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Iraqis say U.S. meddles

Soldiers from the U.S. 1st Armored Division watch a color guard during a ceremony to mark Memorial Day at the international airport in Baghdad, Iraq, on Monday.



Deadline passes for power handover with impasse unresolved

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Iraqi Governing Council members accused American officials Monday of pressuring them to accept Washington's choice for Iraq's new president, prompting a delay in the announcement of a new government to take power from the U.S.-led coalition June 30. U.N. envoy Lakhdar Brahimi had hoped to complete the selection of the 26-member Cabinet

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Alfred Moore, of Plymouth, Mo., sheds a tear during a Memorial Day service in Plymouth, Mich., on Monday.

DISTURBANCE IN THE FORCE



Camas County Sheriff Dave Sanders makes a traffic stop along Highway 20 near the intersection with Highway 46 Friday afternoon. Due to the Idaho National Guard call-up, Sanders is losing a deputy and only has one left.

Guard deployment leaves some police agencies in lurch

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

FAIRFIELD - Undaunted by the slick roads and poor visibility, the driver of a pickup barreled down U.S. Highway 20, coming up behind a semi-trailer. The driver started out from behind, allowing himself only

a few seconds to pass in front of the truck before another vehicle approached head-on. The driver made it back into his lane in time, but that's when his luck ran out. "Let's go have a talk with him real quick," said Camas County Sheriff Dave Sanders, as he turned his Chevy Tahoe around, accelerating to catch

up to the offender. Indeed, there was little time to waste. Camas County covers more than 688,000 acres, including 332,000 acres of U.S. Forest Service land. Many of the roads crisscrossing the county are dirt or gravel and, over the holiday weekend, were being traversed by an onslaught of vacationers.

At the noon hour on Friday, the sheriff was alone. Like many other law enforcement agencies, especially smaller ones, the Camas County Sheriff's Department is feeling the impact of the Idaho Army National Guard's mobilization. One of Sanders' two deputies was called to duty, leaving the remaining staff to cover his shifts.

Agencies scramble, but public shouldn't worry, Jerome chief says

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

JEROME - Small law enforcement agencies all over Magic Valley are feeling the squeeze of the Idaho Army National Guard's mobilization. The Jerome Police Department will be without one patrolman out of 10, Police Chief Dan Hall said. "It's going to have an effect," he said. "We're probably going to be working short-handed. We haven't come up with a real good plan for replacing him temporarily." Hall may shift workloads, and overtime is a possibility, he said. "Finding someone certified who will take a job for one or two years without a guarantee

of full-time employment is not easy," he said. "We're a small department. We have a hard time recruiting anyway." If Hall chose to train someone, it would take 18 to 20 weeks at a minimum, he said. "Then they're still on a probationary status," he said. "It takes at least a year before they're comfortable in their jobs. Before they really get the feel for it, you send them packing." Hall's department can get by with one man gone, he said. "The threat of another employee leaving remains a dire possibility. "The real problem is if someone went to another department," he said. "It doesn't leave you any buffer if something else happens. Everything

looks stable right now, but if one of my people got another offer, there's not much I can do about that." As a former Air National Guardsman who spent a year on active duty, Hall knows that the sacrifice goes beyond his agency. "I feel for these guys going right now," he said. "The circumstances (I went under) weren't quite as bad as what they're facing now. It's not only an inconvenience to their employer. It's going to have an impact on their families and their lives." Although employers should expect to be affected, he said, the public shouldn't worry. "Even though it puts a strain on our operation, it's not going to affect public safety," he said.

"Just losing one guy really puts a damper on things," Sanders said. On a typical night, a deputy can put between 150 and 200 miles on his odometer. Logging that many miles, however, is the easy part.

The county with a population of just over 1,000 people, has witnessed its share of problems. A fatal avalanche, a murder, a shooting and numerous collisions within the past year required a police presence that stretched the department's capabilities to the limit. "There's a lot that can go on here," Sanders said. "It's just unreal for a little county."

Searching again

Sanders was thrilled to find Brian Miller to fill a vacancy within the department this year, but his joy was not to last. "Three days after I hired him, I heard on CNN the 11th bid. Please see POLICE, Page A2

Storm drains hold up procession of ducklings and their mother

The Associated Press

BURLINGTON, Vt. - The journey from downtown Burlington to Lake Champlain was fraught with peril for a duck and her 13 ducklings - but a group effort by concerned citizens saved the day.

A mama mallard and her 13 ducklings were strolling from downtown to the bay one after-

noon last week when several little ones fell through the slits of a storm drain, plopping into a pool of water formed by the day's thunderstorms.

"They were peeping away and the mother was quacking back," said Kyle Church, a computer technician who was one of the first people at the scene.

The mother circled the drain

frantically, becoming increasingly upset when the remaining birds that followed her footsteps fell through the opening.

Church sprang into action as he and co-worker John Greena ripped off the sewer grate. Greena climbed into the storm drain and fished out as many ducklings as he could.

But some started swimming

toward the lake and were out of reach. Mother duck listened and followed their peeps right to the next sewer grate, which more of her babies once again fell through.

It was time to call the authorities.

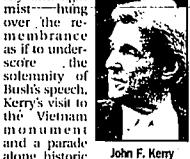
Jodi Harvey, animal control officer with the Burlington police, arrived to find a crowd around the quacking and peep-

ing birds. "I figured, 'Gee, what am I going to do?'" she said. "I couldn't leave them here. I scooped the babies up first. I had to hold up traffic."

Onlooker Krista Lathrop handed Harvey a cardboard box, and Harvey put the ducks inside. The ducks then got a lift to the lake in a police cruiser and calmly swam away.



George W. Bush



John F. Kerry

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) - President Bush declared Monday that "America is safer" because of its fighting forces while Sen. John Kerry went to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in somber but historically asymmetrical Memorial Day tributes.

"Through our history, America has gone to war reluctantly," said Bush, speaking at Arlington National Cemetery after laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns. "In places like Kabul and Kandahar, in Mosul and Baghdad, we have seen their decency and their 'brave spirit,'" he said.

A cheerless sky and light mist - hung over the remembrance as if to underscore the solemnity of Bush's speech. Kerry's visit to the Vietnam monument and a parade along history's Independence Avenue. A smattering of World War II veterans marched with people in some cases, three generations younger, capturing a weekend highlighted by the formal opening Saturday of the National World War II Memorial. Frances and John Carter, both 82, were separated by an ocean during World War II. He was a paratrooper and she was a "Rose the Riveter," one of the thousands of women who went to work at home to support the soldiers abroad. It was a day when political rhetoric was somewhat muted, eclipsed here by public tributes and the playing of Taps. Bush did take a moment to praise Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld for "your great leadership," however. Rumsfeld has heard calls for his resignation in connection with the prisoner abuse scandal. And Kerry resumed his political campaign in earnest later Monday in Virginia.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny, mostly dry and w/in 90s near 78. Tonight: Mostly clear with a light breeze and w/in 40s. Tomorrow: Sunny and warm. Highs near 82.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Pleasant with a blend of high clouds and hazy sunshine. Highs middle to upper 70s. Tonight: Partly cloudy to fair skies and mostly dry. Lows 40s. Tomorrow: Warmup with a light breeze and patchy clouds. Highs upper 70s to lower 80s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. The week looks to be fairly dry and mild with a daily blend of sunshine and patchy clouds overhead. Winds will be brisk to breezy at times with no precipitation likely to surface.

Today Highs: 68 to 71. Tonight's Lows: 39 to 42. BOISE Dry conditions, warm temperatures and partly to mostly sunny skies will dominate the week long weather outlook.

NORTHERN UTAH A blend of sunshine and patchy clouds, warm temperatures and storm fronts will prevail this week.

Weather Key: sun/sunny, pc/partly cloudy, m/mostly cloudy, c/clearly, th/thunderstorms, sh/showers, ar/ar snow, fl/flores, w/wind, m/mist/fogging



Yesterday's State Extremes: 72 at Boise, Low: 29 at Starkey

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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Yesterday's Weather

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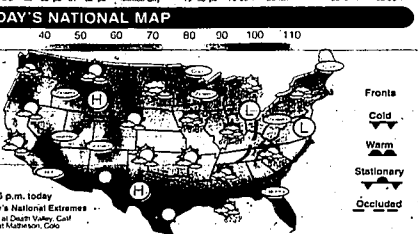
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Police

Continued from A1. was going to be deployed. Sanders said. Miller went to the 2-116 Armored Battalion's headquarters in Twin Falls on May 4, Sanders said. When he got back, he showed his boss his orders. Guardsmen of the 116th Cavalry Brigade are expected to spend an 18-month tour of duty that will take them to Iraq, Miller is now training in Texas in preparation for the deployment. Under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, employees are required to grant unpaid military leave of absence to employees. "It's a horrible thing that's happening over there, but it makes it really hard for us being a small county," Sanders said. Sanders can hire someone to fill in, someone who is looking for field training in order to become certified, but recruitment is no easy task, he said. The rural nature of the county is appealing to many folks who make their homes on the Camas Prairie, but to others, the re-

mentees can be a drawback. "I don't know what I'm going to do," Sanders said. "Tell (applicants), 'Move here and your wife can work down the street at Kmart?'" In the meantime, Sanders can call on other law enforcement agencies to assist him when necessary. "I rely a lot on Blaine County and Gooding County," he said. Additionally, officers from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game routinely patrol the back-country, he said. Making do Other local law enforcement agencies affected by the Guard call-up include the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department, which will lose one full employee, the Twin Falls Police Department, which will lose one patrol officer and the Jerome Fire Department, which will lose one of eight firefighters. Idaho Bureau of Land Management, whose employees oversee 12 million acres of public land, is losing one full-time worker. The Rupert Police Department has a reserve patrol officer already in training with the Guard, and another, a patrol officer, is expected to get his orders the end of June, Detective Juan Martinez said. Out of a department of nine patrol officers, the loss of two is causing a shift in schedules, but not too much concern, he said. "It will affect us with coverage, but we're trying to get it done," Martinez said. "We're a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week department. We will not leave a shift (uncovered)." Martinez said his department can call on reserve officers who are certified and have the same arrest powers as full-time officers. Idaho State Police is losing eight employees statewide, including six troopers, one detective and one cadet. "We already never have enough troopers to patrol here, we'd like to," said Rick Olyman, agency information officer for ISR. "I think people don't understand that, just because we have so many bodies, they can't be out patrolling all the time. It's not the only function they attend to." Fewer staff translates into diminished presence on the roads, he said, and potentially more dangerous drivers escaping the eyes of the law. "As far as traffic is concerned, that black and white (car) is a deterrent because it's out there," he said. With fewer patrol cars driving the highways, instances of petty crime, including moving violations tend to increase, he added. "Hiring part-time help is not

Car bomb rocks Baghdad

Shiite leaders call on U.S. to stop patrols. BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A car bomb exploded Monday near coalition headquarters, killing four people and wounding 25 in violence that U.S. authorities believe was aimed at blocking the coming transfer of power. Four American soldiers were reported killed in other attacks. Shiite leaders also urged U.S. troops to halt "aggressive patrolling" in a bid to save a tenuous truce with a radical cleric's militia around Shiite holy cities south of the capital. Monday's blast took place in Baghdad's Harithiyah district, about a half-mile from where the head of the Iraqi Governing Council, Izzaddin Saleem, was assassinated in a May 17 car bombing. U.S. soldiers pushed back screaming crowds as am-

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Iraq

Continued from A1. whether they want to risk a major breach with their Iraqi allies at a sensitive period as Washington prepares to hand control of a still-unstable, war-ravaged country to an untested leadership. Coalition spokesman Dan Senor insisted the Americans have not shown a preference for Pochachi, a claim that many council members dismissed as untrue. "We in the council have agreed that Sheikh Ghazi al-Yaver should be the president of Iraq," council member and prominent Kurdish leader Jalal Talabani told Al-Arabiya television. "But if the coalition has a different opinion, then they must come and explain to the council. There is a near consensus in the council that Sheikh Ghazi is the better-suited man for the job." Asked what the council would do if the Americans refuse to budge, Talabani said he had great respect for Pochachi "but we will not accept an imposition." Although most Cabinet posts have been filled, no agreement can be announced until a decision on the presidency. The new government will serve until national elections by Jan. 31.

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NATION

TSA might get downsized

WASHINGTON (AP) — The anti-terrorism agency that Congress rushed into existence just weeks after the Sept. 11 attacks to protect America's planes, trains and trucks is shrinking, and could all but fade away.

The Transportation Security Administration, which hired some 65,000 employees and has spent more than \$10 billion over 3 1/2 years, has been beset by complaints about its performance, leaving it vulnerable to congressional Republicans who want to reduce the size of government.

After the terrorist attacks, "people were panicked to put in place a massive bureaucracy," said House Aviation Subcommittee Chairman John Mica.

The Florida Republican says the time has come to rethink TSA and cut it back.

The federal air marshal program, which places armed, undercover officers on select planes, already has been transferred elsewhere within the Department of Homeland Security. For instance, TSA has cut its work force of passenger and baggage screeners who make up the bulk of its employees — from 60,000 to 45,000.

Mica and other Republicans, who were never entirely comfortable with creating a new bureaucracy, want to return all airport security screener jobs to the private sector, where they were before Sept. 11, 2001. If so, the federal screeners would get the same opportunity to apply for the private jobs.

Mica argues that private companies will do a better, more efficient job at the screening that currently is the TSA's primary function.

"They were given almost an impossible task, and they did complete the task Congress requested," Mica said of the TSA. "Now the question comes to short numbers and performance, and there's a lot to be desired."

Mica plans to meet with Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge soon to talk about reorganizing TSA.

The law creating the Homeland Security Department has a sunset provision for the transportation security office. It says the TSA has only to be maintained as a distinct entity until November 2004.

TSA Deputy Administrator Stephen McInale said he wasn't aware of any plans to change the agency's status as a separate en-



TSA agent Stewart Jones checks a passenger's feet at a security checkpoint in Will Rogers World Airport in Oklahoma City in this Sept. 9 photo.

But, he acknowledged recently, "I'm not saying such a plan won't develop."

But many Democrats believe the federal agency is needed to protect travelers. They say Republicans set it up to fail by refusing to give it enough money.

"I helped to create TSA, which is now being disassembled," said Oregon Rep. Peter DeFazio, ranking Democrat on the aviation subcommittee. "The TSA started from nothing and grew quickly as part of the Transportation Department. It was incorporated into the Homeland Security Department when that Cabinet-level agency was formed as a result of separate legislation early last year."

The law creating TSA gave airports the choice of returning to privately employed screeners to check passengers and bags as of Nov. 19. An estimated 100 airports, out of 445 with TSA screeners, already have expressed interest in taking advantage of that option this fall.

Some think that would be better for fliers. Kevin Mitchell, chairman of the Business Travel Coalition, expects private contractors to put "more focus on customer service and civility."

Brian Jenkins, a special adviser to the Rand Corp. think tank, said he wouldn't be surprised if the TSA disappears. He said many lawmakers were not enthusiastic about creating TSA but voted for it because of the pressure to do so soon after the attacks.

"Opposition was translated into mechanisms that would enable them to go back and disband it later on," Jenkins said. Recent reports by the Homeland Security Department's inspector general and the General Accounting Office, Congress' investigative arm, showed that passenger and baggage screening remains lax despite the TSA's efforts.

Still, Democrats say private screeners will do worse and have pledged to fight for TSA. "We will not go back to the days of private screeners," vowed Sen. Frank Lautenberg.

Priests deny gay Catholics communion

CHICAGO (AP) — Parishioners who wore rainbow-colored sashes to Mass in support of gays and lesbians were denied communion in Chicago, while laymen in Minnesota tried to prevent gay Roman Catholics from getting the sacrament.

Priests at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago refused to give the Eucharist to about 10 people wearing the sashes at Sunday Mass.

One priest shook each person's hand; another made the sign of the cross on their foreheads.

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Last Civil War widow dies at 97

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Alberta Martin, the last widow of a Civil War veteran, died Monday, ending an unlikely ascent from poor sharecropper's daughter to the belle of 21st-century Confederate history buffs who paraded her across the South. She was 97.

Martin died at an Enterprise nursing home of complications from a heart attack she suffered May 7, said her caretaker, Dr. Kenneth Chancy. She died just as the nation was celebrating Memorial Day and nearly 140 years after the Civil War ended. Her May-December marriage to a Civil War veteran in the 1920s and her longevity made her a celebrated final link to the old Confederacy.

After living in obscurity and poverty for most of her life, she spent her final years with the Sons of Confederate Veterans carrying her to conventions and rallies, often with a small Confederate battle flag waving in her hand and her clothes the colors of the rebel banner. "I don't see nothing wrong with the flag flying," she said frequently. Gertrude laneway, the last widow of a Union veteran from the Civil War, died in January 2003 at her home in Tennessee.

Supreme Court will rule on Bush's policies

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court heads into the final month of its term Tuesday, set to render its first verdict on President Bush's handling of the war on terrorism.

The court will hand down more than two dozen decisions in June, including whether the words "under God" should remain in the Pledge of Allegiance, whether the Internet should remain free of criminal restrictions and whether pedestrians must identify themselves when police officers ask them to.

But most legal scholars were

focused on the series of cases that test the president's powers to hold suspected terrorists. In three cases, the justices will decide whether the military should be allowed to hold "enemy combatants" — both foreign and domestic — without filing charges or giving them a hearing.

Bush's supporters, as well as his critics, say the court's rulings will be seen as a report card on the president's performance.

"This is a term that will be remembered for what the court says about executive power," said Bradford Berenson, a Washington lawyer who worked in the Bush White House.

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WORLD



People wait in line for water and rice near Mapou, 31 miles southeast of Port-au-Prince in Haiti on Friday.

Haitian village almost disappears after floods

MAPOU, Haiti (AP) — Dominos was the pastime of choice on lazy afternoons in this farm center, with players sitting in the shade and villagers gathering at the market to grumble over a glass of rum about stunted crops or cheating wives.

Now, the market is under 20 feet of water and voices that once rang out have been silenced.

Some of their corpses float nearby — a week after deadly floods cascaded down from Haiti's denuded mountains.

Many better-off residents, who had concrete houses financed by small businesses or remittances, survived the disaster that has killed at least 700 people along the south-central border of Haiti and Dominican Republic.

Phyllis Milfort, 87, flood survivor

Public — where more than a third of the flooding deaths occurred, most of them Haitians working to send money home.

Many in Mapou speak Spanish, the language of the Dominican Republic, as well as Haiti's official Creole and French.

Survivor Phyllis Milfort, 87, lost eight relatives who had helped support him since he lost a leg to gangrene three years ago.

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ers and American, Canadian and Chilean soldiers on Sunday. Desperate to get more food into the area, Catholic Relief Services rented motorized wooden boats over the weekend, loaded them with 66,000 pounds of food and reached Grand Gostier, a seaside town separated from Mapou by the mountains.

They had hoped to get the supplies to Mapou, but found the waterlogged way impassable even by mule. Instead, aid workers set off on a five-hour hike Monday to tell residents to come to Grand Gostier to get a 15-day supply of wheat, rice, soybeans and oil.

Before the floods, villagers eked out a living growing milk, corn and coffee. Some worked as seasonal sugar cane cutters in Dominican Republic.

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“Farmers in despair over harvested rows of corn, lined up for food handouts from aid work-

Saudis search for clues after rampage

KHOBAR, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Saudi forces searched a hotel Monday for evidence and any explosives left behind by suspected al-Qaida militants — three of whom fled after a shooting rampage and hostage standoff in the kingdom's oil industry hub that killed 22 people, mostly foreigners.

Blood stains, glass shards, bullet holes and evidence of grenade blasts scarred the luxurious residential and resort complex, said an Oasis employee who had been inside assessing damage. Soldiers, gun-mounted vehicles and red-and-white concrete barriers kept people outside the compound.

From the gate, broken windows were visible in the upper floors of the hotel where a day-long hostage standoff ended with one attacker arrested and three escaping.

The al-Qaida-claimed attack at two oil industry compounds and the Oasis expatriate housing compound was expected to have some effect on world oil markets — where prices have been at new highs.

But analysts have said worries shouldn't be too strong, because no hard oil facilities, such as refineries, were targeted.

The attack — the worst terrorist attack on Saudi soil in a year,



A Saudi police officer tries to disperse the crowd as military forces surround a mosque, not seen, to hunt for wanted suspects Monday in Khobar, Saudi Arabia. Gunmen opened fire Saturday in Khobar in a rampage that left 22 people dead.

and the second targeting the oil industry in a month — started at 7:30 Saturday when at least four militants wearing military-style dress stormed the oil industry-office compounds, spraying gunfire and killing

13 people.

The militants then moved up the street to the Oasis Residential Resort. According to the Saudi Interior Ministry, the militants first tried to ram the gate with an explosives-rigged car

but when that failed scaled the wall.

They rained the vast complex sorting out Muslims from non-Muslims and corralled at least 50 hostages on the sixth floor of a hotel.

Sharon presents Gaza withdrawal plan to ministers

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon presented a revised Gaza withdrawal plan to rebellious legislators from his Likud party on Monday, a day after he failed to secure a majority in his divided Cabinet.

Earlier, this month, Likud's rank-and-file resoundingly rejected the Gaza plan in a referendum, and many of the

party's lawmakers oppose a withdrawal as well.

Despite the staunch opposition, Sharon has said he is determined to push through the plan, which has been endorsed by President Bush and also won Egyptian backing and Palestinian acquiescence.

However, Sharon may be risking his job in his battle with Cabinet hard-liners, particular-

ly his nemesis in Likud, popular Finance Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who is considered a strong contender to succeed him.

On Sunday, Sharon warned his Cabinet he would do what it takes to get the plan approved, including reshuffling the government. Sharon is considering firing up to four ministers from two ultranationalist parties.

This would give him a majority in the Cabinet, now split 12-11 against the Gaza plan.

However, such a move could trigger a rebellion in the Likud, which could deprive Sharon of his majority in the 120-member parliament and usher in new elections.

Sunday's meeting ended without a vote, which might be held next week.

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Premier of Japan will push on

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's prime minister has hit a rough patch lately.

A hostage crisis shook his Iraq policy, a pension scandal embarrassed his Cabinet, and his recent summit in North Korea was angrily criticized.

But two months before Parliamentary elections, Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi and his Cabinet are enjoying rising ratings — and skeptics are wondering if there's anything Koizumi can't get away with.

"It's really baffling — and troubling," said Masumi Ishikawa, a political scientist at Obirin University in Tokyo.

Koizumi's survival seems based on the same qualities that led to his emergence as prime minister three years ago: strong personal appeal, keen political smarts and lots of luck.

The benefits for his ruling Liberal Democrats are clear. Soon after Koizumi returned from North Korea, polls by two top newspapers last week showed his support jumping 10 percentage points, to between 54 percent and 58 percent.

