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Rematch

Weaver looks for third term in office

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

JEROME — Although the aroma of Mexican food was enticing, Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver sat down to the table for more than a bite to eat.

The sheriff, who is up for reelection Nov. 2, pays regularly to the Silver and Gold Senior Center in Eden to talk with constituents.

On a recent Thursday, Therese Hanson, site manager of the senior center, took a break from serving food to offer up the reason she's voting for him.

"Probably integrity," she said. "Where links over here on the east end. At least we know we'll be taken care of. The other guys probably don't even know where we're at."

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Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver talks with visitors to the Silver and Gold Senior Center in Eden recently. Weaver is seeking a third term in office.

Ex-sheriff seeks to oust the man who unseated him

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

JEROME — The east living room wall of the Silver home used to be covered with plaques and certificates from George "Pee Wee" Silver's more than three decades in law enforcement.

"After a few years, my wife got tired of looking at them. We replaced them by things that are more valuable — more photos of our children and grandchildren."

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George "Pee Wee" Silver III talks Thursday at his home about growing up in Jerome County. He's running for sheriff against incumbent Jim Weaver, who unseated Silver in 1996.

Spaniard becomes Monopoly champ

The Associated Press

TOKYO — A Spanish lab technician needed only two hours to amass a small real estate fortune and drive a Norwegian mutual fund manager's railroad empire into bankruptcy to capture the World Monopoly Championship on Saturday.

Antonio Zafra Fernandez, 36, of Madrid pumped his fist in the air after he bested Norwegian Bjorn Andenes of Oslo in the beloved board game to take home the \$15,140 prize — equal to the amount of play money in a Monopoly set.

"I'm extremely happy and so proud," Fernandez said after hoisting a giant winner's check in the air. He said he and his wife would spend the prize money on a new car, but added: "It's not about the money. It's going home as a champion, which doesn't happen often in a person's life."

Andenes, who had won his Rocky Balboa boxer shorts in training and prepared by memorizing engine probabilities from a study guide on the Internet, did not have the luck of the dice in the end.

"Luck was the deciding factor," said Phil Orleans, the tournament's chief judge from the United States.

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Antonio Zafra Fernandez, 36, of Madrid, plays in the World Monopoly Championship in Tokyo on Saturday.

Afghan election gets thrown into chaos

The Washington Post

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Afghans packed polling stations on Saturday for a historic presidential election — that was blighted when all 15 candidates opposing U.S.-backed interim President Hamid Karzai withdrew, charging the government and the U.N. with fraud and incompetence.

In the end, faulty ink — not Taliban bombs and bullets — threatened three years of painstaking progress toward democracy. The opposition candidates claimed the ink used to mark people's thumbs rubbed off too easily, allowing for mass deception.

Electoral officials rejected opposition demands that voting be stopped at midday, saying it would rob millions of people of their first chance to directly elect their leader, and the joint U.N.-Afghan panel overseeing the election would rule later on the vote's legitimacy.

Even if the vote is ultimately validated, Karzai's ability to unify this nation, fight rampant warlordism and crush a lingering Taliban insurgency in this nation of an estimated 25 million people might be fatally compromised if his opponents refuse to accept the results and



Afghan women wearing burqas line up to vote at a polling station in Kabul on Saturday.

insist that his rule is illegitimate.

But on Saturday, Afghans who braved the threat of violence to cast ballots were just happy to vote.

"I am old, but this vote is not just for me. It is for my grandchildren," said Nazko, 58, a widow who stood in line at a Kabul voting station. Like many Afghans, she uses only one name. "I want Afghanistan to be secure and peaceful."

But the controversy nonetheless cast a pall over what had been a joyous day in Afghanistan. Millions of ethnically diverse Afghan voters crammed polling stations for an election aimed at bringing peace and prosperity to a country nearly ruined by more than two decades of war. Men and women voted at separate booths in keeping with this nation's conservative Islamic leanings.

Karzai — who is widely favored to win — said the law of the balancing was with electoral panel, but he added that, in his view, "the election was free and fair ... it is very legitimate."

"Who is more important, these 15 candidates, or the millions of people who turned out today to vote?" Karzai said. "Both myself and all these 15 candidates should respect our people — because in the dust and snow and rain, they waited for hours and hours to vote."

Taliban rebels got into a skirmish with U.S. troops that left at least 10 people dead.

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Mammograms

Idaho's mammography rate is among the lowest in the nation. Why?

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Twin Falls woman gives to community.

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Drop by the big Kiwanis feast.

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Winery adventure

Discover the history and scenery of the Owyhees and Jordan Valley.

Thursday

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"Forbidden Hollywood" comes to Twin Falls.

Friday

Third World crafts

The Menonites are hosting a show.

Saturday

Heat or eat?

How will low-income folks cope with a winter of \$50-a-barrel oil?

Sunday

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Cool with a small chance of showers developing. Highs from 53 to 59.
Tonight: Cool with diminishing shower chances. Lows from 35 to 41.
Tomorrow: Partly cloudy and mainly dry. Highs from 64 to 70.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly to mostly cloudy and cool. Perhaps a few rain showers. Highs from 56 to 62.
Tonight: Cool with some light night cooling. Lows from 32 to 38.
Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with a light breeze and mostly dry conditions. Highs from 61 to 67.

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Monday will be seasonably cool, mostly dry and partly cloudy.

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Table showing weather forecasts for various regional cities like Boise, Idaho Falls, Pocatello, etc.

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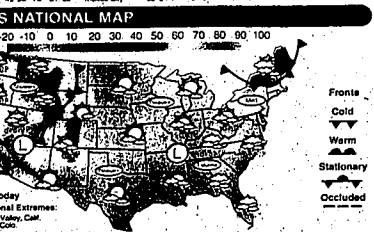
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Table showing weather forecasts for various international cities like London, Tokyo, Sydney, etc.

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Table showing weather forecasts for major Canadian cities like Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, etc.



Candidates

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Bush suggested that his administration might announce as early as December that it had found a way to ensure the safety of such drugs.

Monopoly

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Challenger

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Silver stood in the yard of his home south of Jerome Thursday, pointing between poplar trees to a house in the distance.
"That's where I was raised," he said.

George "Pee Wee" Silver III, Independent

Age: 53
Home: Jerome
Occupation: Reserve officer with the Jerome Police Department; manager of Keck's Plumbing & Salvage.
Education: Jerome High School and College of Southern Idaho graduate.
Experience: 22 years of full-time police work with a half-decade more part-time.

Afghan

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"Freedom is powerful," Bush told a Republican breakfast fund-raiser. "Think about a soccer team where the young girls couldn't go to school, and their mothers were whipped in the public square, and today they're holding a presidential election."
It was a starkly different scene in Kabul, where the opposition candidates met at the house of Uzbek candidate Abdul Satar Sirat and signed a petition saying they would not recognize the vote results.

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Write-in candidate makes it a three-way race

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

Jerome County again jumped into the race for Jerome County sheriff, making the setup a familiar match among the three people who have filed to run so far.

Childers has launched several unsuccessful attempts to become the county's top law enforcement officer, including a bid during May's primaries, but ultimately upset.

"I ran in the primary and came in second out of a field of five candidates. I have no regrets, but I think I'm still going to give up. I think I have an awful lot to offer Jerome County."

He sees a significant difference between himself and the current sheriff, Jim Weaver. "I don't see what I have in common and I differ in any sense," he said. "We have different values, different ideas."

Among the differences is their personalities, he said.

