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Firm expands in T.F.

Formal announcement
Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, Director of the Idaho Department of Labor and Commerce Roger Madsen and Dr. Jack Stephens, founder and chief executive officer of Veterinary Pet Insurance, will be present at an announcement of the company's plans to establish a center in Twin Falls at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Taylor 277 at the College of Southern Idaho. The event is open to the public.

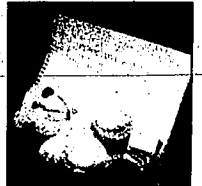
By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — An insurance company that offers policies covering family pets plans to establish a center in Twin Falls next fall and create an initial 150 jobs.
Brea, Calif.-based Veterinary Pet Insurance will build a new claims processing facility in Twin Falls and start operations by September or October 2005, a company spokesperson said Friday.
Veterinary Pet Insurance,

Pet insurer says it will create 150 jobs initially and more down the road

which bills itself as the world's oldest and largest pet insurance company, will offer jobs in claims adjustment, clerical, sales, service and general administration, said Amy Corsinita, senior public relations spe-

cialist for the company.
Corsinita laid out the company's hiring strategy Friday.
"Initially, there will be 100 to 150 jobs with 250 to 300 planned within two to three years, and up to 500 jobs in three to five years—dependent on ability to attract necessary skill sets and business growth," Corsinita said in an e-mail.
Wages will be "typical of any insurance company operation," Corsinita said. The company also will offer a benefit package.
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A teddy bear with a prayerful note lies by the mailbox of Paul Johnson III, the son of Paul Johnson Jr., in Port St. John, Fla. Friday.

Al-Qaida cell kills hostage

Officials: Saudi forces track down, kill cell's leader

The Associated Press

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — An al-Qaida cell beheaded American engineer Paul M. Johnson Jr. and in a swift retaliation, officials said Saudi security forces tracked down and killed the leader of the terrorist group in a shoot-out Friday.

Johnson, who was kidnapped last weekend, was the latest victim of an escalating campaign of violence against Westerners that aims to drive foreign workers from the country and undermine the ruling royal family, hated by al-Qaida.

The death hours later of Abdulaziz al-Moqrin, the reputed leader of al-Qaida in the kingdom, was a coup for the Saudi government, which has been under intense pressure to halt the wave of attacks. In a video posted on the Internet Tuesday, a hooded al-Moqrin held an assault rifle and shouted demands for the release of al-Qaida prisoners as Johnson sat blindfolded.

Saudi forces killed four other al-Qaida militants in Friday's shootout, which came after a witness reported the license plate number of a car from which the militants dumped Johnson's body and police then stopped the vehicle at a gas station, security officials said.

But they were too late to save Johnson, whose severed head was shown on a Web site Friday. The photographs and a statement in the name of the al-Qaida Brigade of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, appeared after Johnson's wife went on Arab television and tearfully pleaded for his release.

"In answer to what we promised ... to kill the hostage Paul Marshall (Johnson) after the period is over ... the infidel got his fair treatment," the al-Qaida statement said.

LOVE AND DEPLOYMENT



Chris Webb, left, an assistant supply sergeant in the Army National Guard's 2-116th Cavalry Brigade, embraces his new fiancée, Tiffany Radtke, after asking her to marry him on the deck at Jaker's in Twin Falls Friday. Webb is about to begin an 18-month deployment that will take him to Iraq.

Guardsman pops question just before his departure

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Five vases of roses crowded the table and sunlight filled the patio at Jaker's restaurant where Sgt. Chris Webb and Tiffany Radtke sat.
The two young lovers were glowing. Webb had just asked Radtke to marry him.

She said yes.
But even the sunlight reflecting off the white tablecloth that Webb brought for the occasion couldn't blind them to the tough

times ahead.

Webb will be leaving in July for an 18-month tour of military duty that will take him to Iraq.
Radtke, of Twin Falls, is getting used to the idea.

"I'm scared," she said. "But we've been dealing with it for a couple months. Whatever comes out of it is meant to be."

Webb is an assistant supply sergeant in the Army National Guard's 2-116th Cavalry Brigade and works at the Twin Falls Armory. He put those logistical skills to work, creating a scav-

enger hunt that lead Radtke to him Friday at one of their favorite restaurants.

Webb's proposal plan was based around the fact that he and Radtke have been together for five months.

She received her first vase of five red roses at Rob Green Pontiac Buick GMC, where she works. The enclosed card told her to go to her car. In the car was vase No. 2, with instructions to go to Jaker's where she re-

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Soldiers with the 116th Cavalry Brigade are getting ready to begin an 18-month deployment that will include a one-year tour of duty in Iraq.



Idahoans in Iraq

Beginning in Sunday's newspaper, The Times-News will put a human face on the deployment by following a few of them and their families as the soldiers go to Fort Bliss, Texas, and Fort Polk, La., and then overseas.

CHEERING SECTION

Ray Vader, left, cheers for members of the Hagerman High school rodeo team along with his wife, Tina, his mother, Glorif Vader, his father, Loren and mother-in-law Beverly Johansson during the Idaho State High School Rodeo Finals at Bannock County Fairgrounds in Pocatello Friday.



ASHLEY SMITH/The Times-News

Wilderness plan needs give and take

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A lot of give and take will be needed to make Congressman Mike Simpson's newly unveiled preservation and economic stimulus plan for central Idaho pass the public opinion test.
"I think everything in there is a key selling point and a key drawback," Simpson said Friday. "There is an upside and a downside to every single aspect of it."

What an environmentalist may see as a gain, a Business Country resident may see as a concession, and vice versa. But the Idaho Republic

can said these kinds of trade-offs are the new way to negotiate controversial land-use decisions. The old way, he said, was all about boundaries and has left the central Idaho wilderness issue unsettled for 30 years.

"I honestly believe that the Boulder-White Clouds ought to be preserved for future generations," Simpson said.

But he emphasizes that his plan is about more than boundaries. It designates between 250,000 and 300,000 acres of land in the Boulder and White Cloud mountains as wilderness. At the same time it pro-

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9-11: From a terrorist's idea to a day of devastation

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Five years before the worst terror attack in American history, a U.S.-educated Kuwaiti pitched an outlandish idea to Osama bin Laden.
Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, now a U.S. captive, concedes his apocalyptic vision of 10 planes steered into nuclear power plants, skyscrapers and other American targets received only a lukewarm re-

sponse from the al-Qaida kingpin.
The meeting in Afghanistan in mid-1996, however, apparently was the genesis of the attacks that killed nearly 3,000 people on Sept. 11, 2001. Three reports issued this week by the Sept. 11 commission provide the fullest picture yet of how Mohammed's idea evolved from wild scheme to unfathomable reality—and the government's chaotic response.
Mohammed had targeted U.S. airliners

before. He was indicted in the United States earlier in 1996 for plotting to bomb 12 flights over the Pacific Ocean, but he wasn't captured. Mohammed, born in Kuwait and a 1986 graduate from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, also wanted to crash a plane into CIA headquarters.
His new plan needed bin Laden's money and his muscle.
Between May 1996, when bin Laden

moved to Afghanistan from Sudan, and the Sept. 11 attacks, more than 20,000 men trained at his terror camps. They learned to be soldiers and, the Sept. 11 commission said, "to think creatively about ways to commit mass murder."

They floated ideas: take over a Russian launch site and fire a nuclear missile at the United States, pump poison gas into a
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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly sunny and warm. Highs, lower 80s.
Tonight: Partly cloudy and pleasant. Lows, middle 50s.
Tomorrow: Partly sunny, warm, and pleasant. Highs, lower 80s.

BURLEW/RUPERT FORECAST

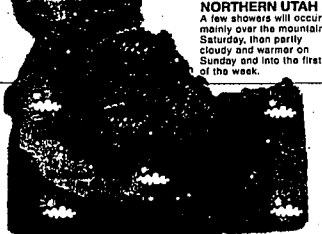
Today: Partly sunny and warm. Highs, upper 70s.
Tonight: Partly cloudy and cool. Lows, upper 40s.
Tomorrow: Partly cloudy. Highs, in the upper 70s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
A few showers will be scattered around Saturday, especially over the mountains. Otherwise it will be partly cloudy and seasonable through the first of the week.

BOISE
Dry conditions will prevail through the weekend. Skies will be sunny during the day and at night. Winds will remain light and variable.

NORTHERN UTAH
A few showers will occur Saturday, then partly cloudy and warmer on Sunday and into the first of the week.



Yesterday's State Extremes: 87 at Boise. Low: 30 at Stanley.

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Table with 2 columns: Temperature, Precipitation. Includes monthly and yearly averages.

Table with 2 columns: Moon Phases, Moonrise and Moonset. Includes dates and times.

REGIONAL FORECAST

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Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, Hi Lo Prep. Lists weather for various cities.

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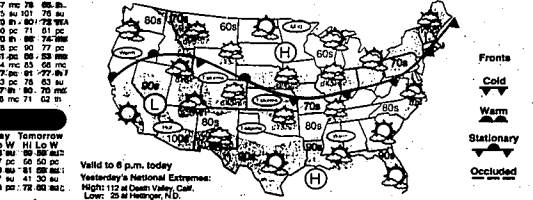
U.V. INDEX

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NATIONAL FORECAST

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

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Company

Continued from A1. including health and dental coverage and a 401(k) retirement plan. The company plans to utilize the College of Southern Idaho's veterinary technology courses in financing employees, Corsinita said.

Guardsmen

Continued from A1. Webb joined the National Guard right out of high school in 1975 and has been in it for five years. He has been on active duty the last two years and has been in Twin Falls for the last two and a half years.

Plan

Continued from A1. The proposal will go before a series of public hearings this summer before formal legislation is drafted. Sims also expects to introduce a bill this year in Congress.

Development

People tracking the issue said they're excited by the Forest Service. The Jerry Peak Wilderness Area will be managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Wilderness and economic stimulus plan

Congressman Mike Simpson unveiled a preservation and economic stimulus plan for central Idaho Friday that includes several trade-offs. Here's a look at some of the major aspects of his proposal.

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strongly that this land has been protected for 30 years and must continue to be protected," said Bob Hayes, executive director of the Sawtooth Society. Access key Motorized vehicle access is another divisive issue for Simpson to tackle. Brian Hawthorne, public lands director for the off-road club, said he likes the plan in Pocatello, said he likes the fact that Simpson has addressed loss of access by offering alternatives.

Homeland Security gets advice

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Department of Homeland Security, given the difficult task of trying to divine al-Qaida's future methods of attack on the United States, is seeking advice from some unexpected sources these days: futurists, philosophers, software programmers, a pop musician and a thriller writer.

Asking the brains of people with other specialties and life experiences is the latest tactic in the government's efforts to get inside the heads of worldwide terrorists. Homeland Security's Analytic Red Cell office employs a tactic used for decades by U.S. intelligence agencies, the Pentagon and large corporations: gathering people from outside their insular bureaucracies to arrive at fresh insights.

They try to anticipate four, five moves ahead in the mind of our adversary," said Jon Nowick, director of the Analytic Red Cell program, part of the department's Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection. "We paint a picture of what there are no dots to connect."

Typically the Red Cell team assembles some 20 participants for a daylong session in the Washington area. Each session divides into smaller groups and takes a different question, such as: If you were a terrorist, how would you target the G-8 economic summit, held last week in Georgia? A recent topic was why terrorists haven't hit the United States since Sept. 11, 2001.

The results are compared with terrorism analyses from Homeland Security's intelligence professionals who examine real-life threat information. Written reports on Red Cell's sessions are then forwarded to terrorism analysts inside the department, to local and state police, and to security experts in private industry. Most Red Cell reports mention the agencies' assessments intended to provoke thought and stimulate discussion.

Astronauts won't have large patches

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)

When space-shuttle flights resume, the astronauts will have putty and other filler to repair cracks and small gashes in the wings, but they will not be able to patch a hole as big as the one that doomed Columbia, NASA said Friday.

Michael Kostelnik, deputy associate administrator, said it is taking longer than expected to come up with a technique for wrapping a crater as big as the one gouged in Columbia's wing by a chunk of foam last year.

Engineers also are behind in designing a boom for inspecting the belly of orbiting shuttles and the undersides of the wings, Kostelnik said. NASA hopes to have the boom ready for the first post-Columbia flight, still on track for next March, Kostelnik said. NASA has yet to decide what it will do if the boom is not ready by then.

Discovery is scheduled to fly to the international space station and drop off badly needed supplies and replacement parts. The latest crew — an American and a Russian — has been aboard the space station since April.

Bush takes issue with panel findings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Disputing the findings of the commission investigating the Sept. 11 terror attacks, President Bush continues to insist there was a link between Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida.

"This administration never said that the 9-11 attacks were orchestrated between Saddam and al-Qaida," Bush said Thursday after meeting with his Cabinet at the White House.

"We did say there were numerous contacts between Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida. For example, Iraqi intelligence officers met with (Osama) bin Laden, the head of al-Qaida, in the Sudan. There's numerous contacts between the two," he said.

Saddam's alleged link with terrorists was a central justification the Bush administration had for toppling the former Iraqi regime. Bush also argued that Saddam had weapons of mass destruction, which have not been found, and that Saddam ruled his country with an iron fist and tortured his opponents, claims that no one has disputed.

"There was a relationship between Iraq and Saddam and al-Qaida because there was a relationship between Iraq and

FIGHT NIGHT



American troops cheer as fellow soldiers box during 'Fight Night' at the Abu Ghraib prison on the outskirts of Baghdad on Friday. Soldiers volunteer to fight in the weekly Friday evening event, as comrades watch, many drinking ice cold non-alcoholic beer.

al-Qaida," Bush said.

The Sept. 11 panel reported this week that while there were contacts between al-Qaida and Iraq they did not appear to have produced "a collaborative relationship."

Vice President Dick Cheney vehemently disagreed with that conclusion, saying on CNBC's "Capital Report" that "the notion that there is no relationship between Iraq and al-Qaida just simply is not true."

Senior members of the commission seemed eager to minimize any disagreement with the White House.

Clinton book says he slept on couch after affair confession

NEW YORK (AP) — Bill Clinton says in his new autobiography that his wife looked as if he had punched her in the gut when he finally confessed to his affair with Monica Lewinsky, and he slept on the couch for at least two months afterward.

"In 'My Life,' a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, the former president wrote that the affair with the White House intern revealed "the darkest part of my inner life."

The book, published by Alfred A. Knopf, comes out Tuesday with a first printing of 1.5 million in what is expected to be one of the biggest publishing sensations in years. It is also certain to outsell his most recent memoirs, published last year.

The former president wrote that after he finally confessed to Mrs. Clinton and daughter Chelsea after months of public denial, she appeared stricken, and the couple started going to counseling one day a week for about a year.

Similarly, Mrs. Clinton said in her own memoir, "Living History," that she "wanted to wing Bill's neck" upon learning the truth, and that at one point, Buddy the dog was the only



Emil Lebovich, left, of Fair Lawn, N.J., looks at his receipt for an advance order for a copy of former President Bill Clinton's autobiography, 'My Life,' at the Hue-Man Bookstore as cashier Tiffany Samuel rings up the transaction on Friday.

member of the family willing to keep the president company.

On other topics in the book, Clinton said he met with President-elect George W. Bush and told him that the biggest threat to the nation's security was Osama bin Laden and al-Qaida.

According to Clinton, Bush said little in response, and then switched subjects.

Clinton, 57, received a reported \$10 million advance for "My Life," a 957-page book edited by Robert Gottlieb, who has

worked with such authors as Nobel laureate Toni Morrison and Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Robert Caro.

Unlike other recent presidential memoirs, Clinton is believed to have written his own book, in longhand.

Advance orders of "My Life" exceed 2 million. Mrs. Clinton's book, by contrast, has about 2.3 million copies in print, including both hardcover and paperback editions, according to publisher Simon & Schuster.

Iranian refugee sets himself ablaze

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — An Iranian refugee holding a sign that read "Who's responsible" doused himself with gasoline Friday and set himself on fire in front of the county courthouse, officials said.

Authorities identified the man as Morteza Mehrpou, 48. He was taken to a hospital and was in stable condition with minor burns, officials said.

An initial investigation by the Joint Terrorism Task Force found that the man was not a terrorist, according to FBI spokesman David Beyer. The incident happened outside the Jefferson County Hall of Justice in downtown Louisville.

"He has some personal issues unrelated to any terrorist matters," Beyer said. Mehrpou, who has been in the United States for nearly a

year, lived in an apartment without electricity for about two weeks, and could not work because of a medical condition.

