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# Windland windfall?



Cassia County officials tour a possible wind energy site on Cottler Mountain near Albion recently. Windland Inc. of Boise would like to build a wind farm with 80 to 100 turbines on the public land.

## Company looks to Cottler Mountains

**By Karin Kowalski**  
Times-News writer

ALBION — There's something special about the Cottler Mountains. Many residents of the Albion Valley look at the ridge and see an important part of the community's natural beauty. Windland Inc. sees an ideal site for the first large-scale commercial wind farm in Idaho.

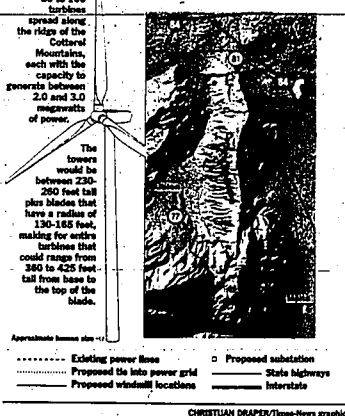
Representatives of the company told *The Times-News* that the ridge line combines many of the best characteristics of a wind site: It has a lot of wind — about 19 mph on average, it is easily accessible and it's near existing power lines.

The Boise-based company is seeking a 30-year right of way to place between 80 and 100 wind turbines that could range from 360 to 425 feet tall, base to blade tip.

Many residents of the nearest communities — Albion and Malta — aren't happy about the idea of the landscape being changed by the presence of turbines that would be at least one-fourth as tall as the 1,500-foot rise of the mountains from the valley floor. The nearest home would be about two miles from the site, said Mike Heckler, Windland's director of

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## Cottler Mountains wind project



### More on the proposed wind farm

**Local response:** Residents of Albion and Malta are largely split about whether or not they want to see turbines grace the nearby ridges. See A18.

**Living with wind:** Communities in California and western Wyoming have largely positive relationships with nearby wind farms. See A18.

### Parties dispute economic impact of wind farm

**By Karin Kowalski**  
Times-News writer

ALBION — Finding the "economic impact" of a proposed wind farm on the Cottler Mountains is a bit like tilting at windmills — the answers keep spinning out of reach, while the proponents and opponents of the project have differing opinions.

Representatives of Windland Inc., a Boise company that is seeking permission to place between 80 and 100 wind turbines on Bureau of Land Management land along the ridge of the Cottler Mountains, have said the project will bring in significant amounts of money for the county.

"We believe we will become the largest taxpayer in Cassia County," said Michael Heckler, the company's director of marketing and development. The

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## Vatican denounces feminism

The Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican on Saturday denounced feminism for trying to blur differences between men and women and threatening the institution of families based on a mother and a father.

The drive for equality makes "homosexuality and heterosexuality virtually equivalent, in a new model of polymorphous sexuality," the Vatican said.

The concerns, raised in a 37-page document written by one of Pope John Paul II's closest aides, broke no new ground, maintaining the Roman Catholic Church's ban on women priests, for example.

But some observers said they feared how the document might be used.

Professor Paul Lakeland, a church expert at Fairleigh University in Connecticut, said the paper could be used by church conservatives to condemn any form of advocacy for women.

"The irony is that this document is, in some respect, a feminist document," Lakeland said, pointing to references to fair treatment of women who work.

The pamphlet by Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the Vatican's orthodox watchdog, was published during a Vatican campaign to protect what it terms the Christian family. Earlier salvos have blasted same-sex unions and appealed to politicians, regardless of their religion, to prevent such unions from winning legal recognition.

The document, addressed to bishops worldwide, contended that new recent approaches to women's issues were marked by a "tendency" to emphasize strongly conditions of subordination in order to give rise to antagonism; women, in order to be themselves, must make themselves the adversaries of men.

Such an attitude, the document said, "has its most immediate and lethal effects in the structure of the family."

The document also said that feminism wrongly tends to deny the differences between men and women "in order to avoid the dominance of one sex or the other."

The consequences of obscuring the differences between men and women, it said, included calling "into question the family, in its natural two-parent structure of mother and father," giving homosexual and heterosexual couples an equivalent status.

The document also took issue with a "certain type of feminist rhetoric" that makes "demands for ourselves."

Throughout John Paul's 25 years as pope, he repeatedly has expressed his admiration

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## Idaho dedicates veterans cemetery

**The Associated Press.**

BOISE — Military veterans, top brass and politicians consecrated 77 acres of uplands north of Boise on Saturday, erasing Idaho's distinction as the only state without an official veterans cemetery.

The ceremony brought an end to years of struggling by Idaho veterans groups to create a burial ground for those who served in America's Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard.

More than 2,500 veterans and dignitaries stood silently as a flight of four A-10 aircraft soared in a missing-man formation above the ceremonial battlement and a replica Civil War

cannon boomed from a nearby ridge top.

"Our veterans, our men and women, have borne every hardship, have overcome every obstacle, have conquered every foe — all in pursuit of freedom and liberty," Maj. Gen. Jack Kane, commander of the Idaho National Guard, told the assembly. "This final resting place for Idaho's heroes will certainly be a place of remembrance and promise."

Remarks during the 90-minute ceremony included those of Bernie Fisher, a retired U.S. Air Force major who won the Congressional Medal of Honor for his action during the Vietnam War.

On March 10, 1966, Fisher

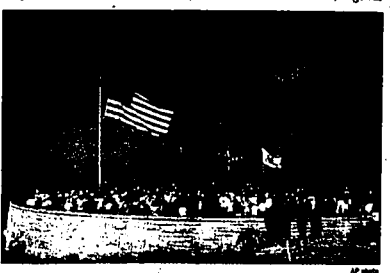
landed his A-1 Skyraider on an airstrip surrounded by enemy soldiers to rescue another downed pilot. He dodged craters on the runway and took enemy small arms fire but saved the life of fellow pilot, Maj. Wayne "Jump" Myers.

Fisher was impressed with the cemetery's expansive vistas overlooking the Boise Valley.

"They've put this in a beautiful location. If you look around you, you can see it's just wonderful," Fisher said. "It's a place where a soldier can reunite or remember his good deeds has done."

Idaho has about 135,600 military veterans, according to state figures.

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A large American flag is raised as hundreds of people watch at the dedication of the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery in the foothills overlooking Boise on Saturday. Idaho is the last state in the nation to construct a veterans cemetery.

7 days, 7 reasons to read

**Do run-run**  
The second annual Senior Games are nigh.  
Monday

**Rescue 911**  
Geeks on call can be life-savers for home computer users.  
Tuesday

**What's with this lily?**  
Check it out.  
Wednesday

**Dry Star Falls**  
Discover the dry land at historic Cauldron Linn.  
Thursday

**Time and the river**  
Glenns Ferry renews its Three Island Crossing next weekend.  
Friday

**Rock the Canyon**  
Choose from 17 Christian bands.  
Saturday

**Simply indispensable?**  
Some folks rarely take a vacation. They should.  
Sunday

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny skies with a few afternoon clouds. Highs in the lower 90s.

Tomorrow: Sunny to partly cloudy and warm. Highs in the upper 80s and lower 90s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, City. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts.

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Today: A few afternoon clouds, otherwise sunny and very warm. Highs 80s to the lower 90s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.

Sunny skies and warm through early next week. Only a few isolated high mountain rain showers expected.

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

REGIONAL FORECAST

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NATIONAL FORECAST

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WORLD FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists world weather forecasts.



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CANADIAN FORECAST

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Wind

Continued from A1. marketing and development. Windland estimates about 160 jobs would be created from the project...

Windland facts

- Founded by Roald Doskeland in 1982. Privately held and headquartered in Boise for the past 11 years. Employs 10 to 12 people. Owns and operates about 65 wind turbines near Tehachap, Calif., that generate about 16 megawatts of power.

Cotterel Mountains proposal facts

- Between 80 and 100 wind turbines that would produce about 600 million kilowatt-hours each year. Each turbine would have a 2- to 3-megawatt capacity with 230 to 260-foot towers plus 130- to 165-foot rotors blades, making for a total height ranging from 360 to 425 feet.

Vatican

Continued from A1. for women and their talents, and the document reflected that. It said women should not be stigmatized or penalized financially for wanting to be homemakers...

An ideal site for wind

Heckler has been researching wind in the area since 2001. He said the Cotterel Mountains are unique in the state for the type and steadiness of wind they have. Class 5 wind levels are the break-even point for wind power and the ridge has class-5 and 6 winds, flowing parallel across it.

A need for power

Idaho imports about one third of its power and depends on hydroelectric power for a large portion of its energy. Heckler said wind energy works well in conjunction with steady hydroelectric power.

over the long term.

"You can count on it," he said. Skeet Warr, a member of the board of directors for Raft River Rural Electric Co-op, said the state's power production is not keeping up with the growing demand since new dams are not being installed.

hopes Idaho Power will be one of them.

"They're a natural fit for us," he said. Many people are concerned that power from the project would be sold out of state. Lopez said that when wind generators produce more power than can be used in Idaho it helps Idahoans save that power sold out of state.

many people in the U.S. think in psychological and sociological terms, the Vatican thinks and talks in philosophical and theological terms.

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NATION

# Army will overhaul chopper

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army is overhauling its helicopter corps after high-profile setbacks in Iraq.

A battle lost, several crashes and the cancellation of the new Comanche stealth helicopter have led critics to suggest the aircraft is too fragile, vulnerable and ineffective for the modern battlefield.

Army officials insist combat helicopters can fight in unmatched ways.

"You can't get one commander in Iraq to let one helicopter come home," said Brig. Gen. E. J. Sinclair, commander of the U.S. Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker, Ala., in an interview.

Fixed-wings (jets) are great, but can they get down and do the routing in a low level in the cities? Can they see down the alleyways? Right now they can't," he said.

A new official point to a plan to take the \$1.4 billion intended for the Comanche program and use that money to deal with problems in the helicopter service.

A new scout helicopter is planned. Upgrades are in the works for aging Black Hawk and Chinook transports and Apache gunships. Pilots will get more cockpit training before joining combat units.

During the invasion of Iraq, in the early morning of March 24, 2003, Iraq forces ambushed 30 Apaches from the 11th Attack Helicopter Regiment, shot down one and forced the others to retreat.

The Apaches were conducting a deep strike against the tanks and artillery of the Medina Division of the Iraqi Republican Guard. Due to a delay in refueling some of the helicopters, the mission started more than two hours later than planned. This gave the Iraqis time to recover from preattack strikes by artillery missiles and Air Force jets.

Still, the mission went forward, at the direction of the 11th Helicopter Regiment, shot down one and forced the others to retreat.

Someone, blinked the lights on and off in the town below to signal the helicopters to approach. Iraqi gunners targeted their weapons just above the tops of electrical power poles, knowing that American pilots are trained to fly directly over poles to avoid hitting hard-to-spot wires.

Every Apache was hit by either small arms or anti-aircraft fire.

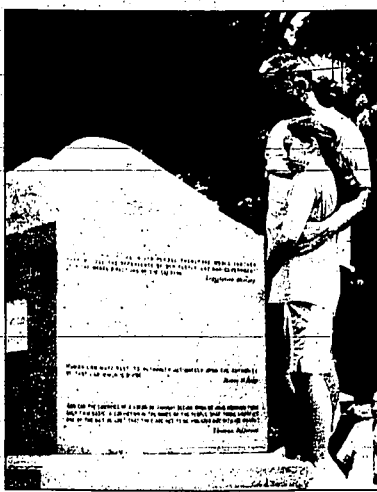
One went down; its pilots were captured and later rescued. The rest withdrew, many with 20 bullet holes or more. It took a month of repairs before the regiment could bring its full firepower to bear.

"We got hit. That's the bad news. The good news is we had some great heroes that night and some tremendous flying," said Gen. Richard Cody, chief of staff of the Army and a former Apache pilot. In a recent interview, "They shot the heck out of those airplanes, and the aircraft just kept flying."

The mission was a proper use of the Apaches, but it was poorly executed, Army officials say, and should have been scrubbed when the problems arose.

"I disagree with people saying the attack helicopter's role has been diminished by that mission. I think we gave the attack helicopters a mission that would be quite similar for them at the time," Cody said.

But to critics such as retired Gen. Merrill McPeak, a former Air Force chief of staff, helicopters are too slow and easy to detect. He says they should stay close to the front lines or work in tandem with Air Force strike jets.



Ron Travis and his daughter Rachel look at the Ten Commandments monument in front of the Rhea County Courthouse on Saturday in Dayton, Tenn.

# Monument starts tour at courthouse

DAYTON, Tenn. (AP) — The Ten Commandments monument banished from Alabama's state judicial building began a national tour on the back of a flatbed truck on Saturday — starting outside the courthouse where the teaching of evolution was put on trial almost 80 years ago.

"The ACLU is still the enemy," said June Griffin of Dayton, an outspoken advocate for displays of the Ten Commandments in government buildings.

About 75 people gathered to see the 5,200-pound granite monument outside the site of the Scopes Monkey Trial — where high school teacher John Scopes was convicted in 1925 of giving lessons on evolution.

Many stepped up a ladder to take photos and pose beside the marker.

Guested Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore, who lost his job

for defying a federal court order to remove his display from the lobby of the judicial building, approved the national tour but is not participating.

A spokeswoman for Moore said he plans to ask the U.S. Supreme Court to reverse the ruling.

A federal judge agreed with the American Civil Liberties Union and other groups that the display was an unconstitutional government promotion of religion.

Jewell Saeed, 70, snapped photos of her 7-year-old grandson, Jacob, standing beside the monument. "I think it was awful for them to make them move it from the courthouse," Saeed said. "That is what our country is based on: is God and the Bible. Why we want to take God out I don't know. I think we are headed for big trouble when we take God out of schools and everything."

# Circus tiger escapes, causes NYC scare

NEW YORK (AP) — After escaping from the circus, a white tiger alarmed picnickers and motorists Saturday on what apparently was a calm, half-mile stroll through an unfamiliar urban jungle.

The animal, named Apollo, was safely recaptured in the Queens section of the city — but not before the sight of him on the Jackie Robinson Parkway caused a multi-car accident. Four adults and one child suffered minor injuries.

When the tiger lay down on a nearby street, six police officers with guns drawn created a perimeter around it, Capt. John Durkin said. The tiger's trainer arrived and coaxed it back into its cage.

"They did some type of signal, and the tiger jumped into the cage," Durkin said. "The tiger was taken into custody without incident."

The 450-pound tiger is part of the Cole Bros. Circus that was performing in Forest Park. The cat was being transferred from a small cage to a larger one when the two enclosures separated, creating an opening big enough for him to get out, police and park officials said.

Apollo calmly prowled through a section of the park,

walking past Mary Mason and other people at a church picnic. "We were all in shock," Mason said. "Here we are, out on a quiet Sunday afternoon picnic and all of a sudden, a tiger is walking past like he was on a quiet afternoon stroll."

Durkin said police followed the animal for about a half-mile from the park to a residential street near the Jackie Robinson Parkway.

Authorities were investigating whether the circus would be charged with anything.

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# Torture memo writer shows lack of 'dogma' on 9th Circuit



Former University of Nevada Las Vegas professor Jay S. Bybee is shown teaching class at the school's Law School in this Nov. 2, 2001, file photo. Friends say Bybee, who was the author of the memo to the White House saying torture 'may be justified' in the war on terror, isn't 'dogmatic' as a judge on the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Jay S. Bybee, the federal judge and former Bush administration lawyer who advised the White House that torturing al-Qaida captives "may be justified" in the war on terror, has added a new flavor to an appeals court many consider the nation's most liberal.

A review of the 28 precedent-setting decisions Bybee has participated in on the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals shows he regularly sides with the government's position, especially in criminal cases involving criminal appeals.

That definition is much less restrictive than the definition of torture barred by the Geneva Conventions and U.S. military law, and sparked speculation that such thinking in the Bush administration's upper echelon cemented a foundation for the prison abuse scandals in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Republican leadership has tried to push through. Bybee, 50, also has been cautious. He has not spoken to reporters since the memo's disclosure and declined an interview request for this story.

# Judge

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Legal scholars suggest the best way to measure a junior judge on the 9th Circuit is to look where he stands on cases decided with 11 judges, a so-called "en banc" panel that sometimes reviews the circuit's opinions generated by three judges.

Bybee was in the minority in one such case, when the seven-judge majority spared a California death row inmate hours before his execution in January. The majority said unresolved questions about DNA demanded further court proceedings, a decision the Supreme Court declined to review.

Bybee said the condemned inmate, Kevin Cooper, had failed to demonstrate his innocence to the extent required under a 1996 law intended to expedite death penalty cases. "He has not met this burden," Bybee said, joining a dissent by

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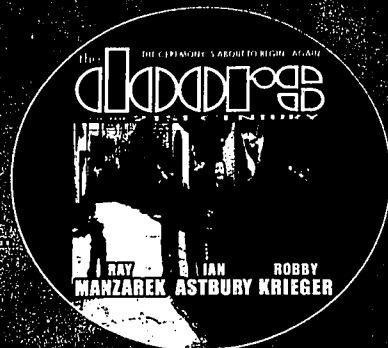
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## Impact

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 money will go to 10 different taxing districts in the county. Taxes from the approximately \$200 million to \$250 million wind farm would inject about \$2.4 million into the county's budget. Windland officials estimate that about \$1.3 million would go to the school district, about \$665,000 to the county, about \$346,000 to the highway district, about \$94,000 to the fire district and about \$95,000 to other agencies.

Alan Dorfest, the property tax policy supervisor for the Idaho State Tax Commission, said that if the whole project were built in one year, and had \$200 million in taxable value, the county could receive \$507,681 in additional taxes, according to calculations made in April. The Raft River Highway District could have \$359,959 and the school district could receive \$624,162 and have its levy rates reduced.

The county's budget for the current fiscal year, which ends in September, is \$11.65 million, said County Administrator Kerry McMurray. According to Dorfest's numbers, the windfall would represent a 5.71 percent increase in the county's budget. Since the wind farm would fall under the category of new construction, the county would not be constrained by a 3 percent limit on increases in county budgets. The county could choose to use all of the new money, or to lower taxes across the board.

Rogers said a tax break could help consumers' needs. "Most people in Cassia County would be appreciative of that," said Greg Rogers the Department of Labor's regional labor economist. It might stimulate the economy and spur more development, he said.

### A boost to the economy?

Rogers did a study of the opportunity cost of the wind farm, or the amount of money the county could gain from the project. "It really doesn't lose the county anything if they keep the status quo," Rogers said.

Rogers based his estimates on the project creating 12 full-time jobs and 50 to 100 temporary construction jobs. He said it could create as much as \$479,900 a year in payroll to employees, plus \$167,933 in benefits. \$1.6 million in payroll to construction workers for a year, \$1.05 million in economic multiplier impact, \$4.19 million in a one-year impact and 10 to 15 additional jobs created by economic stimulation.

The department is there to provide information, but it takes no position, he said. "It's up to the local citizenry to make that decision," Rogers said.

Project opponent Jim Wahlgren, chairman of the Committee Against Windmills in Albion, said he thinks those estimates are overblown. He is concerned that the wind farm would produce only six to eight jobs that would be specialized positions, so the company would have to bring in its own workers and not employ local people. There is also the possibility that the construction could be bid upon by out-

state companies and the construction jobs would not employ local people. He said with fewer than 12 jobs and out-of-state contractors, the benefits could go elsewhere. He also fears a loss of tourism and new residents.

Rogers said the aesthetic situation of the valley is hard to determine. People have to pass through the valley to reach the Pomareille Mountain Resort, so he said it would not hurt tourism.

David Westfall, a certified public accountant in Burley who lives in the Albion Valley, said the project will benefit the entire state through tax equalization.

Westfall said Rogers' study of the amount of money the project might generate cemented his support.

"I had no idea it meant that much," Westfall said. "It's huge for the county. It's huge for the state. We're constantly crying for money for schools." Westfall said the effect on his view would not be enough to justify stopping the project — only some horrible environmental impact that would affect everyone would be worth that. He said he doesn't want the few to dictate for the majority, but no one can be sure about the project until the environmental impact study comes out.

"There's more to look at here than just the view," Westfall said.

### School official predicts loss

Mike Chesley, Cassia County's superintendent, said the school district's share of the windfall could turn into a loss.

He estimates that based on \$250 million more in assessed value, the school district will receive \$749,999.61 more from the county, but it will lose \$993,806 in state support, creating a net loss of \$243,807. With a \$200 million increase in assessed value, the loss would be about \$194,806. Chesley said next year, the numbers would be static.

"This makes us more wealthy and as we get less from the state," Chesley said.

The only benefit, Chesley said, is that the district's \$623,435 supplemental levy, and \$465,398 plant facilities levy would be spread around more taxpayers, so the levy rates would go down for the average taxpayer.

Chesley said the school board is neutral about the proposal.

Heckler said the school board will receive \$1.3 million in taxes from the wind farm. Of that, \$550,000 would go for maintenance and operations, while \$700,000 will go for other levies and undedicated funds.

Gregory Cade, the administrator for county support at the state tax commission, said that redistribution should be about equal to the extra windfall the school district should receive. He said he does not believe there would be a loss. The State Department of Education did not have any information about the tax redistribution Friday.

Bob Shepard, the executive director of the Mid-Cassia Economic Development Commission, said he wishes everyone would get the facts before jumping to make decisions about the proposed wind farm.

He said having it could position the region as a leader in the state for energy projects.

Shepard said people in the valley may oppose the wind farm, but it could benefit all 22,000 people in Cassia County. "People ought to think of the greater good," Shepard said.

Shepard said if the nearby communities want to see some money from the wind farm go to them, they need to ask for it because there is a high likelihood that the project will happen.

"This is the time for those communities to negotiate," Shepard said.

Times-News writer Karin Kouvalski can be reached at 735-3231 or by e-mail at kouvalski@magicvalley.com.

## Veterans

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A portion of the 77-acre rural site still within city limits in northwest Boise was donated by the J.L. Terrell Co. owned by a longtime Boise family. The other section of land was purchased from the neighboring Dry Creek Cemetery.

Joe Bleymeyer, a retired fighter pilot and Air Force colonel, has guided the state project since its inception.

Before the official ceremony, the black Prisoners of War/Missing in Action flag that has flown over the Idaho Capitol since Veterans Day 2003 was lowered and taken by military and police escort to the new veterans cemetery.

It was raised in the center of a circle of American-flags donated by families of deceased veterans.

The cemetery will be ready to accept remains in October. Already, there are 60 applications for reburial placement of urns.

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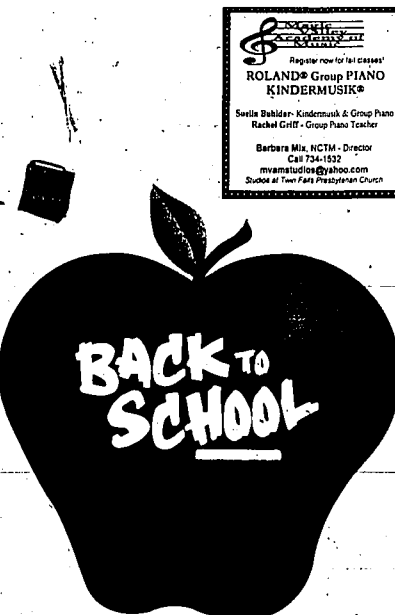
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Iraqi policeman Selwan Jaffer, right, distributes ammunition at the Al Bayya police station in Baghdad, Iraq on Tuesday.

## Iraqi cop: Once a cushy job, now one of the most perilous

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Being an Iraqi police officer used to be a safe, cushy job that sometimes required chasing down pickpockets and car thieves, but left plenty of time for tea. Since the fall of Saddam Hussein, however, insurgents armed with automatic weapons, mortars and car bombs have made law enforcement one of Iraq's most hazardous occupations. "It used to be prestigious. People respected us, criminals were afraid of us," said 1st Lt. Anjad Mohammed, a 26-year-old detective at al-Bayya police station, Baghdad's largest. "Today it's the opposite: It's we who are afraid."

Investigators see police as collaborators with U.S.-led forces, who are struggling to restore order. They've blown up police stations all over the country, sometimes disguised as cops. They've gunned down officers in drive-by shootings as they left home for work, and they've battered police stations with mortar barrages and rocket-propelled grenades.

From April 2003 to May 2004, alone, 710 Iraqi police were killed out of a total force of 110,000 officers, authorities said. Until then, police say, an officer's death was nearly always of natural causes.

Last month's handover of sovereignty to an interim Iraqi government has brought little change.

A truck bomb Wednesday targeted a police recruiting center in Baghdad, 35 miles northwest of Baghdad, where hundreds of

job applicants were gathered. It killed 70 people.

"We're being targeted all the time," said Mohammed, his face scarred from a car-bombing that destroyed the al-Bayya station in October, killing 15 Iraqis and one U.S. soldier.

On July 19, the two-story station was hit again by an explosives-packed fuel tanker. Nine died, including an officer. About 70 of al-Bayya's 200 officers were wounded.

Mohammed was lucky. He was inside at the time. But he spent much of that day cleaning shards of glass from his office. Others tended to the wounded and picked pieces of charred flesh from rubble outside.

On July 24, assailants fired on police at a checkpoint in Baghdad's al-Shurta district, wounding seven, the Interior Ministry said. The next day, gunmen near Mahmoudiya, south of the capital, sprayed automatic weapons fire on a convoy carrying west Baghdad's police chief, killing two of his bodyguards.

In Mahmoudiya itself, assailants killed two police as they traveled to work in the northern city of Kirkuk, another policeman was shot dead waiting for a ride home.

A few at al-Bayya quit their jobs after this month's bombings. But such violence has done little to deter potential recruits, who are lining up outside the main police academy in Baghdad, said Sabrah Kadhim, an advisor to the interior minister. "We have plenty

of applicants," he said.

Most are drawn by the salary of 295,000 Iraqi dinars a month, or \$207, relatively good pay in a country where unemployment is high. "Where else can I get this kind of salary?" said Ziyad Khalaf, a 54, who served 36 years in the Baghdad force. "I have a wife, six sons and three daughters. I have to feed them," he said, rubbing his thumb across his fingers as if holding a wad of cash.

Crime surged after U.S. troops advanced into Baghdad in April 2003. Mohammed, who used to investigate one case on a busy day, now gets 40 to 50 case files on his desk daily.

"Our biggest problem used to be fistfights," said Mohammed. "Today we have gunfights, kidnappings, assassinations. It's 100 times worse."

During the Saddam era, he carried no weapon. Now, like most officers, he tucks a Glock 9 mm pistol in his belt. Leaving the station Monday, he brought along an AK-47 assault rifle, too, in case his Glock ran out of bullets.

Authorities have been trying to raise the morale of an insecure public.

One ubiquitous Baghdad billboard shows a blue-uniformed policeman jabbing a forefinger into the distance, with the message: "I risk my life every day for the sake of my country... I fight thieves, criminals and terrorists, not for money or reward, but because I am a member of the Iraqi police. What have you done for Iraq?"

## Powell: Catch Bosnia's war criminals

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Bosnia's future is being put at risk because indicted war crimes suspects from the bloody Balkan ethnic wars a decade ago continue to escape justice, Secretary of State Colin Powell said Saturday.

Powell, making a four-hour visit in the Bosnian capital after a flight from Kuwait, noted that the inability of authorities to capture former Bosnia Serb

leader Radovan Karadzic is preventing the country from joining the European Union and other continental institutions.

"I won't be happy until I see him standing before the bar of justice in The Hague," Powell said, alluding to the international tribunal in that Dutch city to prosecute Yugoslavia war crimes.

Also wanted by the tribunal is the former Bosnia Serb Gen.

Ratko Mladic, chief of Karadzic's military forces, who is believed to be in neighboring Serbia.

During his brief stay, Powell met with the three-member Bosnian presidency and said he was grateful to Bosnia for sending a contingent of troops to the multinational force in Iraq.

Powell also spent time with high school students representing the country's three principal ethnic groups: Bosnian Muslim, Croatian and Serb.

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# Candidates compete for trust, attention

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Bush and John Kerry are competing for the support of a relatively few undecided voters, many of whom are preoccupied with work and family. Others are just plain suspicious of campaign promises. Getting the attention of these "persuadable" voters is critical. A solid majority of voters have already made a firm decision on their Nov. 2 choice and just two in 10 say they are likely to switch to a different candidate.



President Bush addresses a crowd at the Canton Civic Auditorium in Canton, Ohio, as part of a bus tour across swing states Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Last week's Democratic National Convention gave Kerry and running mate John Edwards their best chance to sell their message to voters. That message never got to Democrat Debra Edwards, a 49-year-old homemaker from Lakemont, Ill., who is leaning toward supporting Kerry. "I didn't see the convention," said Edwards, who is busy raising grandchildren. "I heard from a buddy, who was major, major impressed with Kerry's speech. I think Kerry's all right, but I don't care who they put in there. I just want Bush out," she said. "Only one-fifth of the public said before the convention they planned to watch a great deal of the event. An estimated 24.4 million Americans watched Kerry's acceptance speech, according to Nielsen Media Research.

That compares with 21 million people who watched Al Gore's speech in 2000. Retired union electrician Doyle Moreland of San Antonio said Kerry did not overwhelm him. "I watched the speech, I thought it was OK, but that's just talking," said Moreland, who leans toward supporting Kerry. "I don't care who they are, they're all going to say what 'some're going to do.'" Some voters who preferred John Edwards beforehand said after the convention they were still happy with the choice. But Democrat Terri Buchanan, a 36-year-old book-

keeper from Tampa, Fla., said she has some doubts. "Oh well... he seems like another Dan Quayle," she said, referring to the Indiana senator who was George H.W. Bush's running mate in 1988. "He looks like he's too young to be in office." One Republican voter who is not firmly committed to Bush said he watched the convention off and on. "I'm still pondering," said Joel Potts, 34, of Monroe, Wis. "I'm just interested in hearing details of their different plans—if they were explaining how they're going to do these things, I missed that point."

