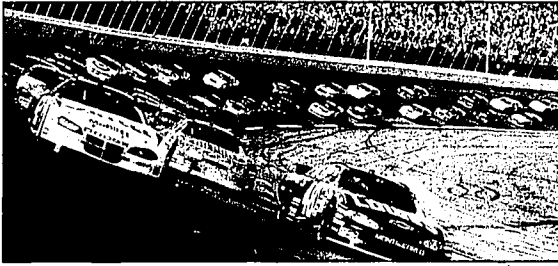
CONCORD, N.C. (AP) - This time, Jimmie Johnson overcame the pit road misfire.

The leader virtually all night, Johnson dropped to fifth during a caution but roared back to the lead with 16 laps left.

"That car was so good," Johnson said. "There were times when some of the guys were better, but we just stuck to our game plan."

A racing with six laps left forced Johnson to sweat it out a bit, but when the green fell, he sped away from the field again at Lowe's Motor Speedway.

Johnson led an incredible 334 laps - which would be the entire distance in a 500-mile race - and came up one short of the record set in 1967 by winner Jim



Winner Jimmie Johnson (49) and Ryan Newman (12) lead the field at the start of the NASCAR Coca-Cola 600 race at Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C. Sunday.

Paschal. As a rookie in 2002, Johnson gave away a chance to win this race when he slid through his pits on the final pit stop. He didn't make the mistake this time, but a slow effort by his crew allowed Kasey Kahne to beat him out of the pits.

McMurray decided not to come in and hold the lead, and Waltrip and Jeremy Mayfield changed only two tires to take second and third.

"We did what we had to do to try to win the race," McMurray said.

The move that likely won the

race for Johnson came with 25 laps to go, when he still was mixed in fifth. As he drove to the outside of Kahne in Turn 3, they came up on the slower car of Robby Gordon.

Johnson got by Kahne, then turned hard left to get under Gordon, a dynamic maneuver so late in the race.

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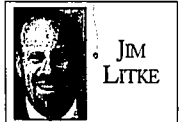
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Top 10 reasons why Letterman won Indy

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - The top 10 reasons why David Letterman got into auto racing and wound up as the first celebrity co-owner to win the Indy 500:



No. 10 - Johnny Carson was a tennis fan, and never considered buying part of a team.

No. 9 - Paul Newman, who has partnered with owner Carl Haas for years, kept hiring one Andreotti after another to drive his cars.

No. 8 - As a former weatherman, knew what the yellow blazes in the Doppler radar storm tracker meant and urged driver Buddy Rice into the lead just ahead of the rainstorm that ended the race after 180 laps.

No. 7 - Jay Leno prefers motorcycles.

No. 6 - As a native Hoosier, knew the words to "Back Home in Indiana" and wanted to sing along with Jim Nabors while standing on pit road.

No. 5 - Since no one took him up on a suggestion to rename part of Interstate 465 in his honor, figured he would annex Victory Lane instead.

No. 4 - When he takes the winning F-Force Honda race-car back home to show off, Connecticut State Police won't be able to catch him and hand over any more speeding tickets.

No. 3 - Promised his mom the Borg-Warner trophy to complete her collection of giant-sized silver serving dishes.

No. 2 - Needed something to outshine "Late Show" hand-roller and sidekick Paul Shaffer, who is a comedian. Just in case Calgary wins the Stanley Cup.

And the No. 1 reason why David Letterman got into auto racing and wound up as the first celebrity co-owner to win the Indy 500: If 8-month-old son Harry runs out of diapers late at night, can make it down to the 7-11 before closing time.

Funny stuff aside, the timing of the win couldn't be better for the business.

This was the ninth Indy 500 since speedway owner Tony George started feuding with the

drivers of the now-defunct Championship Auto Racing Team series and almost tore open-wheel racing apart. The rift resulted in rival circuit and NASCAR zoomed past both in popularity, opening the kind of lead in the race for both audience numbers and TV ratings that may never be closed.

But just when the Indy 500 needed a star in the worst way, along comes Letterman.

He started talking to co-owner Bobby Rahal about getting involved as a partner in the early 1990s and formally joined the team in 1996. But "Team Rahal" wasn't officially renamed "Team Letterman Racing" until two weeks ago. That's when Rahal, who won the Indy 500 as a driver in 1986, insisted that Letterman take more credit for his role in the enterprise.

On Sunday, his small part in a very big win almost overwhelmed the comedian.

"I haven't had a drink in 30 days," he said after a long day of racing spilled over into the evening. "And I feel like I'm drunk right now."

He can get several glasses of material out of this, easy. He can rename his eyelashes "The Greatest Spectacles in Racing." Look for him to wear checkered flag ties and expect to find Firenze-Henerson in the guest chair - often.

A preview: "I've had dreams where I'm driving," Letterman said. "Then something happens and Bobby asks me to get out of the car."

This wasn't all about fun and games. Growing up in Indianapolis, he didn't have a major league baseball team to root for, but he came to the speedway often and loved every minute he spent there.

"The place is sacred," Letterman said.

Still, Letterman removed any doubts about whether this one made up for the losses that preceded it.

"Every month of May," he recalled, "the world would come to you. I can't begin to describe the magic that takes place when you were a kid and you just found it, without these long, lousy Indiana winters."

"And I," Letterman paused, just to prove that his comedic timing was still impeccable, "grew up outside..."

Red Sox exploit Mariner miscues

BOSTON (AP) - David McCarty homered in the 12th inning after Andy Domingue's first major league hit helped rescue the Red Sox following Keith Foulke's blown save this year, and Boston beat the Seattle Mariners 9-7 Sunday.

Curt Schilling had a perfect game for 5 2-3 innings before Randy Winn singled but wound up with no decision after Ibaul Ibanez hit a three-run homer off Foulke in a six-run eighth that made it 7-5.

Ibaul Ibanez's sacrifice fly off EddieGuardado and Domingue's looping pinch single tied it in the bottom half.

J.J. Putz (2-0) and Anastacio Martinez (2-0) each pitched two scoreless innings before McCarty's homer, which moved the Red Sox back to the top of the East lead, a half-game ahead of New York.



Boston's Mark Bolham slides home safely as Seattle's Julio Mateo awaits the throw from catcher Dan Wilson during the seventh inning after Mateo threw a wild pitch. A second run scored after Mateo failed to make the catch in the 9-7 Red Sox win Sunday at Fenway Park.

Kyle Lohse (2-4) allowed three runs and nine hits in five-plus innings for his first victory in eight starts. Lohse's eighth victory this year was against the Royals on April 17.

Orlando 7, Tigers 3
DETROIT - B.J. Surhoff tied the score with a ninth-inning single off Ugueth Urbina (1-2), who then walked Brian Roberts with the bases loaded, forcing home the go-ahead run. Baltimore completed a three-game sweep. Urbina retired only one of seven batters and blew a save for the first time in 13 chances since Aug. 31 for Florida.

Indians 4, Athletics 3
CLEVELAND - Omar Vizquel, whose throwing error helped Oakland score twice in the top of the ninth, had a tying RBI double off Arthur Rodriguez (1-3), who then threw a game-ending wild pitch to the backdrop that scored Matt Lawton. Rick White (2-0) got three outs for the win after Oakland scored twice off Jose Jimenez for a 3-2 lead.

National League
Giants 3, Rockies 1
SAN FRANCISCO - Jason Schmidt provided the perfect sendoff for San Francisco's longest road trip in 15 years, taking a shutout into the ninth inning to lead the Giants to their ninth straight win, 3-1

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Nevin homered to help Ismael Valdez win for the first time in over a month, leading San Diego over the Brewers.

Valdez (4-2) allowed nine hits and two runs in seven innings as he won for the first time since April 27 against Montreal.

Cubs 12, Pirates 1
PITTSBURGH - Derek Lee broke a 1-for-30 slide with three hits and four RBIs, and the Chicago Cubs stopped a five-game losing streak.

Carlos Zambrano (5-2) struck out eight in six innings to beat Pittsburgh for the third time this season, helping end Chicago's longest skid since Sept. 22-27, 2002. He allowed one run and eight hits, walked three and hit three batters.