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Experts say 'dirty bomb' a possibility

The Associated Press

Terrorists are "all but certain" to set off a radiological weapon in the United States, since it will take authorities too many years to track and secure the radioactive materials of such "dirty bombs," a team of nuclear researchers has concluded.

The U.S. and other key governments took an important step in controls this month, agreeing at the G-8 summit in Lisbon — by the end of 2005 — restraints on international trade in highly radioactive materials.

But thousands, possibly tens of thousands, of high-risk radioactive sources are already in use worldwide, with few accurate registries for tracing them, the scientists say. They cite Iraq, where an undetermined number of such sources have gone missing in the postwar chaos.

The findings are being published in a 300-page book, "The Four Faces of Nuclear Terrorism," the results of a two-year study by the authoritative Center for Nonproliferation Studies, or CNS, of California's Monterey Institute of International Studies.

The team also examined the potential for terrorists to steal or build an actual nuclear weapon, but found that less likely than the construction of a radiological dispersal device, or dirty bomb.

Prosecutors at attempt to establish motive

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — Prosecutors tried to establish a monetary motive for Scott Peterson to want his pregnant wife dead through testimony about valuable jewelry Laci Peterson inherited the month before she disappeared.

Outside court, a juror in Peterson's trial may have had inappropriate contact with Laci Peterson's brother and a defense attorney.

Laci Peterson, with other family members, had inherited more than \$100,000 worth of jewelry from her grandmother before she vanished Dec. 24, 2002, witnesses have testified. On Thursday, prosecutors in Scott Peterson's murder trial questioned a jewelry store clerk who said she remembered Laci Peterson bringing in various items to be appraised.

Mary Anna Felix testified that Laci Peterson told her it was Peterson's husband who wanted to know how much the jewelry was worth — and when Felix estimated the jewelry to be worth more than \$100,000, "she said that he would be very happy."

Misunderstandings persist about the threat. This month, for example, the Justice Department said al-Qaida-linked detainee Jose Padilla planned to wrap explosives in uranium to make a dirty bomb. But uranium would add nothing; it has minimal radioactivity.



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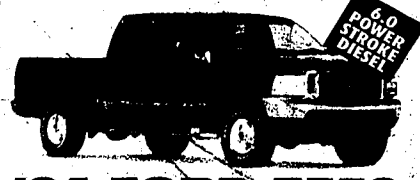
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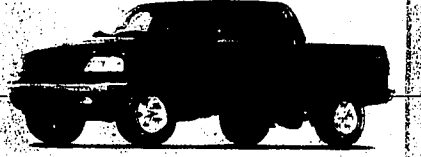
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Quit the winking and codify torture

Attorney General John Ashcroft's recent testimony that President Bush "made no direct order" authorizing any of the practices photographed at Abu Ghraib prison was calculated to cloak the president with deniability. But it raises the real question: What constitutes the kind of "torture" that, according to Ashcroft, "this administration opposes?"

ALAN M. DERSHOWITZ

And what exactly are the information-gathering techniques that the Bush administration does approve of? We don't know because it refuses to be specific, opting instead for the wink-and-nod approach — publicly condemning torture in a general sort of way while discreetly demanding results by whatever means it takes.

This approach would be far more difficult if explicit approval from the president were required for any extraordinary interrogation methods. Such a "torture warrant" approach would force the president to specify precisely what is allowed and what is not: sleep deprivation, hooding, stress positions, threats, attack dogs? sexual humiliation? a sterilized needle under the nail?

A codification of torture would be controversial, of course, but it would produce accountability of precisely the kind this administration wants to avoid. To date, only one other democracy has ever openly confronted this issue — Israel.

Before 1999, Israel tried to come to terms with the torture issue. Rather than denying it publicly and winking at it privately like many other countries (and many police forces even in the United States), Israeli officials sought to codify what was and was not permissible in order to wage the most effective battle against terrorism within the rule of law. They set out rules allowing



Alan Drexler Work

"moderate physical pressure" in specific cases — including such nonlethal tactics as sleep deprivation, tying up prisoners in painful positions with hoods over their heads, violent shaking and loud music. The argument was that such measures were justified in "licking bomb" cases in which getting instant information out of a terrorist suspect about an imminent attack was essential.

Esther Wachisman, for example, whose son was kidnapped by militants, has said that she knew Israeli agents tortured a captured Palestinian to force him to reveal the 19-year-old's whereabouts and that she had no regrets about it. "Was this man going to reveal this kind of information if they served him tea and played some Mozart?" she asked.

For some years the rules were in place, even though opponents argued that torture of any kind was a black-and-white issue — always wrong, never allowable.

In the end, the Israeli Supreme Court issued a decision in 1999 prohibiting all

forms of rough interrogation. In rendering this decision, the court described in detail what was prohibited: shaking, stress positions, hooding, playing "powerfully loud music" and other physical pressures. The court did leave open a tiny window in ticking-bomb cases. It suggested that if an interrogator honestly and reasonably believed that the only way to prevent an attack was to apply moderate physical pressure, he could try to convince a court after the fact that his actions fell under the defense of "necessity." Thus far, no such defense has been offered.

This decision stimulated an important debate inside and outside Israel. It is unlikely that it ended all physical abuse, but even Israel's most strident critics acknowledge that it certainly has been curtailed.

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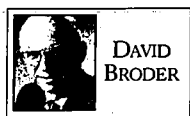
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A relic city merges into global market

SUZHOU, China — The struggle between the old and the new in China — a tug of war affecting family life, the economy and the whole society — comes into focus in the office of Du Guo-Ling, the vice mayor of this city and keeper of its cultural heritage.



DAVID BRODER

Suzhou, a city of almost 6 million residents, is located west of Shanghai in the delta of the Yangtze River. It is famous for its gardens, which combine limestone, water, bamboo and other plants in a landscape that changes at every turning. The canals that give the city its special look go back to the 6th century, when it was known as the kingdom of Wu. The center of the city — with the famous gardens and a nine-story pagoda — is listed by the United Nations as a World Heritage site, and special permission is required for any construction within that protected zone.

But the environs are totally modern China. Two giant industrial parks — one financed by Singapore developers, the other by Chinese entrepreneurs and the local government — surround the historic district on the east and west. The authors of the Blue Guide to China complain that "in order to improve telecommunications between the two zones, a motorway was driven right through the center of the historic city."

Tu told a group of visitors the other day that no further incursions will be allowed. A determined-looking woman with penetrating dark eyes, she spoke with passion about her visit to Suzhou's sister city of Venice, and the pledge she and its mayor had made to each other to protect the legacy of their ancestors.

"We have 2,500 years of economy and history here," she said. "This is the best preserved ancient city in China. We are determined not to lose it."

But Suzhou, like the rest of coastal China, is equally determined to embrace the new economy and the riches it promises. After walking her guests through one of the oldest gardens in the historic city, Du steered them out the controversial freeway to one of the two stunningly landscaped industrial parks.

It was a sunny, breezy Sunday and all along the shore of Golden Rooster Lake, newly married brides and grooms were celebrating their nuptials with family and friends. The brides in white, Western-style gowns were being twirled in the air by their proud husbands,

while children mugged for family cameras on the animal sculptures scattered throughout the park. It was a thoroughly happy, middle-class scene.

Scattered on the fringes of the park are a half-dozen corporate headquarters towers, with their curved facades mimicking downtown Los Angeles or midtown Manhattan. And stretching away to the east, mile after mile, are the work places of the new economy — assembly plants for Panasonic and Nokia, labs for Emerson, and Zeiss and dozens of competitors. A bit farther back from the four-lane roads stand tall apartment buildings for the thousands of workers here or soon to come.

Du spoke of the high-tech suburbs with an enthusiasm and optimism as she recounted the charms of the ancient gardens. "We are determined to assure that the development is well-rounded," she said. "Not just factories and offices, but schools for the workers' children and clinics. And above all, a healthy environment."

But, she conceded, the economy's growth is not as fast as the juggernaut, setting the planning capacity and controls the city government tries to maintain. Last year, Du said, Suzhou attracted \$6.8 billion in foreign investment, \$1 billion more than its giant neighbor, Shanghai. "We have the highest degree of globalization of any city in China," she bragged. "More and more industry is located here because they can ship their products from Shanghai but avoid the crowding and the costs and the pollution."

But can Suzhou control its own future — and protect its past, she was asked. "That is up to international business," she replied. "This year, we had \$2.8 billion of investment in the first quarter, equal to what we had in the first two quarters of last year." The economic engine is racing faster and faster.

And the social problems grow apace. There are almost 3 million "recent arrivals" in Suzhou, attracted by the prospect of jobs paying more than they can possibly make on the farms from which they come. That is its biggest challenge, Du said. "Industry naturally wants as many people for the hiring pool as possible, but the city has to provide services for them and their children. Equal to what we had in work or not. And because we are a 'wealthy city,' we do not get help from Beijing." All this makes her job a challenge — even as she tries to keep commercialism from corrupting the historic city. And that is tough. Many of the pedicabs in old Suzhou now bear the Golden Arches imprint of McDonald's.

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LETTERS

Harness wind power with hydrogen technology

I read with interest the article in *The Times-News* about the new wind generator near Purley. Wind power is a renewable energy source; however, there is a problem. The wind doesn't blow all the time.

The engineer, Mr. Brian Johnson, stated that it was more the wind potential than hydro-power potential in Idaho, but water behind a dam has continuous power potential and can be controlled to some extent to meet increases and decreases in demand. Thus, the reservoir acts like a power storage battery. We, at present, have no storage battery for wind power, but the technology is available. It is the use of our most abundant energy resource, hydrogen.

We can use the excess power from wind turbines to produce hydrogen in a simple electrolysis process. The hydrogen can be transported, stored and can be turned into electricity by very efficient fuel cells. We would then be able to store wind power just as we are able to store hydro-power.

Research has shown that this system would work, but there is another problem. It's the "chicken or egg" dilemma. Private enterprise cannot afford to rap-

idly develop and produce vehicles and hydrogen power plants when there is no infrastructure to supply the hydrogen, and private enterprise can't afford to build the infrastructure when there is no equipment to use the hydrogen.

It's estimated that a public investment of \$100 billion would provide for additional research, infrastructure such as wind farms, pipelines and storage facilities, and hydrogen equipment development. This could be done in a reasonable time if we approached it with the vigor of the World War II "Manhattan Project."

The payoff would be to nearly eliminate our dependence on petroleum, reduce the risk of national financial crisis due to the increasing cost of gasoline and oil and damage to our environment and health since the only residue from the transformation of hydrogen to energy is water. The project would provide high-quality employment, and if the United States got a head start on developing the technology, we would finally have something we could sell to the rest of the world.

The wind that now just blows dust in our eyes could become our national salvation.
CHARLES PARKER
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Republicans no shame for failures

There have been more U.S. soldiers killed in Iraq since we won 41 of the war than while it was being fought in Vietnam, but even Israel's most strident critics acknowledge that it certainly has been curtailed. The Israeli high court thrust itself into the debate over interrogation methods. The U.S. Supreme Court, on the other hand, seems to be trying to stay away from micromanaging interrogation techniques. In a recent decision, a majority

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Senate will take up amendment

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate in mid-July will take up a constitutional amendment banning gay marriage, forcing lawmakers to cast a tough political vote just weeks before the Democratic presidential convention in Massachusetts.

President Bush has urged Congress to move on the amendment, but sponsors acknowledge the difficulty of getting the two-thirds majority to approve it.

"We're not certain we'll be successful in this effort," Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, said at a news conference to announce that the amendment would be on the Senate floor the week of July 12.

The amendment and the measure's chief sponsor, Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., denied they were stirring up a divisive political issue two weeks before Democrats gather in Massachusetts, this state to recognize same-sex marriages.

"This was an issue that was thrust upon us by the Massachusetts Supreme Court," Cornyn said. "We didn't pick the battle, we didn't pick the timing."

Allard said there were at least 11 pending court cases on the issue around the country. "We must not stand still while the courts are being used to challenge and distort civilization's oldest, most venerable social institution," he said.

Steven Fisher, spokesman for Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest gay rights group, said the July vote was "an attempt to inject politics into a debate that affects real Americans' lives." Congress, he said, "should focus on the real priorities of the American people: jobs, the economy and the war in Iraq."

Bush announced his support for the amendment last February, but recently has come under pressure from some of his conservative allies to give the issue a higher profile.

Paul M. Weirich, national chairman of an amalgam of conservative groups known as Coalitions for America, recently said that Bush needs to change the subject from Iraq to the gay marriage ban in order to be re-elected in November.

Bush responded last week by reiterating his opposition to gay marriage in remarks to the Southern Baptist Convention, saying that "government, by strengthening and protecting marriage, serves the interests of all."

Democratic presidential contender Sen. John Kerry has criticized the proposed amendment as an effort to drive a political wedge between Americans. He has supported civil unions and said the issue of marriage should be left to the states. Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., a possible running mate, has expressed a similar stance.

High court: Governor must testify

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The Connecticut Supreme Court ruled Friday that Gov. John G. Rowland must testify before a committee considering his first sitting chief executive in U.S. history ordered to appear before a legislative body.

In a 5-2 ruling, the court upheld an earlier decision by a lower court judge, dismissing the governor's arguments that the Legislature was intruding on the separation of powers among branches of government by ordering him to testify.

Rowland is under investigation for accepting gifts from friends, state contractors and employees. He is also the subject of a parallel federal corruption investigation. The three-term Republican has said he provided nothing in return for the gifts and has not compromised his office.

Rowland's attorney, the governor's legal counsel, said he planned to discuss the ruling with the governor before deciding whether Rowland will appear before the committee. He said there are no plans to file any other lawsuits.

"I continue to believe those proceedings are unfair to the governor and the office of the governor. Any decision will be made in light of those facts," Garber said.

Lawmakers said if Rowland ignores the subpoena and decides not to testify, they will not compel him to appear.

Border patrol sweeps north of Calif.

New unit patrols, arrests further inland

ONTARIO, Calif. (AP) — Eldida Celestina peered from behind a window shade before opening the door to crack to a stranger. If she leaves her apartment at all these days, it is only for a rushed, nerve-racking trip to the store.

"Everyone is afraid," said Celestina, 19, who came from Mexico five months ago. "We're like mice, hiding in our homes."

She and many other illegal immigrants in Southern California have been gripped by fear since a new Border Patrol unit began roving through Hispanic communities and making arrests well north of the border, beyond the agency's usual area of operations.

Since June 1, the unit has captured more than 420 suspected illegal immigrants. They have been picked up on the street, pulled over while driving, or caught coming out of stores in communities 100 miles or more from the Mexican border.

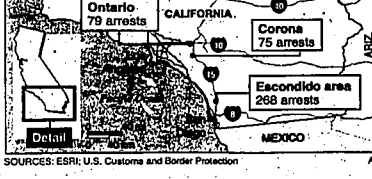
The raids have spread such fear that some people have stopped going shopping or attending church. Immigrant advocates say some are staying home from work, too.

California is home to an estimated 2 million illegal immigrants, more than any other state. The border itself is patrolled aggressively. But for years, illegal immigrants who reach the interior, often at great cost and danger, have faced little risk of arrest.

"It does appear to be a shift in tactics," said Shaheena Ahmad Siddiquis, a Los Angeles attorney with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund. "These sweeps have cre-

New patrol units make arrests far inland

A new roving Border Patrol unit has captured more than 400 suspected illegal immigrants in southern California since June 1.



SOURCES: ESR; U.S. Customs and Border Protection

ated a pervasive fear and even anger among Latinos regarding their immigration status." While the Border Patrol has employed what it refers to as roving units in the past, it had not used them recently, said Mario Villarreal, an agency spokesman in Washington.

Villarreal would not say exactly why the Border Patrol has started the inland sweeps.

The Border Patrol has the legal authority to make arrests inland but traditionally operates close to the border, and it employs checkpoints instead of

roving patrols. It is immigration agents, from a different agency altogether, who generally make arrests inland.

The Mobile Patrol Group consists of 12 agents based at a station in Temecula, about 55 miles from the border. The Temecula team ranges across some 3,000 square miles.

Border Patrol officials said it makes arrests only when it has information about the presence of illegal immigrants.

"If you're here legally in the United States, you really don't have anything to worry about," said Raul Martinez, a Border Patrol spokesman.

Nevertheless, immigrant activists contend agents have violated people's rights by questioning Hispanics without probable cause.