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# Iran says it won't give up uranium

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—A defiant Iran on Saturday said it had resumed building nuclear centrifuges, saying the move was retaliation for the failure of three European powers to get its file closed at the U.N. nuclear watchdog agency.

The announcement by Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi hardened the lines between Iran and the United States, which has been pushing to take Iran's nuclear program to the U.N. Security Council. Kharrazi told a press conference that Iran has not resumed enriching uranium but was manufacturing centrifuges in response to the failure in June of Britain, Germany and France to help close Iran's file of possible nuclear nonproliferation violations at the International Atomic Energy Agency. "We still continue suspension on uranium enrichment, meaning that we have not resumed enrichment," Kharrazi said. "But we are not committed to another agreement with them (Britain, Germany and France) on not building centrifuges."

Diplomats said this week that Tehran had resumed building equipment used to make uranium hexafluoride which — when processed in centrifuges — can be enriched to low levels for power generation or high levels for nuclear weapons.

In Paris talks, officials from Iran and the European powers are seeking to reach a consensus on Tehran's nuclear program. Washington suspects Iran is using a civilian nuclear program as a cover for a secret nuclear weapons project. It has been lobbying for the IAEA to refer Iran's nuclear file to the U.N. Security Council, which could impose sanctions. The Paris talks prepare the ground for a September meeting of the board of governors of the IAEA, which is expected to discuss Iran's program. Kharrazi said the talks were

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— Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi

designed to instill confidence that Iran is not seeking to make a nuclear weapon.

“ We are holding these talks to reach further understanding and create more confidence in the direction that we are not seeking nuclear weapons,” he said. “At the same time, we will insist on our legitimate rights.”

A prominent hard-line editor, Hossein Sharifzadeh, wrote Saturday that the Paris talks may result in humiliation for Iran. In an editorial in Kayhan, he predicted that America's European allies will produce a “silent overthrow” of the ruling Islamic establishment in Iran, and that they would use the nuclear program as a lever to that end. Sharifzadeh is close to Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khatami, who has the final say on all state matters.

Government officials were not immediately available for comment on Sharifzadeh's remarks. Hard-liners have urged the government to defy the IAEA, expel U.N. inspectors and resume uranium enrichment. The government, though, has taken a more moderate approach in the hope of avoiding international isolation.

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WORLD

# WTO negotiators reach tentative accord

GENEVA — In a breakthrough Saturday, trade ministers tentatively agreed on a plan to end export subsidies for farm products and cut import duties, a key step toward a comprehensive accord that advocates say will boost the world economy.

The deal, under discussion since 2001, was expected to be approved by all 147 members of the World Trade Organization later Saturday, opening the way for final negotiations to start in September.

Developed countries have recognized that agricultural trade with a heavy subsidy component is not free trade, said Indian Trade Minister Kamal Nath. But he said that the United States, European Union and other developed countries will also benefit by removing heavy agricultural subsidies from their budgets.

Economic theorists say reducing barriers to trade and allowing the market to dictate what makes what and at what price, will boost the global economy. A recent study by the University of Michigan found that cutting global trade barriers by a third would boost the world economy by \$613 billion — the equivalent of adding a country the size of Canada.

## Iraqi militants take two Turks hostage

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi militants said Saturday they kidnapped two Turks and threatened to behead them within 48 hours, the latest in the country's unrelenting wave of abductions, even as U.S. forces insisted to win the release of seven truck drivers taken captive by other insurgents.

The Tawhid and Jihad group of Jordanian militant Abu Musab al-Zarqawi demanded the Turks' employers leave Iraq in a videotape aired on Al-Jazeera television, which showed three masked, black-garbed gunmen standing behind two seated men holding various forms of identification, including what were apparently Turkish passports.

Al-Jazeera identified the men as two Turkish truck drivers working for a Turkish company that delivers goods to U.S. forces in Iraq. The network said the militants threatened to decapitate the men if their demands were not met.

Militants loyal to al-Zarqawi have claimed responsibility for a number of bloody attacks and kidnappings of prominent foreign hostages, including U.S. businessman Nicholas Berg, South Korean translator Kim Sun-il and Bulgarian truck driver Georgi Lazov.

## Terror group claims assassination attempt

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — A militant group claimed responsibility in the name of al-Qaida on Saturday for a failed assassination attempt against Pakistan's prime minister-designate, threatening more attacks unless Pakistan stops handing captured militants to the United States.

The suicide bombing targeting Shaukat Aziz after a campaign rally killed at least nine people and wounded three dozen others. It came hours after Pakistan announced the capture of Ahmed Khalfan Ghannim, an al-Qaida suspect on the F.B.I.'s list of top wanted terrorists.

Pakistani officials said the attack had al-Qaida's fingerprints — which would make it the latest attempt blamed on Osama bin Laden's terror network to take out Pakistan's leadership. President Gen. Pervez Musharraf survived two attempts to kill him in December, one of which killed 17 people.

Musharraf has been a top U.S. ally in the war on terror, in-

## World in brief

furiating Muslim radicals in Pakistan and elsewhere, and his security services have arrested a number of top al-Qaida-linked figures, most recently Ghannim.

## Iran frees accused who was condemned to death

TEHRAN, Iran — A university professor who was twice condemned to death for blasphemy walked out of prison on Saturday night, free after a two-year battle with hard-line judges and mass student demonstrations in his favor.

Hafshem Aghajari emerged from Evin prison in north Tehran to a warm welcome by more than two dozen relatives and friends, his daughter Maryam Aghajari told The Associated Press.

"Finally, my dad is free," she said. The prominent reformist writer Esmatoddin Baghi was among those who greeted her father.

Maryam said her father was released on bail of \$122,500. The bond had to be posted because Aghajari had not served his full 3-year sentence. He has spent more than two years behind bars.

A professor at Tehran's Teachers Training University, Hafshem Aghajari was prosecuted for a speech in June 2002 in which he urged people to question religious teachings, saying the words of clerics should not be considered sacred simply because they were part of history. He said people should not slavishly follow hard-line interpretations of Islam.

## Sudan steps back from rejection of resolution

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Sudan stepped back Saturday from rejecting a U.N. Security Council resolution demanding it disarm Arab militias responsi-

ble for atrocities in Darfur, as France deployed troops and aid along Chad's border with Sudan to help hundreds of thousands of Darfur refugees.

Foreign Minister Mustafa Osman Ismail said the resolution passed a day earlier did not go beyond commitments Sudan already made in early July to U.N. chief Kofi Annan to rein in the militias.

"If we look closely at this matter, we will find out that there is no reason to reject the resolution as it doesn't contain anything new, anything other than what already has been signed on in the agreement with the United Nations," Ismail told reporters.

The resolution gives the Sudanese government 30 days to act against the militias, known as the Janjaweed. International and humanitarian officials say Sudan has failed to ban its pledges to crack down on the Janjaweed.

## Nigerian state holds first polio vaccinations

TAKAI, Nigeria — Health workers took a polio vaccination campaign Saturday to villages in Nigeria's mainly Muslim north, ending a ban on inoculations that had caused a regional outbreak and threatened global eradication efforts.

Nigeria's Kano state — where a recent epidemic of the crippling disease started and spread to 10 other African nations — allowed vaccinations to resume Saturday after an 11-month boycott.

The ban was imposed after religious leaders alleged that foreign powers were spreading AIDS and infertility among Muslims with the vaccine.

"Thank God, our children are now being immunized," said Ai Jibrin, a 38-year-old mother of three in Dausangia village. — compiled from wire reports

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# Palestinian militants get payments

Security forces promise payoffs for releasing foreigners



NABLUS: West Bank (AP) — Palestinian kidnappers won promises of payoffs for themselves and for comrades in Israeli prisons Saturday in exchange for freeing three foreign church workers including an American, Palestinian officials said.

The promises by the Palestinian Authority came in a new test of strength between militant groups and the security forces, which recently were put under the authority of Prime Minister Ahmed Qureia.

The flare-up indicated that the agreement last week by Qureia and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to share control of the security forces has failed to calm the underlying tensions that led to a paralyzing leadership crisis between the two men.

Five gunmen seized the three church volunteers — an American, a Briton and an Irishman — Friday night near their apart-

Palestinian girls from Islamic Jihad carry toy guns as they take part in a demonstration against the ongoing Israeli army operation in the northern Gaza Strip, at the Palestinian Legislative Council in Gaza City on Saturday.

ments and took them to the Balata refugee camp.

At around the same time, about a dozen armed men broke into the governor's building in the northern West Bank town of Jenin and set it on fire.

Both groups demanded financial support from the Palestinian Authority, which

gives unofficial payments to militants sought by Israel, according to security officials and the militants themselves.

The Palestinian Authority officially denies that it funds the militants, but some officials, including lawmakers, say support is given to militants who pledge not to attack targets

inside Israel. Officials said the kidnappers, who belonged to a splinter group of the Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, were told that all their demands will be met and that the abduction was undermining the Palestinian cause in the eyes of the world.

The demands were for an unspecified amount of support for themselves and for imprisoned comrades, the officials said. They said Arafat approved the promises.

The militants drove the hostages to a park early Saturday and called the security forces to pick them up, the officials said.

The foreigners were first taken to the Nablus office of the Palestinian intelligence, then spent the rest of the night as guests of Ghassan Shak'a, a close Arafat aide.

The released hostages refused to speak to reporters, and their identities were not released.

The chief of Palestinian intelligence services in Nablus, Tatal Dukkat, said Saturday that his forces were searching for four suspects wanted in the kidnappings.

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## EDITORIAL

### Martin Street proposal merits a careful debate

**A**ll eyes are on the Twin Falls City Council as it considers a proposal to enable the expansion of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission voted 3-3 last Tuesday on a Magic Valley Regional request for the city to vacate Martin Street just east of P&Z decision is the same as a denial. Commissioners recommended at least one more public hearing on the vacation plan.

One question hearing should be the minimum. The council has a strong track record of close, eye-opening proposals that have a major impact on the city. The city should follow that tradition and use a number of hearings to publicly discuss this issue.

But the city should probe deeper and find out if that asking price exceeded what the hospital has spent buying land east of Martin. The amount paid for those lands should also be made public.

If the county-owned hospital made the wrong real estate decisions, why should the city be obligated to transform the area to suit the hospital's purposes?

**Our view: The Twin Falls City Council should carefully review a hospital request to vacate part of Martin Street. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.**

tax shift. What is unknown is the impact of a new medical office building. Many doctors will sign contracts with the hospital for office space rather than maintain their own offices. That transition may or may not amount to more property tax losses. But it's worth asking whether the city should enable that shift to take place by closing the street.

**Medical competition** - One related element to this new medical office is how it will affect the relationship between local doctors and Magic Valley Regional.

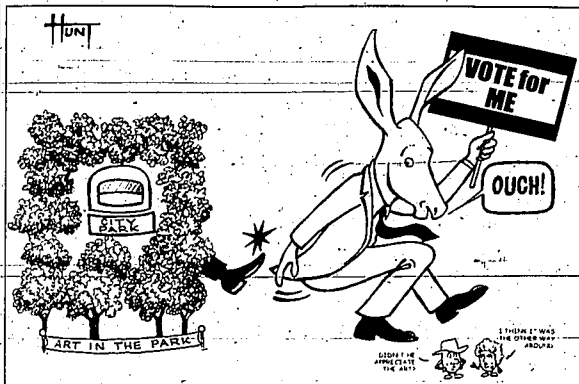
As doctors move into this new facility, they create financial alliances with the hospital's network of referral doctors. This move would reinforce the monopolization of health care under Magic Valley Regional's control.

Perhaps those medical alliances are bound to happen anyway. But city leaders should be careful that they don't become a role player in this critical economic issue.

All of these points merit close examination by city leaders, who should reject the temptation to quickly endorse the hospital's expansion plan. The City Council could take the approach that what is good for Magic Valley Regional, may be the best for Twin Falls residents.

But if that's so, the case should be proven, not simply asserted.

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## 9-11 report clarifies Iraq/al-Qaida ties

**O**ne basis for the invasion of Iraq was the Bush administration's claim of ominous links between al-Qaida and Saddam Hussein. Many administration critics have dismissed these claims, but last week's report by the Sept. 11 commission provided more backing for the White House view.

The report offered new details about the al-Qaida-Iraq relationship and the commission also backtracked somewhat from an earlier staff report, which found no evidence of a "collaborative relationship."

In the final report, the phrase was modified to say, "no collaborative operational relationship." Adding the word "operational" was an important shift.

The panel found no proof that Saddam Hussein and Osama bin Laden's organization worked together to attack their common enemy, the United States. But the commission did find that the two had frequent contacts and a fairly well-developed relationship. There were Iraq-al-Qaida ties.

Begin with the period after bin Laden went to Afghanistan because he had been forced out of Sudan. The commission said that to hedge his bets, bin Laden "sent out a number of feelers to the Iraqi regime, offering some cooperation." These initiatives "were not immediately fruitful because Hussein was trying to improve relations with neighboring countries, including Saudi Arabia.

But a year later, with Hussein facing increasing U.S. pressure, "it was Iraq that reportedly took the initiative," the commission said. Two al-Qaida members went to Iraq and later, an Iraqi delegation went to Afghanistan, where the Iraqis met with bin Laden. The meetings continued and

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at one point, according to intelligence reports, Iraqi officials offered bin Laden safe haven in Iraq. Bin Laden declined, apparently thinking—as the report puts it—that "his circumstances in Afghanistan remained more favorable than the Iraqi alternative." The commission added: "The (intelligence) reports describe friendly contacts and indicate some common themes in both sides' hatred of the United States."

By 1999, Clinton administration officials were deeply concerned about the threat posed by an Iraq-al-Qaida link, especially in light of intelligence reports saying bin Laden had been offered asylum in Iraq. Richard Clarke, then White House counterterrorism chief, wrote to another administration official and mentioned reports saying some Taliban leaders had been urging bin Laden to go to Iraq. If bin Laden did so, Clark wrote, he would be "virtually impossible to find and 'his network would be at Saddam Hussein's service.'"

After Sept. 11, these contacts looked a lot more threatening. Bin Laden had been forced out of Sudan and now his hosts in Afghanistan, the Taliban, had been brought down. The chance that bin Laden might accept the Iraqi offer of asylum could not be dismissed.

For the last few months, the conventional wisdom has held that reports of Iraq-al-Qaida links don't amount to much. After all, bin Laden was religiously motivated and Hussein was a secular ruler. Each was more interested in exploiting each other than in cooperating. Maybe, intelligence is always murky. We still don't know

everything about this relationship. But U.N. inspectors had been barred from Iraq since 1998, and Hussein was known to have had weapons of mass destruction, which he had used previously as the CIA's Counterterrorism Center noted, "any indication of a relationship between these two hostile elements could carry great dangers to the United States."

David Kay, the former CIA official who led the search for weapons of mass destruction after Hussein's regime was brought down, remarked that even though weapons stockpiles had not been found, the Iraqi dictator never gave up his intention to produce such weapons.

Hussein was developing long-range missiles. He built a secret network of biological labs, some of which were in prisons. The labs and missile programs were first discovered by the U.N. inspectors. But by Kay's team—which gained access only because Hussein's regime had been brought down.

Corruption had been eroding Hussein's control over his weapons programs, raising the risk that a willing seller in Iraq might find a willing buyer among terrorists. As Kay told NPR earlier this year, Iraq was "a more dangerous place potentially, than in fact we thought it was even before the war."

Bush looked at the evidence of links between al-Qaida and Iraq and saw a threat that needed to be eliminated. Administration critics looked at the same set of facts and said, "No big deal." To a great extent, the coming election is about which view most upheld the national interest.

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## LETTERS

### Reader send thanks--for coverage of circus

Regarding the story, "Visiting circus targeted by animal rights group," Circus officials dismiss allegations and tactics employed by PETA," on July 23:

"Thank you for telling readers about the controversy surrounding Carson & Barnes Circus. A People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals investigator obtained undercover footage showing Tim Frisco, the circus's animal care director, an all-time elephant trainer, beating elephants, instructing other elephant trainers to use both hands to beat the elephants with a bullhook and to sink the bullhook's metal spike into their flesh and twist it back and forth until they scream in pain. Says Frisco on the tape, 'Sink that hook into 'em ... when you see that screaming then you know you got their attention ... right here in the barn. You can't do it on the road ... I'm not gonna touch her in front of a thousand people.'"

Carol Buckley, a former elephant trainer and current executive director of The Elephant Sanctuary, acknowledged that "this method of training elephants, using punishment to instill a sense of fear, is standard practice in the circus industry." According to Buckley, "It is not possible to train an elephant to perform circus routines solely with positive reinforcement." Veterinarian Sara Winnickoff, who has experience with both captive and wild elephants, agrees that "no form of positive reinforcement alone will elicit these unnatural behaviors."

Circus trainers routinely use bullhooks, whips and other abusive devices to force them to perform frightening, dangerous and demeaning "tricks" that they cannot comprehend. Readers are encouraged to watch the new video for themselves at [Circuses.com](http://Circuses.com) before deciding to go to the circus.

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Norfolk, Va.  
(Editor's note: Heather Moore is a staff writer for PETA - People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.)

### Man has two words for Oakley celebration

I have supported your Pioneer Days for more than 40 years. I have enjoyed the breakfasts and the barbecues and meeting a lot of friends.

When they quit racing the horses from Burley to Oakley, I forgave. When they started running the marathon from the dam to Oakley and it rained for three days that morning, I forgave. When they started serving breakfast on the cheapest plastic plates - the kind that folds up or folds back, causing you to lose your food (for a nickel more, they could have good quality paper plates), I forgave. When they poured the syrup on the eggs and potatoes instead of the pancakes, I forgave. When they served cheap orange drink instead of orange juice, I forgave.

Now the two words have changed. Saturday (July 24), they still used the cheap plates and the orange drink, but had no coffee. The servers I asked said there wasn't enough electricity for the coffee pots. Since they won't serve me my morning coffee, the two words are "good bye."

BS. I even overlooked (or over-stepped) the horse droppings in the parking lot.

**CALE KEEN**  
Burley

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## Kerry speech could send Cheney packing

**I**f John Kerry's speech Thursday night gives him enough bump in the polls, he could bump Dick Cheney off the Republican ticket. Talk about losing by winning.

More than any election in memory, the undecided vote will decide this one. And Vice President Cheney is undeniably the big-time drag among the undecideds.

Vice presidents, like doctors, have one rule: Do no harm. Doctors, however, have a long history of protecting their wrongdoers. But they don't have to run for re-election. President Bush does, of course. And while Bush will never say that Cheney has done wrong, if the polls go wrong, the president doesn't have to protect him.

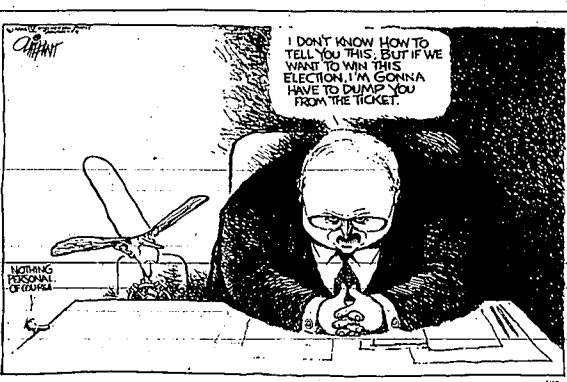
In June, I suggested that John McCain would be the perfect man to replace Cheney on the Republican ticket. Alfonso D'Amato then jumped in and said the same. But the White House knocked the idea. And Dick Cheney began campaigning for the first time since 9/11 in public, which convinced the media that the Bush-Cheney ticket was un-

### SIDNEY ZION

sailable, solid gold. But the very fact that Cheney is out there could mean something quite different. As in, let him try to show that he helps Bush. Or that he's tired and maybe his best bet is to take it. Cheney has had four heart attacks, and if he wants out, that would be an honorable way to leave.

Bush is a loyal man, and the last thing he wants to do is dump Cheney. But his daddy was loyal to his vice president, Dan Quayle, and where did that notice get him? The bottom line is to win the election. Loyalty is nothing in the loser's dressing room.

So the conundrum for Kerry is that if he convinces the undecideds Thursday night that America will be safer in his hands, he might put John McCain in the ticket next month. And then he might have to witness Dick Cheney nominating John McCain for vice president. All it could take is a bump in the polls, and a history lesson



for Dubya. And here's the history: George W. is the only president whose father also was president - except for John Quincy Adams. And John

Quincy Adams was the first president elected without winning the popular vote. And like his father, John Adams, a loser when he ran for re-election.

If Kerry loses Thursday night, and if Dubya remembers all this - my way.

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# Truth be told, Patriot Act has saved lives

**F**alsehood, according to Mark Twain's famous dictum, gets halfway around the world before the truth even gets its shoes on. Time and again, outstanding stories seem to grow legs and find wide distribution before the truth can catch up.

A good example is the USA Patriot Act. It's so broadly demonized now, you'd never know it passed with overwhelming support in the days immediately after Sept. 11, 2001.

Critics paint the Patriot Act as a cauldron of abuse and a threat to civil liberties. Advocacy groups run ads depicting a anonymous hands tearing up the Constitution and a tearful old man fearful to enter a bookstore. Prominent politicians who voted for the act call for a complete overhaul, if not outright repeal.

But the truth is catching up. And the first truth is that the Patriot Act was absolutely vital to protect America's security. Before 9/11, our law enforcement and intelligence agencies were limited by law in what information they could share with each other. The Patriot Act tore down that wall — and officials have praised the act's value.

As former Attorney General Janet Reno told the 9/11 commission, "Generally everything that's been done in the Patriot Act has been helpful, I think, while at the same time main-

**PAUL ROSENZWEIG**

aining the balance with respect to civil liberties."

And as Attorney General John Ashcroft's recent report to Congress makes clear, this change in the law has real, practical consequences.

Information-sharing facilitated by the Patriot Act, for example, was critical to the successful dismantling of terrorist cells in Portland, Ore., Lackawanna, N.Y., and Virginia. Likewise, the information-sharing provisions contained in the act assisted the prosecution in San Diego of those involved with an al-Qaida drugs-for-weapons plot involving "Sünger" anti-aircraft missiles.

It also aided in the prosecution of Ensaam Amraoui, an individual who had a longstanding relationship with Osama bin Laden and who used his charity organization to obtain funds illicitly from unsuspecting Americans for terrorist organizations, such as al-Qaida, and to serve as a channel for people to contribute money knowingly to such groups.

These are not trivial successes. On the contrary, they're part of an enormous, ongoing effort to protect America from further terrorist attacks.

We cannot, of course, say

that the Patriot Act alone can stop terrorism. But every time we successfully use the new tools at our disposal to thwart terrorist organization, that's a victory.

Yet, remarkably, some of these vital provisions allowing the exchange of information between law enforcement and intelligence agencies will expire at the end of next year. So here's a second truth: If Congress does nothing, then parts of the law will return to where they were on the day before 9/11 — to a time when our government couldn't, by law, connect all the dots. Nobody wants a return to those days, but that is where we are headed if Congress does not set aside its partisan debates.

But what of the abuses, you ask? Time for a third truth: There is no abuse of the Patriot Act. None. The Justice Department's Inspector General (who is required by the Patriot Act to examine the use of the act and report any abuse twice a year) has reported that there have been no instances in which the Patriot Act has been invoked to infringe on civil rights or civil liberties.

Others agree. For example, at a Judiciary Committee hearing on the Patriot Act, Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California said: "I have never had a single abuse of the Patriot Act reported to me. My staff ... asked (the ACLU) for instances of actual abuses. They ... said

they had none."

So the fiction of abuse can be laid to rest. The government is not, to take but one popular myth, invading libraries and scouring your book records. It's a convenient fiction that calls to mind (as Joseph Bottum, a contributor to The Weekly Standard, has written) the appealing image of "white-haired and apple-cheeked (librarians) resisting as best they can the terrible forces of McCarthyism, evangelical Christian book-burning, middle-class hypocrisy, and Big Brother government." But no matter how appealing the image, it has no more reality than any good Hollywood movie.

Governments' obligation is a dual one: to provide security against violence and to preserve civil liberty. This is not a zero-sum game. We can achieve both goals if we empower government to do sensible things while exercising oversight to prevent any real abuses of authority. The Patriot Act, with its reasonable extension of authority to allow the government to act effectively with appropriate oversight rules, meets this goal.

And the truth eventually catches up to the fiction.

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## LETTER

**Victor enjoys stay despite 'hammer man'**

Tonight, I safely ran my 12 laps on the Paradise Valley Community College (Phoenix, Ariz.) track, free from harassment from the "Home of the Bruins hammer man"!

Friday morning, July 23, I went out on your newly asphalted high school track for my morning run, having been there the previous Wednesday and Thursday. As I came to the far side of the track at the turn, a workman with one ring in his ear and a hammer in his hand gruffly ordered me off the track, saying it was closed. I stopped to reason

with him, asking if I could finish my run in 30 minutes.

He escalated his threatening orders for me to get off the track. "It's closed!" As I resumed my run with the intent to leave, not thinking I was leaving, he continued his rude orders for me to leave. Being agitated by now, I calmly said, "Buzz-off." That flipped his switch and he started running after me, gripping his hammer menacingly, and with anger shouted, "When did you say to me?" Inferring that I had used the word beginning with the sixth letter of the alphabet, ending with "off." That word's not in my vocabulary. Seeing the hammer and his pursuit, I

absolutely said, "Sir, I'm leaving." I was relieved as he stopped.

As I approached the exit point, two other workers raised their hands to block my advance, stating with excitement, "The track is closed." (They must have seen the "hammer man" episode.) I responded: "Sir, there's no posted sign!" They more kindly responded, "Yes, you are right."

Got the picture: A 64-year-old bald man running (trudging) around the track trying to manage his blood pressure and sugars, pursued by a "militant" workman with a hammer! Back at the Shilo Inn, I told this

hilarious story to my family (12) of us in town for a reunion. A hotel worker asked, "So how did it go?" I surprised her with "terrible" followed by a wink and comical explanation.

Aside from the grizzly hammer man, we loved our Twin stay. Our kids loved "elf jumping" at Dielkes Hat's off to Twin! I still think Iwin is one of America's great small towns to raise a family.

Thanks again for your great paper.

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(Noel Luke is a former Twin Falls resident, from 1940 to 1962.)

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# Opinions on wind farm are mixed

## Wind power becomes way of life for some

By Karin Kowalski  
Times-News writer

TEHUACHAPI, Calif. — Wind turbines, all 4,500 of them, are just part of life in the Tehuachapi area.

Jason Caudle, Tehuachapi's city manager, said he can remember there being a lot of opposition to the wind farms in the early 1980s when they first arrived, but people have since learned to live with the wind companies.

Lawton said the wind farms are about five miles from the nearest house.

New turbine projects are required to get approval from the Kern County Planning Department. Jim Ellis, the operations division chief for the planning department who has worked with wind since the early 1980s, said there are few complaints about turbines.

"Originally there was a lot of apprehension about these machines," Ellis said. Today they get positive comments.

On the site than from turbine blades.

Darin Huseby, Sea West's director of business development, said studies were done on the eagles' flight patterns and turbines were placed high from the edge of the plateau in order to accommodate them.

Huseby said there are few people and few land owners in the area, but most of them supported the farm and many have installed turbines on their own properties. He said if a community strongly opposes wind turbines, the company will not go there since many places are supportive of wind energy.

Huseby said it was difficult to get state permission for the first phase of the project, but afterward it became much easier to add onto the wind farm. However, the wind farm has reached a point where any more expansion will make it subject to more stringent environmental controls.

The town of Medicine Bow is about seven miles from the project, said Carol Cook, the city's clerk.

"We just look at them turn," Cook said. "I think they're kind of used."

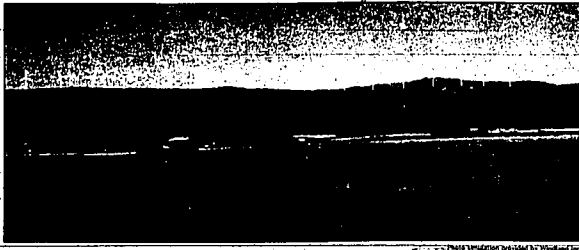
She said antelope and rabbits aren't afraid to get near the windmills. More projects are being proposed in the area and she said most people support them.

Bruce Forquist, the public works director in Ravalli, Wyo., said the wind farm is about 45 miles away from the city. He hasn't heard any complaints, although he remembers some concern about the impact on raptors when the project was proposed.

"They're quite a sight early in the morning," Forquist said.

He said the increase in tax base and jobs have helped Carbon County.

Huseby said the project went through an extensive state permitting process, even though it is mostly on private land. The project had an environmental and cultural review where it was determined that parts of the site had to be left empty to not disturb some Native American burial grounds.



This artist's rendition simulates what wind turbines with 262-foot poles and 164-foot blades might look up on top of the Cottler Mountain from a picture taken from the Marsh Creek Event Center south of Albion on Highway 77.

## Others seem more skeptical

By Karin Kowalski  
Times-News writer

ALBION — Community open houses about a proposed wind farm were the places to be in Malta on Wednesday and Albion on Thursday.

Once people had their fill of pictures, charts and conversation about wind turbines that could go atop the Cottler Mountains, they sat down to chat.

Opinions have been largely divided among the approximately 10 people who attended the meetings. Discussions in Albion often bordered on heated debate between residents and representatives of Windland Inc., the Boise-based company that is seeking permission to put between 80 and 100 wind turbines on Bureau of Land Management terrain along the mountains' ridge.

The city of Albion endorsed the project about two years ago, but has since retracted its endorsement. Mayor Don Danner said few people opposed it early on, but recently an opposition group has surfaced.

A major sore point is the estimated size of the turbines — between 360 and 425 feet, base to blade top — which has increased since the project was first proposed.

Danner said six to eight people came to the July 6 Albion City Council meeting to voice their opposition and present a petition for the city to retract its endorsement. The council voted 2-1 to retract that endorsement. Danner said he would have preferred his council table the matter until the environmental impact study became available.

"If it says that no wind farm can go up on Cottler Mountain, then so be it," Danner said.