Astros 7, Cardinals 1
HOUSTON - Mike Lamb, Jeff Bagwell and Lance Berkman hit two-run homers, leading the Astros to a win.

Albert Pujols hit his major league-leading 15th homer for St. Louis, a ninth-inning drive that gave him six homers in his last eight games.

Phillies 4, Braves 1
PHILADELPHIA - Eric Milton pitched seven strong innings in his longest outing of the season and Jim Thome hit his 12th home run for the Phillies.

Milton (6-1) gave up one run on three hits, striking out a season-high eight batters and walking three. It's only difficulty came in the fourth when he gave up a RBI triple to Andrew Jones that tied the game 1-1.

Dodgers 3, D-backs 0
LOS ANGELES - Kazuhiro Ishii pitched six scoreless innings and Adrian Beltre hit a two-run double, helping Los Angeles shut out Arizona for the second straight game.

Ishii (6-3) gave up three hits and walked four - the fourth time in five starts that he allowed more walks than hits.

Eric Gagne worked a hitless ninth to extend his major league-record save streak to 75 with his 12th this season.

Cesey Fossum (0-3) allowed two runs and nine hits in five innings and struck out six in his fourth start with the Diamondbacks. It was Arizona's 13th loss in 16 games, including five shutouts.

Padres 5, Brewers 2
MILWAUKEE - Brian Giles had a two-run triple and Phil

Devil Rays 7, Yankees 6

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. - Aubrey Huff homered twice off Jon Lieber (4-2) and drove in three runs.

Victor Zambrano (5-4) beat the defending AL champions for the third time this season, allowing three hits in 6 1-3 shutout innings to help end the Yankees' six-game winning streak.

New York closed with four runs in the eighth.

Rangers 4, Blue Jays 2
TORONTO - Kenny Rogers (8-2) became the first eighth-game winner in the major leagues despite walking seven, and Texas stopped a four-game losing streak.

Rogers (8-2), off to his best start, won his fourth straight start, allowing one unearned run.

White Sox 11, Angels 2
CHICAGO - Willie Harris had four hits, JoseValentin homered and Ross Gload drove in three runs as Chicago scored in double figures for the eighth time this season and won for the ninth time in 12 games.

John Lackey (3-0) allowed eight runs and nine hits in three innings, matching the shortest outing of his career.

Twins 8, Royals 3
KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Alex Pritchett hit his first major league homer and Corey Koskie drove in three runs.

Quarters

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24-3 edge in winners during a 6-3, 6-1 victory. That put the 2002 French Open champion against 2001 titleholder Capriati, a 7-5, 6-1 winner over No. 17 Francesca Schiavone.

"I should always get injured like that and go through it, because I was just more focusing on my leg, so I guess I played looser," said Capriati, who missed the Australian Open with a bad back.

Dementieva, past the fourth round at a major, for the first time since losing to Davenport in the 2000 U.S. Open semifinals at 18, was joined in the quarterfinals by countrywoman No. 6 Anastasia Myskina (who meets Venus) and No. 18 Maria Sharapova.

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Regional coverage, ESPN2, 2 p.m.

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Regional coverage, ESPN, 2:30 p.m.

Giants at Diamondbacks, ESPN2, 7:30 p.m.

Basketball

NBA playoffs, Western Conference final, Game 6, Timberwolves at Lakers, TNT, 7:05 p.m.

Golf

Senior PGA Championship, final round, CNBC, 9 a.m.

Hockey

NHL playoffs, final, Game 4, Lightning at Flames, ABC, 6 p.m.

Lacrosse

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U.S. troops ready to leave Haiti

MAPOU, Haiti (AP) — U.S. troops deployed to Haiti during a bloody revolt to oust President Jean-Bertrand Aristide will be leaving in the midst of another crisis as the nation tries to recover from deadly floods.

The official American handbook to a U.N. force is set for Tuesday, but only a fraction of the planned 8,000 troops and police for the U.N. force have arrived, and none have brought helicopters needed to help flood victims. So most U.S. troops will stay until the end of June. After that, fewer than a dozen will participate in the U.N. force.



U.S. Navy Ensign Brad McLaughlin, a physician's assistant, treats a patient who was injured in the flooding disaster Saturday in Thiotte, Haiti.

Hurrying to help people in submerged villages after floods killed more than 1,400 in Haiti and the Dominican Republic, the U.S. troops control the few available helicopters and have become key to getting aid to inaccessible areas. In the past few days, they have airlifted more than 100,000 pounds of food and drinking water and evacuated the injured.

For some of the 1,900 U.S. troops — 1,500 of them Marines — the end to their Haiti mission is a bittersweet moment.

"On the one hand, we'll leave with a sense of accomplishment," said U.S. Marine Lt. Col. Dave Lapan, spokesman for the U.S.-led multinational task force that was sent to secure and stabilize the nation. "On the other hand, there's so much this place needs."

Floods and mudslides brought on by three days of heavy rain wiped out entire villages in Haiti's southeast corner around a farming community called Mapou, a week before the hurricane season begins Tuesday.

With hills denuded of most trees, similar disasters threaten other towns, straining the U.N. force's original task of tending to Haiti's other daunting needs.

"The short-term solution is for the U.N. and others to get their own helicopters," Lapan said. "We're just in the start of the rainy season. We could get through this immediate crisis and they could have something even worse."

A team from the International Committee of the Red Cross said they spotted dams near three villages that appear likely to burst if pressured with more rain, said spokesman Bernard Barrette. Rains were forecast for some parts of Haiti and the Dominican Republic Sunday.

Nearly a week after the floods, the official toll rose to 1,454 dead in Haiti and the Dominican Republic, with untold hundreds more missing and presumed dead. The Red Cross team estimated as many as 1,500 missing just around Mapou, Barrette said.

Most Marines arrived three months ago, in the days following the Feb. 29 ouster of Aristide.

Aristide was flown aboard a U.S.-supplied jet to the Central

African Republic, where he accused the United States of orchestrating a coup against him — a charge U.S. officials denied. On Sunday, after spending two and a half months in Jamaica, Aristide was heading to South Africa for temporary asylum.

The Marines had a mixed welcome, with hostility from Aristide supporters that was a far cry from the joyous reception they got in 1994 when they invaded to restore Aristide after a 1991 coup.

In the last weeks, Marines shot and killed six civilians, some in skirmishes, others as they sped past checkpoints. Only one Marine was wounded — a shot in the arm during a skirmish in a pro-Aristide neighborhood.

The troops' flood relief efforts have muted much of the initial criticism.

In addition, troops have cleared mini-mountains of garbage, refurbished slum schools, donated notebooks and pencils and even played soccer with street gangs loyal to Aristide.

Their departure leaves questions about how much influence the United States will maintain in the poorest country in the Americas, which has undergone more than 30 coups in 200 years of independence.

Some say the U.S. troops should stay longer. U.S. Rep. Kendrick B. Meek on Friday urged President Bush to provide more emergency aid, saying the "American troop presence in Haiti is needed now more than ever."

Proponents of that view point to the need for a stable, economically viable Haiti to discourage boat people and to fight drug traffickers who have made Haiti a major conduit for Colombian cocaine bound for the United States.

"Such American involvement will help promote democracy and stability, thereby reducing the possibility of illegal immigration," Meek said.

A Florida Democrat representing the U.S. constituency with the largest Haitian population, Meek called a planned \$50,000 in U.S. disaster aid "a pittance and wholly inadequate to properly respond to one of the worst natural disasters in Caribbean history."

The U.S. Marines led a force of 3,600 including French, Canadian and Chilean troops in a mission where it's clear that with more time they could do more. Despite a lull in the violence, Haitian factions on all sides remain armed.

"We don't have the luxury of time," Lapan said. The Marines, all from Camp Lejeune, N.C., are scheduled to go to Iraq next week.

"Even if we stayed here a year, there are still things that tear at your heart," Lapan said.

"You could spend years building schools. In a relatively short time, we've done a lot to help."

Dispute may delay new Iraqi Cabinet

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A dispute Sunday between Iraq's Governing Council and U.S. occupation authorities over the selection of a new Iraqi president threatened to delay the appointment of a new government to take power June 30, Iraqi officials said.