"In Southern California, there are many people who appear to be of Mexican ancestry. That does not mean they are here illegally," said Simmons, whose organization is considering a legal challenge.

Mexican President Vicente Fox also has criticized the arrests; instructing his foreign secretary this week to lodge "an energetic protest" with the U.S. government.

The chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, modeled the office after the False Claims Act, which lets people file lawsuits against companies and individuals that defraud the government in areas other than tax.

The Justice Department reported that lawsuits filed under the False Claims Act recovered \$1.5 billion in 2003. Whistleblowers were granted \$319 million in rewards. More than \$12 billion has been recovered since Congress strengthened the law in 1986.

"Taking advantage of whistleblowers has saved us taxpayers billions of dollars in defense and health care fraud. The potential is even greater with tax fraud, given the estimated hundreds of billions of dollars of taxes due that go uncollected each year," Grassley said.

The IRS currently has a fraud hot line and its own criminal investigation unit. Informants can apply for rewards when taxes are recovered based on their tips, but critics say the program has too many obstacles to lure many informants.

Report: WTC towers weaker than tested

NEW YORK (AP) — The World Trade Center's designers may have severely underestimated the forces that wind exerted on the twin towers, leading them to design skyscrapers less able to handle the Sept. 11 attacks, a federal report says.

Wind tunnel tests conducted as part of litigation over the buildings' collapse found wind loads 20 to 60 percent higher than those found in tests performed during the towers' design in the 1950s,

according to the report released Friday by a federal institute examining the collapse.

The buildings would have been stronger and might have performed better during the 2001 attacks by terrorists in hijacked jetliners if the higher wind load numbers had been used, said Shyam Sunder, the lead investigator for the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

"It is relevant to evaluating the buildings' capacity to withstand an unanticipated event," he said.

A spokesman for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which owns the site, said he could not comment on the NIST findings. He repeated earlier statements that the towers were built according to building standards.

The report also provided the first official estimate of the number of people in the twin towers on the morning the planes struck.

The agency estimated that between 16,200 and 18,600 people were in the mammoth buildings, based on interviews with more than 1,000 of the occupants and with first responders.

The estimate does not vary greatly from newspaper estimates and statements by officials such as former Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who had said rescuers saved 25,000 people that day. The NIST number does not include people who may have escaped surrounding buildings.

Newsday: Circulation numbers inflated

MELVILLE, N.Y. (AP) — Newsday inflated its circulation figures by about 40,000 daily and 60,000 on Sunday for the six months ending in March, according to the newspaper's internal audit.

The paper's longtime circulation executive, Robert Brennan, has been placed on administrative leave, Newsday said in a statement released Thursday.

On Friday, Nassau District Attorney Denis Dillon said his office had opened an investigation to see if criminal charges are warranted.

"When advertising costs are inflated, those costs are passed on to the consumer in the form of higher prices," Dillon said.

The circulation figures are also being investigated by the Audit Bureau of Circulations, which routinely looks into such matters, and by the Securities and Exchange Commission. The SEC declined comment Friday on whether it was investigating Newsday.

On Tuesday, Hollinger International revealed that it had overstated circulation figures for the Chicago Sun-Times for several years.

In response, advertisers filed two lawsuits on Thursday against the newspaper and Hollinger, its parent company. Advertising rates are commonly set according to newspaper circulation.

The Newsday audit found that some free copies of the newspaper that were given out as a promotion were improperly recorded as sales. Newsday also said it could not verify some single-copy sales because one of its distributors kept inadequate records.

The newspaper also announced that Hoy, the Spanish-language daily launched by Newsday and owned by the Tribune Co., reported inflated circulation figures by about 15,000 daily and 4,000 on Sunday during the same six-month period.

The two newspapers share some distribution outlets.

"We take these matters very seriously," Newsday's publisher, Raymond Jansen, said in the statement. "Once these discrepancies were brought to our attention we moved quickly to correct the situation and are instituting new policies and procedures to prevent it from happening again."

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Well, Larry, I want you to see something. That's about eight weeks I spent on that George Foreman Lean Mean Fat Reducing Grilling Machine. I grill right in the bedroom, and I was able to lose a lot of weight.

George Foreman, after commentator Larry Merchant asked him for his reaction to the decision after his final fight, a controversial loss to Shannon Briggs in 1997 televised by HBO.

TRIVIA

Larry Brown, besides coaching in the ABA and at UCLA and Kansas, has coached seven NBA teams. Which ones?

...answer below

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IN BRIEF

Burley Municipal hosts scramble

BURLEY — The Burley Municipal Golf Course will host the Workman Buick Scramble today. Registration is \$55 and includes bonus gift certificates, lunch, one dozen Nike golf balls, entry into the hole-in-one contest on all par three holes and a \$50 test drive gift certificate from Workman Buick. Each team is required to have one course member and certain IGA handicap requirements will apply. Participants will pick their own tee time and can register by calling the golf shop at 878-9807.

Kimberly girls basketball camp approaches

KIMBERLY — All girls in grades 5-12 are encouraged to register by June 30 for the Kimberly High School girls basketball camp that will be held July 22-24. There will be two sessions each day, as girls grades 5-8 will participate from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and girls grades 9-12 will go from 1-4 p.m. The registration cost is \$45 for the first session and \$55 for the second. Registration costs after June 30 will be \$55 and \$65, respectively. Those without registration forms are encouraged to call Kimberly girls basketball coach Rich Bishop at 733-0556. The camp needs 20 girls to register per session by June 30 to proceed.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

The Denver Nuggets, 1976-79; the New Jersey Nets, 1981-83; the San Antonio Spurs, 1988-92; the Clippers, 1992-93; the Indiana Pacers, 1993-97; the Philadelphia 76ers, 1997-2003, and the Detroit Pistons, 2003-present.

T.F. Terror scares up win over Wood River

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Ruth Anna Spooner has had her share of great pitching performances while wearing a Twin Falls jersey of some sort or another. ... Spooner struck out the first 11 batters she faced as the Twin Falls Terror U-18 softball team blanked the Wood River Wolverines in convincing fashion, 17-0 Friday on the first day of the Twin Falls Terror Tournament.

either the Boise Blast or the Boise Mystics today at 9:30 a.m. Tournament play continues through the day, concluding with the championship game at 3:30 p.m.

Spooner, who attends Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Mich., had a chance at not allowing Wood River to put the ball in play even once during the four-inning shortening game, but the Wolverines' Lauren Parsons grounded to first in her team's final at-bat. ... Still, Terror coach Nick Baumert will take a perfect game any time. "She was throwing the ball well" just off Please see TERROR, Page B2

Twin Falls Terror Tournament

- Today's Games
Game 1 - Blackfoot vs. Utah Stars, 8 a.m.
Game 2 - Boise Blast vs. Boise Mystics, 8 a.m.
Game 3 - Game 1 winner vs. Pocatello Diamond Queens, 9:30 a.m.
Game 4 - Game 2 winner vs. Twin Falls Terror, 9:30 a.m.
Games 5 and 6 - Games 1 and 2 losers vs. Games 3 and 4 losers, 11 a.m.
Game 7 - Semifinals, 12:30 p.m.
Game 8 - Championship, 3:30 p.m.

Area cowboys, cowgirls anxious to advance

Friday performances determine spots in Saturday's finals

By Joe Paisley Times-News writer

POCATELLO — For most, the anxious moments came later that night.

But at Friday morning's performance at the Idaho State High School Finals Rodeo, Jerome cowboy Joey Jackson was anything but after a tremendous bull ride at the Bannack County Fairgrounds in Pocatello.

"That was so awesome," Jackson said moments after the 80-point ride. "I can't believe that. He did what I wanted and how I wanted it."

What the bull did was turn quickly in tight circles, helping the recent Jerome High School graduate stay aboard for the full eight seconds and pull out the ride of the day.

"I'm not the best rider but he made me look good," Jackson said.

Couple that 80 points with a first-ride 67 and Jackson is one of the few assured of a spot in Saturday morning's top 20 performance and a shot at the state title and a trip to nationals in Gillette, Wyo., in July.

"My goal since I was a freshman was to go to nationals," Jackson said. "So to do it, I've got to finish in the top four. I'm looking pretty, real pretty for that."

But all was not so pretty for other area cowboys and cowgirls, who had to wait until almost midnight Friday to find out if they would advance to the top 20 performance at 11 a.m. today.

"It all comes down to Saturday," said Twin Falls cowgirl Megan Lewis, who hoped to qualify in goat tying and pole bending. "One mistake can make or break you."

For others, a small mistake a few days ago has lived in their memories. The finals began Tuesday morning.

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Wendell's Rob Webb prepares to rope a calf during Friday morning's calf roping competition at the Idaho State High School Rodeo Finals at Bannack County Fairgrounds in Pocatello. Webb placed third.

Mickelson goes for another major

By Paul Newberry Associated Press writer

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. — Phil Mickelson had to wait a long time for that first major. He's playing like he wants to get No. 2 right away.

The Masters champion surged to the top of the leaderboard at the U.S. Open on Friday, shooting a 4-under-par 66 that left little doubt he's a different player since shaking that hated "best player never to win a major" label.

Mickelson played with patience and intelligence — keeping the ball in the fairway, hitting to the proper side of the greens, not trying any outlandish shots.

Just like that, he's got it all figured out.

With the huge crowds cheering his every move, Lefty stormed past first-round leaders Jay Haas and Angel Cabrera with a 6-under 134.

Shigeki Maruyama, who also opened with a 66 and played in the afternoon, held pace with Mickelson. The Japanese star was 2 under through nine holes, 6 under for the tournament.

"I can't wait for the majors now, because I feel like I'm onto something to play well in the big tournaments," said Mickelson, who has one bogey in 36 holes, the toughest test in golf.

The style of golf needed in major championships is significantly different than a regular tour event, which seems to be more attack, attack, attack. The majors seem to be something different."



Ernie Els, of South Africa, hits out of a pathway off the 16th fairway during the second round of the U.S. Open Friday, at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club in Southampton, N.Y. Els finished the two rounds three-under-par, three strokes off the pace.

And here's a potential omen: Mickelson made his first serious run at a major in 1995, trying for fourth in the Open when it was last held at Shinnecock Hills. His chances were ruined on the par-5 16th, which he played at 6-over for the week. ... This time, he's 1-under there through the first two rounds, blasting out of the sand to 3 feet for his final birdie Friday. Tiger Woods was nowhere to be found, his 0-for-7 slump in the majors seemingly headed Please see MICKELSON, Page B2

Riverton ropes Wranglers, Marsh Falls downs Cowboys

By Dustin Lapray Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Riverton, Utah, American Legion squad rallied to score a pair of runs in the bottom of the eighth inning to best Wood River 3-2 Friday at Bruin Field. Riverton is 2-0 (14-5 overall) after day two of the Donnelly Sports Invitational. The loss drops Wood River to 0-2 in the tourney.

A.J. Lucker's bunt in that eighth inning was only meant to move Tyler Shick to third base. Instead, an attempt to pick off Shick at third went into left field and he scored easily to tie the game at 2-2. Shick had reached second on an error. Three of Wood River's seven errors came in that pivotal eighth inning.

Wood River pitcher Kenny Cordona later walked Matt Gustin with the bases loaded to score the winning run. Cordona got the loss.

"We had our opportunities," Wrangler coach Larry Lloyd said. "We knew we had to play solid defense. At the end we didn't, which is unfortunate because it was a heck of a game prior to that."

Lloyd reached the Wranglers in place of his son, Eli, who stayed in Haley Friday after the entire Wood River team was involved in a fender bender on Blue Lakes Highway Thursday. There were no serious injuries and Eli Lloyd will coach today. The Wranglers were forced to forfeit their game Thursday because of the accident.

Donnelly Sports Invitational

Friday's games
Marsh Falls 14, Twin Falls 1
Bear Lake 13, Idaho Falls 1
Riverton, Utah 3, Wood River 2
Jerome 3, Centennial 2

"These kids wanted to play," Lloyd said. "They're out here for the right reasons. And it was certainly our game to win. Unfortunately, at the end, it didn't happen."

Wrangler starter Steve Hansen pitched seven strong innings with stellar defense behind him. The Wood River infield turned four double plays in the game.

The Wranglers took an early lead with an RBI groundout by Morgan Uhrig that plated Brady Fennell in the top of the first. Tyler Thiede later scored on an error to give Wood River a 2-0 lead going into the seventh.

"It was pretty much the game we wanted to play," said coach Lloyd. "In a wood-bat tournament you're not going to score a lot, but we manufactured our runs."

Tournament organizer Devin Kunz said he wanted the tournament to use wood bats to get back to the fundamentals.

"How the game is supposed to be played," Kunz said.

J.J. King hammered home Riverton's first score with a single in the seventh that scored Please see DONNELLY, Page B2

TIM DAHLBERG

It wasn't just Garcia. Everyone, it seemed, was on proper behavior as the Open returned to the same island where just two years ago Bethpage Black became the first Open with attitude.

That was the people's Open, held on a public course and crammed with spectators who cheered — and jeered — like they were at a Yankees game. They were coarse, sometimes obnoxious, always loud.

This seems more like the rich people's Open, played on an exclusive private course in the middle of some of the most pricey real estate in the country.

Here, they're more genteel, more likely to eat chicken sandwiches on focaccia bread than hot dogs from the snack bar. Here, they were more nice to Garcia, who feuded with the fans at Bethpage and made an obscene gesture at one after hearing "Waggle Boy" one time too many.

Not that Garcia will admit anything ever happened.

"I don't know how many times you have to go through that again," Garcia said after shooting 73 on Thursday, clearly agitated that the subject was brought up. "The people are great here, just like they were two years ago. It was just a couple of guys who were bad."

In the meantime, they politely cheered Garcia and just about everybody else before an approaching storm interrupted play and sent them home. The biggest cheers of the day went to a player who shot 83, a newly sympathetic figure named David Duval who has found a new family but still can't find the fairway.

"If he had played how they roared for him, he'd have done very well," said Duval's playing partner, Scott Loch.

A lot more has changed in golf since Bethpage Black than just the attitude of New York fans.

Two years ago, Tiger Woods Please see DAHLBERG, Page B2

SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

BASEBALL

Table with columns for team names and statistics including runs, hits, errors, and fielding percentages.

WHAT'S ON T.V.

- Auto Racing: Formula One practice for United States Grand Prix, SPEED, 7 a.m.
Basketball: Tigers at Mets, WPX, 8:30 p.m.
Boxing: Featherweights, Marco Antonio Barrera (57-0) vs. Paulette Ayala (35-20); mid-tightweights, Jermall Taylor (20-0) vs. Raul Marquez (35-20), HBO, 7:45 p.m.

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Roller hockey comes to Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — The Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley, in cooperation with the Twin Falls County Recreation Department, is offering a roller hockey program. Games will be played in the club gym, located next to the Idaho National Guard Armory at Walker Field in Twin Falls.

Play is open to boys and girls grades 5-9. The current session began June 7 and continues through June 30. Games are played from 10-11 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. A second session is planned for July 12-August 4. This is a non-contact league with an emphasis on fun while introducing the sport to the community.

Goodbody wins USATF nationals tune-up

NAMPA — Wendell's Jaymie Goodbody finished off the two-day heptathlon at the USA Track and Field State Association Junior Olympic Trials on Friday, June 13, at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa.

Goodbody finished with 4,659 points, a personal record for her in the heptathlon by 127 points. She finished ahead of second-place Lindsey Goodman of Capital High School, who finished with 3,650 points.

Goodbody jumped 16 feet, 8 1/2 inches in the long jump Friday and set a personal record, she threw 117 feet in the javelin and ran the 800 meters in 2:30.6.

T.F. Cowboys win a pair in Colorado

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — The AA Twin Falls Cowboys to take the 31 in two wins Friday at the 13-team youth meet in Grand Junction, Colo. To improve to 14-3 on the season and 2-1 in play.

The Cowboys beat Grand Junction, Colo., 12-3 and won the consolation game against the 13-1 team by a score of 13-5. Both were six-inning affairs.

"Our guys were just really aggressive at the plate," Cowboy coach Tim Stadelmeier said. "We got them into a lot of good hitting situations."

Transactions

Table listing player transactions, including acquisitions, releases, and other moves by various teams.

Spartans notch RBI tourney win

RUBERT — The Minico Spartans AA American Legion baseball team scored seven runs in the seventh inning to beat the Boise Bandits 14-2 in a game shortened after five innings due to the 10-run rule on the opening day of the RBI Tournament Thursday at Warburton Field in Rupert.