Don Bowden, the council president, said he is neutral on the wind issue, but felt he had to vote to retract support because of what his constituents want.

"If they say 'no,' then I need to say 'no,'" Bowden said.

Bob Shepard, the executive director of the Mini-Cassia Economic Development Commission, said he thought the council violated open meetings laws in its decision because it had one council member present via conference call, but no one called the fourth council member who had a different view.

### Continued debate

In the meantime, the community and council are fairly split, Danner said.

For instance, Jim Wahlgren has lived in the Albion Valley for three years and owned property for the past 30 years. He is chairman of the Committee Against Windmills in Albion and used to live in Modesto, Calif., near a wind farm. He said he would not have built in the area if he knew about the possibility of a wind farm and "he hadn't already owned property."

"I'm totally against the project," Wahlgren said, although he supports wind power in principle. He said he has heard there are hundreds more sites in Idaho that are just as windy and are further away from homes.

"I think that we should be trying to put these in the least offensive places," Wahlgren said.

The committee has 12 members, some of whom have lived in the area for as many as five generations. Wahlgren said about 230 of 289 registered voters in the valley support the cause.

Between the golden eagles and nests, and the springs, the mountain is very ecologically sensitive, Wahlgren said, but his

"I think we should be trying to put these in the least offensive places."

— Jim Wahlgren, chairman of the Committee against Windmills in Albion

main concern is the visual impact and possible expansion.

"Once they get started, they just keep getting bigger and bigger," Wahlgren said.

Fleckler has repeatedly said that the wind is best along the mountain ridge and that covering the entire mountain with turbines would not catch more wind.

Wahlgren said cheap wind is not a sufficient reason to change the valley.

Council Member Jacques Whiting was not present for the council's vote, but supports the project.

"I think they're really pretty," Whiting said. "I'm not worried about the view."

She said the petition included people from outside the Albion Valley, so it can't be viewed as an indicator that the majority of the valley is against the project.

Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Idaho, said he is willing to allow the project if Windland would promise to pay for the amount to clean up the turbine sites if it were to fold, disclose its partners and finances and disclose the true cost of producing the power and where it will go. He said he doesn't want the BLM to restrict grazing, hunting or recreation on the mountains.

### Malta views

The opinions coming from Malta, on the other side of the mountain, are a little more positive about the project.

Tina Looek, mayor of the 174-resident town, said she doubts the turbines will be ugly and hopes they will bring jobs to the area.

"I am so for it," Looek said. "It's just an awesome opportunity."

She said she can't speak for people in the town, but she thinks the project will have a positive impact on the county.

Windland held an open house in Malta Wednesday that drew about 20 people, some enthusiastic, others less so.

"I say, 'Go for it,'" said Karen Fowles of Malta. "Anything that can be an improvement to what we have here, we should use it."

Jeanette Bennett, of Malta, said she came to quietly protest the possibility of the mountains' environment being devastated.

"I just don't want it," Bennett said. "Not in my backyard, definitely."

### Environment

Many concerns about the project stem from environmental issues that the BLM is examining in its environmental impact study due to be made public this fall, said Scott Barker, the project manager for the study.

The BLM is looking at a host of factors that could be affected by the turbines, such as sage grouse, raptor migration, public access, visual resource management, grazing, recreation, geology, 13 springs and wells, vegetation, game, birds, bats, socioeconomic factors and sensitive, threatened and endangered species.

Barker also has concerns that

building the project would bring a large influx of people onto the mountains with heavy equipment.

The BLM would have to amend its land-use plan to allow the project, Barker said if Windland wanted to later expand, it would have to go through the entire permitting process again.

"BLM's decision will be based on the issues," Barker said.

Officials at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game are waiting for the environmental impact study to make recommendations to the BLM. Dave Parrish, the regional supervisor, said the fish and game reservations about the impact of the project and the possibility of it being mitigated.

"It is a very sensitive wildlife area," Parrish said. "We're going to have some major problems with what they're proposing."

Parrish said the habitat for sage grouse and raptors is particularly important and the proposed improved road would greatly increase the potential for people to be on the mountain. BLM research has found three golden eagle nests on the east cliffs of the mountain and not many sage grouse; Barker said.

Parrish said the only way to mitigate that type of increased human presence is to not have a road.

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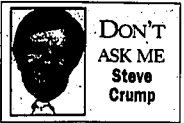
This year, one all-time state record didn't draw much fanfare. (But it did draw a record \$25 million to benefit Idaho's public schools and buildings.)

IDAHO LOTTERY 15

## Answering an SOS from our troops

Some day, the Air Force may give Steve Dayton a medal for brave or meritorious service. He deserves the Nobel Peace Prize.

That's because Dayton, an Idaho Air National Guard cook who in civilian life lives in Shoshone and works for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, has managed to humanize the worst that military service to the United States of America has to offer.



**DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump**

He's made SOS edible. Anybody who's ever been in uniform knows what SOS is. For you civilians, it's an acronym for a scatological nickname long ago given to creamed chipped beef on toast.

OK, the "O" and the second "S" stand for *on a shingle*. Creamed chipped beef on toast has been used to desensitize generations of American fighting men and women to the horrors of war.

Eat it long enough, and it will neutralize your taste buds. In the short run, it makes you linger near the comfort facilities.

Most soldiers, sailors and airmen of the past 65 years have simply pushed their aluminum dining trays away when SOS was served to them.

I've known veterans of the Korean War and World War II who still hear in their nightmares the distinctive *splat* that creamed chipped beef makes when it lands on metal.

The flavor is, um, disappointing, and it's not hard to see why: Very low-grade beef, dried onions, lots of flour and powdered milk, lovingly slimmered and served atop stale bread.

Like generations of military cooks before him, Dayton can do much about the ingredients, but he makes them palatable by adding a *sauceson* of Worcestershire sauce.

Yep, Lee & Perrins. The stuff of a million meadofas.

Here's his recipe (it's for 100, though, so you'll need to get out your calculator):

- Ingredients:
- 18 lbs. beef patty mix or ground beef, thawed
- 3 cups dry chopped onions
- 1 1/2 quart wheat flour
- 6 tbsps. beef soup-and-gravy base
- 3 tbsps. salt
- 1 tbsps. pepper
- 8 1/3 cups powdered milk
- 10 1/2 quarts warm water

Instructions: Cook beef in its own fat. In steam-jacketed kettle, seasonings pan until beef loses its pink color, stirring to break apart. Drain or skim off excess fat, then add onions and saute for 3 minutes.

Combine flour, soup-and-gravy base, salt and pepper. Sprinkle sauce with beef and onions. Mix thoroughly and cook about 5 minutes until flour is absorbed.

Reconstitute milk and add to mixture.

Add Worcestershire sauce and heat to a simmer, stirring frequently. Cook until thickened.

Why Worcestershire sauce? Simple, it's um, piquant.

That's a double word meaning that it covers up a whole variety of culinary sins. Lee & Perrins, which has the original recipe, says the sauce contains, among other things, vinegar, molasses, soy, tarragon, anchovies, garlic, red onions and — wait for it — anchovies.

All of which is mixed together — and aged — until you could pour it into a dish and make it savory.

In the case of creamed chipped beef on toast, Worcestershire sauce drops your eyes open to disabusing what your eyes are telling it.

Is that against the Geneva Convention?

Possibly. But when the alternatives are scrambled powdered eggs on toast and medieval-era MRE's on the other,

# Project calls for new taxiway

By Mickey Walker  
Times-News correspondent

**GOODING** — Takeoffs and landings at the Gooding Municipal Airport will soon be much safer for area pilots.

A nearly \$1 million project will soon begin at the airport that will provide a full-length parallel taxiway next to the existing runway.

Idaho Sand and Gravel, the lone bidder for the project, will be asked to proceed following a final engineer review and approval from the city of Gooding at this week's council meeting.

The bid, which was opened

on July 22, totaled \$998,577 and will require a 2 1/2 percent match from both the city and state of nearly \$25,000 each.

"We want to get this project done this year, and even though it was only a single bid, they came in \$22,000 under the engineer's estimate," said Gooding City Superintendent Todd Bunn.

The project should be completed by October, Bunn said. The Federal Aviation Administration will pay for 95 percent of the project's costs.

Funds awarded by the FAA are based upon the city's Capital Improvement Plan, which

prioritizes projects according to the highest need.

And for Gooding, the top priority was for a full-length taxiway.

"We have been working on this project for the past five years, from the time the process started until we actually got with the FAA and arranged funding," Bunn said.

Presently, planes at the airport have to back-taxi, going down the single runway before turning around and taking off.

"That back-taxiing is dangerous because a pilot can't see if another plane is coming in right on top of them,"

Bunn said.

Though no traffic incidents have been reported at the Gooding airport, Thomas believes it could be just a matter of time before an accident happens.

"As we have more and more aircraft using our facility, the chances of an accident increase significantly," he said.

The new taxiway will be about 4,900 feet in length and covered with asphalt.

Besides safety, growth has been a condition prompting the expansion project.

Increased use of the airport has exceeded the city's master

plan, which outlines projects 10 years in advance based on probable development.

The airport has surpassed that planning by nearly three years, Bunn said.

He attributes some of the growth to pilots from the Hailley and Ketchum area that either have been priced out of the market or because of the lack of airport expansion there.

Dale Thomas, Gooding's airport manager since 1975, said he believes that along with some overflow from the Wood River Valley, a good segment of the increase has been local.

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## TOUGH PRACTICE



Staff Sgt. Steven Kingan detains a suspicious bus driver outside of the perimeter of Dona Ana Base Camp in New Mexico, as CPL Paul Malesky, both of 2nd Platoon, Bravo Company, 2-116th Cavalry, watches Saturday.

## Troops practice in realistic scenarios to prepare

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

**DONA ANA BASE CAMP** N.M. — The Iraqi woman was not happy. The convoys of Army Humvees were stirring up dust on her village's dirt roads and the noise was making the villagers' farm animals skittish.

But things really got hot early Saturday morning.

The Bravo 12 group of the 2-116th Brigade Combat Team, made up of soldiers from Burley, was training on a routine supply mission when the group came to an old abandoned car in the mock Iraqi village of "al Naher."

The car turned out to be an improvised explosive device. When a group of suspected Iraqi insurgents tried to trigger it to explode, the soldiers' superiors ordered them to end the supply mission.

But on their way out of the village, the convoy hit a two-wheeled sheep. The angry farmer demanded he be paid for his loss.

Now it was up to Maj. Todd Edgar, operations officer for the 2-116th Brigade Combat Team, to calm tempers while still protecting the safety of his soldiers on the mission.

"Two sheep were killed, so we'll give them 40 bucks," he said.

Meanwhile, tempers were still simmering in the small Iraqi village. There were no jobs and the people were getting desperate, making them easy prey for insurgents who would pay them to do their dirty work — making the situation even more dangerous for U.S. soldiers. Wanting to head off a crisis in the making, Edgar set up a meeting with the Iraqi woman and the village mayor and police chief.

Thankfully, the situation was all just part of a role playing exercise.



Sgt. Ron Yoshida of Burley, with 2nd Platoon, Bravo Company, 2-116th Cavalry, pulls security for a Quik Reaction Force convoy, while other members investigate a reported improvised explosive device on near a mock Iraqi village near Dona Ana Base Camp in New Mexico Saturday morning. The soldiers were performing a role playing exercise, where other soldiers acted as Iraqi villagers and suspected insurgents.

### Idahoans in Iraq

Soldiers with the 2-116th Brigade Combat Team are in the midst of an 18-month deployment that eventually will take them on a one-year tour of duty in Iraq.

Keeping in touch

The Times-News is putting a human face on the deployment by following a few of the Guard members and their families as the soldiers go to Fort

Bloss, Texas, and Fort Polk, La., and then overseas.

Reporter Sandy Miller and photographer Ashley Smith this week are filing daily reports from the Dona Ana Base Camp in New Mexico — just across the Texas border — where they're embedded with the 2-116th Brigade Combat Team.

The base camp is part of Fort Bloss.

Edgar walked into the office where the three Iraqis had gathered.

"I'm Major Edgar," he said. "Is the village OK? Is there anything we can help you with?"

"We have no food, no water," the woman said. "The noise from the convoys makes our goats go dry."

Edgar told her food and supplies were on the way. But he pointed out that some of the soldiers had been shot at during supply runs, making it necessary for them to travel quickly through the area.

"My soldiers and their forces need to protect themselves as well," Edgar said.

The police chief promised to police the area more closely so the American convoys could slow down a bit. Meanwhile, the mayor had other worries on his mind. The people in his village had no work.

"My people are out at the gate everyday," he said. "Surely you have jobs. My people are very smart."

Edgar told him there were plans to dig a well in the village, and the villagers could do the work. And perhaps the Iraqi woman could work as a translator for the Army, he said.

"But that's one person," the mayor replied. "I have 130 people."

"We have to start with one person before we can help with the other 130," Edgar said.

But Edgar made it very clear that his soldiers' safety came first.

"Do your people know what will happen if they attack us?" he asked the mayor. "They will be shot."

The mayor understood. Edgar asked the mayor and police chief if they knew anything about the American soldiers who had been kidnapped in the village. He showed them a photo of a man — his face disguised with a bandanna — whom — the Army suspected of heading one soldier and kidnapping another.

"We have identified the man in the photo," Edgar told them. "His with the Red Crescent. Do you know him, chief?"

The police chief said insurgents "had been" coming into town late at night.

"People are very desperate and they're giving them money," he said.

But the police chief pointed out that "even in a small town, you don't know everybody."

"Are there many families in your village?" Edgar asked the mayor.

"The mayor answered with his own question.

"How many families in your village?" the mayor asked.

"Just one here," Edgar said.

## Juarez wins Hispanic Heritage Queen

**TWIN FALLS** — Yadira Juarez of Jerome was crowned the 2004 Hispanic Heritage Fiesta Queen Saturday evening.

The pageant was held at the Roper Auditorium at Twin Falls High School's campus.

Juarez is the daughter of Bulmaro and

Leticia Juarez. The first runner up was Karla Mendiana, second runner up was Magdalena Leon and third runner up was Patricia Cabral.

The winners receive scholarships for college.

The pageant is part of the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta, which will start at 6 p.m. Aug. 7 with a parade down Blue Lakes Boulevard and Shoshone Avenue followed by a street dance at the fountain downtown. The culminating event is Un Dia en el Valle starting at noon Aug. 8 at Twin Falls City Park, and featuring entertainment, a car show, food and contests.

## Firefighters torch shelter for training

By Lorraine Caverer  
Times-News correspondent

**RUPERT** — Firefighters turned an old building into an opportunity Saturday for a controlled burn and training exercises.

The Mini-Cassia Women and Children's Shelter Organization had the Rupert City Council's approval in April to destroy its city-owned home at 1001 J St. and replace it with a modular home that will be paid for with donated funds.

The organization was hoping to remodel the home but found that it would cost as much or more than a new house to repair.

"The braces underneath were not good," said Toni Atwood of the shelter organization. "When they got it cleaned off we can couple in with the modular." Shelter workers received permission from the council in April to destroy the current building.

The city acquired the home

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## Lykins drops out of tight sheriff's race

By Michelle Dunlop  
Times-News writer

**SHOSHONE** — The Lincoln County Sheriff's race is down to three — again.

On Friday, Trent Lykins, an officer with the Shoshone Police Department, announced he was withdrawing his bid for the position in this year's highly contested election.

"At this point, I feel that it's not my time," Lykins said.

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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 [obits@magicvalley.com](mailto:obits@magicvalley.com). Death notices are a free service and can be placed on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and Mondays. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com) and click on "Obituaries."

Donald Carl Bryan - Hazelton

Donald Carl Bryan, a 65-year-old Hazelton resident, passed away July 30, 2004, at his home.

Donald was born Sept. 28, 1938, to Jesse Courtney and Roy Bryan in Marshall, Ark. Donald graduated from Marshall High School in 1957 and kept in touch with his many friends and classmates throughout his life. He served in the United States Army. After the Army, Don moved to California, where he worked for Longview Fiber until he transferred to the plant in Twin Falls.

Here in the country, he could raise horses and hunt



and fish to his hearts content. Donald loved horses, he grew

up on a horse, rode to school on a horse and figured if he couldn't get there on a horse, he didn't really need to be there.

He is survived by his wife, Norma; three daughters, Darina, Elizabeth and Katina; seven grandchildren, Joshua, Kristin, Adrian, Dalton, Nathaniel, Bryson and Trish-ton; and his sister, Kathryn; and many nieces and nephews who thought the world of him.

Private family services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Hansen-Mortuary-Burley Chapel.

Kasper Eugene (K.E.) Bachman - Burley

Kasper Eugene (K.E.) Bachman, beloved father, grandfather and great-grandfather, passed away quietly on Thursday, July 29, 2004, at Highland Estates.

K.E. was born Oct. 26, 1907, in Ogden, Utah. He was the ninth child of 11 children born to Kasper and Rebecca Whewright Bachman. He grew up and was educated in Ogden. At age 25, he moved to Burley, Idaho, and started his own plumbing business, "Bachman Plumbing & Heating." There he worked for the next 65 years, enjoying his work and the people he worked with.

A year after moving to Burley he married a lovely, young teacher from Heyburn, Idaho, Amelia Anderson. There was a happy marriage and to this union five children were born: Rex, Carl (Alleen), Kay, Jeanne and Becky. The family was sealed together in the Idaho Falls Temple in 1953.



Our father loved his work, his wife, and his family. Later in life, when he had some time, he became an avid gardener, specializing in 'gourds' for the children. And when he was asked, he could recite verbatim his favorite poetry, usually by Robert Service, "Sam McGee" from Tennessee, where the cotton

blooms and grows and why he left his native land....

We will really miss him; he's been a light in our lives. He was a joy to the end and this gives us an accomplishment for a '96 year old! But now he is with God, Kay and his Amelia.

His surviving children include Rex and Caroline Bachman, of Brigham City, Utah, Carol Allien James of San Francisco, Calif., Jeanne and Alfred Palz of Pasadena, Calif., and Becky and Larry Roberts of American Fork, Utah.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 2, 2004, at the Burley 7th Ward building, 2200 Oakley Ave. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the church. Burial will be at Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. The family suggests memorial contributions to be made to the Idaho Veterans Ranch. Services are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Annie May Hart - Jerome

Annie May Hart, 100, of Jerome, passed away July 10, 2004, at Creekside Residential Care Center in Jerome, with her loving family by her side.

Annie May was born May 1, 1904, in Blainau Piesting, North Wales, the daughter of Howell and Hannah Pugh. The family moved here in about 1908.

Annie May belonged to the Rebekah Lodge, Westfield Lodge, Jerome Grange, Neighbor Club, Methodist

Women's Circle and America War Mothers. She is survived by her children, Leona (Arthur) Harding, Lois (LaMoine) Murray, Edith (Kenneth) Brooks, Ethel Kleepe, Arne Walgammot, Richard (Charlotte) Hart and Robert (Usula) Hart. She is also survived by her niece, Cheri Quintance; 25 grandchildren; 53 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death

by her husband, Arthur Hart; her parents; his brother, David Idris Pugh; son-in-law, Tom Walgammot; and two baby granddaughters.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004, at the funeral home of City Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to Hospice Visions, 308 Sherman St., E., Suite No. 1, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Walter Emmett Stark - Rupert

Walter Emmett Stark, 85, passed away in Rupert at the Minidoka Memorial Extended Care Unit July 24, 2004.

Walter was born in Kinama, Idaho, on Oct. 28, 1918, the son of Carl Lewis and Maria-Mai Stark. He grew up in Minidoka County attending various schools and graduating from Rupert High School (the first school he attended with electricity) in 1936. After graduation, he worked on the family farm and in various smelters in Tooele, Utah. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1940. He went to flight school and became a pilot. Ily-C-7s. He spent most of the 62nd Troop Carrier Squadron, 314th Troop Carrier Group, 9th Air Force in North Africa, Sicily, Italy and England. He carried paratroopers and supplies. He participated in D-Day by dropping troops on Normandy Beach.

After being honorably discharged from the service, he married Wyoia L. Vincent in Charlton, Iowa, on Sept. 14, 1945. They then returned to Rupert, where he bought a farm north of town and built a house and turned for a short time. When war broke out in Korea, he returned to the U.S. Air Force and did a tour of duty as a Convair Aero-Vac pilot doing Medical Evacuation. After Korea, he remained in the U.S. Air Force, making it his career. He continued with Med-Evac and served in Europe, where his family enjoyed living in Germany and France. He then returned to the States where his assignments lead him from Texas to California. In 1972, after 31 years duty, he retired as a colonel in San Bernardino, Calif. He then moved to Longview, Texas, returned home in 1974 to Rupert, where he again bought a small acreage and built another house to finish raising his family. He satisfied his farming



inclination by raising a few animals and a fine garden, which he always shared with his neighbors. He moved again back to Weatherford, Texas, for a short time, returning again home to Rupert in 1994, returning to the Mini-Cassius area in 2001, where he lived the remainder of his days.

He and his wife were members of the Rupert United Methodist Church. They enjoyed many volunteer activities including delivering Meals on Wheels, serving on the Christmas Council and helping to serve Thanksgiving dinners for people without families. They enjoyed traveling, fishing, hunting, camping and visiting family and friends near and far. Following his wife's passing, Walter became even more involved in community activities and was an active member on the Christmas Lighting Committee, Minidoka County Historical Society and volunteered for many church related activities. He enjoyed working with others and always showed up with a cheerful and willing attitude. In his later years in Boise when mobility became an issue, he "worked" in his son's store wrapping cookies and handing out food samples to shoppers. He was the life of the

party when the lines got long around busy holiday times and when he could no longer participate, customers came to ask, "Where's Granddad?"

Walter is survived by six sons, Dr. Willard T. (Candace) Stark, of Lancaster, Texas; Gordon Stark of Oak Point, Texas; Ronald M. Stark of Dallas, Texas; Maurice K. (Karen) Stark of Boise, Idaho; Russell C. (Holly) Stark of Batavia, Ohio; and Dr. (Jan) Stark of Wimberley, Texas; and one daughter, Beth A. (Matthew) Cofer of Paul, Idaho; fifteen and a half grandchildren; two sisters, Evelyn (Earl) Burns of Paul, Idaho; and Margaret (Bob) Cameron of Rupert, Idaho; and one brother, Bob (Ardieth) Stark of Heyburn, Idaho.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; three brothers, Henry Stark, Melvin Stark and Carl Stark; and two sisters, Marie Stark Brown and Louise Stark Stewart.

A celebration of Walter's life will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 4, 2004, at the First United Methodist Church at Sixth and 11 Streets in Rupert with Pastor Keith Wise officiating. Burial will follow at the Rupert Cemetery with full military rites. A viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2004, at Hansen Mortuary-Burley Chapel, 710 Sixth St., and one hour prior to the service at the church.

The family is requesting donations in his memory to the Minidoka County Historical Society, P.O. Box 21, Rupert, ID 83350, or the Christmas Lighting Committee, c/o Roberta Christiansen, 813 Sixth St., Rupert, ID 83350, to continue supporting two organizations Walter enjoyed. And if you've never been to Rupert at Christmas, you should...and think of Walter.

OBITUARY



Evelyn L. Muguerza - Burley

Evelyn Lilly Muguerza, age 91, of Seattle, Wash., formerly of Burley died Saturday, July 24, 2004.

Survivors include her daughter, Sharron Hinrichs; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Elva Holm and her sister, Kathryn Petersen of Cleveland, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ramon; and three children, Ramona, Glen and Gene.

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 to 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

SERVICES

Justo-Guerry of Burley, vigil service at 6 p.m. today at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley; funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Monday at the Little Flower Catholic Church; friends may call from 5 p.m. until the time of the vigil service today at the Payne Mortuary and one hour before the funeral Mass Monday at the church.

Gordon Lyle "Sam" Thomas, of Malad and formerly of Twin Falls, service at noon Monday at the Malad LDS 3rd Ward Chapel, 400 N. 200 W.; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Horsley Funeral Home, 132 W. 300 N., Malad, and from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Monday at the funeral home.

Ralph F. Riggen, memorial service at 2 p.m. Friday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home.

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

The family of Archie Turner would like to send a heartfelt thanks to all the friends and family who gave so generously upon his passing. All the food donations and visits were greatly appreciated. A special "thank you" to all of his "fiddler" friends who came from far and wide to pay their last respects. God bless all of you!

Althara (Sally) Turner  
Carol & Kelly Carpenter  
Pats & Jackie Turner  
Wayne & Connie Courtney and all our extended families.

Recreate Every Thursday in the Outdoor section, The Times-News guides you to recreational opportunities.

The families of Chuck and Barbara Mechem & Pat and Bob Phillips extend sincere thanks to all who sent cards, food, flowers and prayers for our family on the loss of our mother RUTH MECHAM-GILKISON. And to the staff of St. Benedict's Long Term Care Center and Dr. James Irwin and staff, heartfelt gratitude for their kind, loving, excellent care of our mother.

The Family of Wayne Andrew wishes to thank all our extended families and friends for their love and support during his illness. We also want to thank Dr. Johnson, Dr. Waymott, Dr. Konrad, the staff at MMH, Dr. David Johnson and the staff at the Twin Falls Regional Medical Center for their care and concern. Special thanks and appreciation goes to Rasmussen Funeral Home for the beautiful service. Also thank you to Rev. John Crawford for his heartfelt message and the wonderful dinner prepared by the Apostolic House of Prayer in Rupert.

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Please contact anyone of the following persons for more information and registration.

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- Ivan Skinner 735-8077
- Leona Watson 733-8949
- Marjane Merritt 733-0826
- Dee Anne Gline Warren 734-4895

OBITUARIES

DEATH NOTICES

Larry Lee Shupe - Fillmore, Ut.



Larry Lee Shupe, beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend, passed away Thursday, July 29, 2004, in Fillmore, Utah.

was a bishop in Apache Junction, Ariz. Recently, he and his wife returned from the New York Rochester Mission, where they had been assigned to the Hill Cumorah Historical sites. They loved their mission and the opportunity to serve the Lord. Many lives were touched by Elder Shupe's service.

Dean (Blythe) Shupe, Arlene (Kristin) Shupe, Elizabeth (Kevin) Heason, Bradley (Erin) Shupe, 24 grandchildren and his loving sister, Veda Stend.

Reid C. "R.C." Caudill

BUIL - Reid C. "R.C." Caudill, 82, of Buhl and formerly of Salmon, died Friday, July 30, 2004, at the Woodland Retirement Center in Buhl.

Ronald O. Summers

LAGERMAN - Ronald O. Summers, 56, of Hagerman, died Saturday, July 31, 2004, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital.

owner/operator of Fredrickson's Ice Cream and Candy in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He is survived by his wife, and children, Larry (Norma) Shupe, LeeAnn (Neil) Salisbury,

Ivan Darrington

AJMO - Edil Ivan Darrington, 81, of Almo, died Saturday, July 31, 2004, at his home.

Cornelius Townsend

TWIN FALLS - Cornelius Townsend, 75, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, July 31, 2004, at BridgeView Estates in Twin Falls.

Charles Houston Mercer - Twin Falls



Charles Houston Mercer (Major, USAF ret.), 71, of Twin Falls, passed away July 29, 2004, at his home in Twin Falls surrounded by his loving family.



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Chad Hanson, left, listens as biologist Monica Bond hoots for spotted owls in the Lassen National Forest in California on May 17.

# Feds exaggerate fire impact on wildlife

MOSQUITO RIDGE, Calif. (AP) — The Forest Service exaggerated the effect of wildfires on California spotted owls in justifying a planned increase in logging in the Sierra Nevada, according to a longtime agency expert who worked on the plan.

Other wildlife biologists inside and outside the Forest Service confirm that at least seven of 18 sites listed by the agency as owl habitat destroyed by wildfires are green, flourishing and occupied by the rare birds of prey.

The new disclosures — in interviews with The Associated Press, tours of the areas in question and reviews of hundreds of pages of documents — raise new questions about the agency's conclusion in January that significantly more logging of bigger trees must be allowed to protect the region's oldest forests.

The Forest Service's claim that an average of 4.5 owl sites a year have been lost to Sierra wildfires over the past four years is included in a plan to reduce wildfire threats and in a controversial agency brochure, "The Forests with a Future" brochure already is under fire from some members of Congress and others who say the agency misrepresented forest conditions in California by substituting photographs from Montana.

"I'm real uncomfortable with the constant portrayal of fire in the environment as a negative thing — all hellfire and brimstone," said Michael Gertsch, a Forest Service wildlife biologist since 1976. Gertsch said he was removed last year from the team that wrote the plan to manage the 11 national forests in the Sierra Nevada after he complained repeatedly about the agency's mischaracterization of the effect fires have on the owl, which is dependent on old stands of trees.

An important statement that put fire threats on a perspective was struck from the final version of the plan published in January, Gertsch told The Associated Press.

"It was dropped because the conclusion of my analysis was that fire appears to be more of a maintenance mechanism than a destructive force for owl habitat," said Gertsch, who works as the agency's Pacific Southwest regional coordinator of threatened and endangered species.



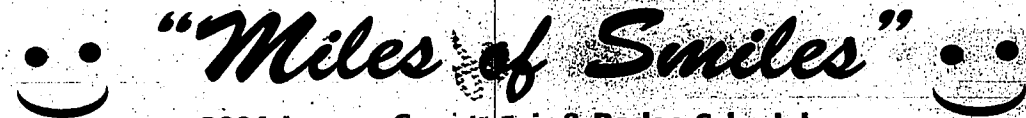
A California spotted owl stares back at human observers in the Tahoe National Forest in California on July 12.

data used to calculate effects on owls and forest conditions are due to outdated figures "and not an intentional attempt to mislead."

"The same seems true across much of the Sierra, according to agency experts and others. A wildlife biologist who surveyed owl sites for the Forest Service near Lake Tahoe from 1999-2001 said her visits to six of 18 Sierra sites the agency lists as lost to fire since 1999 found mostly green stands capable of supporting the owls, including several occupied by the birds.