A council member, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the U.S. government, headed by U.S. envoy Lakhdar Brahimi, were exerting "massive pressure" to choose former Foreign Minister Adnan Pachachi, who supports keeping foreign troops in Iraq.

However, the council member said most of the 22 members threatened to support the current head of the council, civil engineer Ghazi Mashal Ajil al-Yawer, who has been sharply critical of the U.S.-led occupation.

Both Sunni Arab Muslims, Bremer and President Bush's special envoy, Robert Blackwill, attended part of a five-hour council session Sunday and urged the members not to vote on the presidency, according to one council member.

The Americans threatened not to recognize the council's choice, the member said on condition of anonymity. The Coalition Provisional Authority, run by Bremer, has the final say in all policy decisions in Iraq.

The tough stand by Bremer in support of Pachachi, an 81-year-old former exile, was unexpected because the Americans had signaled that they were primarily interested in approving the choice for prime minister, the top executive job that went to U.S.-backed Iyad

Allawi, a Shiite Muslim, on Friday.

The presidency will be a largely ceremonial post with little power.

The council will meet again on Monday, but informal consultations will continue later Sunday, according to council sources.

Brahimi, who has led the process for drawing up the new government, hopes to complete selection of an interim government by Monday or Tuesday.

Other council members and officials familiar with the deliberations confirmed that the selection of a new president will be the main stumbling block to an agreement on the interim cabinet, which will be in place until elections for a national assembly next year.

Al-Yawer took over as head of the U.S.-appointed Governing Council after the assassination of the previous chief, Abdul-Zahra Othman, also known as Izzadin Saleem. He is a member of one of the largest tribes in the region and has the support of Shiite and Kurdish council members.

Pachachi fled to the United Arab Emirates after the Baath Party of Saddam Hussein seized power in 1968 and is well-connected within the United States, United Nations and pro-U.S. nations of the Gulf.

During a recent television interview, al-Yawer who routinely wears traditional Arab robes and head gear, was sharply critical of the American occupation, blaming U.S. ineptness for the deteriorating law and order.

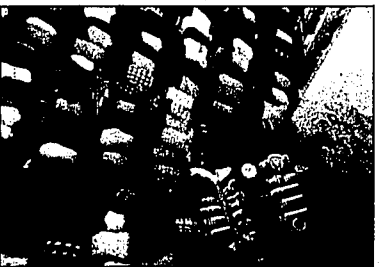
"We blame the United States 100 percent for the security in Iraq," al-Yawer said. "They occupied the country, disbanded the security agencies and for 10 months left Iraq's borders open for anyone to come in without a visa or even a passport."

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Israeli Cabinet ministers can't agree on Sharon withdrawal plan



Palestinians pray around the body of Hamas military wing commander Wael Nassar, bottom right, and two others during their funeral in Gaza City, Sunday. Nassar, his assistant, and a bystander were killed in an Israeli missile strike early Sunday.

By Soraya Sarraddi Nelson Knight Rider News/papers

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon on Sunday threatened to sack members of his Cabinet to ensure passage of his proposal to evacuate Jewish settlers and soldiers from the Gaza Strip, taking a political gamble that could lead to the breakup of his government.

Attempts at a last-minute compromise were under way Sunday night calling for cabinet approval on removing only three of the 21 settlements, but analysts said it was unlikely that Sharon would agree to the proposal, in part because he had already given a commitment to President Bush to go through with the full withdrawal plan.

Bush, in a highly controversial

move in April, endorsed Sharon's Gaza withdrawal plan, which Palestinians fear is a move aimed eventually at permanently annexing land that Israel occupies in the West Bank.

After Bush endorsed the plan, voters in Sharon's Likud Party rejected in a May 2nd referendum and right-wing members of his cabinet are opposed to giving up any Jewish settlements.

"The only weapons Sharon has is to fire ... the ministers or create a government crisis and then create a majority (vote)," explained Shmuel Sandier, a political science professor at Tel Aviv's Bar Ilan University.

By firing two opposing ministers in the 23-member cabinet, Sharon could in theory gain a one-vote majority to pass the plan in the cabinet. A cabinet

vote on the measure is not expected before next Sunday.

Sharon says the withdrawal from Gaza is necessary to establish more defensible borders for Israel. The four-stage plan calls for a complete withdrawal of 7,500 Jewish settlers and the soldiers who protect them from the Gaza Strip by the end of 2005, as well as removing four West Bank settlements. Polls indicate most Israelis support a Gaza withdrawal.

The plan will go through "even if I need to change the make-up of the government or take other dramatic steps," Sharon told his ministers according to Israeli media, who attributed the comments to unidentified participants in Sunday's eight-hour meeting.

Israeli media identified Transportation Minister Avigdor

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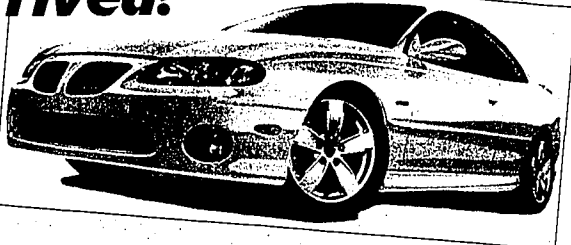
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Section D

Older morons shouldn't try to act

I figured out why movie stars generally are young. It's not just because they look good naked. It's also because their brains still work.

I learned this recently when I became an "actor" in a movie being made in Miami based on a book I wrote, about guys. I put "actor" in quotation marks because real actors can, you know, act. Whereas my job in this movie was to walk into the scene where the real actors were acting, and say a line like: "Now that's a good example of what I'm talking about!"

Sounds easy, right? You just walk in there and say one sentence? What kind of moron would have trouble with that?



DAVE BARRY

Me, for example. Oh, I'd memorize my line all right. I'd say it over and over, walking around the set like a dazed person, muttering to myself: "Now that's a good example of what I'm talking about! Now that's a good example of what I'm talking about!"

After maybe 600 repetitions, I'd be ready to go. The problem was that the movie crew was never ready when I was. Movie crews are, basically, never ready to go. There's always a problem. You could be filming a scene on the North Pole, and just when the director said "action," there'd be your leaf-blower guy.

The point is that there are endless delays on the movie set while the crew, who are sound engineers, lighting riggers, the broker, shooting tranquilizer darts at the leaf-blower guy, whatever. During these delays, I would strive to keep my line — "Now that's a good example of what I'm talking about!" — in my brain. But mine is an older brain, already crammed to capacity with vital information, and soon other thoughts would start seeping like sewer gas into the forefront. For example, "I'm not going to decide, for reasons of its own, that now — right now, on the movie set, when I was about to do a scene — would be an excellent time to review the song sung in 'Animal House.'"

So I'd be walking around, with my mouth muttering "Now that's a good example of what I'm talking about!" But my brain, in a loud brain voice, would be singing "You're shama lama, my rama lama ding dong" over and over and over until this was all I could think about, and just then the director, Jeff Arch, would say "action," and with the camera and microphone pointed at me, and everybody watching me, I would say: "Now that's an example of a good thing I am talking about!" Or: "I am talking about a good example of 'a thing that's a good thing.' I have been talking now, about that example!" And Jeff would say "cut," and we'd have to do it again, and then again, until it became clear to everyone that, dialogue-wise, the scene would work better with just the leaf blower.

I did one scene with a trained Chihuahua named "Sidekick." I was supposed to pick Sidekick up off the ground, and, while walking toward the camera, say three sentences. I'm holding this dog, walking forward, looking at the camera, sweat gushing from every quadrant of my armpits, and the boombox of my brain is going: "You put that cool movie on the table back into my smile, child!" So we did it over and over. I bet when Sidekick got home he really chewed out his agent.

Anyway, we finally got through it, even my scenes, and the movie (www.guide.togus.com) is supposed to come out this winter. If you go see it, I hope you enjoy it. And if you notice that, at times, I appear to be distracted, that's a good example of what I'm talking about.