Courry Warburton earned the money win for Minico (5-6) while also hitting a home run in the first inning to go along with two doubles. Brandon Colwell and Greg Schow also had doubles.

Paradom, Johansson reach tennis final

NOTTINGHAM, England — Top-seeded Paradom Srichak and Paul Johansson reached the final of their first grass-court final with a 6-2, 6-2 win over Robin Soderling at the Nottingham Open on Friday.

Paradom, from Thailand, will face Sweden's Thomas Johansson for the title after the 2002 Australian Open winner beat American Taylor Dettie 7-6 (4), 6-1 in the other semifinal match.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

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Utah worries about funding rescues

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Heroic? Definitely. Cheap? No. Search and rescue in Utah's wilderness is expensive, and bills sent to once-missing outdoor enthusiasts after they're found in the majestic red-rock settings of eastern Utah's Grand County are usually ignored.

Now Grand County is getting tougher, with an ordinance allowing the county to turn over unpaid bills to collection agencies. Officials hope with the change to recover 80 percent or more of the costs associated with rescues.

Before, the county's bills largely went unpaid because the county couldn't enforce the bills.

Other Utah counties are considering similar laws to recoup their costs, which in Grand County's case, start at a minimum of \$245 just to get rescuers out the door.

"We had to do something," said Grand County sheriff's Sgt. Kent Green.

But some worry about ethical problems associated with forced collections, saying it might cause some people to keep aimlessly wandering in the wilderness instead of calling — and paying — for their rescue.

"There's too much passion the opposite way in the search and rescue community for me to believe there is a legitimate reason for charging each individual victim for their rescue," said Jacki Golke, executive director for National Association of Search and Rescue. "It's too easy to say 'just charge the victim' and that doesn't solve any problems at all."

There was a time that Grand County, whose 8,500 residents include the city of Moab, averaged only nine search and rescue missions yearly. That was 20 years ago.

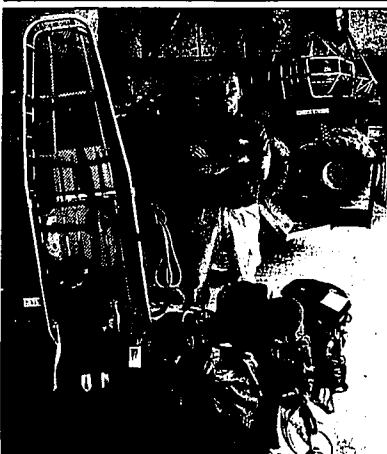
Now, with tourism doubled, the county has at least 80 search and rescue missions each year, with a high of 120. Recently, two wayward ATV riders marked the county's 42nd rescue.

"We say they leave their brains at home sometimes," said Kelly McGettgen, assistant manager with outfitter Moab Adventure Center, which offers its rafting and river rafting evacuation insurance to cover search and rescue costs. Its hiking, biking and off-road trips are normally small groups, so the guides can keep an eye on them, she said.

But because many enthusiasts eschew experienced guides and go it alone, they occasionally find themselves stranded in the night's dropping temperatures, stuck in a tight crevice on a cliff, or in a rushing-water canyon, injured, bewildered, and dehydrated.

Getting those folks to safety is an obligation, rescuers say, but it's pricey.

State Sen. John Valentine, a Republican from Orem who also is a lieutenant for Utah County Search and Rescue, sponsored a bill in 1997 that



Above, photos of previous search and rescue missions adorn a bulletin board in the Grand County Sheriff's building in Moab, Utah. Bills sent to once-missing outdoor enthusiasts after they're found are usually ignored. Now Grand County is getting tougher, with an ordinance allowing the county to turn over unpaid bills to collection agencies.

Left, Grand County Sheriff Sgt. Kent Green poses with some of the equipment and vehicles he and others use during search and rescue missions Thursday in Moab, Utah.

created the Search and Rescue Financial Assistance Program. The fund reimburses Utah counties for some of the search and rescue costs.

In fiscal year 2003, counties received more than \$153,000, a small fraction of their expenses. The program's advisory board is exploring other ways to boost the fund, such as a surcharge on vehicle registrations.

Grand County isn't the first nationwide to bill for search and rescues.

Several states, including Idaho, Hawaii and New Hampshire, allow counties to bill for the operations. Some ski resorts in Oregon, Washington and Colorado have also independently charged skiers for their rescues. If they've ventured out of bounds, Utah lets individual

counties decide.

The National Park Service, which operates five national parks in Utah, in 2003 spent more than a third of its \$3 million rescue costs in the Intermountain region, which includes the Rocky Mountain states. The Park Service does not bill for rescues, but has considered it.

Such laws have drawn anger from critics who view rescue operations as a tax-funded service. Golke's organization believes search and rescue is a public service—similar to firefighting.

"It's almost an entitlement," she said. Green, the Grand County sheriff's sergeant, said sending a rescue bill to a family who lost a loved one is a "big gray area"

High court backs state in stadium turf dispute

to contest the process." Representatives for FieldTurf, based in Montreal, declined comment on the court's ruling.

Senior Judge Duff McKee, sitting in for Chief Justice Linda Copple Trout who disqualified herself, disagreed that FieldTurf waived its right to challenge the contract award and said he would have ordered 4th District Judge Ron Wilper to hold a hearing into all the issues and potential remedies.

The state's bid called for basic artificial turf replacement with five possible add-ons — inlaid hash marks, inlaid end zone letters, inlaid midfield logos, an

elastic shock pad and secondary pile yarn. The procedure required all bids to include cost estimates for the basic work and each of the five add-ons. It specifically stated that bids would be rejected if costs on all add-ons were not included.

FieldTurf included cost estimates for the basic work and only the first three add-ons, noting that its system required neither the pad nor the yarn, which were required with the Southwest Recreational Industries turf.

But instead of following the procedures outlined in state law for protesting bid con-

ditions and outcomes, FieldTurf only appended a letter to its bid explaining the situation.

Although its bid was \$161,000 less than Southwest Recreational Industries, it was thrown out as incomplete. Athletic Director Gene Bley-mair said at the time that Boise State specifically wanted a pad with the new turf and that school physicians agreed.

Feds could still retry Idaho terror case

BOISE (AP) — Federal prosecutors remain undecided about retrying graduate student Sami Omar Al-Hussayen on non-terrorism charges even after jurors rejected their case that the Saudi national entered the country to support terrorism over the Internet.



Sami Omar Al-Hussayen

But whatever U.S. Attorney Tom Moss decides next week, between free speech guarantees and the government's war on terrorism is far from over.

"They lost this case, but they may have other cases they think they can win," said Kevin Bankston, an attorney for the free-speech group Electronic Frontier Foundation in San Francisco. "Considering that they brought this case, I can imagine them bringing more." Al-Hussayen, 34 and a member of prominent Riyadh family, was only months away from his doctorate in computer science from the University of Idaho when he was arrested on Feb. 25, 2003. He continued to work toward his Ph.D. from his jail cell.

Last week, jurors cleared Al-Hussayen of three charges that he created an Internet network to help finance and recruit terrorists. He also was acquitted on one count of making false statements and two counts of visa fraud.

Jurors were deadlocked, however, on eight other counts of false statement and visa fraud charges — leaving prosecutors with the retrial question.

Defense attorney David Al-Hussayen said in the Canyon County jail on a deportation hold despite his acquittal. He is appealing that order. Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement spokeswoman Lori Haley said Al-Hussayen was held after his acquittal pending a decision on the remaining charges.

Defense attorney David Nevin was frustrated on Friday that a week after the acquittal, Al-Hussayen remains jailed on charges that, even on conviction, would warrant substantially less jail time than he's already served.

"I understand that these counts weren't decided, but the central premise of this thing was that Sami was assisting terrorism, and what I hear from jurors is that it wasn't even close," Nevin said. "And he's been sitting in jail for 16 months. At what point does this end?"

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Rangers recover body

LONGMIRE, Wash. (AP) — Rangers removed the body of a fallen climber from Mount Rainier early Friday but were unable to locate a second climber missing and feared dead on the difficult Liberty Ridge route.

Two others have died along the same climbing route on the north side of the 14,411-foot peak in the past month.

Michael Gauthier, supervisory climbing ranger at Mount Rainier National Park, identified the dead climber as Luke Casady, 29, of Stevensville, Mont.

Missing was Ansel Vizcaya, 29, from the Missoula, Mont., area. Vizcaya is an employee of New Cascade National Park in northern Washington, but was climbing on his own time, Gauthier said.

Casady's wife, Callyn Casady, said Friday that her husband had scaled Mount Rainier three or four times previously, but had never taken the Liberty Ridge route.

She last talked with him at about 3 a.m. June 11. The couple has a 4-year-old son and was celebrating their fifth wedding anniversary July 3.

"He's a very, very passionate person," she said. "A very intense person. He doesn't do anything lightly."

Gauthier said Casady's body was recovered at the 9,000-foot elevation on Carbon Glacier below Liberty Ridge.

Rangers planned to continue aerial searches to try to locate Vizcaya, but Gauthier said it is unlikely he is still alive.

BLM investigates jeep rally

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Jeep rally that went on as scheduled without a permit from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management could get some Utah County officials who participated in trouble.

The BLM has completed an investigation into the drive through Arch Canyon during the last weekend in April and is discussing the matter with the U.S. Attorney's Office.

"We're serious about this," said Keith Allen, BLM deputy director of law enforcement. "We don't like people doing these things without a permit."

San Juan County Commissioner Lynn Stevens, who helped lead the Jeep rally, told The Salt Lake Tribune this week that no permit was necessary because the route in the canyon is owned by the county.

Stevens cites an 1866 law, which granted broad rights-of-way across federal land. However, the BLM maintains the land is still federal property and required Jeep jamborees USA to get a permit for the event.

Wildlife officials: four bears killed

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Four bears considered to be a threat to humans have been killed this year, and Utah wildlife officials are still looking for at least one more.

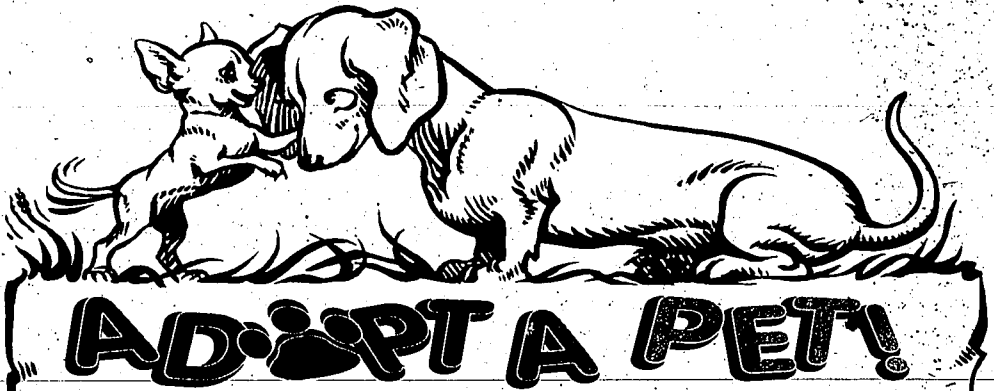
Two adult male bears that entered a tented kitchen area and scavenged garbage and ate three gallons of ice cream this week were shot at the Bristlecone Boy Scout Camp northwest of Helper.

The bears had been chased away once, but returned and were seen on trails used by the Boy Scouts. A third bear has been spotted in the area.

A bear that entered a trailer at the Skull Creek Campground at Flamingo National Recreation Area and left behind a mess was also killed. The bear returned to the trailer as the owners were filling out paperwork about the first encounter Tuesday.

There were about 15 people standing around and the bear started walking right towards the trailer, DWR conservation officer Jack Lytle said. "When it got closer I started throwing rocks at it. I told people to get in their vehicles."

Because the bear had caused property damage to the trailer and showed no fear of people, Lytle's supervisors gave him permission to kill it.



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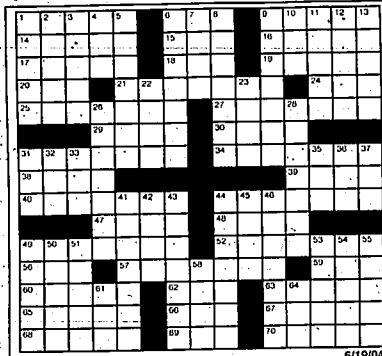


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Sixth-grader doesn't know how to help friend

DEAR ABBY: My best friend, "Wanda," is in trouble. We're only in sixth grade, and I don't want her to "ruin her life." I found out she is doing drugs. I know Wanda needs help, but I don't know where to start.

Should I tell her I know I think the first step to helping her is to get her to admit she has a problem. Am I right?

— CONCERNED FRIEND IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR CONCERNED: Admitting one has a problem is the first step in helping ONESELF. If you try to get her to admit she has a problem, the first thing she will probably try to do is deny it.

Your first step to helping Wanda should be to tell your mother what you have learned. It is important that your friend's mother know what her daughter is doing, so she can have the girl tested and find professional help for her. Do not put it off.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: When parents have been divorced for many years, is it possible for a bride to have both her father and stepfather walk her down the aisle? This is becoming a bone of contention that no one seems able to solve.

— WORRIED GRANDMA IN HOUSTON

DEAR WORRIED: If the birth father has been absent emotionally and/or financially, and the stepfather has raised the bride, the subject can be sensitive. From my perspective, the father who put in the effort should have the honor of walking her down the aisle — but

not all brides agree with me. Some families compromise. Parents who are inflexible force their children to sneak around. They have forgotten that the safest environment is the one that's most closely supervised, and that is at home with an adult present.

DEAR ABBY: Please tell me if it is still appropriate to address a card to a young male child as "Master" and then the child's name? I have been doing it for years, but my husband says that the practice is outdated.

— UNSURE IN ELYRIA, OHIO

DEAR UNSURE: Continue to do it if you wish. According to the 16th edition of Emily Post's "Etiquette" (Harper-Collins, 1997): "Boys may be addressed as 'Master' on envelopes and formal correspondence until they are about 7 years old, and 'Mr.' when they become 18. In between, no title is used."

DEAR ABBY: I have a boyfriend I like a lot. The problem is my mother won't let me have him over even when they are here. I am very responsible and wouldn't do anything dumb with him. I'm 13, so it would only be to spend some quality time together. Have you any ideas how to convince my mom?

— TOTALLY CRUSHED IN COLFAX, WIS.

DEAR TOTALLY CRUSHED: Clip this letter and show it to your mom. She may think that you are too young to be interested in boys and believe that if she "just says no," your interest will lessen. Big mistake.

Sagittarius shouldn't squander nickels in wild abandon

IF JUNE 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... you can rely on a friend to dream up great ideas for doing something out of the ordinary this weekend. It isn't how much the gift cost or whether it fits that is important. What is significant is that someone remembers your birthday and cares enough to do something special for you. Be sure to express your appreciation and send thank-you notes.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): A few disputes could erupt over the use of money and spending habits. Partners could be extravagant. Or perhaps a lack of honesty is making your weekend a bit strained.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): That tendency to waste resources on unworthy items is still lurking under the surface. A little tension with loved ones can be vanquished if you employ the computer to check out necessary information about proposed purchases.

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You could benefit from a change of scenery. Take a friend along and experience something novel this weekend. If you can't get away, then write down your inspirations and ideas.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You start the day with endless determination to get things accomplished and will probably die right in and tackle big jobs with enthusiasm. Cleaning out closets and throwing away useless items will satisfy a deep inner urge.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Enjoy the weekend with your favorite companion and you will find fascinating discussions running rampant. Great ideas are in the air, and you can put your heads together and become even wiser.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Pursuing new interests or hobnobbing with new acquaintances will satisfy the urge for excitement this weekend. Look for something special that can occupy your mind and brighten drab routine.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Relationships could suffer from bloat; maybe you have actually eaten too much, overspent or made promises you have no intention of honoring. Going to extremes in any manner can cause some dissension and unrest.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Others close may be willing to take large gambles with cash and make you nervous with careless remarks. It isn't wise to offer gifts to ensure cooperation at this juncture. As the Beatles said, "Can't buy me love."

temptation to squander nickels in wild abandon is still pressing, but lucky you will be surrounded by wise advisers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Enjoy a day when partners will be willing to do the dirty work. Trouble could be building under the surface, especially if you are tempted to enter gray areas and sidestep ethics. Remain strictly aboveboard.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You could be the live wire who encourages others to try something new and different. Keep in touch with old friends and make new ones this weekend, as you are the center of attention and the community grapevine.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): It is tempting to hide away and be a hermit, but you will be happier facing the light of day. Partners will be filled with exciting ideas and stimulating conversations. Try one new thing today.

