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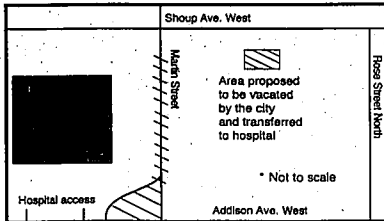
Street proposal advances

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A proposal to shut down Martin Street has been approved by the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission and will next be sent to the City Council for possible approval.

The commission approved the plan by a tie vote Tuesday. Tom Frank, planning and zoning chairman, suggested that, along with the recommendation, there be at least one more public meeting on the issue.

Doctors who have offices on Martin Street and Shoup Avenue West, where much of the



former Martin Street traffic would be diverted, complained that they had not been consulted by the board of directors for

NewsTracker

- **Last we knew:** Magic Valley Regional Medical Center was proposing to close off Martin Street at the intersection of Addison Avenue West almost to Shoup Avenue West.
- **The latest:** in a tie vote Tuesday, the Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the plan to the City Council.
- **What's next:** The City Council will consider the proposal.

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'A FANTASTIC RESOURCE'



With the Snake River Canyon as a backdrop, Bureau of Land Management Director Kathleen Clarke talks about how beautiful the West is during a presentation of a lease for the new North Rim Park to Jerome County Tuesday.

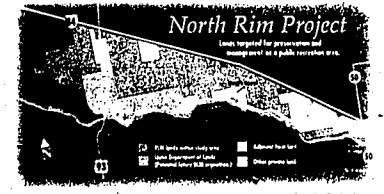
BLM gives management of north rim lands to Jerome County

By Michelle Dunlop
Times-News writer

JEROME - Eight years after the idea to create a park along the northern rim of the Snake River Canyon spring forth, the Bureau of Land Management's national director gave the plan her personal blessing during a ceremony Tuesday morning.

"We are privileged to have put these lands on lease to you," BLM Director Kathleen Clarke said. "My congratulations to you for your vision."

Clarke presented Jerome County with a lease for lands for the North Rim Park. The 6,600-



acre park runs from the Big Little Ranches housing development west of U.S. Highway 93 to the Hansen Bridge and from the canyon north to Interstate 84. Please see PARK, Page A2

NewsTracker

- **Last we knew:** Jerome County sought a lease for 6,600 acres of Bureau of Land Management land just north of the Snake River Canyon.
- **The latest:** BLM Director Kathleen Clarke came to sign off on the lease Tuesday.
- **What's next:** County officials say they'll seek public input on how to manage the new North Rim Park.

Tone of unity, optimism softens Democratic convention's rhetoric

The Washington Post

BOSTON - On the second night of its national convention, the Democratic Party recruited an old lion and a new star to advance the argument that electing John Kerry as president would heal the bitter divisions in the country and usher in "a politics of hope."

Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., who was first elected in 1962, shared the oratorical burden at FleetCenter with Barack Obama, who is apparently on his way to joining Kennedy as a senator from Illinois after the November election and already has been tabbed as a possible future contender for national office.

They both received ovations in the hall, but it was former governor Howard Dean who received a hero's welcome when he came to the podium.

Despite the enthusiasm in the hall since the convention opened, the Kerry campaign learned that Monday night's session, featuring former president Bill Clinton and Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-



Teresa Heinz Kerry, wife of Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, addresses the delegates during the Democratic National Convention in Boston on Tuesday.

N.Y. was a bust in the TV ratings. The audience size was down 10 percent from the first night of the Los Angeles convention four years ago. But the delegates, who

praised the Clintons' performance, are too focused on defeating President Bush to worry about such matters. Kerry, convention

Please see DEMOCRATS, Page A2

New Iraqi police forces face charges of brutality

Newsday

BAGHDAD, Iraq - The Intelligence Service has its own secret prisons. Criminals wear uniforms and collect police salaries. Senior security officials

hand out jobs to family members. Investigators charged with being watchdogs over the police say they have little or no power. They report to the interior minister rather than to justice itself. The police arrest the innocent, beat them, and imprison them without charge; and in at least one case, police shot dead an innocent bystander.

This is not Saddam Hussein's corrupt police state. This is the new Iraq run by interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi, the man the international community is hoping will shepherd Iraqi democracy into being early next year. There are so many corrupt, violent and useless po-

lice officers in the new Iraqi police force that, according to a senior American adviser to the Iraqi police, the U.S. government is about to pay off 30,000 police officers at a cost of \$60 million to the American taxpayer.

"An innocent man was killed in cold blood," said Luay al-Kharalosi, whose brother Ali, 25, was shot dead on the street by the Iraqi police earlier this month, an incident for which the police admit responsibility. "These are the same methods as Saddam Hussein, but Saddam Hussein killed people in secret. Allawi kills in public."

Less than a month after the interim Iraqi government took power, Iraqi and American officials are struggling to prevent Iraq's new security forces from adopting many of the characteristics of Saddam's secret police, say American and Iraqi officials and some civilians who have suffered at their hands. As Allawi faces the dual challenges of a crime wave and an ongoing insurgency - and answering a clamoring desire

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Sunny skies and warm temperatures. Highs, upper 80s.
Tonight: Clear and cool. Lows, mid 50s.
Tomorrow: Sunny and warm. Highs near 90.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Sunny. Highs, mid 80s.
Tonight: Clear skies and a bit of a chill. Low in the lower 50s.
Tomorrow: Sunny and warm. Highs, mid 80s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High/Low).

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Temperature Precipitation Humidity Barometric Pressure Sunrise and Sunset Moonrise and Moonset U.V. INDEX

IDAHO'S FORECAST

Map of Idaho with weather icons and text: SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Sunny, warm days and fair cool nights will continue through the weekend with little chance of useful precipitation.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 2 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists various Idaho cities and their forecasted weather and temperatures.

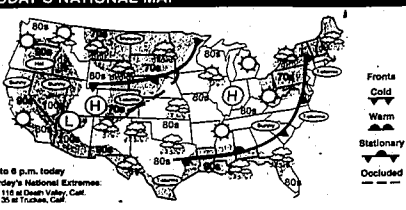
NATIONAL FORECAST

Table with 2 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists various national cities and their forecasted weather and temperatures.

WORLD FORECAST

Table with 2 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists various world cities and their forecasted weather and temperatures.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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Street

Continued from A1. Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Magic Valley Regional is making the request for a proposed expansion to the east that is to include an updated cancer center and 50 to 60 additional offices for physicians.

West. In other business Tuesday, the planning and zoning commission voted 6-1 to parcel that a 37-acre parcel of property owned by Earl Williamson was zoned R-1 variable when the proposal goes to the Council. The council will decide if the parcel is to be annexed. Annexation will guarantee that the property, which is to become a subdivision someday, will be on city services.

Park

Continued from A1. The director also recognized legislators, court officials and community groups who helped bring the park idea to fruition. "It's a fantastic resource for the people of Jerome County and southern Idaho," said Bill Baker, field manager of BLM's Shoshone office.

making this day possible," Lierman said. "We're going to need a lot of input from interested folks for planning to go forward." Clarke echoed the significance Lierman placed on community feedback for the lands. "We need your participation in how these lands are used," she said. "Indeed, none of this happens without a community of committed individuals."

with cooperation among groups like those, the BLM and Jerome County, the future of North Rim Park is limitless, Baker said. "I don't think any of us can imagine what this place will look like in 20 years," Baker said. The park may experience expansion in future years. BLM has its eyes on private lands around the park area, including Devil's Corral.

tonight, there's not a liberal America and a conservative America - there's the United States of America." In trying to rebut the Bush campaign's contention that Kerry and the Democrats operate on a different value system than the millions of Americans who call themselves conservatives, Obama criticized the journalistic shorthand of red states (Republican) and blue states (Democratic).

Democrats

Continued from A1. tending his slow progress toward the convention, told a crowd in Norfolk, Va., that Sept. 11 commission should be extended for 18 months to assure his recommendations are enacted.

country as anyone could wish - "strength" being the note his strategy hope to project. "We need your participation in how these lands are used," she said. "Indeed, none of this happens without a community of committed individuals."

without the rest of us lose. "America needs a genuine union, not a divider who only claims to be a uniter," the senator said, praising his junior colleague as the man who can fill that role.

problems of the country, are we the ones to say no, do it by our standards? "The police are not only an object of controversy in Iraq; they are also a prime target for insurgents who have used car bombs, semiautomatic weapons, and buried roadside devices in attacking them. Police are also a prime target for insurgents who have used car bombs, semiautomatic weapons, and buried roadside devices in attacking them. Police are also a prime target for insurgents who have used car bombs, semiautomatic weapons, and buried roadside devices in attacking them.

CORRECTIONS

Bliss firefighter auction is scheduled for Saturday. Monday's newspaper gave the wrong day of the Bliss Fire Department's benefit auction to raise money for extrication equipment.

Incorrect photograph ran with dance story. Tuesday's story about the kickoff of the Idaho International Folk Dance Festival was accompanied by the wrong photo. Pictured in Tuesday's photo were Brent Lee and Nicole Mabey of the Rocky Mountain Express dance team during a rehearsal in Burley.

Iraq

Continued from A1. among most Iraqis for security and stability - officials fear that human rights and honesty in the security forces are being suffocated at birth by a culture of authoritarianism and corruption. It is in part a hangover from the Saddam years and part a response to Iraq's current instability.

side the event as well as on the other side of the park where Zambic instructed him to go. "They can be anywhere in the park and it's not a public event goes against the First Amendment. "My opinion is the person who told them they had to leave was in the wrong," Wondrich said. "Wondrich said that people engaged in political campaigning have certain free speech rights."

Circulation information for Daniel Walock, director. Includes contact info for circulation phone lines, subscription rates, and Times-News telephone directory.

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Ouster. Continued from A1. Fritz Wondrich to tell him what had happened. Wondrich said that ousting a national candidate from a public event goes against the First Amendment.

NATION/WORLD

Powell urges allies to remain in Iraq

Combined wire service reports

BAGHDAD, Iraq—A mortar barrage pounded a neighborhood near the embassy holding the U.S. Embassy and Iraqi government offices Tuesday, killing an Iraqi garbage collector as he was making his morning rounds and wounding 14 U.S. soldiers.

Meanwhile, in a bid to shore up support for the U.S.-led coalition in Iraq, Secretary of State Colin Powell appealed Tuesday to Hungary and 30 other nations not to "get weak in the knees" because of kidnappings in Iraq or public opinion polls at home that increasingly back withdrawal of troops.

Powell, on the first leg of a week-long tour of Eastern Europe and the Middle East, compared the challenge of creating a new democracy in Iraq to the transformation of the former Soviet Bloc and urged allies to fulfill their commitments.

"Democracy is hard. Democracy is dangerous. And this is the time for us to be steadfast, not get weak in the knees," Powell said on Hungarian television. "We must not allow insurgents, those who will use bombs and kidnapping and beatings, to triumph."

Despite Tuesday's violence in Iraq, the country's leaders took a step toward democracy, announcing hours later that a national conference to choose an interim assembly would begin Saturday. Coalition troops and interior ministry forces will assist authorities in protecting the event, to be attended by 1,000 delegates.

The three-day conference, stipulated under a law enacted by the former U.S. occupation authority, was to have been concluded by the end of July but it had to be delayed because preparations were behind schedule, conference chair Fuad Masoum said.



Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., speaks Tuesday during a campaign rally at the Nauticus National Maritime Center in Norfolk, Va.

Kerry proposes 9-11 panel to extend work

NORFOLK, Va. (AP)—Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry on Tuesday called for the Sept. 11 commission to keep working another 18 months to ensure that its recommended reforms are put in place—a proposal immediately welcomed by the bipartisan panel.

Kerry called on the president to implement quickly the commission's recommendations. "Backpedaling and going slow is something that America can't afford," Kerry said. "I will take real, bipartisan leadership and real action to protect this country of ours. You can't trust the commission's report as something that you hope will go away."

President Bush has a task force reviewing the Sept. 11 commission's recommendations and may act within days on some of them. White House spokeswoman Claire Buchanan said Monday with the vacationing president at his Texas ranch.

She would not say which of the more than 40 recommendations Bush was likely to adopt or if he would make his own proposals.

Kerry said the commission should issue progress reports every six months, beginning in December.

U.S. hands over first French suspect

PARIS (AP)—Four French detainees held by U.S. authorities for more than two years at Guantanamo Bay returned home Tuesday — the first French nationals to be released from the U.S. base after months of talks — and negotiations were under way for the transfer of three others.

The four suspects arrived by plane at a military base in Normandy and were taken by bus to Paris to appear before counterintelligence agents and anti-terrorism Judge Jean-

Louis Bruguiere. The men — Mourad Benchellal, Imad Kainouri, Nizar Sassi and Ibrahim Yadol — were apprehended in the U.S. campaign that toppled Afghanistan's Taliban regime.

While historic allies, France and the United States have been at odds for more than a year over the best way to fight terrorism, Turkey's bid to join the European Union, the conflict in the Middle East, and the war in Iraq.

President Jacques Chirac said

Officials link charity to Hamas

WASHINGTON (AP) — A major American Muslim charity and seven of its senior officers were charged Tuesday with illegally funneling millions of dollars to support Hamas, a Palestinian terrorist organization blamed for dozens of deadly suicide bomber attacks in Israel.

A 42-count grand jury indictment unsealed in Dallas alleges the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development used its tax-exempt status to masquerade as a legitimate charity while most of its money was going to individuals and organizations linked to Hamas.

Holy Land specifically targeted for assistance orphans and families whose relatives had been killed or jailed as a result of Hamas' campaign of violence against Israel, the indictment said.

Hamas is on the State Department's list of foreign terrorist organizations and is described as using violence to try to create an Islamic Palestinian state.

"The defendants effectively rewarded past, and encouraged future, suicide bombings and terrorist activities on behalf of Hamas," Attorney General John Ashcroft said.

Ashcroft said Holy Land and its members had illegally sent overseas about \$12.4 million since 1995 to support Hamas. The charity's assets were frozen by the U.S. government in December 2001.

the handover was the "result of long efforts" between Washington and Paris. He said his government would continue discussions with American authorities to free the remaining three French detainees at Guantanamo.

They are Ridouane Khalid, Khaled Ben Mustafa and Mustaq Ali Patel, who has both French and Indian citizenship.

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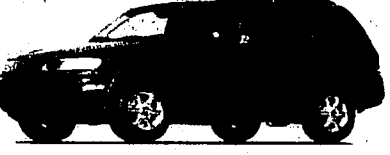
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EDITORIAL

Park security policy may need some change

Call it a cop's sixth sense, or just a predisposition to sniff out trouble. But when alcohol and public events in the park are stirred together, local police use experience and common sense to determine if more manpower is needed.

That manpower is provided in a number of ways, including private security, extra overtime for police, or placing more cops on patrol. In the case of the latter, the taxpayers get the bill. And in some cases, no security is required at all.

This process of weighing the need for law enforcement has worked fine for Twin Falls Police Department since 1995. But some Twin Falls City Council members have raised the question of whether all City Park events should be required to have some sort of security. It's a fair question, and legally, the city would probably be on more stable ground by making some security mandatory for all organizers.

Councilman Chris Talkington raised the issue recently after the Junior Club said it never had to hire security for its annual Bite of Twin Falls event. In the past, the event has included beer and wine sales, but had experienced

no rabble-rousing or episodes of drunken folly. Twin Falls Police Capt. Jim Munn explained to council members on Monday that the police use careful consideration to decide when more security is warranted. Obviously, there are some events that merit that attention.

Sometimes, beefed-up security is prudent for a certain group, and some times because of the history of the event. But any sensible police department can't be blamed for using discretion to put out a fire in a 100,000-gallon barrel.

And few would argue that more scrutiny is warranted for a potential punk-metal band competition than is needed for a wine-sipping picnic in the park.

But with so many possibilities that exist with drinking in public parks or properties, such as Talkington and Lance Clow, are wise to be on the side of caution. And legally, the city's policy of showing more leniency on security to some groups rather than others could be a legal briar patch.

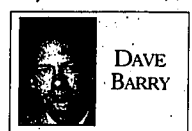
In coming weeks, the council may need to follow through on city ordinance changes to fix this issue. The need for security could probably be more equitable among all organizations and events.

Our view: Twin Falls may need to require some kind of security at all public events held in City Park.

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

Terrorists, wrestlers and Teresa

BOSTON — I've been issued an Anti-Terrorist Kit. Really. It consists of an "evacuation hood" that you put over your head in case of a gas attack; a flashlight that you shine in the terrorists' eyes to temporarily blind them; and a whistle you use to scare them (or yourself, if you blow it inside your evacuation hood).



I'm joking, but in fact this is a very serious matter, and as I carry my Anti-Terrorist Kit around this tense, vulnerable city, the thought has occurred to me more than once: Maybe I can use this stuff to get into a party with free food and liquor. My strategy would be to approach the bouncer as follows.

ME: Hi! I was delayed by a terrorist attack, so you can see by this evacuation hood obscuring my face.

BOUNCER: Who are you?

ME: A famous celebrity such as Corey Feldman.

BOUNCER: Who?

ME: Natalie Portman.

BOUNCER: Come on in!

I'm pleased to report that so far nothing scary has happened here, unless you count the arrival of a professional wrestler named "Big Show," who's listed by World Wrestling Entertainment as being 7 feet 2 and 500 pounds, but is bigger in person.

Q: How big is he?

A: Goingsue security, he accidentally swatted down a police helicopter.

Big Show was here with a coeducational group of fellow



wrestlers including Mick Foley (who has broken many bones, including some of his own); Ivory (the woman who, in a legendary 1999 match, almost defeated the Fabulous Moolah); and Stacy Keibler (a former model whose legs are actually longer than she is tall, which sounds impossible, but trust me).

The wrestlers were here, nonetheless, to say to encourage young people to vote. You cannot wave your Anti-Terrorist Kit in this city without striking a celebrity encouraging young people to vote. Their Voices Heard on the Issues. When I was a young person, the only issue I cared about was finding another young person willing to have sex with me, but apparently young people today have all these other concerns, and they are constantly being nagged by famous celebrities to do something about them. The wrestlers held a press

conference, where they talked earnestly about health care, the environment, etc., to a small group of male reporters who dutifully took notes while sneaking glances at Ivory's cleavage region, which was violating at least two important laws of physics. I believe that cleavage is the most powerful force in the universe. God helps us if the terrorists ever figure out how to harness it.

Speaking of issues: As the Democrats prepare for a historically significant presidential campaign, they're doing everything they can to convey their party's carefully scripted message to the rest of the nation. So naturally the rest of the nation is mainly interested in the fact that John Kerry's wife, Teresa Heinz Kerry (or, for you readers of the New York Post, Dick Gephardt) told a reporter to "shove it."

This incident, which has

been shown on TV almost as much as Janet Jackson's right breast, has drawn a LOT of attention, because it's one of those rare moments when a political figure does something that's not actively boring. I don't know about you, but I'd be in favor of bagging the presidential debates, and instead pitting Mrs. Heinz Kerry in a steel-cage wrestling match with Vice President Dick Cheney. The Fabulous Moolah vs. the F-Bomb! I bet THAT would attract young voters!

In other convention news: Blah blah blah. I will have details tomorrow. If I get this hood off.

Humorist Dave Barry is offering his take on the race for the Democratic presidential nomination in daily dispatches from the Democratic and Republican conventions.

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LETTER

Officials use unfair tactics on rape convict

Twin Falls County authorities don't want the public to know what is going on with the legal system. Still, the truth needs to be known.

When Toby LaPray was incarcerated, the jail nurse refused him medication that he had been taking since he was 2 weeks old. After becoming very sick, they gave it to him. Toby was an inmate worker but was removed from that. The only reason was that he "complains about his health too much." However, Toby wanted a reasonable explanation. On June 10, he received a letter from the lieutenant. It stated, "There is always some kind of problem surrounding you. Rather it is your inability to follow rules, health problems or you just causing a disturbance because you don't agree with your situation. We didn't put you here, your own actions did."

First, Toby never violated any part of the inmate worker contract. Second, inmates have a right to receive their proper medication. Third, it's obvious that when the lieutenant said disturbance, he was talking about the letters

written to the editor protesting Idaho's Rape Law. Toby lost inmate worker status the exact day that his letter was published. This is not a coincidence. Fourth, Toby's actions shouldn't have put him in jail. Toby has no business being there. What a waste of his life and taxpayers' money.

How many of you law officials had a consensual relationship in your teens? You can't say that it was different then; it's all a sin, not a crime. Would you turn your sons in if you knew they were having a relationship with a minor female?

I have heard people say, "Did Toby know she was underage?" Of course Toby knew the age of his high school girlfriend, but he didn't know the law. They were only a year apart.

He had no idea that a three-year consent relationship with her would destroy more than four years of his life and label him as a "rapist" forever, as there is no statutory rape law. Why are Idaho prosecutors so fast to convict these young men? The system and this law are not fair.
TIM AMEN
Pocatello

Listed Web site was a privacy violation

Patty Morrow and Robert Lyman putting that Web site in their letter violated copyright laws. Of an environmental group that is the enemy of what America stands for capitalism. Most things like that, I believe, are to be confidential and printing a letter like that giving a Web site that has that kind of information is none of the public's business.

If you have an objection to subsidies, contact your local government representatives; however, do not put a Web site in a public setting that lists how much each person gets. That is between them and the agencies, not for the whole public to know.