Wayne Childers



Age: 58
Home: Jerome
Occupation: Deputy Police Officer, Wendell Police Department
Education: Associate's degree from CSI in law enforcement, POST certified, certified resource officer

Experience: 15 plus years in law enforcement. Six years at the Wendell Police Department, also worked as a deputy with the Jerome County Sheriff's Department and as a part-time deputy for Lincoln County.
Quote: "I believe I'm the better candidate. I don't have an ego to grind with anybody. I want Jerome County to have a better sheriff to have a positive future."

"I'm more open," he said. "I speak to everybody, I'm more accessible."

He said the fact that he has lived in the area all his life helps him understand the county's issues, but his outgoing personality is an added advantage.

"I like people," he said. Changes he wants to see in the department are putting officers

in positions that suit them. "We've got huge turnover," he said. "We've got to curb that. We're spending taxpayer money on training and not getting a return."

Better management and better control, he said, could solve some of those problems.

"You have to know your people and work with them," he said. "The key is management."

Jerome County has got some good officers. You need to prioritize correctly. The best skills officers portray, you need to use (those).

The Eden shooting of 2001 may be a factor in the election since many questions have been left unanswered, he said.

"Was it conducted right?" he posited. "Three people died. That's all that has to be said. That's not normal."

Although he acknowledged that not everything in law enforcement goes exactly according to plan, he said if he elected he would concentrate on careful planning of tactical situations. "Any situation will be thought out well," he said. "Safety is number one."

Also troubling about the Eden incident, he added, is the lack of available proof that the suspect, George Timothy Williams, was at all engaged in dealing drugs. "In my knowledge, there has never been any evidence Tim

was a drug dealer," he said. "You look at the Fourth Amendment. A person has a right to be secure in their own home."

Members of the Jerome County Sheriff's Department and Williams' were involved in the Jan. 3, 2001, shootout at Williams' home while officers were attempting to serve a search warrant for illegal drugs.

Williams and Jerome County deputies James Moulson, 30, and Phillip Anderson, 29, all died in the shootout.

juana was found at the scene. Citing his 15 years in law enforcement and his friendly manner, Childers said he's running again to offer voters another choice.

"I feel I offer the public a better candidate than those on the ballot," he said. "I have the desire, the qualifications and the experience."

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Jerome County Sheriff race: the issues

How would you deal with illegal drugs in the county?

Weaver: "In Jerome County we not only arrest them for any drug or paraphernalia (possession) or small amount of marijuana... but they also have an empowered and typed as evidence."

Childers: "More pressure, more patrol, better organization, better deployment and better training."

Childers: "There's been some complaints about patrolling on the Interstate. You've got enough deputies to go to one end and another end. We're not going to exclude the Interstate because that's where a lot of our problems are and that needs to be addressed. For should we stay just with the county. They interfere, but the higher priority should be on county roads."

Are county roads being sufficiently patrolled?

Weaver: "We are dispatched to the Interstate so we go there. If we need to go to Eden we get those number by going on the Interstate. The Interstate is, in Jerome County so ultimately we're responsible for everything in the county. He would like to have two additional patrol officers."

Childers: "I would put two full-time deputies in the Eden area, being there and working out of the substations. He said he would also increase the reserve program to have more deputies on patrol. "We need to put our officers in the county where crimes are occurring."

Childers: "I would get a hold of the budget and understand where we stand with it. Who spent what and where? I'd get a feel for how things are spent and see how we can make it to the end of the year. Then, I would have a department meeting and begin working with all officers. The key is management."

How would you handle the growing population and increasing diversity of the county?

Weaver: "We try to keep abreast of county affairs. I'm a member of the Chamber of Commerce. By attending these meetings you keep up on what new businesses are coming and what the changes are."

Childers: "Jerome County is changing and law enforcement must change with it. I would like to have more Hispanic officers. Hispanics' culture, ideas and thoughts are all part of the county and that has to be addressed and respected. But everybody has to obey the same law."

Childers: "I think there's an issue of trust. Some try to work with Weaver but it just doesn't seem to work well. The city and county should work very well together. If you're not working together, there's no transfer of information."

What are your main priorities?

Weaver: "What I would change if I had the power, I would make all drugs go away along with all traffic accidents that ruin people in our county. He would also continue with the child internet crime prevention program."

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Race

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Weaver held off Childers and three other challengers for the Republican nomination: Bryant Nelson, Larry Webb and Jerry Martinez.

Weaver came out on top with 1,024 votes, or 29.5 percent of the total. Childers came in second with 567 votes, netting 21.9 percent. Martinez got 402 votes, or 14.8 percent. Webb received 332 votes, or 13.2 percent, and Nelson got 277 votes, or 10.6 percent.

Childers also lost to Weaver in the 2000 general election as an independent candidate. With his name on the ballot, he captured 1,048 votes, or 29 percent, to Weaver's 992 votes, or 49 percent. Martinez also ran that year, capturing 23 percent of the votes.

Weaver and Silver will appear on the ballot next month. As of Oct. 18, Childers was the only person to file as a write-in candidate. Contenders have until Oct. 19 to file as write-ins.

If a voter writes in a candidate's name, he must also check the corresponding box. Write-in names of people who have not filed in time with the clerk's office will not be officially counted.

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Wednesday in Food & Home

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NATION

Bus crash kills 15 in Arkansas

Merion, Ark. (AP) — The lone bus belonging to a mom-and-pop tour operator careened off an interstate and overturned early Saturday, killing 15 Chicago-area travelers, many of them family and friends of the tour company owner. Witnesses told police the bus was drifting.

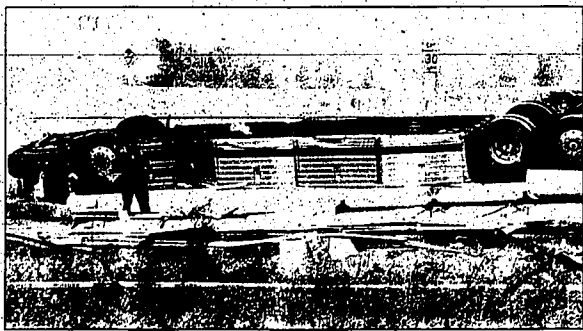
The bus, carrying the group to a weekend getaway at a Mississippi casino, was about 30 miles short of its destination in Tunica, Miss., when the crash happened about 5 a.m. on Interstate 55 in northeastern Arkansas, near Memphis, Tenn. Thirty-one people were aboard the bus, and the remaining 16 passengers all were injured. Some of the dead were found crushed beneath the vehicle after wrecker crews pulled it upright, state police spokesman Bill Sadler said.

Among the dead was the bus owner's brother, who had been driving. Witnesses told police the bus drifted off the road near a point where the interstate veers to take travelers into Memphis.

The bus, "just kind of faded over there," said Cpl. Mickey Strayhorn of the Arkansas State Police. "There was not really any erratic driving before this occurred."

A light mist was falling at the time of the crash, but visibility did not appear to be significantly limited, police said.

The impact tore off a section of the bus' roof, and emergency workers had to shear off the rest of the top to reach a trapped passenger.



Police inspect the scene of a fatal bus crash in Merion, Ark., Saturday, on Interstate 55. The driver of the tour bus and 14 passengers were killed in the crash. State police say the bus was carrying 30 Chicago tourists to a casino in Tunica, Mississippi, when it flipped over.

Tracks in the grass showed the bus veered straight rather than around the curve, then hit a ditch and flipped over. There were no skid marks.

"They had to cut it (the roof) free from the bus, but it was poked off more or less," Strayhorn said.