Animals in the north have shorter tails

Item No. 583B in our Love and War man's files is a report on the biggest tails of former wives of the socialite yachtsman Fuller E. Callaway, Jr. It stands as a commentary on the chances for happiness in multiple marriages. He left \$100,000 to his first wife, \$10,000 to his second, and \$1 to his third.



L.M. BOYD

The farther north the animal lives, the shorter its tail, if any. Usually unusual, but not so.

Contemporaries of Abraham Lincoln addressed undertakers as "Doctor."

A male Spartan in ancient Greece was supposed to get married by age 30. Two punishments were prescribed for any who didn't. One, the rule breaker couldn't vote. Two, he was no longer allowed to watch athletic events where nude young men competed.

"Hearsick," "Lackluster," "Hot-blooded." All coined by William Shakespeare, thus, "If a nation values anything more than freedom, it will lose its freedom." Credit Somerset Maugham.

If Alaska were divided equally into two it would be the country's third largest state.

Rapid Reply: No, sir, what you get when you breed cattle with dogs is not know, but you don't get cattles.

N.J. legalizes cheap drinks for women

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — It's unanimous: Women deserve a cheap drink, at least in New Jersey bars and restaurants.

Despite an administrative ruling that says the ladies' might get a Cherry Hill bar and restaurant violated state civil rights rules. Assembly members Thursday said there ought to be a law protecting the practice.

The Assembly voted 78-0 to approve a bill making it legal for bar owners and others to offer special promotions such as charging women different prices for drinks. The measure was designed to specifically overturn that June 1 ruling.

"It defies common sense to view Ladies Night as anything other than a way for a bar or restaurant owner to stay competitive and successful," said the measure's sponsor, Assemblyman Joseph Cryan, a Democrat.

Earlier this month, the director of the state Division on Civil Rights ruled in favor of a man who said it wasn't fair for women to get into the Coastline bar and restaurant in Cherry Hill for free and enjoy discounted drinks while men paid \$5 and full price for beverages.

Scientists contend we could greatly speed up our ocean-fishing ships while saving fuel simply by building pliable hulls coated with some plastic similar in texture to the skin of a porpoise.

Maybe you didn't know there are kangaroos in New Guinea. A lot of them.

It was the English poet John Milton who first identified our galaxy as the "Milky Way." He had a base reference for this. The word "galaxy" comes from the Greek for "milk."

It is a strong tradition among the Jibaros tribes people of Ecuador and Peru to drink alcohol with every meal.

The ancient art that depicts dragons with wings shows those wings to be set in such a manner that they flap forward. All those dragons, if real, would fly backward.

Q. What was the first car to offer seat belts? A. Nash Rambler. In 1950.

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Ala. chicken earns 'oldest living' status in record book

BESSEMER, Ala. (AP) — Matilda really is a magic chicken.

Long a prop in a magician's show, the hen from Bessemer has been certified by Guinness World Records as the world's oldest living chicken.

Matilda, who works with Keith Barton in his "Mort the Mystifying" act, is 14 years old. The little gray bird is believed to be an Old English Red Pyle hen.

"She used to have an under-study, but she outlived it," said Barton's wife, Donna, who also is in the act as the magician's assistant.

Matilda's role is to appear in a act that moments earlier seemed to contain only a fresh egg yolk and a few drops of hot sauce.

Getting Matilda on stage was a lot simpler than getting her listed with Guinness. The process took nearly three years, even though the Bartons had veterinary records dating to 1990.

Guinness confirmed Matilda's longevity in an April 27 Web page posting, followed by a letter to the Bartons, which was accompanied by a certificate proclaiming the distinction.

Unknown assailant tackles Dairy Queen mascot in Utah

OREM, Utah (AP) — Talk about a frosty reception.

Andrea Wilcox was trying to lure customers to a suburban Salt Lake City Dairy Queen restaurant last weekend by wearing an inflatable "Curly Top" suit when she was suddenly tackled for no apparent reason.

"I heard a truck drive up behind me, so I turned around and was waving at them when a kid jumped out and ran toward me," said Wilcox, who didn't get

a good view of the person. "I thought, 'What is he doing?' and he just tackled me like a football player."

Manager Sophie Thomas devised a new policy when it comes to wearing Curly Top. "I will now only let them out there if there are two of them," she said.

The incident did not frighten Wilcox too much. About 15 minutes after the attack, she was back out waving to passers-by.

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Stevie Wonder, left, and the Rev. Robert Robinson Sr., son of Ray Charles, sing along during funeral services for Ray Charles at First AME Church in Los Angeles on Friday.

Friends sing praises of Ray Charles at funeral

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Friends of Ray Charles sent the singer off on a high note Friday.

B.B. King, Glen Campbell, Stevie Wonder and Wynton Marsalis performed musical tributes to Charles, who died last week at 73, during a joyous funeral service at the First African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Charles' son, the Rev. Robert Robinson Sr., started the service with a rousing tone-clapping his hands throughout a reading from the Old Testament. Then the Rev. Jesse Jackson added a New Testament reading threaded with his own inspirational message.

"Now heaven has a maestro," Jackson said. "Ray, when you first got there, before you meet Count (Basie), before you meet Duke (Ellington), before you meet family and friends, there's a man over there, across the river who is giving sight to the blind!"

Friends and family of the singer, who had been blind since age 7, applauded and cheered.

Willie Nelson performed a tearful rendition of Charles' signature hit, "Georgia On My Mind," but wasn't allowed to leave the pulpit on a sad note.

Charles' longtime manager, Joe Adams, teased him about

Bush ads raise negatives, but fail to undercut Kerry

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's re-election team drew up negative impressions of John Kerry during a relentless \$80 million advertising campaign the last three months, but the Republicans failed to undercut the Democrat's standing as a viable alternative to a second term.

As the Bush-Cheney campaign's spring push draws to a close, the Republicans have succeeded in changing voters' perception of Kerry — from a positive opinion held by a majority of Americans to a largely divided view.

After winning the primaries in early March, Kerry was viewed favorably by a 2-to-1 margin. Now, half view him favorably and four in 10 have an unfavorable assessment, according to a Pew Research Center poll released this week.

"The Bush campaign raised Kerry's negatives on the themes they were advertising and reinforced the perception of Bush as a strong leader," said Kathleen Hall Jamieson, a specialist in political communication and director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania.



John Kerry

Bush gets boost from McCain regarding Iraq, campaign

FORT LEWIS, Wash. (AP) — Before cheering troops, President Bush got a strong endorsement on Iraq and a boost for his re-election campaign Friday from Sen. John McCain, the Arizona Republican courted by Democrat John Kerry to be his running mate.

McCain offered dire warnings about the threat from terrorists and from Saddam Hussein — words that matched the starkest language Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney have employed. The support from McCain came as the president is trying counter rising questions about the invasion.

"Should the enemy acquire for their arsenal the chemical, biological and nuclear weapons they seek, this war (terrorism) will become an even bigger thing: It will become a fight for survival," McCain told thousands of GIs at the Army base here. "That's why your courage is so indispensable to us."

Bush sat just behind McCain on a stage erected in an aircraft hangar, basking in the endorsement from his fierce opponent for the 2000 GOP presidential nomination. They seemed determined to project unity, heaping praise on each other with no mention of the bitter contest.

The president said of McCain, who spent 5.5 years in a Vietnamese POW camp: "McCain said of Bush: 'He has not wavered in his determination to protect this country and to make the world a better, safer, freer place. You will not yield, nor will he.'"

Experts rethink zoo designs after escape

DALLAS (AP) — A cheetah could do it. So could a chimpanzee. But no one expected a stocky, knuckle-dragging 340-pound gorilla to leap across a 12-foot-wide moat and a wall that separated him from visitors at the Dallas Zoo.

But zoo investigators say that is exactly what happened the day 13-year-old Jabari escaped and went on a 40-minute rampage in March, snatching up a toddler with his teeth and injuring three other people before being shot to death by officers.

The gorilla's flying leap has astounded primate experts and is leading some to rethink the design of the gorilla exhibits at the nation's zoos.

"All it does is give you pause and you think, 'This may be one championship gorilla here, but I've got to be careful because maybe I've got one too,'" said Terry L. Maple, former director of Zoo Atlanta for 17 years, who has written about gorilla behavior.

At the Dallas Zoo, animals in the gorilla enclosure are roughly at visitors' eye level. Zoo officials who conducted a three-month investigation announced this week that they believe Jabari got a running start and sailed over the trench, clearing the 14-foot wall and an electrical wire atop it that is

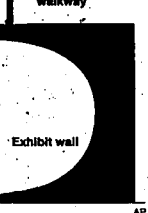
Gorilla's improbable leap

The 340-pound gorilla, Jabari, leapt out of his compound at the Dallas zoo on March 18, clearing the exhibit wall, a trench and a security wire.



SOURCES: Dallas Zoo; Jones & Jones architects

Victor walkway



SOURCES: Dallas Zoo; Jones & Jones architects

supposed to give a mild shock. Some experts speculate Jabari may have been doing a "display run," a showy charge that younger males perform for females or other audiences. Others say he could have been motivated by fear, anger or desire to breed.

Dallas Zoo officials believe he leaped because they could not find evidence of human error, such as open doors, or any objects that could have aided his escape. But zoo director Rich Buckenrood acknowledged: "We still have not had anyone come forward yet to say they actually witnessed the event."

As a result, some experts are a

bit skeptical that the gorilla made such a leap. Whatever happened, Jabari's escape moved the zoo to renovate the exhibit where younger gorillas stay, raising the walls to at least 15 feet, adding "gorilla speed bumps" to break up long, flat stretches, and installing "hot vines," electric wires that resemble plants.

"Everybody who knows anything about gorillas is concerned about this, and everybody should be re-evaluating their safety mechanisms as we speak," Maple said.

Before Jabari's escape, a 12-foot-wide moat was considered an adequate barrier, said Dan

Wharton, director of the Central Park Zoo and chairman of the American Zoo and Aquarium Association's Gorilla Species Survival Plan.

Gorillas — though powerful, quick, agile in the trees and believed by some experts to be as intelligent as chimpanzees — are heavy-boned and were thought to lack the ability to leap long distances.

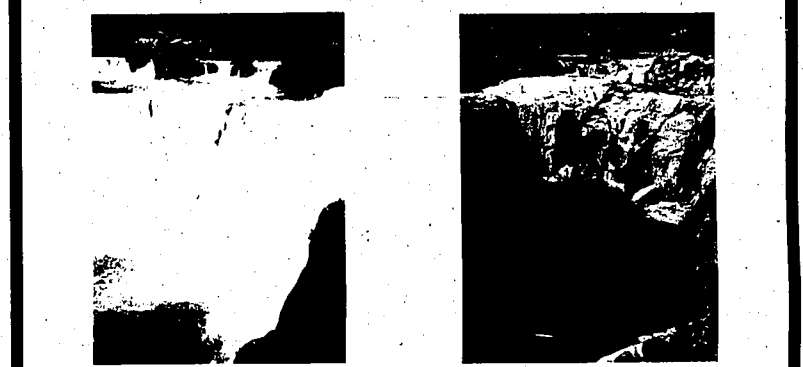
"I think we probably have underestimated the ability of these animals," Maple said. "I'm not saying he did it, but if he did do it, it was a tremendous feat of athleticism that heretofore was not known to this species."

Wharton said he has not yet seen the zoo's review of the incident, but he and other officials plan to study it to determine whether the association should change exhibit guidelines for accredited zoos.

Karen Killmar, associate curator of mammals at the San Diego Zoo, said zoos will adapt to whatever changes are ordered. She noted that change is part of the game in keeping wild animals.

"The one thing in this business: You never say it's impossible," Killmar said. "Just about the time you say, 'No, an animal can't do that,' it'll happen."

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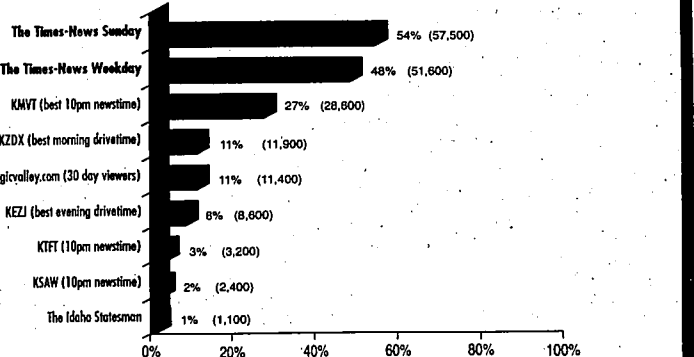
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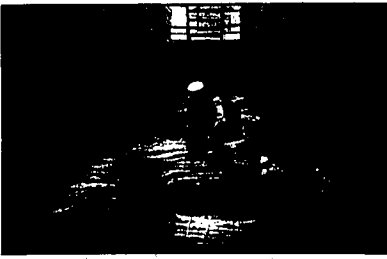
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WORLD

BROOMS FOR SALE



Mohammed Hawoub, 37, packs brooms to sell them at Kabul market, Afghanistan, on Friday. Hawoub manufactures his 'good-quality' brooms with material from Mazari Sharif, north of Afghanistan. The price of one broom is 50 Afghania (U.S. \$3).

Israel plans remote-control border

JERUSALEM (AP) — The Israeli army envisions a "remote control" border with the Gaza Strip after a troop withdrawal. Including unmanned patrol cars and computerized observation posts that would automatically spot and kill attackers, a military official said Friday.

The technology already exists, but the plan hasn't been approved yet, and other options are also being considered, the official said on condition of anonymity.

In preparation for the Israeli withdrawal, the Palestinian Authority and militant groups in Gaza have begun drafting an agreement for jointly running the territory, officials said Friday.

Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia said the document would be completed after additional talks in Egypt. Qureia met Friday with Egyptian President Hosni



A Palestinian has a Palestinian flag painted on his face during traditional Friday prayers during a demonstration by villagers at the construction site of Israel's separation barrier between the northern West Bank village of Isakaka and the Jewish settlement of Ariel.

Mubarak in Cairo to discuss the Israeli withdrawal, scheduled to be completed in September 2005. Egypt has been serving as mediator between the Israelis and the Palestinians. Qureia has also met with leaders of Hamas and Islamic

Ihlah in Gaza in recent days. The militants have refused to join the Palestinian Authority, which was established as a result of interim peace accords with Israel that they opposed. But they have indicated they want to participate in running Gaza after a withdrawal.

"Now we are working on a paper that includes a framework for all the issues. When concluding the dialogue based on this paper and when we say that we have had fruitful results then we can say that we have an agreement," Qureia said in a telephone interview from Cairo. Also Friday, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat was quoted as saying he "definitely" understands that Israel must retain its Jewish character — a rare statement by the Palestinian leader. But Arafat was evasive when asked by the Haaretz daily about the fate of more than 4 million Palestinian refugees and their descendants.

While some passions flare, others flag

Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Life is violent, minds are frayed and the little blue pill is selling big on Sadoon Street.

"People are depressed, so they need Viagra and other drugs to give them interest in sex," said Talid Abdul-Amir Shebany, a pharmacist who tracks the changing ailments of Iraqis in a worn ledger on his desk. "Viagra sales have at least doubled since the war ended. Lives are not good. There's bombs and tension. When you see bodies and destroyed houses, you have psychological disturbances that affect sexual desire."

Emotional demons and persistent stress have disturbed the rhythm of life, from ending to having sex to strolling along the Tigris. But a burgeoning black-market in medicines and increased freedom of expression have allowed Iraqis to experiment with pills and remedies to fix what has gone wrong.

Viagra and its copycats — Kamagra from India, Novagra from Britain and Vega from Syria — have been available for several years, but importation was limited, taxed and heavily regulated by the former Iraq Health Ministry.

Those barriers are gone. Drugs are cheaper — four Kamagra tablets sell for \$2.50 — and sometimes even women in this tribal, patriarchal society will whisper their husbands' dysfunctions into the pharmacist's ear.

"The Quran does not forbid Viagra," Shebany said. "In Islam, if a man can't sexually satisfy his wife, she can ask for a divorce. Viagra helps prevent this disaster."