We don't know how much welfare people with food stamps and the like get, why should it be different for corporate welfare that is as confidential as anything else, and printing it is probably a breach of copyright and government confidential laws.
SPENCER BINGHAM
Dietrich

Coverage of film fest added encouraging light

Regarding your story on our Juvenile Justice Film Fest in Gooding:

We all want to thank you for the incredible story you did on our program. When people get to hear what we are doing, it brings them one step closer to getting help for their kids. Thank you for coming all the way to Gooding and sitting in on our film fest. It's people like you who help make a real difference in the lives of these kids.

We tell the kids to remember that they are not the crimes they committed, they are people who made bad choices,

they still have a chance to make it right and your story showed that they are doing just that.

Special thanks also to Con Paulos and Miracle Hot Springs for providing the working environments the kids needed for their film projects.

Thanks for believing in them; sometimes that's all they really need.

So from all of the students, the staff at Western States College and the board, we are forever grateful for your help in getting this wonderful program out there for the people who need it and for those who support it and give so much of their lives to see it happen.

MICHAEL CLAIR
Gooding
(Editor's note: Michael Clair is the president of the Western States College in Gooding. He wrote this letter on behalf of the students and staff members at the college.)

History shows U.S. laws enable us to prosper

Like most hysterical rants, Ms. Deb K. Caster's diatribe was a reb of truth. The truth being we are a nation of laws. The truth, rules and regulations are being legislated without our approval on a daily basis. Regarding some of her complaints, it's hard not to reply to them.

The truth is seat belts in this society save a lot more lives than are lost. Smoking laws, even though smokers do have rights, are overwhelmingly supported by American citizens. No individual is forced into the

military. Every time Americans pay to use a park, we pay for equipment, trash removal, upkeep and someone's salary.

Sixty million Americans are not getting poorer. This country is not another Hitler act. Ms. Caster needs to learn her history.

The truth is we all have access to education, elementary and higher. We can vote, work where we wish, protest freely, worship where we wish, live where we want, write letters to the editor — all without retribution.

Oh yes, if we don't like it here, we are free to leave.
BARBARA ECKLER
Twin Falls

Forests prosper from local management

The July 25 letter by a retired Forest Service employee about the Clinton roadless rule offered plenty of vitriol but little light. The letter disagreed with the Bush administration's proposal to return some management of local influence to forest management.

When our national forests were set aside for the use and enjoyment of the people, local influence was deemed necessary. The district ranger, with knowledge of the land and sensitive to the needs and desires of those living nearby, was deemed better able to make wise management decisions than the regional forester. From the beginning, the Forest Service structure was a district-by-district decision-making process, not from the top down.

It is understood, needless to say, that the Clinton roadless rule and the wording of the Wilderness Act of 1964. Language in that law specifies there shall be no permanent or temporary road within any wilderness area. The 1964 act spells out how wilder-

ness will be managed, and only Congress can designate wilderness. Local input into the management of wilderness is essentially not an option.

National environmental organizations such as the Sierra Club have limited influence on local decisions but have strong lobbying ability in Washington, D.C. President Clinton's roadless rule, which froze 58 million acres of forest (9 million in Idaho) into de-facto wilderness, shows how these organizations lead a president down their path. Roadless status is preferred by environmentalists because a road could become a stumbling block to wilderness should the political winds shift in their favor.

Would the modification of the Clinton rule "ravage" our forests as the letter claims? The answer is no. The reason is the planning process, which requires public involvement, scientific study and analysis, and decision making under laws that prevent arbitrary and capricious action by forest managers. The process does, however, allow some actual management of our forests.

The people of Idaho can be justly proud of our stewardship ethic. Our contribution of more than 4 million acres into the National Wilderness Preservation System is no small sacrifice. Everything has a cost. The red trees in Sawtooth Valley give testimony to the need to actively manage our forests. Native fires are nature's only recourse for unmanaged timber stands over the long term. Inaction, when reasoned judgment and common sense indicate action, is not stewardship.

If you would like to learn more about the roadless issue, you may go to the Forest Service Web site at www.fs.fed.us.
MEL QUALE
Twin Falls

Doonesbury



By Garry Trudeau



Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



OPINION

Kerry has chance to heal division



DAVID BRODER

House — are regularly riding roughshod over the Democratic minority. The pattern of abuse — rigged conferences with Democrats excluded, snap

votes with minimal notice to members, stretched roll calls to allow more am-twisting by Republican leaders — has reached a height not seen even in the worst parts of the Democrats' 40-year reign.

Kerry has the opportunity this week to pledge a different approach — to promise to create an administration that would call on the talents of Republicans and Independents as well as Democrats, and to hold

his party's congressional leaders to the vows they already have made to include Republicans in the work of legislation. His role model, John Kennedy, did both those things as president, and the country benefited. Can Kerry pledge to step beyond partisanship and do the same thing?

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BOSTON — There's an important lesson in the performance of the 9/11 Commission — If John Kerry and the Democrats meeting here this week care to heed it. The praise lavished on the panel that investigated the terrorist attacks and came up with a unanimous set of recommendations demonstrates the intensity of the public appetite for political leadership that looks beyond partisanship. Kerry has a great opening to offer such leadership — if he has it in him.

So much has been said about the polarization of our politics, the deep divisions that seem to exist between "red" and "blue" states, that it is easy to assume this is a chronic condition. Whether one looks at the returns from the 2000 presidential race or consults the polls about the party preferences of likely voters, Republicans and Democrats appear to be in almost perfect mathematical balance.

That is believed to be the reason Washington has become such a partisan cockpit, with constant sniping between the parties on Capitol Hill and gridlock in the House and Senate.

The great message of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States (to give its formal title) imports is that the right leadership can overcome even the most deep-seated of partisan divisions and deal effectively with vital issues.

The 9/11 Commission was born in controversy. Congressional Democrats were pressing for an investigation of what they charged were failures of intelligence and lapses in top-level attention in the months preceding the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. The Bush White House resisted the demands as long as it could, then sought to curtail the scope and time for the inquiry.

The makeup of the commission seemed almost designed to put obstacles in the way of agreement. Five Democrats and five Republicans, each with clear partisan sponsorship, were named by the White House and congressional leaders. Their number included prominent former officeholders of both parties and people with a well-earned reputation for taking shots at the other side.

Few would have predicted a weighty and substantive product — let alone one that would come to the country with the enthusiastic endorsement of all 10 commissioners. Principal credit for the achievement must go to the commission chairman, Republican former Gov. Tom Kean of New Jersey, and the vice chairman, Democratic former Rep. Lee Hamilton of Indiana.

Those who knew the two men regarded both as large-minded and responsible. Kean had been an effective governor in a state with a significant bloc of Democratic legislators. Hamilton was a notably independent member of the House, who, even as a freshman, stood up to pressure from Lyndon Johnson, then at the height of his powers.

The two men did not know each other at all well, but they quickly formed a working partnership that became a model for their colleagues. When they came, as a team, to a press breakfast in May, arranged by the Christian Science Monitor, they were able to show that there had yet to be a single partisan vote within the commission. Notably, both stressed their commitment to an open process, saying they had learned from the examples of the investigations of Pearl Harbor and the Kennedy assassination that secrecy only breeds suspicion and conspiracy theories.

What is the lesson for the Democrats in all this? It was put simply by Democratic commission member Richard Ben-Veniste in an interview last week with National Public Radio. There is, he said, "a hunger in the country" for bipartisanship.

President Bush recognized that hunger four years ago when he promised, as a candidate, to change the tone in Washington. But he has failed — and it is not clear that, after being rebuffed, he ever understood the effort worth another try. Meantime, his political allies in Congress — particularly in the

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Woman pushes skatepark plans

JEROME — A local grandmothers wants a full-fledged skatepark for young people in Jerome.

Skateboarding and in-line skating is illegal downtown. The merchants, city, county and school officials have all posted signs against it.

"But where are the kids going to skate? They're disheartened," Sondra Baldwin said.

Baldwin has been working on getting a skatepark in Jerome for several years.

"It was involved the first time around when they put the half-pipe in at the fairgrounds. But it was built of wood, and wood deteriorates. It is badly splintered now. It does not fill the needs of the kids who skate. Nobody (who likes to skate) goes there now."

Baldwin said she wants the Jerome skatepark to be different from any of the skateparks in nearby towns so that kids will want to come to Jerome.

There are skateparks in Hialeah, Ketchum and Twin Falls, and Buhl will break ground on its skatepark soon.

Baldwin will distribute petitions to businesses around town in the next few weeks. She is gathering designs and prices for skateparks. She plans to attend the Jerome Recreation District's board meeting in August for ideas and support and is looking for other volunteers to help make the skatepark a reality.

For information, call Baldwin at 308-1075.

Company will hold meeting on wind farm

MALTA — Windland, Inc. will hold an open house tonight to answer questions about its proposed wind farm that might be installed on top of the Cottrell Mountains southeast of Burley.

The open house will be from 6 to 9 p.m. in the library of the Raft River Senior High School, 100 W. 55 N. in Malta.

The approximately 200-megawatt project would have been 90 acres and would produce turbines that could produce enough power to light 50,000 homes in Idaho for a full year, taking into account lulls in wind.

It would cover about 100 acres along 13 miles of ridge.

The project is estimated to produce about \$2.4 million in tax revenue for Cassia County's tax base, although it would result in some decreases in state monies sent to the county, said David Westfall, a certified public accountant in Burley.

Windland will also hold an open house at the Snake Creek Event Center in Albion Thursday.

Group offers free car safety seat checks

TWIN FALLS — Safe Kids Magic Valley will hold "Buckle Up" events to promote safety and help prevent unintentional childhood injury — the No. 1 killer of children ages 14 and under, according to a news release from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Trained safety seat technicians will inspect child car safety seats, checking for product recalls and equipment damage. They'll also show parents how to properly install the seats.

The first event will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. Friday at Rob Green Pontiac/GMC, 1277 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls. The second event will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 5 at St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center, 100 Hospital Blvd. in Idaho Falls.

Safe Kids provides educational materials, classes and assistance to both individuals and groups on injury prevention programs.

The organization also offers low-cost infant, convertible and booster car safety seats to families on all income levels, and reduced prices on gun locks, bicycle helmets and seat belt covers.

Car safety seat checks are available during regular business hours or by appointment at the Safe Kids office, 598 Addison Ave. W. in Twin Falls. For more information, call 737-2430.

— compiled from staff reports

Idaho Power, public share ideas

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A 500-megawatt coal power plant and 350 megawatts of wind energy are proposed for Idaho Power Co.'s future.

About 15 people attended a public meeting Tuesday in Twin Falls hosted by the company, which updates its long range power supply plan every other year.

To supply power to its growing customer base over the next 10 years and to plan for reduced hydropower generation because of persistent drought,

the power company is proposing to develop new generation resources.

Wind and coal are on the list — coal because of price stability compared with the natural gas market and wind because of growing interest in renewable resources.

The plan includes construction of a coal-fired power plant in Idaho that the company wants to co-own with a partner. A proposed timeline calls for identifying coal plant partners by 2005 and having a coal plant up and running by 2011.

The power company also is looking toward wind power de-

velopment.

By this fall it plans to solicit proposals for 200 megawatts of wind power generation.

People attending the meeting questioned whether the power company would build its own wind power resources or contract from private developers.

"We prefer to own the re-

sources," said Karl Bokenkamp, Idaho Power's general manager for power-supply planning.

But that preference doesn't preclude the company from considering proposals by private developers, he said.

Eventually, the company wants to be using 350 megawatts of wind power. Activist Bill Chisholm, who works on energy issues for the grassroots Idaho Rural Council, questioned whether more coal power resources were needed if power consumption could be reduced. He asked why there couldn't be a focus on public education programs to reduce energy consumption.

The power company's power portfolio includes efforts to reduce consumption by 124 megawatts, Bokenkamp said.

Programs under way include an air conditioning "cycling" program in the Treasure Valley.

Customers' air conditioners are programmed to turn on and off every 15 minutes to cycle use and reduce peak power demands.

Peak energy usage occurs between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. during summer months, Bokenkamp said.

The company also is testing an irrigation program using volunteers who avoid watering during peak usage periods.

It's during peak usage that the company is forced to turn to more expensive backup generation at natural gas plants and to buy power from the

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PAGING DR. ROBOT



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Yulin Wang, center, CEO of InTouch Health, talks to College of Southern Idaho Executive Vice President Jerry Beck, left, and Vice President of Planning, Development and Student Services Curtis Eaton through the RP-6, a mobile remote presence robot, Thursday at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Wang is controlling the robot from Santa Barbara, Calif., demonstrating how the robot can offer health care experts immediate and frequent services.

System improves access to doctors Hospital gets ready for baby boomers

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — He might be a robot, but he's very personable.

"You're ready to shake hands with him," said Jerry Beck, a Magic Valley Regional Medical Center board member and one of several people in the community who got the opportunity to meet Remote Presence or "Dr. Robot," as some have nicknamed him, on Tuesday.

Welcome to health care in the 21st century. The robot allows your doctor to talk to you, answer your questions, even examine you, without being in the room.

However, you can see your doctor face to face on the computer screen that is the robot's head.

You might say it's the next best thing to being there.

Instead of just seeing you once or twice, your doctor would be able to talk to you, even examine you two or five times during your two-day stay

in the hospital. "It takes a health care provider and presents him to a health care need," said Sam Danna, regional vice president of InTouch Health, the Santa Barbara, Calif., company that developed and markets the RP-6.

And your physician would have instant access to the experts at teaching hospitals when it comes to prescribing your care. And medical students in rural settings would be able to touch base any time they wanted to with their advisers thousands of miles away.

"We're only a robot away from the medical school," said Dr. David McCluskey, a local surgeon who teaches medicine at Emory University in Georgia a month each year and takes surgical residents under his wing. "It keeps the quality of care at a cutting edge."

McCluskey said the robot would be especially helpful in recruiting more medical students to practice in a rural setting, which McCluskey said is

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By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — As baby boomers enter their golden years and trade in their private insurance for Medicare, it's going to make a dent in a hospital's bottom line.

In its quest to prepare for the future, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center wants to be ready for America's newest crop of seniors.

"We're anticipating a growing number of Medicaid patients in the system," Chief Financial Officer John Groesbeck told the Finance Committee Tuesday.

Regional know about tomorrow? As the population ages, the number of uninsured will continue to increase.

Inflation grows between 3

percent and 8.5 percent annually. Patient volume grows 1 percent each year.

And to improve health care at Magic Valley Regional, the hospital will spend about \$6 million annually.

"We need to focus our attention on the future," Groesbeck said. "That's where I think we need to be."

The hospital's finances are stable, he said.

"Things are going well," Groesbeck said. "We're at or near industry benchmarks."

And that's saying a lot, considering most hospitals in the country are fighting just to stay afloat.

"The industry as a whole is operating at the struggling range," he said.

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife unveils bull trout proposal

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Recovering bull trout until there are between 250 to 1,000 spawning fish within the 93 miles of creeks at the headwaters of the Jarbidge River in Nevada is the goal of a proposed federal recovery plan.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service held two informational meetings Tuesday in Twin Falls about the proposal and a companion document to designate critical habitat in the Nevada headwaters and 38 miles of the Jarbidge River in Owyhee County in Idaho.

The large span in the species recovery goal will be refined as more information is gleaned

about the existing population. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Selena Werdon said she considers the Jarbidge bull trout population to be one that has been hanging on to existence.

"What we have today is just a remnant," she said.

Missing from the record to define its decline is historical population information before mining operations began in the early 1900s and before dams were built. Today dams separate the Jarbidge bull trout population from the rest of the Northwest bull trout population.

Whether the fish requires listing as a threatened species is debated by some Nevadans and Idahoans who question whether it's really in trouble.

Biologists estimate that more than 500 bull trout remain in the upper reaches of the Jarbidge with 125 spawning adults. Documentation of bull trout on the main channel of the Jarbidge River is rare — one in 1991 and one in 1994. Identifying how much bull trout use the main channel of the Jarbidge — most of which is in Idaho — is one of the research needs described by biologists.

Jarbidge bull trout were listed as threatened in 1999 under the Endangered Species Act. Recovery plans and critical habitat designations follow listing, although it took an environmental lawsuit for the Fish and Wildlife Service to develop its proposed critical habitat designation.

Both of Tuesday's meetings saw about 10 attendees each with the first meeting dominated by employees from various government agencies involved in species management. The evening meeting saw representatives of various environmental groups who questioned whether designating critical habitat within just the stream channel offered enough protection and whether a broader riparian zone should be identified.

Fish and Wildlife personnel said during interviews that critical habitat designation doesn't change land management techniques for species that already are listed.

"We aren't adding that much Please see TROUT, Page B3

Serving their country

Profiles of servicemen and women with local ties deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan. Information supplied by their families.



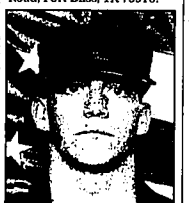
Victor F. Sanchez

- Age: 30.
- Hometown: Twin Falls.
- Local family: Wife, Charlyne; stepson, Caeton; parents, Laura and Gerardo; sisters, Norma and Christina.
- Service, date of enlistment: National Guard, Sept. 23, 1993.
- Rank, assignment: E5 sergeant.

• Basic Pharmacy sergeant and medical logistics.

• Employer: UPS driver.

• Additional information: He earned E6 after he was deployed on June 7. He is training at Fort Bliss, Texas and will serve up to 24 months in Iraq. Write to him at Sgt. Sanchez, Victor F: MRCS/116BDE/Company C 145th Bldg, Ft. Bliss, 79916.



Kyle Jeffery Bourner

- Age: 21.
- Hometown: Kimberly.
- Local family: Parents, Jeff and Teresa Bourner; brother, Justin Bourner; all of Kimberly; grandparents, Joe and June King of Eden; grandmother, Catherine Bourner of Twin Falls.
- Service, date of enlistment: Army, Nov. 6, 2002.

• Rank, assignment: Specialist, 1st Cavalry Division.

• Task: Petroleum supply specialist.

• Additional information: Stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. Assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 22nd Field Artillery known as the "Steel Dragons." Has been in Baghdad since March 2004. Scheduled to return in March 2005.

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GOODING COUNTY COURTS

The Times-News

GOODING — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Gooding County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments

Luz Maria Alvarez; driving without privileges; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Salvador Aparicio; driving without privileges; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Jeremy Lee Bartlett; battery — domestic violence; underage consumption of alcohol; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 David Joseph Billings; resisting or obstructing officers; underage consumption of alcohol; status hearing Aug. 2; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Susan Burns; malicious injury to property; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.



Mark A. Ingram.
 Scott Charles Jones; battery; status hearing Aug. 2; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Michelle Martinez; possession of a controlled substance; use or possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Martha Orozco; reckless driving; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Todd N. Rasmussen; driving under the influence; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Randall William Staub; trespassing; unlawful entry; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Monique Ranac Wright; resisting or obstructing officers; pretrial conference Aug. 30; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Misdemeanor sentences
 Robert David Vinsant; driving without privileges; \$500 fine, \$750 court costs; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Kenneth Edward Cartner; providing shelter to runaway children; \$500 fine, \$250 suspended, \$250 court costs; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 180 suspended; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Todd Jay Driessl; driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$68.50 fine, \$23.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Jeffrey Thomas Edeen; driving under the influence (second offense); \$1,500 fine, \$1,500 suspended, \$750 court costs, \$35 probation fee; two years supervised probation; 365 days in jail, 365 suspended; 365-day driver's license suspension; open container; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate

Judge Mark A. Ingram.
 Marco A. Espinosa-Vega; driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$750 court costs, \$35 probation fee; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 177 suspended, credit for one day served; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Joshua A. Jones; driving under the influence; \$500 fine, \$300 suspended, \$750 court costs, \$35 probation fee; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, credit for one day served; 120-day driver's license suspension; use or possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; \$1,000 fine, \$750 suspended; one year supervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, credit for one day served; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Marilee L. Phillips; driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$132 fine; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Misdemeanor without judgments
 Antonio Orozco; driving under the influence; judgment withheld for one year; \$1,000 fine, \$500 suspended, \$750 court costs; one year unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail, 178 suspended, credit for one day served; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

Civil filings
 Risk Management Alternatives vs. Daniel Allan Park; Seeking \$3,004.69, plus interest; \$1,050 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

Child support cases
 State of Idaho Health and Welfare vs. Cruz Rodriguez Rubalcava and Amber Dawn Rubalcava. Seeking of Mr. Rubalcava: \$404 monthly support for Lacie Leticia Dawn Rubalcava and Daniel J. Cobelli, plus 59 percent of child's medical expenses; attorney fees.

Officials evacuate scout camp, youth facility as Nevada wildfire grows

MOUNT CHARLESTON, Nev. — Firefighters assaulted a fast-moving wildfire Tuesday that started in the rugged hills of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest and forced the evacuation of a Girl Scout camp and a youth correctional facility. Nearly 100 firefighters were deployed at dawn to carve lines around the 1,500-acre fire on a day expected to bring low humidity and temperatures in the 80s, said Larry Benham, incident commander.

The blaze was burning out of control and approaching the point authorities said would trigger mandatory evacuations of the Kyle Canyon community. "We're not even talking about" containment, Benham said. "Everything's dry and the weather's not going to help."

"We're praying to the wind god and for resource support," added William Kourim, a Clark County fire chief.