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# 2004 Jerome County Fair & Rodeo



## 2004 Jerome County Fair & Rodeo Schedule

Aug 2	7pm . . . . . GOT MILK Junior Rodeo	7:30pm . . . Team Con Paulos Pro Rodeo	
Aug 3-7	Noon . . . Vendor & Food Booths Open	9:30pm.Hypnotist Arthur Wayne, Stage	
Aug 3-6	4pm . . .Inland Empire Carnival Opens	6pm . . .Friends of the Fair Live Auction	
	5pm . . . . . Main Street Parade	7:30pm . . . Team Con Paulos Pro Rodeo	
	6pm . . . . . Art & Crafts Exhibits Open	10pm . . .Hypnotist Arthur Wayne, Stage	
	6:30pm . . . Free Stage Entertainment	10am . . . . . Team Penning Competition	
	7pm.First Federal Team Pig Wrestling	Noon . . . . . Cowboy Poetry (until 7pm)	
	9pm .Deadline Ridge, on Free Stage	1pm . . . . . Inland Empire Carnival Opens	
Aug 4	10am . . . . . Lil-Bitty Horse Show	7:15 . . . . . Free Stage Entertainment	
	5pm . . . . . Free Stage Entertainment	7:30 . . . . . Team Con Paulos Pro Rodeo	
Aug 4-7	Noon . . . Arts & Crafts Exhibits Open	10pm . . . Hypnotist Arthur Wayne, Stage	
Aug 5	5:30pm . . Free Stage Entertainment	7pm . . . . . NAPA-Coors Demolition Derby	
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Forest Service District wildlife biologist Matt Triggs, left, and District Ranger Richard Johnson discuss their forest management policies during a walk through a burned area in the Tahoe National Forest, California, on July 12.

# Fires

Continued from B4

Plumas National Forest 50 miles northwest of Reno, Nev. "They are not lost. We had owl surveys conducted after the burn and were able to put owls at each one," said Gary Rotta, a biologist for the Plumas National Forest's Mount Hough District.

Mathes acknowledged owls may inhabit some of the sites — which are typically 300 to 400 acres — but he insisted that owl surveys were not long.

"Sometimes they remain among black stems for as long as two years after a wildfire goes through. But eventually the owls do leave," Mathes said.

"You and I could live in a cardboard box on the sidewalk for a certain amount of time. But not for long and you almost certainly wouldn't create offspring,"

end of the year on the administrative challenges. Gertsch said the new plan was a flawed process in comparison to Clinton administration forest rules he helped write and which were in the closing days of the administration.

"Snippets were taken from science, but they didn't listen to the science community," Gertsch said. Communities also were not involved in the process, he said.

"I fought and fought and fought and fought and finally they used some excuse and removed me from the team," he said.

Mathes said he cannot discuss personnel issues or transfer of agency documents frequently are revised between draft and final stages, he said.

"We are like any other large organization. We have a diversity of professional opinion," Mathes said.

Gertsch remains a supporter of traditional efforts to thin forests to reduce fire threats but is critical of a series of color brochures printed for the Forest Service's "Forests for the Future" campaign, which presents accelerated logging as the key to protecting spotted owls and other wildlife.

"The fier is totally bogus," Gertsch said.

The fire danger could have been addressed under the original framework without causing old-growth protection, he said.

"It would have taken a greater amount of time and cost significantly more. The 'urgency' to get it done kind of overruled the environmental concerns in some cases."

Larry Franklin, a University of Washington forester who played a lead role in developing plans to protect the northern spotted owl in the 1990s, is among the prominent scientists who has spoken out against the changes.

"I believe it is a major step back from the ecologically sound approach that had been adopted," Franklin said.

"These large trees of fire resistant species are needed for both fire resiliency and as habitat," he said.

Regardless of criticism and discrepancies in the plan, the agency stands behind its conclusion that more logging is needed to protect the owls.

"Whether or not there is a mix-up or a simple error, our thought process in reaching the decision was not based only on what has happened but what will happen in the future," Mathes said.

"Fires are getting bigger and hotter," he said. Owl habitat has been destroyed and "we expect that trend to continue in the future, perhaps even accelerate if we don't take some action to change the density of the forest."

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WEST

# Missing woman's husband spun lies

Web of deceit catches up to man who lied to wife and friends

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — By all accounts, Mark Hacking was fun to be around — a loving husband who wanted to be respected and, like his father, become a doctor.

But in the hours that he was supposedly studying for medical exams, Hacking often was hanging out at a neighborhood store — refilling sodas, eating hot dogs and smoking Camel menthols.

He told store clerks he was a therapist, and asked them never to reveal his cigarette habit to his wife — both are Mormons and aren't supposed to smoke.

He got his wife to pack up and move to North Carolina so he could attend medical school — where, it turns out, he wasn't enrolled.

He kept textbooks spread open around his apartment, but in fact, he had dropped out of college.

Years of deceptions are catching up to the former nightshift hospital orderly and he has become the focus of the investigation into the disappearance of his wife.

As the search for Lori Hacking enters a third week without a trace of the 27-year-old woman, her friends and co-workers are recalling moments when they believe she discovered her husband's propensity for lying.

Detective Phil Esslinger said police are trying to build a "rock-solid" case, but they lack one important piece of evidence.

"We need a body," Assistant District Attorney Bob Stott said Friday. Dogs trained to locate cadavers were used this past week to search a municipal landfill.

Hacking's history of deceptions took relatives by surprise



Mark and Lori Hacking

when his stories started unraveling in the past weeks, says his father, Douglas Hacking, a pediatrician.

"We didn't see it coming," he said. "We got completely blindsided by it."

Mark Hacking reported his wife missing on July 19.

The next day he was taken to a psychiatric ward after he was seen running around at night naked in sandals outside a motel where he'd taken a room.

Doctors are trying to "sort out what is going on in his mind," his father said.

The family-hired a noted Utah defense lawyer, D. Gilbert Athay, who was seen at the University of Utah Neuropsychiatric Institute on Thursday. Athay will confirm only that he has spoken several times with Hacking.

Mark Hacking, 28, never was on track to become a doctor, nor is he a therapist.

State records show he is a licensed health care assistant, a job he resigned July 23.

The University of Utah says health care assistants start at \$8.42 an hour.

Records show Lori Hacking, a stock broker's assistant at Wells Fargo, graduated with a bachelor's degree from the University of Utah in 1999.

She put her plans to pursue an MBA on hold until her husband could graduate from

medical school.

But a friend of Lori's recalls her confiding in 2000 that Mark Hacking "just lied to me" about having enrolled one semester at college, both Salt Lake City daily newspapers reported Friday.

A bigger lie apparently left Lori Hacking stunned and sobbing on Friday, July 16.

Her colleagues say she had been trying to make some arrangements at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, where she believed her husband had been accepted into medical school, but they believe a school administrator returned a call that day to say her husband wasn't enrolled there.

Lori Hacking, a private woman, didn't share her grief with co-workers but took up their suggestion to leave work early.

That night, she showed up

with her husband at a going-away party at her boss' mountain cabin, betraying no sign of distress.

She was last seen by friends Sunday night, July 18, and failed to show for work the next morning at 7 a.m.

Mark Hacking has told police his wife didn't return from a sunrise jog July 19, but his timeline is falling apart.

Police don't believe Lori Hacking ever went jogging at a city park, as he said.

And they doubt his claim that he jogged the route before reporting her missing.

They say he was across town at a store buying a new mattress at 10:23 a.m. before alerting police at 10:49 a.m.

Police have recovered the old mattress from a trash bin in their neighborhood, but have not commented on its condition.

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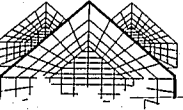
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# Kmart settles gun lawsuit

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Retaliant Kmart has settled out of court a lawsuit over the sale of a gun to a schizophrenic Park City man who used it to commit suicide.

A second trial in the case had been scheduled for Monday before U.S. District Judge Ted Stewart in Salt Lake City, who a year ago threw out a \$3 million judgment awarded to Phillip and Sandra Esslinger in September 2001 after declaring deliberations were tainted by a juror who had outside knowledge about the outcome of a similar lawsuit in Florida.

In their 1997 lawsuit, the Esslingers had claimed the Troy, Mich.-based Kmart was negligent in selling a 12-gauge shotgun in 1998 to their son, Ryan, who used the firearm the same day to kill his pet dog and then himself.

The couple said store employees failed to require proper identification and should not have sold a firearm to a mentally ill person.

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corporation for selling a gun in Florida to an intoxicated man who shot and paralyzed his girlfriend with it. The juror tainted the discussion by telling his peers that he knew something about the retailer that would persuade them to grant the Esslinger family large punitive damages, Kmart attorneys claimed.

A formal settlement agreement is yet to be agreed upon by the two sides, but Kmart attorney Rodney Parker said he notified Stewart on Friday that a trial would not be necessary.

Terms of the agreement will be kept confidential, Parker said. He declined to characterize the agreement in any way but described the negotiation process as a cordial one.

"Everyone was to the point that we really wanted closure on this," Parker said.

Phillip Esslinger was in Alaska and could not be reached for comment on the sealed agreement. Sandra Esslinger died two years ago, shortly after the first trial.

# Wildfire forces 200 evacuations

Crews battle blaze that destroyed Washington homes

ELLENSBURG, Wash. (AP) — As a wind-swept wildfire forced the evacuation of dozens of homes in the Cascade foothills, firefighters gave Cleo Aho five minutes to grab her cat and dog and leave.

"It's not long enough," said Aho, 68. "Five minutes goes so fast. ... You don't think it's ever going to happen to you."

Winds up to 25 mph fanned the flames, forcing the evacuation of about 200 mainly seasonal homes in the eastern Cascade foothills Saturday, said Undersheriff Clayton Myers. He

said the blaze destroyed two homes and a shop as it raced across 300 acres.

No injuries were reported.

The fire started near Interstate 90 between Cle Elum and Ellensburg, at about noon Friday.

Myers said the cause of the fire was unknown but considered suspicious, the fourth suspicious fire in Kittitas County last week.

Helicopters dropped water and planes spread fire retardant around the edges of the two housing developments. Myers said every piece of fire equipment available was at the scene to try to protect the homes.

Authorities hoped to direct the fire away from nearby tim-

ber and toward open prairie.

Meanwhile, in Nuclea, Colo., a wildfire burned on 1,200 acres near the Utah state line Saturday and officials were worried a heat wave would make it tough to fight as well as bring on more fires.

Carson Berglund of the

Rocky Mountain Fire Coordination Center said the blaze was threatening an unspecified number of seasonal homes. Berglund said firefighters were aided by three single-engine air tankers.

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Schroeder, a long time resident of Twin Falls, purchased the business several years back. As the business grew, first Jim Gibson of Magic Valley Hearing Aids and then Rick Hall formerly with Miracle Ear were made part of the operation enabling the company to provide consistent service to all of Southern Idaho with branch offices in Burley, Gooding, Hailey and even Northern Nevada. The three men have more than 40 years of combined experience helping improve client's hearing and ultimately, their quality of life.

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ANSWER below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Legion baseball
AA State Tournament, McDermott Field, Idaho Falls
see related story on this page.

IN BRIEF

Coaches, officials must attend clinic

BURLEY - A mandatory state volleyball rules clinic for all officials and coaches will be held Aug. 5 at Burley Junior High School and Aug. 9 at Twin Falls High School. Registration will be held each night of the clinic at 6:30. The clinic will begin both nights at 7 p.m.

All officials and coaches must attend one of the meetings. Volleyball is in need of more officials. Those interested in officiating are encouraged to attend.

A rules book will be given out at each meeting for everyone in attendance.

For more information, contact Velma Jean at 678-7252.

T.F. Muni holds tourney next week

TWIN FALLS - Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course Member-Guest tournament presented by Gold's Gym will be held Aug. 7-8. Deadline to sign up is 5 p.m. Thursday. The entry fee is \$200 and includes greens fees, carts, tee prizes, range balls, the derby, a barbecue and the closest to the pin and long drive contests.

Filer holds soccer registration

FILER - The Filer Community Recreation District will hold registration for fall soccer at the Filer Fire Station at 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 7. Fall soccer is for boys and girls in grades kindergarten through seventh. The fee is \$25. For more information, call Rachel Borgas at 326-3168.

Youth golf clinic will be held in Filer

FILER - A golf clinic will be held for those in kindergarten through ninth grade from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 9. In Filer. The cost is \$25. Call Steve Farnsworth at 326-4259 for more information.

Rupert CC hosts golf scramble

RUPERT - The Rupert Country Club will host the St. Nicholas Sixth Annual night-time Golf Scramble & Barbecue on Wednesday, Aug. 11. Registration will take place the day of the event at 7 p.m. Dinner follows at 7:30 with the scramble beginning on a shotgun start at 9. For more information, call Tim Perigot at 436-8859 or 436-5359 ext. 202.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Notre Dame, 7-0.

Utah woman wins Spudman



As the sun rises, Jeremy Paddock watches another competitor do a warm-up swim before the Spudman triathlon in Burley on Saturday. More than 1,200 athletes competed in this year's event.

Perry takes long road back to competition

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer

BURLEY - Debbie Perry was the first woman to cross the finish line in Saturday's 2004 Burley Idaho Lions Spudman Triathlon, but the real victory for her came three years ago.

"For every single race I run I'm grateful because for two years, I couldn't even run or hardly walk," Perry said.

Perry, who earned her third straight Spudman win, was one of more the 1,200 athletes to compete in the 18th annual event. The 51.5-kilometer race began and ended at Riverfront Marina in Burley.

Six years ago, Perry, from Ogdon, Utah, was involved in an automobile accident that left

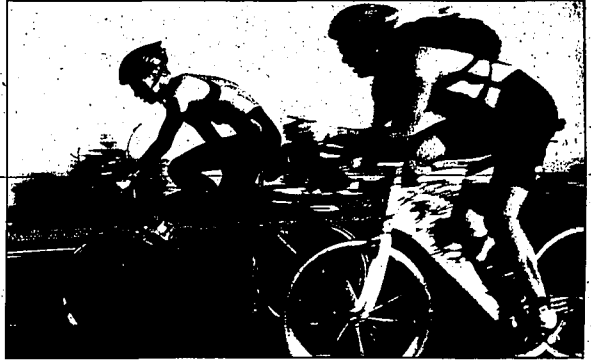
her with serious injuries to her back and pelvis. The wreck kept her inactive for two years until she was finally able to undergo rehabilitation for an entire year.

"That put me out for awhile," Perry said. "I kept trying to run on it, but it just kept getting worse and worse until it was literally crippling and I'd just lay on the floor."

"I just wanted to be able to get up off my back and not hurt 24 hours a day."

One year of rehab and three years of hard training paid off for Perry Saturday, as she finished the race in 2:08:54, 41 seconds ahead of second-place finisher Christine Knight of Eagle.

Perry will travel to Shreve- Please see SPUDMAN, Page C2



Chris Mabey, left, adjusts his sock while Oscar Duran tries to pass during the cycling stage of the Spudman triathlon on Saturday.

No mo' Nomar in Boston Red Sox send Garciparra to Cubs

The Associated Press

BOSTON - In a dizzying flurry of deals, the Boston Red Sox sent star shortstop Nomar Garciaparra to the Chicago Cubs in a blockbuster, four-team swap right before Saturday's trade deadline.

Steve Finley, Esteban Loaiza and Orlando Cabrera also switched teams in the eight trades that came less than an hour before the 2 p.m. MDT limit for making deals without waivers.

Bandy Johnson, however, remained with the Arizona Diamondbacks. The New York Yankees desperately wanted him, and instead wound up trading Jose Contreras to the Chicago White Sox for Loaiza in a swap of starting pitchers.

With more than 20 teams still in the playoff hunt, a lot of clubs were eager for action. Many got busy, including those old October heartbreakers, the Red Sox and Cubs.

Garciparra was already wearing his Boston jersey when manager Terry Francona called a team meeting before the game at Minnesota. Please see NOMAR, Page C6



The Boston Red Sox sent Garciaparra to the Chicago Cubs in a blockbuster, four-team deal Saturday.

T.F. Cowboys make quick exit

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

IDAHO FALLS - The Twin Falls Cowboys were forced to saddle up and head out of town Saturday, after losing to the Lewis-Clark Twins 18-2 in seven innings in an American Legion AA State Tournament loser-out game. All that was left of the Cowboys' second straight 30-win season rolled out of Idaho Falls in a metallic tour bus, two days before the tournament's championship game.

"It's a pretty emotional day for us," Cowboys coach Tim Stadelmeier said. "These young guys have had it good, watching a hard group of (senior) players." Please see COWBOYS, Page C2

2004 American Legion AA State Tournament

Saturday's results
Lewis Clark 18, Twin Falls 2, seven innings, loser out
Pocatello 16, Idaho Falls 6, seven innings, loser out
Boise Gems 4, Riley Creek 0, Treasure Valley 17, Boise Senators 11
Sunday's games
Pocatello vs. Boise Senators, 10 a.m., loser out
Riley Creek vs. Lewis-Clark, 1 p.m., loser out
Early game winners, 4 p.m., loser out
Boise Gems vs. Treasure Valley, 7 p.m.

Daly, Woods lurking at Buick

The Associated Press

GRAND BLANC, Mich. - Vijay Singh had a lot of company at the top of the Buick Open's All-Star leaderboard. The big Filipino shot a7-under 65 Saturday to take a two-stroke lead over John Daly and a three-shot advantage over Tiger Woods into the final round.

"I think it's more exciting for the fans," Woods said. "As a player, especially at this event, you just have to go out and make birdies."

Woods shot a bogey-free 66, and still lost ground to Singh on one of the easiest courses on the PGA Tour. Woods was three shots back along with Carlos Franco (67), and Daniel Chopra (66) was

Golf roundup

another stroke back. Singh and Daly - who also had a 66 - will be in the final group, just behind Woods and Franco. Singh - at 18 under after adding the 65 to his opening rounds of 63 and 70 - has won the last six tournaments he has led after 54 holes. Woods has won three events when entering the final round behind by at least three shots.

Both have a chance to become the first to win multiple Buick Open titles in nearly four decades. Woods won at Warwick Hills two years ago, and Singh won Please see BUICK, Page C6

Tyson tears ligament in knee

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - Mike Tyson tore a ligament in his left knee in the first round of his shocking knockout loss to Danny Williams, his manager said Saturday.

Stelly Finkel said an MRI showed a complete tear of the lateral meniscus, and that Tyson couldn't even walk on the leg Saturday. He said Tyson's ex-wife Monica, who is a doctor, read the results. "That's why he couldn't throw the right hand the rest of the fight," Finkel said. "I was securing him to him to throw it, but he couldn't."

Tyson was dominating the first round, rocking Williams with shots to the head, but late in the round motioned toward

his knee and grimaced. Finkel said Tyson refused to make an excuse and wanted to continue fighting.

Williams ended up knocking Tyson out with a series of punches in the fourth round that left Tyson sprawled on the canvas. Tyson appeared as if he could get up and continue, but made little attempt to get up.

"In retrospect I wish he had said something and said he couldn't continue," Finkel said.

After the fight, Tyson's trainer, Freddie Roach credited Williams with fighting a good fight, but said Tyson was hampered by the injury.

"It's kind of hard to pivot and throw Please see TYSON, Page C6







# Going for 300



Chicago Cubs starter Greg Maddux throws a pitch in the first inning against the Milwaukee Brewers, Tuesday, in Milwaukee. Maddux's career is back where it started — with the Chicago Cubs — and now he's ready to enter one of the game's most elite clubs as a 300-game winner.

## Chicago Cubs' pitcher nonchalantly targets record

CHICAGO (AP) — Fresh-faced and eager, 20-year-old Greg Maddux got his promotion from the minors and pulled on a Chicago Cubs uniform for the final month of the 1986 season. Six days after reaching the big leagues, he threw a complete game for what would be the first of many wins — the start of a career that has flourished for nearly two decades.

Now, all these years and victories later, an older and wiser Maddux heads to the mound Sunday at Wrigley Field to face Philadelphia with the chance to join one of baseball's most prestigious fraternities.

If he becomes the 22nd pitcher to reach 300 victories, it will be with the same cerebral style of pitching — of changing speeds and varying locations — that has established him as one of the game's most consistent winners. First with the Cubs, then for 11 years with the Atlanta Braves and now back again in Chicago.

With a shoulder shrug and a typical low-key approach, the 30-year-old Maddux insists he's not been counting the wins

needed to reach the milestone. "When it's all said and done, yeah, you might look back and put yourself on the back. Right now for me personally, I would much rather win 15 games and have a chance to pitch in the postseason. That means more to me than winning 300," Maddux said.

Roger Clemens got to 300 on his fourth try on June 13, 2003, and no NL pitcher has reached the magical number since Steve Carlton in 1983.

There are so many numbers that tell Maddux's story — a major league record 16 straight seasons with at least 15 wins, four consecutive Cy Young Awards, 13 straight Gold Gloves, a career ERA under 3.00, an NL record for most consecutive innings without a walk (72 1/3).

All that for a guy who did not even make his major league debut as a pitcher.

Maddux got into his first game as a pinch-runner for Jody Davis in the 17th inning, then gave up a home run to Billy Hatcher in the 18th and took the loss as Houston beat the

Cubs 6-7 at Wrigley.

His first victory came at Riverfront Stadium on Sept. 7, 1986, when he gave up 11 hits in an 11-3 win over Cincinnati. Born on the day that Pete Rose turned 25, Maddux got an autograph from the Reds' player-manager before leaving them.

These days, Maddux doesn't have the pop on his pitches he once did. Then again, overpowering hitters has never been what he's about.

"It's just, with a capital B, a professional pitcher," said Braves closer John Smoltz, who joined Maddux and Tom Glavine to form one of the greatest rotations ever.

"He's an pitcher better than anybody in the game. He's just ahead of the hitters, consistently, and he's just the most well-informed, organized pitcher there is," Smoltz added.

Maddux has an encyclopedic mind for pitching, built on experience and his knowledge of hitters. He's specialized in keeping batters off-balance with startling deliveries that cut corners and feast on weaknesses.

And he works quiet and economically.

His second major league win all these years ago came against the team he left Sunday, the Phillies, and another pitcher named Maddux — his brother Mike, now the pitching coach of the Milwaukee Brewers.

Mike Maddux says his brother could be the last of a breed on several fronts.

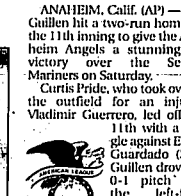
"It's a power game. The finesse pitcher is getting weeded out," Mike Maddux said.

"I think you are looking at the last guy who will ever do it (300 wins). The game is so offensive-oriented. All the rule changes have gone to the hitter. Ballparks are smaller, balls are livelier, players are bigger and stronger, pitcher's equipment has gotten better."

Maddux, with a career record of 299-170, doesn't want credit, he just wants the ball every fifth day with no distractions.

"I'm just glad I'm still playing. When you're a young player, you always say, 'I can get to 10 years that would be pretty good,'" Maddux said.

## Angels edge Mariners



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Guillen drove an 0-1 pitch into the left-field bullpen for his 20th homer and career-high fifth hit — and was mobbed by his teammates as he crossed home plate.

Brendan Donnelly (3-2) allowed two hits in two innings and got the win despite giving up a go-ahead RBI single by Bret Boone in the top of the 11th.

David Eckstein got an RBI single in the eighth against Shigetoshi Hasegawa to give Anaheim a 7-6 lead. But Ichiro Suzuki homered into the right-field seats on reliever Troy Percival's first pitch of the ninth to tie it.

ing shortstop Jose Valentin. Sanchez went to third and Infante moved to second on the throw. Ivan Rodriguez was then intentionally walked.

First baseman Paul Konerko saved a potential winning hit, making a diving catch of Dmitri Young's liner, but Guillen followed by walking on a 3-1 pitch. Guzmán Urbina (6-4) pitched a perfect inning of relief to earn the victory. Polite (0-3) came in to start the 10th and took the loss.

## Yankees 6, Orioles 4

NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez stole home and hit a long home. Gary Sheffield also connected and the New York Yankees beat the Baltimore Orioles 6-4 Saturday.

The Yankees also made a big deal just before baseball's 4 p.m. trade deadline, acquiring All-Star pitcher Esteban Loaiza from the Chicago White Sox for enigmatic right-hander Jose Contreras and \$3 million.

Javier Vazquez (12-6) lasted only 5 1/3 innings on a humid afternoon, but that was enough to help the Yankees to their 19 stars. Erik Bedard (4-6) has lost four of his last five starts.

Mariano Rivera got three outs for his major league-leading 37th consecutive start and the 320th of his career, tying him with Roberto Hernandez for ninth place on the career list.

## Royals 10, Indians 3

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Matt Stairs hit a three-run double and the Kansas City Royals broke an eight-game losing streak.

Mike Sweeney and Desi Refaio also homered for Kansas City, and Stairs matched a career-high with his third triple of the season.

Omar Vizquel homered and extended his hitting streak to 13 games for Cleveland, which lost for just the second time in nine games and missed a chance to pass the Chicago White Sox for second place in the AL Central.

Zack Greinke (3-8) gave up three runs on seven hits, walking two and striking out four.

Kazuhito Tadano (1-1) gave up seven runs on eight hits in 3 1/3 innings, walking two and striking out one.

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CHICAGO (AP) — Mike Liebertlich and Bobby Abreu each hit two-run homers following Chicago errors, helping the Philadelphia Phillies end their five-game losing skid.

The Phillies trailed Atlanta by a half game in the NL East when they were swept in a four-game series by the Florida Marlins before losing 10-7 to the Cubs on Friday night.

Kevin Millwood (9-6) pitched 6-2-3 solid innings, retiring 10 of the last 11 batters he faced. He allowed three runs — two earned — and three hits while striking out eight.

Tim Worrell pitched the ninth for his 11th save in 15 chances.

Matt Clement (8-10) struck out 10 and walked just one, allowed four runs — two earned — and four hits in seven innings.

ated at 2. He got the win after catcher Jason Latour doubled in the 13th inning.

Chad Lirio (0-1) walked Willy Mo Pena with two outs in the 13th. Latour then doubled to left-center, allowing Pena to score easily.

**Pirates 4, Brewers 1**

MILWAUKEE — Ryan Vogelsong started for the traded Kris Benson and threw five strong innings.

Vogelsong (3-7) gave up three hits and one run in his first start since June 23, when he was sent to the bullpen following a Benson game-losing streak. He struck out four and walked one.

Benson was traded to the New York Mets on Friday in a five-player deal in which the Pirates obtained infielders Ty Wigington and Inse Baustista and pitcher Matt Peterson. Wigington made his first start for Pittsburgh at third base and went 0-for-1.



Philadelphia Phillies' pitcher Tim Lincecum, left, celebrates with Todd Pratt after they won 4-3 against Chicago Cubs Saturday, in Chicago.

## Reds 8, Astros 0

CINCINNATI — Darren Oliver (3-3), acquired from Florida on July 22, made his first start for the Astros and allowed only Adam Dunn's single in five innings, setting up an 8-0 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

The day started with the Reds beating the Astros 3-2 in 13 innings, completing a game suspended overnight because of rain.

The Astros combined on a four-hitter, and Carlos Beltran and Mike Lamb homered in a six-run 11th-inning that assured the Astros of a split.

Brandon Clausen (1-1) lasted 5 1/3 innings, giving up three hits and five walks in his third start for the Reds.

Joshi Hancock (1-1) was acquired late Friday from Philadelphia and didn't arrive until shortly after the game resumed Saturday morning in the top of the sixth with the score

## Braves 8, Mets 0

ATLANTA — Jaret Wright stayed undefeated in July and Johnny Estrada homered to spoil the Mets debut of Kris Benson.

The Mets acquired Benson from Pittsburgh a day earlier, hoping he would solidify their rotation. Pitching against the Braves for their third straight start, Benson lasted only five innings and lost for the second time in a row.

## Expos 8, Marlins 5

MILWAUKEE — Jermel Sledge hit his first career grand slam after Paul Lo Duca hit a two-run homer in his first at-bat for Florida.

Lo Duca, acquired with two other players from the Dodgers on Friday, joined the Marlins in their dugout in the fifth inning and entered the game in the sixth as a pinch-hitter. He

homed to put Florida ahead 5-4 and received a loud ovation from the fans. Lo Duca stayed in the game as the Marlins catcher.

In the seventh, the Expos loaded the bases against relievers Matt Perisho and Josias Manzanillo (3-3). Sledge hit Manzanillo's first pitch over the wall in right to give the Expos an 8-5 lead. Perisho, Sledge ended an 8-2-1 slump with a single in the fourth.

Arizona starter Brandon Webb (4-12) cruised along nicely in the first five innings, giving up just three hits and a run. It all fell apart in the sixth.

Estes (11-4) got out of a bases-loaded jam in the sixth inning and benefited from two double plays to win for the fifth time in six decisions. He gave up two runs and five hits.