Other victims, thrown from the bus, were scattered among grass and weeds at an interstate exchange, along with popped-open suitcases and other belongings.

Sgt. David Moore, describing

the force of the impact, said it would be "similar to an explosion. There were people everywhere."

Assistant Fire Chief John Burns of West Memphis said when he and a crew of firefighters arrived at the scene, "there was nobody walking around — everybody was laying down."

"It wasn't the scene where you see everybody screaming and crying for help," Burns said.

State police had a partial list of passengers and were going through debris to identify the others.

Sadler said 15 people were dead, but he said later the number of victims was 14, though he could not account for the last of the 31 people on the bus. Fire officials said 13 people died at the scene and two others died at hospitals.

Witnesses and survivors told police the trip was uneventful, then "the next thing we knew we were off the road," Sadler said.

The bus went down a slight incline and flipped as it cut through a ditch, stopping about 100 yards from the highway.

Slaying center of debate over juvenile death penalty

St. Louis (AP) — Eleven years later, the chilling imagery of her sister's murder still makes Fernie Mitchell shiver.

During a hungry, two teens stretched duct tape across Shirley Cronk's mouth and eyes, then muscled her into her van. An hour later, the hogged woman was dumped off into the murky Meramec River.

"It makes your hands sweat, your stomach sick," Mitchell said, hoping for the day that Simmons is put to death. "I will be there. I will watch him die."

The execution is not certain, though. Using the Simmons case, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear arguments Wednesday on whether it is constitutional to execute killers who were juveniles when the crimes were committed.

The court agreed to hear the case after the Missouri Supreme Court last year struck down executions of juveniles and re-sentenced Simmons, now 28, to life in prison, deciding that such executions violate "evolving standards of decency."

Nineteen states allow execu-

tions of killers who were 16 or 17 at the time of the crime. Since the 1976 reinstatement of the death penalty, 22 people — 13 of them in Texas — have been executed for crimes committed as 16- or 17-year-olds.

The U.S. Supreme Court in 1989 barred the death penalty for these 15 and younger.

Simmons and his attorneys did not reply to interview requests. His advocates have said that executing people who kill as juveniles would be just as wrong as putting to death the mentally

challenged, a practice outlawed by the Supreme Court in 2002.

People less than 18 years old, they argue, don't have fully developed brains and are incapable of making rational decisions.

Mitchell believes Simmons, who was then 17, was old enough to know right from wrong.

Simmons' advocates argue that he led a tough life, from the time his parents separated. Abuse by a relative, they said, included tying him as a toddler to a tree for hours to keep him from wandering.

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Innocent husband loses wife

DEAR ABBY: I have seen letters in your column on signs of a cheating spouse. Allow me to offer a word of caution. The "guilty" husband or wife could very well be innocent.

A year and a half ago, I began working out at a nearby gym during my lunch hour. My wife, Connie, and I were both overweight when I started my exercise program. I ended up losing 55 pounds.

During this time, Connie was still gaining. When she'd complain about her weight, I tried to be supportive and reassure her that she was still attractive to me, but said that I was worried about her health. Connie knew I had the same concerns about my own health, and that's why I was trying to get into shape. Once I started, I discovered I enjoyed my exercise routine, including the hour a day I had to myself. (It took a 40-hour week, and I spent every other available moment with my wife and three young sons.)

After my weight came down, I needed new clothes and rewarded myself with a new wardrobe. Around the same time, I shaved off my beard and began sporting a new, shorter haircut that made me look years younger. I felt like a new man.

Connie became convinced I was having an affair and went out and had an affair of her own. Suddenly, my wife wanted to go "work out" or "go shopping" two or three evenings a week. I eagerly volunteered to watch our boys so Connie could



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

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enjoy the time to herself. Little did I know she was driving an hour out of state to have sex with a guy she met on the Internet. I was devastated when I found out. Connie told me she thought the reason I had been so accommodating was because I was cheating, so she was fighting fire with fire.

We are now in the process of divorce, and Connie is in therapy. The guy she was seeing is married with four children — so now two marriages are messed up. Please share my story with your readers, Abby. It can happen.

— LOST WEIGHT AND A WIFE IN WASHINGTON STATE

DEAR LOST: How sad. As your experience proves, people who fight fire with fire usually wind up with ashes. Your wife's self-esteem was so low, she assumed you had found someone more attractive. How much sorrow could have been avoided had she discussed her fears with you.

the phone because she wants to run around with her friends.

All I know is that I am married, and she's acting as if I don't count, only her friends do. How can I make her understand how much she is hurting me by ignoring me while I'm over here fighting?

— HEARTBROKEN SOLDIER IN IRAQ

DEAR HEARTBROKEN SOLDIER: If the woman you married is of normal intelligence, I'm sure she already knows it. It appears you have married someone who is either extremely immature or without priorities or conscience.

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Gemini will find it easy to make plans a reality

IF OCTOBER 10 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY ... there's nothing in the stars to hold you back this coming year. Jupiter, planet of abundance and blessings, will be in your sector of the zodiac and slow your will with opportunities to improve your life. You will be feeling younger than ever as spring arrives, when you should reach a long-term period of peace and prosperity and can successfully seek your dreams. Help from the planet Neptune is likely to aid your quest for romantic dreams all summer long.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 19): The seeds of unrest could prod you to jump into new activity without proper caution. Go ahead and make necessary changes to ensure things run smoothly, but put major projects on the back burner for careful consideration.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20): Where love and sexual affairs are concerned it is best to "wait and see" while the sun shines, and get out for some fun. Rest and relaxation now will prepare you for a tense week ahead.

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Those in your immediate circle could be filled with enthusiasm and brimming with optimism for the future. If easy for you to reach into your private bag of tricks and make plans a reality, as you are just the person to do the necessary research.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Others would have a change of heart or otherwise upset your apple cart. You are fascinated by the unusual, so spur-of-the-moment plans may be attractive. Have a good time but avoid becoming reckless unless you are looking for short-lived fun.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): A few surprises could be in store for you. New friends and entertainments could take center stage. Fascinating encounters with a new someone could set an exhilarating mood.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): It is a good time to experiment and

try on new looks and fresh ideas. Friends can brighten the domestic scene and provide thought-provoking perspectives. Learn techniques to make your workload easier.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): The exhilarating effect of making new contacts brightens your world and your charm is still at a peak. You and a partner can work together to make dynamic changes a reality and improve conditions close to home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take some time out for domestic bliss while congenial stars are still shining. Projects close to home might require your energy and attention. Get small tasks done and let the big ones wait.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The carousel of fun and excitement is slowing to a stop but you may have made memories

that you can treasure for months to come. It is time to act on objectives and reinforce recently formed friendships.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Preserve the feeling of open-mindedness in the air by adopting a more tolerant viewpoint and sticking to your guns. Make some promises to yourself about being generous toward others in need to come.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may need to restrain your happy-go-lucky style in the week ahead, so enjoy yourself today and kick up your heels. You are likely to be at the right place at the right time.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Your world revolves around significant others, so put some effort into pleasing your partner. A little TLC will work wonders, and bring the two of you closer.

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Man filming buildings pleads guilty to immigration charges

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — A man taken into custody after a police officer saw him videotaping Charlotte's skyscrapers has agreed to plead guilty to immigration charges.

Kamran Akhtar signed a deal Thursday agreeing to spend up to six months in prison before being deported to his native Pakistan.

"These are all immigration-related charges, and Mr. Akhtar

thought it was in his best interest to accept the plea offer and minimize his amount of prison time and expedite his departure to Pakistan," said his lawyer, George N. Miller.