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Bomb kills 15 in Shiite mosque

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — A bomb ripped through a Shiite Muslim mosque during evening prayers Monday, killing at least 15 people and wounding more than 35 in what a top official said could be revenge for the assassination of a senior Sunni cleric.

Hundreds of Shiite youths rioted after the explosion at the Imam Bargah Al-Raza mosque, which came a day after unidentified gunmen killed the cleric Nazamuddin Shamzal.

The blast was the latest in a series of terror attacks in Pakistan's largest city.

Police fired tear gas trying to disperse the rioters, who torched two police vehicles and a gas station and ransacked two government offices, stealing furniture and burning it at a traffic intersection.

Gunshots were heard, but it was unclear who fired them.

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EDITORIAL

Time is ripe for county to look at administrator

After years of watching employee salaries trail other counties, Twin Falls County commissioners say they want to help county workers bring home more bacon.

Last week, the commissioners passed a new policy focusing on higher salaries in the next four years. The move looks to us like a trial balloon for higher taxes.

Commissioners assume higher salaries will bring better service for county residents. But a more direct way to improve performance may be to re-evaluate the county's leadership structure. Now's a good time to reopen the discussion of using a professional county manager.

Imagine a management structure in which voters elect part-time, rather than full-time, commissioners. The sheriff could still be elected as well. These elected officials would still be responsible to voters, but they could benefit from the expertise of a hired professional administrator.

Such an idea was proposed several years ago and was rejected by voters. But the topic is starting to resurface in the community. The concept is worthy of discussion, especially after issues of questionable county management have arisen in recent years. Some of them include:

- Anderson Lumber building — Commissioners aimed to buy the property for \$3.2 million. A bank eventually turned them down for lack-

ing approval from either voters or a judge.

- Ambulance tax district — The county approved a property tax for ambulance services to start in 2005.

- Misuse of credit cards — Former Clerk Bob Fort pleaded guilty to stealing \$50,000 with a county credit card as a direct result of loose administrative procedures.

Our view: Twin Falls

County voters need to once again consider use of a professional county administrator.

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

• Illegal moratoriums — A judge ruled that the county broke the law by issuing 18 months of dairy moratoriums from 2000 to 2002.

• Car fleet — A newspaper reporter last year found that our sheriff's office owns far more vehicles than sheriffs in some comparable counties. (Officials now are touting some of those same counties as places that pay better than Twin Falls County.)

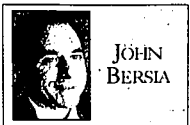
In such of these matters, sound leadership from a professional administrator might have averted unwise choices.

A county administrator system has its pros and cons. One big concern is that the structure takes power away from elected officers and gives it to a non-elected professional.

But similar systems work in other local governments, such as the city of Twin Falls and Cassia County. It's an idea that needs renewed consideration in Twin Falls County.

Winner in '04 won't make a difference

After listening to a succession of top U.S. officials here, including Secretary of State Colin Powell, I do not envy George W. Bush, John Kerry or anyone else who would aspire to the American presidency.



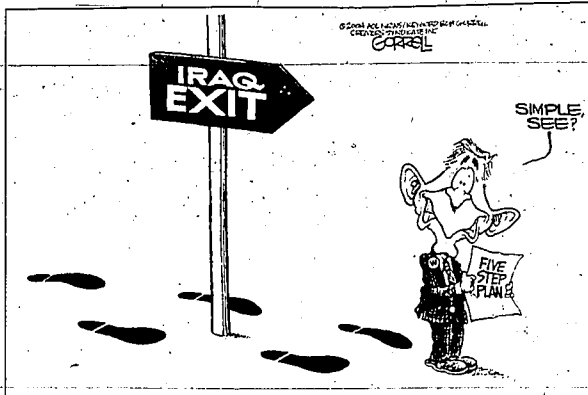
JOHN BERSIA

In a world of charming amenities, surpassing complexities and solution-defying problems, any president would struggle to succeed — despite the legions of peanut-gallery critics who imagine that they could turn in better performances.

The American presidency is, without question, the most difficult job on the planet at the most contentious and demanding period in history. Although the office also bristles with the greatest concentration of power ever, the United States can realistically aspire only to shape the course of events in ways that serve its interests.

Those circumstances require skilled and visionary leadership that pays as much attention to diplomatic gestures as military ones; demand greater resources for international training and awareness; and place a premium on alliances, cooperation and communication.

It would matter if one picked Bush out of the White House and replaced him with Kerry, Elizabeth Dole, Al Gore, Ross Perot, Hillary Clinton, Jesse Jackson, Ralph Nader or Arnold Schwarzenegger in the event that the foreign-born won the right to contest the White House? Would global challenges diminish, threats recede, and the illusory post-Cold War promise of widespread peace and prosper-



ity re-emerge? No. These other political figures almost certainly would have paid less attention to Iraq than Bush has. But Iraq is just one of a dozen nettlesome conundrums that, collectively, will seriously affect the future of the United States.

Consider the global terrorism threat. What if Sept. 11 had happened during another president's watch, one who might have responded with less than a war against terrorism? That could have left the United States overly vulnerable to subsequent attacks.

Cofor Black, coordinator for counterterrorism in the State Department and the target of an al-Qaeda plot to kill or capture him in the mid-1990s, knows the value of confronting terrorists with the proper resources and operational flexibility. But even as he discusses the high percentage of al-Qaeda leaders killed or detained, the thousands of network operatives in custody and the dozens of disrupted attacks since 9-11 — thanks in

great part to the efforts of American allies — he sardonically sets his eyes on the future. He describes counterterrorism as an "uphill slog," one that will never be fully over.

Black also has a specially informed perspective on Iraq, stating categorically that if the United States had not intervened, this nation eventually would have been bloodied — badly.

I have no evidence to make that judgment. But I do understand that if the United States should react to the entreaties of some impatient and ill-informed Americans who advocate cutting losses and withdrawing from Iraq, it would make a huge mistake.

Remember, America went to all the trouble of overthrowing the Taliban regime in Afghanistan to retaliate for 9-11, disrupt al-Qaeda and deny that terrorist the control of a nation-state.

A hasty retreat would doom Iraq to the designs of terrorists, destabilize other Persian Gulf countries and eventually turn

the entire Middle East upside down. Does anyone really believe that Americans would be better off with a dozen terrorist-controlled countries in the Middle East?

Americans should take a lesson from World War II. In that context, the United States made an open-ended commitment to battle a transnational, revolutionary ideology that was bent on taking over the world. Once the war ended, they agreed to secure the peace — with defenses, investments, education and long-term planning.

Most important, they worked together. Americans must make a similar effort today, whether the lead falls to Bush or Kerry in tackling the relentless challenges of the evolving global order.

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House budget often falls short of promises

If you want to know how serious the Bush White House is about something, it is often useful to watch the House of Representatives.

The president's spokesmen frequently pay lip service to goals that sound great. Only by checking the actions of the loyal leadership of the House can you discern what President Bush really means.

The president has said many times that he has offered a budget that will cut the record deficit of this year in half in the next five years. So one would think that in the House, where his word is law, those marching orders would be carried forward.

On the face of it, Budget Committee Chairman Jim Nussle of Iowa claims to have done the president one year better — halving the ugly deficit in four years.

Don't believe it. The House budget is a document that makes ordinary Washington budgetary "smoke and mirrors" look good.

It was brought to the floor on May 19 under the sign of strong-arm procedures that Speaker Dennis Hastert and Majority Leader Tom DeLay use when they know they've got a turkey on their hands. Last year, with the Medicare drug benefits bill (whose true cost we now know was deliberately underestimated and concealed by the administration), their tactic was delay.

The House was kept in session all night; the actual roll call was stretched to almost three hours — not the normal 15 minutes. Dawn was breaking over the Capitol when the necessary votes were finally squeezed.

On this bill, they put on the rush job. The budget was filed at 6:20 a.m. At 7:15 a.m., the Rules Committee met to clear it for debate. A couple of hours later, the House met for an abbreviated



DAVID BRODER

session and adjourned, and when it met again to take up the budget at 11 a.m., it was "decided" to have satisfied the requirement that all legislation lay over one day so members can become familiar with it.

Familiarity in this case could only breed contempt. The Budget Act requires each year's budget resolution to project the five-year totals of the programs of finances and the five-year revenues available to pay for them. This budget uses real numbers only for the first year, and then simply plugs in arbitrary figures for the next four years — figures that conveniently show the deficit shrinking. Even the expiring Bush tax cuts the Republicans want to make permanent are included only at their (relatively modest) first-year cost.

All these and other gimmicks were exposed in debate by Rep. John Spratt of South Carolina, the senior Democrat on the Budget Committee, and by Rep. Charles Stenholm of Texas, an implacable foe of deficit spending — whose reward has been to see his district reprimanded by Republicans last year in an effort to remove a conservative Democrat they never could defeat.

Despite Spratt, Stenholm and others, the budget passed 216-213 on almost a straight party-line vote. Only nine brave Republicans — almost all of them from the party's conservative wing — joined with all the voting Democrats in opposition. Virtually all of the self-styled

moderate Republicans went along with the charade, which, among other things, would allow House members to approve a \$600 billion increase in the ceiling on the national debt without the embarrassment of having to vote on it as a separate matter.

In the Senate, moderate Republicans have not been as supine. Four of them — Olympia Snowe and Susan Collins of Maine, Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island and John McCain of Arizona — have held out for months against this kind of deal. They are insisting on full restoration of the "pay-as-you-go" rule that helped end the deficits and produced budget surpluses in the 1990s. That rule required that any new spending or tax cut be offset by lower spending or higher revenues somewhere else in the budget.

Typically, the House Republican leadership wants to apply the discipline to spending, but not to tax cuts. And that has been the basis of contention between the two bodies.

When Congress comes back this week, the four recalcitrant senators will face increased pressure to cave. Their leadership is telling them that Democrats will crow if a Republican Congress is unable to pass a budget resolution. Majority Leader Bill Frist would much rather lead the out some kind of deal with the four holdouts, and let the Democrats take the blame if it does not survive.

While the Republicans play these games, the unaffordable tax cuts and the undisciplined spending roll on.

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LETTER

Network casts a light on progress in Iraq

The May 19 edition of "60 Minutes II" had a very moving and surprisingly positive look at some of the more good things that have transpired in Afghanistan since coalition forces entered it two to three years ago. ("The Green Berets").

Profiling a Special Forces unit in the Fesh Valley — an area where attacks used to occur every other day and now don't occur for weeks on end — the program vividly demonstrated how building wells, mosques, hospitals, etc., are far from futile efforts. Not a single valley girl attended school there they were forbidden to before the Special Forces arrived; now, all of them do, and a high school that's being built will double the number of kids attending school.

A pharmacist from Deh was shown aiding a girl at the Green Berets medical clinic who'd fallen off a road, a non-life-threatening accident which previously might've been just the opposite

since there was no medical facility anywhere nearby. Villagers who once were openly antagonistic toward the soldiers now often help the soldiers identify fellow villagers who've helped attack (one villager who'd been hiding arms) and then revealed them to the Berets was subsequently given a ride to work because the soldiers realize that a lot of these villagers have been coerced into helping rebels they don't support and secretly despise.

Neither Afghanistan nor Iraq will be rebuilt — morally, physically, psychologically, spiritually, politically — quickly enough to placate the partisan-inspired pessimists out there, but that doesn't mean our efforts in either Northern Ireland or the 1970s, another place once deemed "hopeless" that's now anything but.

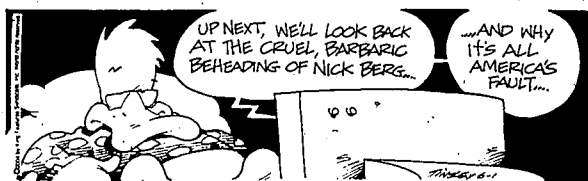
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One-liner bumper stickers insult opponents in 2004

The campaign bumper sticker: The convention wisdom has always been that for a candidate to get his or her message across, they needed to be able to re-define it to a single phrase. A Chicken in Every Pot. Tippecanoe and Tyler, Too. These days, the same rule holds, although with a bit of a twist.

Instead of focusing on your own message, you try to reduce your opponent to a single phrase.

Here are some of the bumper stickers being seen so far this election season:

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Bush: Let's Roll. Kerry: Let's Roll Over.
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JIM SHEA
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Let's Leave One Child Behind — George W. Bush.
George W. Bush — Upper-Class Twit.
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Election 2004: The End of an Era: Out!
Bush Sucks: Pardon My French.
Bush: Always Wrong, Never in Doubt.
Fight Mad Cowboy Disease. What Bush Really Means: No Rich Child Left Behind.
Bush is So Crooked I'm Beginning To Miss Nixon.
George W. Bush: The Education President.
Bush/Cheney: Four More Wars.
Bush/Cheney: In Your Guts You Know They're Nuts.



Bush/Cheney: Deja-Voodoo All Over Again.
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LETTERS

Abu Ghraib stains global perception of U.S.

With the Abu Ghraib Prison crime — I won't mitigate the offense with the word "torture" — your covers have been pulled America.

I was asked at the story's outbreak what I thought.

"Inevitable," I replied. Why? Our growing prison industrial complex, Ruby Ridge and Edin, Idaho, Waco, Texas, Scotts and other cases have repeatedly shown the utter contempt this country's authorities have for its own people, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

And we have prison sentences so long that marginalized persons are essentially removed from the gene pool guaranteeing that Americans become compliant little inmates. Or in other words, we have extermination via other means.

Thus, how do we think these same authorities would deal with those damned by Rumsfeld? Kill them in battle? Kill them in self-defense. Yes. But as a citizen of this world, I will never condone the use of torture and murder.

Our intelligence agencies have a budget larger than all of the other intelligence agencies in the world combined and they still can't find out anything. Therefore, their only purpose must be judged by their results and that is to make human time bombs, because we all know fear and humiliation endured for long periods coupled with an extreme need for personal and family honor will turn many of the tortured into suicide bombers and assassins. The genius of that is remarkable if you want to keep alive "the purple breathing testament of war."

There are 6 billion other people on this planet, most of which this country has insulted at one time or another. In the past, you were the glowing white knight of hope. Now you're just a word worth now? How do you explain yourself when you've become nothing but another jailer?

Drew wrote, "The history of the past and the present alike proves beyond a doubt that if there is, or ever was a large class, from whom society needed to be saved, it is those same rulers who have been placed in absolute charge of the lives and destinies of their fellow men."

MARK SHUCKERT
Twin Falls

sweet talk would end, and when the party is over, we would be forced to do what the DOE wants unless we fight back. Well, the DOE lead by President Bush, has threatened no clean-up funds at all unless we agree to rewrite and lower clean-up standards for the high level waste tanks, to leave waste over our water cheaply. The DOE is not defending their deal's right to leave the buried plutonium over our water too, if the courts deny the DOE, they can then simply not fund any cleanup. Our nuclear salesmen-politicians, who all take nuclear business money, might be able to beg for an election year face saving, but it won't last past the election. All their talk about the "guarantee" of cleanup was a lie, and they have begged each year for meager funding. The main goal is to pretend we are cleaning up, at least until they can build multiple commercial nuclear power plants on site.

Worse than that is their funding preparing for renewing atomic testing in Nevada. While Idaho newspapers and politicians are silent, Utah is fighting the plans alone. Republicans, Democrats and the Mormon Church all oppose Bush's call to renew bomb testing. The Utah Legislature asked for all of its counties to be entitled to cancer compensation for the original radioactive fallout. Although Idaho was hit as hard, if not harder than Utah, our legislators are silent, except when cheerleading for more nuclear power for Idaho.

Our politicians have even refused the National Academy of Science's advice to at least archive the atomic fallout data in Idaho. Forget cancer compensation, forget fallout evidence in Idaho, they vote for more atomic testing. While most Idahoans seem apathetic about the past, you have a chance to stop the next radioactive fallout your government is planning to release when the wind blows our way. Craig, Crapo and Simpson are in the phone book if you get a minute

to ask for their help to stop these nuclear projects. They may get more money from the nuclear businesses, but they still need your vote, and they do work for you.

DR. PETER RICKARDS
Twin Falls

Emotion unfairly sways Twin Falls City Council

The Twin Falls Council's May 17 decision to throw out planning and zoning's March 30 approval for a permit for our Locust Grove neighborhood convenience store was primarily an emotion-based decision without supporting data rather than one based on fact and experience. This didn't represent the community as a whole.

I understand and respect others' opinions, tolerate emotions and realize the pressure the council is under; however, it is the council's duty to take responsibility to analyze the facts surrounding such decisions and not let emotions, campaigning and pressuring prevail. A suggestion by one councilman that our presentation, which was inclusive of all the facts and new data, not be heard due to portions of the presentation being heard in prior meetings was incredible and indicative of a one-sided mindset. If minds are made up on this or other decisions in front of council, do planning and zoning approvals become invalid altogether?

Councilwoman Steele signed the planned unit development more-than-a-year-ago-as-vice-mayor with a C-Store alternative plan included. Why all the confusion?

Locust Grove professional offices and retail will be a superb addition to our community. A similar Bozeman, Mont. development has integrated well, neighborhood convenience store included.

Mr. Martens' proposed Pole Line Business Park is another example of an upscale development that will be a great addition, initially creating 300 jobs. It's my hope that the Economic Development department and chamber of commerce will step forward

and get behind the businesses that are rooted in the community who are expanding with upscale projects and support those looking to relocate here. It remains to be seen where the future will head.

Sadly, if Twin Falls refuses to back good developments, then developers will be forced to take the job creation and associated projects north to Jerome, west to Piler or Butte, east to Burley or Heyburn while Twin Falls sits back and becomes a quiet bedroom community. Perhaps this is satisfactory to some.

I have certainly learned a great deal about how these processes truly work and now have a better idea on how to play the game. Thank you to those in the community, including the residences nearby Locust Grove and beyond who took the time to support our endeavor and help clear up the numerous misunderstandings and propaganda intentionally circulated regarding our organization and industry.

TROY WILLIE
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Troy Willie is the chief executive officer for Oasis Stop 'N Go LLC.)

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"For years, my kids kept telling me to get a hearing aid. My hearing aids stopped that irritation in my family."

Tenny, age 56, has been wearing her hearing aid for a high-frequency hearing loss for nearly a year. "My hearing loss was embarrassing," she explains. "But now I hear everything. I no longer have to ask people to repeat themselves." Like many people who have had others tell them about their hearing problems or who have recognized their hearing difficulties on their own, Tenny started with an inexpensive hearing enhancer. She then moved on to the more advanced hearing aid technology. "I'll wear them the rest of my life," she proclaims, "and upgrade to more advanced hearing aid technology as I need to."

She is so pleased with the hearing aids provided by Professional Hearing Aid Services, she tells everyone. "I even take them out to show people and say, see how small? And ask them to try it!" She also tells everyone to go to Professional Hearing Aid Services for their hearing healthcare. "They take care of you!"

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P185/70SR-13BW	31.25	P215/75R-15	39.51
P185/70SR-14BW	33.49	P215/75R-15	39.51
P185/70SR-14	33.50	P225/75R-15	39.17
P205/70SR-14BW	36.50	P225/75R-15	49.00
P205/70SR-14	36.50	P225/75R-14	45.62
P165/80R-13	26.44	P215/70SR-14	48.33
P185/80R-13	38.45	P205/70SR-15	47.90
P185/75R-14	31.40	P215/70SR-15	49.88
P195/75R-14	32.41	P225/70SR-15	51.95

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185/55TR-14	29.67	225/50R-16	49.00	225/40R-18	129.31
175/55R-14	31.59	215/55R-16	42.30	245/40R-18	159.73
185/55R-14	31.40	225/50R-16	50.45	245/40R-18	149.47
185/55R-14	31.79	225/50R-16	55.53	254/40R-17	106.58
185/55R-14	41.51	205/55R-16	39.50	245/40R-18	143.10
185/55R-15	36.77	205/55R-16	40.40	254/40R-18	168.05
195/55R-15	38.59	215/55R-16	41.54	264/40R-16	98.87
205/55R-15	42.25	215/55R-16	42.11	264/40R-16	98.87
205/55R-15	46.41	195/55R-16	49.00	225/40R-18	126.33
175/60R-13	30.19	205/50R-16	42.42	225/40R-17	95.03
185/60R-13	34.65	205/50R-16	43.20	245/40R-17	105.84
195/60R-13	38.12	205/50R-16	43.20	245/40R-17	105.84
195/60R-13	35.42	215/50R-16	43.20	245/40R-17	105.84
195/60R-14	35.50	215/50R-16	43.20	245/40R-17	105.84
195/60R-14	42.10	225/40R-16	66.36	245/40R-17	117.19
195/60R-15	40.15	245/40R-16	96.00	245/40R-17	115.50
205/60R-15	44.79	245/40R-16	96.00	245/40R-17	115.50
215/60R-15	49.51	215/45R-17	97.18	245/40R-17	115.50
		215/45R-17	128.39	275/50R-18	311.77

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LT245/75R-16	E 77.80
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P175/80SR-13	45.50	P185/70SR-14	41.50
P185/70SR-14	45.50	P215/70SR-14	51.50
P195/70SR-14	49.50	P215/70SR-15	51.50
P205/70SR-14	53.50	P215/70SR-15	51.50
P215/70SR-14	57.50	P225/70SR-15	61.50
P225/70SR-14	61.50	P225/70SR-15	61.50
P235/70SR-14	65.50	P235/70SR-15	61.50
P245/70SR-14	69.50	P245/70SR-15	61.50
P255/70SR-14	73.50	P255/70SR-15	61.50
P265/70SR-14	77.50	P265/70SR-15	61.50
P275/70SR-14	81.50	P275/70SR-15	61.50
P285/70SR-14	85.50	P285/70SR-15	61.50
P295/70SR-14	89.50	P295/70SR-15	61.50
P305/70SR-14	93.50	P305/70SR-15	61.50
P315/70SR-14	97.50	P315/70SR-15	61.50
P325/70SR-14	101.50	P325/70SR-15	61.50
P335/70SR-14	105.50	P335/70SR-15	61.50
P345/70SR-14	109.50	P345/70SR-15	61.50
P355/70SR-14	113.50	P355/70SR-15	61.50
P365/70SR-14	117.50	P365/70SR-15	61.50
P375/70SR-14	121.50	P375/70SR-15	61.50
P385/70SR-14	125.50	P385/70SR-15	61.50
P395/70SR-14	129.50	P395/70SR-15	61.50
P405/70SR-14	133.50	P405/70SR-15	61.50
P415/70SR-14	137.50	P415/70SR-15	61.50
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P645/70SR-14	229.50	P645/70SR-15	61.50
P655/70SR-14	233.50	P655/70SR-15	61.50
P665/70SR-14	237.50	P665/70SR-15	61.50
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P805/70SR-14	293.50	P805/70SR-15	61.50
P815/70SR-14	297.50	P815/70SR-15	61.50
P825/70SR-14	301.50	P825/70SR-15	61.50
P835/70SR-14	305.50	P835/70SR-15	61.50
P845/70SR-14	309.50	P845/70SR-15	61.50
P855/70SR-14	313.50	P855/70SR-15	61.50
P865/70SR-14	317.50	P865/70SR-15	61.50
P875/70SR-14	321.50	P875/70SR-15	61.50
P885/70SR-14	325.50	P885/70SR-15	61.50
P895/70SR-14	329.50	P895/70SR-15	61.50
P905/70SR-14	333.50	P905/70SR-15	61.50
P915/70SR-14	337.50	P915/70SR-15	61.50
P925/70SR-14	341.50	P925/70SR-15	61.50
P935/70SR-14	345.50	P935/70SR-15	61.50
P945/70SR-14	349.50	P945/70SR-15	61.50
P955/70SR-14	353.50	P955/70SR-15	61.50
P965/70SR-14	357.50	P965/70SR-15	61.50
P975/70SR-14	361.50	P975/70SR-15	61.50
P985/70SR-14	365.50	P985/70SR-15	61.50
P995/70SR-14	369.50	P995/70SR-15	61.50
P1005/70SR-14	373.50	P1005/70SR-15	61.50