## Rockies 8, Rockies 4

DENVER — Shawn Estes

## Major League Baseball

	AMERICAN LEAGUE									
	East Division					West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
New York	65	38	.631	-	2-8	W-2	37-13	28-25	10-8	
Tampa Bay	56	46	.548	8.5	5-5	L-1	23-18	23-28	9-9	
Tampa Bay	49	54	.476	16	4-6	W-1	30	19-32	10-6	
Baltimore	46	56	.451	18.5	2-6	L-2	22-29	24-27	5-13	
Toronto	45	58	.437	20	5-5	L-1	27-25	18-33	8-10	
Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Minnesota	52	46	.563	-	2-8	W-1	29-23	22-22	11-7	
Chicago	58	49	.545	1.5	2-9	L-7	30-21	22-28	11-7	
St. Louis	63	41	.606	5	5-5	W-1	32	22	21-28	10-8
Detroit	50	54	.481	8.5	5-5	W-3	27-24	23-30	9-9	
Kansas City	36	66	.353	21.5	2-8	W-1	23-28	13-38	6-12	
West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Oakland	58	45	.563	-	7-3	W-1	36-15	23-20	10-8	
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Anheim	50	50	.500	8.5	2-9	W-2	29	23	22-31	7-11
Seattle	39	64	.379	19	2-9	L-7	22	17	14-27	9-9
NATIONAL LEAGUE										
East Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Atlanta	57	46	.553	-	8-2	W-4	29-22	28-24	8-10	
Philadelphia	53	51	.510	4.5	3-7	W-1	29-24	24-27	9-8	
Philadelphia	52	49	.510	5.5	2-9	L-2	28-24	24-28	7-11	
New York	49	54	.476	8	2-9	L-2	27	23	22-31	10-6
Montreal	41	63	.394	16.5	2-8	W-2	23-29	18-34	7-11	
Central Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
St. Louis	66	36	.647	-	2-8	W-5	31-20	35-16	11-1	
Chicago	56	48	.538	11	2-6	L-1	30-21	26-27	8-4	
Houston	52	50	.510	15	2-6	W-1	27-27	25-25	7-5	
Cincinnati	51	53	.489	16	1-9	L-1	29	22	22-31	5-7
Milwaukee	50	53	.485	16.5	3-7	W-1	27-24	23-29	8-4	
Pittsburgh	49	53	.480	17	5-5	L-1	26-26	23-27	2-10	
West Division										
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr	
Los Angeles	60	42	.588	-	6-4	W-2	32-19	28-23	10-8	
San Diego	57	46	.553	3.5	2-6	L-1	29-23	28-23	10-8	
San Francisco	58	42	.580	4	2-6	W-1	29	23	27-26	11-7
Colorado	46	58	.442	15	7-3	W-2	26	27	20-31	8-10
Arizona	33	73	.311	29	2-8	L-2	16-37	17-36	6-12	

2-1st game was a win

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Cincinnati 3, Houston 2, 1st game	Houston 8, Cincinnati 0, 2nd game	Philadelphia 4, Chicago Cubs 3	Montreal 8, Florida 5	Atlanta 8, N.Y. Mets 0	San Diego 4, Milwaukee 1	Los Angeles 4, San Diego, late				
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N.Y. Mets (Glavine 8-8) at Atlanta (Chip 4-1), 12:05 p.m.	Houston (Covall 10-4) at Cincinnati (P Wilson 9-2), 11:15 a.m.	Pittsburgh (Kile 4-6) at Milwaukee (Sheets 9-2), 12:05 p.m.	Philadelphia (Walt 4-4) at Chicago Cubs (Maddux 10-7), 12:20 p.m.	Montreal (Day 5-10) at Florida (Lincecum 1-5), 1:05 p.m.	Arizona (Ed Gonzalez 0-3) at Colorado (Cokley 4-4), 1:05 p.m.	Los Angeles (Od Porez 4-4) at San Diego (D Wells 6-8), 2:05 p.m.	St. Louis (W Williams 7-9) at San Francisco (Schmidt 13-3), 6:05 p.m.			

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# Olympic sticker shock:

Rising costs bring questions about value of games

By Brian Murphy  
Associated Press writer

ATHENS, Greece — By almost any measure, the Olympics flunk basic economics. The bidders spend lavishly and make costly promises. The winning city opens the vault to build stadiums, venues and villages that may have questionable value after the games. Local commerce is disrupted for years. Then there's skyrocketing costs for payroll and security.

And it all happens with the knowledge that the whole venture will probably end up losing lots of public money.

But cities keep slugging it out to play host. Five are in the running for the 2012 Summer Games. Some cities are even gearing up bid for the 2014 Winter Olympics.

"On paper it doesn't make sense," said Larry Hadley, a University of Dayton expert in the economics of sporting events. "But with the Olympics there are many other factors than just the bottom line."

Perhaps it's the seduction of being in the world spotlight for more than two weeks, to promote local attractions, culture and talents.

Or maybe it's the work of developers, political ladder-climbers and other civic chieftains who stand to benefit from the Olympics. There's also the still-solid faith in the Olympics as a springboard for the local economy and image.

"You need to keep it in perspective. Compared with a country's total economic output, the Olympics cannot be the savior that some people believe," Hadley said. "But nothing about the Olympics seems to be kept in perspective."

Look no further than Athens. The final price tag for the 2004 Olympics may approach \$12 billion, including a record of

at least \$1.5 billion for security. The tally — nearly double estimates a few years ago — could haunt taxpayers for at least a decade, some analysts predict.

The massive upgrades needed for the Olympic homecoming gave Greece one of Europe's fastest growth rates. But a post-Olympic slowdown looms. How steep and deep is what everyone is wondering.

"We are going to bankrupt Greece so big companies and big interests can get rich off the Olympics," said Nana Validi, a leader of Athens' small anti-Olympic movement. "This is the real Greek tragedy."

But it's not just about the money, others insist. The Olympics gave Athens what it desperately needed: a reason and deadline to fix the messy and ill-planned urban sprawl under the Acropolis. The city now has a suburban rail line, a new city and airport and its first tram line since the old tracks were dug up in the early 1960s.

There's another thing Greece's boosters hope to change: the country's reputation as a sunny but backward corner of Europe.

"We need to change perceptions of Greece to a place that's modern and dynamic," said Greece's deputy finance minister, Petros Doukas.

Greek officials and commentators draw parallels with the 1992 Barcelona Games, which used its Olympic moment to fall public relations advertising. But at a cost: a \$20 million debt that was a drain on the Spanish economy for years.

"The Olympics, for some reason, seems to throw rational thought out the window, call it the 'goose bump effect,'" said Helen Lenskyj, a University of Toronto sociologist professor who has studied Olympic costs and other "goose bumps." "The Olympics is built on this sentiment: 'I had goose bumps being at the games, competing in the games and so on.' It blames it on LA."

The 1984 Los Angeles Olympics is considered a watershed. It turned the Olympics from a sports celebration to a perceived economic engine. The reason was a record \$225-million profit.

Olympic watchers note that Los Angeles was unusual because few new projects were undertaken. Also, the bar was set low. After the U.S. boycott of the 1980 Moscow Games, the Olympics were in danger of becoming a casualty of the Cold War.

"LA changed everything," said Euan Osborne, who teaches sports economics at Wright State University in Ohio. "Suddenly, the Olympics were seen as a potential bonanza."

This opened up a new wave of competition among cities. Bids grew ever more extravagant and spectacular. So did the costs. The International Olympic Committee did little until recently to put the brakes on the bidding.

"We call it the 'winner's curse,'" Osborne said. "The cities that win the bid for the Olympics are the cities that most overestimate what they are worth."

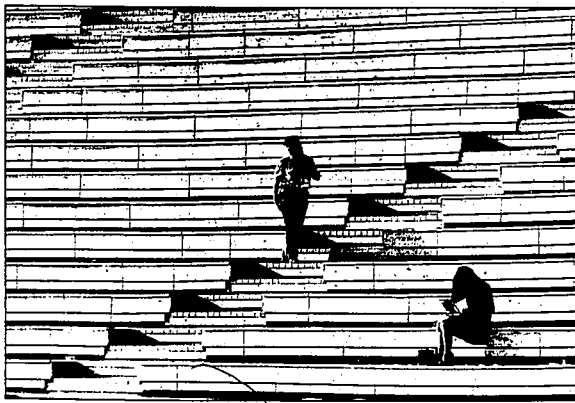
The result, experts say, is often fancy venues that become money-draining memories that can actually hold back economic growth.

Atlanta, host of the 1996 Summer Games, was stuck with a public debt worth lost billions in today's dollars.

In Atlanta, which hosted the games 20 years later, a hotel and other buildings have sprouted around the downtown Centennial Olympic Park — site of the bombing that claimed one life, but other Olympic venues, including a shooting site and beach volleyball, lost their luster once the games left town.

Even the highly praised Sydney Games four years ago have had a fiscal hangover.

The New South Wales sports minister, Sandra Nori, said last Monday it could take a decade for some venues to break even. Her comments came after the



New starting blocks of Swiss company Swatch at the Olympic Stadium during the ATHENS 2004 Sport Events in Athens are shown in this June 20, file photo. The final price tag for the 2004 Olympics may approach US\$12 billion, including a record of at least US\$1.5 billion for security. The tally — nearly double estimates a few years ago — could haunt taxpayers for at least a decade, some analysts predict.

## Gold rush: Costs of staging the Olympics

Costs for staging recent Olympics as reported by organizing committees. Figures do not always include public works projects for the games:  
Atlanta, 1996: \$1.72 billion.  
Nagano, 1998: \$1.14 billion.  
Sydney, 2000: \$1.5 billion.

Salt Lake City, 2002: \$1.9 billion.  
Athens, 2004: est. \$9 billion to \$12 billion.  
Turin, 2006: est. \$3.19 billion.  
Beijing, 2008: est. \$3.8 billion for operating expenses, sports facilities and other projects.

## Where the Olympic money goes

Olympic revenue and distribution, according to the International Olympic Committee:  
SOURCES: The IOC manages broadcast rights and "new media," such as Web sites; international sponsorship; and licensing programs, such as the Olympic mascots. The host organizing committee handles ticketing and domestic sponsorship and licensing.  
REVENUE: Since 2001, the programs have generated more than \$4.46 billion — about half from broadcasting rights.  
SHARES: The IOC keeps 8 percent for operational and administrative expenses. Broadcast revenue is split 49 percent to organizing committee and 51 percent for the "Olympic movement," which includes national Olympic committees and sports federations.  
International sponsorship revenue is split evenly. Domestic licensing and ticket revenue goes mostly to offset organizing committee costs.

Sydney Morning Herald reported that taxpayers are forking over about \$32 million a year to prop up underused venues — from a bankrupt SuperDome to a swimming center more popular with dog walkers.

"This is a classic case of post-Olympic troubles," said Robert Bunde, an economic professor at Lake Forest College in Chicago, and an expert in sports litigation.

"The Olympics look bleak on spreadsheets, they tend to bring something intangible: civic enthusiasm and a chance to showcase local talents."

The chief organizer of the Athens Games, Gianna Angelopoulos-Daskalaki, has said it hundreds of times: "We want to show Greece's modern face."

"But at what cost? Did we have to break the bank to do it?" Greek political commentator Nikos Dimou asked.

"The average Greek suddenly sees that he is going to have to pay a lot of money for the next 10 or 20 years in order to cover the costs," he added. "So most people see this Olympics not as theirs. To them, it's just Gianna's party."

John Lucas, a professor emer-

itus at Penn State University and a specialist on the modern Olympics, also sees the games increasingly operating on two tiers: spilling red ink on taxpayers while pumping profits to selected developers and other insiders.

"In short, hosting the Olympic Games as an economic development strategy for the host city simply doesn't work in the vast majority of cases," he said. "On the other hand, individual entrepreneurs can make a great deal of money at the Olympic Games. Some, in fact, have become millionaires."

# Wrestler Toccara Montgomery can visualize gold medal

By M.R. Kropp  
Associated Press writer

CLEVELAND — Toccara Montgomery first became intrigued with wrestling as a sophomore in high school, and her next was to excel at it. She got good enough to start winning matches against boys.

Now the 21-year-old senior from Cumberland College, in Winchester, Ky., doesn't mind admitting she often visualizes herself at a medals ceremony in the Summer Olympics in Athens.

"It's been playing back in my head, me standing on the podium with my medal on, maybe holding flowers and just the anthem playing with the flag over my head," she said recently while in her hometown of Cleveland. "It's something I'm looking forward to."

Montgomery, one of four members of the first U.S. Olympic women's wrestling team, is widely considered to be a strong contender for gold. She won championships in the 2003 Pan American Games. She has lost some matches, but also has won at least once over each of her main competitors in international events for her weight class, up to 158.5 pounds.

"It's really a tough weight class, but I feel confident. We'll see," she said.

USA Wrestling's national women's coach, Terry Steiner, responsible for training America's best women freestyle wrestlers,

has no doubt that Montgomery will be focused and ready.

"Toccara has proven herself as a definite gold medal contender. She was second in the world championships last year. She just beat a six-time world champ from Canada. I don't know if she is a gold medal favorite, but she is definitely highly regarded," Steiner said.

"I think her biggest asset is her demeanor, how calm and collected she is even under the most stressful circumstance."

"This summer's Olympics is the first to include women's wrestling. It won't not follow women's wrestling at all, there would be a lot of people who don't know it exists," Steiner said. "There have been world championships for about 20 years. So the Olympics was bound to happen sooner or later."

The opportunity has inspired Montgomery.

"It was about two years ago when women's wrestling was accepted to the 2004 Olympic Games, and I thought, 'Wow, I might have an opportunity to compete.' So I started to get my training. David Schmidt told me my primary goal," she said.

"At Cleveland East Tech under coach Kip Flank, she tried out for the wrestling team as a personal challenge. She thought it might be fun. There were few, if any, other female wrestlers on opposing teams. Losing to boys did not dim her spirit, and by her

junior year she started winning.

By her senior year, Flank found national girls' wrestling competitions for her to try.

"He told me I had a talent, and if I wanted to pursue something greater in the sport he would help me get to as many women's tournaments as possible. I still wrestled about eight matches my senior year against guys and I won all of them," she said.

After high school, she went to Cumberland on scholarship. Soon after she made that decision, the college's coaching job for women's wrestling opened up.

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"I really like kids, and I think second grade is really when they have learned the basics and are really starting to use more learning skills and abstract thinking, and I really want to work with them," she said.

For now, she educates her three pet pit bulls, Coco, Xavier and Vogue.

"They are my babies. They are sweeties," Montgomery said, breaking into a wide grin. "Pit bulls, in a way, are a lot like women's wrestling. You hear so many things and you don't know what to believe. A lot of times you get just the negative. I



Toccara Montgomery of Cleveland, Ohio, front, works on Kistle Marano of Colorado Springs, Colo. during their 158.5 lbs. Freestyle match at the U.S. Olympic Wrestling Team Trials in Indianapolis, May 23.

believe pit bulls are a great dog. They will grow up the way you raise them. I raise my pit bulls to be gentle, kind and loving dogs, and that's just what they are. Wherever I'm at, they're at. But they won't be with her in

Athens, although she lobbied to take at least one. The dogs might have to stay in Cleveland with her parents, Paul and Tara Montgomery.

Her mother said she was worried about Montgomery's safety

when she started wrestling. "I've always been proud of her, no matter what she has done," Mrs. Montgomery said. "I'm glad she is blessed to have gotten as far as she has gotten in this sport."

# Treated patches on U.S. swimmers raise possible doping questions

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Specially treated energy patches used by swimmers at the Olympic trials earlier this month will be sent to the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency for testing amid concerns the patches contain testosterone.

The president of the company that makes the LifeWave Energy Enhancer called the ac-

cusation ridiculous and said the patch contains only amino acids and water-based solutions.

"I can understand why coaches or athletes would have questions, because this technology is very new, very different," David Schmidt told the San Francisco Chronicle. "I think it's a very good thing for

sports. It's a way for athletes to improve their performance and not endanger their health."

Only two of the women made the U.S. team — sisters Tara and Dana Kirk in the 100-meter

breaststroke and 200-meter butterfly, respectively.

Nonetheless, national team director Everett Uchiyama asked Stanford women's coach Richard J. Quick for samples, which he provided. Those samples were forwarded to the agency.

Quick, a three-time Olympic head coach who will serve as

an assistant for the U.S. women's team in Athens, defended the patches as a new training device he began using earlier this year.

The patches are designed to electronically stimulate acupuncture points, inserting current into the body to help an athlete improve stamina, according to Schmidt. No substances

enter the body, he said. Schmidt said his Suwanee, Ga.-based company recommends using them on any of four acupuncture points: on the wrists, on the chest, around the knees and on the inside of the ankles.

He said a person's stamina improves within 10 minutes of using the product.

SPORTS

# East bests West in MLS All-Star Game

WASHINGTON (AP) — Freddy Adu didn't have a problem sitting on the sidelines as a special first half of the MLS All-Star game.

That's because the 15-year-old rookie sensation had an ideal vantage point to watch Amando Guereva verify his stature as the league's leading scorer.

Guereva scored twice in a two-minute span of the first half Saturday to carry the Eastern Conference past the West 3-2.

Adu, who plays for hometown D.C. United, entered at the beginning of the second half and thrilled the announced crowd of 21,378 with some sharp moves with the ball. But none of his shots came close to getting past goalkeeper Kevin Hansen.

That did nothing to deter the excitement that Adu derived from watching Guereva, a standout with the MetroStars who was voted MVP of the game.



Eastern Conference's Amando Guereva (20) celebrates his first of two goals against the Western Conference, with teammates Dema Kovalenko (21) and Chris Armas, right, in the first half of the MLS All-Star game Saturday, at RFK Stadium in Washington. The East won 3-2.

"If he's not the best, he's one of the best," Adu said. "I haven't seen a lot of his games, but what he showed me out there, on my goodness, this guy is amazing. His worst game would be a good game."

Adu, who has two goals in seven games since joining the league in April, was a special pick by commissioner Don Garber.

"I thought I played great. It was fun, it was hot," Adu said. "It was kind of dull for a little bit, so I was like I had to do something to keep the fans involved and going. I got the ball and started doing some tricks and all that stuff. Everything turned out great."

Although Adu had no bearing on the game, one of his teammates did. Alecko Eskandarian of D.C. United kicked a left-foot-

ed shot into the left corner of the net in the 74th minute to make it 3-1.

Jason Kreis, a seventh-time All-Star, scored in the 89th minute for the West on a 20-foot shot that bounced off the right post.

Guereva is the captain of the Honduras national team and the MLS points leader with 25 in 17 matches. He broke up a scoreless duel by connecting from 18 yards out, then converted a penalty shot for a 2-0 lead.

Two of his nine goals this season are on penalty shots, and his score in that situation Satur-

day was his sixth in six tries this season.

Dixon 2-1, The West missed a chance to pull even in the 53rd minute when backup goalkeeper Jon Busch flicked away a twisting penalty shot by Kreis.

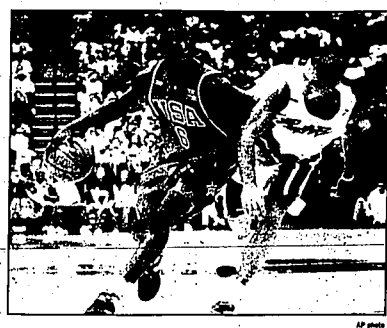
There were five choice scoring chances at the outset before the action picked up dramatically after the fight, and that it was when Guereva took a pass from Damián Iturrutia at the top of the 11-yard box and deftly booted the ball past West goalkeeper Pat Onstad. Then,

after Ronnie O'Brien fouled Dema Kovalenko, the East was awarded a penalty shot by referee Michael Kennedy.

Guereva kicked the penalty shot into the left corner of the net past the diving Onstad.

"The West missed an excellent scoring chance in the 25th minute, when Kovalenko slipped behind his own goalie and kicked aside a sure goal by O'Brien."

"The West closed to 2-1 in the 43rd minute when Brian Ching put in a header off a free crossing pass by Richard Mulrooney,



U.S. men's Olympic basketball team member Dwyane Wade, left, of bows past Puerto Rico guard Carlos Arroyo during an exhibition game, on Saturday, at the Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena in Jacksonville, Fla.

## U.S. whips Puerto Rico

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Reunited, and it feels so... familiar.

The U.S. Olympic team tipped off its exhibition season with an easy 96-71 victory over Puerto Rico on Saturday, although the most intriguing action came beforehand between old sparring partners Larry Brown and Allen Iverson.

Brown held Iverson, LeBron James and Amare Stoudemire out of the game for showing up late to a pre-game meeting, a move that brought back memories of the six fractions seasons The Coach and The Answer spent together with the Philadelphia 76ers.

"They broke a team rule and we are a team," Brown said.

"They paid the money, nobody wanted to embarrass them, and now we're moving on."

Brown and Iverson have been down this road before. Their time together with the Sixers was riddled with disagreements, tardiness and a general lack of harmony. They claimed to have patched things up since Brown left after the 2003 season, but in their first significant reunion, there was trouble.

Iverson claimed he "couldn't have been more than five minutes late."

"I'm the captain on the team and to be suspended just for being a couple minutes late just doesn't sit well for me," he said. "I'm supposed to be one of the leaders of the team, and this is not a good look."

Almost as surprising to Brown was the decision by arena officials to announce the suspensions over the public-address system. A sellout crowd of about 14,000 fans who don't get to see NBA stars pop in to Jacksonville too often boomed lustily, and Brown glared over the scorer's table.

Brown was notably embarrassed by the announcement, because it embarrassed those guys, and it was totally uncalled for," Brown said.

Midway through the fourth quarter, the crowd chanted "Iverson, Iverson," but to no avail. Iverson, James and Stoudemire spent the entire game watching from the bench in shorts.

The other nine players put in a hot-and-cold effort to be expected from a group that is just getting to know each other and was further hamstrung by the suspensions.

Carmelo Anthony and Carlos Boozer led the Americans with 16 points each.

## Davenport jams right knee, advances to final

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Lindsay Davenport overcame a jammed right knee to beat Elena Dementieva 6-2, 6-4 in a secure Classic semifinals Saturday and extended her winning streak to 13 consecutive matches.

Davenport will play for her prize in the quarterfinals on Sunday, giving her a chance to equal her California slam of 1998. That's when she won titles at Stanford, Los Angeles and Wimbledon, also in the same round last week at Carson.

Davenport had arthroscopic surgery on the same knee in 2002 that sidelined her for months and caused her to finish the year out of the top 10 for the first time in seven years.

Davenport appeared tired late in the match, with her grandstrokes having lost much of the early zip that had

Dementieva scrambling.

The tournament already lost Serena and Venus Williams to injuries, while Wimbledon champion Maria Sharapova was upset 7-5, 6-2 by Myskina in the quarterfinals Friday night.

Davenport lost only four points in her serve in the first set, winning two of four service games at love. She broke Dementieva with a backhand winner down the line to start the second set before Dementieva double-faulted to tie 2-1. There were several controversial calls in the game, prompting Davenport to make two appeals, one to the chair umpire when the Russian's forehand on the baseline was called good, giving Dementieva the advantage.

Davenport yelled, raised her arms, came to the net and dropped her racket. "I want to see it! That's all I did to you and I'm crying before returning to the baseline."

## Tyson

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some shots without your left knee," Roach said. "But Danny Williams surprised a lot of us."

Finkel said Tyson was downcast after the fight, and that it would take some time to decide when — or whether — to resume his career. The fight with Williams was not the \$30 million in a series of comeback fights to help Tyson pay off \$18 million in debt.

"Tyson earned some \$8 million Friday night, but would have only \$2 million of that if a bankruptcy reorganization plan is approved. That plan, however, was contingent on Tyson fighting seven times in the next three years, which now appears unlikely."

Promoter Bob Arum, who had planned to offer Tyson a four-fight deal worth some \$100 million if he looked good, said that deal was now off the table.

"Certainly it's a different Mike Tyson than there was in our estimation last night," Arum said.

"If he's going to continue in the ring it's got to be done on a completely different basis. He's got to fight C and D fighters and build his confidence. You can't put him in with legitimate heavyweights."

Tyson's fight drew a crowd of 17,253 to Freedom Hall, most thinking they would see an early knockout of Williams, whose biggest claim to fame was that he was the former British heavyweight champion.

But after a shaky first round, Williams fought back and turned the tide late in the third round as Tyson appeared to tire.

The fight was a free-for-all, but Williams was stronger and fresher and landed a series of unanswered punches in the fourth round before Tyson went down and the fight was stopped at 2:51 of the round.

The main thing was to get past the first two rounds and give it to him," Williams said. "I knew he would tire and he did. I just kept punching and punching."

## Late goal sends Manchester United home without win

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Andriy Shevchenko deflected in a free kick in the 90th minute and AC Milan beat Manchester United 3-0 on penalty kicks after a 1-1 tie Saturday, sending the English FA Cup champion home from its three-game U.S. exhibition tour without a victory.

The late counter frustrated Manchester United, which lost to Bayern Munich on penalty kicks July 25 in Chicago following a 0-0 tie in Philadelphia and a 2-1 win in Philadelphia on Wednesday.

United goalkeeper Tim Howard sent the final penalty attempt off the left post, giving the Italian League champions the victory.

Shevchenko's goal set up the penalty finish, redirecting Kaká's free kick from just outside the left side of the penalty area at the 6-yard box.

The game was the first of two in the United States for AC Milan, which plays Chelsea on Monday in Philadelphia before returning to Italy.

Milan then faces Lazio in Tripoli, Libya, in the Italian Super Cup on Aug. 21 before beginning the Italian League season on Sept. 12.

Paolo Bonolis, who arrived Thursday to bolster a Manchester United roster that was still

without several of its most notable players, gave United the lead in the 43rd minute.

Alessandro Nesta tried to knock down David Bellion's cross into the penalty area, but instead side-footed the ball into the middle, where Scholtes ran onto it and beat goalkeeper Dida from near the penalty spot.

Manchester United net plays week from Sunday in the Community Shield against Premier League champion Arsenal before beginning its Champions League campaign against either Middlesbrough or Dinamo Bucharest Aug. 15 against Chelsea.

On a hand-to-hand day, both sides played sloppily, sending wayward passes and poorly finishing the handful of quality chances they created.

Bryan Gilroy hesitated when a defender deflected the ball into the penalty area in the 44th, and Hernan Crespo failed on Milan's best opportunity before Shevchenko's goal in the 70th, when Calci played a short cross but Crespo's touch only slowed the ball for Howard to cover.

Unlike United, Milan began with a regular starting 11, but both sides substituted freely in the second half.

## Nomar

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Then, the news came inside the clubhouse: The five-time All-Star shortstop and two-time AL batting champion was headed to the Cubs.

"My initial reaction was 'wow,'" Garrelparra said. "If it was in my control, I'd still be wearing a Red Sox uniform, because it's the place I know. I love all these fans, I'll always remember. But I'm also going to another great place. I'm going to a phenomenal city with great tradition as well, phenomenal fans, great organization."

And he added: "Hopefully, we'll see them in the World Series."

Garrelparra, 31, is batting .232 with five home runs and 21 RBIs in 30 games this season. He missed the first 57 games of the season with an injured Achilles tendon.

The Red Sox wound up with Cabrera, Montreal's Gold Glove shortstop, and Minnesota first baseman Doug Mientkiewicz, while the Cubs got Garrelparra and minor league outfielder Matt Murton.

Murton acquired — Cubs shortstop Alex Gonzalez, pitcher Francis Ilietran and infielder Brendan Harris and the Twins got minor league pitcher Justin Jones.

The NL — West-leading Dodgers were active, making

three trades a day after completing a six-player deal with Florida.

After Finley agreed to accept a deal to Los Angeles, the Diamondbacks traded the four-time Gold Glove center fielder with catcher Brent Mayne. The 39-year-old Finley hit .274 with 23 home runs and 40 RBIs for Arizona.

"This gives him an opportunity to expand his horizon for the remainder of the season," Arizona GM Joe Garagiola Jr. said.

The Dodgers sent minor league catcher Koyie Hill, outfielder Reggie Abercrombie and left-hander Bill Murphy to Arizona.

The Dodgers acquired Murphy on Friday in a trade with the Florida Marlins.

Los Angeles then traded center fielder Dave Roberts to Boston for minor league outfielder Henri Stankovic. Earlier, the Dodgers sent left-hander reliever Tom Martin to Atlanta for minor league lefty Matt Merricks in a trade between NL division leaders.

In other trades:

Florida acquired starting pitcher Ismael Valdez and reliever Rudy Seanez. The World Series champions sent minor league pitcher Travis Chick to San Diego for Valdez and dealt outfielder Juan Nunez to Kansas City for Seanez.

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In 1997.

"This year Singh has three victories and 10 top 10 finishes."

Defending champion Jim Furyk and Billy Andrade, who shared the second-round lead with Singh at 11 under, struggled. Unlike many in the field, they didn't take advantage of perfect scoring conditions. Furyk shot a 70, and fell into a tie for sixth. Andrade was 1 over par but tied the final round on Sunday tied for 11th.

## Donald takes lead

### Scandinavian Masters

LODDEKOPINGE, Sweden — Luke Donald shot a 3-under 69 Saturday to take a three-shot lead after the third round of the Scandinavian Masters.

Donald is at 13-under 203 on the Barseback Golf and Country Club, and could have taken a bigger lead into the final round if not for bogeys on the final two holes. Peter Hanson was at 206 after a third-round 68. Henrik Stenson was another two shots back after his second consecutive 70.

## Jacobsen, Stadler share lead U.S. Senior Open

ST. LOUIS — Craig Stadler birdied three holes in a five-hole stretch to shoot a 69 and catch Peter Jacobsen, who shot 70 and shared the lead at the U.S. Senior Open on Sunday with a 7-under 135.

Jose Canizares was at 6 under, making birdie on the final three holes for his second straight 68.

Jay Haas, Fuzzy Zoeller, Tom Kite, Bob Glider and D.A. Workberg were all at 5 under for the tournament. The Champions Tour's top two money leaders, Gil Morgan and Hale Irwin, were three shots back at 4 under.

Seventeen golfers were within five shots of the lead and 22 were under par.

Now comes the real test. Because rain washed out play on Friday, the field will play two rounds — 36 holes — Sunday, with the forecast calling for a muggy 91 degrees.

Stadler faced potential disaster on the par-3 sixth hole. After his tee shot went into the water, he managed a bogey. He then birdied Nos. 11, 13, 15, narrowly missing makeable birdie putts at 17, and 18. He said the bogey made up for a frustrating front side, where he was 1 over.

"I guess frustrating is a good word for it when you play like crap for nine holes," Stadler said.

## Sorenstam five off the lead at British Open

SUNNINGDALE, England — Annika Sorenstam overcame two double bogeys to stay in the hunt at the Women's British Open on Saturday, and Minna Blomqvist of Finland surged into contention with the lowest score ever in a major.

Sorenstam offset double-bogey 7's at Nos. 1 and 14 with six birdies in a 2-under 70 Saturday, moving to 7-under 209 through three rounds on the Old Course at Sunningdale. She's five strokes behind co-leaders Heather Bowie and Rachel Teske, who shot 65s and moved to 12-under 204.

Cristie Kerr had a 9-under 63, and is tied for third place with halfway leader Karen Stupples (70) at 11-under 205.