Camp Stimpson, the Girl Scout camp and the Spring Mountain Youth Camp for juveniles were evacuated within hours. There were about 100 youngsters at the two camps, Las Vegas police said. Homeowners were ordered out of about 15 homes about a mile and a half from the fire lines. Authorities said the blaze was sparked by a truck crash on Nevada Highway 158, about 35 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

Officials said flames sweeping through scrub brush, piñon, juniper, ponderosa and bristlecone pines in the steep canyon were not immediately threatening any structures.

Firefighters aided by a water-dropping helicopter and firefighting air tankers spent Monday afternoon trying to prevent fires from cresting an 11,000-foot ridge and spreading southwest through tinder-dry brush toward 350 expensive mountain homes in Kyle Canyon.

Benham said they were aided by winds pushing the fire away from homes. But Mark Blankensop, an assistant fire chief for the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, said that as a precaution authorities ordered the evacuation of people living in the 15 homes in the Deer Creek subdivision.

"This is the fire we didn't want," Blankensop said, referring to the drought conditions in the area.

Farmers struggle with smokeless crop

RATHDRUM (AP) — Northern Idaho farmers are trying to replace their Kentucky bluegrass crop to avoid burning stubble fields, but report only limited success.

The Spokane-Coeur d'Alene area is choked with smoke in the late summer as farmers gear up to burn stubble to prepare fields to produce more seed.

Many of the fields do not feature bluegrass this year. Other crops include peas, alfalfa, mint, potatoes and some grains.

"But none are the permanent, smokeless answer to bluegrass, the traditional cash crop of northern Idaho."

Ray Meyer, a Rathdrum Prairie grass farmer and legislator, is raising peas.

"But they probably won't be there next year. You can't plant peas back on peas, because of disease problems," Meyer said. "My father tried it and didn't

even get his seed back the third year. In farming, you learn from the mistakes of your forefathers."

Similarly, potatoes are only grown one year as a rotational crop on the prairie because of potential for diseases with repeat crops.

"Meyer is trying alfalfa and Timothy hay."

He is not alone. Newman Lake, Wash., dairy farmers are raising hay on the prairie for their own operations.

"We can't all raise hay," Meyer said. "Only a limited amount can be consumed."

Jacklin Seed is researching alternatives to burning bluegrass.

"We're having fairly good success with perennial ryegrass that doesn't require burning," General Manager Glenn said. "We're putting out more this year, but we're still in the learning curve."

One farmer has been growing mint for several years.

But Linda Clovis, director of North Idaho Farmers Association, said it takes a large investment to switch to mint and there is only so much demand.

Idaho Agriculture Director Pat Takasugi said 90 percent of the bluegrass seed in the world is still produced in Idaho.

But farmers face several lawsuits by residents who say the smoke causes health problems and even death.

The burning season began last week on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation.

About 25,000 acres were burned there last year.

On the Rathdrum Prairie, about 1,500 acres are expected to be burned this year.

While bluegrass acreage on the prairie is declining because of litigation and development pressures, it is increasing statewide.

"We see that in the yields next year," Takasugi said.

OBITUARIES

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3278 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obit@magvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Debra Ellen (Hill) Trumbull

"Debbie" Trumbull went to be with her Heavenly Father on Monday, July 26, 2004.

Debbie was born on April 1, 1965, in Long Beach, Calif. She spent her childhood years in Long Beach, Calif., Orem, Utah, and Twin Falls, Idaho. After moving to Twin Falls she met and married Joel Stewart on Dec. 19, 1981. During their union she was blessed with three children, Jesse, Cody and Melissa. The family lived in Twin Falls, Hansen and eventually Elko, Nev. She was later divorced and returned to the Magic Valley.



and moved to Fairfield, Idaho, where she resided up to the time of her death.

Debbie's greatest joys were her children, family and friends. She enjoyed the culinary arts, cooking, crafting and being outdoors. Debbie was a vibrant soul and loved life to its fullest, she always had a bubbly, outgoing personality. She enjoyed any type of work that allowed her contact with

new people. Her bubbly spirit will be missed by all.

She is survived by her six children, Jesse, Cody, Melissa, Haley, Colton and Megan; one grandchild, Riley Stewart; her parents, Pat and Jan Desborough; and her sisters, Collette and Lonnie and Debbie Hill of Buhl, Idaho; two sisters, Carol (Edgar) Dodge of Boise, Idaho, and Victoria Hill of Gooding, Idaho; two brothers, Justin Hill of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Levi Hill of Buhl, Idaho; two grandmothers, Mary Capshaw of Silver City, N.M., and Ruth Hill of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho.

She was preceded in death by her grandfathers, Broadus Hill of Horseshoe Bend, Idaho, and Jacob (Jack) Reich of Long Beach, Calif.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, July 29, 2004, at the LDS church, 3800 Grand Forest Drive (Columbia Village) Boise, Idaho. A graveside service will follow at 2:30 p.m. at Pioneer Cemetery in Horseshoe Bend, Idaho.

Mary Colleen Berlie - Filer



Mary Colleen Berlie, 81, of Filer, passed away July 25, 2004, at Bridgeview Estates Retirement in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Colleen was born May 17, 1923, in Chadron, Neb., the daughter of Glen Ewen and Louise Tuck Ewen. On Feb. 9, 1948, she married her sweetheart, Raymond Berlie in Chadron. To this union were born three children, two sons and one daughter.

Colleen worked as a Safety Engineer for the Aerospace Industry.

Surviving Colleen is her loving husband of 56 years, Raymond of Twin Falls; sons, Gregg (Sharon) Berlie of

Pendleton, Ore., and Daryl (Lisa) Berlie of Eugene, Ore.; and daughter, LuAnne (Carter) Hill of West Valley, Utah; 10 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Also surviving is one brother, James Ewen of Tucson, Ariz.

A funeral for Colleen will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 29, 2004, at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. Interment will follow at the Filer Cemetery, Filer, Idaho.

Gravestone may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, 2004, and a vigil service is planned for 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

SERVICES

Charlotte Ann Hill of Hansen, service at 10 a.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Thomas Ferguson, wake service at 7 p.m. Friday at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center, 3100 S. 1350 W. (McDougal Funeral Home).

p.m. Saturday at the Hagerman Christian Center in Hagerman; potluck will follow the service at his father's home.

Clifford Dale Perme of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the church friends may call one hour before the service (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

Vera Marie Pride McVey and Sheldon Pride, memorial service at 2 p.m. Friday, July 30, at Hansen Mortuary, Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Charles John Fredrickson, graveside service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the DeClo Center (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Carl Couch of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

Gary and Valerie Whitehead of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 6th Ward, 667 Harrison St. in Twin Falls; friends may call from 4-8 p.m. Friday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Sandra "Sandi" Webb Ferguson of Boise, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the First Christian Church in Buhl (Alessea Funeral Home, Boise).

Adrien James Rogers of Burley, service at 6 p.m. today at the Langevin-Mussetter Funeral Home; viewing from 9:30-9:50 a.m. at Hazen Jaeger Funeral Home in Spokane, Wash.

Stephen Hecht of Hagerman, memorial service at 2

Bessie Jane Fahrni of the Dalles, Ore., and formerly of Jerome, County celebration of life at 2 p.m. Aug. 7 at the First Side Room of The Dalles Civic Auditorium (Columbia Cremation & Burial).

DEATH NOTICES

Florence Opal Blackley of Filer, funeral at 10 a.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church in Filer; viewing from 4-8 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Jay Ross Elison
 OAKLEY — Jay Ross Elison, an 81-year-old Oakley resident, died Tuesday, July 27, 2004, at Pleasant View Cemetery. Arrangements will be made by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

day morning at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Judith Ann Fisk of Meridian, memorial service at 10 a.m. Thursday at Hill United Methodist Church (Summers Funeral Homes, Ustick Chapel).

Evelyn L. Muguerra
 BURLEY — Evelyn Lily Muguerra, age 91, of Seattle, Wash., formerly of Burley, died Saturday, July 24, 2004.

A complete obituary will appear in a later edition.

Dixie L. Hewlett of Arlington, Wash., and formerly of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Thursday at Arlington Free Methodist Church in Arlington (Purdy & Walters with Cassidy Funeral Home, Everett, Wash.).

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2004, at Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley. Friends and family may call from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Tues-

Vernon Simerly
 JEROME — Vernon Simerly, 84, of Jerome, died Monday, July 26, 2004, at his home in Jerome.

A graveside service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, July 31, 2004, at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m. until noon Saturday at the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

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Mobile unit provides health care

By Tammy Walquist
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Many people have probably heard of ambulances on wheels, but most probably have not heard of medical care on wheels.

The Idaho Children's Health Project, a partnership of the Children's Health Fund nationally and Family Health Services locally, is just that: a mobile medical unit designed to help bring health care to underserved and underserved children around the region.

Tuesday it was in the Burley area and was well received.

"Cassia wholeheartedly welcomed us. They think it's a fabulous idea," said Tami Scifres, the licensed practical nurse in charge of driving the mobile medical unit, coordinating its visits and attending to patients.

The van serves 25 to 30 patients each place it visits. Services include routine check-ups, immunizations and physicals.

Next month the services the van able to offer will expand as a nurse practitioner comes on board. A dentist may also soon join the team, Scifres said.

Payment for services is done on a sliding scale, meaning families pay only what they can afford to pay.

"We don't turn anyone down for their inability to pay. Our clientele spans the full range of incomes, but we help people who wouldn't otherwise have access to medical care," said Patty Brown, community outreach coordinator.

The van has visited places all over the valley, including Malma, Albion, Declo, Alma, Rupert and Burley.

The reason behind the mobile medical unit is to provide medical access for kids and families, and their response has been positive.



Tami Scifres, the licensed practical nurse who drives the Idaho Children's Health Project mobile medical unit, coordinates its visits and attends to patients, offers cookies to Joseph and Jovada Sarceda as they stop by with their father, Joseph Sarceda of Burley. The Idaho Children's Health Project visits cities around the region, offering discounted medical services for children.

To learn more

The Idaho Children's Health Project will make 17 stops between now and mid-October. To find out when they will be in your area, contact Tami Scifres at (208)-316-2300 or by email at tscifres@ihpsid.org.

"They are astounded, and they love the idea of being able to get health access for their kids," Scifres said. In many outlying areas, it's difficult for parents to spend an entire day to take their children to the doctor, so they have been enthusiastic about it.

Right now the van is in operation three days a week, but the team is hoping it will soon work an additional day each week.

Funding for the unit has come through a grant U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo helped procure, as well as through Family Health Services. CEO Patty Kleinkopf, interim CEO.

Providing a service such as this does have its rewarding moments. For Scifres, the most rewarding thing is being able to provide health care to those who are in need.

"I didn't realize the need was so bad," she said. Having the Children's Health Project come to Idaho is also quite an honor.

Idaho is only the 17th recipient of such a mobile unit through the Children's Health Fund, based out of New York.

The fund is an organization which does charity work for children. Family Health Services went through a screening and application process and was chosen to receive a mobile medical unit.

The van is the only one of its type in the West, Kleinkopf said.

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State Highway 81 will close Saturday morning

The Times-News

BURLEY — The Spudman Triathlon will require closure of a section of Idaho Highway 81 between the Y-Deel Junction in Burley and Yale Road east of Declo between 7 a.m. and about 10 a.m. Saturday for the cycling portion of the race.

Boating on the Snake River will halt between the Burley/Heyburna bridge and stream to the Burley Golf Course boat docks from 6 a.m. to around 8:15 a.m. during the swim segment.

In addition, runners will cross State Highway 81 near 200 East between 8:30 a.m. and noon. Drivers should expect delays.

The city will also host a softball tournament Saturday at the Burley ball fields that is expected to result in congested traffic in the area.

The Cassia County Sheriff's Department has those planning to use Highway 81 between the area near the city ball fields and golf course to exercise caution. If possible, alternate routes should be used.

Power

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wholesale market.

And the peak use that is driving up the need for the company to acquire more power generation sources.

College of Southern Idaho student Crystal White, who said she is making efforts to be more informed and to encourage her fellow students to be more involved, questioned if existing conservation and alternative energy programs were enough.

"It just seems like not any-

thing is getting done when there are more proposals for more coal-fired generation," she said.

Idaho Power's proposals represent long-term planning only. Any specific construction projects would require approval from the Idaho Public Utilities Commission.

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Robot

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the best place to practice medicine.

"I live in a small community with the activities, and I am still associated with a teaching facility," McClusky said. "I have the best of both worlds."

The RP-6 system has been in use at hospitals and long-term facilities for a few months. Magic Valley Regional hasn't not yet decided whether to lease a system that costs \$3,000 a month.

"The robot is only available on a lease basis as technology rapidly changes and is constantly being improved."

Hospitals wanting to keep up with technology wouldn't want to put money into something that would be obsolete tomorrow, he said.

"You wouldn't want to own one," he said.

When it comes to technology, the robot isn't any more complicated than a computer game.

The robot has sensors that direct it safely through a hospital's hallways, elevators and rooms.

The person on the other end operates it with a computer, a

software program and a joystick. He can make the robot's camera zero in wherever it needs to in order to evaluate your patient.

The computer screen that is the robot's head can be moved up, down and sideways.

The robot helps health care organizations answer one of the most pressing questions on their minds these days.

"How in the heck are we going to care for an aging population and not go broke doing it?" said Dr. Yulun Wang, chief executive officer of InTouch and part of the engineering team that invented the RP-6.

The first wave of baby boomers is entering its golden years, and health care needs are increasing.

The robot increases access to care.

"It brings the health care professional instantly to the patient's side when care is needed," Wang said.

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Grant funds could bring new Burley park

By Chip Thompson
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Those who enjoy the Snake River as it winds through Mini-Cassia have some great ideas as plans are in the works to develop a new riverside park west of Burley.

Several parks in Burley will get facilities thanks to about \$275,000 in grant money from Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation and Roads and Bridges secured by Community Development Specialist Brian Tibbets.

One of the grants is about \$74,000 for acquisition of land between Bedke Boulevard and the river which the city hopes to develop into a boating facility, Tibbets said.

Crews next year would fund boat docks and some excavation at the new site, Tibbets said, and the following year money may be available for a boat ramp and restrooms.

The park would be an important step toward the establishment of a greenbelt and anticipated westward expansion of the city.

It gives us a presence before the growth comes in to preserve a greenbelt," Tibbets said.

Eventually, Tibbets said, he hopes the city can create a walking/biking path which stretches from the golf course all the way to the property proposed for development. The path could even tie to Heyburn's walking path.

The new walking path also relieves the pressure from other riverside parks in the area which are often filled to capacity on weekends.

But there's a catch.

The seven-acre parcel is owned by Burley City Councilman Dennis Curtis. City Attorney Randy Stone instructed the council that it would be illegal for the city to buy the property from Curtis, Tibbets said.

Mayor John Anderson said Curtis agreed to make the land available at a good price because he was able to acquire it cheaply. Similar property in the area has been appraised at \$300,000 and Curtis agreed to \$74,000 when grant applications were written.

Curtis said he's not eager to sell the parcel and has entertained thoughts of developing it himself, but would be willing to part with it in order to benefit the city and community.

Tibbets approached Cassia County commissioners Monday to request their involvement in acquiring the land.

He suggested that the county could buy the land with the grant money and then either develop the park or deed the parcel back to the city for development.

Commissioners said they liked the idea of another park but did not make a decision on whether to be involved in the

proposed land deal.

County Prosecutor Al Barrus said he didn't think there would be a conflict with the city buying the land from Curtis as long as he accused himself from council discussions on the matter.

He agreed to meet with Stone to look into the legality of the transaction.

Other projects funded by the grants include parking lot expansion at Kunau and North Freedom parks, replacement of restrooms at Kunau Park and additional boat docks at the Golf Course Park.

The entrance road at Kunau Park will also be seal coated.

All projects are expected to be completed this year, Tibbets said.

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California grid operators brace for tight power supply

FOLSOM, Calif. (AP) — For three days in a row last week, California broke all-time electricity consumption records as the mercury climbed over 90 degrees across much of the state.

And this is only July. Sizzling August still lies ahead, and the record is almost certain to be broken again.

"We still haven't seen our peak for this year," said Jim Detmers, acting chief operating officer of the Independent System Operator, manager of much of California's power grid.

The first statewide heat wave of the year has stirred fears of blackouts in California four years after the power system collapsed under the weight of high demand, market manipulation, a botched attempt at deregulation, and inadequate

generation and transmission capacity.

Industry experts, citing improvements in transmission lines and the construction of new power plants, said a repeat of the rolling blackouts of 2001 is unlikely this summer.

Nevertheless, California's power market is still in flux, transmission bottlenecks persist, and customers have been falling out of the habit of conserving. Not only that, but California's reservoirs are lower than usual, which means there will be less hydroelectric power later this summer, when demand is highest.

And the wild card, as usual, is wildfires. They can take down transmission lines at the worst possible time, just when temperatures are soaring in late summer.

Horizon employee faces fondling charges

BOISE (AP) — A former Horizon Airlines employee has been charged with child conduct with a minor for allegedly fondling a 10-year-old girl in the Boise airport.

Christopher D. Flegel, 33, of Nampa was responsible for escorting the 10-year-old girl to her mother's car.

Adna County prosecutors contend he fondled a girl left in his care on June 20, KBCI-TV reported Tuesday.

"She told the officer that Chris said something to her," Deputy Ada County Prosecutor

Shauna Duran said. "Chris said 'I would like to have sex for money.'"

"The victim told the officer that she put her pillow over her head and pretended he was not talking to her," Duran said. "She told the officer that she felt weird because she knew 'sex' was a bad word and she put her pillow over her head and pretended to go to sleep."

The incident happened at one of the Horizon gates in the terminal seating area, according to records presented at a July 23 court hearing.

Trout

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protection," said Bob Williams, field manager for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Nevada.

Since listing, consultations already have been under way on land projects in the bull trout habitat area.

The main land uses in the area are grazing and road maintenance. But anything requiring a federal permit will be affected. The agency says swimming, boating, fishing, farming, ranching and other activities that don't require a federal permit will not be affected by critical habitat designation.

The U.S. Forest Service recently submitted a proposal for reconstruction of the South Canyon Road near Jarbidge/Williams said.

Critical habitat designation won't change the way the Fish and Wildlife Service evaluates the Forest Service's proposal, he said.

Criteria already were set when the bull trout was listed.

The decision still comes down to whether the reconstruction proposal would jeopardize the bull trout population's survival.

For several years Elko County, Nev., has attempted to reconstruct the washed-out road, but bull trout protection generated obstacles.

A group calling itself the Short-Horizon gates is trying to open the road in a show of civil protest in 2000.

NewsTracker

■ **Last we know:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service proposed designating the Jarbidge River in Owyhee County and the river's headwaters in northern Nevada as critical bull trout habitat. The agency also is proposing a species recovery plan.

■ **The latest:** Two public meetings were held Tuesday in Twin Falls.

■ **What's next:** Written comments on the Jarbidge critical habitat plan will be accepted until Aug. 24. Send them by mail to John Young, Bull Trout Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Ave., Portland, OR, 97232; by email to rbultrout@rls.fws.gov; or by fax to 503-231-6243.

Written comments on the draft recovery plan will be accepted until Oct. 29. Mail them to Bob Williams, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Suite 234, Reno, NV 89502.

Find more information online at <http://species.fws.gov/bultrout/>.

Sandmann can be reached at 733-0531, Ext. 237, or jsandmann@magicvalley.com.

Hospital

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Regional's June financial statements, the hospital brought in about \$9.9 million in total operating revenue for the month, up from \$9 million, or 23 percent from the same month the previous year. The hospital spent about \$9.2 million in June, up from \$8.6 million, or 7 percent from the same month the previous year.

But some expenditures came down — spending on insurance was down 49 percent, spending on orthopedic supplies was down 9 percent, and spending on salaries was down 2 percent.

Here are some other highlights from Magic Valley Regional's June financial statements:

■ **Largest expenditure** — Salaries accounted for the largest expenditure in June with

\$3.5 million going into employee paychecks, down from \$3.6 million, or 2 percent from the same month the previous year. Supplies accounted for the second largest expenditure. The hospital spent \$1.1 million on general supplies, \$490,104 on drug supplies and \$194,252 on ortho supplies in June.

■ **Income** — The hospital ended up with \$654,901 in income from operations in June, leaving it with \$724,689 in net income for the month.

■ **Total assets and liabilities** — The hospital had \$110.6 million in total assets and \$110.6 million in total liabilities and net assets at the end of June.

Times-News writer Sandy Miller can be reached at 735-3264 or by e-mail at smiller@magicvalley.com.

Magic Valley Regional finances

Month-end numbers

Revenue	June 2004	June 2003	Pct. change
Inpatient revenue	\$6,979,381	\$7,461,897	-20%
Outpatient revenue	\$6,898,566	\$6,698,318	21%
Total patient revenue	\$13,877,947	\$13,160,215	21%
Deductions from revenue	\$6,904,284	\$5,291,722	30%
Net patient revenue	\$6,973,663	\$7,868,493	14%
Other operating revenue	\$928,274	\$179,290	418%
Total operating revenue	\$7,901,937	\$8,047,783	-2%
Expenditures	June 2004	June 2003	Pct. change
Salaries	\$3,481,501	\$3,563,538	-2%
Benefits	\$938,768	\$831,784	13%
Fees/physicians	\$443,857	\$375,875	18%
Fees/other	\$541,160	\$489,027	10%
Supplies	\$1,131,228	\$1,087,673	4%
Supplies-drugs	\$490,104	\$230,577	113%
Supplies-ortho	\$194,252	\$213,847	-9%
Utilities	\$96,497	\$100,071	-4%
Repairs/maintenance	\$266,124	\$246,310	8%
Leases/rentals	\$170,148	\$123,013	38%
Insurance	\$66,154	\$129,040	-49%
Interest expense	\$103,856	\$113,511	-9%
Unpaid patient bills	\$637,440	\$401,387	59%
Depreciation/amortization	\$542,214	\$580,474	-7%
Other expense	\$144,183	\$147,684	-2%
Total operating expense	\$6,247,486	\$6,636,849	7%
Income from operations	\$654,901	(\$588,766)	214%
Non-operating revenue	\$679,788	\$671,661	13%
Net income	\$724,689	(\$527,203)	237%

Book of MEMORIES

Turn the good times into works of art

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Scrapbooking is a multibillion dollar industry. "There has been enormous growth in scrapbooking in the past few years," said Mary Ash, of Tiffany Square in Twin Falls. "That growth seems to be related to 9/11. It is as if people are focusing on getting their priorities in order and preserving what is important to them."