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P215/75SR-15	B 82.76	LT225/75R-15	C 126.82	P235/75SR-15	B 111.04
P225/75SR-15	B 85.58	LT235/75R-15	C 143.36	P245/75SR-15	B 112.56
P235/75SR-15	B 88.40	LT245/75R-15	C 160.30	P255/75SR-15	B 120.30
P245/75SR-15	B 91.21	LT255/75R-15	C 175.11	P265/75SR-15	B 137.25
P255/75SR-15	B 94.03	LT265/75R-15	C 189.46	P275/75SR-15	B 144.19
P265/75SR-15	B 96.84	LT275/75R-15	C 201.35	P285/75SR-15	B 151.13
P275/75SR-15	B 99.65	LT285/75R-15	C 213.51	P295/75SR-15	B 158.08
P285/75SR-15	B 102.46	LT295/75R-15	C 225.67	P305/75SR-15	B 165.03
P295/75SR-15	B 105.27	LT305/75R-15	C 237.83	P315/75SR-15	B 171.98
P305/75SR-15	B 108.08	LT315/75R-15	C 250.00	P325/75SR-15	B 178.93
P315/75SR-15	B 110.89	LT325/75R-15	C 262.16	P335/75SR-15	B 185.88
P325/75SR-15	B 113.70	LT335/75R-15	C 274.32	P345/75SR-15	B 192.83
P335/75SR-15	B 116.51	LT345/75R-15	C 286.48	P355/75SR-15	B 199.78
P345/75SR-15	B 119.32	LT355/75R-15	C 298.64	P365/75SR-15	B 206.73
P355/75SR-15	B 122.13	LT365/75R-15	C 310.80	P375/75SR-15	B 213.68
P365/75SR-15	B 124.94	LT375/75R-15	C 322.96	P385/75SR-15	B 220.63
P375/75SR-15	B 127.75	LT385/75R-15	C 335.12	P395/75SR-15	B 227.58
P385/75SR-15	B 130.56	LT395/75R-15	C 347.28	P405/75SR-15	B 234.53
P395/75SR-15	B 133.37	LT405/75R-15	C 359.44	P415/75SR-15	B 241.48
P405/75SR-15	B 136.18	LT415/75R-15	C 371.60	P425/75SR-15	B 248.43
P415/75SR-15	B 138.99	LT425/75R-15	C 383.76	P435/75SR-15	B 255.38
P425/75SR-15	B 141.80	LT435/75R-15	C 395.92	P445/75SR-15	B 262.33
P435/75SR-15	B 144.61	LT445/75R-15	C 408.08	P455/75SR-15	B 269.28
P445/75SR-15	B 147.42	LT455/75R-15	C 420.24	P465/75SR-15	B 276.23
P455/75SR-15	B 150.23	LT465/75R			

AROUND THE VALLEY

Sparks girl dies in fall while hiking

ELKO, Nev. — A Sparks girl who had been the target of a search since she disappeared on a hike in the Ruby Mountains on Saturday apparently fell off a cliff to her death, Elko County Sheriff Neil Harris said Monday.

Kathleen Galindo, 11, had been reported missing in Lamelle Canyon on Saturday where she had been camping with her parents, Fred and Larene Barrett, and a 9-year-old sister in the Thomas Canyon campground about 20 miles east of Reno.

A member of a search party out of Elko found her body about 10 a.m. Monday, Harris said.

"She had fallen off a cliff. I think she had expired at that point from a major head injury," the sheriff said.

CSI offers workshop for back-to-school

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 at the Center for New Directions. Admission is free. To register or for more information, call 732-5680 or (800) 680-0274, Ext. 6680.

Forest Service sells firewood permits

TWIN FALLS — Firewood cutting permits for the Sawtooth National Forest are available at several locations in south-central Idaho.

Buy permits at Forest Service offices or the Rock Creek General Store south of Hansen, the Market Basket in Fairfield, Nitz's Store in Pine, Steve's Truck Service in Gooding, and Johnny's Country Store north of Shoshone.

A basic permit costs \$20 for two cords of firewood for personal use and requires permittees to follow fire hazard and stream protection rules.

Additional cords cost \$10 in two-cord increments, up to a maximum of 10 cords.

The Forest Service again this year will waive the two-cord fee for firewood on portions of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area north of Galena Summit, but a permit still is required.

Police step up scrutiny of seat belt use

TWIN FALLS — Local law-enforcement agencies have launched a campaign to increase the use of seat belts around the state.

Police departments throughout Idaho participating in "Click It. Don't Risk It" have stepped up enforcement patrols through June 6, according to news releases issued by the Shoshone Police Department, Jerome Police Department and Kimberly-Hansen Police Department.

Officers also will be on the look out for people who follow too closely, drive too fast or run stop signs, the releases said.

Of the 239 vehicle occupants killed in Idaho last year, only 37 percent were properly restrained, according to the releases.

According to Idaho law, all people in a vehicle must be restrained. Drivers and adult passengers can be cited \$10 for failure to wear a seat belt.

Committee honors soldiers 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.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

T.F. mulls water conservation

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Residents could face fines of up to \$240 for violating the city's water conservation program if the City Council approves a water ordinance up for consideration today.

The council will discuss once again a plan to reduce water consumption by city water users. The ordinance would establish steps to decrease water use during varying stages of a water shortage.

Ten guidelines for water practices would go into immediate effect under the ordinance.

These include establishing designated water days for residents based on address num-

The Twin Falls City Council meets at 5 p.m. today in council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public. Other items on the agenda include:

- **Business park** — Developer Gerald Martens will present again his proposal to annex an 80-acre parcel of land at the southwest corner of Pole Line and Washington into the city and rezone the land for a business park. Restaurants, manufacturing, retail and corporate offices would be allowed under the mixed-use permit.
- **Martens seeks.** Residents in the area have voiced their disapproval of Martens' plan at previous meetings. Martens is expected to provide answers to concerns raised at the last council meeting about traffic, stoplights and the types of manufacturing allowed in the park.
- **Yield signs** — The council will discuss installing yield signs on Wendell at North College Road and modifying the speed limit on North College Road from 25 to 35 mph.
- **High Creek Subdivision** — The owner of a lot in the High Creek Subdivision has requested approval to subdivide an area of approximately half an acre into two residential lots. A duplex already exists on the site. The developer intends to construct a second duplex on the lot.
- **River Vista** — The owner of property at River Vista Place has requested the council's approval to subdivide and build professional offices on 3.17 acres of land.

Also on the agenda

lowed under the mixed-use permit. Martens seeks. Residents in the area have voiced their disapproval of Martens' plan at previous meetings. Martens is expected to provide answers to concerns raised at the last council meeting about traffic, stoplights and the types of manufacturing allowed in the park.

Depending upon the city's water supply, different levels of water restriction could be enforced.

The city's water supply depends upon aquifer storage.

and spring recharge, said Gretchen Scott, who works as assistant to the city manager. "Spring flows may delay any further restrictions we may have to do," Scott said.

Summer temperatures as well as cooperation from businesses and private residents may play a role in water restrictions. The city has no current predictions for which level of water restriction could occur this summer. Spring recharge levels have yet to be determined.

"Typically the recharge of the plume occurs by the second week of June," Scott said.

If the ordinance is approved, Please see WATER, Page B3

HIGH-TECH MEDICINE



Kathy Morgan, a systems specialist with Inland Northwest Health Services, scans a bar code on a hospital identification bracelet on the wrist of R'Nee Mullen, chief information officer at Magic Valley Regional. It was part of a demonstration of a computerized bedside medication verification system the hospital is implementing that will check bar codes on identification bracelets and medications.

Bar codes help prevent drug errors

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's 8 p.m., you're laid up in a hospital bed, and it's time for your medication.

"The nurse walks in, and you hold your arm up so she can scan the bar code on your wristband into the mobile laptop-computer-perched on her medicine cart. She also scans the bar codes on her name tag and on your packaged single dose of medication."

"The computer goes to work. A message pops up on the computer screen. 'Patient's unit number does not match.'"

"You've just been saved from what has come to be known as one of the most common medical mistakes — medication errors."

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is getting ready to implement the bar code technology in a computerized bedside medication verification system.

And although it sounds futuristic, bar code scanning is nothing new. Medicine is just applying the same technology to scan your Cozart as your grocery checker uses to scan your Rice Krispies.

If there are any 'mismatches' — the wrong patient, the wrong medication or the wrong time — your nurse will know.

"Anything that adds efficiency to giving patients medication is a plus," said Dr. Robert Lobb, a local internist and chairman of the Hospital Board.

Medication errors really popped up on the radar after

the release of the Institute of Medicine's 1999 report called "To Err is Human."

The sobering report said studies had shown that medical errors are responsible for 50,000 to 100,000 deaths in the United States each year in hospitals alone, with 7,000 of those related to medications.

Since 1992, the federal Food and Drug Administration has received some 20,000 reports of medication errors, and those are just the voluntary reports. The FDA suspects the real number is much larger than that.

In March 2003, the FDA proposed a new rule requiring bar codes on certain drug and biological product labels.

The rule, which would take effect in 2005, applies to prescription drugs, vaccines, blood and blood components and over-the-counter drugs com-

monly used in hospitals. Implementing new technology in smaller rural hospitals such as Magic Valley Regional is a challenge.

Such hospitals have much smaller coffers than large, urban hospitals, and technology is expensive.

"We're not unlike any other rural hospital in America that struggles to keep up with technology," said R'Nee Mullen, Magic Valley Regional's chief information officer.

And technology is rapidly changing. No sooner does a hospital get a system installed than a newer, more improved model comes out on the market.

Mullen said she didn't know just what the computerized bedside medication system will cost by the time it's completed, but Please see MEDICINE, Page B3

Grants will help provide for teacher internships, training

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Several College of Southern Idaho instructors and high school teachers from around the Magic Valley will receive internships at local businesses this summer and additional training.

CSI received a National Science Foundation advanced technology education grant for a partnership between the college and the Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition, a coalition of local high schools.

"We've been trying to tap into National Science Foundation monies for awhile," said Char Sutton, the college's coordinator for grants and planning. The grant is for \$283,993 over

three years and is being administered by Claire Major, ARTEC's director, and Todd Schwarz, chairman of the information technology and trade and industry departments at CSI.

The grant will provide money for secondary and post-secondary information technology instructors to participate in online training, industry-sponsored conferences and educational seminars.

Major said at least nine people have signed up for various professional development courses. For instance, the professors in CSI's new Internet security program will be able to get their certification, Major said.

The grant will also provide for Please see INTERNSHIPS, Page B3

Malta considers community center

By Chip Thompson Times-News writer

MALTA — Where do you go when school gets out at 3 p.m., basketball practice starts at 5 p.m. and your home is 30 miles from school?

That's the question community leaders in Malta are asking. This question and others have prompted a proposal to build a community center for the region served by Raft River High School.

"Right now there's no place in our town to do anything that's not church- or school-related," Audra Gilbert said.

Gilbert lives about 15 miles from town and said she's closer than most. "There are kids from Yost, Utah, who come to our school," Gilbert said.

Upcoming meeting

A public meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. June 8 in the Raft River High School media center to discuss a proposal to build a regional community center.

Yost is 31 miles and almost an hour and a half from Malta.

These distances mean that children who need to stay after school for other activities have no place to go in the meantime, Gilbert said.

The facility could also double as a senior center, Malta Mayor Tina Lock said.

"We just want a place where elderly people can come for lunch," Lock said. She suggested that a weekly senior's lunch could be a big asset to all the communities in the region.

CONTINUITY IN CURSIVE

T.F. district will keep handwriting instruction

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The tried-and-true methods for teaching handwriting will be back next year in the Twin Falls School District.

The district sent out 3,000 surveys and got feedback from about 800 parents, the majority of whom wanted the district to keep its same emphasis on teaching cursive handwriting, said LaVonne Peterson, the district's curriculum director.

Peterson said via e-mail that the responses ranged from "keep doing what you are doing" to "cursive writing is obsolete" and "should be abandoned," but the majority supported keeping the current program. The district's curriculum committee responded accordingly.

Ginger Hanchey, president of Oregon Trail Elementary School's parent-teacher organization, said she supports the district's decision to keep teaching cursive.

"They need to introduce it and continue to encourage it," Hanchey said.

But she also acknowledges that cursive is not as important as it used to be.

"They have a lot of opportunity to do handwriting anymore," Hanchey said. "It's all taken over by computers."

Ivlin Falls pupils learn a "ball and stick" version of cursive in third grade and have it reinforced in fourth grade.

"There has been some concern that traditional handwriting is being pushed out by other demands on students, such as preparing for standardized tests and learning to use computers. Pupils are introduced to computers early and do some informal keyboarding in third and fourth grades."

The district and state standards require that students write legibly, but they do not specify, cursive or printing. In Peterson's view, each student takes knowledge of cursive and printing to develop an individual style.

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Cops on Top honors officer in Argentina

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Salt Lake City police officer and Marine reservist who was in Iraq with a Utah casualty in the war in Iraq was honored at the summit of Argentina's highest peak.

James Cawley, 41, of Layton, died March 29, 2003, when he was struck by a Humvee as he sought refuge from enemy fire. Cawley was a staff sergeant with the Marines serving in Iraq when he was killed, leaving behind a wife and two children.

His death was picked up by Cops on Top, an organization that honors fallen officers with memorials at the top of the world's highest peaks.

"It's amazing that they would choose James," said Julie Cawley

Hanson, Cawley's sister. "On the other hand, I'm not surprised."

Koith McPheeters, a SWAT officer and former Utah resident, began the memorial treks in 1993 with a summit attempt up Alaska's Mount McKinley to honor a slain Colorado officer.

"We got struck with the idea of 'let's climb some mountain on behalf of these officers,'" McPheeters said.

About 60 police officers are slain annually in the line of duty. Each year, Cops on Top selects one officer to honor from nominations made nationwide. In 2002, there were multiple expeditions honoring those killed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks the year before.

In January, Cops on Top took up Cawley's memory. Climbers carried with them letters and pictures from Cawley's two children. His family was able to follow the expedition on the Internet.

"I just happened to check in right as they posted that they had reached the summit," Hanson said. "It was really cool to listen to the (satellite) phone and hear them say, 'And we're doing this in honor of James Cawley.'"

"It was really touching. It was really a tender moment to think that thousands of miles away on top of mountain there were fellow police officers honoring my brother."

Drug program faces financial woes

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Magistrate Judge Benjamin Simpson figures the juvenile drug court he oversees saves Kootenai County \$365,730 this year.

But the county commissioners he has asked for further support note the beds at the juvenile detention center that the drug court emptied were immediately filled by more young lawbreakers.

"Do you see an end to the problem?" Commissioner Dick Panabaker asked Simpson at a recent meeting about the Juvenile Education and Training Court.

Not really, the judge answered, but the drug court could slow it down considerably.

The drug court accepts youth facing drug charges if they have no history of violence or sexual crimes. Prosecutors offer it as an alternative to jail. The federal

grant which started the court two years ago expires next April.

Since November 2002, 39 have entered the court's year-long program. Ten have met all the requirements and graduated. They also either earned their high school diplomas or general equivalency diplomas.

Thirteen had to leave the program. Either their treatment costs exceeded the budget or they reoffended. Sixteen are still in the program.

Court coordinator Marina Kalani is asking the county commissioners for \$76,774 in next year's budget to help the court during the first year on its own. She also is asking businesses, civic organizations and other groups for help.

Simpson, counselors and others donate their time to the program.

Commissioners do not argue the court's importance. It costs \$125 a day per inmate at the Ju-

venile Detention Center, and the likelihood of them breaking the law again after release is high.

It costs \$3,000 per youth for the drug court. The children in court now represent 3,540 detention days, which would cost the county \$442,500. If the county helps keep the court alive, it would pay only the \$76,774 for which Kalani is asking, a savings of \$365,730.

Commissioners might cheer if the windfall was obvious in the county budget. But the spaces in the juvenile center that the court emptied were filled immediately by other young lawbreakers.

"The center's average daily population is 5 percent higher than last year when the average daily population was 5 percent higher than the year before."

Commissioners will vote on next year's budget in late summer.

DEATH NOTICES

Jean Hamilton
GOODING — Jean Hamilton, age 80, of Gooding, passed away Sunday, May 30, 2004, at her residence.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, June 3, 2004, at the Gooding United Methodist Church. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday at Demaree Funeral Chapel in Gooding. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

Rachael 'Rae' Joslin
TWIN FALLS — Rachael "Rae" Joslin, 85, of Twin Falls, passed away May 31, 2004, at her home in Twin Falls. Funeral Services will be held Friday, June 4, 2004, at 10 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, with graveside services following Saturday June 5, 2004, at 10 a.m. at Sunset Memorial Park. Arrangements under the direction of Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

H. Willis Thompson
JEROME — H. Willis Thomp-

son, 89, of Jerome, died Sunday, May 30, 2004, in Twin Falls, Idaho. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 South Lincoln, Jerome; ID 83338.

Don 'Easy' Earl Puschel
CASTLEFORD — Don "Easy" Earl Puschel, of Castleford, passed away, May 21, 2004. Local funeral services will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Roy V. Stanger
TWIN FALLS — Roy V. Stanger, 77, of Twin Falls, passed away Sunday, May 30, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be held on Friday, June 4, 2004, at 11 a.m. at the 17th Ward LDS Chapel, 3155 Elizabeth Blvd., Twin Falls. Visitation will be Thursday, June 3, 2004, from 4-8 p.m. at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," and one hour prior to the service at the church.

Charles Kervner
TWIN FALLS — Charles Kervner, 68, of Twin Falls, passed away Sunday, May 30, 2004, at Twin Falls Care Center. Funeral services are pending and will be announced by Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

John J. Anderst Jr.
TWIN FALLS — John J. Anderst Jr., of Twin Falls, passed away Sunday, May 30, 2004, at Bridgeway Estates.

Graveside services will be conducted 2:00 p.m. Thursday, June 3, 2004, at Sunset Memorial Park with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Dorcas Peck
TWIN FALLS — Dorcas Peck, 97, of Twin Falls, passed away May 30, 2004, at her home in Twin Falls. Graveside services will be held Wednesday, June 2, 2004, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ivin Falls Cemetery. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

Brigade will bring tanks, howitzers to Iraq

POCATELLO (AP) — The 116th Cavalry Brigade is taking along some heavy metal in the form of tanks, howitzers and armored vehicles as it heads to Texas and then to Iraq.

Though excluded from initial plans, an undetermined number of tanks, self-propelled howitzers and armored infantry vehicles will travel with the brigade's 4,300 soldiers, Guard spokesman Lt. Col. Tim Marsano said Sunday.

The material will be shipped first to Fort Bliss, Texas, where the brigade will spend the next several months training.

The U.S. Central Command has reconsidered what it will require from the 116th.

"That has led to a reshaping of the package," Marsano said. "The role that the 116th is going to play in Iraq is going to be driven by our stability and support policy, but we're also going to be able to bring the heavy metal to bear if needed."

Gov. Dirk Kempthorne on Saturday announced full mobi-

lization of 4,300 brigade members, including 2,000 from Idaho.

The order also involves soldiers from six other states, including Oregon, Utah, Montana, North Dakota, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. They will head to Texas this month.

The 116th was originally expected to perform common infantry tasks what the Army describes as stability and support operations such as guarding convoys, scouting for enemies and establishing infrastructure.

But the unit, nicknamed the Snake River Brigade because it is headquartered in Boise and is comprised of more than 2,000 Idaho Guardsmen, specializes in fighting from armored equipment, like the M1A1 main battle tank.

Including them with the soldiers' deployment, Marsano said, enables them to take advantage of their many years of training with that equipment.

It also means the Guardsmen

will be prepared for every situation, he adds.

"Perhaps they'll be working to rebuild the infrastructure of that country at 10 in the morning, but by noon, they may find themselves responding to an insurgency operation and will have to use traditional military methods," he said. "The package that we're sending allows for all of that."

Marsano also announced a handful of Idaho Air National Guardsmen will be deployed to Iraq, noting some of them participated during the bombing of Iraq in 2003 before the ground war began.

Marsano said the Air Guardsmen sent would not be pilots. Instead, they would be forward air controllers, soldiers who coordinate air strikes after covertly observing enemy operations.

"These are the Air Force's elite warriors," he said. "The reason these guys are going to allow for us to bring traditional military assets to bear when needed."

Fire damages building at fire research laboratory

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — A fire caused about \$1.5 million in damage to a building at the Fire Sciences Laboratory west of here, a rural fire department said.

No one was injured.

Employees arriving for work Friday reported heavy smoke at about 6:30 a.m., said Dave Herzberg, a battalion chief.

The metal building houses offices, a small maintenance shop and a laboratory.

Investigators believe the fire started in the lab and have ruled the blaze accidental.

"All other causes have been ruled out," Herzberg said. "It's just a matter of tracing down if there was equipment failure or some other problem."

About 20 firefighters from the Missoula Rural Fire Department and the Frenchtown Fire Department responded.

The Fire Sciences Laboratory is an arm of the U.S. Forest Service's Rocky Mountain Research Station based in Colorado.

The lab researches the behavior, chemistry and effects of wildfires.

Murray intersection has most accidents in Salt Lake City

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — With 63 accidents reported last year, the intersection of 5300 South and State in Murray appears to be the most accident-prone in Salt Lake County, a Salt Lake newspaper said.

The Deseret Morning News evaluated data compiled by nine law enforcement agencies in the county.

Midvale had information available only for the first four months of the year.

Based on extrapolation of the 2004 reports, the newspaper figured Midvale's 7200 South and 700 West would have about 60 accidents per year, making it the second-worst intersection.