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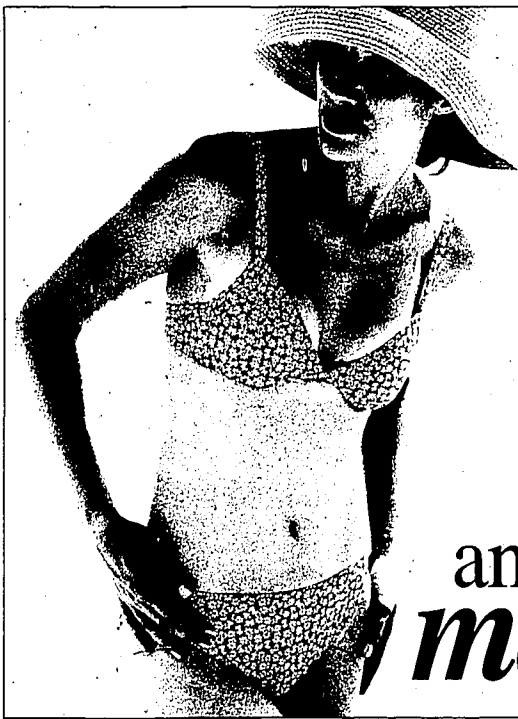
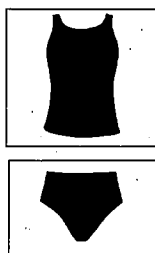
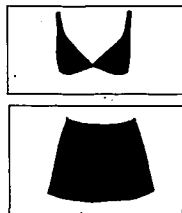
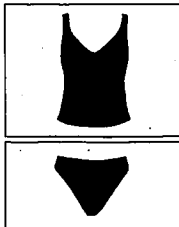


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Above, a triangle top plus a hipster bottom equal a separates bikini. Inset, tankini tops come a variety of styles, with your choice of bottom separates.



and match

Two-piece swimwear separates hit the stores

Knight Ridder Newspapers

Some things never change. Skin is still in.

So when you gals set out on your shopping excursion for this summer's hottest bathing suits, check the parlor. "The two-piece is really taking over," says Rod Beattie, the Los Angeles-based designer of celeb-heavy swimwear lines La Blanca and edgier Playa by La Blanca (which debuted this year). The forerunners: string bikinis, tankinis (bikini bottoms worn with a tank top) and low-rise, boy-leg shorts paired with any top — bandeau, halter, sash — you see fit.

Believe it or not, this is cause for celebration. Boy shorts can nicely hide problem UTLCL (upper-thigh/lower-cheek) zones, and tankinis are often constructed with built-in bra support. As for the string bikinis, you're on your own there.

Another trend, fellow mall junkies, is that pieces are sold as separates so you can go on mixing-and-matching frenzies — and give the illusion of owning more suits than you actually do. Plus, no one has to know if you're in a size 6 and the bottom a 10 (Anne Cole at department stores and J. Crew, www.jcrew.com), are just two of many companies that let you buy differently sized separates).

As for the mallor, it isn't exactly dead, just no longer NC-17. Peek-a-boo cut-outs bare tummers, flash sides and do wonders for cleavage. Miami-based Agua de Coco by Brazilian designer Miria Sabino is showing a C-shaped asymmetrical pink, red and yellow onesie (about \$160). Burberry's black-and-white-trimmed striped version (\$150) has a neckline that plunges just low enough to keep the innie-outie into yourself.

This summer, it's anything to get noticed. Get it?

Colors follow the cue. You'll see a zippy rainbow of a palette — from honey-cyde greens, punchy yellows, fire-engine reds, and like spring and summer fashions — in pink, pink, pink.

"Pink is blowing

out the door," acknowledges Jodi Randolph, head designer for Venus USA swimwear in Jacksonville, Fla. "Every single hue of it is out there — from bubble-gum pink to pastel pink and hot fuchsia."

To balance out the hottest shade since black, pink is being paired up with neutrals like chocolate and camel. "You wouldn't think at first that the two go together," says Randolph, "but it's very fresh and bright."

Chocolate and bubble gum. Mmmm. Bathing suits are getting yummy. And "edgy," agrees Beattie, who is quite proud of his Psychedelic Shock Pucci-esque print (do you mean, loud, Rod?). Other hip graphics include quarter-size polka dots, rugby stripes, prissy paisleys and landscape scenes with hibiscus flowers and an object we can all relate to: palm trees.

Something else you might like — the most sizzling color of them all: orange. Says Beattie: "Orange is hot! I just bought an Audi TT orange car." Your boyfriend might have even noticed the trend in February's Sports Illustrated swimsuit issue. Daniela Pestova was shot in "die" summer suit — a papaya Playa by La Blanca Cruise 2004 triangle halter top and hipster military-style belted bikini bottom with grommets. Everything BT.

Water and Saks Fifth Avenue stores sell Pestova's sexy getup for a very doable \$44 apiece.

Talk about doable. Some suits out right now are so fancy they don't even look like they should come within an inch of a grain of sand. Banana Republic is selling a Sun-kissed bikini bottom with a ruffled-keyhole tube top for \$74, which could easily be worn with jeans post-beach.

Michael Kors recently sent a young lovely down the runway in an orange one-piece with clear elastic criss-cross straps, gold detailing and a sudded belt that could have just as easily been around the waist of an Academy Award nominee's gown. All that detailing? For a

Handle with care

Love your suit and it will love you back. Here's some ways to care for it:

- Hand wash the suit before the first wear to set colors.
- After wearing, hand wash the suit in a mild detergent, rinse well, hang or lay flat to dry out of direct sunlight.
- Make sure that all body and suntan oils are removed from your suit. Oils can destroy the elastic.
- Don't leave the suit soaking overnight, bundled, or rolled in a towel. The colors will bleed.
- Don't use bleach, or dry in a dryer. All will kill the elasticity.

Find the suit that fits

Knight Ridder Newspapers

"Too many trips to the bakery! All is forgiven. All can be hidden, too, if you know the right kind of swimsuit for your body type."

Here, Jodi Randolph, head designer of Venus USA, gives you the skinny:

- **Boish figure/small chest:** Pick a top that ties in the front in a size smaller than you would normally get.
- **Just fake it.** Some suits have enhancer bras with molded foam cups and supportive underwires. Additional padding is available with removable push-up pads.
- **Look for adjustable straps.** Demi-cup tops make breasts look fuller. "If a more sporty look is your game," says Randolph, "get a bandeau top with side stays and hidden foam cups that add shape to an otherwise shapeless silhouette."

- **Mix and match.** Wear a top with a graphic print or horizontal stripes. Keep the bottom solid; anything to move the eyes upward.
- **Large hips:** "No boy-leg shorts for you," says Randolph. A slightly higher leg, such as the standard moderate bottom, gives ample coverage with a slenderizing cut on the leg. A cute wrap in a solid color can also disguise your hippiness.

- **Big bust:** Underwires aren't just for bras. A wide band under the bust will keep you held in tight. For more modest types, the tankini has a built-in shelf bra for support and minimizes the bustline by drawing the eye down the body with the longer styling of the top, she advises.

- **Short waist:** Stay with low-rise to mid-rise bottoms. "High-cut bottoms or high-waisted bottoms makes your torso look even shorter," Randolph says. "The added torso length of the low-rise makes you look long and lean."
- **Long torso:** Wear your suits up on your hips, which lengthens your legs and takes attention away from your long waist. Sorry, stay away from trendy low-rise.

- **Big butt:** Again, keep the eye moving upward. Ruffles and fun prints like polka dots will dizzy up the beach's peanut gallery. A lycra wrap will move with you. White is not your friend.
- **In a pinch,** board shorts can shield round rears. But wear a size larger than you would normally wear.

- **Belly:** Unfortunately, tankinis tend to bunch you up. Caveat: A long tank (past the bellybutton) with subtle ruching can camouflage a lot, like your stomach. Pin-tuck details can play tricks on love handles — and eyes.
- **A halter-style** (tied about the neck) one-piece elongates the torso and creates a slimming effect. Get one that's color-blocked as to keep onlookers' eyes unfocused on that one problem body part.

- **Seek out suits that offer inner construction** including tummy-control panels — and eyes.
- **"And yes, the color black still is the ultimate, slenderizer,"** says Randolph.
- **Need more solutions?** Lands' End (www.landsend.com) and J.Crew (www.jcrew.com, click on Swimfinder) have areas on their Web sites that enables shoppers to "try on" swimsuits virtually.