Scrapbooking is an attempt to capture an event for posterity in an artistic way. Scrapbook enthusiasts are communicating with other people, whether it be the people sitting next to them at a workshop or relatives 100 years in the future.

"The scrapbook page is a way of saying 'this is a piece of my life.' The page is a glimpse into the life story of the individual who created it," Ash said.

Typically, the scrapbook represents an edited version of one's life without the broken water pipes, family feuds and temper tantrums. "Scrapbookers usually include only happy memories, but the not-so-happy events can be remembered on the scrapbook pages, too," Ash explained. "Think of 9/11. It would make a powerful scrapbook."

Tracy White, editor of Keepsake magazine, recommends that people write dedication pages at the beginning of their scrapbooks and sign the books. "It doesn't matter if you consider yourself an accomplished scrapbook artist or a total beginner, the idea is to jump in and have fun," said Saundra Robinson, owner of Scrapbook Cottage in Twin Falls.

Scrapbooking supplies can be found in department stores like Wal Mart or in scrapbook supply stores. More than 5,000 types of paper are on the market today, ranging from smooth to lumpy and bumpy, from soft and fuzzy to slick and shiny. Scrapbooking products include buttons, stickers, stencils, cloth, lace, ribbons, tape, tokens, templates and paper punches. Myriad paper patterns and colors exist, from checkers and stripes to flowers and fire engines. From old-fashioned newsprint advertisements to solid colors. There also are paints for shading, glue for sticking and scissors for cutting.

Pre-made kits include pages, cutouts

and instructions. All you have to do is put a photo in and glue the stickers on the pages. But raw materials are available, too. Here, you make your own creations from scratch. Some people even use scrapbook supplies to make greeting cards, Ash noted.

In Grandma's day, only professionals in museums thought much about tape or glue or whether the pages in a scrapbook or photo album would last. But today's products are manufactured to last through the ages. The paper is acid-free and photo-safe.

A wide array of software also is available for scrapbooking, and Epson makes a scanner that uses 12-by-12-inch paper, typical scrapbook-page size.

According to Ash, you are never too young or too old to get started scrapbooking. Robinson recently taught scrapbooking to a group of Magic Valley 4-H club members. The kids were making scrapbooks to hold the ribbons they expect to earn at county fairs this summer, plus they can earn awards for making the scrapbooks.

Robinson advised the youngsters to lay everything out on the page to be sure it all fits before gluing anything together. And be sure to leave room for "journaling" — who, what, when, where, why. This is the message that tells about the memory.

Ash advises the newcomer to organize photos into groups. Some like to group photos according to time and generation. Others like to group according to events, such as birthdays, weddings, Christmas or travel.

Then, you can work on the current project, but also work backwards on older photos. By working on both, you can avoid the feeling that you will never get caught up, Ash said.

Some scrapbookers like to buy supplies in abundance. Others, who may be on a limited budget, can bring in one photo at a time and buy the specific paper and embellishments for that photo — and scrapbook one page at a time. Even if you have no photo, you can celebrate an event by making a scrapbook page about it, Ash said.

Choose the size of the album early on. The pages are then bound in three-

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DIXIE THOMAS REALE/The Times-News
Emily Plow, a 4-H club member from Buhl, cuts out flowers at a scrapbooking workshop. Saundra Robinson, workshop instructor, stands nearby. Members of 4-H clubs can earn awards for making scrapbooks, and Emily hopes to display ribbons she wins at the fair in her classroom.

Make every day a celebration with these delicious side dishes

Family Features

Find inspiration for an exciting dinnermeat any night of the week. TV personality Katie Brown shares insight about how to find inspiration for special dinners and how to spice up mealtime any night of the week.

When you find yourself in the mood for Cajun, try this spicy shrimp recipe. Serve over any of Lipton's Cajun Sides, including Red Beans and Rice, Dirty Rice, Garlic Butter Rice or New Orleans Style Chicken Rice.

SAUTEED LOUISIANA-STYLE GULF SHRIMP
4 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 teaspoon finely chopped garlic
1/2 cup finely diced yellow onion
1/2 cup finely diced green bell pepper
1 1/2 teaspoons Lawry's Seasoned Salt
1/2 teaspoon ground chili powder
2 plum tomatoes, sliced 1/2-inch thick
2 green onions, cut diagonally
1/2 tablespoon finely chopped fresh thyme
Salt and pepper
1 pound uncooked jumbo shrimp, peeled and deveined



Sauteed Louisiana-Style Gulf Shrimp is a celebration in itself.
1 teaspoon all-purpose flour
1/4 cup white wine
1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice
Fresh chives, chopped (optional garnish)
Melt butter in large saute pan over medium-high heat. Saute garlic, onion, bell pepper, seasoned salt and chili powder until peppers are soft, about 3 minutes. Add tomatoes, green onions and thyme, season with salt and pepper and cook until tomatoes soften slightly, about 1 minute. Turn heat to high and toss shrimp into pan, cooking



To turn your table into a fiesta, start by using a Mexican blanket as a tablecloth — and substitute colorful bandannas for everyday napkins. For an easy-to-make centerpiece, fill a vase with colorful aqua rocks and a candle.

until pink. Add flour until well combined. Add wine and lemon juice and cook on high for about 1 minute or until sauce reduces slightly. To serve, spoon shrimp in sauce onto beds of rice and sprinkle with chopped chives, if desired.
NOTE: Shrimp are easy to cook, but they do cook quickly. Throw them last into whatever you are cooking so that they don't get rubbery.
Pair a grilled sirloin steak with one of Lipton's new Fiesta Sides line of Tex-Mex and Southwestern flavors, including Mexican Rice, Smoked Chipotle Rice,
Jalapeno Jack Pasta, Spanish Rice, Nacho Pasta and Taco Rice.

KATIE'S FIESTA MENU
GRILLED SIRLOIN STEAK WITH SIMPLE MOLE SAUCE
1 1/2 pounds sirloin steak
2 teaspoons olive oil
Salt and coarsely ground pepper
Sauce:
2 tablespoons olive oil
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon finely chopped garlic



Katie Brown
1/2 cup finely chopped onion
3/4 cup canned tomato sauce
1/2 cup chicken stock
Salt and pepper
Preheat grill. Coat steak in olive oil and generously season with salt and pepper. Grill over hot flame to desired degree of doneness. Heat olive oil in small saucepan over medium heat. Once hot, add cumin and cinnamon, and toast for about 30 seconds, making sure not to burn. Add garlic and onion to cumin-cinnamon mixture and cook until onions are translucent. Stir in tomato sauce and chicken stock, and generously season with salt and pepper. Simmer for an additional minute. Adjust seasoning if necessary. Slice grilled steaks into strips and fan slices out on each plate. Pour sauce over steak slices and serve.

FOOD & HOME

CHEFS AHOY!

You don't have to be at sea on the water

By Mike Esposito
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Sailboats may look serene on sunny summer days, but on board they can be quite shifty. That makes dining afloat more difficult than a picnic, but a fresh breeze and a cool lake on a hot day offer ample compensation.

Sailors and chefs offer advice on such subjects as prepping, storing and cooking.

"It's important to have one hand to eat and one hand for the boat," said Gregory "Ike" Scott, whose sailboat, Howl, won the 2002 Culinary Arts Award at Columbia Yacht Club in Chicago.

6 green onions, minced
1 1/2 tablespoons chopped each: dill, basil, cilantro
2 1/4 teaspoons Old Bay seasoning
2-6 tablespoons plain dry bread crumbs, see note
1/2 teaspoon salt
Freshly ground pepper
2 eggs
1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons flour

Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat; add shrimp. Cook, stirring, until shrimp begin to turn pink, about 2 minutes. Cool 5 minutes; cut into 1/4-inch chunks. Combine shrimp, crab, mayonnaise, green onions, dill, basil, cilantro, Old Bay seasoning, 2 tablespoons of the bread crumbs, salt and pepper to taste.

Fold in eggs with spatula until light and just incorporated and the mixture stays together, adding more bread crumbs, 1 tablespoon at a time, as needed. Form into 3-inch round cakes; place on baking sheets lined with wax paper. Cover with plastic wrap. Chill 2-4 hours.

Place flour in a pie pan; lightly coat cakes on both sides with flour. Heat remaining 3 tablespoons of the oil in skillet over medium-high heat.

Fry cakes, in batches, until crisp and brown, about 5 minutes per side.

NOTE: Because refrigerating the bread crumbs helps hold them together, use only as much as you need to help the mixture come together.

Gregory "Ike" Scott serves these mini frittatas on his boat, Howl. The recipe is adapted from Cook's Illustrated.

MINI FRITTATAS
Yield: 24 pieces
1 tablespoon olive oil
1/4 cup dried bread crumbs
8 eggs
2 teaspoons chopped chives
1 teaspoon coarse salt
Freshly ground pepper
1 can (6.5 ounces) crab meat, drained, flaked
1 small zucchini, finely chopped
3 white button mushrooms, finely chopped
1/2 cup finely chopped red bell pepper or yellow bell pepper
1/2 cup combination
1/4 cup shredded fontina cheese
1 teaspoon ground thyme
Heat oven to 400 degrees. Brush 24 mini-muffin cups with olive oil; top each cup with 1/2 teaspoon of the bread crumbs; set aside. Whisk together eggs, chives, salt and pepper to taste; set aside. Arrange crab flakes, zucchini, mushrooms, peppers and cheese in each of the muffin cups. Ladle egg mixture into each prepared cup, filling to top. Sprinkle each with thyme. Bake until set, about 12-14 minutes.

His winning menu included such tasty morsels as "little quiches, more like little pies, and crab and shrimp cakes" for starters and a choice of entrees: London broil, grilled salmon or butterflied chicken breast.

Allen Smith, who holds a Coast Guard license to command vessels up to 100 tons, says boiling water is a key. "You can always carry 10 spaghetti meals," he said. He also said that macaroni and cheese makes great seafare fare, especially when tuna and peas are added.

Chef Mark Ainsworth, of The Culinary Institute of America in New York, said refrigeration or properly cooled seafood is essential. "From 41 to 140 (degrees) is the temperature danger zone and you've got to keep your food out of the danger zone," said Ainsworth. "Food should not be kept between those temperatures for very long. You have about two hours."

Ainsworth suggested bringing precooked meats and salads and thinking of the experience more like a picnic. Those meats could be reheated on a grill or in the galley, he said.

"Another option is grilled chicken with garlic sauce," said Ainsworth. "Sauces that can be prepared on shore in advance. Ainsworth said.

BOATING RECIPES

"I have often made these cakes for crew members on the Howl," said Gregory "Ike" Scott. "They're easy to eat on a boat and heat the cold meat sandwiches we so often get."

The recipe is adapted from Cook's Illustrated. Serve with your favorite dipping sauce.

CRAB AND SHRIMP CAKES
Yield: 6 servings
1/4 cup grapeseed or olive oil
1/2 pound shrimp, shelled, deveined
1 pound jumbo lump crabmeat, cartilage, shells removed
1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons mayonnaise

Making much of mulch

It's hot. You're wilted. Your roses are wilted. Just as mulch makes the difference whether roses survive a harsh winter, mulch cures what ails a wilting rose garden.

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Two, preferably three inches of bark chips or another organic mulch material that allows good air and water circulation work overtime in the heat of summer.

Combine a good blanket of mulch with appropriate water and fertilizing practices for this time of year and your roses will trot through these dog days



GREEN THUMBPRINTS
Cathy Walworth

with their heads up. Water roses deeply first thing in the morning. Twice a week in the hottest days of summer. The thick layer of mulch will keep precious water from evaporating or the top of the soil from drying out. Water applied first thing in the morning will certainly be dry before nightfall too - virtually eliminating the chance that disease might set in.

If you don't know how much

water your system delivers, set out washed-out tuna cans here and there. Check them after 20 minutes. When they've accumulated an inch of water, check with a sharp shovel or probe to see how deeply an inch of water penetrated in that time.

You want the entire root zone moistened. If the soil isn't wet at least six inches deep, turn the water back on.

It's hot. You're off your feed. So are your roses. Rosarians often cut back on nutrients during the hottest days, especially nitrogen. Just like you, roses prefer "light" meals on sweltering days.

best the week after your company leaves. Here's a trick that will brighten that spot where your flowers are "resting."

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TIP OF THE WEEK: It's means that your yard looks its

What's bugging your garden? Write to Cathy in care of this newspaper or e-mail her at: cwuo@pm.com

Try some avocado pie

By Linda Cicero
The Miami Herald

Here's a classic recipe, no doubt devised to help use a bountiful avocado crop. It tastes much like a Key lime pie, but the filling is slightly more mousse-like in texture. Recipes suggest topping with toasted pecans before adding whipped cream.

AVOCADO PIE
2 large, ripe avocados
1 (14-ounce) can sweetened condensed milk
1 (4-ounce) cup Key lime juice (to taste)
1 (8- to 9-inch) graham cracker pie crust
Lightly sweetened whipped cream
Peel and pit avocados and chop coarsely. Place in a blender or food processor with the milk and lime juice; pulse until smooth. Pour mixture into crust and refrigerate several hours. Serve topped with whipped cream.

milk and the vanilla or rum. The mixture in a caramelized mold. Place in another pan large enough to allow at least an inch of space all around. Add very hot water to come 1 inch up the sides of the pan mold. Place in the middle of the oven and bake about 75 minutes, until the top is golden brown and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Remove flan from water bath and cool to room temperature on wire rack. Run a thin knife or spatula around the edges to loosen. Cover and refrigerate at least 6 hours and up to 2 days. To serve, dip the bottom of the mold into hot water for about 30 seconds. Invert onto a platter; spoon any flowing caramelized sugar over the top. Makes 12 servings.

The Miami Herald reported recently that one bidder at an auction at the defunct Manero's Steakhouse in Hallandale Beach, Fla., wanted to buy the Gorgonzola salad recipe. We can't bring back the beloved restaurant but we're happy to print the recipe, which Manero's shared with Cook's Corner in 1983. Manero's advised us to freeze the cheese for 24 hours before grating and rub the salad bowl with garlic-flavored oil. (Prepare by processing 1/2 cup vegetable oil - Manero's specified Mazola - in a blender with 1 garlic clove.)

MANERO'S GORGONZOLA SALAD
1 head iceberg lettuce
1 green bell pepper, diced
2 ribs celery, diced
1/2 medium onion, diced
2 ripe tomatoes, chopped
Salt and pepper
4 ounces Gorgonzola cheese
1/4 cup cider vinegar
1 cup vegetable oil
Break lettuce into bite-size pieces. Toss in prepared wood-cut salad bowl (see note above) along with the bell pepper, celery and onion. Add tomato. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Grate cheese over salad. Mix vinegar and oil with a whisk or in a covered jar until combined; pour over salad. Toss and serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

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Memories

Continued from C1
ring binders, post-bound or strap-bound. Most albums are 12 inches by 12 inches, but albums can be 8 1/2 by 11 inches, 8 by 8 inches or 6 by 6 inches. Small sizes make great gift albums, Ash said.

Classes help the scrapbooker gain new ideas, buy some scrapbookers prefer to work alone. There are hundreds of how-to magazines on the market and numerous TV shows devoted to scrapbooking. If you typed scrapbooking into any Internet search engine, more

than 1,500,000 Web sites will be listed.

In a recent Chicago Tribune story, Patrick Reardon compared scrapbooking "craps" (workshops where scrapbookers sit around tables and exchange ideas while they work) to old-time quilting bees: Women (most scrapbookers are women) get together to connect and share.

Reardon suggested that scrapbooking is a way around the isolation often felt in our modern world because women no longer hang their clothes

outdoors to dry and gossip over the back fence.

Many scrapbook supply stores hold crops in back rooms. Some stores charge a nominal fee. Others charge only for materials.

Call your local scrapbooking stores for details.

Times-News correspondent Dixie Thomas (left) can be reached at 324-3760.



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FOOD & HOME

Discover panzanella; it's tomato and bread salad

By Jim Coleman and Candace Hagan
Philadelphia Daily News

So you want to make a Panzanella Salad... doesn't it sound like some sort of military attack... using old-fashioned cannons? Actually it's what a tomato and bread salad is called. My suggestion would be to book a flight to Rome, rent a car, drive up to Florence, buy some Tuscan bread, some seasonal tomatoes, some fresh basil, a little bit of really good local olive oil, and some balsamic vinegar. Toss it all in a bowl, sit down in the town square and soak up the local atmosphere.

Panzanella was probably invented for three reasons. One of them was because Italy was a very poor country for many years and bread was inexpensive. Also, nothing was wasted, and with this recipe, they could use stale bread. The last reason it probably came about was in

the warm, dry Italian summers it was useless trying to keep the bread fresh. When it became dry they figured out a way to revive it with some simple ingredients.

I'm going to give you a very basic recipe, but feel free to change it. Everybody makes this salad a little differently. Buy the freshest and best ingredients you possibly can. Most importantly, this salad should be made when the tomatoes are in peak season.

Speaking of tomatoes, they should always be stored at room temperature so they can retain their abundance of flavor.

UNDER THE TUSCAN PANZANELLA

- 1 loaf of Italian, French, or other high quality crusty bread
- 3 large ripe red tomatoes that have been roughly chopped
- 3 cloves of garlic, finely minced
- 1 small sweet onion, thinly sliced

- 1 small cucumber, seeded and diced
- 1/2 cup loosely packed fresh basil leaves that have been torn by hand into small pieces
- 3 tablespoons good quality balsamic vinegar

- 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- 1/3 cup of good, extra virgin olive oil

Leave the bread unwrapped at room temperature overnight to become stale. Alternatively, cut the loaf into one-inch squares and dry it out in a 200-degree oven. Toss all of the remaining ingredients, except the oil, in a bowl with the bread cubes. Add the salt and pepper to taste. Add the olive oil, toss gently and taste for a final flavor—adding a little more salt and pepper if needed. Allow the salad to stand at room temperature for at least one hour so the bread can absorb the flavors thoroughly. If desired, add black olives and capers, and you can also garnish with finely sliced basil and tomato.

Get crabby

By April Lisante
Philadelphia Daily News


Now is the time for crabs. CRAB BOIL

- For the water:
 - 1 bouquet garni (3 stalks parsley, 1 sprig thyme and 1 bay leaf)
 - 1/4 cup crab boil seasoning (such as Old Bay)
 - 3 lemons, cut in half
 - 2 garlic heads, slit in half
 - 1 blue crab
 - 1 Dungeness crab
 - 1 green shore crab (optional)
 - 1 stone crab (optional)
 - 1 common European crab (optional)
 - 2 queen crab claws (optional)
 - 2 snow crab claws
 - 2 king or Alaskan crab claws
- For serving:
 - 1/4 cup butter
 - 2-3 peeled garlic cloves

Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add bouquet garni, crab boil, lemons and garlic. Add the largest of the crabs first, then add the remainder, removing the crabs and claws as they become cooked. Discard water afterward. In a saucepan, melt 1/4 cup of butter with 2-3 peeled garlic cloves. Simmer the butter for 3-4 minutes to infuse the garlic into the butter. Remove from the heat and discard the garlic cloves. Serve immediately as a dipping sauce with crabs.

—Source: Food Network, Emeril Lagasse

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Summertime, or any time, this Picnic Bean Casserole brings hearty taste to the table.

Try bean casserole at your next picnic

Taste of Home

This colorful medley is part of a favorite meal that Jill Evelyn of Wilmore, Ky., shared in Taste of Home magazine. "Smoked bacon adds zest to this bean bake," a recipe I got from my mother," she said.

PICNIC BEAN CASSEROLE

2 cans (15 ounces each) pork and beans

1 can (16 ounces) kidney beans, rinsed and drained

1 can (15 ounces) lima or butter beans, rinsed and drained

1 medium onion, chopped
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
1/2 cup ketchup
4 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled

In a large bowl, combine the beans, onion, brown sugar and

ketchup. Transfer to a greased 2 1/2-quart baking dish. Sprinkle with bacon.

Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour. Uncover, bake 30 minutes longer. Yield: 10 servings.