Federal prosecutor Jack Knight said Friday that he had received the plea agreement and filed it with the U.S. District Court in Charlotte.

A hearing was scheduled for Tuesday at which Akhtar, 35, is

to formally plead guilty to charges of failing to leave the United States, making false statements and possessing false identification documents.

Federal authorities are still trying to determine whether the New York City resident has any links to terrorism. They have said he is not on any terrorism "watch" list, and Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge said in August that

he had not been tied to terrorism.

Miller said the plea agreement leaves the door open for prosecutors to bring additional charges if anyone uncovered in an investigation.

"If there was any terrorism-related activity, the government would have charged him with it," Miller said. "But there isn't."

Akhtar has been jailed since he was taken into custody July

20. Investigators found a videotape in his camera showing the 60-story Bank of America tower and the skyscraper that houses the Charlotte office of the FBI.

Other tapes in Akhtar's possession showed buildings and landmarks in Atlanta, New Orleans, Dallas, Houston and Austin, Texas, authorities said.

A New York court determined Akhtar was in the country illegally in 1998 and ordered him

to leave; Akhtar was charged with failing to obey that order.

He was charged with making false statements when he told authorities that he was in the United States legally, had a green card and had never been ordered deported.

He also was accused of possessing false identification documents — a New York driver's license and a Social Security card.

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Did you know? These include eating healthy, exercising regularly and limiting the amount of alcohol you drink. Leading a healthy lifestyle will improve your overall health and your chance of getting breast cancer. But it may help reduce your risk. For women who are taking hormone therapy, the anti-estrogen drug tamoxifen can also help to reduce the risk of developing breast cancer.

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The best family history of breast cancer does not mean you should get breast cancer every year.

Not necessarily. Just because other family members had breast cancer doesn't mean that their disease was inherited. Only about 10 percent of all breast cancers occur because of inherited mutations. If you're diagnosed with breast cancer, what are the chances of re-occurring?

Overall, pretty good. The 5-year survival rate for all breast cancer cases is 77 percent. This means that out of every 100 women with breast cancer, about 77 will survive at least 5 years. Most will live longer and never have a second breast cancer diagnosis. If the cancer is detected early, the chances of surviving are even better. At the center is determined by a variety of other factors. In fact, when a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer, the 5-year survival rate is over 90 percent. It's also important to know signs to detect breast cancer early.

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Al-Sadr's Shiite militia agrees to hand in weapons

Violence continues in Sunni areas

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Shiite militiamen loyal to radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr agreed Saturday to begin handing in weapons, a significant step toward restoring order in Baghdad's sprawling Sadr City slum as the interim government struggles to curb Iraq's more widespread Sunni insurgency.

In a sign of persistent Sunni unrest, clashes were fired in several cities as the search continued for the body of a missing man seeks information.

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Family of missing man seeks information. Kenneth Bigley, who was decapitated by his abductors — reportedly after a failed escape attempt. Spontaneous explosions could be heard late Saturday near the Tigris river around an area where U.S. troops and Sunni insurgents have clashed. Interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi's government hopes to quiet insurgent enclaves before legislative elections planned for January. U.S. and Iraqi officials have been negotiating for weeks with tribal and religious leaders in key rebel strongholds but have said they are prepared to use force if talks fail, as they did in Samarra last month. Ali Smeismen, a senior aide to al-Sadr, said the Mahdi Army militia would begin turning in medium and heavy weapons at three Baghdad police stations Monday in an operation expected to last five days. As a confidence-building measure, the government will suspend raids on al-Sadr's fol-

IRAQ WEEK IN REVIEW Al-Sadr's Shiite militia hand in guns

Shiite militiamen loyal to radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr agreed Saturday to begin handing in weapons, a significant step toward restoring order in the Sadr City slum as the interim government struggles to curb insurgency.

Sunday — U.S. and Iraqi officials declared fighting in Samarra that killed 125 rebels a successful operation in regaining control before January elections.

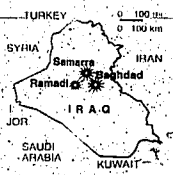
Monday — Insurgents exploded two car bombs at the gates of the main U.S.-Iraqi headquarters in Baghdad, killing 21 people.

Tuesday — More than 2,000 U.S. and Iraqi forces launched a major operation against insurgents south of Baghdad who threaten national elections.

Wednesday — A suicide car bomber plowed into an Iraqi checkpoint northwest of Baghdad

lower in the capital's northeastern Sadr City district, site of weeks of clashes with U.S. and Iraqi forces, Smeismen said.

The minister in charge of national security, Qusayn Dawoud, said the government was pleased with the agreement, "which aims at sparing Iraqi blood, supporting sovereign Iraq and the peace process in Iraq." Dawoud told Al-Arabiya television that once officials verify the weapons handover is complete, they will begin paying compensation to people who lost property during the fighting and financing reconstruction projects. Iraqi police and sol-



killers 16 Iraqis and wounding about 30.

Thursday — Rockets struck a Baghdad hotel housing housing foreign contractors and journalists, drawing return fire and underscoring the precarious security in the capital.

Friday — British hostage Kenneth Bigley was released after being kidnapped three weeks ago. He was at least the 28th hostage slain in Iraq.

Saturday — U.S. troops fought with insurgents in Ramadi, a Sunni resistance, killing one Iraqi and wounding five others.

U.S. weapons sale bogs down in Taiwan

The Washington Post

TAIPEI, Taiwan — A proposed \$1.2 billion purchase of U.S. weapons by Taiwan has bogged down in the island's hard-fought electoral politics despite repeated warnings from the Bush administration that the new arms are imperative to bolster defenses against China.

For some Taiwanese, controversy over the arms package has demonstrated the vitality of Tai-

wan's democracy, a noisy close to the era when generals could make such decisions behind closed doors. But in the view of Pentagon officials, the objections and politicking have sent the wrong message to Chinese leaders, who have vowed to use force if necessary to regain Taiwan and have arrayed 600 short-range ballistic missiles across the 100-mile Taiwan Strait to reinforce their threat.

Richard Lawless, the Pentagon's deputy undersecretary for Asian and Pacific affairs, told a Taiwan television network Tuesday that if the purchase of planes, missiles and submarines is not approved before the end of this year, there will be "serious repercussions" for the United States and Taiwan. "It will be regarded as a signal, if you will, as the attitude of the legislature toward the national defense of Taiwan," Lawless said.

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Protesters accuse Haitian leaders of failing to help flood victims

U.N. soldier wounded in gunbattle

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Haitians demanding the return of ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide wounded a U.N. peacekeeper during a gunbattle on Saturday, and protesters in a northwestern city accused the interim government of not doing enough to help flood survivors. The gunfire erupted when U.N. peacekeeping troops backed by Haitian police rolled through the volatile Port-Au-Prince slum of Bel Air, where Haitians calling for Aristide's return have barricaded streets and set bonfires, U.N. spokesman Toussaint Kongo-Doudou said. The U.N. peacekeeper was wounded in the foot, said Col. Luiz Felipe Cabonell. Kongo-Doudou said he was the first soldier wounded in the 3,000-member force. He also said it appeared some of the gunmen were wounded, but it was unclear how many. Police said one officer was also wounded. Kongo-Doudou said troops and police arrested more than 60 people suspected of attacking

them. Police were seen detaining some men, holding them to the ground at gunpoint and tying their hands with rope. The clashes came a day after the beheaded bodies of a father and son were found in another Port-au-Prince slum.