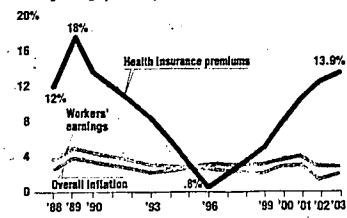


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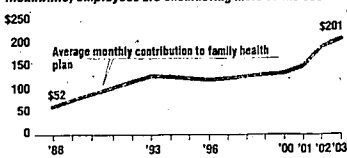
Rising Costs

Employer health insurance premiums have resumed double-digit increases, even as wages stagnate and inflation stays relatively steady.

Percentage change year over year*



Meanwhile, employees are shouldering more of the costs.



*NOTE: Graphs show years for which comparable surveys were taken. SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bureau of Economic Analysis

Sick about health care

Employers, politicians struggle to find solution

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Alarmed by his company's escalating health insurance costs and a frightening scarcity of recruits, Ford's chief executive William C. Ford Jr. declared in December that the nation needs an entirely new health care system. Then he tapped Ford's vice chairman to craft a proposal to develop one. "I just think that as a country, if we have a model that isn't working and a model that's driving jobs overseas, then we'd better take another look at it," Ford said.

Yet in a presidential election year, when rising health care costs are dominating the agenda, Ford—like the rest of the business community—remains spooked by the prospect of a "Washington solution" to its spiraling costs and has studiously shied away from the public arena. From the largest corporations to the smallest mom-and-pop shops, business executives identify double-digit increases in health insurance costs as perhaps the biggest threat to their bottom line in their future. Yet beyond their vocal complaints, businesses have been strikingly absent from the burgeoning political debate and largely unwilling to take sides.

Small groups large and business groups large and small say neither political party has embraced proposals that will truly bring down spiraling costs.

"Employers always stand to lose, everyone stands to lose, when health care is politicized," said James Klein, president of the business-backed American Benefits Council. "Employers have seen health care politics over the years, and good health care policy does not tend to emerge from health care politics."

After a decade of cost controls in the 1990s, health insurance premiums have resumed their rapid growth—11 percent in 2001, 13 percent in 2002, and 14 percent in 2003, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation. Ford spent \$30 billion in 2002 to cover insurance costs for 560,000 workers, retirees, dependents and surviving spouses, said Ford spokeswoman Brenda Hines. In 2003, the figure jumped \$2 billion, adding nearly \$1,000 to the cost of every

Ford vehicle produced in the United States.

Brand-name prescription drug costs alone rose at nearly three times the rate of inflation last year, the AARP reported this week.

Those rising costs have taken a toll. From 2001 to 2002, the ranks of the uninsured jumped 2.4 million, to 43.3 million, the largest increase since 1987. The Kaiser foundation attributes that almost exclusively to employers, especially small businesses, dumping their health coverage.

In 2001, 68 percent of businesses with fewer than 200 workers offered health care. In such numbers, Sen. John Kerry, the presumptive Democratic nominee for president, sees an opportunity to peel business support away from President Bush. He devoted an entire week this month to discussing his \$650 billion health care plan. And last week, campaign aides, led by investment banker Roger Altman, began formulating a program to woo chief executives to talk up aspects of the plan, if not endorse the Democrat.

Both Kerry and Bush have health care proposals. Bush would offer lower- and middle-income families a tax credit worth roughly \$1,000 to purchase health insurance on their own. Costs would be held down by controlling medical practice lawsuits. Small businesses would be allowed to pool together to bargain for better private insurance deals, and tax-favored medical savings accounts would be expanded to defray out-of-pocket expenses, all at a 10-year cost of about \$120 billion.

Some new cosmetics earn their keep

DEAR PAULA: I love when you recommend great new beauty buys. Are there new things out there that work great and don't cost a fortune?

— CHARLENE, VIA E-MAIL

DEAR CHARLENE: The answer is yes! You'll want to consider trying James' Lipstick Rich Color Lipstick (\$4.49). Although this line is marketed to teens, adults would be pleased with this creamy, opaque lipstick. It has a smooth, even application and feels very light while providing a soft, glossy finish. Plus their Hi-Fiber Waterproof Mascara (\$3.99) will make it through several laps around the pool. Neurogena's new Oil-Free Eye



COSMETICS Q&A Paula Begoun

Makeup Remover (\$5.99 for 3.8 ounces) is a very good, bi-phase makeup remover that is far less expensive and identical to many you will find at the department store. Neurogena has also scored in the world of hair care with their Triple Moisture Cream Lather Shampoo (\$5.99 for 8.45 ounces), Triple Moisture Daily Deep Conditioner (\$5.99 for 8.45

ounces), Triple Moisture Healing Shine Serum (\$6.99 for 1.8 ounces), Triple Moisture Deep Recovery Hair Mask (\$6.99 for 6 ounces), and the rather unique Triple Moisture Steer Hydration Leave-in Foam (\$6.99 for 6 ounces).

To go with Revlon's sensational ColorStay Stay Natural Foundation is their new Stay Natural Concealer SPF 15 (\$7.99). It's a liquid concealer that provides smooth, medium coverage and sets to a soft matte finish that doesn't crease. This is also one of few concealers that have excellent sun protection. There aren't a lot of cream blushes on the market and filling that

void is Revlon's Cream Blush (\$8.59) with a soft cream-to-powder application.

Rimmel's Extreme Definition Ultimate Lash-Separating Mascara (\$4.97) is a distinctive option. It is a brushless mascara — meaning that it has a miniature comb to sweep on mascara. It does an impressive job of creating long, thick lashes.

Paula Begoun is the author of "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me (6th edition)" (Bloomberg Press, \$27.95). Write to her at 13075 Gateway Drive, Suite 160, Seattle, Wash. 98168 or go to: www.cosmeticscope.com

ENGAGEMENT

MORGAN-MINGO

PAUL — Bud and Beverly Harman of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Shelley Sue Morgan, to Jordan R. Mingo, son of Ron and Regina Mingo of Paul.

Morgan is a graduate of Minico High School. She is employed at Orem Floral and Stylin in Orem, Utah.

Mingo is a graduate of Minico High School and Eastern Utah College. He served an LDS mission in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He will be attending college in the fall in Nevada, Utah.

The wedding is planned for Friday, June 4, in the Salt Lake



Shelley Morgan and Jordan Mingo

LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 5, at the Paul LDS Stake Center.

When it comes to pants length — suit yourself

Q: Would you please discuss capri and cropped pants? I'm confused about length and width, and what's most flattering.

—M.C.

A: I did a little research on this, since capri pants are once again a fashion favorite. According to the Home Sewing Association, there is no typical length, but the most capri falls somewhere mid-calf. Some hems are as low as inches above the ankle (cropped), and as high as just below the knee (clam-digger). Home-sewers can use pants to the length they find most flattering. The HSA suggests that you choose fabric in both neutrals and bright, punchy colors. If you have purchased capris, you can alter them to your desired length.

Jan Lankey, an image expert from Pittsburgh, adds: "Show the upper curve of your calf by hemming 2-3 inches below the knee. If you have thicker legs, opt for the longer cropped style. If you have thick ankles, wear full-length pants."

I hope this helps you, and others. Capris are now a great option for women of all ages and sizes.

Q: How can I convert a pair of jeans into a skirt? I'm a teen who likes to sew.

—B.T.

A: The Home Sewing Association can help you out there, too. See its Web site,



SEWING Barbara Gash

www.sewing.org, for specific directions for several easy projects. "How to Make a Jeans Skirt" was featured in April.

Liz Smith Yeats of Troy, Mich., sent me information on a source for so-called "blueprint" fabric to share with readers. "Blueprints," she says, are typically white silhouettes of flowers or leaves on a rich blue background. You can print black-and-white photo negatives right on this fabric. It's treated to be photosensitive; exposure is done in sunlight and the developer is simply water.

Order from www.blueprintables.com.

Yeats says the company has lots of fabric choices at good prices, so it sounds like a great option for both wearables and quilts.

Barbara Gash writes about sewing for the Detroit Free Press. Write to her at the Free Press, P.O. Box 828, Detroit, Mich. 48231, or send e-mail to compuser@ans.com. Letters cannot be answered personally.