The biggest move of the day came ever in a major — 19-year-old Blomqvist, who made a 60-foot birdie putt on the final hole for 10-under 62 — the first in a major.

Sorenstam had six birdies and two eagles, breaking the tournament record of 63 set three years ago by Karrie Webb at Turnberry. She also broke Webb's course record of 63 set in 1997.

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# Eroded bluff reveals petrified forest

Some Alaskans hope stumps lure tourists

UNGA ISLAND, Alaska (AP) — If you want to stroll through the only forest in the Shumagin Islands, you have to wear rubber boots and wait until the tide goes out.

In the Shumagins, where the wind never seems to stop, only change directions, the few live trees were planted by people. But along a stretch of beach on the northwest corner of Unga Island, there's a grove that hasn't grown for millions of years.

Wind and water have worn away a 50-foot bluff to reveal a forest of petrified tree stumps that appear to be marching into the ocean.

"It's like there was a great big Paul Bunyan — chopped them off all even," said Bill Dushkin, president of Shumagin Corp., the Alaska Native village corporation for Sand Point, which owns the land under the trees.

The trees are one of the oddities of Alaska, right up there with warm-blooded dinosaur fossils found north of the Brooks Range on the North Slope. The trees are believed to be sequoia, which grow in northern California, or metasequoia, now found only in China. Neither have any business being so far north.

Unga is the largest of the dozen or so Shumagin Islands, 570 miles southwest of Anchorage near the tip of the Alaska Peninsula.

The petrified forest, much of it below tide line, covers about five miles of beach. On a sunny day, the petrified tree stumps stand out white and bright against the gray-black beach rock. From the bluff, they look like marshmallows spilled out on charcoal. The stumps range in diameter from a couple of feet to about 9 feet across.

Hardly anybody visits this part of Unga. A small airplane can land a mile away but the few people who visit usually come by skiff. On a sunny summer day, with the mountains of the Alaska Peninsula as a backdrop six miles away, the only sound was the beating of a raven's wings and the occasional breaker washing against beach rocks.

Bruce Gillen, a geologist with the National Park Service, said the trees were a product of the Miocene or Oligocene epochs about 25 million years ago, when paleontologists believe the Earth was warmer and the first horses and elephants with trunks emerged.

The trees were toppled by a lahar, a flow of ash and coarser products mixed with water pushed out in the form of a mud flow by a volcanic eruption.

"Flow from the volcano came down and engulfed those trees and basically snapped them off at their stumps, or somewhere in the height of the trees," Gillen said.

The lahar may have been a big area of mud that destabilized on a steep slope.

"It doesn't necessarily have to be hot, but they certainly can be hot," he said. And his guess is that the material was so hot.

"There's very little in the way of leaves or needles," he said, indicating that those parts may have burned.

The mud snapped off the trees and crushed them. Over millions of years, the organic material of the trees was replaced by minerals seeping into the trees and taking their design.

Different minerals turned the trees different color.

Some are studies in slate and white. Some are cream, red or orange.

Who knows how far inland the petrified forest extends. High in the bluff, additional trees are emerging.

One of the largest is on the beach, a preserved log 67 paces long.

Dushkin first saw the trees as a boy on a trip to dig razor clams. When villages were allowed to claim federal land under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the Shumagin Corp. chose this part of Unga.

Dushkin is a commercial fisherman, but he says even he can tell that the geology of Shumagin is different from what's on the nearby Alaska Peninsula.

"It's not the same as the stuff you get on the mainland," he said. "It's like apples and oranges."

Dushkin sees tourism possibilities in the forest. His corporation owns the only hotel in Sand Point, a city of about 1,000 a half-hour boat ride away. Dushkin would like to attract visitors in the months when the area's main source of dollars, commercial fishing, has



Tina Anderson, with the Aleutians East Borough, wraps her arms around one of the petrified forest stumps, June 16, on Unga Island.

Above, a petrified log lays on the beach of Unga Island, part of the Shumagin Islands near Sand Point, Alaska, on June 16. Wind and water have worn away a 50-foot bluff to reveal a forest of petrified tree stumps on the island 570 miles southwest of Anchorage near the tip of the Alaska Peninsula.



Dennis McNulty, of the Arizona Vehicle Theft Task Force, tries to open a reported stolen vehicle parked at a motel parking lot in Phoenix on July 15.

## Immigrant smugglers make use of stolen cars

PHOENIX (AP) — A dark gray 2003 Dodge Ram truck sits backed up in the shaded space of a motel parking lot, isolated from other vehicles.

The four-door, half-ton pickup can barely fit between the white lines, and is jacked up on tires that look as though they were made for a semi. A yellow smiley face stares blankly from a blue sign where the license plate should be.

"It's probably stolen," says Detective Scott Reutter.

Reutter, a Department of Public Safety officer working with the Arizona Vehicle Theft Task Force, said expensive vehicles found parked in isolated spaces outside shabby motels often turn out to be stolen. And many of those vehicles are used to help carry out one of the most prevalent, violent crimes in Arizona and the Southwest: illegal immigrant smuggling.

Smugglers have been stealing vehicles to move drugs for years. But in the past year or so authorities have noticed that stolen vehicles are being used more frequently for smuggling human cargo, a crime that has become just as lucrative as drug trafficking.

"A light bulb went off, and smugglers said, 'Hey, we can transport people too,'" said Sgt. Pete Fenton, a vehicle theft investigator with the Phoenix Police Department.

Arizona became the busiest illegal crossing point on the Mexican border in recent years

after crackdowns in Texas and California during the 1990s pushed more migrants toward this state.

The Border Patrol now apprehends hundreds of thousands of immigrants in Arizona every year. The shift in migrant traffic has contributed to a rise in smuggling and other crimes committed by immigrant smugglers, who are also known as coyotes.

Smuggling-related theft likely is contributing to Arizona's high auto-theft rate as reported by the National Crime Information Center.

According to the center, about 50,000 vehicles were stolen statewide in 2002, the most recent year for which statistics are available. That same year, the center also ranked the Phoenix metropolitan area as having the highest auto theft rate in the nation at 1,024 vehicles stolen per 100,000 people.

At the time, the center reported the top two stolen vehicles in the state were Chevrolet and Ford full-size pickups. Nissan pickups placed sixth and Dodge Rams were eighth.

Coyotes target large pickup trucks and SUVs because they offer maximum space, are better equipped to travel over rough terrain and are readily available here, said Mike Longman, executive director of the Arizona Automobile Theft Authority, which is funded by the insurance industry to fight vehicle theft and insurance fraud.

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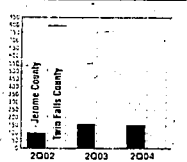
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# UPSIDE economy



Todd Hughes, who moved to Twin Falls from Detroit to take a job at Glanbia's Gooding plant, talks with a friend during a wine tasting at Rudy's - A Cook's Paradise Friday. Hughes' position was created due to the company's growth.

## Auto sales



Twin Falls and Jerome county sales of new vehicles.

Source: Idaho Automobile Dealers Association

## Auto sales shift down

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - A big ticket market prone to slowing put the brakes on again in the second quarter, but renewed financing incentives could add some fuel in coming months.

After rising a tiny 0.7 percent throughout all of 2003, local automobile sales got some gas in the first quarter of the new year to post a 5.7 percent gain.

But the spirit was short-lived. Twin Falls County and Jerome County dealers sold 89 fewer new cars and trucks in April through June than they did last year earlier.

That's a 9.7 percent decline. The total of 800 new cars and trucks sold in the most recent second quarter compares with 919 in the corresponding months of 2003. Then, the two-county Twin Falls and Jerome total had been up 3.1 percent from the 891 new cars and trucks sold in 2002's second quarter, according to reports from the Idaho Automobile Dealers Association.

Brisker sales may be on the way. Critical activity includes the national Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told the Senate Banking Committee on July 20 that auto sales "will be sluggish in June, are job-ambiguous, but discounts and other opportunities have been expanded again."

Automakers are likely to continue using cut-rate financing promotions to lure customers in the months ahead, even as the companies' own borrowing costs are projected to rise, the Associated Press reported last week.

Nationwide auto sales had plummeted 4.3 percent in June as several U.S. automakers trimmed the big cash and financing incentives that had successfully spurred sales in recent years. Buyers balked at the higher prices, the Washington Post reported.

Meanwhile the Idaho Automobile Dealers Association's statistics for the eight counties of Magic Valley showed declines in sales of both new and used vehicles in the first half of 2004.

During the first six months of this year, dealers valleywide sold 6.3 percent fewer new cars and trucks - an essentially flat trend - and 9.2 percent fewer used models than they did a year earlier.

In one case, that's a much steeper decline than in full-year 2003. Used car and truck sales by dealers in the whole Magic Valley dropped 2 percent from 2002 to 2003, while sales of new automobiles valleywide slid 1.8 percent in 2003.

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# Jobs, housing top trends

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Moving from Detroit to Twin Falls, Todd Hughes found his new city's size a little startling.

"It was a shock how quickly you could kind of cover it," said Hughes, a new environmental specialist for cheesemaker Glanbia Foods Inc.'s Gooding plant.

But Twin Falls, he found, has a charm that appeals to Hughes - particularly the city's downtown district.

"It's grown on me," he said Friday, planning an after-work visit to a downtown wine tasting that day.

The Glanbia position which bought Hughes to Magic Valley in mid-May is a new one - among more than 5,000 new nonfarm jobs created in Twin Falls, Jerome and Gooding counties in the past year.

The former Detroit man's purchase of a Twin Falls house this spring contributed to another predominant second-quarter trend: more plentiful home sales.

Employers on the western side of the valley have created jobs at an incredible clip - pushing the second quarter's nonfarm job total to 13 percent above year-earlier levels. Home

## Quarterly review



builders' have kept pace, rapidly pouring foundations and erecting walls. Successful job seekers, incoming retirees and former renters are snapping up a growing number of new and existing homes, locking in mortgages before rates rise further.

The Times-News' quarterly survey of Twin Falls-area economic indicators also revealed these findings:

- Jobless rates in the second quarter remained well below the state average.
- Tourism showed promising signs, despite expensive gasoline.
- Auto sales spluttered, but sales across combined industries increased.
- Cattle prices soared to new highs, and milk, potato and wheat prices climbed, boosting businesses that depend on farm dollars.
- With interest rates starting to rise, deposit growth at local bank branches accelerated.
- While home starts slowed a little

they remained well above average, and house sales multiplied.

Boise resident Jeff Dunn's planned move to Twin Falls in mid-August will help sustain the Twin Falls area's strong job creation and real estate market in the third quarter.

Dunn's employer, Quest Communications International Inc., will transfer him to Twin Falls this month to fill a new position as an account executive selling telecommunications and data services to national business accounts. Quest, he said, hasn't had a salesperson in the local market since about 1994.

"Between Magic Valley and Wood River Valley they see a lot of opportunity for growth, and that's why we're restaffing it," Dunn said by telephone from his Boise office.

Dunn's offer on a house near the College of Southern Idaho was accepted last week. Originally from Twin Falls, he's glad to return.

"I'm ready to go back to a place that's a little bit smaller, and the traffic's a little bit better," he said.

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## For details, look for these stories:

- Western Magic Valley adds jobs. **D3**
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- T.F. County's taxable sales rise. **D4**
- Farm prices boost businesses. **D5**
- Home buyers head into market. **D5**

# Survey says grocery prices resume rising

## Area shoppers still paid less than in late 2003

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - After feeling a bit of relief earlier this year, local shoppers saw their weekly grocery bills rise by early summer, according to a Times-News survey.

A three-store survey showed Twin Falls shoppers paid more for a selection

## Quarterly review



of 46 groceries, toiletries and laundry items at the end of the second quarter (the three stores averaged \$96.21 for items on the survey list) than in June 2003 (\$93.30 on average).

That 3.1 percent year-over-year jump hurt shoppers more than the 1.6 percent rise between June 2002 (\$91.86) and June 2003.

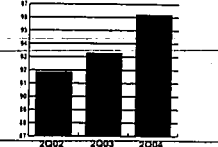
But local shoppers are still paying less than in late 2003, when the average price of the survey selection spiked almost to \$100. The average

had dropped to less than \$96 by March.

The Associated Press reported that Americans hard hit by soaring food prices nationwide got a bit of relief in June. Grocery along with gasoline costs calmed down, holding U.S. consumer prices to a modest increase. Food prices did rise that month, but not by nearly as much as they did in May.

Nationwide food prices, which soared 0.9 percent in May, in part reflecting more expensive transportation, rose by just 0.2 percent in June. Falling prices for fruit and vegetables helped to temper rising prices for dairy products, pork, poultry and beef and veal, the AP said.

## Market basket



An average cost in dollars of a basket of goods at three area grocery markets. Source: Times-News survey

# YOUR BUSINESS

## Jim Dandy's reopens after co-op folds

By Amy Ballard  
Times-News correspondent

**FAIRFIELD** — With just a few changes to the menu, Jim Dandy's Pizza Pub reopened in late July under the management of the Marolf family.

Owned by Wayne and Gary Burke, the Fairfield restaurant was previously run by a cooperative of local families who volunteered their time at the family-friendly night spot. The doors closed June 12 because of financial setbacks.

The unique cooperative was a community experiment that lasted six years. The cooperative, which at the end was made up of eight local couples, was formed when former operators closed the restaurant's doors in 1998.

This summer's closing also hit the community hard.

"This is what you do on Friday nights in Fairfield," said Skip Joy at the soft opening July 23.

A good turnout demonstrated that locals continue to support the business under its new managers.

"The pizza's different but it's the same old atmosphere," customer Kathy Whipple said.

Wayne Marolf and Lisa Mowdy say the family will stick with the same food vendors that the cooperative used for the time being.

"We will be shopping around, of course," Marolf said. "We want to make sure we're



Lisa Mowdy boxes a pizza for a customer at the newly reopened Jim Dandy's Pizza Pub in Fairfield.

getting the best food, the best service and the best price."

Some changes to the menu will make the pizza unique.

"We're using a different sauce," Marolf said, "and we'll be using homemade dough more. We've also added a sauerkraut pizza."

The Marolfs hope to automate for credit cards soon, a convenience the cooperative

did without, Mowdy said.

Beer and wine will be served, but there is no bar.

Wayne's brother Scott Marolf and his wife, Shelly, are also part of the new management team — as is their mother, Lilian, who joked that she "got roped into helping out." The family, who was not part of the cooperative, has lived in Fairfield since 1971.

Lisa's daughter Kayli Martin, 17, and Shelly's daughter Tack-Hanway, 14, are participating in the family venture by wiping tables and bussing plates.

The Marolfs plan to hold a grand opening later this summer.

Restaurant hours are 5-9 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

## MILESTONES

### Starley-Leavitt Insurance Agency wins award

**TWIN FALLS** — The Leavitt Group awarded an "Agency Excellence Award" to the Starley-Leavitt Insurance Agency. Grant Starley and Allen Starley, managing co-owners of Starley-Leavitt, accepted the award during the Leavitt Group's annual conference in Tucson, Ariz.

The Leavitt Group noted Starley-Leavitt's growth, profitability and employee training. The group surveys both clients and employees when deciding on award recipients.

Starley-Leavitt Insurance Agency provides products to Twin Falls- and Burley-area residents and businesses, including life, health, commercial packages and financial services. It is a member of the Leavitt Group, an organization that works with independent insurance agencies nationwide and provides affiliated agencies with management services, specialty products and greater access to insurance markets.

Of more than 70 agencies affiliated with Leavitt Group, few receive this honor annually. Starley-Leavitt received a press release from Starley-Leavitt Insurance Agency.

around the globe. Currently the company is designing one of the longest new transmission line projects in the country: a 220-mile Arrowhead-Weston 345,000-volt transmission line in Wisconsin and Minnesota.

POWER is also completing design efforts on several power plant and transmission line projects in Iraq, participating in the effort to rebuild that country's electric infrastructure.

POWER Engineers also ranked 18th in power engineering design (generation plus transmission and distribution) and 22nd in fossil fuel design in the ENR survey. ENR bases the rankings on 2003 market revenue data provided by participating firms on its Sourcebook Market Survey. For information about ENR's rankings, visit enr.com.

### Sun Healthcare Group holds conference call

**TWIN FALLS** — California-based Sun Healthcare Group Inc., owner of SunBridge Care & Rehabilitation for Twin Falls — is inviting investors to listen to a conference call with its senior management at 11 a.m. Thursday to discuss its second-quarter financial results.

To listen in, dial (877) 516-8232 and refer to Sun Healthcare Group.

A recording of the call will be available from 1 p.m. that day until Aug. 11 by calling (800) 642-1687 and using access code 8823401.

### POWER Engineers tops list among firms of its kind

**HALLEY** — For the second consecutive year, POWER Engineers Inc. said it was rated No. 1 in Engineering News-Record magazine's 2003 list of top electric power transmission and distribution engineering design firms, according to ENR's "The Top 500 Design Firms Sourcebook 2004," published in July.

POWER Engineers, an Idaho firm with offices in Boise and Halley, also has 10 other offices throughout the United States and two overseas.

The firm, which began as a two-man Pocatello company in 1976, has grown to 550 employees.

The company said it has overcome difficult and important engineering challenges

### Hummel Architects PLLC gets Orchard Award

**TWIN FALLS** — Hummel Architects PLLC of Boise received a 2004 Orchard Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation from the Idaho Historic Preservation Council for its work on the Simpson and Co. building in Twin Falls.

The Simpson and Co. building is in Twin Falls' historic warehouse district, dubbed Old Towne. Built in about 1916, it is one of the district's oldest surviving buildings. The three-story, 14,000-square-foot renovation turned a vacant warehouse into professional offices.

## CAREER MOVES

### Rehab workers

**TWIN FALLS** — Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services Inc. announced a promotion and four new employees:

• **Danielle Myers** was promoted to manager of Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services' Community Access Program, which provides "personal and social adjustment services to individuals with developmental disabilities to assist them in becoming more active members of their communities. Individual and group training address skills such as self care, communication, mobility, decision making, and living independently and money management.

Myers was a developmental specialist with the program before being promoted to manager. She has a bachelor's degree in social work from Idaho State University and over five years' experience working with adults with disabilities.

• **Sherri Albrecht** is a new employee in the Community Access Program. As a development specialist, Albrecht evaluates the strengths, needs and interests of program participants and develops service plans and intervention strategies that result in acquisition of personal, social and independent living skills. She also supervises therapy technicians to ensure service plans and intervention strategies are carried out.

Albrecht has a bachelor's degree in physical education from Southern Utah University and over 20 years' experience working with adults with disabilities in vocational and residential settings.

• **Heather Burns** is a new employee in the Community Access Program. As a therapy technician, she implements developmentally appropriate programs that have been prepared by a developmental specialist in both one-to-one and group settings.

Burns has over 14 years of experience in direct service, day care and caring for elderly.

• **Sherry Walker**, who joined the Rehabilitation Division, has five years' experience working with special-needs students and their families as a transitional specialist with the Near-Kah-



Sherry Walker

Nie Junior and Senior High Schools in Rockaway Beach, Ore. As an employment services specialist, she will help adults with disabilities find jobs and learn their job duties, and then will provide ongoing support to be sure each person continues to be successfully employed. Walker has an additional 20 years of work experience and has earned 150 college credit hours.

• **Charlene Fairbanks** — with experience as a supervisor, bookkeeper, administrative assistant and financial assistant, and with computer expertise — is being promoted to assistant manager of the Rehabilitation Division. She'll greet customers, route telephone calls, prepare reports and maintain program participant records.

Established in 1973, Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services is a nonprofit organization that provides training, employment, personal and social adjustment services and psychosocial rehabilitation services to people with disabilities in south-central Idaho.

### Marlene Boettcher

**RUPERT** — Marlene Boettcher of Heyburn is the new principal at St. Nicholas School in Heyburn. Previously, Boettcher taught fourth grade at the school. She worked as assistant principal at White Pine Intermediate School in Burley before going to work at St. Nicholas. She has 21 years of experience in education. She received a master's degree in education from College of Idaho and a bachelor's degree from Idaho State University.

Boettcher has lived in Mini-Cassia for 25 years with her husband, Chuck. She has three children.

### Kirk Houser

**LAKE CHARLES** — LAUBACH du Lac Hotel & Casino named Twin Falls native Kirk Houser director of tower development.

Houser will direct construction of a new casino, including preferred customer programs.

Houser will direct and coordinate casino services, including preferred customer programs, casino hosts and executive programs, regional offices and junket marketing.

Houser has more than a decade of gaming experience.

Since 2001, he has been director of player development at Auberg's sister property in Vevay, Ind., Belterra Casino Resort & Spa. Previously, Houser was casino marketing manager at Harrah's Casino in Tunica, Miss.; special events manager at Hy-Vee in Rochester, Minn.; and player development manager at Ameristar Casino in Vicksburg, Miss.

Houser graduated in 1984 from Boise State University with a degree in marketing. He lives in Lake Charles, La., with his wife and two sons.

Houser's new home built on 227 acres in Lake Charles, on the resort campus is scheduled to open in spring 2005.

### Joanne Jackson

**BURLEY** — Joanne Jackson of Burley became a Herbalife distributor for Mini-Cassia. Herbalife is a health nutrition program. It also offers help in weight loss or gain and weight management and sells the Shapeworks weight loss program.

Jackson can be reached at 678-2654 or at 1063 Washington Ave. in Burley.

### Dr. Jed Norman

**RUPERT** — Dr. Jed Norman, a dentist, is joining the office of Dr. John A. Simpson at 502 Eighth St. in Rupert. The office can be reached at 436-4747.

"The family dental and cosmetic dental practice offers whitening and a variety of cosmetic dentistry services. It offers payment plans on all procedures," Norman will replace Dr. Harold Cannull, who retired in June.

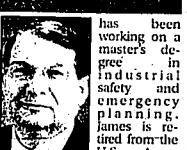
Norman is a recent graduate of Marquette University School of Dentistry. He speaks fluent Spanish. He is originally from Minico High School.

Norman is available 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Friday mornings and extended hours are available by appointment.

### Michael James

**CARIBRIDGE, Mo.** — Leggett & Platt Inc. — a Fortune 500 manufacturer that produces a variety of textured components and products — appointed former Mini-Cassia resident Michael James director of logistics at its corporate office.

James, a graduate of the University of Tennessee, has a degree in business administration with a major in transportation and logistics and



has been working on a master's degree in industrial safety and emergency planning.

James is retired from the U.S. Army, where he served in the Transportation and Logistics Corp. He has more than 30 years' experience in transportation and logistics. He has held senior management positions with responsibility over multiple transportation operations.

James' most recent position was in the management staff for DTV Logistics, where he managed a million-square-foot distribution center for North America Honda.

James graduated from Burley High School in 1988 and is the son of Emerd and Shirley James of Burley. He has three brothers and one sister who currently live in Mini-Cassia.

### Annette Roper

**BURLEY** — Annette Roper of Coldwell Banker/Curtis Realty was selected as 2004 Realtor of the Year by the Mini-Cassia Association of Realtors. Judgment is based on contributions to the community's life and on business conduct and Realtor spirit.

Roper has elevated much time and energy to developing her real estate career and shows a great leadership skills, the association said.

She researched and presented a proposal for a new lock box and key box system implemented in 2003.

Without the follow-up work Roper did, the board would likely never have completed the transition to electronic lock boxes, the association said.

The Realtor of the Year award is sponsored by the Idaho Association of Realtors Inc. and local boards or associations of Realtors in the state, which are affiliated with the National Association of Realtors.



Danielle Myers



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Annette Roper

## CONTRIBUTION

### COOL TOOL FOR LEARNING



Elloit Broadhead, a student at Burley Junior High School, is presented with a new computer by former governor John V. Evans, president of D.L. Evans Bank, and Kevin Smith, right, manager of the bank's South Overland Avenue branch. In the bank's "Education Pays" program, students are invited to bring their report cards in to the bank for each grading period. For each 'A' in a core class, the student receives an entry in the drawing. Computers are given away in the Twin Falls and Boise areas. Also, Broadhead, 13, is the son of LuAnn and Jeff Broadhead of Burley. He hopes to graduate with honors and attend Idaho State University to study dentistry.

## CAREER MOVES



Doug Frost

### Bank employees

**TWIN FALLS** — Doug Frost of First Federal was promoted into the commercial loan development department. Frost was hired at First Federal last year and was previously in the management-training program.

First Federal hired Rebecca Swan as manager of its processing and underwriting departments. Swan graduated cum laude from the University of Utah. She has been in the banking and insurance industries for the past 12 years.



Joyce Pierce

### Joyce Pierce

**GOODING** — Employees at Gooding County Memorial Hospital elected Joyce Pierce as temporary manager of the Quarter, honoring her commitment to the facility and to patients.

Co-workers said Pierce is always willing to help others and maintains a level of professionalism that is respected by her peers. Pierce has worked at Gooding County Memorial for the past seven years and has spent the past four years as medical records director. She will now be a nominee for Employee of the Year, which is voted on each December.

## TELL US YOUR BUSINESS

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# Lodge was one man's Technicolor dream

## Wyoming sports a low state tax

MOAB, Utah (AP) — Colin Fryer had a dream ... in Technicolor. It quite possibly was directed by John Ford and starred, along with Fryer, John Wayne, Henry Fonda, Jimmy Stewart, Richard Boone and Lee Marvin and a full cast of other movie greats.

Firstly, it was about a Utah boy who moved to Montana, got hooked on ranching, dreamed of building a working guest ranch, came back to Utah and did ... on the very site where some of Hollywood's greatest stars delivered their lines.

Coincidence or inspiration? This, after all, was not his intention. In the beginning, he was looking for land around West Yellowstone, Mont., to build a guest ranch.

"But I came to Utah, not to look for land, but to take a river trip. I drove around while he's here, saw the country and the potential, discovered the old White Ranch was for sale and after a year of negotiations, bought it," he said, leaning back in a cushioned chair in the lobby of his new Red Cliffs Lodge on the banks of the Colorado River.

The lodge, or ranch, just as he dreamed it is a working cattle ranch with some 300 head grazing on the range nearby and guest facilities that include swimming pool and hot tub, tennis courts, horseshoe pits and 70 rooms with kitchenettes, separate eating areas, private patios and DSL Internet connection. Oh, and horses, cows, barns, pastures, corrals and tack house along with mountain bikes and opportunities to go white-water rafting, hiking, four-wheeling, rock climbing, golfing and touring.

In the lower level of the lodge is the Moab Museum of Film and Western Heritage, which is only fitting since many of the great movies made over the past 80 years were shot on the very land where the lodge now sits. George White, the previous owner, saw movies as a way of making money, so he went to Hollywood to "drum up some business."

The classic movie "Rio Grande," with John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara, was shot almost entirely on the ranch property. Other great films shot on and around the ranch include "The Conquistadors," "Rio Conchos," "Ten Who Dared," "City Slickers" and "City Slickers II," and "Cheyenne Autumn."

The town of Moab had, over the years, been storing boxes and boxes of pictures, posters and memorabilia related to the movie industry in Moab.

"But they had no where to display it," said Fryer. "I made a deal with the county. If I could be the custodian of the materials, I would build a museum that would display it and it would be free to the public. There is a lot of material in the museum, but there are many more boxes in storage. Our plans are to rotate some of the exhibits."

The Red Cliffs Lodge is, as noted, above all a working cattle ranch. Fryer said he has plans to offer "City Slickers" opportunities to guests, which would be the chance for "city dudes" to hop on a horse, yell "yahoo" and wave a lariat at moving cattle.

"I wish we could offer it now," he said. "I get a lot of people asking about the chance to herd cattle. It makes sense. We have the horses and the wranglers and the opportunity to herd cattle in some of the most beautiful country in the world. We hope to have such a program in place soon."

Having guests at the ranch is what drives the cattle business. "We herd tourists so we can stay in the cow business," he explained, looking out over a corral of quarter horses. "Agriculture is a dying business in the West, and to stay in the agricultural business you need another form of income."

"The two make a nice blend for me. I can live the lifestyle of ranching, which I love, and get my small fortune on the fact that visitors will like to come and spend time on it. The ranch fits well into the activity patterns of today's vacationers. Recent studies show travelers want to visit new places and they want variety, horseback riding at 9 a.m., swimming at 11 a.m., then lunch followed by a half-day float on the Colorado River and dinner, maybe a short hike. The next day could include a four-wheel adventure



Above, horseback riders at Red Cliffs Lodge ride along the Colorado River, outside of Moab, Utah, in June. The Red Cliffs Lodge is a working cattle ranch with some 300 head grazing on the range nearby and guest facilities that include swimming pool and hot tub, tennis courts, horseshoe pits and 70 rooms with kitchenettes, separate eating areas, private patios and DSL Internet connection. Left, part of the Moab Museum of Film and Western Heritage at Red Cliffs Lodge is seen in June. Some of the great movies made over the past 80 years were shot on the land where the lodge now sits.

### On the Net

Red Cliffs Lodge [www.redcliffs-lodge.com](http://www.redcliffs-lodge.com).

In Moab's slickrock country, maybe a mountain bike tour to famed Fisher Tower and a chance to saddle-up again for a late-afternoon horseback ride along the trail made famous by John Wayne.

Riding horses, he was quick to point out, is one of the ranch's main attractions. Being an old wrangler himself, he realized any old horse wouldn't do in Moab country. So he raises and trains all his horses and holds firm with his belief that quarter horses make ideal working companions and better guest stock.

"I can stay without reservation. I have the finest string of guest horses in Utah and probably in all of the Four Corners area. We ride 'em and use 'em in our ranch work and pick out only the best for our guests," he continued.

"When we take people on a ride, it's more than just riding around in a circle. A 'pluggy' old horse simply won't make it. You need something with oomph." As for the lodge itself, Fryer said he's always liked the look of the grand lodges at Yellowstone, Yosemite and the Grand Canyon, so when he fashioned his dream, it took on that look with lots of wood, rock fireplaces, high ceilings and log pillars.

He then designed the rest of the lodge around the natural backdrop the film industry found so intriguing — the Colorado River and 2,000-foot high red-rock cliffs.