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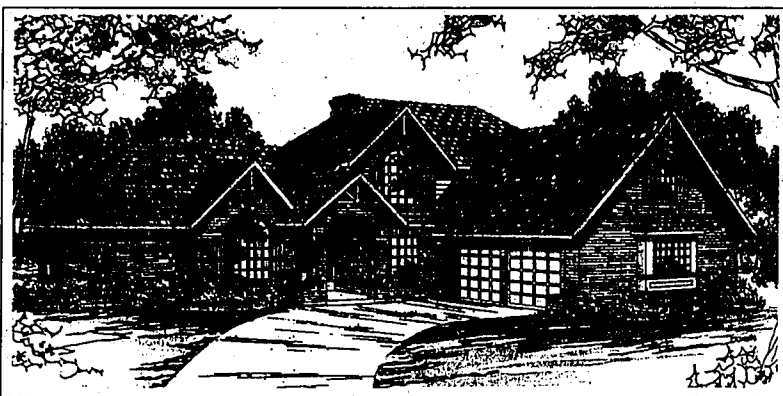
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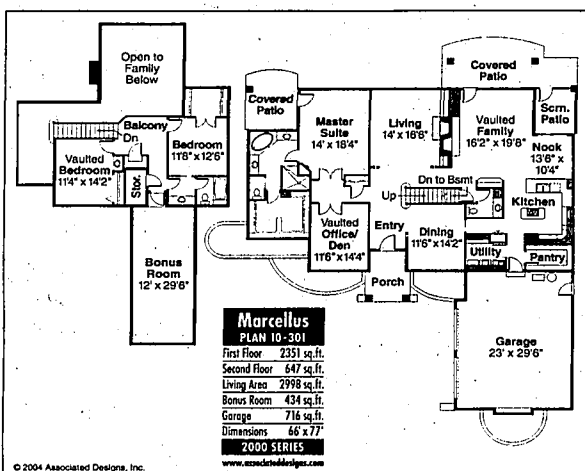
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In the vaulted family room, a fireplace is right next to a built-in entertainment center. Another fireplace, flanked by bookshelves, is in the living room. A built-in desk nestles into an alcove close to the basement stairs and the small bathroom is close to everything. The kitchen sink faces into the nook and family room. On the exterior wall, windows between counter and cupboard provide natural illumination. A



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good-sized utility room and a walk-in pantry almost as large are close to both kitchen and garage.

Luxuries in the master suite include a naturally bright spa tub, twin basins, a his/hers walk-in closet and a big door-

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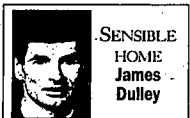
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Pressurized central air-condition provides more comfort

DEAR JIM: My wife and kids have finally convinced me to invest in central air-conditioning. My contractor recommends a mini-duct, pressurized system instead of a standard ducted one. Are pressurized systems comfortable?

-GUS H.

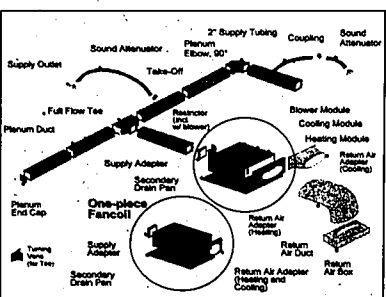


SENSIBLE HOME
James Duley

DEAR GUS: Pressurized central air-conditioning systems produce better comfort than most other cooling systems and they are extremely quiet indoors. The dense cool air blows from outlets high in the rooms, so the cool air does not puddle near the floor as with many standard-ducted systems.

These systems use the same super-efficient outdoor cooling compressor units as ducted systems, but the air delivery method is improved. The air blows out into the room from two-inch-diameter mini-ducts mounted in the ceiling or high on the walls. There are several mini-ducts per room.

The main blower unit is usually installed in the attic. The cool air follows a insulated main duct with the mini-ducts attached to it. Since mini-ducts are small, these systems are easy to install in an old home without an existing heating duct system. Pressurized systems are becoming the cooling



method of choice in homes with warm radiant floor heating.

To move the cool air through the small ducts, the blower must pressurize the air much more than with a standard-ducted system. With the high pressure, a more effective coil design is used. This cooling coil design, coupled with the denser compressed air, results in improved dehumidification. The final section of the mini-ducts, immediately before the small room outlets, is made

with sound-deadening materials. This makes the system operate very quietly as the pressurized cool, dry air flows into the rooms.

Another comfort and efficiency advantage is the relatively high air velocity of the outlet air as compared to a standard-duct system. The high speed creates an aspiration effect at the outlets. This causes an instant mixing of the room air with the cooled air to eliminate chilly drafts.

These systems are ideal with

hot water radiant heating, but they can use heat pumps and forced-air heating options. Even if you use radiant floor heat, installing a heat pump outside instead of just an air conditioner, allows you to use the efficient heat pump during milder weather periods.

Some models allow you to add different types of heating modules. With its high-pressure design, only one main air return grill, often in a hallway, is needed. The two-inch cool air outlets have a 5-inch-diameter flange. When painted the same color as the room, they are barely noticeable. Natural wood, brass and other decorative finishes are also available. Rectangular ones are designed to fit in kitchen or bathroom cabinets.

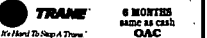
Write for (instantly download - www.duley.com) Update Bulletin No. 713 - buyer's guide of mini-duct, pressurized air-conditioning systems listing sizes, features, installation details, and a list of the most efficient compressor unit manufacturers. Please include \$3 and a business-size SASE. Write to James Duley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

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Open sesame: Bring a different taste to seafood

By Renee Schettler
The Washington Post

When there's no time for a marinade, let your dipping sauce double as a basting sauce. It subtly but surely reinforces the flavor.

SEAFOOD GRILL WITH SESAME DIPPING SAUCE

For the sesame sauce:
6 tablespoons honey
5 tablespoons unseasoned rice vinegar
1 tablespoon minced, fresh ginger root
1 tablespoon soy sauce
1 tablespoon chili garlic sauce, or to taste
1 1/2 teaspoons toasted sesame oil
1 1/2 teaspoons grated orange zest
2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
2 tablespoons chopped

fresh mint
2 tablespoons toasted sesame seeds
Salt
For the seafood:
Vegetable oil
About 24 large shrimp, shelled and deveined but with tails intact, or substitute sea scallops
2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint

For the sauce: In a bowl, whisk together the honey, vinegar, soy sauce, chili garlic sauce, sesame oil and orange zest. (May cover and refrigerate for up to 1 day. Bring to room temperature before using.) Transfer 2 tablespoons of the sauce to a shallow bowl; set aside. To the remaining sauce, add the cilantro, mint, sesame seeds and salt. Taste and adjust the ingredients accordingly.

For the seafood: Lightly oil the grill rack. Preheat the grill.

Rinse the shrimp or scallops and pat dry. If using shrimp, thread them onto skewers, making sure to pass through each shrimp twice. (Just pass the skewer through the body near the tail, then bend the shrimp and pass the skewer through the shrimp again near the head.) If using scallops, thread the scallop onto skewers, making sure to pass 2 skewers held parallel to one another through each scallop. Brush the reserved 2 tablespoons sauce over the seafood. Grill the skewers, turning several times, until shrimp turn pink and curled or the scallops are opaque throughout, 4 to 5 minutes. Transfer the skewers to serving plates and sprinkle with chopped cilantro and mint. Divide the reserved dipping sauce among 4 small bowls and serve on the side. Serves 4.

Adapted from "The Big Book of Backyard Cooking" by Terry Robbortom

Spice up noodles with peanut sauce

By Bill Daley
Chicago Tribune

Sometimes the simplest dishes raise the most fuss. So it is with cold sesame noodles. The peanut sauce is great over cold poached chicken or used as a dip for grilled shrimp. But I like it best stirred into cold, cooked noodles and topped with a handful of finely chopped green onion.

I love to serve these noodles with a cold asparagus salad and perhaps a grilled tenderloin of pork glazed with soy sauce and various Asian spices. Follow with coconut or green tea ice creams.

If you have the time, the sauce is even better if it can stand 1-2 hours to let the flavors bloom.

'SESAME' NOODLES WITH SPICY PEANUT SAUCE

Yield: 6 servings
10 cloves garlic

1/2 cup each: all-natural peanut butter, soy sauce
5 tablespoons sugar
1 to 2 tablespoons hot chili oil
1/2 teaspoon Chinese rice wine or dry sherry
1 pound spaghetti, cooked according to package directions, cooled
2 green onions, chopped
Minced the garlic in a food processor, stopping occasionally to scrape down the sides. Add peanut butter, soy sauce, sugar, chili oil and rice wine.

Puree 1 minute. Put the spaghetti in a large bowl, top with sauce. Mix until the pasta strands are evenly coated. Garnish with green onions.

Adapted from "The Modern Art of Chinese Cooking," by Barbara Tropp

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Have a night out in your own home

By Kate Shatzkin
The Baltimore Sun

My husband and I recently had a fabulous New York City dinner. We started with appetizers from the chef at Tribeca Grill, moved up to an entree by the director of Windows on the World and enjoyed dessert from the owner of the Confort Diner — all without leaving our Baltimore home.

"Chef on a Shoestring" by Andrew Friedman (Simon & Schuster, Paperbacks, 2004, \$12), a great cookbook now out in paperback, made it possible. Filled with more than 120 recipes from noteworthy chefs, it lets home cooks attempt dishes they might find in fancy restaurants, at a fraction of the cost.

The book is a spinoff of a segment by the same name that appears on CBS' "Saturday Early Show."

MICHAEL LOMONACO'S PAN-ROASTED HALIBUT WITH SPRING VEGETABLES

1 1/2 pounds halibut fillet, 3/4 inch thick, cut into 4 pieces
Coarse salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 cup blanched pencil-thin asparagus tips
1/2 cup shelled blanched fresh fava beans
1/3 cup dry white wine
2 to 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
1 to 2 tablespoons chopped tarragon leaves

Season the halibut on both sides with salt and pepper. In a casserole or skillet, heat the oil over moderate heat. Add the fish, flesh side down, and saute for 4 minutes. Turn the fish and saute, skin side down, for 4 minutes. Add the asparagus and fava beans to the skillet with the fish and cook for 2 minutes. Add the wine, partially cover, and cook for 1 minute more. Remove the fish to a serving platter. Stir the butter and tarragon into the pan with the vegetables and spoon the sauce over the fish. Serve immediately. Serves 4.

Beat the heat with this quick salad

By Linda Gassenheimer
Knight Ridder News Service

This quick salad from the French Riviera makes a perfect dinner for a summer evening. There are as many versions of Salade Niçoise as people who make it. Olives, tomatoes, anchovies and tuna usually form the base. You can add any other greens, onions, hard-cooked egg or leftover vegetables. I like to create a range of textures and colors with crisp, green lettuce, ripe red tomatoes and tuna.

'SALADE NICOISE'

1/2 pound baby or creamer red potatoes
1/2 pound fresh green beans
4 anchovies, rinsed (1/2 ounce)
1/4 cup diced red onion
3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
2 tablespoons nonfat, low-salt chicken broth
1 tablespoon olive oil
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
1 6-ounce can low-salt, solid white tuna in water
1/2 French baguette
5 large romaine lettuce leaves

1 ripe tomato
6 pitted black olives
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Wash and cut potatoes into 25-inch-thick slices. Wash, trim and cut beans into 2-inch pieces. Place sliced potatoes in steaming basket or vegetable steamer over 2 to 3 inches water. Cover pot and bring water to a boil. Steam 5 minutes and add beans. Continue to steam another 5 minutes. While potatoes and beans steam, make vinaigrette. In a large bowl, mash rinsed anchovies with a fork. Add diced onion and vinegar. Mix well. Blend in mustard and then add chicken broth and oil. Stir with fork to a smooth consistency. Add salt and pepper to taste. Rinse and drain tuna. Add to sauce and break apart into bite-size pieces. Add potatoes and beans and toss. Place baguette in oven to warm. Wash, dry and tear lettuce into small pieces and place on serving plate. Spoon tuna mixture over lettuce. Wash and cut tomato into 6 wedges and arrange on platter. Quarter olives and toss over top. Serve with warm baguette. Makes 2 servings.



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This pasta salad will please you

Taste of Home

"The flavors blend wonderfully when this salad is chilled for several hours or overnight," says Jill Evelyn from Wilmore, Ky.

She is one of Taste of Home magazine's 1,000 field editors and shared this well-liked salad as part of a favorite meal.

DELI-STYLE PASTA SALAD

- 1 package (16 ounces) tricolor spiral pasta
- 2 medium plum tomatoes, seeded and halved
- 8 ounces sliced salami, julienned
- 8 ounces provolone cheese, julienned

- 1 small red onion, thinly sliced and separated into rings
- 1 jar (5 3/4 ounces) stuffed olives, drained and sliced
- 1 can (2 1/4 ounces) sliced ripe olives, drained
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 bottle (8 ounces) Italian salad dressing
- Cook pasta according to package directions; drain and rinse in cold water. In a large bowl, combine the pasta, tomatoes, salami, cooked onion, olives and Parmesan cheese.
- Add dressing and toss to coat.

Cover and refrigerate for several hours or overnight. Yield: 12 servings.



Photo courtesy of Taste of Home
Looking for a great dish to take along to a picnic or potluck? Deli-Style Pasta Salad will be a popular choice.

Taste this tomato tart; you won't be sorry

Los Angeles Times

Thaw puff pastry according to package directions. Two sheets of 100 percent butter puff pastry may be substituted for the package of frozen puff pastry. Cut so two pieces sealed together will measure 18 1/2 inches long by 9 1/2 inches wide.

HEIRLOOM TOMATO TART

- 3 cups thinly sliced onions
- 2 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons olive oil, divided
- 2 1/2 pounds tomatoes, preferably of different colors

Salt

- 1 (17.3-ounce) package frozen puff pastry, thawed
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup "panko", (Japanese bread crumbs)
- 2 ounces pitted oil-cured black olives (about 17)
- 3/4 ounce pecorino-Romano cheese, shaved with a vegetable peeler

- 1/4 cup torn basil leaves
- Combine the onions and 2 tablespoons of the oil in a large skillet. Cook, covered, over medium heat until the onions soften, about 15 minutes. Stir to make sure the onions aren't scorching, replace the cover and reduce the heat to low.
- Continue cooking, stirring occasionally, until the onions are golden and sweet, about 45 minutes more. Remove from the heat and cool. Cut the tomatoes in half vertically and then slice each half horizontally as thinly as you can. Arrange the sliced tomatoes on several jelly roll pans and sprinkle liberally with salt. Set the pans at a 5-inch slant and let the tomatoes give up their liquid for at least an hour. Heat the oven to 400 degrees. Place a baking sheet in the oven to heat. Unfold the puff pastry sheets. Break the egg into a bowl and lightly beat with a fork. Use a pastry brush to paint a 1-inch strip of egg wash along one narrow side of one puff pastry sheet. Arrange the second sheet so it is overlapping just along the painted edge and press to seal. The puff pastry should be about 18 1/2 inches long by 9

1/2 inches wide. Transfer the pastry to a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Sprinkle the bread crumbs down the center, leaving a 2-inch wide border around the pastry sheet. Arrange the cooled, sliced onions on top of the bread crumbs. (They are a seasoning only and will not make a uniform layer.) Place the tomato slices on paper towels and pat dry to remove excess moisture. (Reserve tomato water for another use.) Arrange the tomatoes down the center in overlapping slices and alternating colors on top of the onions. Drizzle the 2 teaspoons of oil over the top of the tomatoes. Scatter the pitted olives over the tomatoes and then the shaved pecorino over everything. Fold the top and bottom edges of the puff pastry over to barely overlap the tomato filling. Cut out a 1-inch square from each of four corners so when you fold over the sides the corners will not be too thick. Brush the egg wash to seal the corners so they don't open during baking. Paint the borders with egg wash and place on the heated baking sheet. Bake until the pastry is puffed and dark brown, about 30 minutes. Remove from the oven and scatter the torn basil leaves over the top. Let cool to room temperature before serving. Servings: 6 to 8.

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FOOD & HOME

Relish in the taste of refrigerator rolls

By Ellen Hewis
The Baltimore Sun

Margery Coates of Havre de Grace, Md., wrote, "This recipe was my grandmother's (and I am 89)."

REFRIGERATOR ROLLS

- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon butter or lard
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 envelope of cake yeast
- 1/4 cup lukewarm water
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1 beaten egg
- 4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup melted butter
- Add sugar, salt and butter to boiling water. Cool 1/4 lukewarm. Meanwhile, soften yeast in 1/4 cup lukewarm water. Add the 1/2 teaspoon sugar and let sit a few minutes. Stir this into

the first mixture and add the beaten egg. Stir in 2 cups flour and beat thoroughly. Stir in remaining 2 cups flour and mix well, kneading dough together until it coheres. Cover tightly with plastic wrap; refrigerate 2 to 24 hours. Remove dough from refrigerator. Cut in half, returning other half to the refrigerator. Divide remaining dough into 8 equal pieces. Shape each piece into a ball. Dip each ball into melted butter. Place in greased 8-inch round pan. Repeat dividing, shaping and dipping with remaining dough and melted butter. Cover; let rise in warm, draft-free place until doubled in size, about 45 minutes. Bake at 400 degrees for 15 to 18 minutes, or until done. Remove from pans; cool on wire racks. Makes approximately 16 rolls.

Go grape this summer season

By Liz Atwood
The Baltimore Sun

California grape season is in full swing, bringing green, red and blue varieties to grocery shelves. Although grapes tend to be one of kids' favorite fruits, they can lend themselves to grown-up recipes as well, such as this dish of sauteed chicken breasts: Heat 2 tablespoons of butter in a medium-size saucepan over medium-high heat. Add 1/4 cup of minced shallots, 2 teaspoons of fresh minced thyme, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/8 teaspoon pepper. Cook for 3 minutes to 5 minutes, until shallots are softened. Add 1/4 cup brandy. Let cook 2 minutes. Add one 14-ounce can chicken broth, 1/2 cup cream, 3 tablespoons of Dijon mustard and cook for 15 minutes, letting sauce reduce slightly. In a small bowl, whisk together 1 tablespoon of flour and 2 tablespoons of water until smooth. Whisk flour mixture into sauce and cook for an additional 5 minutes. Set aside. Season 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts with salt and pepper. Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in a large nonstick fry pan. Add chicken and cook for about 5 minutes on each side until cooked through. Add 2 cups of seedless grapes, rinsed, to the pan and cook for 3 more minutes. Add sauce to pan and swirl to coat chicken breasts. Serve chicken with grapes and sauce spooned over them. Makes 4 servings.

Tidbits for cooks

Skippy creates peanut butter snack bars

Kids never seem to be able to get enough peanut butter. Skippy has found a new way to satisfy their cravings: peanut butter snack bars. The bars come in four flavors, pairing peanut butter with granola, fudge, strawberry and marshmallow flavors. They are sold six to a box and are available in grocery stores and mass merchandisers nationwide.

Summer cheese doesn't need its day in the sun

By Laura Worlin
Knight Rider News Service

When the heat hits, it's hard to think about cheese. But just as there are winter cheeses - Stilton, Vacherin - there are also summer cheeses.

Summer cheeses may be just right after a springtime stay in the aging room. One is the cylindrical goat cheese, called a crottin. Or mozzarella or crescenza. Tasting a sheep's milk cheese from Vermont is a reminder of the sheep that forages in the meadow. This type of cheese offers bites of fresh grass, flowers and nuts.

A summer cheese finds a friend with summer fruit. Try smoothing a creamy triple-cream cheese over a just-grilled peach half and adorning it with a mint leaf, or laying a few shavings of Parmigiano-Reggiano over a fresh-cut fig festooned with a drop of your best balsamic vinegar. Fresh ricotta is well-suited for a summer cheese and place it in a cooler, preferably with an ice pack. Not only will the double-wrap protect it from the warm temperatures, it will also keep the cheese from absorbing the flavors from the marinated olives or sausages. Ideally, you will have a small cooler just for cheese, or perhaps big enough for the wine or beer to go with it. But if you don't, then wrap it well.

If you're serving cheese outside at home, try to keep it out of the sun, even in early evening. The waning sun can take its toll.

You might consider leaving the cheese on the counter inside until you're ready to serve it. Or, simply find a place in the shade.

The outdoors also presents another challenge: flies. Some home stores have dome-shaped screens just for cheese. They're a great investment if you plan to serve cheese outdoors, as they will ensure that you will get the cheese before the flies do.

Because cheese is rich, think about lightening it up by serving it with fruits and vegetables instead of bread. Of course, bread is OK too, but in the dog

days of summer, bread is better, left as the housing for a juicy burger or grilled with butter and garlic. Or, you can always put that cheddar between two buttered slices of bread, slap it on the grill, and have the greatest grilled cheese sandwich ever.

If you have any cheeses left, wrap them well for storage. You may need to put runny or very soft cheeses into the refrigerator to firm up before wrapping. Once they are firm, either place them as is in an airtight container or wrap in waxed paper followed by plastic wrap.

Don't wrap directly in plastic, or you'll suffocate the cheese.

Select fresh-from-the-market produce. Put that together with a floral sheep's milk cheese from Vermont, a fresh ricotta from California or a runny triple cream from Louisiana.