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Hospital offers childbirth classes

Two childbirth classes will be offered Tuesday at Cass Regional Medical Center, 1501 Hilland Ave., Burley.

The first class will be held from 5-7 p.m. and will provide information about working through labor pain and relaxation, breathing and coaching techniques.

The second class will be held from 7-9 p.m. and will discuss the disorders and problems of pregnancy, safe exercise, and will include a tour of the birth center.

For more information, call the hospital's birth center at 677-6500.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer Baby and Me classes from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome. This week's topic will be "Baby Blues."

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years.

The class is free. For more information, call 324-7262.

About CPR

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday in the Doctors' Meeting Room on the lower level floor at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 650 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class will include emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 737-2007.

Family health program

Choose to Move classes will be offered from 6:30-8 p.m. in an eight-week session, beginning Tuesday at Sawtooth Elementary School gymnasium, 1771 Stadium Blvd., Twin Falls.

The class is designed to teach families about exercise, nutrition and injury-prevention habits.

Pre-registration is required. To register, call Janie Tigue at 732-6479.

Labor rehearsal

A labor rehearsal class will be held from 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The class will include a labor rehearsal from first contraction to delivery, using skills and comfort measures learned in childbirth classes. Participants are asked to bring two pillows and a blanket to the class.

The class is free for those who will be delivering at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center.

For more information or to register, call 324-1122, Ext. 3361.

Big Kids class

The Big Kids Klub will meet from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday in the Doctors' Meeting Room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 650 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class is designed to help prepare siblings for the new baby.

Cost is \$7.50 per family with one child or \$10 per family with two or more children. To register, call 737-2990.

Diabetes education

"Taking Care of Your Teeth," a community diabetes education class, will be offered from noon to 2 p.m. June 7 at the Lower Level Conference Room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

Dr. John Roberts and Barbara Slatter, hygienist, will present the program.

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More than skin deep: Regular grooming can make your dog look and smell good

Your dog might not be appearing in the show ring at Westminster anytime soon, but frequent sessions with a brush and comb will not only keep your dog looking like a star, it will also contribute to her overall health and comfort. This is true all year long, but especially now, during the spring-summer shedding season.

Grooming your dog does a lot of good things for her. Aside from "smoothing" her canine ego by making her the center of your attention, brushing removes dirt and debris from your pet's hair, while giving you the chance to look for bumps, bruises, growths, or external parasites that might require closer scrutiny from a veterinarian.

Regular brushing also helps prevent uncomfortable mats, which restrict the flow of air to the skin, making it more difficult for your pet to stay cool in the summer and increasing the risk of irritations and infections.

All dogs require regular grooming, even pooches with short hair and the so-called "non-shedding breeds" such as terriers and schnauzers. Like all dogs, these breeds do in fact shed on a constant basis, and old hairs die and are replaced by new ones.

The difference between these dogs and "heavy shedders," is that instead of falling out, their dead hairs tend to stick to the coat on a constant basis.

Although shedding is a year-round activity for dogs, your pet will lose more hair throughout the spring, when her lighter summer coat grows in, and again in the fall, when she replaces this hair with her winter tresses.

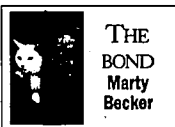
The stiffer summer coat leaves extra space between the hairs so more cooling air reaches the skin. It's a good idea to brush your dog more often during these peak shedding periods, but be sure to maintain your dog's grooming schedule throughout the rest of the year too.

"I believe that grooming can determine the quality of a dog's life in a family setting," said Diana Mohler, a veteran groomer who writes a monthly grooming column in Dog Fancy magazine. "Simply put, clean dogs get to live indoors and interact with the family on a daily basis, while unkempt dirty dogs are often banished to the backyard."

How often should you groom your dog? According to Kosta Nicolopoulos, a spokesperson for Rolf C. Hagen Corp., makers of Le Salon Grooming Tools, the answer depends on your pet's breed or coat type. Ideally, long-haired dogs or breeds with dense, thick coats like the Afghan hound and collie should be groomed daily," he said.

Shorter haired dogs can do fine with weekly grooming sessions. However, Nicolopoulos advises brushing all senior dogs more frequently, since they can have a harder time grooming themselves.

Plus, regular brushing helps



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distribute the natural oils from an older dog's skin throughout the coat to keep it more lustrous.

Besides a healthy coat, the Becker dogs will attest to the fact that dogs love the physical contact and personal attention of this "10 minute high-touch

When grooming a dog, you should start at the head and work your way down the back to the tail, then do the sides, followed by the legs.

Follow the direction of the hair, working in short, back strokes, but be careful not to press too hard, since this can scratch your dog's skin. You should try working your brush or comb as close as possible to the skin without actually touching it.

With this in mind, it's a good idea to angle the bristles of your brush or teeth of your comb away from the skin.

Use the brush prior to combing. If your pet has a long or heavy coat, section the hair into workable amounts.

Concentrate on detangling the section with the brush and then pull the comb through. If the comb snags a tangle then

brush a little longer and re-comb.

Only when the entire area is tangle free should you progress to the next section. Avoid trying to brush the entire coat willy-nilly as this technique will create tangles to form in areas you miss.

This is OK for average coats but what about mats? Mats are more developed and worisome than simple tangles," Mohler said. "A matted coat can actually lighten and draw the skin close to the mat. The use of scissors when a coat is severely matted can injure the dog and inflame a cut that can require time out."

stitches. This is especially true of mats located behind the ears, so do not consider cutting them with scissors." If you come across a mat, you can gently try to break it up gently using your comb or fingers and a detangling spray, but please do not try too hard. You're better off clipping off matted hair than subjecting your

furry friend to a drawn-out dematting process.

A severely matted dog should be taken to a professional groomer to have his coat clipped, so the two of you can start over again.

It is also helpful to have the right tools. Just like dogs' coats vary in color and texture, there is a lot of variety in the best tool for your dog's coat type. Which combination of combs and brushes will work best for your dog?

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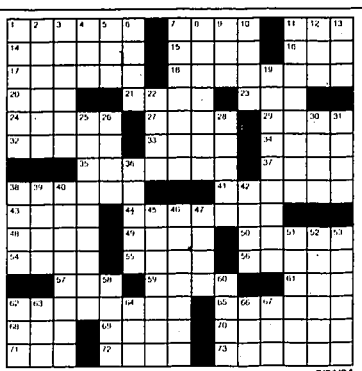
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Day of remembrance is an honor

DEAR ABBY: Today is Memorial Day, and I am again asking for your help in encouraging your readers to join in the National Moment of Remembrance.

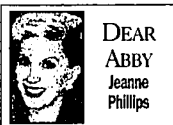
All Americans, wherever they are at 3 p.m. local time, are asked to pause for a moment of reflection on Memorial Day to honor those who have died for our country.

The National Moment of Remembrance is not a ceremony. It does not replace traditional Memorial Day events.

It's an act of conscience and heart, respect and appreciation.

It can be a simple gesture — such as placing your hand over your heart or ringing a bell.

This year the White House Commission on Remem-



brance, with the support of the National Association for Music Education, Bugles Across America and the Getzen Instrument Co., are inviting trumpet players across the country to play "Taps" at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day for the Moment's "Echoes of Remembrance" throughout America.

(Visit www.remember.gov for more information.)

The goal is to put "memorial" back into Memorial Day, be-

cause a Gallup poll indicated that only 28 percent of American citizens realize the true meaning of this holiday.

CARMELLA LA SPADA, DIRECTOR, WHITE HOUSE COMMISSION ON REMEMBRANCE

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Scorpio needs to enjoy activities with a friend

IF MAY 31 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you could receive some good fortune this week and that will give your confidence a big boost. Knowing that people trust you and have faith in you means that you have a responsibility to live up to their expectations.

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Partners will yearn for company no matter what is on the agenda, and you certainly make a perfect companion. You will be happiest under these stars if you can be physically active in some way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): No one is satisfied being alone today, and everyone needs a companion, even for outdoor chores. Sports and games will be popular under these stars.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can easily get carried away by grandiose schemes this week and should restrain yourself from following extravagant whims.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may be the heavy thinker lately, but companions will lighten your mood today by being delightfully entertaining.