"Elsewhere Saturday, Argentine peacekeepers guarded a cathedral in the northwestern city of Gonaives from more than 100 protesters, who shouted insults at visiting Interim Prime Minister Gerard Latourne and President Boniface Alexandre. "If the government doesn't take responsibility for things here, then we will. Remember, it was Gonaives that got rid of Aristide," rebel Wilfort Ferdinand said, addressing protesters and hundreds of other onlookers.

An estimated 200,000 people are homeless in Gonaives, many living on sidewalks and rooftops. Beating on buckets and waving tree boughs, protesters snaked through the crowd chanting, "We are not afraid and we won't give in to pressure!" They complained Latourne's interim government hasn't done enough to help flood victims since Tropical Storm Jeanne struck three weeks ago.

Age begets wisdom for some Afghan voters

Los Angeles Times

JALDAK, Afghanistan — Whenever the people of this village face an important question, whether they are arguing over a cow or voting for president, they turn to their elders for the answers.

So when the polls opened Saturday in the first presidential election in Afghan history, most voters' minds in Jaladak had been made up for them.

A month ago, when the election campaign was just starting, an 11-member "shura," or traditional council, convened in the early morning, and after a three-hour discussion, they agreed on fellow Pashtun Hamid Karzai, Afghanistan's U.S.-backed interim president. Then the shura sent out instructions to hundreds of people in this village 13 miles southwest of Qalaa, capital of Zabul province, where U.S. and Afghan forces clash almost daily with Taliban insurgents and their allies. In rural areas across Afghanistan, similar councils of elders, from various ethnic groups, told their people how to vote.

Human-rights workers say it was part of widespread intimidation that undermined Afghanistan's first democratic election. To Haji Ramazan, head of the Jaladak shura, it was Afghans doing as they should, following wilyly respected traditions. "I'd say that if you want to decide anything, hold a shura first and then decide," said Ramazan, 70. "Because if the shura decides, then the decl-

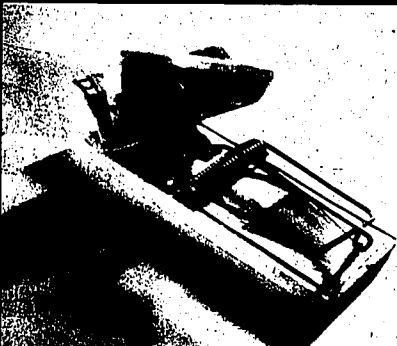


An Afghan man listens to news from radio after he casts his vote for the landmark Afghan election at a polling station in Herat in first direct presidential election in Herat in Afghanistan on Saturday.

sion cannot be a failure. But if someone decides by himself, he will fail." Before the Jaladak shura decided to support Karzai, it had listened to a campaign pitch from a Quanoon supporter, but none of the 16 other presidential candidates sent a representative. "No one else dared to come to here," said council elder Haji Dadullah, 65.

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Number of visitors to U.S. rises

Los Angeles Times

Spooked at the thought of flying, Irish tourists Glenda Kavanagh and Stephen McCabe had stayed away from the United States since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks three years ago. But now they're back, joining others from Japan, Venezuela, Russia, Holland, Canada and elsewhere last week on Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills, Calif., to snap pictures and gawk in the windows of Gucci, Louis Vuitton and other high-end designers.

"I was anxious about coming before because of what happened with the planes," said Kavanagh, a 25-year-old office worker from Dublin. "But it's probably more safe now because there's more security. They're looking out now for terrorists."

Kavanagh represents some welcome news: The number of international visitors to the United States is starting to rise again this year after plummeting following the 2001 terrorist attacks and the introduction of stricter security measures.

During the first six months of this year, the number of visitors increased by 16 percent and the number of visas issued rose 16 percent, according to U.S. government statistics. International spending in the United States also has increased for the first time since 2001 and is projected to rise 7 percent to \$69.4 billion this year.

Even the numbers of visitors from Middle Eastern countries, which experienced some of the steepest declines, have begun inching up.

But their numbers remain far below 2000 levels, and many of their U.S. friends and relatives from Middle Easterners have stopped visiting, he said, because they perceive as an unwelcoming atmosphere.

The recent U.S. denial of entry



Greg Donovan, the official 'ambassador of Beverly Hills' poses for a picture with tourists.

to musician Yusuf Islam, a British citizen formerly known as Cat Stevens, inflamed such sentiment, some Muslims say.

California, which attracts more foreign visitors than any other state except Florida, is reaping the benefits of the turnaround.

The number of overseas visitors to California increased 21 percent during the first six months of this year led by travelers from Japan and Australia.

According to the Travel Industries Association of America, international spending in California had declined from \$15.1 billion in 2000 to \$10.2 billion in 2002, while jobs generated by foreign travel and tourism also had decreased.

The increasing numbers of foreign visitors are credited in part to improved federal visa review procedures, less fear among travelers of an imminent terrorist assault, more confidence in airport security and a weaker U.S. dollar, which makes a visit to this country more affordable.

Anxiety over other factors that have discouraged travel, including the Iraq war and a global outbreak of severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS, is also fading, travel experts say.

Despite the early signs of improvement in foreign visitor levels, significant concerns remain among business leaders, economists and others about the mounting costs associated

with the stepped-up U.S. security and border controls.

Many had fretted that the last three years have cost the United States goodwill and hard cash, evident in declines in tourist spending, foreign investment and, on some campuses, foreign student enrollment.

According to the U.S. Commerce Department, international spending in the United States dropped from \$82.4 billion in 2000 to \$65.1 billion in 2003.

Direct foreign investment plunged from \$314 billion in 2000 to \$23.7 billion in 2003. And the number of overseas visitors admitted as students dropped by 8.5 percent to 474,920 between 2001 and 2003.

Sun-Times moves out of old 'scruffy' home

CHICAGO (AP) — It may have brought some luster to the riverfront when it was built a half-century ago, but today the Chicago Sun-Times building looks like it belongs there about as much as a barge at a yacht club.

On Friday, the Sun-Times staff was moving out of the newspaper's squat seven-story home, clearing the way for Donald Trump to demolish it and build a glitzy 90-story condominium and hotel tower that's more in keeping with what the riverfront has become.

"So much changed, and we became the scruffy house on the block," said David Roeder, who reports on commercial real estate for the paper.

There was never much talk about preserving the building that, as the story goes, was actually supposed to look like a river barge. It has long been denigrated as an ugly building, perhaps the ugliest in a city that prides itself on fine architecture.

But the building was also a big part of the history of Chicago journalism.

Legendary newsman Mike Royko worked there. So did Ann Landers. Bill Mauldin was working there when he drew a famous editorial cartoon of the Abraham Lincoln statue from the Lincoln Memorial grieving the assassination of President Kennedy.

As the Sun-Times staff packed up for the move farther up the river to another ordinary looking building, there was little talk of wanting to stay in a place that everybody agrees had been allowed to fall apart.

"It's scared, stained, the walls are grimy," said Dan Miller, the paper's business editor. "We are well rid of it, the neighborhood is well rid of it."



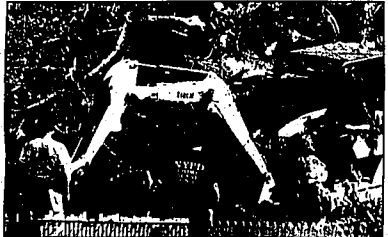
The 350 N. Orleans building will be the new home of the Chicago Sun-Times.