The worst were 3500 South and 5600 West in West Valley City with 55 accidents.

Murray had two of the top five intersections. The intersection of 4500 S. State had 53 accidents in 2003, fourth-most in the valley.

The fifth was North Temple and Redwood Road in Salt Lake City with 42.

Murray police detective Rob Hall said he's not surprised at the number of accidents at the 5300 South intersection simply because of all the traffic in that area.

"The intersection is busy at all hours of the day," he said.

Murray High School is just a half block away on another corner.

"The sheer volume is going to give you more accidents," he said. "It's an access to a lot of places."

SERVICES

Cloyd Derlin Taylor of Burley, service at 11 a.m. today at the Burley 3rd and 7th Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2200 Oakley Ave.; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary, Burley).

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

David Julius Billar of Filer, service at 2 p.m. today at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls; friends may call from noon until service time today at the church (Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Clarence Lyle Barkes of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Bella 1st and 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. today at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., Burley; and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Margaret Mae Stelmetsch of College Place, Wash., and former 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).

Thelma M. Huller of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church in Twin Falls; friends and family may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Lelan L. Black, service at 2 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Robert H. Lister of Twin Falls, visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Parkes Magic

Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Ivin Falls; private memorial service will be held.

Opal Billings of Twin Falls, vigil service at 7 p.m. Friday at Parkes 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.

Lila L. Miller, graveside interment service at 3 p.m. Friday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls).

Cleo Baker Piper of Burley, service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Burley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Ave. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the church.

OBITUARIES

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Cleo B. Piper - Burley



Cleo Baker Piper, 86, of Burley, passed away Saturday, May 29, 2004, at her home.

She was born Feb. 17, 1918, in Oakley, the daughter of Omer and Vivian Daly Baker. She married Lester H. Piper on Sept. 2, 1939, in Farmington, Utah.

Cleo worked at First Federal Savings and Loan of Burley for many years. She was also a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

She is survived by her husband, Lester Piper of Burley; two daughters, Sharon (Jay) Black of Almo, and Renée (Terri) King of Heyburn; one sister, Deon (George) Moncur

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, Margaret (Shipped) and Mosselle Stock, and one brother, Omer Dee Baker.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 3, 2004, at the Burley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2050 Normal Ave., with Bishop Michael H. James officiating. Burial will be in Pleasant View Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Wednesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the church.

Clarence Emil Poppenhagen - Pocatello

Clarence Emil Poppenhagen, 78, passed away Monday, May 24, 2004, at the Idaho State Veterans Home in Pocatello, following an extended illness.

He was born Feb. 6, 1926, in Elkton, S. D., the son of John and Minnie Barton Poppenhagen. He served in the United States Army in World War II. He was a member of

the Lutheran Church.

Prior to living in Pocatello, he lived in the Twin Falls area. He is preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

He is survived by one sister, Garnet (William) Hill of Grass Valley, Calif.; a sister-in-law, Darlene (Salo) of Virginia, Minn.; and a niece, Debbie Hill of Grass Valley, Calif.

Graveside services will be held Wednesday, June 2, 2004, at noon at Mountain View Cemetery (Section 5E East) in Pocatello, with Pastor Steven Yardon officiating. Military rites will be provided by the Pocatello Veterans Honor Guard. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Manning-Wheeler Funeral Chapel, 510 N. 12th Ave., Pocatello.

Memories

To offer your sympathies or share a story about a departed friend or family member, visit the online guest book. The "In Loving Memory" site lets you leave a personal message and read messages left by others, all for free.

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Dentist will host session on diabetes, oral health Center

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

Magic Valley in brief

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 at basement conference room at 660 Shoshone St. Registration is required.

To sign up, call 737-2166.

Twin Falls Democrats will meet today

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls County Democratic Central Committee members will gather at 7 p.m. tonight 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.

— compiled from staff reports

Continued from B1. Malta because it's the hub of the region but would meet the needs of Elba, Almo, Sublett, Yost, Naf, and Idaho.

The City Council came up with the idea two months ago, Lookock said.

"It's one of those things where people say, 'I wish we had a place,'" Gilbert said. "But we didn't think it would be financially feasible."

Since then city officials have worked with Carleen Herring of Region IV Development to explore grants that could provide funds for the project, Lookock

said. Much of the cities' share of the funds could come in the form of donated labor and materials, she said, suggesting that there could be little financial impact on city budgets.

City officials were asked by Herring to make a wish list, and the public meeting is expected to expand this list and provide specifics of each community's needs, Lookock said.

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Jerome looks toward commercial, industrial growth

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News Correspondent

JEROME — The city will be paving the way for more commercial and industrial growth at the south end of the city if a new subdivision is approved.

A public hearing on a preliminary/final plat for Victory Subdivision to be located in the 2400 block of Victory Lane has been scheduled tonight to take public testimony.

At an earlier public hearing, held May 3, before the Jerome Planning and Zoning Commission, city administrator Travis Rothweiler said the land is owned by Nolan Victor but the city and city's urban renewal agency have an agreement with Victor to "carry the gauntlet" through the platting process in exchange for easements of property.

Rothweiler noted that ac-

Meeting today

The Jerome City Council meets tonight at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 100 East Ave. The public is welcome.

cording to state law a parcel of land can be split four times. If a fifth split is desired a plat map is required.

The area in question is right in the middle of the commercial development growth off South Lincoln, 200 South Road and Victory Lane near the new fire station, Idaho State Police region headquarters and the Interstate.

Sunrise Engineers of Boise will be presenting the plat to the city council at tonight's meeting.

The proposed subdivision will contain 20 plots of land. All

plots will have city services and are designed for commercial or industrial use. A new street to be named Peters Way will be built connecting South Lincoln and Victory Lane at about 2400 Lincoln South. It will be completed in August at the same time that Victory Lane is completed.

In other business, the council will consider a proposal by Jerome Mapp and Richard Gardner, both planners with Bootstrap Solutions of Boise, to assist the city with the revision and updating of the city's comprehensive plan at a cost of \$38,000.

The Greater Twin Falls Area Transportation Committee will be asking the City of Jerome for financial support for the Snake River Canyon Crossing Environmental Study. According to a letter to the Jerome City Council from Aaron Wert, Chairman of the Twin Falls Area Transporta-

tion Committee, dated May 26 — the transportation committee wants to present the amount of local financial support to the Snake River Canyon Crossing Environmental Study at the July Idaho Transportation Board Meeting in Shoshone in an effort to gain assistance with the needed matching funds.

According to Wert, the environmental study requires a local match of \$372,500 to receive \$1,500,000 in federal discretionary funds for a total of \$1,872,500 for the projects. In the letter, Wert stated the transportation committee has received commitments from Jerome County, Jerome Highway District, Twin Falls County, Twin Falls Highway District and the Filer Highway District for a total of \$75,500. He is requesting support from those entities that have not yet pledged support.

Water

Continued from B1. the city's 10 guidelines would be in place before spring runoff levels are determined.

For the first part of the summer, the city will focus its attention on educating the public about the water conservation plan. By mid-summer, city officials may determine a means of enforcement if necessary.

"It depends on feedback from the community," Scott said.

City officials have not devised a plan of enforcing water restrictions. However, Scott speculated that the utility billing department would likely be in charge of monitoring use and administering fines.

As long as the public education period goes well, the city shouldn't incur any costs in enforcing the ordinance, Scott said. And residents shouldn't incur fees either.

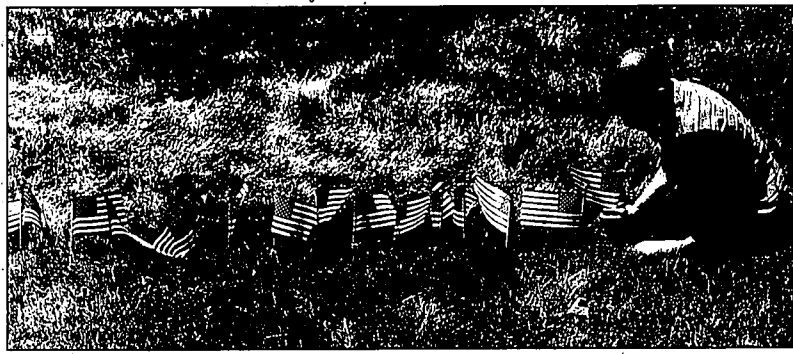
"Right now, I don't see that there is a cost in putting this plan in place," she said. "We have not put together any numbers."

Instead, Scott sees the issue only as a matter of education. In the winter, the average household uses 6,000 gallons per month.

That number rises to 24,000 gallons per month in the summer, she said.

"We quadruple our water use just because it's nice outside," Scott said.

THINKING OF OTHERS



Zonathon Love, 6, places a U.S. flag in the grass in front of the Bruce R. Thompson United States Courthouse and Federal Building Monday in Reno, Nev. Eight hundred flags were passed out by members of Sierra Interfaith to honor soldiers killed in Iraq.

Water possibilities

If the City Council adopts a proposed water conservation ordinance, these measures would go into effect immediately.

- Restaurants and hotels will not serve drinking water unless requested specifically by a customer.
- Hotels will provide notice of water conservation program and encourage its practices.
- All city facilities will limit irrigation to three days a week.
- Residents will be allowed to wash vehicles only on scheduled irrigation days.
- Landscape irrigation will be restricted to the following schedule: even-numbered addresses, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday; odd-numbered addresses, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday; places with no street address such as a median, Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Watering hours will be before 10 a.m. or after 5 p.m. on scheduled watering days.
- Residents may water outside landscape with a hand-held container or a drip watering system at any time.
- Irrigation systems must be maintained to limit leaks and damages to watering system.

- Stage 2
 - Residents will not be allowed to water surfaces such as streets, sidewalks, patios or decks.
 - Landscape irrigation will be limited to one day per week: even-numbered addresses, Tuesday; odd-numbered addresses, Friday; places with no addresses, Monday.
- Stage 3
 - Residents will not be allowed to water surfaces such as streets, sidewalks, patios or decks.
 - Indoor use may be reduced by a percentage determined by the City Council.
 - Landscape irrigation will be limited to two days per month.

Exemptions
Residents may apply for an exemption if planting new lawns. Residents may request relief by filing an alternate water plan with the city's Water Conservation Committee.

- Fines
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 - Stage 3
 - First violation — written notice and a \$80 fine
 - Second violation — written notice and a \$160 fine
 - Third and subsequent violations — written notice and a \$240 fine

Medicine

Continued from B1. the hospital already has the infrastructure in place which should trim the cost significantly.

The hospital's eventual goal is to have a completely electronic medical record system, and Phase 1 will be completed in January.

Further plans include adding physicians' applications, including something called Computerized Physician Order Entry.

This system allows physicians to enter all their orders electronically, with the computer double-checking those orders.

For instance, a physician might order a test for his patient and a message might pop up on the computer screen telling the physician the test had already been ordered.

The system could also tell the physician if there are less-expensive tests or medications available.

Studies have shown that CPOE can improve patient safety, reducing serious medication errors by 55 percent and adverse drug events by 70 percent, according to a report conducted by First Consulting Group for the American Hospital Association.

Magic Valley Regional decided to outsource the project, partnering with the Spokane-based Inland Northwest Health Systems to help the hospital support its current applications and implement future applications.

Why? Magic Valley Regional wanted someone with experience implementing the systems.

"Inland is a collaboration of hospitals that has found a common ground for services they can provide together," said Mullen. "It's hospitals coming together to share the best practices."

Mullen said the collaboration of 30-plus hospitals gives Magic Valley Regional the opportunity to take advantage of their expertise in technology and the ability to capitalize on their best practices.

Common reasons for medication errors

- Incomplete patient information, such as not knowing about patients' allergies, other medications they're taking, previous diagnoses and lab results.
- Unavailable drug information such as lack of up-to-date warnings.
- Miscommunication of drug orders, which can involve poor handwriting, confusion over drugs with similar names, misuse of zeroes and decimal points, confusion of metric and other dosing units and inappropriate abbreviations.
- Lack of appropriate labeling as a drug is prepared and repackaged into smaller units.
- Environmental factors, such as lights, heat, noise and interruptions that can distract health professionals from their medical tasks.

Source: American Hospital Association

What you can do

- Know what kind of medication errors occur. According to a study by the federal Food and Drug Administration on medication errors from 1993 to 1998, the most common types of errors involve administering a drug at an improper dose, giving the wrong drug or using the wrong route of administration. Older people are especially at risk for errors because they often take multiple medications. Children are also vulnerable because drugs are often dosed based on their weight and accurate calculations are critical.
- Find out what drug you're taking

ing and what it's for. Ask your doctor the name of the drug and what it's for. If you're in the hospital, ask, or have a friend or family member ask what drugs you are being given and why. This serves as a check in case there is confusion about a drug name.

Find out how to take the drug and make sure you understand the directions. Does "three times a day" mean eight hours apart or at mealtimes? Should the medicine be stored at room temperature or in the refrigerator? Are there any medications, foods or beverages you should avoid? Are there any side-effects of the medication?

Read the label every time you take or dispense a medication. In the middle of the night, you could mistake ear drops for eye drops or accidentally give your older child's medication to your baby.

Use the spoons that come with a medication, not spoons from your kitchen drawer. If you take multiple medications and have trouble keeping them straight, ask your doctor or pharmacist about containers with sections for daily doses. Family members can help by reminding you to take your medicine.

Keep a list of all medications, including over-the-counter drugs, dietary supplements, medicinal herbs and other substances you take for health reasons and report it to your health care provider.

Make sure your doctors and pharmacy know about your medication allergies or other unpleasant drug reactions you have experienced. If possible, get all your prescriptions filled at the same pharmacy so all your records are in one place.

- If in doubt, ask, ask, ask. Be on the lookout for clues of a problem, such as if your pills look different than normal or if you notice a different drug name or different directions than what you thought.

Improving safety with bar codes

In a March 2003, FDA proposed a new rule requiring bar codes on certain drug and biological product labels. The rule, which would take effect in 2006, applies to prescription drugs, vaccines, blood and blood components and over-the-counter drugs commonly used in hospitals.

How it works: When patients enter a hospital, they're given bar-coded identification wristbands that can transport information to the hospital's computer. Nurses have laptop computers and scanners on top of medication carts they bring to the rooms. Nurses use the scanner to pull up a patient's name and Social Security number and a list of the patient's medications. Nurses scan the patient's wristband and the medications to be given. If there is not a match between the patient and the medication, a warning box pops up on the screen.

The Department of Veterans Affairs already uses bar codes nationwide in its hospitals and has seen a drastic reduction in medication errors. For example, a VA medical center in Topeka, Kan., has reported that bar coding reduced its medication error rate by 86 percent over a nine-year period.

Source: Food and Drug Administration

support these folks all the way through," Lopez said.

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Internships

Continued from B1. two-week internships at local businesses during the summer. The idea is for teachers to learn what is new in the industry and see what skills employers want.

"The businesses have been very receptive to the idea," Major said.

The internships, which start this month, will include hospital, bank and newspaper programs, Major said.

Each instructor will spend 80 hours during two weeks, each summer in a different business related to his field. They will also receive stipends.

For his first internship, Mike Savage, who teaches several computer courses at Jerome High School, will go to St. Benedict's Family Medical Center.

"I'm more into the network administration part — how to

allow doctors to access sensitive information," Savage said. Networking includes giving some people access, and keeping information restricted from others.

Savage teaches a networking class in Jerome.

"I'll be able to give them better examples of how it's actually used," Savage said.

Major said she has 11 instructors signed up, and some others might still join the program.

"They seem to be quite excited about them," Major said. The grant will also provide for salaries of the teachers to be tracked and surveyed to see how much impact the program has on learning, Major said.

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Lewiston works to cut suicides

LEWISTON (AP) — More than two dozen people are working to prevent suicides in north-central Idaho, which has the highest rate in the state.

"It's a scary subject, and there is a large amount of stigma attached to it," said Annette Byington of Lewiston, chairwoman of the north-central branch of Idaho's Suicide Prevention Action Network.

The network was started in Marietta, Ga., in 1986 by a couple who lost their daughter to suicide.

The Lewiston area is the only region in Idaho with its own branch. It was created in February because the area has the highest overall suicide rate in the state, according to the most recent data from the Idaho Department of Vital Statistics.

Its rate in 2002 was 24 suicides per 100,000 people. The lowest was Idaho falls with six per 100,000.

There are more than 25 people involved in the Lewiston branch, working on different aspects of suicide awareness through things like advocacy, education and speeches.

The American Association of Suicidology reports Idaho is tied with West Virginia for the seventh-highest suicide rate, at 15.9 per 100,000 people.

"There are some things which you want to be in the top 10 in, but this just isn't one of them," Byington said.

She said some possible reasons for the Lewiston area having the highest include the high instance of gun-ownership in the rural environment. There is also a lack of mental health services. Often a person needing treatment has to go to Coeur d'Alene or Boise.

"It has a lot to do with economics, like high unemployment closings," said Steve Buttan, a network board member. "In a lot of smaller communities like there are around here, everyone knows everyone else's business and it's harder to ask for help."

Information about missing BYU student could be worth \$30,000

19-year-old has been missing for seven days

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) — As the search for a missing Brigham Young University student moved into its seventh day, a \$30,000 reward was offered for any information leading to the 19-year-old's safe return.

Brooke Wilberger, whose parents live in Veneta, was last seen a week ago, at the apartment complex her sister manages in Corvallis.

Len Noble, a spokesman for the Corvallis police department, said police have focused on four "persons of interest," one of whom was arrested over the weekend on unrelated burglary charges.

Sung Koo Kim, 30, of Tigard was later released on \$250,000 bail, according to jailers at the Benton County jail.

Kim was arrested for burglary at Oregon State College by a Newberg police May 13 on a search warrant that found more than 1,000 items, including large quantities of women's underwear.

He also is charged with an April burglary at Oregon State University's Sacket Hall, which is very near the site, where Wilberger was last seen. He was released on the 17th.

"In addition to that, there are over 400 names from our tip line that we are looking at," Noble said.

Mr. Kim has been more out in the public eye, but the investigation isn't stopping there.

Noble also said that police are considering any and every tips, including those that come from psychics.

Also Monday, Wilberger's friends and family planned to gather at a community prayer rally in Corvallis.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, to which Wilberger's family belongs, was



David Barrett, left, and his wife, Missi, search on horseback for Brooke Wilberger Sunday near Bald Hill Park west of Corvallis, Ore. Wilberger vanished May 24 from an apartment complex where her sister lives, leaving behind a pair of flip-flops in the parking lot. Police said they believe she was abducted.

More than 1,200 volunteers have searched more than 2,000 acres in Benton County in the past week, looking for the missing woman.

Idaho terrorism support case will soon head for jury

BOISE (AP) — Attorneys spent much of Memorial Day weekend finalizing their closing arguments in the case of a University of Idaho graduate student accused of supporting terrorism.

U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge provided both the defense and prosecution teams the final draft of his lengthy instructions to the jury during the holiday weekend.

"The sides had been at odds over the extent to which jurors should be advised of the extent of constitutional free speech protections, leaving that issue to Lodge.

After getting instructions Tuesday morning, the jury will settle in for closing arguments from Assistant U.S. Attorney Kim Lindquist and lead defense attorney David Nevin. Each has been given 2.5 hours for their presentations.

Sami Omar Al-Hussayn, 34, a Saudi national just months from his doctorate in computer science at the University of Idaho, is charged with using his skills to make the Web sites of the Islamic Assembly of North America the foundation of an Internet network carrying information intended to make people donate to terrorist

groups and in some cases join up.

He is also accused of visa fraud and making false statements to hide his association with the Michigan-based assembly.

Nevin maintained throughout that Al-Hussayn only volunteered his skills to

keep the Web sites running and simply passed along information about Muslim conflicts around the world because of his concern about the future of Islam.

He argued that regardless of how radical some of the posted material was, it did not spur anyone to violence and therefore was protected by the First Amendment.

Lindquist contended that the charges against Al-Hussayn are not an attack on free speech but an attempt to end a conspiracy that was encouraging violence against Israel, the United States and other nations in the name of Islam.



Sami Omar Al-Hussayn

Resident's 100 pigeons anger city

PLEASANT GROVE, Utah (AP) — Gardon Smith has 100 pigeons and that's twice the number the city allows.

He wants the city to amend its ordinance to allow more pigeons, and has support from the Planning Commission, but the city council has put off acting on the proposal.

Meanwhile, city administrators are threatening to revoke his conditional use permit, and he is scheduled to go to court over the issue.

The city first moved against him on the issue last year, but the court put the case on abeyance because the city was considering revision to the current ordinance.

More than a year ago the Planning Commission recommended the city change its ordinance to allow for expert bird racers, like Smith, to raise up to 140 racing pigeons and to have more than one loft.

The issue hasn't moved forward since then.

The City Council has not discussed the issue, and it is still not on an agenda.

"My rights to go in front of my elected officials have not been violated," Smith said Friday. City Attorney Tina Petersen said city leaders have not met on the issue because the city was involved with a number of other issues, and "it's just not been a priority."

Doctors upgrade toddler who almost drowned

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Idaho toddler who was pronounced dead but was noticed breathing an hour later was upgraded Sunday to fair condition.

Logan Pinto was thought to have drowned after falling in a canal and being submerged for about half an hour on Thursday.

The 22-month-old was flown to Primary Children's Medical

Center, where he was pronounced dead after efforts to revive him seemed to have failed.

A nurse who was preparing his body to be sent to a funeral home noticed the boy's chest was moving.

He had been on and off a respirator in critical condition.

"He is improving," hospital spokeswoman Bonnie Midgett said Sunday.

Van runs over dead man's body

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The body of a man who had died hours earlier was run over by a van that he apparently had crawled under, police said.

The man's name has not yet been released.

About 6:40 p.m. Saturday, a man began to back out the van, which had been parked in a fenced lot.

The driver's father-in-law, who was outside the van, yelled for him to stop. The van had run over a man and he was dead, police Lt. Robert Linton said.

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He said the state Medical Examiner's Office determined the man had been dead several hours before his body was run over.

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Man hijacks Greyhound bus on Utah interstate

WESTWATER, Utah (AP) — A Greyhound bus was hijacked Monday afternoon by a man with a knife who was captured just west of the Colorado state line, the Utah Highway Patrol said.

The distraught man, who talked of going to Nebraska to see his estranged wife, took control of the bus on Interstate 70 around 2:30 p.m., patrol spokesman Chris Kramer said. The man was identified as Antonio Hernandez, believed to be in his late 20s, of Lexington, Neb. Kramer and a Grand County sheriff's dispatcher said.

The bus, en route from Los Angeles to Chicago, had just left Green River, about 200 miles southeast of Salt Lake City, and was headed to Grand Junction, Colo., when the man took control of it and ordered all of the passengers off, Kramer said.

The hijacker and driver went about 60 miles before the driver slowed the vehicle down to about 10 mph and jumped out, Kramer said.