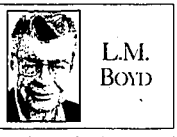
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You have your own unique way of caring for things and people and might find something new and unusual to occupy your time.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Avoid mix-ups by being very clear and precise about what you say. It will be easy for others to misinterpret your words or your actions.

It's acceptable to say 'ain't' with certain types of words

Q. "I ain't" is acceptable English, I've read, but "he ain't" isn't. Why?

A. "I ain't," acceptable by few, is a contraction of "I am not." "He ain't," acceptable by fewer, is a contraction of "he am not." Please note, those of us who give a hoot are in a diminishing minority.



Advises an authority on healthy household temperatures: "If the cut isn't sleeping on the heat vent, turn down the thermostat."

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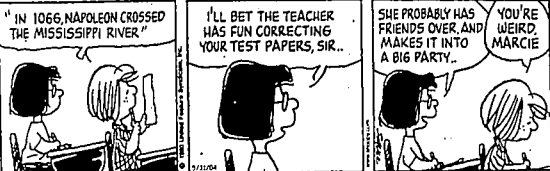
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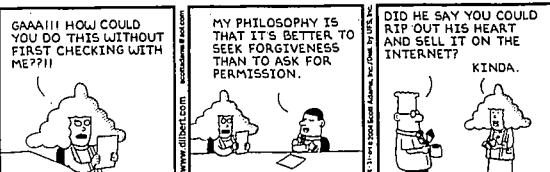
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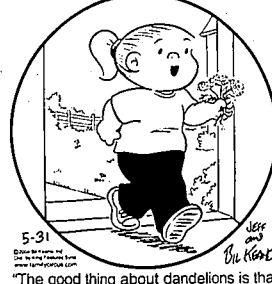
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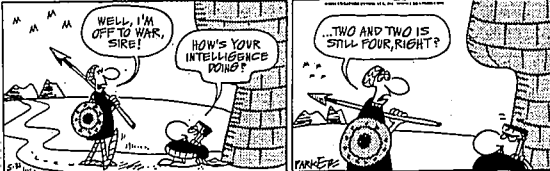
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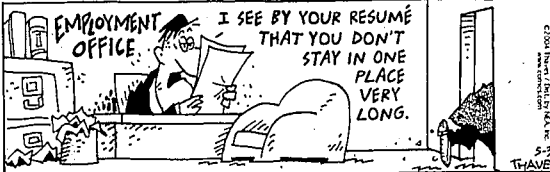
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SCHOOL DAYS

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Students celebrate graduation



OREN MITERS/The Times-News

Oregon Trail sixth-grader Joey Cox Patterson, left, intently listens to speakers during sixth-grade graduation Thursday at the school.

Class of 2010 prepares for junior high school

By Jami Whitred
Times-News Writer

TWIN FALLS — Certificates were awarded, well-wishes read and the cheers of sixth-graders filled the halls of Oregon Trail Elementary as the class of 2010 headed off to face new challenges.

Louise Miller, a sixth-grade teacher, organized the sixth-grade graduation ceremony held May 27 in the gym. Seventy children graduated and more than 200 people attended.

Each sixth-grader received a \$50 scholarship as part of the "I'm Going to College" day they participated in at the College of Southern Idaho in mid-April.

Juan Romero, 12, who is going on to Robert Stuart Junior High, enjoyed learning about the different subjects available through the program, especially

"the chemistry part." He is excited about junior high, likes learning and wants to concentrate on language. But, he will miss "the great teachers" at Oregon Trail.

"We've spent a lot of time on preparations for junior high," Miller said. The students had sessions with counselors where they discussed junior high, registered for classes and got questions answered.

"During visitations to the junior high schools they got to see how kids act in classrooms and what's expected of them" she said.

The Parent Teacher Volunteers purchased T-shirts for the children to wear at the graduation. Each student's signature was printed on the shirt.

The ceremony began with students Mercedes Campos, Emma Richins and Erin Cantner leading the Pledge of Allegiance, then students Elizabeth Lara, Kelli Garner and Crystal Nutsch read their "I'm Going to College" essays, which explained what the day was about, opportunities available at CSI and what they plan to do in the future.

Ted Poppellwell, the school principal, welcomed everyone and wished the students well. Wiley Dolbos, the superintendent, also spoke and presented the scholarships to the students.

Fifteen sixth-grade girls performed a song dedicated to the heroes of Sept. 11. Then the sixth-grade teachers handed out their students' graduation certificates. A memory book signing party followed the ceremony.

"The memory books are something we made just for the sixth-graders this year," Miller said. The book has the students' pictures with memories from

grade school to cherish.

At Perrine Elementary's graduation ceremony, each student received a certificate of achievement and presidential academic awards were given to students with a 3.5 grade point average, and in the 85th percentile in reading or math on standardized tests.

The students also sang for parents and a tea was held following the ceremony.

Perrine students also participated in the "I'm Going to College" program and received their scholarships at their ceremony.

"The point (of the program) is to get kids thinking about what they're doing and get involved, get them asking, 'What do I want to do after I graduate?'" said Myrna Griffith, a sixth grade teacher. "What you want to do usually guides what classes you take."

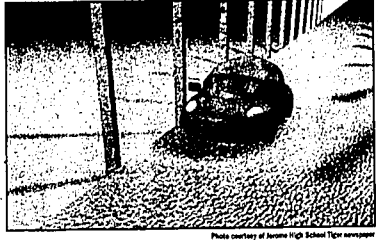


Photo courtesy of Jerome High School Tiger newspaper

This car design was made by Charli Sorrel on computer.

Students use 3D to expand their abilities

By Kevin Otzenberger
Special to The Times-News

SPECIAL TO — Jerome High School has been called one of the most "wired" schools in America.

It has built an array of unique and beneficial computer courses and programs. For the past five years, art teacher, Keith Farnsworth, has taught 3D graphic animation that enables students to experiment with their technical skills and the boundaries of their creativity.

"The program began at the request of several students. According to Farnsworth, it's uncommon to even find colleges in Idaho that teach it."

"The biggest significance of the class is that there are tons of jobs in the animation field today," he said.

For a \$5 fee, any student who wanted an art credit was welcome to join the class. The course covers the instruction of how to operate the CINEMA 4D

animation/rendering program. Students learn how to use the technology using project-based tutorials provided by Farnsworth, as well as online tutorials.

"During the course there is an open window to experiment with personal projects that can be entirely customized to the student's imagination. This extra output is encouraged by the program."

"I'm pleased to see that students are doing that," Farnsworth said. "They're seeing the full potential of the program and those projects end up being the best movies, not the tutorials."

"This is a good combination of art and computer," he added. "It's enjoyable and the possibilities are endless. We're using a 3D software program, not little kid stuff."

Kevin Otzenberger is a staff writer with the Jerome High School newspaper.

Shoshone releases test scores

SHOSHONE — Shoshone Elementary School released its Accelerated Readers and 50-in-a-Minute achievers for May.

Accelerated Readers

First grade
Ready Reader: Billy Helms and Wyatt Nelson; Independent Reader: Chaeli Cenarosa; Reader: Hagen, Billy Day, Edwene Cruz, Sergio Ropardo, Brad Stein and Gen Young; Rising Reader: Victor Schoesser; and Rising Reader 2: Josh Tuckert.

Second grade

Super Reader: Rulamon Mayyasi; Super Reader III: Elizabeth Johnson Kimball, 25 Point Club: Edward Anguiano, Gino Enriquez, Brynden Irish, H. Kimball, Giv-Low, Rulamon Mayyasi, Brett Riley, Sayury Sanchez, Midnight Smith, Bryce Turner, Hyson VanDyke and Zach Zach; and Super Reader 4: Brian Murrow.