The condition of the building is also a reminder of the paper's recent troubles, including allegations that Conrad Black, the former CEO of parent company Hollinger International, conspired with associates to loot the newspaper company of more than \$400 million — nearly all of its profits from 1997 through 2003.

"David Radler (the former publisher) and Conrad Black never invested in the place," Miller said. "The building was allowed to deteriorate."

If staffers are happy to be leaving a gray box where escalators don't run and the ladies room furniture hasn't changed in more than 30 years, the move still prompted plenty of nostalgic talk.

"I guess it's not a big deal, but it's a sad deal," said Jeanne Lambin, a former preservation planner with the Commission on Chicago Landmarks. "It is one of the last vestiges of the industrial river we used to have."



New York police department and F.B.I. investigators dig in a vacant lot Thursday in Queens, N.Y. Federal authorities believe the site could be a graveyard for targets of hits ordered by former mob boss John Gotti and other gangsters more than two decades ago.

Investigators dig into past of former mob boss

NEW YORK (AP) — It's no place to rest in peace; a vacant lot covered with rebar, slabs of concrete and trash.

But federal authorities believe the site in a remote section of Queens could be a graveyard for targets of hits ordered by John Gotti and other mobsters more than two decades ago.

Acting on a tip from an undercover informant, a team of FBI agents has begun digging for the remains of a half dozen or more victims. They include a man whose epitaph could read, "Made the mistake of killing the Happy Don's son in a traffic accident."

Another was nicknamed "Lucky." No findings were reported during the first four days of digging this week. The job was expected to continue Friday and beyond.

The suspected burial ground is on Rully Street, just west of Kennedy Airport. Displanted but abandoned cars and other empty lots, some baited with rat poison, dot the marshy landscape.

On a recent day, traffic was almost nonexistent. Breezes off Jamaica Bay were steady.

The desolation suited the Gambino crime family. "They picked it because it wasn't for their stamping ground and it was secluded," said Jerry Capecci, a criminologist and expert on the Mafia. "But the key thing was that they thought it would never be looked at."

While no one was looking, Gotti's crew allegedly used the lot to make the bodies of traitors and enemies — whacked by both their crime family and others — disappear. Two of the dead are believed to be former captains of the Bonanno family, Dominick "Big Trin" Trinchera and Philip "Philly Lucky" Giaccone.

Trinchera, Giaccone and another Bonanno — captain, Alphonse "Sonny Red" Indelicato, were shotgunned to death at a Brooklyn social club in 1981 amid an internal struggle for control of the family. Joseph Massino, who later became boss, was convicted earlier this year in the slayings based on the testimony of turncoat mobsters.

After the social club slaughter, the Gambinos agreed to help the Bonannos clean up the mess — though not well enough.

The body of Indelicato was discovered three weeks later by children who spotted his arm poking through the soil. A witness at the Massino trial recounted the mob's horror.

"We might have a problem," one soldier said at the time. "The body is rising."

Authorities retrieved Indelicato's body at the time and found no others.

But investigators suspect the burial site was also the last stop for a neighbor of Gotti's who disappeared 24 years ago.

John Favara, 51, accidentally struck and killed Gotti's 12-year-old son with his car in 1980, while the boy was riding a minibike near his home. About four months later, after receiving death threats, Favara was abducted, held in a Long Island diner and vanishing: Gotti was in Florida at the time.

Gotti — once the nation's most feared gangster as head of the Gambinos — denied any involvement. But he never hid his rage toward Favara.

"I wouldn't be sorry if the guy turned up dead," he told the FBI at the time.

Gotti was sentenced to life in prison for racketeering, a murder in 1992 and died behind bars in 2002. By then, Favara was a forgotten footnote in Mafia lore.

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Rumsfeld holds conference

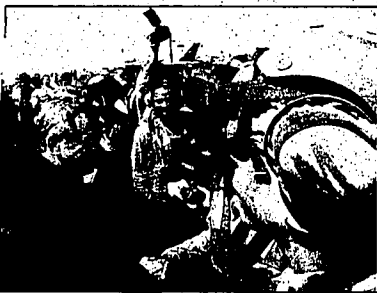
Defense secretary gathers with unusual U.S. partners aboard aircraft carrier.

ABOARD THE USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (AP) — In a cramped war room below deck, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld on Saturday joined 18 of his counterparts from an unusual collection of U.S. partners in the terrorism fight in discussing the way ahead in Iraq and Afghanistan.

On a hot and hazy day in the central Persian Gulf, Rumsfeld thanked the defense chiefs for their support. They also held a live, two-way video teleconference from the aircraft carrier with Army Gen. George Casey, the top U.S. commander in Iraq. Casey described the U.S. goal of bringing all of Iraq under friendly control.

The unannounced session was held amid mounting concern in some quarters that the insurgency in Iraq is so widespread and violent that fall elections in January might not be able to go on as scheduled. Some progress toward ending the violence in Baghdad's Sad City was reported on Saturday, also, negotiations with tribal leaders in the restive city of Fallujah were under way.

Rumsfeld began the meeting by noting the milestone elections in Afghanistan and stressing that it was achieved despite the kind of doubt that



AP photo

U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld greets crew members of the USS John F. Kennedy aircraft carrier Saturday in the Persian Gulf near Bahrain.

some now express for Iraq's prospects.

"Throughout this entire process," he said, referring to the drive toward democracy in Afghanistan, "there have been people who said this could not happen. There are always naysayers and doomsayers and people who are faint of heart. But the people who have been determined and steadfast have been proved correct."

The rest of the session was closed to reporters. Rumsfeld's spokesman, Lawrence D. Rika, said afterward that Casey explained in general terms the U.S.-Iraq plan to use a combination of negotiations and military force to break the insurgents' grip on Fallujah and other important cities before the elections.

"He laid out the idea that he and the Iraqis have worked on this together," DI Rika said.

Iraq's defense minister, Hazzem Shamaan, expressed optimism about his country's future. DI Rika said, and was "clearly proud of how they're doing."

The defense ministers had the unusual experience of landing on the carrier in a C-2 twin-engine turboprop jet. It screeched to a halt as the metal hook on the underside of its tail grabbed a cable stretched across the deck.

"Perfect," a grinning Rumsfeld called the landing as he and his guests gathered for a group photo.

It was one of the most unusual groups of defense chiefs ever to assemble on an American aircraft carrier.

Egypt detains tribes in attacks

TABA, Egypt (AP) — Investigators lifted fingerprints, swabbed dust and collected tissue from the wreckage of three car bombings Saturday and detained dozens of Bedouin tribesmen, including quarry workers who could have provided the explosives that killed at least 34 people.

Israel blamed al-Qaida for the Thursday night attacks in two Sinai resorts, and Egyptian investigators were leaning toward

an al-Qaida connection as well. Egyptian investigators said they suspected eight to 10 terrorists targeting Israeli tourists carried out the attacks, possibly slipping in from Saudi Arabia or Jordan on speed boats. They also said there was a chance a local sleeper cell of Egyptians might have been activated to stage the attacks. Egypt's first terrorist strike in seven years.

"Speaking on condition of anonymity, the investigators

said such a group would almost certainly be linked to Ayman al-Zawahiri, who led the extremist Egyptian Islamic jihad before merging the group with al-Qaida. The Egypt-born Zawahiri is Osama bin Laden's deputy.

One of the car bombs exploded at the Tabu Hilton just south of the Egypt-Israel border and two blew up in Ras Shitan, a town of beach bungalows 35 miles to the south on the Red Sea coast.