"He has some cuts and scrapes, a little road rash. He's OK," Kramer said.

The hijacker barricaded himself in the bus for about half an hour before he surrendered about 3 miles west of the Colorado line, Kramer said.

It was not immediately clear why the man hijacked the bus.

"It's not every day someone hijacks a Greyhound in Utah," Kramer said.

Hernandez was taken to the Grand County jail at Moab. Charges were pending, Kramer said.

The 58 passengers remained in Green River until a relief bus picked them up.

The hijacker was expected to reach Grand Junction about 9 p.m.

Police identify drowned kayaker

GRANGEVILLE (AP) — A kayaker who drowned in an accident in the South Fork of the Clearwater River has been identified as Erik David Stern of Moscow, Idaho County authorities said.

The 26-year-old kayaker fell into the river near Grangeville on Saturday evening.

His body was found about 1.5 miles downstream. He had been under water for about three minutes.

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Colleges trim costs by pooling buying power and resources

The Associated Press

Thirty-five miles and several degrees of prestige separate Yale University and St. Joseph's College, a small, Roman Catholic, predominantly women's school in Hartford, Conn.

But they share at least one thing: thirst. Both campuses consume spring water by the truckload, and when Yale scored a good deal on a delivery contract, St. Joseph piggybacked on it.

The arrangement cut St. Joseph's water-cooler bill in half, saving \$2,000.

For years, sometimes decades, colleges have pooled their buying power in areas like insurance and computers. But now, under particular pressure to rein in tuition increases and tighten budgets without cutting from the classroom, many are trying to think creatively about new ways to save on overhead costs.

Experts say that private institutions are mostly leading the way, though schools within a state system often have a lot more in common — computer systems, missions, even trustees — than do the St. Josephs and Yales of the world.

St. Joseph's is looking beyond water bottles, aiming to trim the \$10,000 it spends annually on trash bags, for instance. It's part of a consortium of independent Connecticut schools exploring buying pools for everything from organic groceries to lawnmowers.

Similar efforts are under way in other states, where some buying compacts claim to have saved tens of millions of dollars for their members. They've even set drink contracts favored by several Christian colleges.

"The big schools need my volume to further their savings, and I need the big schools' buying power to get down my costs," said Mike Jednak, St. Joseph's associate vice president for facilities. "Everyone's reading about how the cost of education is just skyrocketing. This is a fantastic way to get our arms around it and save dollars for students."

Connecticut's state university system participates in a number of group buying programs. But public colleges still face a hurdle: Private schools can often ignore — like requirements to solicit bids from minority- and locally owned business — that can make it harder to work with colleges in other states. Each of the Connecticut system's four campuses still buys its own bottled water.

Nationwide, public four-year schools spend an estimated \$40 billion annually on administrative costs — everything from heating oil to office supplies. That comes to about \$7,500 per student, or about a quarter of the cost of educating each pupil.

States understandably want to minimize those costs, so they often require universities buy off state contracts in order to get volume discounts. But experts say that doesn't always produce the best deal.

In Wisconsin, many of the state's independent colleges buy property and casualty insurance through their own consortium. But the public University of Wisconsin system, with 160,000 students on 26 campuses, is still on a state policy, which also covers prisons.

Prisons, however, are considered riskier than schools and are more expensive to insure.

Grouping them together,



Michael Jednak, vice president of facilities at St. Joseph College in West Hartford, Conn., stands Tuesday at the college.

while it does increase volume for the policy, amounts to a hidden tax on students to subsidize prisons, said David Olien, the Wisconsin system's senior vice president for administration.

He wants Wisconsin to follow Michigan and Iowa in allowing its public colleges to collaborate on their own.

"I believe we could save millions of dollars," he said, more than enough to offset potential extra costs to the prison system.

Wolf Wegenke is president of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities — the independent-said Mike Jednak, St. Joseph's associate vice president for facilities. "Everyone's reading about how the cost of education is just skyrocketing. This is a fantastic way to get our arms around it and save dollars for students."

Private colleges aren't pretending collaboration is a panacea. A number of consortia have failed, victims of too much paperwork or an inability to prove their value.

"Mostly we're tweaking here for small gains here and there," said Charlie Piskewitz, vice president for business affairs and treasurer of Asbury College, a Christian college of 1,200 students in Wilmore, Ky.

But supporters of collaboration note that tuition at independents rose on average 6 percent this year, compared

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Vets light up nation's capital

World War II parade contrasts Sunday's dedication



World War II veteran John Merten of Hot Springs Village, Ark., gives a peace sign Monday as he rides in the Memorial Day Parade in Washington.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A smattering of America's World War II veterans showed their spunk again Monday, marching in a Memorial Day parade with high school and military bands, floats and veterans of other conflicts who came to honor them.

It was a pulsating sequel to Saturday's solemn dedication of a new bronze and granite memorial to the thinning ranks of World War II veterans.

While some veterans were in buses, others marched proudly with veterans organizations.

Standing in a light drizzle and waiting to march, Harry Lynd, of Montgomeryville, Pa., said it was important to be in the parade.

"We've got to," said the 80-year-old Army Air Corps veteran who was with a Pennsylvania chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. "How much longer do I have?"

Also marching was Joseph Cicippio, who spent more than five years as a hostage in Beirut after being captured by mil-

itants in 1966.

Marching with a Pennsylvania drum and bugle corps, Cicippio, 73, said, "I feel like a kid of 15. This is my dream."

Cicippio said he made it through captivity by humming the tunes and practicing in his mind the drills of his musical unit, Rolly Raiders.

Native Americans from the Nez Perce Tribe and the Mo-

hawk Reserve led the parade. They were followed by dozens of motorcycle riders who participated in the weekend's Rolling Thunder salute to veterans.

Some World War II veterans marched with their own organizations, including U.S. Submarine Veterans WWII, World War II medical personnel and two Jima Veterans.

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Floods follow tornadoes in Midwest

MARENGO, Ind. (AP) — Powerful storms again swept across the Midwest and beyond, knocking out power to thousands of customers and spawning tornadoes that leveled buildings and hurled mobile homes through the air.

At least nine deaths were blamed on the storms during the weekend and on Monday.

One storm destroyed 50 homes and killed a man Sunday in Marengo, Ind., a town of 800 people about 35 miles northwest of Louisville, Ky. About 100 people took shelter at a high school when the storm struck.

Indiana Gov. Joe Kernan planned Monday to fly over areas hit by the storm — only three days after his last such trip.

"It's the worst thing I've ever been through. It was loud and noisy, windy. It was unreal," said Marengo resident Howard Lincoln, 49, who rode out the tornado under his Bronco, and later found his home still standing but knocked four feet off its foundation. "I feel lucky, totally lucky. When you look up and see that thing on top of you, you don't know what to think."

The National Weather Service said Monday it estimated the maximum wind speed in this tornado that hit Marengo at 170 mph.

After generating tornadoes during the weekend, the storm system continued toward the east and south on Monday, producing heavy rain along an arc from Louisiana to Virginia.

The rain caused widespread flooding early Monday in hilly southern West Virginia, and one man drowned in Wyoming County, authorities said. His wife was hospitalized.

Flooding and mudslides washed out bridges and covered roads in West Virginia, isolating communities throughout Mingo, Logan and Wyoming counties including the city of Williamson, which



Larry Lanham squeezes through the debris of a relative's mobile home while looking for family photographs after a suspected tornado destroyed numerous trailer homes at Morningdale mobile home park, south of Lincoln, Ill., Sunday.

got 4.25 inches of rain in 24 hours, local officials and the National Weather Service said.

West Virginia Gov. Bob Wise declared a state of emergency Monday for the three counties. He had issued a similar declaration Friday for seven other counties pummeled by an earlier series of storms.

Also on Monday, a 7-year-old girl was killed in Giles, Tenn., when high wind collapsed a wall in her home, said supervisor Dan Cressy of the Giles County Ambulance Service.

At least 21 other people were injured in Tennessee when the line of thunderstorms ripped apart — homes — destroyed — campground, knocked over trees and flooded streets, officials said. Utilities reported some 19,000 customers without power in the Chattanooga area.

Another man was killed Sunday

in Missouri by a tree that slammed onto his car. On Saturday, high wind was blamed for two deaths in Kansas and three in Missouri.

The weekend storms also ripped through parts of Nebraska and Kansas.

In Indiana, one powerful storm raked across the south side of Indianapolis on Sunday, ripping the roof off a nursing home while 50 residents were inside. They were evacuated, many wrapped in sheets and blankets.

"Everything was going up in the air," said Brendi Edwards, 26, who works at a restaurant about seven miles southeast of downtown Indianapolis. "We went inside and got in the cooler."

Rain delayed the start of the Indianapolis 500 and forced a nearly two-hour interruption. Nearby, the National Weather

Service said it saw evidence of a tornado touchdown close to its office on the southwest side of the city.

Sunday's storms knocked out power to more than 130,000 customers in Illinois and the St. Louis area. Flights were delayed up to three hours Sunday evening at O'Hare International Airport and two hours at Midway Airport, and roughly 100 O'Hare flights were canceled, the Chicago Department of Aviation said.

At least two tornadoes struck in southern Nebraska, and two people jogging in Omaha on Saturday were seriously injured by lightning, authorities said. The storms knocked out electricity to thousands of customers in Nebraska and Oklahoma. Tornadoes also were reported Sunday in Arkansas, but no injuries or major damage were reported.

'Lighten Up' pushes steps for weight loss

MILWAUKEE (AP) — There are no complicated diets, pricey workout equipment or strict personal trainers.

Participants of Lighten Up programs in 16 states from Maine to Hawaii are learning to make healthy choices by making small lifestyle changes: drinking one more glass of water each day; eating fruits and vegetables; taking the stairs instead of the elevator.

It's making a difference in Wisconsin, a state where almost 58 percent of residents were overweight or obese in 2002, and cheese, beer and sausage are practically their own food groups.

"It's not such a threatening thing anymore," Sandi Tritz said of dieting and exercising since joining Lighten Up Wisconsin. "They weren't so outlandish, like I had to run a marathon."

More than 20,500 people nationwide are involved in some form of Lighten Up, said Nicole Mueller, director of health initiatives for Wisconsin Sports Development Corp., a nonprofit sports management organization that runs the state's version.

In Iowa, nearly 12,000 members lost about 23.5 tons of weight last year, or roughly four pounds per person, said Kim Nanke of Iowa Games, a nonprofit group that created the first Lighten Up program in 2002.

In Wisconsin, more than 1,700 people shed an average of 4.9 pounds midway through the five-month program.

Four to five pounds may not seem like much, but health experts say even the smallest improvements count because they can boost participants' confidence to exercise more or improve their diets.

and Prevention.

Participants joined the Wisconsin program in teams, which turned in their collective weights in January and March. A final weigh-in next month will determine the three teams — out of 226 — that lost the most weight, earning them statewide recognition and medals.

"We never see their individual weight," Mueller said. "They don't have to feel so pressured as individuals."

Each week the program offers a challenge, such as parking the car farther from the office, switching to 1 percent milk (cutting about 50 calories per cup), or using low-calorie condiments such as mustard or vinegar on sandwiches, instead of butter or mayonnaise.

Each challenge eliminates just a few calories at a time, but that adds up, said registered dietitian Cathy Alessi, a nutrition specialist for the Food and Nutrition Information Center of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Switching to a lower-calorie salad dressing cuts almost five pounds a year, she said. "Small changes do take longer, but most of the time, people find them more effective."

Melissa Surek has lost at least 10 pounds since starting the program, partly because she doesn't get discouraged. "It's something easy enough where you can go, 'Oh, I can do that for a week,'" said Surek, who works at a health clinic in Medford.

Other weight loss programs seemed to set her up for failure, such as one requiring 100 sit-ups every day. "Well, I can never stay with those," she said. "The fact that it's happening little by little, I think it's a lot better."

Tritz, a 53-year-old office worker from Marshfield, appreciates the support she gets from her six teammates, all co-workers. Her team lost 22 pounds by March.

Study casts doubt on CO2 theory

The Washington Post

Many scientists hope the rising concentration of carbon dioxide (CO2) that atmosphere will be offset by growth of plants on the Earth's surface. A study in the journal Science suggests this may be wishful thinking.



Plant matter is made up largely of carbon-based molecules synthesized when plants capture CO2 from the air during the process of photosynthesis. The forests, grasslands and phytoplankton of the oceans are all huge "sinks" for carbon in the environment. If plants grow faster or bigger in the presence of more CO2, theoretically they could drain off some of the excess carbon entering the atmosphere through the burning of fossil fuels and other human activities.

A research team led by Bruce A. Hungate at Northern Arizona University studied what happened when California alfalfa, a vine in the bean family that grows in coastal Florida, during a seven-year experiment in which enclosed but roofless plots of land were exposed to elevated concentrations of CO2. To accumulate carbon in the form of biomass, the vines also have to accumulate — or "fix" — nitrogen, another essential element in living matter. Hungate and his colleagues used nitrogen fixation as a yardstick for growth.

In the first year of the experiment, the vines doubled their nitrogen fixation — clear evidence they were flourishing in response to the high CO2 levels. That response fell off rapidly, however. In the past three years, the elevated CO2 levels suppressed nitrogen below normal fixation.

Why did this happen? It turns out the vines were running out of molybdenum, a trace metal captured from soil that they need for one of their nitrogen-fixing enzymes. When molybdenum became scarce, the excess CO2 became unusable.



"In a study in grasslands in Switzerland, plants ran out of phosphorus," Hungate said in an interview. "Plants require many different elements. Restriction of any one of them could restrict their ability to fix more nitrogen — and that could limit future carbon uptake by land ecosystems."







EVENTS

Friday, June 4

<p>5:00-5:30 pm</p> <p>5:00-11 pm</p> <p>5:30-6:00 pm</p> <p>6:00-6:45 pm</p> <p>6:45-7:45 pm</p> <p>8:00-9:00 pm</p> <p>All Day</p> <p>All Day</p> <p>All Day</p> <p>TBA</p> <p>7:00 am</p> <p>10:00 am</p> <p>10:00-10:30 am</p> <p>10:45-11:45 am</p> <p>11:20-1:00 pm</p> <p>12:00-9 pm</p> <p>1:00-1:45 pm</p> <p>1:50-2:20 pm</p> <p>2:30-2:50 pm</p> <p>4:00 pm</p> <p>4:00-4:45 pm</p> <p>5:00-5:45 pm</p> <p>5:45-6:00 pm</p> <p>6:00-6:45 pm</p> <p>6:45-7:45 pm</p> <p>8:00-9:00 pm</p> <p>10:30-12:00 pm</p> <p>12:00-4:30 pm</p> <p>1:00-6:00 pm</p> <p>4:30-6:00 pm</p>	<p>Twin Falls Western Days Welcome City Park hosted by Doulos & Checkers</p> <p>Boys & Girls Club Carnival Behind Blue Lakes Ford</p> <p>Presentation of colors; National Anthem City Park honoring past and present military personnel and introduction of city leaders</p> <p>Original Braun Brother City Park</p> <p>Muzzie Braun and the Boys City Park</p> <p>Micky and the Motorcars City Park</p> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Saturday, June 5</h3> <p>Rock Climbing Wall City Park</p> <p>Food, Crafts & Vendors City Park</p> <p>Western Days Queen Contest Various Locations</p> <p>Pancake Breakfast Masonic Lodge</p> <p>Western Days 1/2 Marathon & Run & BBQ Old Towne</p> <p>Southern Idaho's Largest Parade CSI to/Downtown</p> <p>Rocky Mountain Cloggers & Strolling Entertainers Shoshone Street/Court House</p> <p>Steve Guthe-History of Musical Instruments Journey to Twin Falls Band Shell</p> <p>Doulos & Checkers Band Shell</p> <p>Boys & Girls Club Carnival Behind Blue Lakes Ford</p> <p>Mauldin Dance Studio Band Shell</p> <p>Twin Falls Western Days Queen Contestant Style Show Band Shell</p> <p>Extreme Dance Band Shell</p> <p>Little Buckaroo Rodeo CSI Outdoor Arena</p> <p>Steve Guthe-History of Musical Instruments Journey to Twin Falls Band Shell</p> <p>2nd Wind Band Band Shell</p> <p>Beard Growing Contest Winners Band Shell</p> <p>Muzzie Braun Band Band Shell</p> <p>Braun Family (The Whole Herd) Band Shell</p> <p>Reckless Kelly Band Shell</p> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Sunday, June 6</h3> <p>Doulos & Checkers Band Shell</p> <p>Happy Birthday Twin Falls! 100 years of Music Featuring Local Artists Band Shell</p> <p>Boys & Girls Club Carnival Behind Blue Lakes Ford</p> <p>The Standards Band Shell</p>
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CATCHING SOME FUN

Optimist Club's fishing derby is another success

By Jami Whitte
Times-News writer

JEROME - People of all ages learned the tricks of the fishing trade at the Jerome Optimist Club's annual fishing derby.

Some children sat with grandpa, learning how to snag "the big one" and others wore big smiles as they pulled their catch to shore.

This was the club's 27th year sponsoring the derby and 25th year at Martin Farms north of Jerome. Usually a couple hundred people show up and this year was no exception. Sheri Mitchell, the derby chairman, took 110 pictures of anglers. The recorded size of their fish, date and name was written on the picture, which was given to the anglers, along with a prize.

"I think Sportsman's Warehouse," donated about \$400 worth of prizes. I think there were 139 variety of prizes between the Optimists and Sportsman's Mitchell said.

Prizes included fishing poles, candy and tackle boxes.

On average, people caught 15- to 20-inch long fish, weighing two to four pounds each. There was no limit on how many fish a person could catch.



Madeline Farnsworth, 4, proudly holds up her fresh trout caught at her first year at the Jerome Optimist Club's annual fishing derby.

About 1,500 pounds of trout were donated by Clear Springs in Buhl. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game also donated fish.

The Optimists furnished and barbecued about 240 hot dogs and also distributed 1,000 worms and even some fishing poles.

There is no cost to participants.

"This is lots of fun," said John Lothspiehl as his sons, Matt, 8, and Tony, 10, stood in line to have their trout photographed.

"There aren't any injuries, usually just tangled lines," said Bob Helms, a club chartered member, as his 8-year-old niece, Kasandra Corona, proudly held up one of eight fish she caught.

hook injury and we have Band-Aids and first aid," Mitchell said. "There were a lot of sizable fish caught at this year's derby. The largest fish was 24 (inches)."

"Not everyone was as lucky, however. Two hours into the day a small catfish was caught by Alec Humbach, 8, who said with a laugh that it was his first catch of the day.

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Kayleigh Dawn Soloaga, daughter of April Dawn Hepworth of Twin Falls, was born Monday, May 10, 2004.

Dayton TK Hawkins, son of Keomanivan Xayaphone of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, May 13, 2004.

Bennjamin Seth Winkler, son of Anita Dawn Johnson and Cory Clay Winkler of Buhl, was born Saturday, May 22, 2004.

Ashlyn Allen Guymon, son of Jennifer Lynn Guymon of Twin Falls, was born Sunday, May 23, 2004.

Aubriana Taylyn Ellison, daughter of Elisha Gabrielle Ortiz and Christopher Stephen Ellison of Twin Falls, was born Sunday, May 23, 2004.

Braden Macy Brown, son of Jodi Lynn and Ronald Dale Brown of Gooding, was born Monday, May 24, 2004.

Jayleen, Guadalupe Torres, daughter of Lorena R. and Eduardo M. Torres of Twin Falls, was born Monday, May 24, 2004.

Jaden Earl Orban, son of Ronnie Jo and Joseph Earl Orban of Jerome, was born Tuesday, May 25, 2004.

To announce a birth Send a copy of the birth certificate to:

The Community Page
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Cassia Regional Medical Center

Queenin Mekhi Antonio Nava, son of Gina Chapa and Eddie Nava Jr. of Burley, was born Monday, May 24, 2004.

St. Luke's-Wood River Medical Center

Asher Aaron Stern, son of Danielle and Aaron Stern of Hailey, was born Sunday, May 16, 2004.

Shella Marie Flynn, daughter of Lisa and John Flynn of Hailey, was born Wednesday, May 19, 2004.

Ismael Jr. Gonzalez, son of Aurelia and Gabriel Gonzalez of Hailey, was born Friday, May 21, 2004.

PIANO QUARTET



Keaton Wilson, upper left, Ashley Watkins, upper right, Liz Woods, lower left, and Jessica Seppi make up a piano quartet which will perform a solo and ensemble recital at 7 p.m. Friday at Welch's Music Recital Hall, 837 Pole Line Road in Twin Falls. They are music students of Georgia Blastoff of Filer. The program is free and open to the public. Wilson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carter Wilson of Hagerman, Watkins is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Watkins of Twin Falls, Woods is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Woods of Buhl and Seppi is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Kurt Seppi of Twin Falls.

Local student wins state history contest

TWIN FALLS - Kelly Ann Buddecke, a fifth-grader at I.B. Ferrine Elementary School in Twin Falls, was named the first place winner at her grade level in a statewide American history essay contest sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Her essay was chosen by the Twin Falls Chapter DAR to represent the Magic Valley in the statewide contest.

The contest is sponsored each year by the National Society DAR, an organization promoting patriotism, education and historic preservation.

This year's topic was "The Louisiana Purchase - Thomas Jefferson's Presidential Legacy." Essays were judged on historical accuracy, originality and writing skills.

Kelly Ann received her award May 8 from Nancy Baxter, state chair of the American History Committee, and State Regent Ann Beebe at the Idaho State Society DAR awards breakfast in Pocatello. She was joined by her parents, Dave and Lisa Buddecke, and her sister, Sarah.



Kelly Ann Buddecke receives a first-place award in the DAR American History essay contest from Nancy Baxter, left, state chair of the American History Committee, while State Regent Ann Beebe adds her congratulations.

T.F. County office recognizes volunteers

TWIN FALLS - Volunteers for the Twin Falls County Probation were honored for their commitment to the young people of the Magic Valley at the ninth annual volunteer recognition dinner.

Juvenile Probation works with about 100 volunteers in the Diversion and School Lunch Buddy programs and other areas of service.

The School Lunch Buddy of the Year was Christine Standice, who has been a volunteer mentor for the program for several years and this year became the first lunch buddy to continue with her mentee into junior high.

The Diversion Board of the Year was presented to the Twin Falls County Diversion Board 4; Dorothy Miller, Alan Stallones,



JoAnne Craner shows the Flame award she received the Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation office.

Carrie Chappel and Terry Votrubaek.

The Twin Falls County Diversion Boards are an arm of

juvenile court and oversee about 150 juvenile, first-offense cases per year that would otherwise be filed with the juvenile court system. Juvenile Probation officials report.

John Haight was named Volunteer of the Year. He has been an active volunteer for juvenile probation, juvenile justice system and diversion board for several years, is a past member of the Juvenile Justice Council in District V and is a volunteer family and victim/offender mediator.