The popularity of Viagra points to new wrinkles in Iraqi society. Satellite TV — forbidden under Saddam Hussein — is beaming sex and its accoutrements into mud-brick houses and marble mansions. Selling alongside Viagra in many phar-

macies are breast-enhancement creams, skin whitening gels and herbal slimming potions. And young Iraqi men — too poor these days to make suitable husbands — are trolling discreet red-light districts with condoms and sex pills as prostitution has flourished and become more open under occupation.

"My sales of the Viagra and other sex medicines are much bigger now," said Hamid Balaty, standing under a fan in the Sadoon Pharmacy. "For young men, the war brought democracy and freedom and more time for sex. The repression is gone. People are getting more open about it, although some still ask for the blue tablet because they're embarrassed."

A few doors down, Mustafa Izy munched on sunflower seeds in his pharmacy, where car exhaust and dust have settled on his glass counter. He is a grumpy man, and Viagra is not a particularly big product for him.

"It is a cosmetic drug," he said. "The security situation is so bad these days that people's sexual appetites are down. I have more people asking for anti-anxiety medicines such as Valium and Xanax."

Business was slow in Shebany's pharmacy. Men and women sauntered in and out, unfolding crumpled pieces of paper scrawled with names of medicine.

Sipping tea, Shebany looked at them and nodded yes, or no. His assistant, Hassan Ubaidy, a jumpy, muscular man, brought out a plate of cookies, and the two men pondered sex and war and the emotional battles in between.

"I was outside Iraq for three years and my sexual activity was good," Ubaidy said. "But now I'm back, and because of these times my desires have gone down. I don't use Viagra. I work on bodybuilding."

Full Iraqi oil exports will resume by end of next week

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Full crude oil exports from southern Iraq are expected to resume by the end of next week, as crews work to repair two major pipelines hit by insurgents, coalition officials said Friday.

The smaller of the two lines is nearly fixed and could be tested by Saturday, said Dominic d'Angelo, a spokesman for the U.S.-led coalition in the southern city of Basra.

"It's just a question of when the (smaller) can be up and running," he said.

The damage to the larger pipeline is still being assessed, but resumption of full exports is expected "for the end of next week. But they could come by the middle. Wednesday is a possibility," d'Angelo said.

The attack Wednesday on the pipelines — Iraq's main export arteries — forced the suspension of all crude shipments from the Persian Gulf.

Between 1.7 million and 1.8 million barrels-per-day of crude oil are exported through the two southern lines, and the shutdown has cost Iraq tens of

millions of dollars earmarked for use in reconstruction efforts.

The attacks against the pipeline appear part of an insurgent campaign to undermine public support for the interim government, which takes power June 30, marking the end of the American-run occupation.

A birthday greeting for Sally... Happy 50th Birthday! Love Mom & Dad. Includes a small photo of Sally.

Budget Auto Sales advertisement. Features a large image of a car, text: 'The Area's Best Selection of Late Model Pre-Owned Vehicles', 'Register to Win this FREE Car', '99 Nissan Altima Loaded. Book value over \$7,000', '\$100 in FREE Gas Weekly', 'Tickets to Lagoon Tickets to Roaring Springs', 'Budget Auto Sales', '1-208-878-8874', '300', 'On Site Financing Interest Rates As Low As 3.44%'. Lists various car models like Toyota, Chevrolet, Ford, etc.

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Notes on the economy

Magic Valley report
Shoshone home values
The average value for new, single-family homes that got building permits in Shoshone rang in at \$86,500 for 2003. That's 31 percent below the city's \$124,814 new-home average in 2002.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Best Buy gives cash dividend
TWIN FALLS — Minneapolis-based consumer electronics retailer Best Buy Co. Inc. on Friday declared a regular quarterly cash dividend of 10 cents per common share.

Delta CEO says wage talks 'positive sign'
ATLANTA — Delta Air Lines chief executive Gerald Grinstein said Friday pilots' willingness to renew wage cut talks is a 'positive sign' the financially struggling company can get the concessions it needs to avoid bankruptcy.

Money tip: Mortgages are a marker of credit
NEW YORK — If you have a mortgage that has not yet been paid off, that isn't a black mark on your credit score.

Growers consider organic potatoes

By Lorraine Cavener Times-News correspondent
TWIN FALLS — The beginnings of a small co-op of growers interested in growing organic Idaho potatoes was formed this week. The group gathered informally after a Potato Growers of Idaho meeting to discuss organic opportunities.

food markets exist — such as retailers wanting to expand organic sections, he said. And the profit margin for growers is a lot higher than in conventional markets, Pemsler said, according to a story in today's edition of Ag Weekly.
'The market is there,' he said. 'The challenge is you have to be able to walk in and say: 'I can supply you.'

Other states such as California, Oregon and Washington are producing organics on a fairly large scale. Since Idaho is known for its high-quality potatoes, Idaho could be a leader in organic potato production, he said.
'Idaho potatoes are presented as a premier product in the marketplace,' Pemsler said. 'I know we are not part of organic.'
Idaho has 13 growers who produce about 350 acres of organic potatoes, according to 2002 statistics, said Margaret Misner, program director for the organics department of Idaho State Department of Agriculture.

Growing organic
Organic produce sales have been growing by 11 percent per year.
Katherine DiMatteo, executive director, Organic Trade Association
In the produce business improved quality, greater variety and less difference in pricing have made organics the second fastest-growing category in produce, following fresh cut items.
Wayne E. Katt, produce merchandising manager for Northwest Grocers LLC, Seattle
Sales of organic chips, nuts,

nutrition bars and candy jumped 29.6 percent last year. That was outpaced only by organic meats (including poultry and fish).
Organic Trade Association
Organics are Frito-Lay's fastest-growing line. In a year, Frito-Lay has emerged as the No. 1 seller of organic snacks. It recently introduced organic Tostitos chips. Now, it's working on an organic Doritos line, perhaps, someday, potato chips.
USA Today, June 17
Organic food is a \$23 billion industry.
USA Today, June 1

can be sold to dairies, said Mike Heath, a certified organic grower from Bull.
Heath, who has been raising organic crops for 20 years, said he raises about 35 acres of or-

ganic fresh pack and processing potatoes, if the market doesn't allow. However, too many additional producers could kill the organics market, Heath said.
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EARNING TUITION



Tuition Painters State College manager David Ecklund, left, Gardner Raymond, center, and crew chief Andy Pribisco place a 40-foot ladder up against a house they will paint in State College, Pa., on June 8.

Painting gigs not just summer rite for some

The Associated Press
STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — When Dave Ecklund took his first summer painting job two years ago, it beat working in the sawmill back home. This summer, Ecklund is running his own Tuition Painters franchise, with a goal of earning enough to pay his tuition at Penn State.
Thousands of college students will work as painters this summer, many employed by fellow students like Ecklund, franchise managers for corporations that have turned student paint crews into an institution.

\$137,000 worth of work. We painted around 86 homes last year,' said Ecklund, who's six months away from graduation.
'It might be the most impressive thing on my resume.
From coast to coast and into Canada, if there's a college nearby, there's probably a painting franchise. College Pro, the largest operator with more than 300 franchises across the United States and in Canada, and College Works Painting both operate in more than a dozen states. There are a handful of regional players, such as Tuition Painters on the East Coast, College Craft in the Midwest, and Student Painters in the Ohio Valley region.

business, from paint chemistry and technology to developing a marketing plan. During the spring and summer, each manager is responsible for hiring a crew, purchasing supplies and scheduling and performing each job.
Brian Honeyman, president of College Pro's U.S. East division, said the average College Pro franchise did \$80,000 in sales last summer with five franchises earning \$200,000.
'The learning curve is phenomenal,' said Honeyman, who was a College Pro painter and franchisee while studying at the University of Calgary in Alberta during the mid-1980s. 'The students who come back and continue, compared with their peer group they've really developed a tremendous set of skills. They're ready to run a big business.'
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Penn State student and Tuition Painters employee Jay Reinhardt paints a railing of a home in State College, Pa., on June 8.

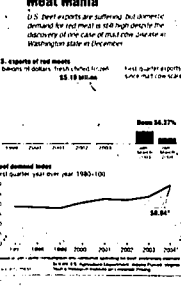
Beef business stays home and works to bulk back up

The Washington Post
WASHINGTON — Facing the loss of a key export market for its short ribs when the mad cow scare temporarily paralyzed the American beef industry six months ago, Harris Ranch Beef Co. of Selma, Calif., began experimenting.
Over the first few months of the year, it tested two flavors of short ribs that might appeal to U.S. consumers, spicy sesame and teriyaki, and just won the necessary government approval to sell them through grocery stores and restaurants.
'I have a little less hair and I'm a little more gray than when we started on this,' said Bruce

Berven, director of marketing for the company. But if the new product sells, it could use up all the short ribs the company once sold to South Korea.
Since the discovery of one case of mad cow disease in Washington state in late December, the U.S. beef industry has had to deal with uncertainty about consumer response, volatile prices, increased safety costs — and the start this month of a more intensive testing program for mad cow disease. Yet, as the Harris Ranch innovation shows, many companies are faring better than they expected: even as the two biggest export markets, Japan and South Korea, remain

closed.
The \$175 billion-a-year beef industry has strong domestic sales, aided by the popularity of low-carb, high-protein diets. And the biggest, most diversified processors have also been helped by the strong sales and higher prices of pork and chicken, both here and abroad.
'Demand in the U.S. does not seem to have flagged at all,' said Jim Herlihy, a spokesman for Swift & Co., another leading processor. 'Consumers are continuing to buy despite the higher prices.'
Industry officials know there may be more upheaval around the corner. This month the government began expanded

testing of both suspect and healthy cows. With new, faster tests being used, the industry is expecting at least some favorable results.
No one knows how consumers will respond if a second case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) is found.
'The fact is, it's possible we're going to get another case. The surveillance system is going to determine BSE. If we have it, with a very high degree of accuracy,' said Janet Riley, a spokesman for the American Meat Institute, based in Arlington, Va. 'You just don't know how future cases will be perceived.'



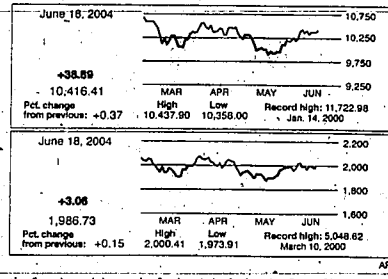
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MONEY

Trade deficit, oil can't hold down stocks

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors overcame their concerns about inflation and rising trade deficits to push stocks moderately higher Friday...

overall volatility was low even as prices rose. "It's really hard to say how much of this is due to wincing, but I guess there's some of it in there," said Scott Weiss, equity strategist for A.G. Edwards & Sons...



Friday was a "triple whammy" on Wall Street — when oil prices, futures and commodities expire — which customarily means increased volatility in individual stock prices. However,

the fourth straight week of gains for the Dow, while the S&P 500 fell for the third week.

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panic market, under the brand name La Herencia. Still, Swift and other beef processors lost container-loads of meat that were en route to foreign markets when the BSE case was discovered.

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HOUSTON (AP) — Halliburton Co. fired two consultants Friday for behavior that it called unbecomingly unprofessional. The former chairman of a subsidiary was investigated in an alleged \$180 million bribery scandal involving a natural gas project contract in Nigeria.

ment Friday. The firings come as Halliburton defends itself against allegations that it overcharged the government on contracts related to the U.S. invasion of Iraq. Congress is looking into the matter, but Halliburton denies wrongdoing and says the company is a political target.

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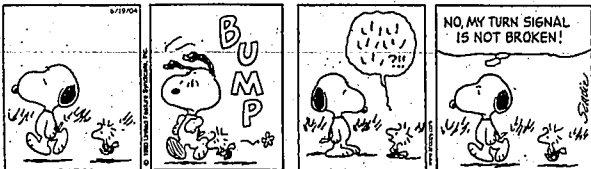
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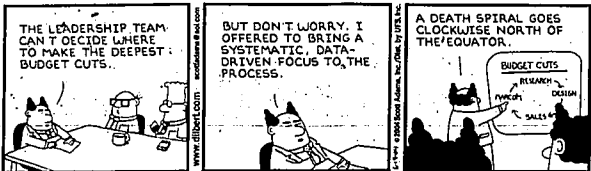
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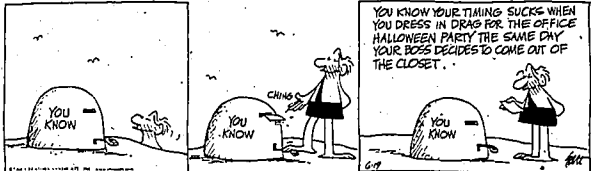
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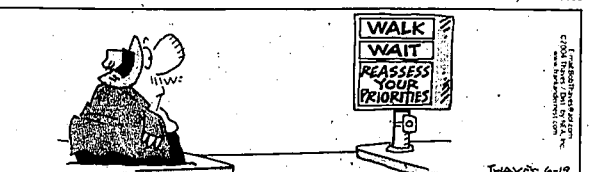
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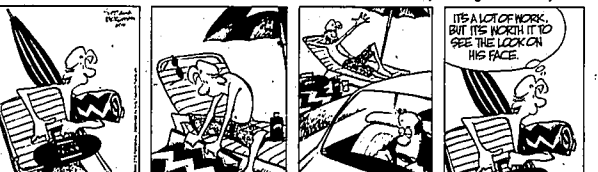
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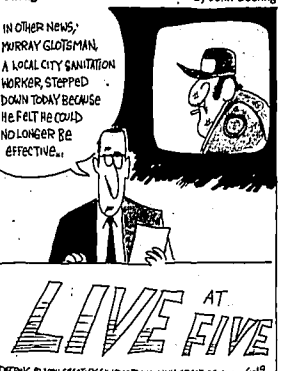
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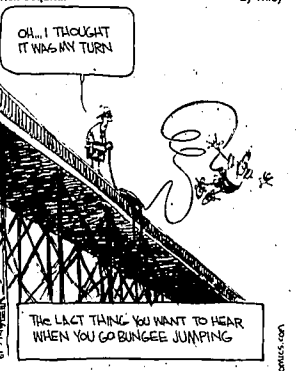
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Humor is a gift from God

Swapping stories and chuckling about our family's foibles as we sit around the dining room table is a particular pleasure of mine.

"Oh, when you got up on Saturday mornings to make us pancakes, you looked like a crazy man with your hair messed up," my kids recalled of their childhood during a family dinner.



TOM SCHAEFER

"Still crazy after all these years," I responded with a grin. "Laughter has always carried us — my wife, my kids and extended family — through good times and bad."

When I think-of-laughter and another Father's Day — I also remember my dad with his squinty grin and rat-a-tat-tat chuckle. No one loved a joke more than he. Dad, who died in 1980, could fire up a roomful of wallflowers and have the most introverted giggling with delight.

I agree that what the world needs now is love, but it also needs a healthy dose of laughter. Unfortunately, laughter isn't always set up in a good-natured or therapeutic way. Much of what passes for humor has a mocking tone to it. It reveals the mistakes or shortcomings of others — and not merely slip-on-a-banana-peel mishaps.

I confess that I find some of it hard to resist. I laugh when I shouldn't. (Is that because such humor provides an escape from the harsh realities we endure every day?) Humor seems to have an increasingly sharper edge to it. Just watch the Comedy Channel. Comedy is coarser and more divisive. (Has politics been any nastier?) And if you don't join in the guffawing, then you're labeled as prudish, a snob or someone too dense to appreciate a good laugh.

The truth is, what seems funny to us says something about us: If we mock virtue, we accept vice. Not a mission many of us want to make.

Laughter can be healthy. The late Norman Cousins, a noted editor, proved the efficacy of humor when he was diagnosed in the mid-1960s with a life-threatening disease. His doctors gave him little hope, so he devised his own medical regimen: He took massive doses of vitamin C and read classic comedy movies — Abbott and Costello, Charlie Chaplin. He watched one after the other, hour after hour, and the more he did, the more he laughed. And little by little he began to feel better. He called laughter "inner jogging." Eventually, doctors could not find any trace of his incurable disease. It was another 25 years before he died, after cardiac arrest.

No one suggests that laughter cures all ills, but it can release a good feeling about ourselves and others that is restorative and spiritually enriching.

That's because humor is a gift of God. The story of Abraham and Sarah in the Book of Genesis is a prime example.