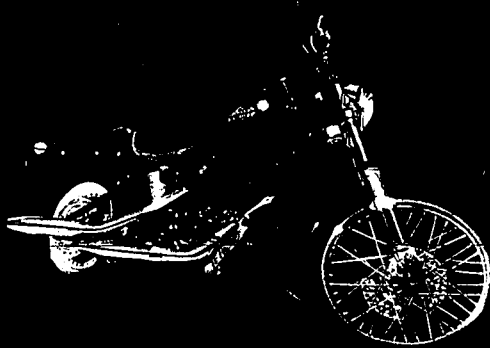
Each of his 70 guest rooms, along with the restaurant, looks out over the river and natural landscape.

Also on the ranch grounds is the Castle Creek winery, which is Utah's only real commercial winery.

One of the reasons he chose Moab to settle down was the fact that there are two national parks nearby Canyonlands and Arches and, as he pointed out, "a zillion acres of open country and one of the state's most spectacular parks Dead Horse Point."

All, he explained, exciting and beautiful places for people to go and enjoy. Now there's a ranch for guests, range for cattle, spectacular country to ride in and a river to enjoy. All blended together, it comes out as a Technicolor dream come true.

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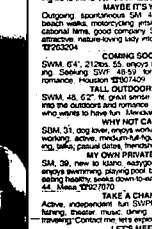
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## Don't nit pick teen's social life

**Q:** Our 15-year-old son looks at least two years older and is more mature in many ways than most boys his age. He recently started hanging around with a group of boys who are a grade ahead of him in school, all of whom have driver's licenses. These boys don't have bad reputations; in fact, they're good kids who make decent grades and stay out of trouble. We are concerned. Should we insist that he find friends his own age?



PARENTING  
**John Rosemond**

**A:** If I was in your shoes, I'd feel all enough alone. I can certainly understand your concerns, and if the boys in question were "bad," I'd recommend a more active approach. In this case, however, it simply sounds like your son can relate better to boys who are slightly older. He probably regards the behavior of the typical boy his age as more than slightly pathetic and wants to avoid "guilt by association." These older boys have affirmed his image of himself as "older" than his years. They accept him, and given that they are good, responsible kids, I have a suspicion that they are acting as your son's mentors. They're acting as good role models, thus helping him channel his social maturity in constructive directions.

If my suspicions are correct, the relationship is probably going to help your son take a later leadership role within his peer group. In short, instead of this situation being a prescription for trouble (as it might be under other circumstances), think it's actually helping your son stay out of trouble.

In my book "Teen-Proofing," I caution parents of teens against letting their anxieties drive them to micromanage their kids' social lives. Not only do parental attempts at micromanagement prevent a teen from learning by trial and error (the emphasis being on error) but parental micromanagement often precipitates rebellion. Workplace studies have determined that micromanagement of employees causes conflict, communication problems, deceit and disloyalty. Parental micromanagement causes the same exact problems and solves absolutely none.

You're treading dangerously close to falling into this quicksand. If you want your son to be confident, being open and above-board with you, then you'd do well to not only back off, but also welcome his friends into your home with open arms. Yes, keep an eye on the situation, but that's your job regardless. If you sense trouble brewing, let your son know what your concerns are. In this event, you should make it clear that whereas you're not going to try and "choose" his friends, you are going to hold him completely responsible for the choices he makes while he's with his friends.

As I tell parents over and over again, it's not your job to always prevent your child from getting into trouble; rather, it's your job to make sure your child learns what he needs to learn if and when he does get into trouble. In the absence of trouble, you don't have much of a job. Enjoy the vacation.

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## If your kids aren't packing portable technology, they soon will

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's not a new laptop, but for junior Barry, it's a 5-pound slice of heaven. "It's going to be great," said Barry, a 16-year-old junior-to-be at Filer High School, who acquired his first used Toshiba this summer. "I can do homework on it and if I don't get my homework done, I can take my laptop to school and finish it there."

Jim has lots of company. In fact, the number of laptop users under 18 is soaring—some of them wielding portables supplied by the schools themselves.

"Four out of 10 American kids, ages 4 to 18, own some kind of wireless device—cell phones, Palm, pocket PCs, pagers or ultra-light laptops, according to a survey by the National Institute for Media and the Family. An older child, 13 to 18, is likely to own more than one wireless device—almost half own at least one.

"Forty-two percent of kids aged 8 to 12 and 13 percent of youngsters 7 and under have at least one wireless device.

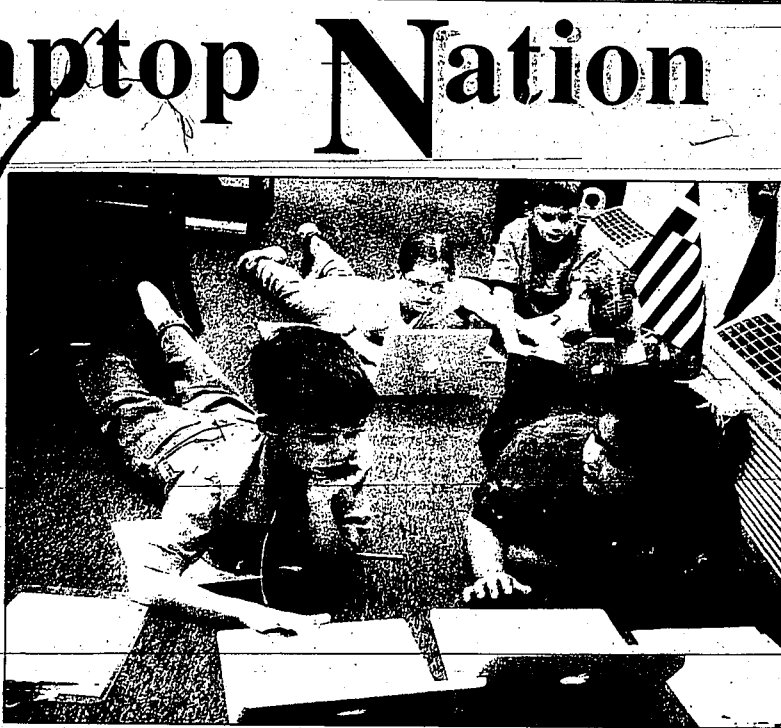
"Laptops have great potential as a learning tool," said John Miller, operations director of the Twin Falls School District, and the man in charge of instructional IT programs. "Especially in a wireless environment."

"Wireless" means Wi-Fi technology that sends Web pages and other information through the air via radio waves. There are two Wi-Fi sites in the Twin Falls district, at Harrison and Lincoln elementary schools, and students there use them—and portable wireless devices that receive their signals—regularly.

"If we've got a portable without a wireless system, you've just got a word processor," Miller said. "But a wireless system allows teachers to transmit information to students and use the laptops as a teaching tool."

Laptops are still expensive and somewhat limited technology—most of them can't easily be upgraded. But some school

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Sixth-graders in Vestavia, Ala., use laptop computers given to them by the school. Laptop use by youngsters is soaring, but some obstacles still stand in the way of their being an effective teaching tool.

### A world of laptops

In its September 2003 edition, Consumer Reports rated the major laptops on the market. The following are light-weight laptops; desktop replacement laptops, such as the Dell Inspiron 5150 and the IBM ThinkPad A, were rated separately.

#### Apple Macintosh

• **Book**, Cost: \$1,000-\$1,500. Weight: 5 pounds. Screen: 12 inches. Consumer Reports: "Good no-frills laptop."

• **PowerBook**, Cost: \$1,600-\$2,600. Weight: 5 pounds. Screen: 12 and 15 inches. Consumer Reports: "Good for watching DVDs."

#### Compaq

• **Presario 2100**, Cost: \$800-\$1,700. Weight: 6 1/2 pounds. Screen: 14 and 15 inches. Consumer Reports: "One of the few laptops with a built-in diskette drive."

• **Presario 31000**, Cost: \$1,200-\$2,600. Weight: 6 1/2 pounds. Screen: 15 inches. Consumer Reports: "Wide, sharp display and

#### big hard drive."

#### Dell

• **Inspiron 500m**, Cost: \$1,000-\$2,100. Weight: 5 1/2 pounds. Screen: 14 inches.

• **Inspiron 600m**, Cost: \$1,300-\$2,400. Weight: 5 1/2 pounds. Screen: 14 inches. Consumer Reports: "Similar to 500m; but with faster processor and graphics."

• **Latitude X200**, Cost: \$1,500-\$2,200. Weight: Less than 3 pounds. Screen: 12 inches. Consumer Reports: "Dell's on true lightweight model."

#### Gateway

• **450**, Cost: \$1,600-\$2,800. Weight: 6 1/2 pounds. Screen: 15 inches.

• **200**, Cost: \$1,700-\$2,500. Weight: 4 1/2 pounds. Screen: 14 inches.

#### HP

• **Pavilion z4300**, Cost: \$800-\$2,100. Weight: 5 pounds. Screen: 14 or 15 inches.

• **ThinkPadR**, Cost: \$850-\$2,500. Weight: 5 1/2 pounds. Screen: 14 and 15 inches. Consumer Reports: "Comes with

#### stick and pad pointing devices."

• **ThinkPadX**, Cost: \$1,700-\$3,050. Weight: Less than 4 pounds. Screen: 14 inches. Consumer Reports: "Needs a dock with a bay to use the IBM combo drive, a costly trio."

• **ThinkPadT**, Cost: \$1,700-\$3,300. Weight: 4 pounds. Screen: 14 inches. Consumer Reports: "High-end slim model."

#### Sony

• **Vaio PCG-V505**, Cost: \$1,500-\$2,400. Weight: 4 pounds. Screen: 12 inches. Consumer Reports: "The lightest laptop that has a built-in combo drive."

• **Vaio PCG-Z1**, Cost: \$2,400-\$3,500. Weight: Less than 5 pounds. Screen: 14 inches. Consumer Reports: "More than five hours of battery life...."

#### Toshiba

• **Prestige 3500**, Cost: \$1,800-\$2,500. Weight: 4 pounds. Screen: 12 inches. Consumer Reports: "A new breed; a small laptop, or by rotating the 12-inch display, a pen-and-tablet PC that can store or read your handwriting."

Source: Consumer Reports

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# Sex education: What's taught, what's not

Los Angeles Times

With church scandals, Internet porn and teen-age romance, sex education is one of the most wide-ranging and important subjects taught in middle and high school, some child psychologists say. Yet for better or worse, most of the nation's sex-ed classes focus on a handful of subjects—abstinence, abstemiousness, AIDS—and offer little guidance to boys and girls trying to cope with a host of physical and emotional changes. Although approaches vary from school to school, most start with what some educators call "fill-grade plumbing," a quick explanation of where babies come from, said Tamara Kreinin, president of the Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States, a New York-based nonprofit organization that works with schools and parents. In middle-school and beyond, Kreinin said, many students get a smattering of courses, some on sexually transmitted diseases, others on the importance of avoiding sex. "Sometimes the course amounts to being shown an hour-long movie, without any discussion afterward," she said.

Many teachers shy away from edgier topics such as sexual abuse, harassment and date rape—or how, for example, a 13-year-old might handle sexual involvement with someone 10 years older. "Teachers will tell you, 'We wouldn't touch those subjects with a 10-foot pole; so parents would go nuts,'" said Sal Chierifello, who runs an innovative sex- and development education program in Rockland County, N.Y., for kindergarten through 12th grade. "There's a lot of apprehension when it comes to this stuff.

Teachers are worried about losing tenure, the administrators are afraid of the parents, and parents fear for what their kids might be learning."

In this environment, a discussion of sexuality or relationships with older peers or adults would probably be disastrous, he said. "Even in 12th grade, there are kids with very mature bodies who have no concept of consent... and believe me, in a large high school with thousands of kids, there are going to be some predators who are vouching to see which ones are vulnerable."

For now, administrators say, political debate over whether to teach contraception has precluded many educators from including the topics teen-agers most want to learn about—such as how to manage erotic urges, relationships and pressure to have sex.

"Right now we're having an argument over whether we should even mention condoms in the classroom," said Tina Hoff, vice president at the Kaiser Family Foundation, a nonprofit health research group in Menlo Park, Calif. "We're not even close to a discussion about giving kids skills to negotiate whether or not to have sex."

That's as it should be, some parents say: Schools have no place giving advice about sexual behavior, beyond describing the benefits of abstinence. Some policymakers agree. In recent years, the federal government has set aside about \$400 million to support programs that teach abstinence until marriage. Nationwide, about 34 percent of high schools teach abstinence-only curricula, down from 40 percent in 1999, according to a 1999 Kaiser Foundation survey. About 58 per-



Pro-life protesters picket a Planned Parenthood sex education conference for teenagers last month in Waco, Texas. The debate continues over what type of sex-ed program is best: giving kids information about contraceptives or telling them to save sex for marriage.

cent of schools in the survey reported teaching comprehensive courses, which include discussions of contraception.

When asked what they want their kids to learn in sex education, parents are generally more demanding than teachers. In a 2000 Kaiser survey, more than eight in 10 parents of teen-agers nationwide said their children should be taught how to use condoms, as well as other contraceptives, and how to talk about protection with partners. About three-quarters said that sex-ed classes should

discuss sexual-orientation and abortion. Almost all of the parents surveyed wanted schools to help their kids handle the pressure to have sex, and the emotional consequences of becoming sexually active.

"The parents themselves sure aren't doing it," Hoff said. "So many kids are getting their sex education from other sources, from the media, from the Web network and MTV. I think even network executives would agree those aren't the best sources."

BACK TO SCHOOL '04

# MATH WARS

## Division flares up over how to teach numbers

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE — Eight times for thirty-two, no arguments. How do you teach kids eight times four equals 32? How important is it to know that eight times four equals 32? Argument, in fact, one of the hottest issues in American education.

The overall unsatisfactory performance of American students in math is stirring up teachers, school boards, parents and education experts, and it's reshaping what goes on in uncounted classrooms and in the multimillion-dollar curriculum industry.

Almost everyone with an interest in the discussion agrees on two things: research-aided, hood with decent abilities in math — what some call "numeracy" — the equivalent of literacy — is strongly associated with long-term success. Life and students across the United States are not doing very well. What is rolling the atmosphere around math is how to respond.

Given the importance of a future work force that can cope with what will be the everyday demands of both reading and math, the stakes in creating a culture in which people are comfortable using math are high.

In some places, such as California, the combativeness of the issue earned the name "math wars."

While curriculum attracts the most attention, some experts say the math struggle ought to focus more on how to improve the supply of teachers and the quality of teaching itself, especially in schools where students as a whole are doing poorly in math. Some say emphatically that the problem of weak performance in math has at least as much to do with weak teaching as with the materials being used.

Is progress being made? While an elite cadre of kindergarten through 12th-grade students is doing math that leaves prior generations in the dust, while a few indicators suggest some improvement in the quality of math ability of students here and across the country, and while the most fervent alarms about math education overseas, the bottom line appears to be this:

There is little evidence to suggest the results of the math-teaching system as a whole are getting better, and a great deal of evidence to underscore concerns about the weak knowledge of a huge body of students who connect with general math and success with good jobs and successful functioning in society.

A morning in June at Thoreau Elementary School in Milwaukee's far north side, a school that uses the recommended math reform curriculum in Milwaukee Public Schools, known widely as investing in math.

In a second-grade class, two teachers, Blondell Currie and Monica Kelsey-Brown, lead two dozen students through an exercise in which hundreds of cubes in eight different colors are distributed to students in groups of three or four. The students make choices based on how many cubes of each color each group has, and then put all the cubes together to tally classwide totals.

This is part of learning how to collect data, Currie tells the class. In the course of an hour, actual numbers are rarely mentioned and there are only a few instances of actual addition. When the class pools all its data, it comes up with a total that is wrong, Currie and Kelsey-Brown praise the way the students did the project. Kelsey-Brown said later that the session is good because "it allows their critical-thinking skills to process information."

In a fifth-grade class, teacher Beth Ann Scheffler, who won major national recognition last year for her work, asks students



Unique Pondergrat, 12, left, and Ellie Ayala, 10, try to keep Destiny Salomon, 8, second left, from breaking through their Red Rover line as Angelica Farias, 10, right, looks on at Fairview, Ala., Elementary School. The students were participating in a seven-week summer tutoring program that combined education with games and crafts. To take a turn at Red Rover, participants had to correctly solve a multiplication problem. Non-traditional approaches to teaching math are flourishing in many states.

to divide 246 by 12 by creating a story problem. Two girls tell classmates their proposed method: Twelve sisters each had \$20, so that gives them \$240, with \$6 left. You split up the \$6 and you get 50 cents more for each sister. So the answer is \$20.50.

One of Scheffler's students, Tyler Moore, said it's "kind of like a myth" that kids don't learn their math facts through investigations, a program used in about two-thirds of Milwaukee elementary schools. Most of the kids in the class know that four times eight is 32, Tyler said, and if they don't know that off the top of their heads, they know strategies for figuring it out, such as writing 8 four times on a piece of paper and adding the numbers up.

Scheffler said each class doesn't do a lot of work on basic math facts — what she calls "naked numbers" — but the math is embedded in the work they do, much of it in the form of problem-solving. She said learning math shouldn't be like training circus animals to do tricks. It should be like teaching people to live in nature.

A decade ago, it was reading wars. In broad terms, on one side were educators who favored "whole language," a way for children to learn how to read, in which the focus was on having kids delve into books and learn to recognize words as units. On the other side were educators who favored "phonics," an approach that stressed the need to teach children to recognize the sounds associated with letters and to "decode" words.

Overall, the phonics people scored more points, the new federal education law generally favored their approach, more fuel, and almost to one angus now that phonics shouldn't be at least part of reading instruction. But some important points from the whole language side (the value of getting kids to read good books) became widely accepted.

The math battle is strikingly similar. In place of whole language is what — depending on your point of view — is called reform math or constructivist math or the new math or, as critics would say, fuzzy math. The idea behind it is that students at all grades, including the youngest, should be taught to think their way through problems, connecting solutions they will understand and remember. Drills on basic facts and use of classic formulas to solve problems are generally de-emphasized.

In place of phonics is — again, depending on your view — traditional math, basics math

### Go figure

2002 by the Mathematics Learning Study Committee of the National Research Council, a non-profit organization associated with the National Academy of Sciences:

- Before children enter school**
- Play games such as dominos and board games.
  - Find natural opportunities to count, to sort objects, to match collections of objects, to identify shapes.
  - Count a collection of objects and use number words to identify very small collections.
  - Talk with your child about simple math problems and ideas (how many spoons do we need to set the table?).
- After children enter school**
- Have high expectations. "Children's math achievement is shaped — and limited — by what is expected of them," the committee says.
  - Expect some confusion to be part of the learning process, but emphasize that effort, not ability, is what counts.
  - Avoid conveying negative attitudes toward math.
  - Ask what your child did in math class today.
  - Expect your child's homework to include more than simple computational work sheets.
  - Give your child meaningful problems that use numbers or shapes/words you are going about everyday life.
  - Advocate using a regular time each school day for math.
  - Support professional development such as in-service education for teachers.

### Problem for teachers

Some experts worry that U.S. math teachers don't know enough basic math. To test this, a University of Wisconsin-Madison education professor who taught a class for prospective elementary school math teachers gave them an eighth-grade-level problem to gauge their expertise. The problem: Divide 25.56 by 0.004. Fewer than half of them got the right answer, 6.390.

### How to help your kids

Here are some tips for parents and caregivers on how to help children with math, suggested in

or drill-and-kill math, as critics might put it. The idea is that you must know the basics and the traditional methods of solving problems. For students to be successful at any grade, they need to get basic skills down and, rather than trying to learn things on their own, benefit from the wisdom of centuries of math scholarship.

The constructivists argue that the traditional approach leaves too many students behind, and those students become adults who aren't shy about saying they were never good at math. They often ask: Does anyone ever say they can't play D&Ds in the back seat of the car? Miller said.

Jim Barry agrees that laptops have advantages that transcend writing term papers.

"You can play video games," he said, "and nobody else knows it."

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Marsha Miller of Middlebury, Ind., samples orange-flavored Craisins at a display run by Kathleen Davis, left, and Howie Williams, at the American School Food Service Association's national convention last month. School lunch menus are dictated by recommendations from the federal Department of Agriculture, which has a base of breads and grains discouraged by some low-carb diets.

## Your children's school lunch still contains carbs

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Low-carb diets like Atkins and South Beach are changing the contents of grocery stores and the orders at fast-food restaurants. But for now still recommends six to 11 servings of breads and grain, an amount discouraged by some low-carb diets.

School lunch menus are dictated by recommendations from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It's the creator of the Food Guide Pyramid, which is currently under review but for now still recommends six to 11 servings of breads and grain, an amount discouraged by some low-carb diets.

While food service administrators are looking for healthier choices than fat-laden and fish sticks, low-carb options aren't common in schools.

Some doctors say such diets aren't appropriate for growing children and active teenagers. But as America's struggle with childhood obesity continues, clients snack on fresh, whole fruit, she said, low-carb candy bars are better than the regular variety because they contain less sugar. Her clients bring low-carb options to school, tucked away in lockers and backpacks, because they aren't available in vending machines.

## Buhl secondary schools hold registration this week

The Times-News

New students should plan to register Thursday from 1-4 p.m. All grades may register Thursday from 6-8 p.m.

At the high school, seniors will register on 9 a.m. until noon on Wednesday, and juniors from 1-4 p.m. Sophomores will sign up Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon and freshmen from 1-4 p.m.

New students will register Friday from 8 a.m. until noon.

## Hilltop Adventist accepts registrations for upcoming year

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Hilltop Adventist School is accepting students for the upcoming school year.

For a pre-registration packet, call 734-0799, Ext. 2, Hilltop Adventist offers ac-

## Magic Valley Senior Games Event Schedule

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EVENT	DATE & TIME	LOCATION
Pinochle	August 26 - 1 p.m.	Twin Falls Senior Center
Assisted Living Walk	August 27 - 8 a.m.	Miracle Hot Springs/Iwy 30
Half Marathon: 10K, 5k	August 25 - 6 p.m.	Twin Falls Bridge Center
Party Bridge	August 26 - 7 p.m.	Twin Falls Bridge Center
Duplicate Bridge	August 26-29	Bowladrome
Bowling	August 28 - 10 a.m.	YMCA/City Pool
Water Aerobics	August 28 - 11 a.m.	YMCA/City Pool
Arthritis Water Aquatics	August 28 - 10 a.m.	YMCA/City Pool
Track and Field	August 28 - 8:30 a.m.	Twin Falls High School/Track
Swimming	August 28 - 12:30 p.m.	YMCA/City Pool
PICNIC	AUGUST 28 - 12 NOON	YMCA/CITY POOL
Golf	August 29 - 8:30 a.m.	Clear Lakes Country Club - Buhl
Bicycle	August 28 - 9 a.m.	700 N. 23rd E.
Tennis	August 28 - 8 a.m.	Twin Falls High School Courts

Join us for a Picnic! Saturday, Aug. 28 YMCA City Pool Noon • Lunch Hosted by Subway

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For registration forms or more information, contact: Bill Hart 543-4451 Debbie Tucker 734-2336 E-mail: chart@pmt.org

## Laptop

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systems believe they're important enough that all students should have them. Voters in Maine passed a \$37.2 million initiative three years ago to buy laptops for every seventh- and eighth-grader in the state, and that initiative has cost 3,000 students and 3,000 teachers.

Similar programs are in place in Henrico County Va., and at Evergreen Valley High School in San Jose, Calif. A few Massachusetts schools also tried similar programs.

"I don't see that happening in Idaho anytime soon without some kind of major grant like the Albenson Foundation did a

few years ago to provide computers for schools in Idaho," Miller said. "That was really the start of computer education in Idaho schools."

Aside from money, there are other obstacles. Because they use radio waves, Wi-Fi sites are not secure, meaning that anybody within range can pick up the signal.

And to use a wireless system effectively, teachers need to be up to speed on the technology. Most aren't yet, Miller says.

Until all that happens, he counsels parents to think carefully about whether they really need to buy their kids a laptop.

"Is portability really some-

thing that a student needs?" he said. "What are they going to use the laptop for that they couldn't do with a desktop computer?"

"I know people who've bought their kids laptops so they can play DVDs in the back seat of the car," Miller said.

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SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Center

530 Shoshone St. W.  
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. The cost is \$5 for non-seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
Pool room - open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading.  
Bargain Center will be open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Monday:** Cheeseburgers, potato chips, macaroni salad, fruit salad, cheese cake  
**Tuesday:** Spaghetti, green beans, tossed green salad, french bread, coffee, fruit  
**Wednesday:** Cheese enchiladas, refried beans, Spanish rice, fruit salad, dessert  
**Thursday:** Baked potato bar, dessert  
**Friday:** Fish or chicken, potatoes, veggies, spinach salad, bread, carrot cake

**Activities:**  
**Tuesday:** Dance  
**Monday:** Ticket Tuesday blood pressure  
**Tuesday:** Quilting Elk's Card Club  
**Pot clinic**  
**Wednesday:** Center pinocchle  
**Thursday:** Quilting blood pressure  
**Lunch bingo**  
**NO exercise**  
**Friday:** Paricake breakfast, 8-11 a.m.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl  
**Monday:** Roast-pork-dinner  
**Tuesday:** Cook's choice  
**Wednesday:** Spaghetti, green beans, french bread, garlic bread, mixed fruit, tapoca pudding  
**Wednesday:** French dip sandwich, fries, salad, fresh fruit, cookie  
**Thursday:** Meat loaf, baked potatoes, carrots, Jell-O, blueberry cobbler

**Activities:**  
**Tuesday:** Buffet, 1 p.m. Seniors, \$4, under 60, \$4.50.  
**Monday:** Exercise, 10 a.m.  
**Cards:** 6-9 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Crafts:** 7-9 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Exercise, 10 a.m.  
**Farmer's market:** 5-7 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Friday:** Exercise, 10 a.m.

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St.  
Dinners served at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals are available each mealtime.  
**Tuesday:** Baked ham loaf  
**Thursday:** Beef patty

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.  
All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.  
**Monday:** Chicken nuggets, potatoes and gravy, Calif. blend veggies, green salad, fruit, cookies  
**Tuesday:** Sweet and sour pork over rice, cranial veggies, Jell-o w/ fruit, pineapple upside down cake  
**Wednesday:** Pepper steak over rice, peas and carrots, fruit, bread, birthday cake  
**Thursday:** Beef stroganoff over noodles, creamed corn

Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden  
Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon rolls and fruit, dessert

maple bar bake days.

**Tuesday:** Spaghetti, green beans, salad, fruit, cookies, garlic bread  
**Thursday:** Chef salad, ice cream, fountains  
**Wednesday:** Bake Day Bingo, 7 p.m.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert  
Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Monday:** Assorted salad, finger steaks, fries, carrots, Texas toast, pudding  
**Tuesday:** Broccoli salad, chicken and rice, green beans, rolls, cobbler  
**Wednesday:** Tossed salad, stuffed peppers, corn, biscuits, ice cream  
**Thursday:** Cottage cheese, grilled cheese, veggie soup, chowder  
**Friday:** Smorgasbord

Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Senior Ave.  
All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.  
**Monday:** Meatloaf, potatoes and gravy, green beans, cottage cheese, pineapple, bread, cake  
**Tuesday:** Malibu chicken, baked potato, corn, penny carrot salad, bread, pudding  
**Wednesday:** Hot turkey sandwich, potatoes and gravy, brussels sprouts, coleslaw, custard  
**Thursday:** Pit ham, scalloped potatoes, mixed veggies, applesauce Jell-O, roll, cobbler

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley  
**Monday:** Spaghetti, green beans, tossed salad, bread, apricot crisp  
**Tuesday:** Barbecue rib sandwich, potato soup, three-bean salad, fruit, bun, cookie  
**Wednesday:** Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, mixed veggies, fruit salad, roll, rainbow cake  
**Thursday:** Ham quiche, roll, peas and carrots, miscellaneous salad, assorted desserts  
**Friday:** Sweet and spicy wings, parsley potatoes, country veggies, roll, fruit Jell-O, bread, pudding  
**Activities:**  
**Monday:** All play pool, 10 a.m.  
**Exercise:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Pinocchle:** 1 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** All-play pool, 10 a.m.  
**Exercise:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Dominoes:** 10 a.m.  
**Wednesdays:** class, 8 a.m.  
**Bingo:** 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** All-play pool, 10 a.m.  
**Exercise:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Pinocchle:** 1 p.m.  
**Thursday:** All-play pool, 10 a.m.  
**Exercise:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Friday:** All-play pool, 10 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Bingo:** 7 p.m.  
**Bingo:** 1 p.m.

The practical joke hall of fame

Anyone want to learn how to turn a jury-rig to a toilet? Or temporarily hog-tie a co-worker's computer mouse? Or make a car horn beep every time someone uses the brake? I just received a press release announcing that Tim Nyberg, also known as "the duct tape guy" is your man. He speaks to groups and has written a book titled "Practical Jokers Handbook." He's famous for sharing hundreds of tried and true methods to confound and confuse your family, friends, co-workers and even total strangers.



LIFE AND TIMES Denise Turner

I think of lots of things I'd rather do with those around me, but I've always been the nice little girl who's afraid somebody will get mad and she'll be a stunt on anyone. I don't know a people I know are not like that at all.

At my wedding, my own bridesmaids sneaked into my room, unpacked my honeymoon suitcase and filled it with marshmallows and a teddy bear. And some other friends of mine, at another wedding, wrote "I'll be in the bushes" on the sales of the groom's slues when they found out the couple would be kneeling at an altar. Even my own son, when he was in elementary school, used to go to his friend's house in the afternoon and turn on a speaker phone in an upstairs room to listen to an older brother's conversations with his girlfriend.

No doubt the duo used enevdrop-obtained information for blackmail on more than one occasion.

My son probably comes by his wayward ways honestly. My father and grandmother were legendary practical jokers. They were the type of people who just couldn't wait for Halloween to roll around.