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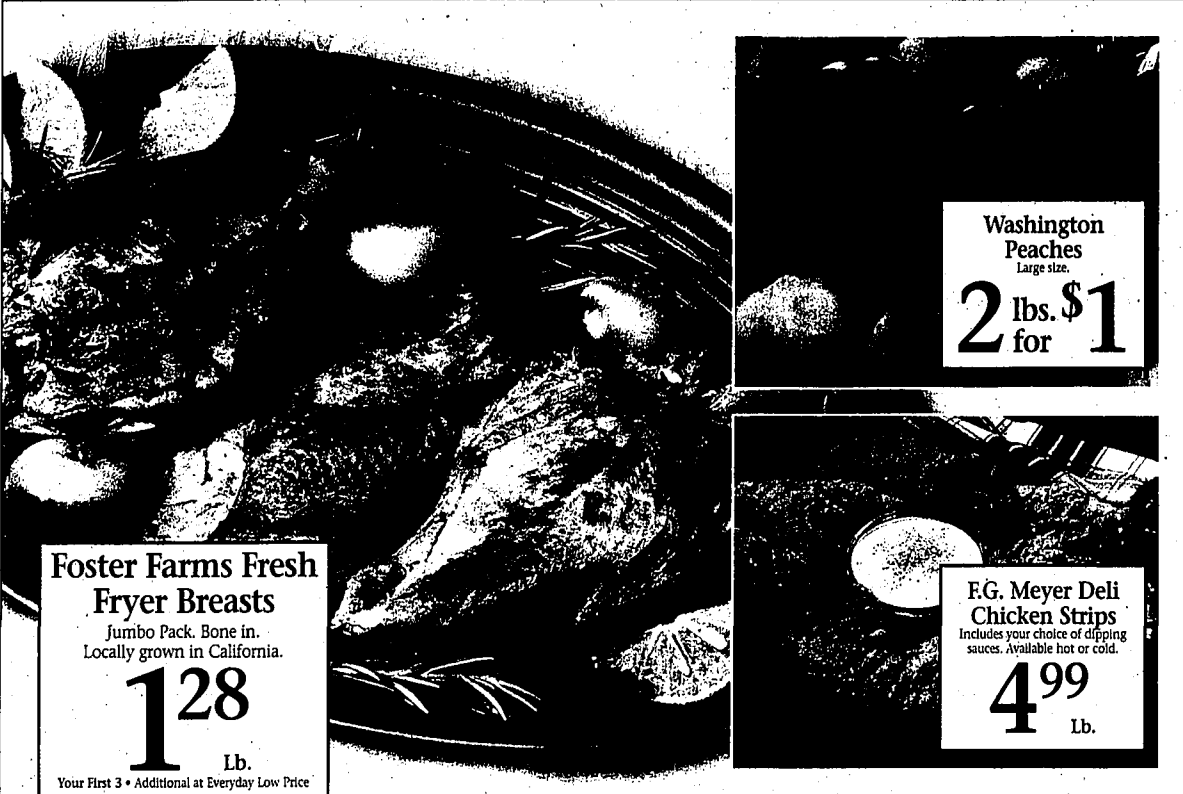
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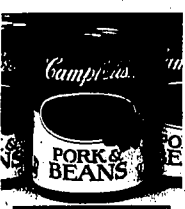
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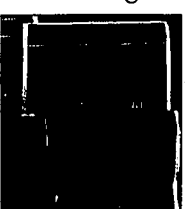
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I guess I have a passion for blood. My lifelong dream was to be a mortician.

— Boxing cutman Joe Souza

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

What is the U.S. men's basketball team's record in Olympic competition?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Legion baseball

Class A Area C District Tournament, American Falls. See related story on this page

IN BRIEF

Goodbody in the hunt despite miscue

EUGENE, Ore. — Wendell's Jaynie Goodbody bounced back from a 22nd-place showing in the 100-meter hurdles to climb back into sixth place after the first day of the heptathlon competition at the USA Track and Field national Junior Olympics meet at the University of Oregon campus in Eugene.

According to her father Steve Goodbody, the incoming Wendell High senior hit the fifth hurdle to record a time of 18.66 seconds, good for 22nd out of the 26 athletes entered.

She bounced back with a win in the high jump at 5-feet 5 inches and second place in the shot put. Her heave went 38.25, a personal best by 14 inches. A fourth-place performance in the 200-meter dash (26.06 seconds) gave her 2,664 points headed into the final day.

Ylissa Hasan of Buffalo, N.Y., leads with 3,068 points while Centennial High's Megan Peror of Boise is in third with 2,842 points. Goodbody will compete in the long jump, javelin and 800-meter run today.

CSI coach rides first hole-in-one

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho women's basketball coach Randy Rogers holed his first-ever ace on July 23. Candoridge Golf Course in Twin Falls.

The hole-in-one came on the 122-yard hole No. 3 with a 9-iron. Rogers' shot was witnessed by Ken Simmons.

Chadwick Grille hosts 3-on-3 tournament

BURLEY — The Chadwick Grille will host a 3-on-3 basketball tournament Saturday, July 31 on Oakley Ave. between Main St. and 13th St. Registration begins at 11 a.m. at The Chadwick.

Anyone interested in playing should stop by The Chadwick to pick up a team registration form, which is due Friday. Divisions run from grades 5-12, along with open and 6-foot and under divisions. Both male and female teams are encouraged to play. The registration cost is \$35 or \$40, depending on division.

Okur smiles after signing jazz deal

SALT LAKE CITY — Mehmet Okur was very concise in his earliest moments as a member of the Utah Jazz. "Life is good," Okur said with a wide grin after signing a six-year, \$50 million deal to join the Jazz.

The Turkish center signed the deal Tuesday, three days short of the deadline the Detroit Pistons had to match Utah's offer.

'I JUST CAN'T WAIT'

QB Palmer's ascent grabs camp spotlight

The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — In the last month alone, Carson Palmer has been on the cover of two national magazines and was featured in one of those made-for-TV quarterback competitions.

franchise's future. "I just can't wait," Palmer said.

How he fares will be one of the main topics of training camps, which started opening on Tuesday. All 32 teams will be in camp by Sunday.

There are a lot of intriguing questions around the league: Can moody running back Corey Dillon fit in with the Patriots and bring them another Super Bowl? How will Eddie George fare in Dallas? What will the Dolphins do now that Ricky Williams is seeking happiness somewhere else?

Put Palmer near the top of the discussion list.

The Bengals morphed into the NFL's up-and-coming team last season, Marvin Lewis' first as head coach. A lot of it could be traced to Jon Kitna, who won the NFL Comeback Player of the Year award with numbers comparable to what Tom Brady put up in New England.

Meanwhile, Palmer tried to learn by watching. "You never quit learning," offensive coordinator Bob Please see PALMER, Page D2



Cincinnati's Carson Palmer throws a pass during the team's first day of minicamp on May 7.

Judge may release portions of transcripts

The Associated Press

DENVER — Under pressure from the U.S. Supreme Court, the judge in the Kobe Bryant sex case said Tuesday he may release edited copies of transcripts from a closed-door hearing that were accidentally e-mailed to reporters.

The judge ordered prosecutors and defense attorneys to work together on a proposed deletion of the transcripts. He did not indicate whether or when he would release the edited documents from a June hearing at the center of First Amendment legal fight.

The order came less than a day after U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer rejected a motion to quash the state court's order threatening contempt of court for any news organization that releases the transcripts, which include discussion of the accuser's sex life.

The documents were mistakenly sent to seven news organizations, including The Associated Press. None has published the details, but they contend Ruckriegel's order barring them from doing so is an unconstitutional restraint of a free press.

Breyer said the news organizations could refute their appeal as early as Wednesday and he hinted that Ruckriegel should act.

"I recognize the importance of the constitutional interests at issue," Breyer wrote. "But a delay will permit the state courts to clarify their own role, avoid the controversy at issue here."

Bryant, 25, has pleaded not guilty to felony sexual assault. He has said he had consensual sex with the woman, then 19, in the June 30, 2003, encounter. Breyer noted that a key evidentiary ruling last week may make the court fight moot: Ruckriegel has decided to allow the accuser's sex life in the three days before her July 1, 2003, hospital exam to be admitted as evidence so the defense can argue that her injuries could have been caused by sex with someone other than Bryant.

The judge has not released details of what will be allowed as evidence. But the First Amendment fight centers on a hearing at which the woman's sexual activities and money received from a state victim's compensation fund were at issue.

Bryant's attorneys argue that injuries and DNA evidence found on the woman during the hospital examination, 15 hours after the alleged attack, could have come from partners other than Bryant, including one after she left Bryant and before she contacted authorities.

Her attorney, John Clune, has denied she had sex with anyone during that 15 hours.



Kobe Bryant

Who's it going to be?



Jerome's Jed Seamon slides into home plate while Twin Falls Cowboys catcher Will Howerton tries to make the tag in this recent Class A American Legion baseball game. Jerome won 4-2. The teams meet again at 12:30 p.m. today in the first round of the Area C district tournament in American Falls.

American Legion squads kick off district tourney today

Tournament starts
2004 American Legion A Area C district tournament at American Falls, Magnison Fields Wednesday's games
No. 8 Burley vs. No. 9 Blackfoot, 10 a.m.
No. 12 Shelley vs. No. 5 Hillcrest, 10 a.m.
No. 10 Twin Falls vs. No. 7 Jerome, 12:30 p.m.
No. 11 Idaho Falls vs. No. 6 Wood River, 12:30 p.m.
Burley/Blackfoot winner vs. No. 1 Upper Valley, 3 p.m.
Hillcrest/Shelley winner vs. No. 4 Bear Lake 3 p.m.
Twin Falls/Jerome winner vs. No. 2 Buhl, 5:30 p.m.
Wood River/Idaho Falls winner vs. No. 4 Marsh Falls 5:30 p.m.

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

AMERICAN FALLS — Who will lead their team on to state and possibly the American Legion A Regionals in Bozeman, Mont?

Maybe it will be Paul Gerrish for the Buhl Tribe or Casey Schwanvoldt for his Jerome Tigers. It could be Wood River Wrangler standout Steve Hansen or Burley Bobcat hurler Zac Pickup.

While the names have yet to be revealed, it's certain that someone will have to step their game up and lead their team to victory in this week's American Legion A Area C district tournament at the side-by-side Magnison Fields in American Falls. Between the area teams and the competition from the East, the 12-team tournament is sure to be tightly contested.

The Buhl Tribe is the top area team to make the trek to American Falls and will get a first-round bye before playing the winner of Twin Falls vs. Jerome.

With a 25-7 finish, 23-5 in district play, the Tribe is the tournament's second seed. A combination of Buhl and Filer students makes up the heart of the Tribe lineup. Led by Gerrish, a powerful inflielder and pitcher, the Tribe has a good balance of ability at the plate and on the mound.

The Wood River Wranglers are the No. 6 seed at 21-9-1 on the season and will open against Idaho Falls at 12:30 p.m. With ace Steve Hansen on the mound and catcher Billy Kramer, second baseman Morgan Ulring, and Derek Abbott hitting well, the Wranglers have the ability to hang with the league's best.

"We've had some stuff go on like the car accident for the Twin Falls tournament and some setbacks," Wrangler coach Eli Lloyd said. "But we've had some moments where we've really shown some talent and dominated some teams."

Lloyd has his squad excited and ready to continue their successful season.

"It's going to be fun," Lloyd said. "There are some good rivalries going on from high school. It's nice when the stakes are high."

The Jerome Tigers feature a solid lineup with a bit of pop from the bats of Casey Schwanvoldt, Jed Seamonson, and Wendell addition, Jesse Koopman. All three can take the mound for the Tigers, along with Jared Sauter and Kyle Roberts. Much of Jerome's success will hinge on the efforts of those five players. The Tigers will participate in another "Battle of the Cowboys" against the Twin Falls Bridgways at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday.

The Cowboys have experienced some moments where we've really shown some talent and dominated some teams."

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Golfer plays across Mongolia

By Jake Coyle Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Andre Tolme has just finished a round of golf with an eagle on the 18th hole. But his score was 506.

That's because Tolme's course is the entire length of Mongolia, where each "hole" is up to 195,000 yards long. After nine months of traversing the Mongolian steppe with nothing but a jeep, a tent and a 3-iron, Tolme has completed his journey of golfing across the land once ruled by Genghis Khan.

Tolme, 35, is a civil engineer from New Hampshire. Dividing the Mongolian countryside into 18 holes, he has completed an expedition of 1,234 miles — a course he estimated with a par Please see MONGOLIA, Page D2



Andre Tolme golfs his way across the Mongolian steppe in this June 2004 photo. The New Hampshire civil engineer, 35, traversed the entire length of Mongolia — golfing all the way and battling more than the usual hazards — in nine months, an expedition of 1,234 miles.

Ryder Cup system is due for a change

Scott Verplank is 12th in the Ryder Cup standings with three tournaments left, and he will have only himself to blame if he fails to earn one of the 10 spots on the U.S. team.

Or he could blame George Schneider. Schneider was chairman of the PGA Tournament Committee in 1947 when he came up with a system to reward the Ryder Cup team, awarding points for top 10 finishes.

ON 'THE FRINGE' Doug Ferguson

works better." But what might have been equitable 54 years ago now seems outdated on a talent-rich PGA Tour where one stroke can be the difference between fifth place and 11th place, between Ryder Cup points and no points. Verplank can relate. He was two shots behind at the Byron Nelson Championship and in dire need of Please see RYDER, Page D2

SPORTS

Maddux inches toward No. 300

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Greg Maddux moved within one win of No. 300, and Sammy Sosa homered and doubled in a run in the Chicago Cubs' 7-1 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday night.

Maddux will try to become the 22nd pitcher in major league history to win 300 games when he faces the Phillies at Wrigley Field on Sunday. He would be the first National League to accomplish the feat since Philadelphia's Steve Carlton on Sept. 23, 1983.

Maddux (10-7) gave up a career-high three runs and four hits in a crisp, 79-pitch outing that lasted six innings. He walked one and struck out six in dominating his third start for the first time in more than a year.

Russell Branyan, in his first start for Milwaukee, sent Maddux's only mistake 480 feet for a solo homer in the sixth.

The Brewers (46-51) lost their season-high fifth straight game and fell a season-high three games below .500.

They usually count on their All-Star ace to hold the club together, but Ben Sheets (9-8) got into trouble right away, allowing four hits in his first inning.

Pirates 8, Braves 4

PITTSBURGH — Rob Mackowiak came around to score on a bizarre, bases-loaded double when Atlanta catcher Johnny Estrada made two errors on one play, and the Pittsburgh Pirates rallied with a five-run seventh inning to beat the Braves 8-4 Tuesday night.

The comeback — Pittsburgh once trailed 3-0 — was the Pirates' third in four days at home and their 15th victory in their last 17 home games. Atlanta's four-game winning streak ended along with J.D. Drew's 22-game hitting streak when he went 0-for-3 in the loss. Mike Gonzalez (3-0) got the win.

Braves starter Paul Byrd was cruising with a 3-0 lead before allowing Jason Kendall's two-run homer in the sixth, then left after Bobby Hill and pinch-hitter Abraham Nunez singled with one out in the seventh and the Braves up 4-2. That brought on Kevin Gryboski (1-2), who gave up Kendall's infield single before shortstop Rafael Furcal booted Jack Wilson's possible double-play grounder.

Then Estrada mishandled the throw on Mackowiak's hit and made a bad throw himself.

Palmer

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Bratkovski said Tuesday. "One year is probably not enough, but it's at that point now where he's going to learn by doing it."

Starting Friday, the Bengals will have a pretty exhaustive number of training camps. Lewis made up his mind in February that it made no sense to let Palmer sit for another season. He has a much stronger arm and is getting paid a lot more than Kirta — \$14 million in bonuses added as part of a seven-year deal.

As long as Palmer is on the



Chicago Cub pitcher Greg Maddux throws a pitch during the first inning against the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday in Milwaukee. Maddux got his career 299th win as the Cubs won 7-1.

Jim Edmonds in his eighth straight win.

Marquis (11-4) hasn't lost since May 26, going 8-0 with a pair of no-decisions and a 2.90 ERA. He left the game for a pinch-hitter in the eighth. Marquis also doubled home a pair of runs with two outs in the third inning off Cory Lidle (6-9). Marquis' 13th hit this season — the most by any pitcher in the majors — put the Cardinals ahead 5-0.

Edmonds led off the fifth with his 26th homer — five of them since the All-Star game — to help the Cardinals reach 10-3 since the break.

Astros 10, D-backs 3

HOUSTON — Adam Everett hit two of the Astros' season-high four homers, and Roy Oswalt pitched seven innings of two-hit ball.

Jeff Bagwell had a three-run homer and Jeff Kent a two-run shot as Houston returned Arizona to its losing ways. The Diamondbacks snapped a 14-game losing streak Monday night.

Mets 4, Expos 2

MONTREAL — Tom Glavine got his first win since June 13, and Mike Cameron hit a three-run homer in a victory that ended New York's four-game losing streak.

Cameron, who hit one of the Mets' four homers in Monday's 19-10 loss to Montreal, connected

bench, the arm and the money are wasted.

"Last year, people questioned why Jon Kirta should be the starting quarterback, and he proved he was up to the task," Lewis said Tuesday. "That's a good season — not a great season — kind of like our football team."

"This year, I feel strongly that Carson Palmer will be a better quarterback for us. I think he will allow our offense to do better things."

The Bengals went 8-8 and stayed in contention until the final week of the season behind

for the second straight game in the sixth against Zach Day (5-10).

American League

Indians 10, Tigers 6

CLEVELAND — Coco Crisp, who wasn't in Cleveland's original starting lineup Tuesday night, had first career grand slam among three hits and drove in a career-high five runs for the Indians in a 10-6 victory Tuesday night over the Detroit Tigers.

He became a late replacement as the starter in left field and at leadoff when Travis Hafner was scratched with a sprained neck and Matt Lawton moved to designated hitter. Crisp hit his slam in the second inning off Gary Knotts (5-6) and added a RBI single in the fifth.

Twins 7, White Sox 3

CHICAGO — Johan Santana pitched two-hit ball into the seventh inning and the surging Minnesota Twins beat the Chicago White Sox 7-3 Tuesday night to take a 2.5 game lead in the AL Central.

Cristian Guzman had three hits, including a pair of doubles, and Corey Koskie was hit by a pitch three times, tying a major league record, as the Twins won for the ninth time in 11 games.

After Ben Davis singled with one out in the third for the White Sox's first hit, Santana retired 11 straight before Carlos Lee led off the seventh with his 18th homer, the first of two on the night.

Santana (9-6) walked two and

Kirta, who threw for 3,591 yards and 26 touchdowns in a break-through year.

"If Palmer can just take it slow and limit the mistakes, Lewis figures the Bengals can hold their own despite a tough schedule that includes a Monday night appearance against the Denver Broncos.

"If not, he can turn to Kirta. "If one position causes us to lose games, we'll make a change," Lewis said.

Palmer has one uncommon asset, Kirta agreed to restructure his contract so he could stay on as the backup, tutoring

struck out six, giving him an AL-best 161 strikeouts, in six-plus innings.

Devil Rays 6, Royals 2

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Rocco Baldelli had an RBI double and threw a runner out at the plate to help Tampa Bay end a six-game losing streak. Baldelli hit the RBI double off Darrell May (7-11) during a two-run third that put Tampa Bay up 3-1.

Yankees 7, Blue Jays 4

TORONTO — Jorge Posada hit a debuting three-run homer in the eighth inning. Gary Sheffield connected for his 400th career home run and New York rallied to win.

Orlando Hernandez became the latest Yankees starter with an injury, leaving after the second inning with tightness in his left hamstring. Mike Mussina and Kevin Brown are on the disabled list, and Tanyon Sturtze injured his right pinky in the brawl with Boston on Saturday.

Orioles Red Sox washed out

BALTIMORE — The Baltimore Orioles were enjoying rare success against the fluttering knuckeball of Tim Lincecum before a thundershower washed away their chance to win Tuesday night.

Baltimore led the Boston Red Sox 4-2 when rain interrupted play in the top of the third.

Palmer as he learns to play. Kirta was the team's leader last season, and his support for the move will go a long way in the locker room.

The two have talked frequently in the offseason.

"He's awesome," Palmer said. "He's a classy guy who doesn't like to take the spotlight away or complain. He realizes his role, accepts it and tries to make the people around him better. There aren't many guys in this league like him."

A year from now, the Bengals hope they're saying the same thing about Palmer.

Raiders release all-pro Woodson

The Associated Press

Rod Woodson, one of the top defensive backs of the last two decades, was released by the Oakland Raiders on Tuesday, the day that NFL training camps officially began to open.

Denver released former All-Pro linebacker John Mobyly for the same reason — he flunked a physical.

At the same time the old were leaving, the new were entering. Safety Sean Taylor signed with Washington, at fifth overall the highest draft pick under contract so far. Linebacker Jonathan Vilma, the 12th choice overall, signed with the New York Jets.

They were teammates at Miami last season.

The 39-year-old Woodson, who would have been entering his 18th season in the NFL, made the Pro Bowl 11 times at three different positions — cornerback, safety and kick returner. He had a chronic left knee injury, finished last season in injured reserve and underwent surgery last December.

He began his career with Pittsburgh in 1987, played 11 seasons with the Steelers, one with San Francisco, four more with Baltimore and the last two with the Raiders. He was voted both to the NFL's 75th anniversary team and to the all-decade team for the 1990s.

Rod Woodson is one of the greatest defensive backs to ever play the game. Raiders coach Norv Turner said. "He has been a leader on and off the field."

The 31-year-old Mobyly, an All-Pro in 1997, was cut by the Broncos because of a neck injury sustained last season. He and the team both held out hope. He might be able to return once the injury heals.

Plans to release him to get down to the maximum number of players you can have on the team," coach Mike Shanahan said as the Broncos opened

training camp, one of three teams to do so on Tuesday. "It doesn't mean we don't want John Mobyly back on our football team. If six months to a year from now he feels like he is ready to go, then we will assess him then."