The third annual Flame award to an outstanding person with "the fire within" went to JoAnne Craner of Buhl. Craner has been a Juvenile Probation longtime employee, school lunch buddy, Born to Succeed mentor, has mentored several young people and she and her

husband, Jerry, have opened their home to 52 foster and shelter care children. She has been a "true example of commitment and dedication to the community," Juvenile Probation reported.

Juvenile Probation's volunteer program has become a partner with Twin Falls HealthNet to develop a volunteer peer mentoring program for students. A partnership has also been formed with BSNP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) through the Office on Aging where Juvenile Probation will become a work site for senior volunteers.

For more information about the volunteer programs at Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation, call Marsha Stallones at 735-4215, ext. 3113.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

First Friday Dinner takes place at Basque center

GOODING - The Gooding Basque Association First Friday Dinner will be held from 6-9 p.m. Friday at the Basque Cultural Center, located at the intersection of Highway 26 and Highway 46 in Gooding.

The buffet-style menu will include lamb chops, cod fish, chicken, Basque potatoes, green beans, vegetable soup, salad bar, Basque bread, rice pudding and spice cake. Beverages will be available. The cost is \$14 for adults and \$12 for seniors.

Instead of a first Friday dinner in July, there will be a Basque picnic July 18. For more information, call Julie Corbittare Gough at 352-4266.

CSI North Side Center slates classes for kids

GOODING - The College of

Southern Idaho North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E., is offering College for Kids classes. "Llama Love" students ages 8 and up will learn about safety and equipment, have hands-on experience as they learn about grooming and Showmanship and practice leading llamas through an obstacle course. The fee is \$10. The course will meet from 9 a.m. to noon June 8 at the instructor's home, two miles south of Gooding on Highway 46. Students should wear long pants and suitable shoes; no sandals and dress for the weather.

"Yoga for Kids" will show how to develop flexibility and balance and discover breathing and body awareness. The course is for students ages 8 and up and will be held from 10 a.m. to noon June 9 and June 23 at the center. The fee is \$10.

For more information, visit the center or call 934-0678.

Jerome Lions Club collects yard sale items

JEROME - The Jerome Lions Club is collecting items for its annual yard sale, held on Sunday at the Jerome Recreation Park, behind the Jerome Recreation District office, 2032 S. Lincoln.

All money raised will go back to the community for eye examinations, eye glasses and other community projects.

For more information or to donate, call Jennifer at 324-9805.

T.F. Senior Citizens Center holds dance

TWIN FALLS - The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at 536 Shoshone St. W.

in Twin Falls.

Music will be provided by Melody Masters. The cost is \$4. For more information, call 734-5044.

American Veterans auxiliary holds dance

TWIN FALLS - The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a public dance at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the DAV Hall at 459 Shoppe Ave.

Archie Turner will provide the music. There is a suggested donation of \$2. For more information, call 734-5208.

Gooding County Senior Citizens serve breakfast

GOODING - The Gooding County Senior Citizens will serve breakfast from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday at the center, 308 Senior Ave.

The cost is \$3.50. The menu

includes coffee, eggs, sausage, pancakes, biscuits, gravy and juice. The public is invited.

Bring is played at 6 p.m. every Friday at the center.

For more information, call 934-5504.

Lincoln County 4-H serves free lunch

SHOSHONE - The Lincoln County 4-H will serve free lunches from noon to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays starting today through Aug. 13 in the Shoshone Park.

"The lunches are for children ages 1 through 18.

For more information, call 886-2407.

CSI offers summer evening computer classes

TWIN FALLS - Evening computer classes will begin at the College of Southern Idaho in

June and July.

The classes are designed to provide basic computer or software skills and earn one college credit. They include introductory courses in computers, spreadsheets, database management, Windows, word processing, Power Point and the Internet.

Specialty classes include Quickbooks, Photoshop, scanner and digital camera use and a new class on how to buy and sell on E-Bay.

The first round of classes will begin the week of June 7 and the second the week of July 12. Most classes run from 6-9 p.m. two nights a week for five weeks.

Three-credit "Computer Literacy Skill Development" classes will also be available.

For more information, contact CSI Evening Computer Coordinator Olenka Paredes at 732-6441, or at oparedes@csi.edu.

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COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

How large is your computer's HARD DRIVE?

Can you ever have too much space?

By John Moran
The Hartford Courant

In the attic, in the garage, in the shed or in the basement, you just can't have too much storage.

The same goes for personal computing.

It's long past the days when we marveled about how quickly we filled up those once seemingly bottomless 1-, 2- and 5-gigabyte hard drives.

The reality is that having available hard-drive space is only a temporary condition. No matter how big a new drive is, you'll find a way to fill it — and probably quite soon.

Software was the original culprit. Modern operating systems and advanced programs swallowed up megabytes by the dozens.

But over time, most people find they only use a relatively handful of software programs: a Web browser and e-mail program, a word processor and spreadsheet, a financial-management program and photo editor.

What's gobbling up the gigabytes now is data. E-mail, digital photos, song files and, increasingly, digital video are migrating to the hard drive. It's a trend sure to accelerate as high-capacity DVD drives and DVD burners replace their CD-ROM counterparts.

Fortunately, hard-drive makers are keeping up with

our voracious appetite for storage. The latest hard drives offer acres of space at prices once reserved for a box of floppy disks.

For larger drives, prices have dropped below the \$1-a-gigabyte level and are continuing to fall. Just this month, retailers were advertising an 80-gigabyte drive for \$60 (80-gigabyte after rebate) and a 200-gigabyte drive for \$130.

As usual, that sounds bottomless. What, you may wonder, could anyone possibly do with 200-gigabytes? But look around, and you'll see how data is already swelling to soak up this available space.

Digital cameras, which once took 1-megapixel photos, now are growing in popularity in the 5-megapixel category. Yes, the photos are much more detailed than before. They're also five times as big.

Meanwhile, the explosion in digital music continues. Apple Computer this week announced that its iTunes online music service has marked its 50-millionth song download. That doesn't include the millions of songs being given away for free in a promotion with the R.I.A.A. that music, and millions of other songs ripped or downloaded from elsewhere are now clogging somebody's hard drive.

But the real storage killer is digital video. The rule of

thumb is that an hour's worth of digital video occupies about 13 gigabytes of space. So that "bottomless" 200-gigabyte drive would hold only about 15 hours of programming — or about a season's worth of "The Sopranos."

Sure, you'll be burning that stuff onto DVD for long-term storage eventually. But meanwhile, having a couple of hundred gigabytes available could come in handy, especially if you're dealing with home videos that may need editing.

Hard drives aren't just getting bigger; they're also getting smaller — at least physically. According to news reports, "The Guinness Book of World Records" has now certified a 4-gigabyte hard drive made by Japan's Toshiba Corp. as the world's smallest. At 0.85 inches, it's about the size of a postage stamp. An earlier Toshiba drive, at 1.8 inches in size, is powering the storage needs of Apple's new compact iBook.

The arrival of more storage brings with it all the usual concerns about how to keep that data safely backed up in case of disaster. But this could be a problem that eventually solves itself. If a 200-gigabyte hard drive costs a mere \$130, why not simply buy two and use one to mirror the other? If only you could expand the size of your garage as easily.

Getting rid of pop-ups when using Windows 98

By James Coates
Chicago Tribune

Q. I read your recent advice on stopping the annoying Microsoft pop-ups and tried to

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follow your instructions. However, my Control Panel does not list "Administrative Tools" (possibly because it is Windows 98). Is there another place to find Messenger? Thanks for any help you can give me, as these are really annoying.

—Marie Wegner
@indytel.com

A. As you suspect, Ms. W., Windows 98 does not let users take the steps needed to stop those outrageous pop-up advertisements that come up on the screen with Microsoft's own interface-reading Messenger Service.

These bogus notes typically tell the user to click on one of the choices in the message. A click can be utterly devastating if, for example, it logs you on to Web sites that do things like install hard drives with spyware, attempt to beam back a virus and, perhaps worst of all, hijack your browser.

A hijacked browser always comes up with the perpetrator's address for a safe home page and does this no matter how often one restores it.

I'll recap the drill for Windows XP/2000/NT. But first, for Windows 98 users, please keep in mind that clicking on any of the advertising pitches that appear on your screen can lead to chaos as well as to legitimate offerings. Above all, never click on anything in a box that has the words "Messenger Service" in the title bar. Instead, hold down the Alt key and tap F4.

This keyboard command closes whatever display is open at the time. You can use it repeatedly to stop multiple ads that sometimes start popping up like crazy. In that case, keep hitting Alt/F4 until you not only remove the last message, but until the browser itself closes.

That one little trick with keyboard commands becomes pretty lame compared with the drill built in to later versions of Windows. The pop-ups sneak in through a part of the operating system that was designed to let administrators of networks send text messages to users on any of the various linked PCs.

The Messenger Service can be disabled in Windows XP Home by clicking on Start/Control Panel, then Performance and Appearance, then Administrative Tools and, finally, Services.

Once there, scroll down the list of services to Messenger, and then use the command in the pane to the left to stop it. Then right-click on the Messenger listing, pick Properties and then change the Startup type to Disabled.

Q. How do you fix the problem of AOL automatically installing software when you log on to My Computer or Control Panel? I have tried disabling but to no avail. It's quite annoying. Is this an AOL 9.0 optimized function?

A. There are three places where America Online's software can be toggled to enable or disable certain Auto Start defaults, and I fear you fixed the wrong one.

The one you describe is invoked by right-clicking on the AOL icon that the software puts in the system tray in the lower right-hand corner of the Windows display. That brings up the commands that let you enable the feature that will automatically run AOL once an Internet connection is established, which is a feature on version 9's broadband scheme. The idea is to ensure that AOL customers always have the service's software available when their high-speed links are active, without many people always leaving running.

WHAT'S HOT, WHAT'S NEW IN TECHNOLOGY

THINK THE INTERNET'S FAST?

Abilene has it eating dust

By Brian Kladoh
The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

Internet2's network is used by about 200 universities.

You have just hooked your computer up to cable or DSL. Web pages and software are moving suddenly zip into your PC so quickly, you wonder how you ever lived without it. You have entered the Internet's fast lane.

But there is another information highway out there. And sorry to break it to you, this one's even faster. And it's off-limits to most of us.

The network's formal name is Abilene, but it's informally known as Internet2, because that's what it is—a second-generation Internet that transmits far more information, far faster, than most people could ever need.

To demonstrate the network's speed, a group of researchers set a record in February for transmitting data between remote locations. Over 10 minutes, they sent half a terabyte—or 500 billion bytes—of 150 full-length DVDs—from Los Angeles to Geneva.

The network is at least 10 times faster, and depending on the type of connection, 100 times faster than for a household using cable or DSL.

The people who need that kind of speed are scientists—astronomers, physicists, meteorologists, genetic researchers—who want to share lots of data with colleagues at other institutions.

The research data travel along dedicated lines—a light wave that is distinct from all the other light waves carried on a fiber-optic cable.

Another example of the network's potential: Astronomers on the U.S. mainland won't have to travel to a world-class observatory on a Hawaiian mountaintop for a close-up look at the firmament. Instead, they will be able to control the telescope—and view the results—from their own campuses.

The fact that academia has created a second Internet is only fitting, since academia created the first one.

The network's speed is available to anyone at one of the member schools—even lowly undergraduates—assuming they are communicating with someone from another member institution. But most users wouldn't notice a difference between Abilene's speed and a conventional broadband connection.

"I can't imagine that the extra couple of milliseconds of speed for e-mail is something that anybody would notice," said Charles Hedrick, director of Rutgers' computing services.

At some times, every millisecond counts. Voice and video transmission will probably be Abilene's most widely used application. Currently, such communication is possible—but not very good—on the regular Internet.

Abilene's speed made possible a concert last year called Gigapop, in which musicians at Princeton and McGill University in Montreal performed classical Indian music together.

Even further on the horizon is applying Internet2's power to the family PC. But Steve Corbato, director of network infrastructure for the consortium that manages Internet2, points to one possibility: distributing high-definition television signals over the Internet. Currently, the signals are coming over the airwaves, and over a long distance, a lot of power is used to amplify the signal.

Another possibility is telemedicine, allowing doctors to closely examine patients from thousands of miles away.

Calling 12 "a cauldron of ideas," Corbato believes that "a few of those will bubble out and enjoy widespread commercial availability."

In the meantime, you'll just have to plug along with your "high-speed" DSL or cable.

Corel gives Office 2003 a run for less money

By James Coates
Chicago Tribune

Product review

Here's the problem: You run Corel Corp. and have just released the WordPerfect 12, a suite of productivity software that's the closest thing there is to a competitor to Microsoft's dominant Office 2003.

Your well-known word processor, WordPerfect, has managed to acquire and hold on to 10 million customers, which your accountants calculate—using Corel's Quattro Pro spreadsheet, of course—is maybe 5 percent of Microsoft's customer base.

Based on an interview with Corel folks and a review of WordPerfect Office 12, here's their plan:

Price: \$299 for a new copy of WordPerfect Office vs. \$449 for Microsoft Office 2003 Small Business Edition. WordPerfect 12 upgrades cost \$149 compared with \$279 for Microsoft Office upgrades.

Upgrade rules: Like a used-car lot promising to take anything you can push, pull or tow, WordPerfect Office 12 upgrades include all versions of Microsoft Works bundled with PCs for the past several years, all flavors of Microsoft Office starting with 2000 and all of Corel's products.

The next place the Corel promoters are striking is at a wide variety of people who fire up their dismay that the latest versions of Microsoft Office do not read documents created by many other programs, including all of Microsoft's Word 6.0 formats before Word 6.0.

Corel adds 165 import/export conversion filters, which means the software will open all kinds

of files. That includes stuff written a decade ago in Lotus AmiPro or earlier in Professional Write or iWrite.

Likewise, Corel's Quattro Pro can handle now-obsolete database formats as diverse as old Microsoft Works products to the current files used by Quicken personal finance software.

As Microsoft drops formats in its relentless drive to compel folks to upgrade, Corel's scheme is kind of bottom feeding, based on the idea that folks with older Microsoft formats and other legacy software are a collective good.

Which brings us to Corel's ace in the hole, a tool called Reveal Codes.

Any word-processor user knows Corel's proficiency of headline fonts, special characters, frames, headers, footers, spacing rules and other features can become a nightmare when a single element goes awry, making the whole house of cards tumble. Drop the wrong font size on page 3 and the cascade of unintended changes can corrupt everything in a 100-page document.

This patented tool lets users quickly find and patch the exact errant element, while Word users must hunt and peck their way with little more help than their ability to view formatting marks like paragraph breaks and word spacing.

It's not likely Corel is going to stop the Microsoft in its tracks, but maybe this time around the format compatibility and touting the Reveal Code will earn it a bigger slice of the pie.

Users accuse Apple of not warning them about possible software flaws

Los Angeles Times

Enthusiastic Macintosh owners brag that the digital plagues of worms, viruses and trojans so common to Microsoft Corp.'s Windows operating system rarely visit their sleek machines.

It may be, though, that Apple doesn't fall too far from the PC. Three times this month, Apple Computer Corp. has been accused of failing to warn Mac owners of serious flaws in their software.

In the most recent instance, users of Apple's OS X operating system could have data deleted or stolen if they follow an e-mail link to Web sites built by hackers. At the sites, PCs can be compromised by malicious code.

The vulnerability received attention this week on electronic bulletin boards covering Apple topics. Amateurs have posted directions for changing the OS X settings targeted by the attack, responding to questions from the Los Angeles Times on Thursday, Apple said in a statement.

ment that it was "actively investigating this potential security issue."

Software companies constantly weigh the pros and cons of publicizing problems and publishing patches for their products. In the past, Microsoft has been excoriated for being slow to fix holes in Windows, which powers most of the world's personal computers.

That omnipresence is what makes Windows such a tempting target to hackers. Since Apple produces fewer than 5 percent of the world's computers, Apple flaws often receive less notice on security sites and e-mail lists.

The recent discoveries of flaws in Mac software comprise "the most serious issues being found at one time" in the company's history, Chris Wypsal, vice president of security consulting firm AStake Inc.

This month, an independent security site identified another flaw that let attackers take control of machines if users play

malicious QuickTime videos.

Apple quickly released a patch—programming that "mends holes in software"—but described it only as a fix for potential system crashes, according to the site, Eye Digital Security Inc. "Apple is doing a disservice to its customers by incorrectly labeling this vulnerability," Eye wrote when it publicized the hole and the patch for it.

Said Eye Chief Operating Officer Firas Raouf: "I think that they're starting to play games."

Another security problem—involved the hijacking of computers through the settings on Macs for sharing files—was patched this month after its discovery by AStake. On its Web site, Apple said the fix was "to improve the handling of long passwords."

Asked if Apple should tell Web site visitors how to protect their machines from attack, William Allen, who designs Symantec Corp. antivirus programs for the Macintosh, said: "That's certainly polite."

Wi-Fi becomes a worldwide wonder

Wi-Fi isn't just a gimmick that helps Starbucks sell coffee. It's a global phenomenon.

Chris Cruikshank, senior vice president at Ipsos-Insight, a research firm, said 134 million people, or 40 percent of people with access to the Internet, have tried or used some form of wireless. On average, around the world one in four people have heard of Wi-Fi, the wireless data standard. And nearly one in 10 in urban parts of China use it to access the Internet.

Technology in brief

The most explosive growth days for Wi-Fi are to come. Cruikshank added, Last year, the number of households with mobile phones grew by 100 million, representing a growth rate five times that of PCs.

"As mobile phone penetration continues to rise, Internet-enabled handsets will likely become commonplace,"

Cruikshank said. E-mail and text messaging top the activities of mobile users, while at least one in 10 engaged in wireless photo messaging, gaming, instant messaging or Web browsing.

The Face of the Web? study by Ipsos-Insight (<http://www.ipsosinsight.com/tech/publications/faceofweb>) was conducted in October 2003 and included adults in 13 countries.

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

The old Laker teams, the old Celtics, the old Bulls, ain't nobody even close to them in the NBA today.

— TNT's Charles Barkley

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

The Los Angeles Lakers, coached by Pat Riley, defeated the Boston Celtics in the 1985 NBA Finals after losing to the Celtics the previous year. Who was the coach of those Celtic teams?

.....answer below

IN BRIEF

Shrine All-Stars play Wednesday

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

Players from Magic Valley high schools will participate in this fund-raiser for the Shrine Hospitals for Children.

The event is sponsored by the Magic Valley Teachers and the Fourth District Coaches Association.

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

Jerome hoops camp set for June 7-11

JEROME — Jerome High School will host a youth basketball camp from June 7-11.

Any girls wishing to participate who will be entering fifth through 10th grade this fall are allowed to participate. The camp for girls 5-7 will be held at the Jerome Ice Center while athletes in grades 8-10 will play at the high school.

The cost to register is \$50 and includes prizes, a T-shirt and instruction from Lady Tigers coach Michelle Skyles and a staff that will include several current college basketball players.

For more information, call Coach Skyles at 324-8137 ext. 4101, or 420-6750.

Western Days hoops deadline is Friday

TWIN FALLS — The Western Days 3-on-3 Classic basketball tournament will take place on Saturday on the College of Southern of Idaho campus.

Entry forms must be received noon Friday. Since space is limited, entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Forms can be picked up at the CSI Gymnasium.

Entry forms should be mailed to: College of Southern Idaho, 3-on-3 Athletic Dept., P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1238.

The outdoor tournament will have men's and women's teams for the following categories: Ages 8-12; Ages 13-18; Ages 19 and older; 6-foot and under, a corporate league division, as well as a church league division.

The entry fee is \$50 for all divisions other than the 8-12 age group.

Declo coach holds youth soccer camp

DECLO — Declo High School soccer coach Tim Henriksen and the Declo Hornets boys soccer program will hold a soccer camp at the Declo High School soccer fields on Tuesday, June 8 and Tuesday, June 15. Registration forms are available from the Declo high, junior high, and elementary school office secretaries.

The cost for the camp is \$15 and each participant will receive a T-shirt.

For additional information, please call Henriksen at 654-2611.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

K.C. Jones.

Lakers eliminate T'wolves

Los Angeles is heading back to the NBA Finals

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The Lakers love a little drama — and the NBA's most entertaining show is headed back to the NBA Finals. Shaquille O'Neal had 25 points and 11 rebounds, and Kareem Rush came from nowhere to hit six 3-pointers in a 96-90 victory over the Minnesota Timberwolves in Game 6 of Western Conference finals Monday night.

Kobe Bryant scored 20 points for the Lakers — who overcame Kevin Garnett, their constant bickering with the referees and O'Neal's horrific 7-for-20 free throw shooting to win the best-of-seven series.

Their fourth trip to the championship round in five seasons will begin Sunday, Detroit, leading the Eastern Conference finals 3-2, will visit Los Angeles if the Pistons finish off the Indiana Pacers on Tuesday night.

The Lakers improved to 9-0 at Staples Center in the postseason, but Garnett and the Timberwolves spent most of the game on the verge of an improbable upset.

Unblown by the Lakers' nine championship banners and intimidating home crowd, the Timberwolves played tight defense and made enough free throws to take a lead into the fourth quarter. But Bryant and Rush led a 15-6 run early in the quarter, and Shava Medvedenko, added two free throws in the final minutes.

Karl Malone and Gary Payton, who signed with the Lakers last summer for a chance at their first NBA title, joined their teammates in a group near the bench before accepting the conference championship trophy.

Latrell Sprewell scored 27 points, and Garnett — who fouled out in the final minute — finished with 17 rebounds for the Timberwolves, who nearly extended the best season in franchise history to a Game 7 in Minneapolis.

Instead, Minnesota's first trip to the conference finals ended when it couldn't score enough to overcome the absence of injured All-Star Sam Cassell. The Lakers stole Game 1 in Minneapolis and hung on for three home victories.

Bryant, O'Neal and Garnett all got in first-half foul trouble in a lightly officiated game. O'Neal sat on the bench for 4.5 minutes in the fourth quarter after picking up his fifth foul, and Malone also got five fouls trying to stay with Garnett.

But Rush, the second-year guard who had 11 points in the entire series, made shot after shot from the perimeter. His 3-pointer with 3:22 to play gave Los Angeles a 10-point lead and sent the crowd into pandemonium.

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Khabibulin douses Flames to tie series

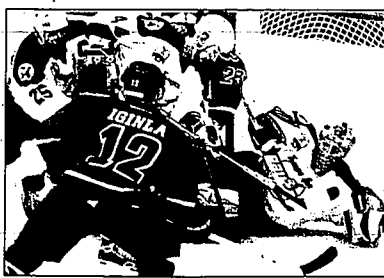
The Associated Press

CALGARY, Alberta — Nikolai Khabibulin has never had a bigger save — he may have saved the Tampa Bay Lightning's run to the Stanley Cup.