My grandmother would take out her teeth and welcome the neighborhood children to her "spooky house," where they would do the blindfold thing and pass around grape eyeballs and spaghetti testines. And my father sat in the bushes by our front door wearing a glowing-in-the-dark mask. When the trick-or-treaters approached, he spoke just enough words to scare them to death.

I've read that actor George Clooney can one-up us in the practical joke department. In one interview, he talked about sending Julia Roberts a script with \$20 and a note saying, "I hear you get 20 a picture," and asking her if she would like to do the film. He also said he tried to place an ad in Variety maga-

zine nominating Matt Damon as the "Sexiest Man Alive" and making it look like Matt had paid for the ad himself.

I know that high schools are melting pots for practical jokers. It's the age group, I suppose. When my daughter was in high school, she came home telling all sorts of stories about practical jokes played on exchange students learning to speak the language.

One, who had been taught some English by his new "friends," ended up walking up to the biggest guy in class and asking, "Have you been to the bathroom lately?"

But maybe the best practical joke of all is one I would never have described as a practical joke. A friend of mine received a mailer from The Fellowship of Merry Christians, which reported that Easter Monday, for the early Christians, was a day of joy and laughter. For it was the day when everyone went to church to celebrate the "practical joke" that God played on Satan by raising Jesus from the dead.

Thus, the Christians would frolic till jokes and play merry pranks on each other, then feast on lamb.

The lamb part is still popular at Easter time, I think.

But who knows what happened to the rest of it.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

Dads hardly ever wake to check baby

The Associated Press

According to a recent poll by PricewaterhouseCoopers, 64 percent of mothers said that when their children cry at night, they're the ones who get up to comfort them. Only 16 percent share duties with Dad.

Among other findings:  
• Only 16 percent of moms get the eight hours of sleep they need to feel refreshed. More than 16 percent get less than six hours of sleep.  
• Twenty-two percent let their kids stay up late when Daddy isn't home.

Family news you can use

• The top four stalling tactics for kids when they don't want to go to bed: asking for a glass of water, asking for another story, complaining that the room is too dark or too light, and begging for another bathroom trip.

Advice for parents

If you've got children, you probably have a whole slew of books and articles that address the many health concerns that crop up with kids. But what

about those pesky questions that you don't want to keep asking the doctor?

Dr. Greene's Web site. A pediatrician on the clinical faculty at the Stanford University School of Medicine, Greene created the first physician Web site on the Internet in 1995. The site, which today includes a wealth of resources and information on children's health and well-being, is at www.dr-greene.com.

Dr. Greene.com is a cinch to navigate, and the site's soothing colors and graphics will immediately put you at ease.

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# COMMUNITY

Community Editor: Pat Marcantonia - 735-3288



Photo courtesy of the Spartan Chronicle

The Spartan Chronicle staff includes, from left: back: Geoff Joosten, co-editor and photo editor; Julie Chigbrow, reporter; Tamara Carrington, adviser; Alec Hale, reporter and production team member; Emmanuel Torres, artist; center: Travis Kaur, reporter; Bayley Phillips, co-editor and editorial manager; Melissa McManus, co-editor and production manager; Mag Hunt, reporter; Jashelle Gummow, reporter and production team member; and Josh Higley, sports editor; front: Krystal Schmidt, business manager, production team member and entertainment editor; and Kenya Anderson, reporter.

## Spartan staff ends year with win

**RUPERT** - The Spartan Chronicle, Minico High School's newspaper, received a first-place national award from the American Scholastic Press Association.

"This is the 14th school year in a row that Minico's journalism class has entered the competition. In the past, it earned nine first place awards and one second place.

The Spartan Chronicle competed in the category for high schools with 1,001 to 1,700 students. Publications are evaluated on content coverage, page design, general plan, ar-

advertising and illustrations, editing and creativity.

"The Spartan Chronicle is an excellent school newspaper, which shows the talent of the editors, reporters, writers, photographers, layout designers and adviser," commented one judge said.

"I am so proud of the Spartan Chronicle staff's accomplishments. The students work very well together," adviser Tamara Carrington said.

"I love working with the staff. We are all winners and now we have proof," said co-editor and

production manager, Melissa McManus.

"It has been an honor to be on such a hard working staff and be rewarded for our efforts makes it even better," said Bayley Phillips, co-editor and editorial manager.

The Spartan Chronicle has a circulation of 1,600. Each edition is provided free to every Minico student and faculty member.

This year, 22 local businesses helped support the journalism program by advertising in the newspaper.

## UI announces spring 2004 dean's list

**MOSCOW** The University of Idaho announced the names of 2,535 students who made the dean's list for the spring semester, January through May.

**Area students on the list are:**

**Bellefour:** College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Christina West.

**Buhl:** College of Education, James Lasser, College of Law, Melissa Kippes, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Hilary Grant and Sonny Thorneburn, College of Natural Resources, Krystal Westgren.

**Burley:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Jeff Burger and Isabel Conley, College of Engineering, Aron Hammer, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Jeany Wade, and College of Science, Luke Edwards.

**Castledale:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Malorie Graybill, and College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Lee Graybill and Nader Graybill.

**Filler:** College of Education, Michelle Pevsner, College of Law, Tyson Nelson, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Steven Clark, and College of Science, Susan Lepper.

**Gooding:** College of Business and Economics, Joel Dewey, College of Engineering, Christopher Carter, College of Law, Madison Norton, and College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Elizabeth Brown.

**Hagerman:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Bryce Johnson.

**Hailey:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Kristina Gallup and Amy Heston, College of Business and Economics, Timothy Martin and Lina Pasley, College

of Education, Julie Nordstrom, College of Engineering, Paul Nathan and Collin Lee, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Amanda Engel, Alan Kelsey, Christopher Martin and Jacob Sheehon.

**Hansford:** College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Lindsay Kincaid and Sara Nelson.

**Idaho:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Kimberly Gendron, Becky Klames, Hannah Woodell and Heather Van, College of Business and Economics, Sean Deaton and Christopher Leppert, College of Education, Ryan Dehl and Grant Mc, College of Engineering, Luca Arthurs, Christopher Hogan, Karm Marshall, Laura Marshall and Collin Peterson, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Nico Ayala, Hillary Clatterton, Heather DeWick, Casey Emerson, Ryan Gaege, Arlova Jones, Craig Manning, Philip O'Connor, Derek Peery, John Van Ciewen, and Tyler Steverson, and College of Natural Resources, Ava Hande and Kevon Brewster.

**Ketchum:** College of Business and Economics, Cherrie Vahli.

**Kimberly:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Amy Jeddensen, Matt Nelson, and Ryan Wells, and College of Engineering, Bryan Bie.

**Malta:** College of Science, Amanda Chubb.

**Murtaugh:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Brandon Bohn.

**Oakley:** College of Education, Scott Wright.

**Paul:** College of Engineering, Skylee Washington.

**Rupert:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Kerly Ball, College of Business and Economics, McKenna Parkin and Laurie Stewart, College of Engineering,

William Goodman, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Brian Conant, Scott Teboack and Eric Maloney, and College of Science, Connor Berensberg and Sallie Sallie.

**Shoshone:** College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Shayla Wolfes.

**Sun Valley:** College of Education, Christina Bond, and College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Paul Under.

**Twin Falls:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Esott Irla, Chase Landig, Corral Mae, Angela Kautzner, Belva A Wood and Abby Burges, College of Business and Economics, Inana Allen, Anna Kammannsen, Albert Roff, Leah Smith and Erin Lertle, College of Education, Melodie Baldwin, Leah Gannell, Matthew Nelson, Holly Owsing, David Nidberg, Debra Vils, Sharon Bolina, Jennifer Irla and Ryan Spitzer, College of Engineering, Andrew Grif, John Bush, Lisa Lovel, Charles Moudie, Jennifer Neelberg and Nicholas Waters, College of Law, Megan Traphan, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Paige Allen, Kelsey Barabou, Alexandra Gail, Ellet Lepperson, Mary Teuchtrains, Benjamin Hays, Lisa Jordan, Sarah Foster, Chara-prior Lashers, Kalyssa Tull, Victoria Meade, Maribela Nieto, Deborah Sigler, Jonathan Stoddard, James Hucker, Jerry Ward and William Beavall, and College of Science, Brett Bingham and Brooke Jarrett.

**Wendell:** College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Janna Jones, College of Business and Economics, Megan Landers, Dana Hampton and Tom Beumann, College of Education, William Meyer, College of Letters Arts and Social Sciences, Javed Ashmad and Robert Wofford, and College of Science, Brenda Cantrell.

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## STORK REPORT

**Magie Valley Regional Medical Center**

**Kennedy June Hoover**, daughter of Cindy June Vincent and Twin Falls, was born Monday, July 12, 2004.

**Alliah Adame**, daughter of Sandra Nava and, was born Saturday, July 17, 2004.

**William James Botch** and **Anthony Henry Botch**, twin sons of Michelle Lynn and Jonathan Henry Botch of Twin Falls, were born Sunday, July 18, 2004.

**Ambree Nova Arrington**, daughter of Emily Dee Nova and Bryan Lewis Arrington of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, July 20, 2004.

**Janelle Ann Tenze Dupree**, daughter of Christie Dawn and Joseph Paul Dupree of Jerome, was born Tuesday, July 22, 2004.

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**LeAnna Renae Reese**, daughter of Krystal Amber Reese of New Salem, Ill., was born Tuesday, July 20, 2004.

**Samantha Kay Slippey**, daughter of Amy Lou and Cory Alan Slippey of Burley, was born Tuesday, July 20, 2004.

**Anissa Andrea Cantu**, daughter of Ernestine and Rene Cantu of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, July 21, 2004.

**Stryder Michael Taylor**, son of Mary Teresa and John Michael Taylor of Jerome, was born Wednesday, July 21, 2004.

**To announce a birth** Send a copy of the birth certificate to: **Pat Marcantonia**, The Community Page, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303. Or fax to: 734-5538. Deadline: noon Tuesday for Sunday's paper; and noon Friday for Tuesday's paper. **More information?** Call Jami at 735-3278.

**2004.**

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**Feras John Slack**, son of Tracy Marie and Nathan Arthur Slack of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, July 24, 2004.

**Emilio Roberto Ortiz**, son of Amanda Lee and Felipe Ortiz-Huertas of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, July 24, 2004.

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**Ashton Roy Coats**, son of Margie Andrea and Raymond Todd Coats of Twin Falls, was born Sunday, July 25, 2004.

**Karlee Kate Beck**, daughter of Tammi Lynn and Michael Jay Beck of Burley, was born Monday, July 26, 2004.

**Evelyn Valencina**, daughter of Marina and Maria Valencina of Shoshone, was born Monday, July 26, 2004.

**Isaac David Adams**, son of Heather Elisabeth and Tyson Isaac Adams of Twin Falls, was born Monday, July 26, 2004.

**St. Benedict's Family Medical Center**

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## Job's Daughters honors new queen

**TWIN FALLS** - Shiam Johns, daughter of Jerry and Christine Johns, will be installed as honored queen of Bethel 56, International Order of Job's Daughters at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Masonic Temple, 883 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Other elected officers to be installed are: Jessie Jensen, senior princess; Tami Craig, junior princess; Katie Carr, guide; and Ashley Jenkins, marshal.

Appointed officers are Corey Mason, chaplain; Janelly Beita, recorder; Brianna Hanson,



Shiam Johns

treasurer; Robyn Everton, librarian; Anjela Carr, musician; Jennifer Bemis, outer guard; and Kristie Johnson, inner guard.

Halley Beita will serve as the installing officer, assisted by Sara Webster, Shasta Magee, Jennifer Bemis, Robin Mason, Brooke Jardine,

## Sailors are assigned to guided missile destroyer

**Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class** William C. Wood, son of Lumny A. Holton of Elko, Nev. and Christopher M. Wood of Carlin, Nev.

**Navy Seaman** Nicholas V. Fugate, grandson of Doris Izaguirre of Elko, Nev., are assigned to the guided missile destroyer USS Russell, homeported in San Diego, have completed an at-sea anti-terrorism exercise in the Philippine and South China Seas.

Their ship conducted joint naval exercises with the countries of Singapore, Thailand, Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia,

and the Philippines. "The training was part of Southeast Asia Cooperation Against Terrorism (SEACAT)," a scenario-driven exercise that involved the tracking and boarding of simulated rogue merchant ships.

Wood is a 2001 graduate of Elko High School and joined the Navy in September 2001. Fugate is a 2002 graduate of Elko High School and joined the Navy in September 2002.

training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif., which is designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

In addition to the physical conditioning program, Barnes spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments, which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, maintenance of M16-style combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

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## Marine Corps training

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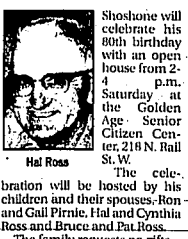
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The celebration will be hosted by his children and their spouses, Ron and Gail Pirnie, Hal and Cynthia Ross and Bruce and Pat Ross.

The family requests no gifts.

The event is hosted by her children, Rex and Sandra Kier, Bill and Kathy Groves and Ron and Peggy Carr.

**Dorus Society meets, plans fair booth**

**RUPERT** - The Dorus Society will meet at the Lutheran Church in Rupert next Wednesday.

The meeting was called to order by President Janet Draper who welcomed the members and guest Dee Poovey.

Christian Life chairman Helen Rogers led the program. Several members presented a devotional on Independence Day.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Olga Jarolimek and Betty Martin.

Committee and circle reports were given and plans were finalized for the "Inflatable Booth" at the Minidoka County Fair in August.

Members-at-large for July were Betty Martin and Deloris Thae. The birthday song was sung by Deloris Thae, Sherrie Prien and Diane Paulson.

The Mite Box Devotion was led by Ronda Rogers.

## Tools for Fitness promotes exercise

**TWIN FALLS** - The Boys and Girls Club of Magie Valley, YCCA, Salvation Army, 4-H and Twin Falls City Parks and Recreation are teaming up for Tools for Fitness to promote the benefit of exercise and healthy eating habits.

The next session will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Participants will meet at the Twin Falls City Pool and then will be bussed to other locations for swimming, soccer and gym

## Open house honors 80th birthday of T.F. woman

**TWIN FALLS** - Jean Carr of Twin Falls will celebrate her 80th birthday with an open house from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 8 at the Valley Vista Village, 653 Rose St. N.

The family requests no gifts.

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## ANNIVERSARIES

### THE WILLETTS

**DECLIO** — Jodee and Oleta Willett of Declo and Malta will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at the Allhion City Park.

Willett and Oleta Rice were married Aug. 7, 1954, in Lovelock, Nev.

They have lived in Malta and Declo. They both worked at their dairy in Malta and at Shakers Bar in Declo.

The couple has been active in a country music band that plays at Shakers Bar, which they also own in Declo.

### THE HOPWOODS

**BUIH** — Dale and Alice Hopwood of Buhl will be honored at an open house for their 70th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at the Senior Citizens Center, 1010 Main St., Buhl. The couple requests no gifts other than your friendship.

The couple was married Aug. 8, 1934, in Holdrege, Neb. They moved to Buhl in 1941. He farmed and later worked for Rangens, retiring in 1980. She has been a housewife and devoted her time to raising the family.

The event is hosted by their children, Clarence (Bonnie) Hopwood of Eugene, Ore., Allen (Dorlen) Hopwood of Gooding, Cecil (Joyce) Hopwood of Kimberly, Marvin (Maggie) Hopwood of Vancouver, Wash., Norma (Boby) Chandler of Buhl, Jack



Jodee and Oleta Willett

children, Levon (Jennifer) Willett of Malta, Doug Willett and Kelli Malloy of Declo and Tom Willett of Twin Falls.

The couple has 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.



Alice and Dale Hopwood

(Carolyn) Hopwood of Kimberly, Eugene (Lucas) Hopwood of Twin Falls, Carol (Bob) Turner of Buhl and Jerry (Linda) Hopwood of Broadwater, Neb., and also special friends of the couple, Jim and Linda Schrader of Eagle and Steve and Margaret Harp of Twin Falls.

The couple has 36 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

### THE METCALFS

**EDEN** — Ronald and Nellie Metcalf of Eden celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary at an open house on Sunday, July 25, at the Eden Senior Center.

The couple was married June 1, 1953.

They have lived in Eden all their married lives. He worked as bookkeeper for Jones Land and Feed in Eden. She taught first grade for 53 years at Valley School.

Their children include Tammi (Doug) Beames, Carolyn (Alan) Lee, Connie (Chris) Morin, Ron-



Ronald and Nellie Metcalf

nie (Denise) Metcalf, Kent (Laura) Metcalf and Jolinda (John) Solusabal.

## ENGAGEMENTS

### DODDS-SYBROWSKY

**TWIN FALLS** — Terry and Catherine Dodds of Twin Falls announced the engagement of their daughter, Caroline Margaret Dodds, to Jacob Prior Sybrowsky, son of Paul and Lynn Sybrowsky of Provo, Utah.

Dodds is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and Brigham Young University. She is employed as an elementary school teacher in Provo.

Sybrowsky is a graduate of BYU. He will continue his education at BYU pursuing a master's degree in family finance. He served an LDS Mission in a Korean-speaking mission in California.

The wedding is planned for



Jacob Sybrowsky and Caroline Dodds

Thursday, Aug. 3, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. A reception will be held Aug. 3 in Provo. A reception also will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14, at the Dodds residence in Twin Falls.

### CALL-HUNT

**TWIN FALLS** — *Boy and Judy* Call of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Julianna Call, to Brandon Howard Hunt, son of Jon and Connie Hunt of Kimberly.

Call is a 2001 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is currently studying music at Idaho State University.

Hunt is a 2001 graduate of Kimberly High School. He served an LDS mission to Washington D.C. He is planning to study psychology at ISU.

The wedding is planned for Thursday, Aug. 5, in the Beautiful LDS Temple in Bountiful, Utah. A



Julianna Call and Brandon Hunt

reception will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6, at the Call residence in Twin Falls.

The couple will reside in Pocatello.

### SHAWVER-CALKINS

**HAZELTON** — Gret and Nancy Shawver of Hazelton announce the engagement of their daughter, Annie Shawver, to Michael Calkins, son of Don and Sherry Calkins of Notus.

Shawver is a graduate of Valley High School and Treasure Valley Community College. She will continue her education through Eastern Oregon University as a business major.

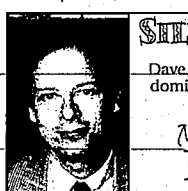
Calkins is a graduate of Notus High School and Treasure Valley Community College. He is employed as the sales manager at Mobile Communications in Fruita, Ind.

The wedding is planned for



Michael Calkins and Annie Shawver

Friday, Aug. 6, in the Boise LDS Temple. A reception will be held in their honor from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at the Hazelton LDS Church.



### SILLY RABBIT!

Dave Barry takes on the male-dominated world of breakfast cereal characters.

**MONDAY IN IMAGE**

## ENGAGEMENTS

### HATCH-PAUL

**RUPERT** — Mr. and Mrs. Rick L. Sawyer of Mackay and Miz and Mrs. Russ C. Hatch of Weston announce the engagement of their daughter, Tiffany Lynn Hatch, to Jonathan Wells Paul, son of Susan K. Paul and Robert Paul, both of Rupert.

Both Hatch and Paul are attending the College of Southern Idaho. They plan to reside in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 6, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Acaquia LDS Church, 20403



Jonathan Paul and Tiffany Hatch

Fifth in Acquia. An open house will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21, at the Leslie LDS Church in Leslie.

### SAGERS-KINGHORN

**BURLEY** — Joe and Sherre Sagers of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Lacey Sagers, to Kurt Kinghorn, son of David and Gerrie Kinghorn of Igby.

Sagers is a graduate of Burley High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho and Brigham Young University-Idaho. She is employed at Archibald Reece Realty in Igby.

Kinghorn is a 2000 graduate of Igby High School. He served a two-year LDS mission in the Ohio Cincinnati Mission. He will continue his education in dentistry at BYU-Idaho.



Kurt Kinghorn and Lacey Sagers

The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 6, at the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at the Burley LDS Institute.

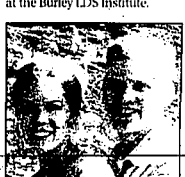
### WARD-JOHNSON

**IGBY** — Brent and Jodi Ward of Igby and formerly of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Kara J. Ward, to Nick Don Johnson, son of Nedra Johnson of Portland, Ore., and Donald Johnson of St. George, Utah.

Ward attended Boise State University.

Johnson attended Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. He is employed at BYU in Provo.

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Kara Ward and Nick Johnson

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## Intelligent memory vs. ordinary memory

### The Gazette

**COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.** — Good news for the absent-minded: Just because you can't remember where you left your car keys doesn't mean you can't be a great thinker.

That's because there's ordinary memory—the faculty we use to recall names, dates and other facts, and there's intelligent memory.

Intelligent memory, says Dr. Barry Gordon, is working for us all the time. It's the mental engine that powers problem-solving and creativity, that makes the connections that enable us to enjoy life.

come up with a new invention.

Bridal Registry	
Lain Mitchell & David Barthone August 16th	Kate Darrington & Ty Cammion August 27th
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Amber Ginnery & David Donville August 27th	Emilia Hupworth & Joshua Band August 28th

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## ACE Bridal Registry

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### THE OVERACRES

**KIMBERLY** — Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sam Overacre of Kimberly will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 6 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 8, at 525 Jefferson St. in Kimberly. The couple requests no gifts other than your friendship and love.

Overacre and Flora Ruth Krumm were married Aug. 1, 1954, at the Methodist Church in Hagerman.

They have lived in Kimberly for the last 30 years, where they started their own business, Overacre Insurance Agency. The event is hosted by their



Flora and Sam Overacre

children, Trina (George) Flew of Kimberly, Edith (John) Overacre of Twin Falls, David (Christina) Overacre of Kimberly and Janey (Chuck) Knapp of Twin Falls.

They have 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

### THE SELLERSES

**HAZELTON** — Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sellers of Hazelton will be honored at an open house for their 50th anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 8, at the Anderson Campground in Eden.

Sellers and Wilma Thornton were married Aug. 20, 1954, in Hazelton, where they have been longtime members of the farming community.

He farms with his son, Rob, and nephew, Randy Sellers. When she is not helping on the farm, she is a substitute teacher with the Valley School District. They have three sons, Monte



Bob and Wilma Sellers

(Lamine) Sellers of Jasper, Ind., Lonnie (Susan) Sellers of Sionhouse, Wash., and Rob (Tara) Sellers of Eden. They have five grandchildren.

### THE ALLISONS

**JEROME** — The children of Wilford and Carol Allison of Jerome announce an open house to celebrate their parents' 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 8, at the home of Luree and Brent Evans, 369 West Grande Court, Twin Falls. No gifts, please.

Allison and Carol Bush were married Aug. 8, 1954, at the Jerome Presbyterian Church.

They missed their four children in Jerome, where they still reside. The event is hosted by their children, Steve (Marilee) Allison,



Wilford and Carol Allison

Ken (Chris) Allison, Debbie (Les) Drake and Luree (Brent) Evans. The couple has eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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## Magic Valley's first airplane flight

### Strange potato discovered after a forced landing

The people of our area saw their first "acroplane" flight just about 10 years after Orville and Wilbur Wright made their historic heavier-than-air flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C., and about nine years after Twin Falls had sprung into existence.

The flight took place in the fall of 1913, as part of the "Great Oh-adi Festival" — also known as the Southern Idaho Fair and Carnival. The main feature of the three-day Oh-adi was the regular county agricultural fair, but it also included other wholesome diversions, such as city band concerts, baseball games, dances at the corner of Main and Shoshone and a "grand automobile parade."



TALES OF THE TRACT James Varley

That Friday afternoon of Sept. 18, the weather was perfect for a flight, and a huge crowd was present at the ball field. "Bird man" Bell started promptly on schedule, taking off in his "spindly machine" from immediately in front of the grandstand.

For about 30 minutes, said the *Twin Falls News*, he made "spirals, circles and glides enough to convince the most skeptical of the value of the flying machine."

The plane sometimes reached a thousand feet in the air, where "the slight figure of the doctor, balanced on his small support, seemed only part of a great bird, which was pursued in its steady flight by real birds attracted by its unusual appearance. Aside from the steady hum of the big eight cylinder motor, which drove the plane, there was little difference in the flight of bird and man-driven machine."

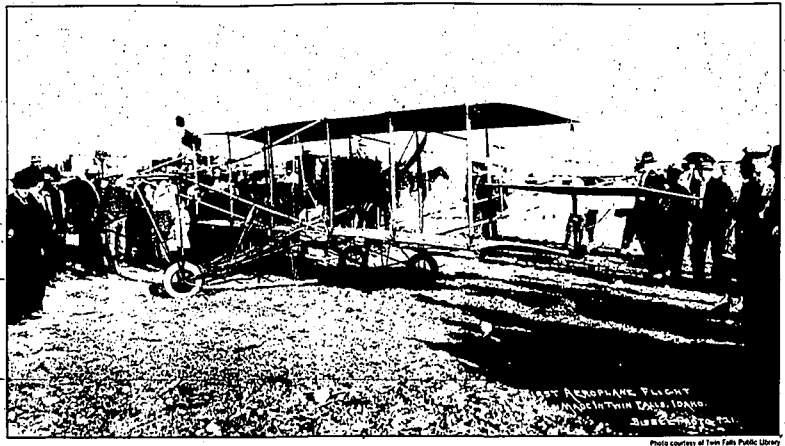
But when Bell attempted to land his plane in the small ball park, his speed was too great to permit a safe touchdown.

Passing only 50 feet above the heads of the spectators, the plane sailed on westward and disappeared amid the housetops.

Bell's intent was to return for another try at landing in the park, but a slight leak in the engine's water tank forced him to land the plane unexpectedly in Ben Ott's potato field, just west of town.

Bell knew all about landing amongst potatoes. Once before, at a frontier day celebration, he had tried to land at too fast a clip on a small ball field, like that at Twin Falls, and had banged spectacularly through a high board fence and plowed through a cluster of Indian reeds, before finally coming to a stop in a spud patch.

The aviator left his plane in Ott's field overnight and, on



First airplane to fly at Twin Falls, September 1913.

Saturday afternoon, tried to get it in the air for his next performance.

However, after several attempts he was obliged to use a nearby road for take-off. What with all the telephone and electric light poles skirting the road, it was a hazardous job, but Bell succeeded in getting up and gave his huge audience a perfect flight, ending with a smooth descent into the ball park.

A few days later, farmer Ott found a potato in his field, near the spot where the airplane had landed, that bore a "startling resemblance" to the plane.

The tuber was 8 inches long and, extending from each side — like on the plane — were two branches about 4 inches long. The potato was put on display at the Cress grocery store, said the *Twin Falls Times*, tongue in cheek: "The only moral to this story is that farmers should be more careful in allowing strange objects in their potato fields when tubers are in the ground, as there is no telling what may happen."

James Varley's newspaper columns are collected in a book entitled "Tales of the Tract: The Beginnings of Twin Falls, Idaho and the Magic Valley," sold by the *Twin Falls Public Library Foundation*.



Dr. Frank J. Bell in his Curtis biplane.

But without question, the flight of Dr. Frank J. Bell's fascinating flying machine proved to be "the most spectacular event of the fair."

Bell — described as a noted airplane expert — had come down with his Curtiss biplane from his home in Billings, Mont., to perform.

It isn't clear how he got the machine to Twin Falls. To avoid long cross-country flights, it probably came, partially disassembled, on a railroad flat car.

Bell was scheduled to fly on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 18 and 19, taking off and landing from the Twin Falls baseball field.

The field, complete with grandstand, was just then home to the Twin Falls "Magicians," an amateur baseball team that played in an independent southern Idaho league.

Bell was to take off immediately after the conclusion of a Magicians game against the semi-pro Ogden Utah team.

All of these on the grounds, who had paid 50 cents to see the ball game, were allowed to remain to see the flight free of charge.

Photo from *Twin Falls News* edition of Sept. 13, 1913

### From potato field to modern airport

On Sept. 4, 1927 — 14 years after Frank Bell landed in a Twin Falls potato field — Charles A. Lindbergh flew his "Spirit of St. Louis" low over the Twin Falls City Park and dropped a scroll bearing greetings to the townspeople. Several thousand had gathered to see the famous "Lone Eagle" who had, in May, flown solo from New York to Paris.

Lindbergh was making a three-month tour of the nation, and was en route from Salt Lake to Boise, where he made his only landing in Idaho, Twin Falls, at the time, had only a crude 100-acre airfield.

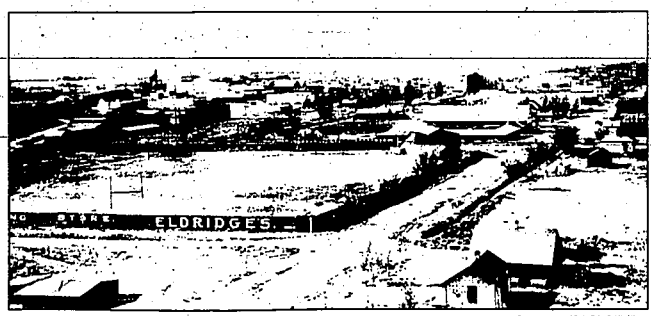
The following year, Lionel Dean, an aviation enthusiast, bought himself an open-cockpit biplane. To provide a safer place to land this first aircraft to be owned by

a local, Dean made a 1,320-foot dirt runway on his property south of Kimberly road, and east of the East Five Points.

By 1929, with community interest on the rise, 240 acres south of town were obtained for an airport. Two runways were made there, one of them about twice as long as Dean's.

But this airport ground sloped badly to the east, so, after World War II, the city obtained an 1,800-acre site to the northwest of it. Here a new, all-weather regional airport, called Joslin Field, was opened in 1948.

The field's name honors S/Sgt. Raymond R. Joslin, a local aviator who was killed on September 1942, while serving with a bomber squadron in the Solomon Islands.



The Twin Falls baseball field at Second Avenue South, between Fifth and Sixth Streets South (Ketchum South and Liberty South), which is now the Latham Motors property.

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