Super Bowl champion New England placed linebacker Roosevelt Colvin on the physically unable to perform list, a procedural move. Colvin, who missed most of last year with a broken left hip, could still be activated for the start of the regular season.

Taylor and Vilma became the fifth and sixth first-round picks signed in a week when all 32 teams open training camps.

Taylor who fired his agent the week after the draft in April and only hired a new one last week, got a deal estimated at \$18 million over seven years including a \$7.2 million signing bonus, according to two sources who requested anonymity. Vilma signed a five-year deal worth an estimated \$10 million.

The New York Giants, who traded to get Bill Manning the first pick in the draft, continued to negotiate with the former Mississippi quarterback. The main problem appeared to be technical — because the Giants had the fourth overall pick, the team and Manning's agent, Tom Condon, were working to find room under the rookie salary cap to pay him as the first pick.

But the NFL's negotiations could be the key to the first part of the first round as teams waited to see what kind of contract he receives.

This is particularly relevant to the three other quarterbacks taken No. 1 — Philip Rivers of San Diego (taken by New York at four and traded for Manning); Ben Roethlisberger of Pittsburgh (taken by the Steelers at two and 22nd). Quarterbacks usually get extra money that falls outside the regular "slotting" system for draft picks.

Ryder

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Riley got for a tie for second at Torrey Pines, one of the stronger tournaments on the schedule.

The PGA of America gives double points to the majors, which it should. But it does not distinguish between The Players Championship and the Reno-Tahoe Open, between the World Golf Championship and an opposite-field tournament like Tucson.

"We have not taken a position to rank individual tournaments," Atwey said. "What we do say is that the strongest fields are the majors, and we double those points. Those events we know produce the best players in the world."

Except that the Masters is watered down with aging champions, the U.S. and British Opens has its share of amateurs and qualifiers, and the PGA Championship has 25 club pros.

The PGA of America awarded bonus points to the World Series of Golf in 1977 — in fact, the winner at Firestone that year automatically made the Ryder Cup team. Extra points were given to The Players Championship in 1985. Why that is no longer the case is baffling.

What the PGA of America should consider is the system used for Europe.

Half of the European team is decided by world ranking points — how high players are ranked at every tournament. The points are not deducted every 13 weeks, nor does it matter how often guys play. The number of points is determined by strength of field.

There isn't much difference in points between ninth and 11th, nor should there be.

Using that format, the U.S. standings would have the same seven guys at the top with some minor juggling.

The change comes at the bottom. Faxon (No. 8) and Jeff Maggert (No. 10) would drop out of the top 15, while Dimarco would be ninth, followed by Verplank. Jerry Kelly would remain 11th with McGil champion Stewart Cink rising from 19th to 12th.

It would not be a radical change, but an equitable one to the current climate on the PGA Tour.

"They ought to look at the system," Faxon said. "Nobody has ever really questioned it."

Maybe they should.

Because the way the Ryder Cup has gone the last two decades, the Americans need all the help they can get.

Mongolia

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of 11,880. His final scorecard shows a total of 290 over par — and 509 lost balls.

It was a pretty exhausting round of golf. Tolme told The Associated Press by phone Monday from Ulaanbaatar, the capital of Mongolia.

With his caddy, Khatanbaatar, driving the Jeep and

supplying water, Tolme slept in a tent along the way. He fended off bubonic plague-carrying marmots, constant heat and 40 mph gusts of wind that, fittingly, "never blow from behind you."

While Tiger Woods may complain of camera shutters going off during his backswing, Tolme encountered slightly different

distractions: "The sound of howling wolves is a little unsettling."

Why did he do this? "Because I wanted to," says the adventure golfer. But he does have other reasons in mind: to raise awareness of Mongolia, to pioneer the sport of "extreme golf" and to "expand the artistic

imagination."

Soon to return to America, Tolme now plans to take it easy, write a book about his unique experience and study world maps searching for another suitable landscape to golf across.

"There may be another great golf adventure in my future," he says.

Legion

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ended all the ups and downs a young team can expect. One day they're world beaters, the next they're in the doghouse and infielder Chance Blum has been the Cowboys' leader, while Marcus Schaal and Nathan Ramirez have been steady performers. Limiting errors are key for the 18-26 Cowboys, 10-18 conference.

"I hope we can play solidly and see what happens," Cow-

boys coach Devin Kunz said. "I'm not going to say we're better than the upper teams, but if we can play our own ball and win a couple games, that'd be outstanding."

The Cowboys finished their regular season as the highest seeded developmental team — one that feeds to AA and high school teams — finishing above Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Highland, and Madison.

"We play five sophomores

and 11 freshman," Kunz said. "We never want to lose, but we're more focused on playing everybody."

The Burley Bobcats are much improved from the team that took the field in June. Errors have been down, and performance at the plate has been up. The pitching of Pickup and Craig Beltran has been steady all year, with Matt Michaels emerging as a solid lefty with a sidearm delivery. Michaels has

added some power to the Bobcat lineup to complement the speed of Ricky Jensen and the all-around game of the athletic Pickup.

The Bobcats hope to start their tournament out right against Blackfoot in one of the 10 a.m. games Wednesday.

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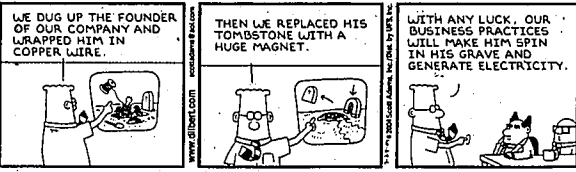
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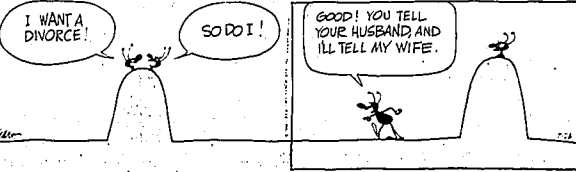
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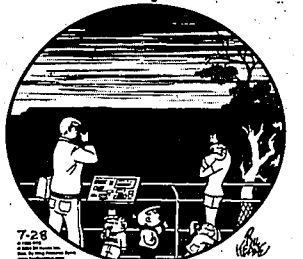
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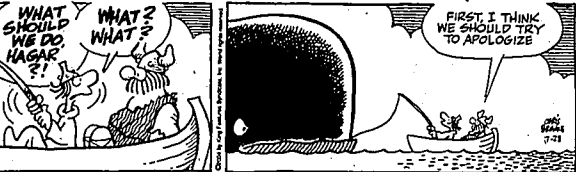
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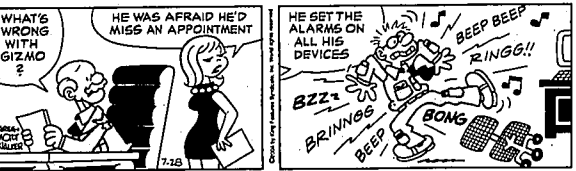
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Land O'Lakes will restate earnings

ARDEN HILLS, Minn. — Land O'Lakes said this week it will restate earnings for the past seven years in response to late August to correct overstated earnings from its Carlisle, Pa., dairy processing operations.

The schedule for restating earnings was revealed as the Arden Hills-based food and agriculture cooperative — which has operations in Gooding and Twin Falls — released its second-quarter results. While a co-op, Land O'Lakes issues debt securities, requiring it to make quarterly filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission like other investor-owned firms.

The company announced on June 25 that accounting adjustments will be needed to properly account for earnings from its Carlisle plant, going back to 1997 when the Arden Hills Dairy Cooperative at Carlisle merged into Land O'Lakes. An estimated \$26 million in earnings may be overstated through March of this year.

The company announced Monday said Land O'Lakes has changed personnel responsible for accounting at Carlisle. A spokeswoman said she is not clear, but said a team from Land O'Lakes is now investigating Carlisle's records.

The co-op said Monday it had sales of \$2 billion in its second quarter, and net earnings were \$17 million. Net sales are up from \$1.4 billion in the quarter a year ago, but earnings are down from \$44.6 million in the earlier quarter as extraordinary items affected sales and earnings in both years.

Hotel's owner will announce earnings

SPOKANE, Wash. — West-Coast Hospitality Corp., the owner of Red Lion Hotel Canyon Springs in Twin Falls, will hold a conference call Thursday to announce its second quarter earnings.

The conference call will be held at 9 a.m. Eastern time and will be webcast live at the company's Web site at www.westcoast-hotels.com, in the "Investor Relations" portion of the Web site.

Idaho Travel Council will meet this week

BOISE — This week, the Idaho Travel Council will review 31 grant requests from chambers of commerce, convention and visitors bureaus and other non-profit organizations for Idaho Regional Travel and Convention funds.

The council will meet Wednesday and Thursday in the East Conference Room of the Joe R. Williams Building, 700 West State Street in Boise.

The grant funds are used to promote events, conventions and tourism destinations throughout Idaho. This year's requests exceed the \$2.4 million available by more than \$500,000, according to information distributed to the state.

Area representatives serving on the Idaho Travel Council include John Webster of the Best Western Burley Inn and Brent Gillette of Sun Valley Resort.

Summer weather helps chain store sales

NEW YORK — Hot weather helped sales at U.S. chain stores in the latest week, as retailers focused on clearing out summer goods to make room for back-to-school items, a report said on Tuesday.

Sales at major retailers increased by 3.5 percent on a year-over-year basis for the week ended July 24, up from the preceding week's 2.6 percent pace, said Redbook Research, an independent consumer sales and marketing sector where down 0.3 percent compared with June.

"Retailers are doing well, including key companies in the heavily weighted furniture sector, where strength can lift the entire retail group," the report said. Retailers said they could likely avoid excessive discounting and inventory increases in July, the report added.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

Parents reconsider technology

Some scholars say children learn best with real objects

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Amanda Cunningham started her daughter on computers at 2 1/2 with "Reader Rabbit" software and Web sites like Sesame Street. Like any parent, she was proud Madeline could master the mouse so young.

But Cunningham soon realized Madeline, now 4, wasn't really learning anything. She just kept clicking, dragging and playing the same games over and over. Now, she's in no rush to get her 1-year-old son, Liam, on computers or the Internet.

"I just don't see an advantage (to) starting early," said Cunningham, a former teacher who now creates reading software for elementary schools.

"There's no shortage of sites and software aimed at very young kids and even toddlers. Noggin.com has games and virtual coloring books for preschoolers. A Crayola license makes handling video games, including one where kids ride in a crayon-shaped car, for 3 and up. KidMouse Inc. makes computer mice for small hands.

But there's growing debate over whether children should be exposed to technology so early. Some parents and scholars see no benefit, and a handful even warn of a hindrance to child development.

"Mental ability is gained from manipulating the three-dimensional world at that age and (from) managing your own mind, and not having it managed by an electronic machine," said Jane M. Healy, author of "Failure to Connect: How Computers Affect Our Children's Minds."

Healy said computers take children away from other developmental activities more appropriate for their brains and can "easily become a habit for young children."

According to a 2003 survey by the Kaiser Family Foundation, 31 percent of children age 3 and under are already using computers.

Sixteen percent use them several times a week, 21 percent can point and click with a mouse by themselves and 11 percent can turn on the computer without assistance.

Healy recommends kids stay off computers until age 7. Others suggest 3 is OK to start.

"The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends no screen time before 2, worried



One-year-old Liam Cunningham, left, roams around as Amanda Cunningham watches her daughter Madeline, 4, use the computer in her apartment in New York's Upper West Side neighborhood, July 15. Although Amanda sees certain benefits of exposing technology to children at a young age, she has recently become much more cautious about introducing technology to her youngest child, Liam.

youngsters may get discouraged if they talk to a computer monitor and get no response.

David Elkind, professor of child development at Tufts University, is concerned that kids are overdeveloping visual senses at the expense of touch and sound. "Children miss out on all these basic learning experiences if they are so attuned to the 'virtual world,'" he said.

Yet some researchers as well as developers of the Web sites and software aimed at young kids see nothing wrong with exposing children to technology early — as long as it's done in moderation.

"Kids need a good balance in their lives and a mix of experiences," said Peter Grundwald, whose consulting firm specializes in kids and technology.

In other words, don't force technology on children and don't turn it into a babysitter while cooking dinner.

Through common sense use, Grundwald said, computers can help kids develop hand-eye coordination and other skills.

Yong Zhao, a professor of educational psychology at Michigan State University, bought his daughter an IBM before she turned 1 and had her simply bang on the keyboard.

Eventually he said, his daughter picked up on how the banging led to changes on-screen.

Young kids should be supervised while surfing the Web anyway, so early Internet use offers a chance to spend time with your kids and seeing what they react to," said Regina Lewis, consumer adviser for America Online Inc., which has "KOL Jr." section for ages 2 to 5.

Developers of the kids site Google.com — not to be confused with the search engine — said their games and songs promote self-esteem.

Scholastic Inc. says its Cliff the Kitten reading and music — not to mention computing.

Others say they can possibly quell their kids' curiosity for a machine their parents — and older siblings — are using so much.

"The same way that every little kid who's starting to walk goes into the kitchen and takes pans out of the cabinet, they see their parents doing things and they want to do them, too," said Jim Robinson, an advertising executive who created Knabbers.com initially for his then-9-month-old daughter.

The site — one of a number of so-called lapware for toddlers to play with on parents' laps — has Flash-animated games with lots of noise and bright colors.

Robinson said he gets e-mail of thanks from parents of kids as young as 6 months old.

Beyond the home, computers are increasingly creeping into daycare and preschool environments, in turn pressuring parents to get computers as soon as their child is born, said Peggy Meszuros, director of Virginia Tech's Center for Information Technology Impacts on Children, Youth and Families.

"Parents today are so obsessed with giving children every academic advantage, they've been persuaded that if they wait a minute to introduce computers to their children, their children will be behind," she said.

But if those same parents talked to teachers, they'd learn that kids pick up keyboarding and mouse skills easily even if they wait, said Patricia Cantor, chairwoman of Plymouth State University's education department.

More research is needed, proponents and skeptics agree.

"What's happening is the market is proceeding at a faster pace than the research," said Kathryn Montgomery, a communications professor at American University. "It's taken awhile for the academics to catch up to the researchers who are addressing these questions. The marketers, they were clearly on the case 10 years ago."

Consumer confidence hits a two-year high

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Consumer confidence reached a two-year high in July, the fourth straight month of improvement, as the job market continued to recover. The jump was higher than analysts were expecting and helped push stocks higher on Wall Street. A separate report showed that new home sales dipped less than expected in June and remained at their second-highest level on record.

The Conference Board, a private research group based in New York, reported Tuesday that its index of consumer confidence in U.S. business conditions jumped to 106.1 in July, up from 102.8 in June and well ahead of the figure of 102.0 that investors had been expecting. It was the highest level for the indicator since June 2002.

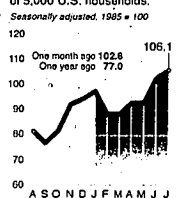
The group attributed the sharp increase to continued improvement in the labor market, with more consumers reporting that they believed jobs were plentiful and fewer expecting that conditions would worsen over the next six months.

A measure of consumer expectations for economic conditions rose sharply in June, while another one gauging their sense of current conditions edged higher.

The group's "expectations index" jumped to 105.8 from 100.8 last month, while the "present situation" index was

Consumer confidence

Here is a look at the Consumer Confidence Index from a survey of 5,000 U.S. households. Seasonally adjusted, 1985 = 100



SOURCE: The Conference Board AP Here is a look at the Consumer Confidence Index from a survey of 5,000 U.S. households. Seasonally adjusted, 1985 = 100

Economists said the strong showing in consumer confidence helped ease concerns about a number of poor readings on the economy that came in for June, including a payroll report that came in at half the level analysts had been expecting, sending litters through Wall Street.

Consumer confidence is closely watched by economists because consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of all U.S. economic activity.

The better-than-expected report on Tuesday helped lift the Dow Jones industrial above the

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Tyson profits soar, but fall short of estimates

The Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK — Tyson Foods Inc. reported third quarter profits that more than doubled and raised its estimates for the year, but shares in the world's largest meat producer — with Magic Valley ties — fell sharply as the higher forecast fell short of Wall Street's estimates.

For the quarter ending June 26, Tyson reported earnings of \$161 million, or 45 cents per share, compared with earnings of \$79 million, or 23 cents per share, a year earlier. Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had forecast Tyson third quarter earnings of 36 cents per share in the most recent quarter.

Company officials touted Tyson's ability to post strong results despite rising grain prices, fears of mad cow disease that hurt beef sales, and avian influenza, which hurted some overseas chicken sales.

"In a market this year that had a lot of rapidly changing dynamics, we've managed each one," Tyson chairman and chief executive John Tyson said.

The executive said Tyson found new markets when some Asian countries closed their doors to chickens, enabling the company to keep selling in a market with higher prices.

Tyson said it was able to partially sidestep a \$90 million increase in grain prices in the quarter because of a hedge placed against rising prices that offset \$44 million of the increase.

Christine McCracken, an analyst with FTN Midwest Research, said there was nothing unexpected in Tyson's report with the exception of the hedge. "Unfortunately, that will work against the firm in the next quarter," McCracken said. "Just the timing of that benefit had a big impact this quarter."

The company's outlook for the rest of the year failed to impress investors, who sent Tyson shares sharply lower.

Tyson said it expects to earn between \$1.20 to \$1.30 per share, up from the company's prior estimate of between \$1.05 and \$1.25. A consensus of analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had predicted an annual profit of \$1.41 per share.

Shares in Tyson fell \$1.47, or more than 7 percent, to close at \$18.40 on the NYSE.

For the quarter, the company saw a 13 percent increase in chicken revenues despite restrictions in China and Korea due to avian influenza. No Tyson poultry has been affected.

By volume, chicken sales were down 0.2 percent but the average sale price went up 13.2 percent, allowing Tyson to post chicken sales of \$2.10 billion.

Overall beef sales decreased \$174 million, or 5.5 percent, in the quarter due to a 44 percent decline in international sales. Sales in the United States were up 1.4 percent, and case-ready beef sales were up 13.1 percent.

The company had second-quarter beef sales of \$2.9 billion.

COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

BOISE — Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Brian Dean-Andrew Tucker and Charles Edward Tucker, husband and wife, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-11523.

Stephanie Elize Watts-Berry, 200 Sweetwater Drive, Halley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-11517.

Mike Yarrago, also known as Marlene Yarrago, 112204 Magnolia, No. 607, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-19 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-11522.

Kellie Dee Clifford, 54 Manor Drive, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-11522.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

Caken M. Davis, 617 Doris Ave., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-11521.

Paul, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-11521.

John, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-11521.

Allen Corralle and Amelia Corralle, 739 South Main St., No. 4, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 04-11522.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

William Paul Johnson and Allison Valerie Johnson, 617 W. Madison, Glens Ferry, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-2521.

Valerie Johnson, 523 W. 17th St., No. 2, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11522.

Estel M. Gadlike, 1523 K Drive, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11522.

Carol Marie Mitchell, also known as Carol Mitchell, 304 N. 2300 E., Kimberly, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11523.

Karen Madden, also known as Richard Madden, and Jerilyn Madden, also known as Jerilyn Robinson, 450 S. Lincoln St., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11523.

Betty E. Horch, 3873 N. 2430 E., Filer, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11524.

John Muecke and Susan E. Muecke III, and Diane A. Muecke, also known as Diane J. Abernethy, 1432 Spaulds Court, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11501.

Chapter 7, business, under \$50,000

Bek A. Scherbinus and Nancy D. Scherbinus, 124 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, individual, business, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-11527.

Chapter 13, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Karla Kaye Cunha, 107 Brook Drive, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 04-11531.

Chapter 13, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

James Neil Van Loosen, 116 Fourth St., West Magic, and Terri Yvonne Van Loosen, 116 Fourth St., West Magic, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11506.

Chapter 13, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

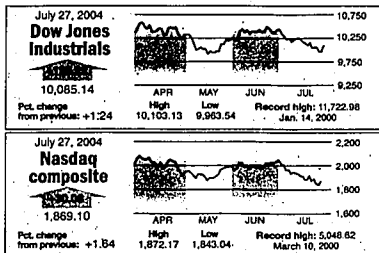
Michael H. Hudson, 307 W. Terrace, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11520.

Michael Abney Evans, also known as Mike Evans, and Rachel A. Evans, also known as Rachel Aurora Evans, 313 Third Ave. E., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 04-11510.

MONEY

Verizon results push stocks higher

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street barreled out of its slump Tuesday, soaring in response to a solid consumer confidence report and a strong earnings outlook from Verizon Communications. The Dow Jones industrial gained more than 120 points, springing back above 10,000.



Verizon's bullish second-quarter earnings and positive outlook were a much needed boost to a market that has sagged for four weeks on concerns over stalled economic growth and a series of second-half profit warnings.

Analysts believed the market was oversold and due for a strong rally. Volume on the New York Stock Exchange was moderate, but strong given the light trading that has marked recent weeks.

Investors were also cheered by a surge in consumer confidence. The Conference Board's consumer confidence index rose to 106.1 in July, the highest level since June 2002 and up from last month's revised reading of 102.8.

"It looks to me like the stock market is trying to reverse this downward trend we've been in," said Tom Bush, chief U.S. equity research at Stephens Inc. "It would appear that the economy is reaccelerating again in July, and that could lead to better performance on the market."

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 123.22, or 1.2 percent, at 10,085.14, closing above the 10,000 mark for the first time since Thursday. It was the Dow's best one-day gain since June 7.