At 90, Sarah was beyond her childbearing years, but God promised Abraham that Sarah would bear a child. When Sarah heard of the promise, she laughed. Nine months later, Sarah gave birth to a child. God told Abraham to name the baby Isaac. The punch line? In Hebrew, Isaac means laughter. The joke, it turns out, was on Sarah.

Humor can help us move through darkness. While we rightly grieve over losses — death, divorce, separation — at some point a memory often triggers a smile. And welling up, a light can suppress such a gift, or to another, it with unremitting grief or bitterness, prolongs the time of healing. The Healer says: Let it out.

On Father's Day, I will enjoy the company of my family. We'll tell stories about one another and smile over silly incidents. And I'll think of my father and his infectious laugh.

So, here's to humor. May Father's Day and the days that follow, find you smiling, even through tears of loss.

Tom Schaefer writes about religion and ethics.



Dorothy Mitchell, a volunteer at Helping Hands Thrift Store, cleans the windows of the new business in downtown Hazelton on Wednesday. The store sells clothes and toys, as well as other household products, and is open Monday through Saturday.

Helping Hands

By Steve Turner
Times-News correspondent

HAZELTON — Churches in the Hazelton area wanted to lend a hand to the community. The result is their thrift store, appropriately named Helping Hands. It opened June 7 and business is good, according to Neil Cross, head organizer of the store.

"It has just been open for a week, but through word of mouth, we have been very pleased with the business so far," Cross said. The store was funded with \$1,200 worth of grants from the

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans group.

But churches of all denominations in the Hazelton area have helped out, too. Among the involved groups are Valley Christian Center, the Presbyterian Church and some members of the LDS Church.

The churches are renting the thrift store building, which once was a variety store. The thrift store is run by volunteers, with sign-up sheets for different shifts.

"This system may change later on," Cross said, "but for right now there hasn't been a problem with it."

Cross is joined by four other

Helping Hands Thrift Store

Where: 304 Main St., Hazelton
Hours: 1 to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday
No phone

people who are behind the organization of the thrift store. They are Steven Huetig, Debbie Dehoney, Michelle Johnson and Diane Hohnhorst.

All the merchandise in the thrift store is from community donations, Cross said.

Right now, the merchandise ranges from clothing and shoes

to kitchen utensils and tools to a set of golf clubs.

"We had been talking informally about starting this store for about a year," Cross said. "Finally, Debbie and I called the first meeting and the idea grew from there."

Helping Hands is a non-profit business, and funds generated will go to local groups involved in giving to the Hazelton community.

"So far we've been working hard at tying up the loose ends and getting the store open," Cross said. "Hazelton is just far enough out of the way that a store like this becomes very helpful to the community."

In Mexican state, Catholics, Protestants clash over schools

By Mark Stevenson
The Associated Press

TZELJALTEC, Mexico — Thousands of children have been forced to leave their schools as a new form of segregation takes root in rebellion-wracked southern Mexico, with conflicts in Indian communities pitting Catholics against Protestants, and traditionalists against the political opposition.

Yoriko Yasukawa, a UNICEF representative in Mexico, estimates that 184,000 children in the state of Chiapas have left school — many of them as a result of political or religious discord.

The Associated Press recently visited a half-dozen predominantly Catholic towns where Protestant children had been expelled from schools.

The expulsions go beyond religious friction — they sometimes involve politics, or even debates over bilingual education.

And often the government tries to build alternate classrooms for kids expelled because of their parents' beliefs. But some are left with substandard, improvised classrooms — or no school at all.

Most of the better-equipped schools remain in the hands of traditional Catholics, so named because they practice a form of mixed Indian and Roman Catholic rites, require community members to serve in local posts, and support Mexico's old ruling party.

Those expelled are called "evangelicals," a term applied to both Protestants and anybody who supports a different political party. In one incident, on Aug. 19, 2002, majority Catholics armed with machetes, rocks and guns gathered outside the school in the hamlet of



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Tzajaltec to prevent "evangelical" children from registering for the school year.

The parents told school director Alejandro Ruiz, 38, not to resist the expulsions, and to leave for a while. When parents of minority children showed up demanding the right to enroll in the government-run school, a fight ensued in which several people were injured.

"The ideal would be for all the children to study together," Ruiz says. "But they have prohibited me from accepting any registrations from 'evangelical' children. They keep a close eye on me."

A chain-link fence has been erected around the school in Tzajaltec, and an armed state policeman stands guard in the schoolyard to prevent further violence.

The 40 students who were denied entry missed the 2002 school year. In 2003, they used an improvised classroom in a house, and this year minority parents pitched in to build a cinderblock, tin-roofed shed to serve as a school.

In the noisy, one-room building, teacher Virginia Santiago leads students from grades one through five. "Next year, I'm supposed to get 19 new kids."

That will make 61 students," Santiago says, gesturing to the 12-by-20-foot schoolhouse. Manuel Mendez, 12, is still in the first grade as a result of the expulsions and sporadic attendance. "I want to be a teacher," he says, "so I can teach my mother and father how to read."

'South Park' parodies religion in a unique way

By Mark I. Pinsky
The Orlando Sentinel

Jesus has been battling Satan for a long time, but never like this: head-to-head in a boxing ring. On this very un-biblical television show, Jesus is so overmatched that he triumphs only because the devil takes a dip.

The program is "South Park," the animated series that is one of the most unlikely and unsettling — intersections of faith and entertainment ever created. In a year in which evangelical blockbusters such as Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ" and the "Left Behind" novels have raised reverence a notch, "South Park" chugs along in its eighth extremely irreverent season on Comedy Central.

The show continues to be a huge hit with viewers in the 18-to-34 range. Yet "South Park's" religious content has gone largely unnoticed by the mainstream, perhaps because few Christians watch it and because its satire is so outrageous that it isn't taken seriously.

Consequently, there has been little backlash. In the weekly series, Jesus not only lives in South Park, he appears frequently. True, as host of a talk show, the Nazarene is portrayed as more of a flawed superhero than a savior. But there he is, flying around in the opening credits and taking center stage in more than a dozen episodes.

The show's creators, Trey Parker and Matt Stone, make no apologies. "Every religion has their own version of God, and none of them makes sense," explained Stone, who describes himself as an "agnostic Jew."

Parker and Stone sold the concept on the basis of a profanity-ridden, five-minute, animated short in which Jesus and Santa brawled over the true meaning of Christmas. With the help of a full-length movie that grossed more than \$50 million at the U.S. box office, "South Park" is firmly ensconced in American popular culture. New episodes draw nearly 4 million viewers per week.

The series has dealt with the nature and purpose of God, the role of prayer, salvation, hell, the Christian missionary experience, religious broadcasting, Mormonism, the Roman Catholic Church's clergy sex-abuse scandal, anti-Semitism and Jewish identity.

RELIGION

Aaron Wilburn will perform tonight in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — Aaron Wilburn, "Mr. Bless Your Heart," will perform at the Magic Valley Gospel Opry at 7 p.m. today at the First Assembly of God Church, 143 Locust St. N.

The comedian, singer and award-winning gospel songwriter is with Gaither Homecoming. His songs have been recorded by artists such as Lee Greenwood, Tammy Wynette and Johnny Cash.

For more information, call 733-5349.

Church will host Father's Day breakfast Sunday
TWIN FALLS — Rock Creek Community Church will serve breakfast for fathers at 8 a.m. Sunday at the Seventh-day Adventist School at 131 Grandview Drive. Free-will offerings will be taken.

Worship at 10 a.m. will feature the church choir, directed by Ruth Stutzman, and Pastor Dale Metzger's message, "Loved by the Father." Every man in attendance will receive a gift.

The Rev. Bruce Stevens will speak Sunday
HOLLISTER — The Rev. Bruce Stevens of Twin Falls will

Church news

speak at 11 a.m. Sunday at Hollister Community Presbyterian Church. Refreshments will be served.

Jazz trio will sing for Father's Day on Sunday

TWIN FALLS — A Father's Day Jazz Mazs will be held during the 10 a.m. service Sunday at Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 Eastland Drive N. The Seattle-based jazz trio, New Stories, are special guests — and College of Southern Idaho jazz man Brent Jensen will add his saxophone. The public is invited to the jazz worship, with free bread and wine.

Committee will host good luck reception Sunday

JEROME — A reception for the Rev. Quinton Kimbrov will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Jerome United Methodist Church. The Pastor Parish Relations Committee is hosting the reception to wish him good luck in Pendleton, Ore.

Church will present vacation Bible school

TWIN FALLS — A vacation Bible school is set for 9 to 11:45 a.m. Monday through Friday at Lighthouse Christian Fellow-

ship, 259 Main Ave. E. "Son Canvas" kids will hear Bible stories, learn songs, play games, do crafts and eat snacks. Ages 2 through those entering sixth grade in the fall are invited.

Police, church will hold bike rodeo on June 26

KIMBERLY — Crossroads United Methodist Church and the Kimberly Police will hold a bike rodeo from 9 to 11 a.m. June 26 in the parking lot at Wells Fargo Bank in Kimberly. The event will feature an obstacle course, bike swap, tune-up area, bike auction and bike safety course. Children through sixth-graders are welcome.

Woman organizes 'Month of Prayer' for troops

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley-area churches are encouraging to get involved with local military personnel (116th unit) being shipped out to Iraq on June 28 by having a "Month of Prayer" for the troops. Churches interested in participating and signing up for a month or more may call Elaine Steele at 308-5141.

Chl Alpha Singers present concert during services

TWIN FALLS — The Chl Alpha Singers of the First Baptist Church in Barstow, Calif., will present a concert/drama,

"Yes, I Believe," during 8:30 and 11 a.m. services Sunday at Eastside Baptist Church, 204 Eastland Drive N. The group consists of 42 students directed by Jerry Green, associate pastor of the Barstow Church, who perform in various states. The public is invited. Nursery care will be provided at the 11 a.m. service.

Churches team up to host week-long day camps

RUPERT — Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert, Zion Lutheran in Burley and Camp Perkins Lutheran Outdoor Ministries have teamed up to provide two week-long day camps. Camps will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 28-July 2 in Burley and July 5-9 in Rupert. Children in kindergarten through sixth grade will enjoy music, crafts, Bible studies, games and devotions. Bring sack lunches. Admission is free. For information for the Rupert camp, call 436-3414 or stop by the church, at 909 Eighth St. For the Burley camp, call 878-4161. Zion Lutheran is located at 2410 Miller Ave.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trina Tegan, The Times-News, Burley Bureau, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

LDS president calls New York temple a 'Zion in Babylon'

NEW YORK (AP) — Gordon B. Hinckley, president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, dedicated a new Mormon temple in New York, calling its construction a "miracle."

"As I walked through this magnificent building created within a day, I said to myself, 'This is Zion in Babylon,'" Hinckley, 94, said at the ceremony Sunday. "This is such a place of beauty, A miracle, I think, has occurred here."

The temple is for sacred rituals including marriages and baptisms and is the 119th Mormon temple worldwide. It is the only Mormon temple in the greater New York area and will serve more than 42,000 members.

It is the second Mormon temple, after Hong Kong, to be built on the upper floors of an existing structure, in a building the church already owned on Columbus Avenue on Manhattan's Upper West Side.

Several Magic Valley-area residents have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Called to serve:

Elder Joshua Perotto will serve in the California Arcadia Mission. Perotto is the son of Phyllis Perotto of Rupert, a 2003 graduate of Minico High School and an Eagle Scout. He worked for Land View Fertilizer in Rupert and is in the Rupert 1st Ward.

Elder Jeff Crandall will serve in the Russia Vladivostok Mission. Crandall is the son of Monte and Ann Crandall of Twin Falls, a 2003 graduate of Twin Falls High School and an Eagle Scout. In high school, he was in Chamber Singers and JIVE. He attended Brigham Young University, where he was in the BYU Men's Chorus, and BYU Symphonic Band.

Elder Matthew Crandall served in the Baltic Estonian Mission. Crandall is the son of Monte and Ann Crandall of Twin Falls, an Eagle Scout and 2001 graduate of Twin Falls High School, where he was in Chamber Singers, JIVE, Key Club and National Honor Society. He will

continue his education at Brigham Young University.

Elder Jone Francis Prudent III served in the Mexico Guadalajara Mission. Prudent is the son of Jone and Jilena Prudent of Kimberly, a 2001 graduate of Kimberly High School and an Eagle Scout. He will continue his education at the College of Southern Idaho, where he was on the dean's list.

Sister Annalisa Bagwell served in the Arizona Tucson Mission. Bagwell will continue her education at Brigham Young University-Idaho. Her parents are Wayne and Leannina Bagwell of Declo.

Elder David J. Larsen served in the Chile Santiago West Mission. Larsen will continue his education at Brigham Young University-Idaho. His parents are Larry and Roberta Larsen of Rupert.

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The Times-News welcomes news of church missionaries, published free. Send to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trina Tegan, The Times-News, Burley Bureau, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is noon Thursday for publication on Saturday.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another, singing with grace in your hearts, being thankful for your blessings.

Take heed of ourselves and unto the doctrines and continue in them, for in doing this we shall both save our mortal souls and them that hear us.

FRANK POPPAY EVELYN L. POPPAY Buhl

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less. Include signature, address and phone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and The Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

Albany Episcopal diocese joins dissident conservative network

SPECULATOR, N.Y. (AP) — The Episcopal Diocese of Albany has voted to join a conservative network of American Episcopal churches that formed after the denomination consecrated its first openly gay bishop last year.

Albany is the eighth of the 107 Episcopal dioceses nationwide to join the Network of Anglican Communion Dioceses and Parishes, which was created six months ago as a

"church within a church" in opposition to denominational leaders.

American network organizers hope they will be recognized by international Anglican leaders as the true Episcopal representatives in the United States.

Currently, the Episcopal Church is the U.S. branch of the worldwide Anglican Communion. New Hampshire, the Diocese of New Hampshire elected as its

bishop V. Gene Robinson, who lives openly with his longtime male partner.

The move sparked protests from many in the Anglican world.

Albany Bishop Daniel Herzog emphasized that the vote last Saturday at the diocese's annual convention does not mean the diocese is splitting from the national church. But opponents believe the network is laying the groundwork to split.

Rainbow flag flies at school of religion

By Randy Myers Knight Ridder News Service

BERKELEY, Calif. — The religious studies center Mary Tolbert helped create wears its rainbow stripes proudly, vigorously advocating for gays and lesbians sitting in pews and preaching from pulpits.

Our role is really to work to change the public discourse around sexuality and religion in a way that works for the benefit of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people," said Tolbert, the center's executive director.

It's accomplishing that mission without any fuss at a Christian seminary, an institution where it would be more likely to encounter the most icy reception.

The warm welcome gays and lesbians receive at Berkeley's Pacific School of Religion even

declares itself from a window at Benton Hall, an on-campus housing unit where a huge rainbow flag, the symbol of gay pride, hangs undisturbed.

As cultural and religious battles wage on over issues such as same-sex marriages and gays and lesbians in the clergy, the Pacific School of Religion sticks to a long-held tradition of advocating and supporting gays and lesbians.

There's a need for a progressive religious voice on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues," said dean Bill McKinney.

The multi-denominational seminary of the United Church of Christ challenges prevailing perceptions that Christianity resoundingly rejects homosexuality. Through contemporary history, the institution founded in 1866 has been at the forefront in the inclusion of gays and lesbians.

In 1972, Pacific School of Religion graduate Bill Johnson became the first openly gay man ordained by a Christian denomination, the United Church of Christ.

In the '70s, the seminary's board opened married student housing to committed same-sex partners, a move considered bold even by secular university standards.

In 2000, Tolbert opened the religious studies center, the only national, perhaps international, program of its kind.

The allure of helping launch the center enticed New Testament scholar Tolbert to move to the Bay Area along with her lesbian partner. Since the center's debut, Tolbert and three other part-time staff members have sponsored forums and been peppered with requests for media interviews and consultations.

Parody

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they cults and spiritualism, and contemporary Christian music. Pint-sized and notry-mouthed, the show's main characters are crudely drawn, fast-talking children in the third and fourth grade. Stan, Kyle, Eric and Kenny are visually reminiscent of Charles Schulz's Peanuts gang, with round heads and short bodies. But for the most part, the "South Park" quartet is nasty, naughty and nihilistic. Jesus often admits he doesn't

have all the answers, and sometimes simply doesn't intervene in the world, as when the South Park Elementary School's football team is being shut out by a rival.

And Jesus can be short-tempered, too. His phone-in TV show is called "Jesus and Pals," and the host always knows who's calling. When one caller asks how Jesus knows his name, Jesus snaps, "Well, maybe it's because I'm the Son of God, Brainiac!"