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Bill Bradley is seen in a 2004 file photo at Camp Ananconda in Iraq.

Missing man's relatives struggle with lack of news

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — In the six months since truck driver William Bradley disappeared in Iraq, his relatives say they're frustrated by their countless efforts to find out what happened to him.

"I haven't heard one thing," Bradley's sister, Donna Curton, said from her home in Carlsbad, N.M. "My phone bill looks like the national debt, but nobody will talk to you."

Bradley, 50, of Chesterfield, was missing April 9, when insurgents attacked his fuel convoy outside Baghdad. Two others in the convoy — Army Spc. Keith M. Maupin of Ohio, and Timothy Bell of Mobile, Ala., who like Bradley worked for a subsidiary of energy giant Halliburton Co. — are also still missing. Thomas Hamill of Macon, Miss., managed to escape the Iraqis who captured him.

Bradley's son, Jackson Bradley, is not commenting on the search for his father. Curton said. Attempts to call Jackson Bradley were unsuccessful. As for Curton, she gave up calling Halliburton and the Defense Department for updates.

"Since I'm not a wife or child they seem to think I'm not entitled to any news," she said. Halliburton too would like more news about Bradley and Bell, but details are limited because the search is being conducted by the military in an active combat area, said spokeswoman Wendy Hall. Forty-eight Halliburton employees have died in Kuwait and Iraq since fighting began.

"We wish we could help with more information, but we don't have it," Hall said, adding the men's names are included in President Bush's daily briefing, "so their situation is known at the highest level of our government."

Bradley, who has an outgoing personality and a passion for Harley-Davidson motorcycles, spoke to his sister on his last night in the United States. "I told him, 'Don't go. If you

Shilte Militia agree to hand in weapons.

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get in any kind of trouble, our government's not going to help," Curton recalled. "He said well, he had signed the contract to go, he gave his word to go and he wanted to see the country and meet the people."

Curton said Bradley, who spent four years in the Marines, told her he planned to use some of his money to go on a bike trip through Europe.

On Sunday, members of Bradley's New Hampshire bike club plan to pass out magnetic POW-MIA ribbons, which they will display on their bikes in his honor.

"He was going to go France, places like that," she said. "Take his bike and go."

According to friends, Bradley left New Hampshire in February, traveling to Wichita, Kan., where he left his Harley with his son for safekeeping. He then headed to Houston-based Halliburton. His group of contractors arrived in Kuwait on March 14.

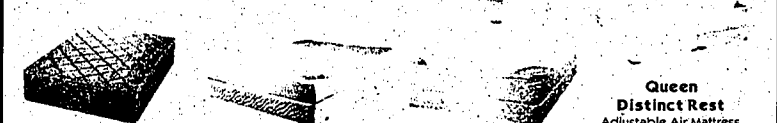
Less than a month later, Bradley's convoy was ambushed in Iraq. Friends said Bradley's decision to go to Iraq was another instance of his free spirit and curiosity. "About every two years he would take off and he would go," said Suzanne Behringer, 46, of Galveston, Texas, who said she is Bradley's common-law wife. "I begged him not to go... because it was just so volatile," she said. "He was going over there he said for adventure and to rebuild the country."

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Saudis humiliate al-Qaida militants

But organization is far from dead

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — They rent cars and houses using stolen IDs. They disguise themselves as women or as hip young men. The money they raise for Iraq prisoners in U.S. jails funds terror operations.

This, Saudi officials say, is the kind of information being gleaned from scores of Saudi militants arrested in an aggressive government campaign. Two suspects have appeared on television to talk about life underground, telling of injured comrades who die from lack of medical care, supposedly devout Muslims who don't bother praying the mandatory five prayers, and uneducated youths who consider Saudis in uniform to be infidels.

Such information has enabled the kingdom to strike at the root of al-Qaida's Saudi infrastructure, kill or capture several of its leaders, and publicly portray it in a humiliating light.

But no one is willing to declare the network dead or paralyzed, and foreigners know the successes do not mean they should let their guard down.

The U.S. Embassy continues to warn Americans that they face a "serious threat to their safety while in Saudi Arabia" and that credible information indicates terrorists continue to target residential compounds in the kingdom.

The warnings came after a particularly violent period in which a compound and two oil companies were attacked in the Eastern Province, several Westerners were killed, Riyadh and an American hostage, Paul Johnson, was held.

"It's not in our security interest to assume they cannot carry out a large operation," said Drig.



A Saudi man watches a shootout between police and terrorists outside the Oasis compound in Khorbar, Saudi Arabia in this May 30 file photo.

Gen. Mansour al-Turki, the Interior Ministry spokesman. "If we assume they can't, it would have an adverse effect on our alertness and level of preparedness to confront them."

He said the picture of operations in the kingdom is clearer than in May 2003, when terrorists struck inside Saudi Arabia for the first time after the Sept. 11 attacks.

In that assault, which took the government completely by surprise, militants shot their way into three housing compounds in synchronized strikes in Riyadh and then set off multiple suicide car bombs, killing 34 people including seven Americans and nine attackers.

Until then the Saudi government had been in denial about

the possibility. Saudi-born Osama bin Laden would strike inside the kingdom and risk inflicting "Saudi" or Muslim casualties.

"We had never expected that a Muslim who grew up on Islam in this country would carry out such acts," said al-Turki. Saudi Arabia is the birthplace of the Muslim faith.

He said authorities have since foiled several terror attempts, including the capture of two cars rigged with explosives, as a result of heightened vigilance.

Some of the precautions are evident: Troops with machine guns guard hotels, concrete blocks surround ministries and more than 25,000 soldiers protect oil installations.

Al-Turki said the authorities

are more familiar with the operatives' modus operandi.

After a confrontation with police, militants usually reach safe houses by stealing a string of cars. They disguise themselves as women or strive for a modern look by shaving their beards, wearing funky hairstyles and dressing in jogging suits instead of the traditional white robes.

In confessions on the government's Channel 1 television, suspects Khalid al-Furayh and Abdul Rahman al-Rushood said most of the operatives in Saudi Arabia are ignorant, especially in religious matters. They said they raise funds by telling donors the money will go toward helping the religious poor and Iraqis in U.S. detention.

Saudi official asks media to help combat ideas leading to terrorism

KUWAIT CITY (AP) — Saudi Arabia's interior minister appealed to regional news media Saturday to help combat "improper ideas" that lead young people to support extremist movements.

Speaking before a meeting with his counterparts from Persian Gulf nations, Prince Nayef said Arab journalists need to confront Islamic militancy.

"We insist that the media participates with us in fighting terrorism," he said. "No matter how hard we work and no matter what the security apparatus does, it is not the solution. The solution is in an intellectual effort that removes these improper ideas and brings back to the right path those who went astray."

He also said Gulf countries are committed to uprooting terrorism.

"Terrorism is rejected and, unfortunately, I say with pain, that those who carry it out are citizens of ours, and it is attributed to Muslims and Arabs," he said.

The prince raised the media issue to avoid responding directly to questions about Saudi reaction to Thursday night's coordinated bombing attacks on Israeli tourists in the Egyptian resorts of Taba and Ras Shitan. Some Israeli officials believe the al-Qaida terror network was most likely behind the attack.

Condemning attacks against Israelis is awkward for Arab governments, whose peoples sympathize lie firmly with the Palestinians in their fight with Israel.

Abdulrahman al-Atiyah, secretary general of the Gulf Cooperation Council, also side-stepped direct condemnation of the attacks.