Broader stock indicators also closed sharply higher. The Standard & Poor's 500 index climbed 10.75, or 1.1 percent, to 1,054.83, and the Nasdaq composite index was up 30.08, or 1.6 percent, at 1,869.10. The S&P 500

and Nasdaq were coming of year-to-date lows on Monday. In other economic news, new home sales fell by a less-than-expected 0.8 percent to 1.326 million homes in June. Wall Street had estimated 1.275 million new homes sales for the month.

This kind of economic data, analysts said, shows that despite the concern over second-half earnings growth, the economic and corporate profits remain on track.

"This kind of volatility that we've seen this month is part of the normal workings of the market," said Paul Zeman, managing director for U.S. equities at Dupont Capital Management. "The underpinnings of the market are still positive. Earnings growth as we had, around 15 percent this year, is unsustainable. Between 7 and 8 percent is sustainable, and we're getting there."

Said, despite analysts' upbeat assessment, the market's movement had maintained, and Tuesday's advance could evaporate in profit-taking if the next big batch of earnings reports on Wednesday and Thursday disappoint the market. Among the

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BOISE — Following is the list of businesses filed during June with the Idaho secretary of state's office — including both new ones and existing ones that had been filed with counties and had to be refiled with the state.

Several portions of the list were published on Saturday and Sunday. Businesses are listed by name, agent, address and nature of business.

- Needful Thing, Ron Pate, 1600 Almo, Burley, ID 83318, retail trade.
Needful Thing, Ron Pate, 1226 Overland Ave., Burley, ID 83318.
Nelson Homes LLC, Gary N. Nelson, 1001 Eastland Drive, Suite 30, Twin Falls, ID 83301.
Nicholas & Sons Drywall LLC, Hal Dee Nicholas, 1521 Ninth Ave. E., Gooding, ID 83330.
OFF Real Estate Solutions LLC, Steven D. Severn, PO Box 2329, Sun Valley, ID 83353.
Olmstead Feed Products, Bob Olmstead, 584 Sparks, Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
Only Saturdays, Legrand Nowels, 1701 Scholde Ave., Burley, ID 83301, retail trade.
Paul Pleasures 2, Michael G. Briggs, 1106 Hansen Ave., Burley, ID 83318, retail trade.
Phillips Catering, Alan M. Phillips, 306 Williams St., PO Box 6077, Kerchul, ID 83330, services.
Verizon Wireless, Ian Bryan Hill, 2268 Hillcrest Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
Verizon Wireless Design Studios Boise Inc., Robert J. Maloney, 2580 Sunrise Circle, Twin Falls, ID 83301.
The Idaho Home Care Center, 484 S. 850W., Hileyburg, ID 83336, retail trade.
The Sun Foundation Inc., Janine Burke, 105 S. Hiawatha Drive, Hileyburg, ID 83333.
Twin Falls Billing Services Inc., Linda Chese, 533 Fifth Ave. E., Gooding, ID 83330.
Twin Falls Dental PLLC, R. Brent Campbell, 1501 Hilland Ave., Suite A, Burley, ID 83318.
Road Runner Concessions, Chang Liky Kim, 819 Locust St. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
Rock Arena Inc., Jonathan R. Fort-

BUSINESS FILINGS

- 83347 E. 3400 N., Kimberly, ID 83341.
Rocky Mountain Wholesale, Craig E. & S. A. Ivest, 182 East Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301, wholesale trade.
Rocky Toppe LLC, Brian Baecht, 190 Canyon Blvd., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
RTS Medical, Rod Kelly, PO Box 4343, Hileyburg, ID 83333, services.
The Hones Margaret A. Kenworthy, 4733 River Road, Buhl, ID 83316, retail trade.
Sawtooth Capital Any Barbeque, 3850 N. 200 E., Filer, ID 83328, agriculture.
Seaworth Cash & Feed, Knay Enterprises Inc., PO Box 1109, Hileyburg, ID 83333, retail trade.
SHB LLC, John Buggypne, 341 Melrose, Bellevue, ID 83313.
Shouse LLC, Lynn Shouse, 3334 N. 3000 E., Hansen, ID 83334.
Sleep Institute of Idaho Inc., Stanley V. Hays, 2539 E. 3000 N., Kimberly, ID 83341.
Smart Dental Care Idaho Inc., Aaron Lyon, 1822 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.
The Idaho Home Care Center & Gifts, Judith Rae Gooding, 1122 Main St., Gooding, ID 83330, retail trade.
Sokal Veterinary Medical Services Inc., Stanley V. Hays, 3535 E. 3000 N., Kimberly, ID 83341.
Southern Idaho Naturopathic Center, Richard Ann. Powell, 409 Shoshone St. S., N. 200 W., Twin Falls, ID 83301, services.
Stockholm Printing, Cheryl Christiansen, 1337 Albion Ave., Burley, ID 83318, retail and wholesale trade.
Stux Valley, Tom Douglas, 300 N. Main St., Kerchul, ID 83340.
St. Bridger, David LLC, Donald J. Anderson, 2306 E. 3600 S., Wendell, ID 83355.
Sterling Flowers, Patricia A. Sterling, 101 N. Main St., Hileyburg, ID 83333.
Stevens Portland Design Studios Boise Inc., Robert J. Maloney, 2580 Sunrise Circle, Twin Falls, ID 83301.
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Road Runner Concessions, Chang Liky Kim, 819 Locust St. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
TGS LLC, Gerald K. Gunter, 3250

- Canyon Ridge Ww, Twin Falls, ID 83301.
That Look, Hileyburg, 1041 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318, retail trade and services.
Tier One Emergency Medical Training Inc., Tom L. Bauman, 2987 E. 2600 S., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
Three L LLC, Austin L. Sanner, 126 Quarter Horse Road, Bellevue, ID 83316.
Tommy Fun Run, Monica Wermig, PO Box 5761, Kerchul, ID 83340, services.
Tweedy Family LLC, Kenneth Tervey, 141 E. 3400 N., Buhl, ID 83316.
Twy Properties, Nikki Sue Dalsher, 264 Rese Circle, Twin Falls, ID 83301, finance, insurance and real estate.
Twin Falls, Idaho, Lake Lakes Gu LLC, 1230 Lake Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301, retail trade.
Valley Window Clearing, Craig Krestoff, PO Box 4455, Kerchul, ID 83340, services.
Visual Connections, Dawnette Lynn Rees, 1070 Park Meadows Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301.
Walker West LLC, Timothy D. Eagan, 675 Sun Valley Road, Suite L, Kerchul, ID 83330.
Ward Refrigeration, George O. Ward, 710 W. 20th St., Burley, ID 83318, services.
Ward Refrigeration Inc., Adam C. Ward, 1034 Oakley Ave., Burley, ID 83318.
Washington University LLC, Dale W. Quigley, 160 Main Ave. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301.
Whispering & Parties by Design, Stacy Maccavoni, 1019 E. 2900 S., Hagerman, ID 83332, services.
Wendell Used Cars LLC, James A. Jackson, 1824 E. 2900 S., Wendell, ID 83355.
Westgate Music LLC, Eldon J. Harshbarger, 109 W. Magic Road, Shoshone, ID 83342.
Western Native Minature Cattle Registry, Donnie Landis, PO Box 403, Gooding, ID 83330, services.
William H. Lloyd DMD PA, William H. Lloyd, 4835 N. 1000 E., Buhl, ID 83316.
Willow Creek LLC, Bruce R. Bothwell, 929 E. River Drive, Hileyburg, ID 83333.
Wood River Organics LLC, Heather N. Martin McMillan, 206 N. River St., Hileyburg, ID 83333.
Ome Herb & Health Shoppe, Charles L. Ray, 1918 S. 2200 E., Gooding, ID 83330, retail trade, services and agriculture.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg. Lists various stocks including AIG, Allstate, Amgen, and others with their respective prices and changes.

MARKET SUMMARY

Summary table for NYSE, NASDAQ, and Most Active stocks. Includes columns for Name, Vol, Last, Chg, and Volume.

INDEXES

Table showing market indices: S&P 500, Dow Jones Industrial, Nasdaq Composite, etc., with their values and changes.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing local stocks such as ABB, Abertan, and others, with columns for Name, Div, PE, Last, and YTD.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Mutual funds are 1,115 separate. Stocks in bold changed 5 percent or more in price.

Table listing 1,000+ stocks with columns: Name, Div, PE, Last, YTD. Includes various companies like ABB, Abertan, and others.

AMERICAN NATIONAL MARKET

Large table listing stocks from the American National Market with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, YTD. Includes various companies like ABB, Abertan, and others.

MARKETS

CLOSING FUTURES

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes categories like Mon/Commodity, Mon/Grain, Mon/Metals, Mon/Energy, Mon/Softs, Mon/Options.

Mon's open 10:10

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FOSSIL FUELS

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes categories like NEW YORK (API) - Futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange Tuesday, LWT (WTI) - Cushing, WTI, Crude oil, Gasoline, Heating oil, Diesel, Jet fuel, etc.

METALS/MONEY

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Economy

Continued from E1. 10,000 level for the first time since Friday. In afternoon trading, the Dow was up 91 points at 10,043. The broader Standard & Poor's 500 index climbed 6 points to 1,090. In a separate report Tuesday, the Commerce Department said that new home sales edged down 0.6 percent from the previous year, but were still a record pace for the month. Nonetheless, the lower annual rate of home sales of 1.33 million units was still the second-highest level on record behind May's pace of 1.34 million. The decline in the pace of home sales was smaller than analysts had been predicting and indicated that the housing sector, one of the best-performing parts of the economy, was still moving ahead strongly despite interest rates that are about a full percentage point higher than they were a year ago. Economists are expecting sales of both new homes and existing homes will set records for the year, even adding considerably to an anticipated slowdown in the second half of the year. The decline jump in consumer confidence seemed to ease fears that an emerging recovery was starting to stumble. Gary R. Thayer, chief economist at the A.G. Edwards & Sons Inc. brokerage in St. Louis, Mo., said it was normal for consumers' perceptions of well-being to lag behind an actual recovery in the economy. "I think the numbers we've seen recently show that the uptick in confidence is real, substantial and sustainable," Thayer said. However, he also noted that despite the four months of improvement, consumer confidence still remains well below the high levels reached in the 1990s. Thayer also said that the strong jump in confidence in July suggested that a spate of poor economic data for some months may have been only a temporary sign of weakness. In addition to the disappointing payroll report, the economy posted the biggest monthly decline in industrial production in a year in June and an 8.5 percent decline in housing starts. Nonetheless, Mark Vinner, senior economist at the Charlotte, N.C.-based financial services company Weldon Corp., said that the labor mar-

New home sales



SOURCE: Department of Commerce AP

ket still has a ways to go before it can be considered truly healthy again. Vinner noted that while more consumers reported in July the jobs were "plentiful," 19.9 percent - far more said that jobs were "hard to get" - 26 percent. Both of these figures represent improvements over last fall, but still indicate that quite a number of people are still having trouble finding work. "What's different in this recovery is that a lot of jobs that were lost in the recession were lost permanently, such as factories or call centers being shut down, so they're not likely to be recalled to their old jobs, but still indicate that we've got a new job in another industry or in another state." As for current conditions, the survey also painted a picture that was favorable overall, but with a few dark spots. About the same number of people as last month said they thought business conditions were "good" - 25.6 percent versus 25.8 percent. But those saying conditions were "bad" edged up to 19.1 percent from 17.4 percent. The Conference Board's indexes were derived from responses received through July 20 to a survey mailed to 5,000 households in a consumer research panel. The figures released Tuesday include responses from at least 2,500 households in the survey. The figures were revised after all the surveys were tabulated.

BEANS

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes categories like Valley Beans, Soybeans, etc.

CHEESE

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POTATOES

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes categories like CHICAGO (API) - U.S. A - Major potato market, etc.

GRAINS

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes categories like Valley Grains, Wheat, Corn, Soybeans, etc.

SUGAR

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LIVESTOCK

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes categories like POCATELLO (API) - Idaho Farm Bureau International Livestock Report Tuesday, etc.

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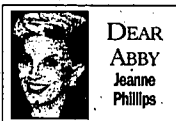
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MORNING BREAK

Hairdresser turns tip into permanent raise

DEAR ABBY: Last weekend, I gave my hairdresser, "Zelda," an especially generous tip. She had done a particularly good job and I thought she deserved it. The next time I visited Zelda, she charged me a higher price to include the amount I had tipped her. I paid the bill without disputing it, and now she expects that much every time. I feel taken advantage of. In addition, if Zelda isn't there when I need an appointment and I use another hairdresser, I am asked how much I pay Zelda before I'm told how much I owe. I have heard them charge other customers a smaller fee.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

I'm annoyed and upset, but I don't know what to do about it. I like the job Zelda does, so I don't want to switch. I just wish I had never been so generous.

—PULLING MY HAIR OUT IN L.A. DEAR PULLING YOUR HAIR OUT: Bald may be beautiful, but pulling your hair out isn't the

competitive, and you might be pleasantly surprised.

DEAR ABBY: You sometimes offer advice to women who have trouble meeting eligible men.

You suggest they do volunteer work, get involved in church groups, etc.

Well, I have a suggestion for another good "hunting ground." Years ago, I worked at the chamber of commerce in a large Midwestern city. While paid staff did the "heavy lifting," dozens of members worked on committees, special events and other civic activities.

Our female assistants were continuously interacting with young company executives, hard-working, civic-minded guys with good jobs and great potential. I recall several romances that deprived us of good female staff when the woman later decided to marry some committee volunteer.

So, Abby, consider suggesting to your readers that they look in that direction — chambers of commerce, manufacturing associations, any civic organization that relies on a lot of volunteer participation from its members. Not only will they have a good idea of who's worth while, they'll be brought into frequent contact with potential partners.

—CUPID IN SAN DIEGO DEAR CUPID: Thank you! There are terrific suggestions, and I'll add them to my collection. I'll bet your arrows strike a few bulls-eyes today.

From my collection of limericks: A quiet young lady called Snookie At betting was quite a smart cookie.

Before every race She went home to her place And cued up with a very good bookie.

7/28/04 crossword puzzle grid

ACROSS and DOWN crossword puzzle answers

'Madame Moose' faithfully followed Washington

Q. What was the name of George Washington's dog? A. Which dog? He had many, with one name, they called "Madame Moose."

Q. Your Love and War man said the marriage of an only child to an only child does not offer the best odds for happiness. What about the marriage of a youngest child to a youngest child?

A. Likewise less than best odds, he says. Nor is it a promising sign if either the bride or the groom or the groom but not the bride is more than 15 pounds overweight on the wedding day. That, according to scholars who've studied the matrimonial records...



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ago. Before then, family members bundled in a common bedding cover.

Under Kentucky law it's not illegal for a dog to fight a dog, but it is illegal for a dog to chase a cat.

Why red-haired women almost never get bald is still a mystery.

Q. How warm does an ocean surface have to become to start a hurricane? A. At least 81 degrees F.

What makes Mars red is its rusty. The cockroach is fastidious. If you touch one with your fingertip, it will clean itself frantically to get the humany gunk off.

Q. Is it true you have to have a license to dig for angleworms in a national forest? A. That you do. A U.S. Worm Gathering license.

Ice cream freezes at 27 degrees F.

Word is the market for leeches continues to thrive. U.S. hospitals reportedly buy 150,000 of those little suckers every year.

In a deck of Italian playing cards, there is no queen. St. Theresa of Avila in the 16th century wrote: "There is only one thing to fear and that is fear." Others said it again. Henry David Thoreau. Franklin D. Roosevelt. You and I.

Paris, Nicole try to cut it at hair salon in 'Simple Life'

Tribune Media Services

Today "Quintuplets" — The homecoming dance causes an uproar when Paige decides she is going to be the queen. Penny loses her seat to Paige. Patton squats a pom star and Parker is bullied into taking the toughest gig in school. (CC) (TVPG) FOX 7:30 p.m.

"The Simple Life 2: Road Trip" — The cross-country journey takes Paris and Nicole to Texas, where they try to help the host family's teenage son with his homework and take jobs at a local hair salon. (CC) (TVPG) FOX 8 p.m.

"Method & Red" — Red and Dorothea try to end the budding romance when Meth falls for Bill's attractive but straightforward co-worker. (CC) (TVPG) FOX 8:30 p.m.

Thursday "Democratic National Convention" — In Boston; with Tom Brokaw, Tim Russert and Brian Williams. (CC) NBC 8 p.m. "The Day After Tomorrow" — Will to rekindle his love for New York, but learns that Will's version of the best of New York is different than he imagined; Karen goes spooling back. (CC) (TV14) NBC 9 p.m. "Lived to Tell" — Human beings encounter astonishing situations. (TVG) THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL 10 p.m.

TV Best Bets

Friday "Evel Knievel" — The motorcycle-riding daredevil grows up in a mining town and goes on to perform death-defying stunts. (CC) (TV14) SPIKED 6:00 p.m. "Biography" — David Cassidy becomes a teen idol on the hit TV series "The Partridge Family." (CC) (TVG) ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT 7 p.m. "The Jury" — An American Indian woman is charged with hiring someone to murder her lover and business partner and the jury must decide if there is enough evidence for a conviction. (CC) (TVG) FOX 8 p.m.

Saturday

"Mr. Deeds Goes to Town"

Family." (CC) (TVG) ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT 7 p.m. "The Jury" — An American Indian woman is charged with hiring someone to murder her lover and business partner and the jury must decide if there is enough evidence for a conviction. (CC) (TVG) FOX 8 p.m.

Frank Capra's tale of an heir who decides to give his fortune away when he realizes he was duped by a crafty reporter. TURNER CLASSIC MOVIES 6 p.m. "The Talented Mr. Ripley" — In 1950s Italy, a man uses his talents for forgery and quick-thinking to impersonate a wealthy playboy he murdered. (CC) (TV14) NBC 7 p.m.

Put your whole heart into tasks, Aquarius

IF JULY 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... you can realize your most heartfelt desires if you embrace change with open arms. Your strength lies in your ability to walk to the beat of a drum and make your own decisions. Friends have much influence on your overall happiness.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr. 19): The changes taking place in your life can empower you and mark improvements in your personal life. An open door where love is concerned may not be obvious. Trust that the universe knows what it is doing.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): If you are continually grateful for the miracles in your life, others will be drawn to you. Your charm and attractiveness are strong, so keep an eye out for chance meetings that may hold a promise of love.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The ups and downs of a relationship may hold your attention, but a new friendship is more likely to be the source of future financial benefit. Write down your goals while they are fresh in your mind. Relationships are on an upturn.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You may not be content to simply gaze into a lover's eyes or chat with a friend. Enthusiasms require action. You might go along on an outing at the spur of the moment, or strike up a conversation with a perfect stranger.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The more you accept change, the more successful you will be today. The desire to cling to safe ground is natural, but have faith and dive in. Trust that the water is just fine.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Situations are shifting behind the scenes, so be prepared for important changes. With Mercury in your sign you are likely to put more thought into your appearance. Put your best foot forward, as important alliances are forming and a new love interest is possible.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Make yourself beautiful or handsome, get a haircut, a new wig, or just spill up the manure. Prepare yourself for a romantic evening and seductive situations. Love is on everyone's mind, and it is best to be ready for anything.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): People might come into the LAMPHOUSE THEATRE 223 5th Ave. S. T.F. • 736-8600. Napoleon Dynamite Today 4:10-7:00-9:00. Super Size Me Today 4:45-7:15-9:15.

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picture with true romance on their mind. Pull off the blinders and pay attention to overtures from others that could stir eternal passions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your mental antennae can broadcast positive vibes that attract others of a similar outlook. If you are looking for a romantic partner, some cooling might be heard tonight.

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**2004 DODGE
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Stock #4DN412. Color: White
• 5-Speed Transmission • Air Conditioning

RETAIL **\$15035**
SAVE **\$3482**

HASSLE FREE PRICE
\$11553

OR **\$49** **\$186** MO.
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*ONLY \$235 Due At Lease Signing
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Stock #4PT549. Color: Silver
• Automatic Transmission

RETAIL **\$18905**
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HASSLE FREE PRICE
\$15122

OR **\$49** **\$209** MO.
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• 60 Monthly Payments Of \$209

**2004 DODGE
RAKOTA QUAD CAB 4X4**

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Stock #4TD564. Color: White • CD
• 5-Speed Transmission • Air Conditioning

RETAIL **\$25875**
SAVE **\$5259**

HASSLE FREE PRICE
\$20616

OR **\$49** **\$257** MO.
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• 66 Monthly Payments Of \$257

**2004 JEEP
GR. CHEROKEE 4X4**

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Stock #4GC087. Color: Midnight Blue • Cruise
• Power Windows, Locks, Mirrors & Seats • Air • CD

RETAIL **\$30165**
SAVE **\$5443**

HASSLE FREE PRICE
\$24722

OR **\$49** **\$327** MO.
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• 66 Monthly Payments Of \$327

**2004 DODGE
DURANGO ST 4X4**

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Stock #4DR582. Color: White • Automatic Transmission
• Power Seats, Windows, Locks & Mirrors • Cruise • CD

RETAIL **\$31360**
SAVE **\$5371**

HASSLE FREE PRICE
\$25989

OR **\$49** **\$329** MO.
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**2004 DODGE
3500 QUAD CUMMINS 4X4**

**RAIN
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Stock #4T609. Color: Flame Red • 6-Speed
• Air Conditioning • Cummins 600

RETAIL **\$38145**
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HASSLE FREE PRICE
\$31881

OR **\$49** **\$384** MO.
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