Louis Giovinco, a spokesman for the conservative Catholic

League for Religious and Civil Rights, told National Public Radio that "South Park" made "Life of Brian" look like a playground." But other Catholic observers disagree.

In the midst of all this gross-out, puerile humor are flashes of insight into the religious condition, says the Rev. James Martin, associate editor of America magazine, the national Catholic weekly. The show is subversive, he says, because it uses humor to lead people to a serious consideration of faith and theology.

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DAUGHTERS' AWARD

DELEGATE PICKS



Members of the Twin Falls DAR pose with Linda Tinker Watkins, president general of the National Society of DAR, and Ann Beebe, Idaho State regent. Pictured are, from left, front row: Marian Russell, Watkins, Maureen Williams and Beebe; back row: Diane Greene and Pat Ruschetti.



Albion Legion Auxiliary 124 selected delegates from Declo, Oakley and Raft River who it sponsored to the 2004 Syringa Girls State June 13-19 at Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa. Shirley Clark, right, chairman, asked the girls questions about government and current events. From left, bottom row, are Chelsea Christensen, Heather Harper and Holly Hurst, Declo delegates; top row: Stephanie Durfee, Raft River delegate; and Valerie Bodke, Oakley delegate. Not pictured is Sara Campbell, a Raft River delegate. Several area businesses contributed toward the girls' expenses to the program, which focused on the workings of government.

Twin Falls DAR receives awards at state conference

TWIN FALLS — Members of the Twin Falls Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, received a number of state-level awards at the Idaho State DAR conference May 6-8 in Pocatello.

Among the chapter honors: a first-place award for Commemorative Events for activities supporting National Constitution Week and the Bell Tower at Valley Forge.

Diane Greene received two first-place state awards and one Northwest Division award in the membership photo con-

test, "What DAR Means to Me." The fifth-grade chapter winner for the American History Essay Contest, Kelly Ann Buddecke of Perrine Elementary School in Twin Falls, took first place in the state-level contest.

Other certificates of award recognized the chapter's special service to veterans (Marian Russell, chairman); displays and activities for Constitution Week (Pat Ruschetti, chairman); contributions to the state Volunteer Information Specialists' Committee (Diane Greene, chairman), which in-

cludes the chapter's Web site and other computer activities; largest increase statewide in national magazine subscriptions; participation in the President General's Project; and contributions for new members.

The conference provided members of the state's nine chapters an opportunity to share ideas for community service activities that support the national organization's patriotic, historical and educational objectives.

State Regent Ann Beebe of

Caldwell presided over the conference.

Among the honored guests were Linda Tinker Watkins, president general of National Society DAR; Merry Ann Wright, National Society DAR director of development; and the state regents or their representatives from Montana, Nevada, Oregon and Wyoming. Chapter Regent Maureen Williams reported to the state membership on chapter activities over the past year.

For more information about DAR, call Greene at 655-4100.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Hospice volunteers - Idaho Hospice and Hospice needs volunteers who can visit patients, relieve caregivers, run errands or "just be there" for families. Office help is also welcome. Call Susan at 734-4061 or stop by the office at 826 Eastland Drive.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer, call the Redemptive Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 735-2122, ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call weekly to retain request.

Clothing - The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs clothing for men, women and children, blankets and bikes. Drop off items between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday at the Refugee Center, 1525 Addison Ave. E. The center is closed from noon to 1 p.m. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

Employment - The Senior Companion and Foster Grandparent Program of the Magic Valley needs seniors over age 60 who meet income guidelines to work with children who need one-on-one help with school skills, and visitation or helping homebound seniors. Volunteers receive a tax-free hourly wage and mileage reimbursement. Excess accident/liability insurance, training and placement work sites is provided. Call Maggi at 736-2122 or 731-1837 or Ida in Burley at 677-4872 or toll free at 1-800-574-8656.

Tutors - The College of Southern Idaho Adult Basic Education needs volunteer tutors for adult students in reading, English, math and English as a second language. The ISU program also needs volunteer tutors for summer classes for family literacy. Call Ruth Scott at 732-6536 or 1-800-680-0274, ext. 6536.

Respite - Volunteers are needed in the Gooding, Wendell, Jerome, Rupert and Burley areas to give respite to elderly homebound clients so their main caregivers can take a break. Call Edith at 736-2122, ext. 320 or Kitty at 878-0725.

Donations - Hospice Visions is in need of a gas barbecue grill, bird feeder and small storage shed for the Hospice House. Call Flo Slatter at Hospice Visions, 735-0121.

Answering phones - Volunteers are needed to answer telephone calls from seniors needing transportation to medical appointments and grocery shopping, and making arrangements with volunteer drivers. Volunteers must be age 18 or older. The hours are from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 734-4764 or 878-0725.

Quilt donations - An individual is seeking donations of quilt material to make quilts for the Veterans Hospital and the Womens crisis center. Call Ellen at 736-4869.

BURLEY DELEGATES

Burley High School delegates to the 2004 Girls State sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary are, from left, Heather Westergard, Kamilla McMurray and Roxanna Simmons. The girls, who were juniors this school year, were selected by the Burley American Legion Auxiliary Chapter.



Photo courtesy of MARY LYNN BRISTOL

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Burley woman celebrates 80th birthday

BURLEY — June Drago of Burley will be honored at an open house for her 80th birthday 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday at the United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St.

Refreshments will be served. The family requests no gifts.

Burley Scout gets Eagle Scout award next week

BURLEY — Dustin Robert Danielson, son of Robert and Cindy Danielson, will receive his Eagle Scout award at a Court of Honor at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Paul First Baptist Church, 25 N. 4th St. in Paul.

He has earned 21 merit badges. For his Eagle proj-

ect, he built two picnic tables for the city of Burley. Clayton Fetzer assisted with welding and Tom Boes also helped.

Dustin, 17, is a member of Troop 40 sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. His Troop leader is Mike Hicondo.

He will be a senior at Minico High School and enjoys playing tennis and piano and swimming.

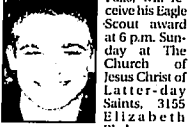
Twin Falls resident gets Eagle Scout award

TWIN FALLS — Jonathan Scott, son of David and Martha Scott of Twin Falls, will receive his Eagle Scout award at 6 p.m. Sunday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3155 E. 1124th Blvd.

The 16-year-old has completed 21 merit badges. For his project he built and placed four goose nest boxes for the Idaho Fish and Game Department.

He is in Troop 100 under the lead of Clay Clabby.

The junior at Kimberly High



Jonathan Scott

School participated in football, baseball, choir and a church youth group and is a mentor for Teens Against Tobacco.

Idaho Stamp Club meets Monday

TWIN FALLS — The South Central Idaho Stamp Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Office of Referral and Information Services, 451 Second Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Anyone interested in stamp collecting is welcome to attend regular meetings on the third Monday of every month.

For more information, call 326-5896.

Magic Valley Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club has announced its weekly winners.

June 15: first, Betty Sabo and Madeline Sawaya; tied for second/third, Dottie Miller and Mary Lee Pfelede with Betty Grant and Ruby Grimes; fourth, Enid Cook and Beverly Reed; and flight B, Bonnie Asplirter and Mary Ann Siegel.

June 16, club championship for north/south: first, Herb Burgess and Riley Burton; second, Joye Astorquia and Jessie

Lingnaw; and third, Harold Bulcher and Gladys Hartnuff. East/west: first, Nathan and Kay Higer; second, Elaine Bowen and Ruth Skeem; and third, Mary Klenon and Evelyn Meyer.

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

For a partner, call 324-2000.

Twin Falls Senior Center plays bingo today

TWIN FALLS — Bingo will be played at 1 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone W.

For more information, call 734-5084.

Pharmacy offers discount screenings

TWIN FALLS — ShopKo Pharmacy in Twin Falls will offer discount bone density, cholesterol and diabetes screenings from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today.

No appointment is necessary. Results are available in five minutes.

The cost is \$25 for bone density screening, \$30 for cholesterol screening (TC, Trig, HDL, LDL,

glucose and ratio), or \$50 for both screenings.

For more information, call 734-3791.

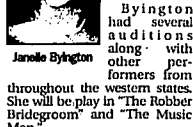
Burley resident performs in West Yellowstone

WEST YELLOWSTONE, Mont. — Janelle Byington, daughter of Dennis and Ursula Byington of Burley, joins the cast for two productions at the Playmill Theatre in West Yellowstone, Mont.

Byington had several auditions along with other performers from throughout the western states. She will be playing "The Robber Bridegroom" and "The Music Man."

The shows run Monday through Saturday through Sept. 4.

For a complete schedule, or reservations, call (406) 646-7527. Byington is a graduate of Burley High School, a former Miss Young University Idaho and will graduate in May 2005 with a de-



Janelle Byington

4-H scrapbook project has openings

TWIN FALLS — There are openings for a scrapbook project for 4-lifers in Level 1 and II.

The project will be held from 1:30-4 p.m. Thursday at the Scrapbook Cottage, 266 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

The cost is \$7 for level I and level II is \$3 for registration and \$5-10 for materials purchased at Scrapbook Cottage.

To reserve a spot, call at 735-8383.

B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club announces results

RUPERT — Results for the B.J. Duplicate Bridge Club for June 15 were, north/south first, Dot Creason and Norma Goodman; second, Vera Mai and Eunice Merrigan; third, Howard and Mary Tucker; and fourth, Steve Sams and Margarite Manning. East/west winners were, first, Sam Smutny and Wally Tobkirk; second, Marlene Temple and Shirley Harris; third, Warren and Chuck McEntire; and fourth, Frank and Shirley Hunter.

Play continues at 1 p.m. each Tuesday at the Rupert Elks. The public is invited.

Rebel militias capture Afghan provincial capital; 10 killed

KABUL, Afghanistan — Fighters loyal to several regional warlords stormed a remote provincial capital and forced the governor to flee, one of the groups' leaders and a government official said Friday. At least 10 people were believed killed. The violence presents a fresh security threat for President Hamid Karzai, whose authority is already spayed by factional fighting across a swath of northern and western Afghanistan as well as a spreading Taliban-led insurgency.

Clashes broke out late Thursday in Chaghcharan, a small town that is the capital of western Ghor province, 220 miles west of the capital Kabul. Din Mohammed Azimi, Ghor's deputy governor, said the governor had fled for either Herat or Kabul on Thursday afternoon.

Azimi, who said he was speaking from a village a few miles to the north of the city, said at least 10 of his men were killed and that more than 1,500 fighters were preparing a counterattack.

Ghulam Yahya, a former Ghor police chief who is now one of the warlords opposed to the governor, said he was "not clear if he was referring only to casualties on his side."

Rumfeld tells Balkans that NATO door is open

SKOPIE, Macedonia — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld encouraged Balkan nations to press on with their efforts to join NATO, saying Friday the alliance's door "remains open."

In a letter sent to a regional defense ministers' meeting in Skopje, Macedonia's capital, Rumsfeld told NATO hopefuls Albania, Croatia and Macedonia that their ties with the alliance would be discussed at an upcoming NATO summit in Istanbul, Turkey.

Leaders agree to boost economic, security ties

ASTANA, Kazakhstan — Russian President Vladimir Putin and leaders of several former Soviet republics agreed Friday to step up economic ties and expand military cooperation, restoring some of the links severed by the Soviet collapse.

Russia has been seeking closer military and security ties with several Central Asian nations, apparently in response to the deployment of U.S. troops in the region to back Washington's anti-terror campaign in neighboring Afghanistan.

"We are creating real instruments of integration—it's not just talk," Putin said after summits of the Russia-dominated Collective Security Treaty Organization and the Eurasian Economic Community.

Atomic Energy Agency rebukes Iran government

WASHINGTON — Frustrated by evidence that Iran's government continues to hide elements of its nuclear program, the International Atomic Energy Agency rebuked the Tehran government Friday and demanded greater openness.

The 35 board members of the United Nations agency voted unanimously that Iranian authorities had broken their promises and called on Iran "to take all necessary steps on an urgent basis" to resolve serious remaining questions.

South Korea will send 3,000 troops to Iraq

SEOUL, South Korea — South Korea will send 3,000 soldiers to northern Iraq beginning in

Public Meeting

The Glanbia Foods Inc. is submitting to the State of Idaho, Division of Environmental Quality, an application for a permit to construct a Waste Water Treatment Facility in Gooding, Idaho. The application is for the auxiliary boiler associated with the waste water treatment facility at the cheese processing plant. An informational meeting shall be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 29, 2004, at Gooding City Hall, 308 5th Ave. West, Gooding, Idaho.

World in brief



Rebel militias capture provincial capital, 10 killed

SOURCES: Associated Press; ESRI AP

early August to assist the U.S.-led coalition. The Defense Ministry said Friday. Once the deployment is complete, South Korea will be the largest coalition partner after the United States and Britain.

South Korea plans to send 900 troops to Kurdish-controlled Irbil in early August, followed by about 1,100 troops between late August and early September, Defense Ministry spokesman Nam Dai-yeon said. Another 1,000 soldiers will travel to Iraq later.

In Venezuela, prices go up, investment goes down

CARACAS, Venezuela — Venezuela has the largest oil reserves outside the Middle East, with proven reserves of nearly 78 billion barrels.

It is among the top four suppliers of oil to the United States, behind Canada and Mexico and just ahead of Saudi Arabia, and it sells its products through Cigo, its Tulsa, Okla.-based retail arm. Venezuela exports about 1.34 million barrels of oil a day to the United States, 13

percent of U.S. imports, according to March statistics.

Ramon Espinosa, an oil industry consultant at the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington who was Petrosolos de Venezuela's chief economist from 1992 to 1999, said the company needs to reinvest at least \$6 billion a year in revenue just to maintain current production levels.

Pakistan forces kill wanted tribal leader

WANA, Pakistan — Pakistani forces killed a renegade tribal leader in an overnight mortar assault on a mud-brick fortress near the Afghan border, an army spokesman said Friday. Nek Mohammed, a former Taliban fighter who led fierce resistance to the army's effort to flush out foreign fighters from the area, died late Thursday at the home of another tribal chief.

"We were tracking him down and he was killed last night by our hand," Maj. Gen. Shaukat Sultan told The Associated Press in Islamabad, the Pakistani capital.

—compiled from wire reports



A supporter, left, of opposition to presidential candidate and popular movie star Fernando Poe Jr. scuffles with a plainclothes policeman as protesters are dispersed while marching near the Malacanang presidential palace in Manila on Friday.

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Chances of Blackout
Daily 7:00-9:20
Sat - Sun 12:45-3:45-7:00-9:20

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Garfield
Fri - Sun 12:15-2:30-4:45-7:20-9:30
The Terminal Daily 7:00-9:45
Sat - Sun 1:15-4:15-7:10-9:45
Sneak Preview on Daily 7:00-9:15
Sat - Sun 12:30-2:15-4:30-7:00-9:15
Hera Pheros 3 on Daily 6:45-9:30
Fri - Sun 12:30-1:30-6:45-9:30
Summer Matinee #4
Black Beauty or Spy Kids 3D (PG)
Friday 11:00-1:15-3:30

Opera on the stage

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Van Helting (M)
Today 1:00-4:00-6:45-9:30
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Today 12:45-3:00-5:15-7:30-9:45
Shrek 2 (PG) on 20
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Sneak Preview (M) on Two Screens
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#4 - 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:30 - 9:45

All Adults \$6.00 for 5-15 p.m.

Hera, Prater, Prisoner of Azkaban (M)
Shows in Two Theatres
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Dodge Bar A Tale Underdog Sun (M)
Today 12:45-3:00-5:15-7:30-9:45
The Day After Tomorrow (M)
#5 - Fri - Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15-9:55
#10 Daily 12:15-3:45-6:45-9:30
#10 on Fri - Sun 12:45-4:15-7:45
Basing Hell (M)
Today 1:15-4:15-7:15-9:55
Around the World in 80 Days (M)
Today 12:15-3:45-6:45-9:30
Garfield (M) on Two Screens
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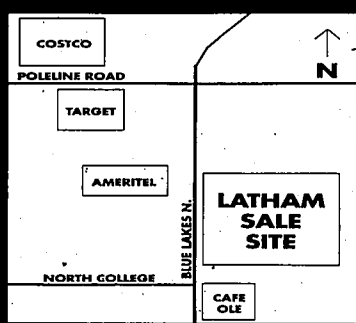


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