Khabibulin was again at his best when the Lightning are in trouble, staying undefeated following a loss in carrying Tampa Bay to a series-tying 1-0 victory over the Calgary Flames in Game 4 of the Stanley Cup final Monday night.

Brad Richards scored during a two-way advantage in the opening three minutes, his fourth game-winning goal following a Lightning loss, and Khabibulin made the all-important goal stand up by tying Calgary's Mikko Kiprusoff with his fifth penalty shootout this spring. He had 29 saves.

Richards' 10th goal of the postseason was his seventh game-winner, breaking the record he previously shared with Joe Sakic (1998) and Joe Nieuwendyk (1999). The Lightning are 30-0-2 overall and 8-0 in the playoffs when Richard scores.



Tampa Bay Lightning's goalie Nikolai Khabibulin makes a save on a shot by Calgary Flames' Martin Gelinas (23) in the final minutes of the third period to preserve a 1-0 shutout of the Calgary Flames in game four of the Stanley Cup finals Monday in Calgary.

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Bothered by blisters, Safin exits French Open

The Associated Press

PARIS — Marat Safin's left plikie was marred. Parts of four other fingers were wrapped with white tape, too, and match-book-sized patches protected each burning palm. Splashes of rust-colored medicine stained his hands.

This was no way to try to reach the French Open quarterfinals, and Safin eventually succumbed to the pain of 11 three-match points saved, and David Nalbandian.

The women's quarterfinals begin Tuesday morning.

Safin's riveting run at Roland Garros included two five-setters, three match points saved, a much-discussed partial disrobing, a rant about what's ailing tennis — and it all ended in the

fourth round with Monday's 7-5, 6-4, 6-7 (5), 6-3 loss to Nalbandian.

"The hands, I don't care about actually anyone, because I'm just a little bit frustrated," the 2000 U.S. Open champion said. "It was another big opportunity for me to fight for a title. Just to waste this opportunity this way, it's a pity."

The eighth-seeded Nalbandian, an Joins No. 3 Guillermo Coria, No. 22 Juan Ignacio Chela and unseeded Gaston Gaudio to play Argentina half of a major's quarterfinal slots for the first time. And none faces each other next, a prospect that delighted Nalbandian.

"I'm a little surprised," said 2002 Wimbledon runner-up said. "It's not like this every day. I hope it will be all Argentines in the semifinals."

On Wednesday, he'll play three-time French Open champion Gustavo Kuerten, who finished his 6-3, 7-5, 6-4 victory over No. 23 Feliciano Lopez caked with clay from a late tumble on a serve-and-volley bid that went awry.

Nothing was messy about Gaudio's 6-4, 7-5, 6-3 victory over Igor Andreev, who knocked off defending champion Juan Carlos Ferrero in the second round. Gaudio's quarterfinal foe will be No. 12 Lleyton Hewitt, a 7-5, 6-2, 7-6 (6) winner against Xavier Malisse.

Two men's quarterfinals are Tuesday: Coria vs. 1998 champion Carlos Moya, and Chela vs. No. 9 Tim Henman, the first Englishman to get this far in Please see OPEN, Page D2

Belmont poses a risky race

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Triple Crown is racing's greatest challenge, so it stands to reason that it takes an exceptional horse to sweep the Kentucky Derby, Preakness and Belmont Stakes.

Since Affirmed became the 11th Triple Crown champion in 1978, nine 3-year-olds have come tantalizingly close, only to fall short in the Belmont for one reason or another.

Greatness now awaits Smarty Jones, who on Saturday will attempt to end 26 years of Triple Crown when the defeated Derby and Preakness winner takes on a handful of rivals in the 1.5-mile Belmont, the longest and most grueling race in the series.

"You need an extra special horse to pull it off, plus you need good fortune, too," says Steve Cauthen, who rode Affirmed to three stirring victories over Alydar. "But the more Smarty Jones races, the more he's looking like a champion."

Smarty Jones also will try to end the longest drought between Triple Crown winners. After Citation won it in 1948, a quarter-century passed before Secretariat came through in 1973, topped off by a record-setting 31-length triumph in the Belmont.

The smallish, red chestnut colt has blown away the competition in winning all eight of his races, and is coming off a record 11.5-length romp in the Preakness. And it appears there is no horse capable of stopping Smarty Jones in the Belmont, also known as "The Test of the Champion."

Ron Turcotte, who rode Secretariat to glory, predicted Smarty can win by 25 lengths. "I feel very confident the horse is being handled just right, and that he's the real thing," he said.

But when it comes to tackling Please see BELMONT, Page D2

Big names to hit NFL market

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Now the bargain hunting starts.

Begging the goodbyes, Kurt Warner, Eddie George, Rich Gannon and Larry Allen and other aging, high-priced stars are likely to become available simply because they're aging at high prices.

On June 1, teams can cut veterans who are under contract and spread the salary cap hit over two years. This offseason already has been incredibly active, and more of the bargain shopping starts.

Yes, a pair of league MVPs, Warner and Gannon, might come far more cheaply than anyone would have imagined a year ago. Warner lost his quarterback job in St. Louis to Marc Bulger and the Rams have made it clear he no longer is in their plans. Gannon comes off shoulder surgery in new environs.

The Raiders signing Kerry Collins last week, there might not be a place for him in Oakland — even with all the supportive quotes coming out of Raiders camp.

George no longer is at his peak and the Titans would like to give Chris Brown a bigger role, so Tennessee could release his longtime offensive force. George's production has declined recently and he refused to rework his contract in February.

Allen, one of the best offensive linemen of the last decade, is not a favorite of Cowboys coach Bill Parcells. Parcells even told Allen to skip the team's off-season conditioning program.

Others expected to be seeking employment in new environs include Browns quarterback Tim Couch; Steelers linebacker Jason Gilkey; Packers cornerback Mike McKenzie; Redskins linebacker Jeremiah Trotter; and 49ers safety Zach Trotter.

outsourcing their opponents 18-5. They also kept alternating wins and losses, something they've done in every game since splitting the first two games of the Eastern Conference final against Philadelphia.

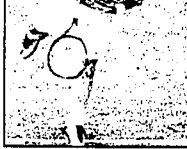
Even without the injured Fedotenko, who has 10 playoff goals, and Kubina, who plays an average of 24 minutes per game, Tampa Bay pressured from the start, something it couldn't do in Game 3. It paid off with the opening goal — a big momentum lift given that the team scoring first has won every game in the series.

Calgary also tried to establish its physical, hard-checking style immediately, just as it did in wearing down the Lightning in Game 3, but Chris Clark (cross checking) and Mike Commodore (holding) both drew penalties just 1:52 in.

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David Nalbandian of Argentina served to Marat Safin of Russia during their fourth-round match in the French Open at the Roland Garros stadium in Paris, Monday.

SPORTS

Dodgers beat Brewers in a come-from-behind victory

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Cesar Izuris hit an RBI single in the 10th inning, giving the Dodgers' come-from-behind victory over Milwaukee, 3-2.

Ivan Hernandez drew a lead-off walk in the 10th from Dave Burba (3-1), was sacrificed to second by Dave Roberts and scored when Izuris sent Burba's 0-1 pitch into right field.

The win went to Cy Young closer Eric Gagne (2-0), who pitched one inning.

Spot starter Matt Wise allowed three hits over five innings and scored Milwaukee's first run on a sacrifice fly by Bill Hall. Geoff Jenkins homered in the seventh off Odalis Perez, giving the Brewers a 2-0 lead.

The Dodgers have scored just four runs in Perez's last four starts.

Braves 8, Expos 2

ATLANTA — Rookie Nick Green's first career homer highlighted a six-run seventh inning Monday and led the Atlanta Braves over the Montreal Expos 8-2.

With the score tied 2-2 in the seventh and a runner on third with two outs, Montreal manager Frank Robinson elected to walk Rafael Furcal and pitch to Green, who hit a three-run drive off Livan Hernandez (3-5).

Russ Ortiz (6-4) pitched six shutout innings before Brian Schneider's two-run homer in the seventh.

Atlanta's J.D. Drew hit his 10th homer.

Cubs 3, Astros 1

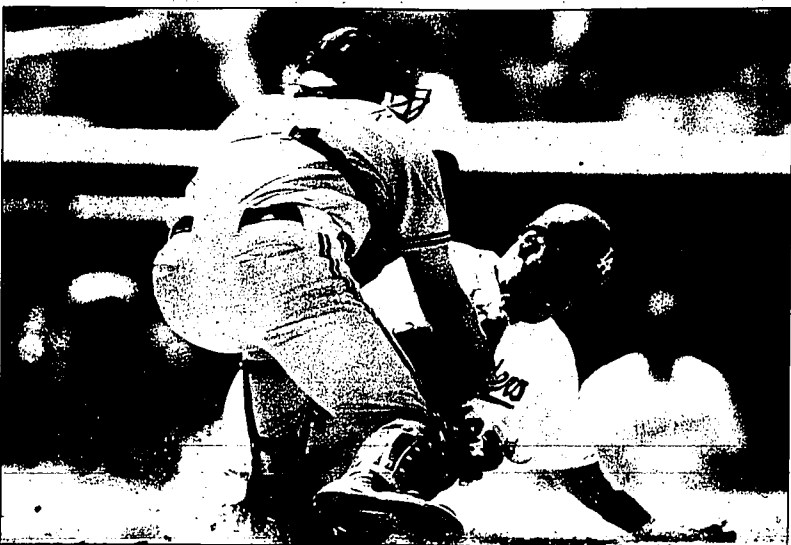
CHICAGO — Greg Maddux earned his 23rd career victory and Moises Alou homered to lead the Cubs over Houston, 3-1.

Maddux (4-0) allowed seven hits in 6 2/3 innings, including Lance Berkman's ninth homer in 13 games, before leaving with a mild strain of a muscle in his right side.

Maddux said after the game he was OK and planned on throwing on the side in two days. He is not expected to miss his next start.

Joe Borowski, Chicago's fourth pitcher, worked the game for his ninth save in 10 chances.

Alou's 13th homer came through a light rain and followed a single by Corey Patterson in the fifth off Roy Oswalt (3-4).



Los Angeles Dodgers' Paul Lu Duca, right, scores against Milwaukee Brewers' Chad Moeller in the ninth inning to put his team on the scoreboard Monday at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles.

Reds 9, Marlins 7

MIAMI — Ken Griffey Jr. passed Lou Gehrig on the career home run list with a go-ahead, three-run drive in the seventh inning that helped Cincinnati beat Florida.

Griffey's home run off Justin Wayne (3-2) was his 13th this season and the 494th of his career, moving him into sole possession of 20th place.

Sean Casey homered twice and raised his major league-leading average to .394. He scored four runs and had three RBIs for Cincinnati, which overcame a 5-0 deficit and stopped Florida's five-game winning streak.

Jeff Conine went 4-for-4 and Mike Lowell had three RBIs for the Marlins, who lost for only the third time in their last 12 games.

John Riedling (4-0) got the win, despite walking four while retiring just three batters. Danny Graves pitched a perfect ninth for his 24th.

Cardinals 8, Pirates 3

PITTSBURGH — Scott Rolen broke a 2-0 tie in the sixth with a three-run homer off Kris Benson (4-4) that increased his major league-leading RBIs total to 53.

Jason Marquis (4-4) allowed three runs and 10 hits in seven-plus innings and also went 3-for-4 with a double for win for the third time in four starts. Albert Pujols had a two-run double for the Cardinals, Tony Womack also homered and Rolen had three hits.

St. Louis has won three of four on a seven-game trip, improving to 16-9 on the road. Craig Wilson went 4-for-4 to tie his career high for hits as Pittsburgh dropped to 9-15.

Mets 5, Phillies 3

PHILADELPHIA — Jason Phillips homered for the third time in two days, and New York ended a four-game losing streak.

Kaz Matsui scored and two runs in seven-plus innings and also went 3-for-4 with a double for win for the third time in four starts. Albert Pujols had a two-run double for the Cardinals, Tony Womack also homered and Rolen had three hits.

Mike Cameron added a two-run double for the Mets in the sixth, twice delayed by rain for a total of 3 hours, 40 minutes. Six pitchers combined on a five-hitter. Orber Moreno (1-1) pitched two innings for his first

major league win, and Braden Looper worked a 1-2-3 ninth for his eighth save.

Brett Myers (3-3) and New York's Matt Ginter left after the second delay. The Mets' Mike Piazza made his fifth error at first base.

American League Orioles 13, Red Sox 4

BOSTON — Rodrigo Lopez had his best game as a starter and B.J. Surhoff had four of Baltimore's 16 hits, including a 310-foot homer that helped the Orioles beat the Boston Red Sox 13-4 Monday.

Lopez (4-2) struck out seven in 5 1/3 innings, allowing one run and four hits in his third start since being promoted from the bullpen May 20. Melvin Mora had four RBIs and three hits, including a

homer, and Brian Roberts three hits, including a bases-clearing double in the seven-run sixth inning.

Baltimore has 13 or more hits in six straight games. Derek Lowe (4-3) allowed seven runs, eight hits and four walks in five-plus innings. Boston dropped into second place in the AL East. Percentage points behind the New York Yankees.

Tigers 8, Royals 4

DETROIT — Eric Munson and Carlos Guillen hit two homers each, the first multi-homer games of their careers.

Omair Infante also homered for Detroit, which had its first five-homer at Comerica Park. Guillen's second homer came on a line drive that skipped past center fielder Carlos Beltran and became the third inside-the-park homer in the ballpark's five-year history.

Dmitri Young, playing his first game since breaking his right leg April 6 in the season's second game, went 1-for-3 with a double and a walk.

Carlos Puna had a two-run triple for Detroit, which had 14 hits.

Gary Knotts (2-1) allowed three runs and in 6 1/3 innings as Detroit stopped a three-game losing streak and won for only the second time in eight games.

Darrell May (2-7) fell to 1-3 in his last four starts, giving up five runs and eight hits in five innings.

Devil Rays 7, Twins 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Fred McGriff, making his second start for the Devil Rays since he was brought up from the minor leagues Friday, homered for the first time since last Sept. 2.

The two-run drive off Seth Greisinger (2-4), the 492nd of McGriff's career, landed in the first row of the upper deck in right field and gave the Devil Rays a 2-0 lead.

Tampa Bay, just 4-17 on the road this season, had lost seven straight games at the Metrodome since Aug. 19, 2001. By Bell (1-2) allowed two runs and three hits in seven innings to win for the first time in four starts since beating Toronto last Sept. 22. Minnesota has lost eight of 11.

UCLA repeats as softball champs

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Claire Sun homered and Kristen Dedmon hit a tiebreaking two-run single to lead UCLA to its second straight NCAA softball championship and 10th overall with a 3-1 victory over California on Monday night.

The Bruins became the first team to win back-to-back championships since Arizona in 1995-97.

Kelra Goertl, who pitched a nine-inning no-hitter as UCLA beat Cal 1-0 in last year's title game, beat the Golden Bears again but wasn't nearly

as dominant.

Goertl (31-7) allowed seven hits in becoming only the third pitcher to win back-to-back championship games. Arizona's Susie Parra in 1993-1994 and UCLA's Debbie Doorn in 1984-85 also accomplished the feat.

Making its third straight appearance in the title game, California was up 1-0 and pitcher Kelly Anderson (25-9) was perfect through four innings.

Leading off the fifth, Sun hit Anderson's first pitch over the left-center field wall to tie the game 1-1.

Anderson hit the next batter, Stephanie Ramos, in the back and walked Jodie Legaspi on six pitches before being replaced by Kristina Thorson.

Amanda Simpson pinch-ran for Ramos. Tara Henry pinch-ran for Legaspi and Emily Zaplatoski hunted them both up a base.

After Michelle Turner struck out looking, Dedmon hit a 1-1 pitch from Thorson to center. Simpson scored easily and Henry had to reach around catcher Haley Woods to touch a corner of home plate.

Syracuse beats out Navy for ninth NCAA lacrosse championship

BALTIMORE (AP) — Syracuse won its ninth NCAA lacrosse championship, getting five assists from Mike Powell and overcoming a gritty effort by Navy in a 14-13 victory Monday.

In a game that featured 10 ties and five lead changes, Syracuse (15-2) used a three-goal run late in the fourth quarter to go up 14-12. Ian Dingman scored for Navy with 40 seconds left, but the Orange held on to earn their third title in five years.

Brian Nee had three goals for Syracuse, which also won the title in 2000 and 2002.

Jon Birsner had two goals and three assists for Navy (15-3), playing in only its second title game and vying for its first NCAA lacrosse title. The second-seeded Midshipmen were the sentimental choice, especially on Memorial Day with the country at war, but the fourth-seeded Orange prevailed in part because of their experience in big games.

Paid attendance was 43,898, the largest crowd ever to watch the NCAA lacrosse championship game.

Down 10-8 early in the final

quarter, Navy scored three straight goals to make its first lead since it was 5-4. But Sean Lindsay tied it with Syracuse on the man advantage with 8:58 remaining.

One minute later, Navy goalie Matt Russell left with a right shoulder injury, leaving freshman Colin Finnegan to man the net over the final eight minutes of the academy's biggest game in 29 years.

Finnegan started a fast break that resulted in the go-ahead goal by Clippie Lennow, but Syracuse's Brian Crockett scored from the left side to make it 12-11 with 4:57 remaining.

Nee then scored for Syracuse off a pass from Powell, and Powell gave the Orange a two-goal advantage with his 47th goal with 60 seconds to play.

Powell, a senior, was voted the Most Outstanding Player in the tournament.

Powell's third assist, on a goal by Steve Vallone, put the Orange ahead 8-7 early the third quarter. Birsner then tied it, but Syracuse used successive goals by Crockett and Alex Zink — the



Syracuse's Michael Powell, right, leaps to make a pass against Navy's Pat Rolliey (31) during the third quarter of Syracuse's 14-13 win in the division one NCAA Lacrosse Championship Monday in Baltimore.

hitter off a fine pass by Powell — to take a 10-8 lead into the final period.

The Midshipmen battled back, setting the stage for the exciting finish.

Open

Continued from D1.

Inland Gardens since Roger Taylor in 1973. All women's round-of-eight matches also are Tuesday, highlighted by Serena Williams against Jennifer Capriati in a showdown between past champions.

With Safin's departure, three men are left who have won a Grand Slam title: Brazil's Kuerten, Spain's Moya, and Aus-

tralia's Hewitt, the 2001 U.S. Open and 2002 Wimbledon winner.

Unseeded at this year's Australian Open, he upset Andy Roddick and Andre Agassi to reach the championship match, where he lost to No. 1 Roger Federer. Two gutsy comeback victories last week had No. 20 Safin thinking he could make a similar showing at the French Open — but they also drained

him and beat up his large hands.

Like a pianist or surgeon, a tennis player relies on his hands for his livelihood. It's all about feel, sensing the fuzzy ball on the racket's tightly wound strings.

And against Nalbandian, a player he'd beaten in all four previous encounters, Safin not only couldn't muster the proper delicacy — he was in pain on shot after shot.

Belmont

Continued from D1.

the Belmont, just about anything can happen from fatigue to injury to poor racing luck to the almost unbelievable. So much has gone wrong for so many that there have been 17 near-misses since Sir Barton became the first Triple Crown winner in 1919.

No trainer is more familiar with Triple misfortune than Bob Baffert. Three times since 1997, Baffert had a horse win the Derby and Preakness and fall in the Belmont.

Silver Charm tired in the stretch and was beaten by three-quarters of a length by Touch Gold in 1977. Heat Quifel fell victim to a poor ride by Kent Desormeaux and lost by a nose to Victory Gallop in '92, and War Emblem stumbled at the start and finished eighth two years ago.

After the third try, Baffert tried to find humor in defeat: "The next time I win the Derby," he

said, "I'm heading home."

Trainer Bud Delp may have entertained similar thoughts in 1979, when Spectacular Bid appeared a cinch to follow Seattle Slew (1977) and Affirmed (78) as the third consecutive Triple Crown champion. The Bid came into the Belmont with a 12-race winning streak and was an overwhelming 3-10 favorite. He finished third.

Two days after the race, Delp revealed the Bid had stepped on a safety pin in his stall the morning of the race. However, the colt's undoing likely occurred when jockey Ronnie Franklin got caught up in a speed duel with an 85-1 long shot.

"The day before the race, I sat under a tree and told my exercise rider, groom and assistant trainer: 'All we have to do now is lead him over there and the Triple Crown is ours,'" Delp said. "The next morning, there's a safety pin a half-inch into his foot."

There was a frightening end to the '99 Belmont, when Charismatic broke a bone in his left leg approaching the wire but still-finished third-jockey Chris Antley dismounted just past the finish line and cradled the colt's leg, keeping weight off it until veterinarians arrived.

The 1980s had its share of close calls. Pleasant Colony was felled by a slow pace and lost to Summing in 1981; Alysheba got nabbed by fatigue and was beaten by rival bet Twice in 1987; and Sunday Silence was done in by his rival, Easy Goer, in 1989.

"Smarty Jones' final workout went smoothly at Philadelphia Park on Friday, and now trainer John Servis will spend the next week trying to make sure nothing unusual happens.

"I can't tell you how many times I've run the best horses and gotten beat," Servis said. "Look at War Emblem stumbling at the gate, And Funny Cide. There are so many things that can go wrong."

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Irwin wins Senior PGA after a grueling week. LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Hale Irwin survived a grueling week and a challenge from the Champions Tour's newest player to win his fourth Senior PGA Championship.

Irwin birdied the 18th hole to win the weather-plagued event by one stroke over Jay Haas on Monday. The tournament was delayed five times in five days because of heavy rains.

Irwin led after each round at Vallarta Golf Club and finished at 8-under 276. He will turn 50 on Thursday and was the oldest winner of the tournament since Pete Cooper won in 1976 at age 61.

Has playing in his first senior event after turning 50 in December, missed a 10-foot birdie putt on 18 as co-leader Irwin watched from the fairway.

Wood River hosts Snowline hoops camp. HALEY — The 22nd Annual Snowline Basketball Camp will be hosted at Wood River High School June 7, led by the Wolverines basketball staff of Fred Trentick, John Radford and Craig Eastop.

The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for boys and girls grades 5-8 and for boys and girls grades 9-12.

The cost is \$150 when registering at the door June 7. The fee includes a camp T-shirt and entry into various individual and team contests.

Other Snowline camps will be held June 14-16 in Salmon and June 28-July 2 in Challis.

Former Albertson coach will take over WSU. PULLMAN, Wash. — Washington State baseball coach Tim Mooney has resigned and Donnie Marbut will replace him, school officials announced Monday.

Mooney posted a 29-26 record this year. Over four seasons in charge as recruiting coordinator and tutoring Washington State infielders.

Before working for Cougar baseball, Marbut served as assistant coach at Bellevue Community College for five years. He then coached at Edmonds Community College, leading the team to a 152-38 record in four seasons and capturing the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges championship in 2002 and 2003.