Third grade

Star Reader: Jordan Bailey; Star Reader 3: Diana Vaughn; Independent Reader: Jessica Simonson; Rising Reader: Bryan Cantano; Super Reader 3: Britania Leguineche; Advanced Reader: Kayla Pacheco; Advanced Reader 3: Kelly Craker; Classic Reader: Caleb Aui and Sarah Jones; Super Reader: Kody Knight; Super Reader II: Tylor Taylor; Star Reader V: Caulen Bryant; Rising Reader: Caitlyn Gay; Independent Reader: Henry Garcia; Paige Leguineche and Dalton Strickland; Advanced Reader: Michael McClure and Tyler Taylor; and Advanced Reader II: Cassidy Callahan-Stevens.

Fourth grade

April goal: Dakota Brown, Sandra Echeverria, Julia Garcia, Tyler Gulick, Kelece Hutchins, Joseph McMillin, Bekah Merrick, Ciern Miller, Jordan

Pederson, Mist Busselle, Mariah Schoof, Maura Torres, Chantse Trujillo, Anzley Tuckett, Arzelo Avalos, Bryan Bolter, Britnie Eberhard, Albert Land, Gabe Roberts and Lape Ruiz; Independent Reader: Krysta Norris and Juanita Ramirez; Rising Reader: Ozma Avalos; Super Reader: Britnie Eberhard, Lape Ruiz, Cristal Torres, Matt Walsh and Kendra Whigg; Advanced Reader: Hyson Bolter and Gabe Roberts.

Fifth grade

Classic Reader: Michelle Ael and Clive Messer; Super Reader: Rich Greener; Star Reader: Jose Orozco and Andrew Taylor; Honors Reader: Michele Gomez; Independent Reader: Rocio Bravo; Super Reader: Brandon Thomas; Advanced Reader: Matt Price, Jacob Richards; and Star Reader: Jennifer Kermer, Jessica Chitwood, Penny Morales, Amanda Olsen, Tyler Perrin and Christina Smith.

50 in a Minute:
McKayla Tanner, Liliana Gomez, Midnight Smith, Zach Zach, Brett Riley, Gus Lowe, Hali Kimball, Zach Zach, Elizabeth Manning, Brynden Irish, Liana Gomez, Keeler Wintz, David Zavala, Jabine Gusto and Britany Lee.

Third grade

Andrew Laycock, Leah Ryes, Hannah Belli, Mikaila Mastrofino, Cassidy Callahan-Stevens, Henry Garcia and Caleb Aui.

Fourth grade

Maura Torres, Jordan Pederson, Elle Dalton, Kelece Hutchins, Shoshone Schoolers, Britnie Eberhard, Omar Gomez, Krysta Norris, Bryan Bolter, Lape Ruiz, Matt Walsh, Taylor Perkins and Gabe Roberts.

Fifth grade

Caitlyn Peterson, Amanda Olsen, Lariza Aguilar and Alexis Murphy.

CHEER TEAM



Shoshone High School gave a cheer for its cheerleaders who competed in the District IV Cheerleading competition held at Twin Falls High School. Kirby Pymann, Kyla Astle, Tara Wright, Sarah Hansen, Todd Webb, Crickette Jensen and Judy Villalobos brought home the second-place trophy. Members of the Pep Club also attended to support the girls, which added points for competition.

The evening included the Lincoln County Stars, a mini-cheerleader group of girls between the ages of 4 and 13, who were taught by the cheerleaders as a fund-raiser.

Photo courtesy of Shoshone High School

CLOSE SHAVE



Photo courtesy of PATTY PERSON

Parent Teacher Organization board member Becky Terry shaves the legs of Hoyburn Elementary School principal Randy Reddington as part of his 'makeover' at an assembly held recently. Students sold chocolate for a fund-raiser and Reddington promised something 'special' if the students met their sales goals. In addition to the shave, Reddington went through something of an extreme makeover, donning makeup, a dress, high heels and wig.

Author will speak at Community School

KEITCHUM — Novelist Judith Freeman will speak at the Community School graduation ceremony at 1 p.m. Sunday at the school quad.

Freeman is a short story writer, critic and author of four novels and a collection of short stories. Her novels include "The Chinchilla Farm," "A Desert of Pure Feeling" and "The Water," which was chosen by the L.A. Times Book Review as one of the best books of 2002. She received a Guggenheim Fellowship in fiction in 1997. Her second novel, "Set For Life," won the Western Heritage Award.

She is currently working on a book about novelist Raymond Chandler and his wife, Cissy, called "The Real Long Goodbye." She lives on the Camas Prairie and in Los Angeles, with her husband, artist-photographer Anthony Hernandez.



Judith Freeman

The Community School awards ceremony will be held 5 p.m. Friday in the gymnasium.

Elementary announces citizens of the week

RUPERT — Big Valley Elementary School in Rupert announced citizens of the week: Juan Arzavalo, Betsy Orozco, Michael Granillo, Josh Graham, Zane Davis, Maricarmen Estrada, Patijaney Guzman, Jacob Stuart, Joey Cantu, Lucero Labra, Rosa Balderas, Tyler Stevenson and Harold Walters.

Rupert Elks present scholarship to students

RUPERT — The Rupert Elks presented four scholarships to Mimico High School seniors. Curtis Rutker Scholarships of \$600 each went to Brian Ellis and Shauna Moses. Sam Osgood Scholarship, for \$500 each, went to Bray Smith and Jason Motley.

Big Valley School promotes breakfast

RUPERT — The Idaho Dairy Council sent Big Valley Elementary a poster of Amar

Stroudemire, a basketball rookie for the year 2003-2004 who played for the Phoenix Suns.

The life-size poster was displayed in the cafeteria where it received much attention from the students. Martha Lawson, food service manager, decided to promote the importance of starting the day with breakfast by using the poster in a drawing.

Breakfast is free to all students in Minidoka County Schools, and they were encouraged to eat breakfast and put their names in the drawing. The winning ticket belonged to fourth-grader Manuel Ramirez who was excited to receive the poster.

The Idaho Dairy Council and the food service staff helped to raise the number of students eating breakfast and make this promotion a success, school officials said.

Gooding students gets presidents award

GOODING — Several students of Gooding Middle School received the Presidential Academic Excellence Award at an assembly held on May 27.

Cambria Bigler, Blair Gerratt, Eric Hernandez, Juniel Jensen,

Nan Jolly, Melissa Lockwood, Malan Metcalf, Megan Pierson, Chayanna Robinson, Danielle Barber, Tyson Strickland, Maura Zarate and Justin Postma all received the Gold Award for their 3.5 grade point averages and high Idaho Standards Achievement Test scores.

Mary Arkoosh, Heather Barth, Karley Branam, Breann Durfee, Britany Fuqua, Jeremy Kuhn, Alisa Reed and Samuel Rodriguez received the Silver Award for their 3.5 GPAs.

Open house will take place for retiring teacher

FILER — Darlene Annen, the family and consumer science teacher at Filer High School, is retiring after 25 years.

In recognition of her contributions to the Filer community and school district, there will be an open house from 2-5 p.m. Sunday in the high school library, 3915 N. 2300 E. Community members



Darlene Annen

and former students are invited.

Annen has taught classes about teen issues, adult living and the traditional life-skills of cooking, nutrition and sewing. She helped students with career internships, personal development, food production and inter-school competitions through her Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Clubs, school representatives report.

"As a teacher and adviser, she has received several awards and her program has received recognition."

The last five years she opened the PAVS Cafe, a kitchen where students plan, shop, prepare and serve the meals in a restaurant atmosphere.

Students also cater evening meals upon request and can earn college credit.

"The cafe serves students, faculty, parents and members of the community."

For more information, call the school at 326-5944.

Buhl Middle School club donates money

BUHL — The Buhl Middle

School Builders Club has donated \$100 each to the school choir, band and drama departments, \$200 to the Boys and Girls Club of Buhl and the projected skate park and \$300 to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

The club also purchased 30 new Accelerated Reader books for the school library.

The 50 members of the club raised the money from selling candy bags at Halloween and Valentine's Day, running a school canned-food drive for the West End Ministry, participating in Pennies for Patients for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, selling singing telegrams, holding a talent show, selling compatibility computer printouts and participating in Box Tops for Education.

The club recently gathered items for Iraq troops, such as suntan lotion, throat drops, lip balm and magazines, and the whole school wrote letters to soldiers in their Help the Troops campaign.

For more information about the Builders Club, call Donna Johnson or Susan Baggs at 543-8292.