American Rice hopes to start new Indy trend. INDIANAPOLIS — Base the Stars & Stripes, Sinner the Star-Spangled Banner. There's an American champion at the Indianapolis 500.

Unlikely driver Buddy Rice, at Indy for only the second time, raced the win Sunday in a race shortened 50 miles by rain.

But don't think the driver from Phoenix didn't deserve his first Indy Racing League victory. He and his Hahal Lett-be Comp in Rupert. The program is for girls ages 6-15 and costs \$35.

Instruction in hitting and defensive basics, base running, catching and fielding will be given by the Minico coaching staff and players. T-shirts and prizes will be awarded for competitors.

Players will need to bring their own gloves and be dressed for competition. For further information or to pre-register, please call Spartan head coach Jackie Hsiek at 436-5355 or 312-2682.

MCMA offers junior Davis Cup league. TWIN FALLS — The YMCA Junior Davis Cup Team Tennis league is registering players for the 2004 season for tennis players ages 5-18.

The 3-to-5 player teams compete in a pair of singles matches and a doubles match Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6:30 and 7:30 from June 22 through July 15. Matches are played at either the Magic Valley YMCA or at Harmon Park.

Registration fees are \$40 per person or \$240 per team. The fee pays for six matches through four weeks of play, court rental, prizes and an end-of-the-season party (July 23).

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WHAT'S ON T.V.

Baseball
Expos at Braves, TBS, 5:30 p.m.
White Sox at Athletics, WGN, 8 p.m.

Basketball
NBA playoffs, Eastern Conference final, Game 6, Pacers at Pistons, ESPN, 8 p.m.

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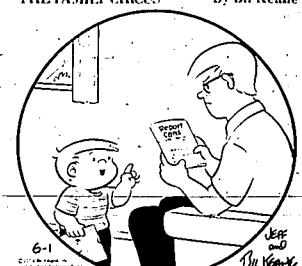
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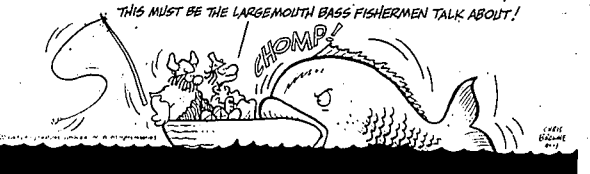
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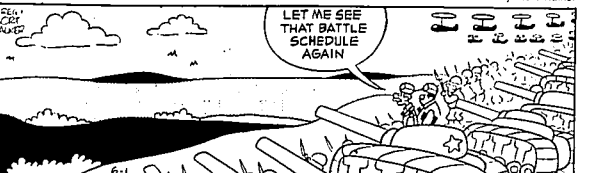
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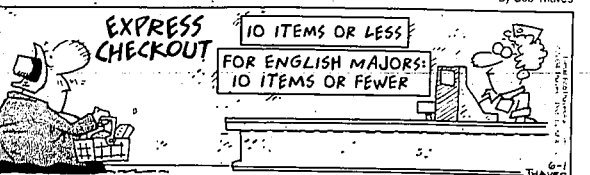
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Researchers wonder if patients get adequate chemotherapy

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's a worrisome finding: About a third of patients with potentially curable breast cancer aren't getting full-strength doses of chemotherapy because of side effects or other problems.

Now researchers are preparing to find out whether this inadvertent chemo-lite is common with other cancers, too — and how much the dose can dip before patients' chances of survival are harmed.

"This is not just a breast cancer problem," predicts Dr. Gary Lyman of the University of Rochester Medical Center, who is leading some of the research.

"We're very concerned about it," adds Dr. Larry Norton, deputy physician-in-chief for breast cancer at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

Norton's own research shows that undergoing breast cancer chemotherapy every two weeks instead of every three can improve survival by 30 percent.

That means skipping chemo sessions or lowering doses has ominous implications. "What could the toll be? The bottom line is nobody knows," says Dr. Howard Ozer, with the Oklahoma University Cancer Center, who is leading an effort by the American Society of Clinical Oncology to examine some of the issues.

"It has not been recognized that this (under-dosing) is a problem," Stirt scientific studies set the "dose intensity" for different chemotherapy cocktails — the proper dose plus how often it must be given.

But community oncologists often don't stick to those recommendations as rigorously as do researchers and doctors' breast cancer data provides the best picture of that so far. He reviewed medical records for more than 20,000 breast cancer patients who underwent post-surgery chemotherapy.

Lyman found that more than half received less than 85 percent of the recommended dose intensity that is considered the minimum for optimal treatment.

For a quarter of patients, the problem was postponing chemo sessions; for the rest, it was dosage cuts, presumably because of side effects.

Many of those women were treated in the mid-1990s, before a shift to some easier-to-tolerate chemotherapy agents. So Lyman is examining records from 10,000 women treated since 2000 — and is finding some improvement, with about a third of patients now under-treated. He plans to report this at a cancer meeting later this year.

Still, that's worse than the 5 percent to 10 percent of patients that Lyman and some other researchers believe truly cannot tolerate full-strength dosing despite today's improved medications to counter side effects.

No one knows how often patients with other cancers are under-dosed, although a much smaller study suggests half of those with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma are.

To help answer the question, Lyman has begun a registry tracking patients from 100 community-based oncology practices nationwide as they receive chemo for breast, lung,

ovarian and colorectal cancers and lymphoma. About 3,000 patients are enrolled so far.

This time, he'll also check why chemo is postponed or cut — gathering details on side effects, and whether some skipping is due to physician agreement over proper dosing or simply the patient's ill-informed desire for a break.

"I've had patients say to me, 'I'd like to skip a week to take an exam or a trip,'" Sloan-Kettering's Norton says. "I can't force you to get treatment on time, but I sure can encourage you."

Lyman's work is funded by Amgen Inc., which makes one of the treatments for the common chemotherapy side effect neutropenia, a loss of white blood cells that leaves patients vulnerable to infection.

Drugs that spur white blood cell production can prevent neutropenia so chemo won't have to be cut or delayed, but they're too expensive for routine use.

In June, Ozer and colleagues at the American Society for Clinical Oncology will finalize guidelines to help determine who is at high enough risk of neutropenia to receive such drugs preventively.

And Ozer is helping to plan a study of five cancers similar to Lyman's registry — but that also will attempt to determine at what level doses dips in doses cause real harm.

What side effects must be tackled to prevent under-dosing? It's not clear, because different chemotherapies are used for each, cautions Dr. James Doroshov of the National Cancer Institute.

Mexican-Indian woman performs self-Caesarean

RIO TALEA, Mexico (AP) — Alone in her one-room cabin high in the mountains of southern Mexico, Ines Ramirez Perez felt the pounding pains of a child insisting on entering the world.

"Two years earlier, she had given birth to a dead baby girl. As her labor intensified, so did her concern for this unborn child."

The sun had set hours ago. The nearest clinic was more than 50 miles away over rough terrain and inhospitable roads, and her husband, her only assistant during a half-dozen previous births, was drinking at a cantina. She had no one and neither did the cantina.

So at midnight, after 12 hours of constant pain, the petite, 40-year-old mother of six sat down on a low wooden bench. She took several gulps from a bottle of rubbing alcohol, grabbed the 6-inch knife she used for butchering animals and pointed it at her belly.

And then she began to cut. Under the light of a single dim bulb, Ramirez, sawed through skin, fat and muscle before reaching inside her uterus and pulling out her baby boy. She used her umbilical cord with a pair of scissors, then passed out.

That was March 5, 2000. Today, the baby she delivered, Orlando Ruiz Ramirez, is a rambunctious, playful 4-year-old. And Ines Ramirez is recognized internationally as a modern miracle. She is believed to be the only woman known to have performed a successful Caesarean section in a self-inflicted manner.

In an interview with an Associated Press reporter in front of her isolated, wood-plank home, she described her experience in halting Spanish, heavily accented by her native Zapotec language.

"I couldn't stand the pain anymore," she said. "And if my baby was going to die, then I decided I would have to die, too. But if he were able to grow up, I was going to see him grow up, and I was going to be with my child. I thought that God would save both our lives."

Though there were no witnesses available to confirm her account, the two obstetricians who examined her 12 hours after the birth are wholly convinced. And no one in her village challenges her story.

Ramirez was astonished. Dr. Honorio Galvan told The Associated Press in an interview at the San Pablo Huixtotepec hospital south of Oaxaca City, where Ramirez was taken. The mother and child into the operating room. Galvan took photographs while his colleague, Dr. Jesus Guzman, opened Ramirez up to find that her uterus had ruptured in its normal size and stopped bleeding, and that she showed no signs of infection.

The doctors were so stunned by what they saw that they told Ramirez's story at a medical conference the following year before making it to the hospital in San Pablo Huixtotepec, about 240 miles southeast of Mexico City.

Ramirez left the hospital after two days, and today her scar is almost invisible.

By sitting forward in the traditional Indian birthing position instead of lying down, Ramirez, unknowingly ensured that her uterus was directly under the skin and that she would not cut her intestines.

Asked what guided her in the operation, she replied, "I had slaughtered chickens and other animals."

That she survived so much pain and developed no infections "may tell us that there are populations with an innate resistance so strong that they can tolerate what urban groups can't," Galvan said. "It is an incredible response of the human body."

Ramirez, who had her tubes tied to prevent additional pregnancies, says she would never recommend her desperate act to other women.

"It was very painful, and people could die," she said, her hands folded modestly over the lap of a bright blue and red traditional Zapotecan dress.



Ines Ramirez Perez, 44, and her son Orlando Ruiz Ramirez, 4, in their home in the town of Rio Talea, in the mountains of southern Mexico, May 20.

asked for directions to Ramirez's house referred to her as the woman who had given herself a Caesarean section.

A diminutive woman who stands about 5-foot-2, Ramirez, displayed the 6-inch knife she used to perform the operation.

As she spoke, 4-year-old Orlando hugged her legs and flashed a white, baby-toothed grin at the rare visitors to this house tucked into the side of cloud-and-pine-covered hills.

Ramirez believes that she operated on herself for about an hour before extricating her child and then fainting.

When she regained consciousness, she wrapped a sweater around her bleeding abdomen and asked her 6-year-old son, Benito, to run for help.

Several hours later, Cruz and a second health worker whose combined medical knowledge was limited to handing out medicines — found Ramirez alert and lying beside her live baby.

Cruz, several her 7-inch incision together with a regular needle and thread. A professional C-section incision measures about 4 inches, Galvan said.

The two men lifted mother and child onto a thin straw mat slung then up vertical rock-stream horse paths to the town's only road, and drove them to the clinic 2.5 hours away.

Ramirez was given basic emergency medical attention before she was transferred with Orlando to the backs of two different pickup trucks. They bounced for eight hours over winding, hole-riddled dirt roads before making it to the hospital in San Pablo Huixtotepec, about 240 miles southeast of Mexico City.

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GOP makes progress to limit lawsuits

WASHINGTON (AP) — After trying to curb class-action suits for years, Republicans finally have enough support to ram legislation through the Senate to limit what they call an overabundance of frivolous cases against American businesses.

A decision by Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist to push forward immediately on that legislation instead of finishing work on a defense bill may have the effect of forcing the GOP to wait even longer before claiming a victory that big business has sought for years.

The Senate will vote Tuesday on whether to act on the bill to move more class-action suits from state to federal courts instead of continuing work on the Defense Department's \$422 billion authorization bill. That was the pending business when the Senate recessed for its holiday break on May 21.

Several Democrats have promised to join with the GOP to give Republicans the 60 votes they need to move the class-action bill to passage. But those same Democrats are expected to refuse to vote to abandon the defense legislation to do so.

They believe the class-action reform a lot, but they are not going to vote to skip over the defense bill, said Assistant Democratic leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. "We believe we should finish the defense bill and then go to class action."

Frist wanted to put the defense bill off because Democrats are refusing to agree to a limit on amendments, and Frist wants extra time to negotiate.

The class-action bill does have strong bipartisan support, and we would like to finish that bill in a reasonable period of time," Frist said.

The GOP bill would move more class-action lawsuits — where one person or a small group represents the interests of an entire class of people in court — out of state courts where juries are often more generous to plaintiffs, and into federal courts where awards typically are smaller.



Scott Peterson, left, and his attorney Mark Geragos listen to the judge during his trial for the murder of his wife Lael in July 9 photo, in Stanislaus Superior Court in Modesto, Calif.

Peterson murder trial will likely begin today

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — With Scott Peterson's trial set to begin in earnest this week, prosecutors have shown no mercy in the case of death and no direct evidence that flatly proves Peterson killed his pregnant wife, Lael.

Opening statements in the highly publicized case are scheduled for today, jury selection lasted 12 weeks and the trial is expected to last an additional five months or more. If convicted, the former fertilizer salesman from Modesto could face the death penalty or life without parole.

It is unclear what witnesses will be called because the list is sealed and attorneys are working to seal and attorneys are working after a sweeping gag order. But it is clear that defense attorney Mark Geragos is working to create reasonable doubt in a case that California Attorney General Bill Lockyer early on described as a "slam dunk" for the prosecution.

Some observers now say the outcome is too close to call. "This case from the beginning has been fraught with controversy. The best thing the prosecution has going right now is all the adverse publicity against Peterson," said Los Angeles defense attorney Steve Cron.

"Not so long ago, it was no sure thing that Millan would graduate from high school. Turned off by a school she found too big and impersonal, she dropped out for two years. But eight months ago, wanting to be able to provide for her children, she enrolled at the Prologue Learning Center, one of about 25 alternative high schools here that have come together every year for three decades for a joint program."

"I wanted to be a success, to be able to provide for my kids, so I knew I needed a diploma," Millan said. "Prologue they give you a second chance. You can tell the teachers really care."

Prosecutors plan to call hundreds of witnesses in what experts say is a circumstantial case. Defense attorneys have presented a list of just 18 witnesses, according to a prosecution filing last week.

"For the prosecution, it's like showing a piece of an elephant. You can't tell it's an elephant until you see another piece and another piece," said Robert Talbot, a professor at the University of San Francisco School of Law.

Because of the gag order, the public will likely be surprised by a lot of what comes out at trial, Cron added.

"But from what we've seen so far, I don't see this as a slam dunk conviction by any means. I think he (Peterson) has a reasonably good chance of prevailing," Cron said.

Geragos, in fact, recently accused authorities of withholding evidence until just days before the trial that could exonerate Peterson.

In a motion alleging prosecutorial misconduct, the defense attorney claims authorities have known since days after Lael Peterson disappeared just before Christmas 2002, a witness who saw the woman being shoved into a van by at least two men.

"From what we saw, it was evident this surgery was not done by anyone with medical knowledge," Galvan said. "There is no doctor or helper in the village and it is highly doubtful that anyone would have been able to do this to her. If they had, it is such a small town, the word would have spread quickly, and we would have known it. A whole village can lie. What would they have to gain?"

Two town residents who were

Program gives dropouts second chance

The Washington Post

CHICAGO — Melissa Millan's twins turned 2 a few days ago, and the next night, while her husband took care of them, Millan celebrated her 21st birthday by dancing the night away at her high school prom.

Her Auburn hair piled high, dressed in a gauzy pink top, Millan was among several hundred students in Chicago's Palmer House Hilton enjoying a time-honored ritual for high school students.

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Shrek 2

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Leaves of Grass

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Scrubz Day 2

Today 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:30 - 9:45

Van Helsing

Today 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:30 - 9:45

Mean Girls

Today 12:30 - 2:45 - 5:00 - 7:40 - 9:50

The Day After Tomorrow

Today 1:00 - 4:00 - 6:45 - 7:15 - 9:30 - 9:55

The Day After Tomorrow

Shows in Two Theaters

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Today 12:15 - 3:45 - 7:00 - 9:00

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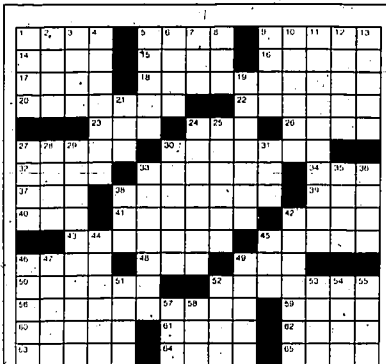
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Teens too old for foster care have options

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing regarding the letter you received from "Lost in Alabama," a former foster child who had lived in an emergency shelter for seven months before being placed in a foster home for the week before she turned 18. The girl was allowed to call the shelter for a short time before finally being asked not to call anymore and told to "move on with her life."

You wisely advised her to contact the YWCA. YWCA associations offer a variety of services, and many of them provide transitional housing programs. The girl from Alabama may learn about resources provided by her local YWCA by going to the Web site at www.ywca.org.

Since passage of the Foster Care Independence Act in 1999, more assistance is available to this population. Transitional allowed states to extend Medicaid coverage up to age 21; permit youth to save money while in care to prepare for independence without their



DEAR ABBY
 Jeanne Phillips

assets counting against their eligibility for foster care funding; provides funding to states for initial and ongoing training of foster parents; and created the Chafee Foster Care Independence Program. This program increased funding to states for independent living activities and offers increased assistance for room and board.

Youth should contact their state's foster care system to get more information about resources. If they have trouble navigating the system, the Child Welfare League of America may be able to assist: www.cwla.org.

— KELLY BELL-GLOTHAN, YWCA OF FORT WORTH/TARRANT COUNTY

DEAR KELLY: Since that letter ran, I have been told that nearly 25,000 young people "age out" of the foster care system each year — and few, if any of them, have the necessary skills to live on their own.

I congratulate you for the work you are doing with this underserved population. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Lost" and all other teens in foster care should reach out and ask for help. They don't have to wait until they are 18 to do it. Teens in foster care need adults to step forward and help them "get their goals."

Agencies that can refer young people to help in their local communities include the local CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) programs and Foster Parent Associations.

A good online resource is Foster Family Programs Club (www.fosterclub.com). Casey Family Programs also has a set of self-directed planning tools for youth at its Web site:

www.casey.org/Resources/Tools/CaseyLifeSkills.htm
 JANIS AVERY,
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
 TREEHOUSE, SEATTLE

DEAR JANIS: Thank you for sharing these valuable resources. Several other caring readers also pointed out that Job Corps helps youth between the ages of 16 and 24. Young people can live on-site for up to two years while working on their education and job-training skills. They receive free room, board, medical and dental care in addition to counseling and a small stipend. The Web site is www.jobcorps.org and the toll-free number is (800) 733-5627.

Additional resources for young people in need of assistance include Catholic Charities and the Orphan Foundation of America, which also helps youth in the foster care system. The Orphan Foundation can be reached at www.orphan.org or by calling (571) 203-0270.

Sagittarius: Don't get fixated on one ambition

IF JUNE 1 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you will ultimately reach the success you dream about if you follow the rules and take care of responsibilities. Opportunities to improve your life will appear in a week or two, and then you may reap the benefits of your hard work. But your strength lies in being reliable and accurate, not in taking advantage of unearned gains.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): You are ready to dive back into the swing of things, but face-to-face meetings could "cause agitation. Money is better off safe and snug in the piggy bank until these current turbulent cosmic winds subside.

HOROSCOPE
 Jeraldine Saunders

trouble—Sarcastic remarks or innocent teasing can be misinterpreted today. People will trust your judgment eventually, but you may not be able to provide an unbiased opinion now.

CANCER (June 21-July 23): Try to remain above petty jealousies that are stirring around the water cooler these next few days. You are likely to want to act as the peacemaker, but chatter can cause emotional stress.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Trying to get back in the groove after a long weekend can be difficult. You may not be at top form. Put off major initiatives, and avoid making crucial decisions until next week.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may be offended if probing bushy bodies become too inquisitive. Remember to "do unto

others," and avoid being overly harsh and possessive when faced with competition.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Avoid making agreements or starting new projects because costly misunderstandings could arise. Big ambitions could simmer and stew, but as you know, whatever boils too long eventually evaporates.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your passions can get you in hot water. Whether you lust after a lover or power, overconfidence is likely to be misplaced. Hold off on major initiatives for a few days, and sit tight until desperate urges subside.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): If you became fixated on one ambition, it may blind you to other worthy avenues of success. Gambling with your resources now can be disastrous. Make no promises, and make no financial moves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Be as evenhanded as possible with those you work with or

Texans like sleeping in their underwear

Q. Look up "sleeping in the nude" in your Love and War man's files and see if the proportion of Americans who do so is greatest in Texas.



L.M. BOYD

A. Texas has the greatest ratio of people who sleep in their underwear. Hawaii is No. 1 in nude sleepers. Did I mention more men than women sleep in the nude?

Gas is said to contain the antibiotic allium which lowers blood pressure.

It's a matter of record that the Persians 6,000 years ago used petroleum to make mortar.

Our Love and War man is pleased to report a hummingbird's wings beat 55 times a second when feeding, 200 times a second when courting.

Another of those uncommon words for common things is "kerf." It's the cut made by a knife or saw or torch.

Observed Rebecca West: "Every mother is a judge who sentences her children for the sins of the father."

In 1928, President Calvin Coolidge was asked if he'd campaign again for the presidency, he said, "I do not choose to run." The questioner asked, "Why not?" Coolidge said, "No room for advancement."

Communication linesfolk say a fifth of the telephone pole should be underground.

You don't read much about Empress Anne of Russia. But

she does turn up in the historical footnotes as the one monarch who wiped herself down daily with melted butter.

The savvy woman when shopping for shoes tries on both. Not only because the left and right shoes themselves may differ a little. But seven out of 10 American women have one foot longer than the other. So reports an expert on the matter.

Humorous Mother's Day cards don't sell well. Humorous Father's Day cards do. Analyze the why of that.

Surely no time is more appropriate than an election year to quote Mark Twain as follows: "In all matters of opinion, our adversaries are insane."

Q. Do elephants have nightmares?

"A. Evidently. They trumpet in their sleep. But not when chained, peculiarly. As you may have noted, chains around their ankles evidently give them a sense of security. Keepers in India put straw chains around their elephants' legs to stop the nightmares."

Mayor lives in office to prevent being locked out

DARBY, Pa. (AP) — A Pennsylvania mayor was holed up in her office at the police station and vowed to stay there until Tuesday to prevent a locksmith hired by the Borough Council from locking her out.

The reason for the dispute? The council wants Mayor Paula Brown to move her office blocks away from police equipment can be stored where it is now.

But the mayor said she can't properly supervise the police from the new digs, maintaining that three court orders specify that as her primary responsibility.

Brown said she hopes a court will rule Tuesday that she can keep her office where it is.

Meanwhile, a rotating group of the mayor's supporters has been at the office 24 hours a day since the standoff began.

"I'm trying to make the best of it," Brown said Sunday. "I'm here for a while."

Council President Janice Davis accused the mayor of abusing her powers and micro-managing the police force.

"Paula Brown is locked in there because she wants to be locked in there. She's looking for publicity," Davis said.



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