The six-nation group believes "the lack of a fair and comprehensive peace for all parties on the issue of Palestine and the Middle East" motivates such acts," he said. "What happened at the Taba Hilton should not be looked at in isolation of this truth."

Saudi Arabia, which terrorists have targeted in a series of attacks since last year, came under intense international pressure after the Sept. 11 terror attacks on the United States to reform its society and crack down on militants and their financial backers. Osama bin Laden and 15 of the 19 plane hijackers involved in the attacks were born in Saudi Arabia.

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EDITORIAL

Simpson's 9th Circuit split-up moves onward

Right up there with the *ryanosaurus rex* and the Roman Empire, it's only a matter of time before the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals becomes another extinct colossus.

No, it's not gonna happen this year, and may not next year, either.

But make no mistake, the days are numbered for the bloated legal leviathan.

This week the U.S. House passed by a 205-194 vote Rep. Mike Simpson's judicial bill amendment, which proposes splitting the 9th into three smaller circuits.

Simpson's proposal has Idaho joining Arizona, Nevada and Montana in a new 12th Circuit; Alaska, Oregon and Washington comprise a new 13th Circuit; and California, Guam, Hawaii and Northern Marianas Island would remain in the 9th.

Whether that map looks up is doubtful. But the idea of breaking up the court is long overdue.

The 9th Circuit Court is commonly known as the most liberal of the U.S. Courts of Appeals, with recent rulings that have quashed 2nd Amendment rights and many decisions bent heavily toward the environmental lobby.

The biggest dozing of 'em all was the 2002 ruling that erased duty from the Pledge of Allegiance in schools. It was overturned this year by the Supreme Court on a technicality.

But the best logic for splitting the 9th Circuit is its sheer size, not its judicial policies. The circuit includes nine Western states, two is-

land territories, and 56 million people — about one-fifth of the U.S. population.

The caseload for the 9th is also immense. The court's dockets absorb 21.6 percent of all federal appeals, and its caseload jumped by 31 percent last year.

As Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasden noted, a split would hasten the wheels of justice in the federal courts.

"For Idaho citizens, justice in the 9th Circuit is unacceptably slow," Wasden explained. "The average circuit court takes 10 1/2 months to resolve an appeal. In the 9th Circuit, justice is 33 percent slower, with an appeal taking 14 months to resolve."

Based in San Francisco, the 9th includes 48 judges selected from all the various states. But the majority of seats belong to Democratic-leaning California. And because the court covers 40 percent of the geography in the U.S., most environmentalists want to keep it enormous so they can solidify their political influence on Western land policy. For that reason alone, many Democrats in the Senate will try to stall Simpson's amendment for many moons.

But as rapidly growing states such as Nevada, Arizona and Idaho continue to expand, the 9th Circuit Court will likewise be busting at the seams. An enormous bureaucracy like that can't live forever.

Idaho's delegates and most Western politicians know the 9th Circuit Court isn't just big government, it's morbidly obese. Common sense says the day is long in its size — and its power — is just on the horizon.

GOP should acknowledge errors

EXTON, Pa. — The afternoon special interviewing voters in this Philadelphia suburb, in one of the prime battleground states, confirmed the seriousness with which people are taking this election. The answer to my opening question, "Do you plan to vote next month?" was often, "Absolutely!" The one man who hesitated turned out to be anything but indifferent: he was just agonizing over his choice of a candidate.



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What these voters — and their counterparts in other communities — seem to realize is that Nov. 2 provides the opportunity to weigh in on a terribly consequential choice for the country and for their families. Elections are the greatest accountability device in our system of representative government — and accountability has never loomed larger than it does now. Bush and Cheney have set the wheels of justice in motion, but they have not been "entirely consistent" in their stands on Iraq. That is plainly not the case, and their waverings — especially Kerry's — have created the opening for President Bush to charge that the Democrats' "minds" will paralyze America in a dangerous world. That criticism has sunk in. I heard it echoed over and over again among Pennsylvania voters who said they were supporting the president.

But the accountability questions for Kerry and Edwards are outweighed, in my view, by the startling refusal of Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney to acknowledge the errors and failures of their audacious policy in Iraq. When ever has the United States launched a pre-emptive attack on a foreign nation with as little provocation — and as spurious a rationale — as this war on Iraq? The real selling point was Saddam Hussein's possession of weapons of mass destruction. This week, that contention was definitively demolished in a 1,000-page report from the head of the U.S. Commission on Iraq, Charles A. Duelfer, concluding that Saddam did not possess and had no real plans or programs to develop biological, chemical or nuclear weapons.



If Bush and Cheney are re-elected, the Republicans are likely to maintain control of the House and Senate, with all the investigative and oversight powers that reside in the legislative branch. That is an inherently risky situation, particularly when the president and vice president are disinclined to question their own or their associates' judgment. That is why the voters I met are right to think this election is so important. They themselves are the ultimate — and only — enforcers of accountability.

Previously, the State Department and the CIA had both said that the secondary rationale — a supposed link between the Iraqi regime and the 9/11 terrorists — was without foundation. Yet on the very day the Duelfer document was released, here was President Bush in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., declaring that he had to invade Iraq because "there was a risk, a real risk, that Saddam Hussein would pass weapons or materials or information to terrorist networks." That risk — with no bill of particulars behind it — is supposed to justify a war of choice that has taken more than 1,000 American lives, caused far more Iraqi casualties and shows no sign of coming to an end. As for Cheney, the chief cheerleader for this war, his comment in the Tuesday night vice-presidential debate as "What we did in Iraq was exactly the right thing to do." This refusal to acknowledge

error — this rejection of accountability — is more than personal vanity. It infects the entire approach of this administration. The top civilian leaders of the Pentagon failed to provide the number of troops needed for success in Iraq — a point made repeatedly by the former Army chief of staff, by Sens. John McCain and Joe Biden and now belatedly confirmed by the president's hand-picked Iraq administrator, Paul Bremer. Yet Bush and Cheney have done nothing but praise Don Rumsfeld and his team. The intelligence services failed to put warning signs of the 9/11 attack or to convince the policy-makers that they might be misjudging the seriousness of Saddam as a military threat. But George Tenet was allowed to retire with full honors as director of the CIA — and one of his supposed congressional overseers, Porter Goss, who raised no alarms

himself, has been named to succeed him. The reality is that except for a few whistle-blowers, a handful of independent, opinionated legislators and some few enterprising reporters, there is no accountability mechanism operating in one-party Washington. If Bush and Cheney are re-elected, the Republicans are likely to maintain control of the House and Senate, with all the investigative and oversight powers that reside in the legislative branch. That is an inherently risky situation, particularly when the president and vice president are disinclined to question their own or their associates' judgment. That is why the voters I met are right to think this election is so important. They themselves are the ultimate — and only — enforcers of accountability. David Broder's e-mail address is davidbroder@westpost.com

CORRECTION

Thursday's editorial gave an incorrect number of years from the work experience of Twin Falls Police Chief Lee DeVore. DeVore worked 31 years in law enforcement before coming to Twin Falls in 1995. The Times-News regrets the error.

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LETTER

No good reasons for leaving kids in cars

We would like to speak up on children and infants and cars. We have noticed a lot of children and infants being left in cars — alone. We feel that it is very dangerous. We have witnessed a near tragedy where a parent had left the infant in the car alone with the car running and the windows closed. She forgot the keys were in the car and she had locked it. Our brother had a job to open car doors in a hurry for emergencies like this. However, we can't always rely on the fact that someone will be close by to open the door. It is very dangerous for a number of reasons:

- The kid can play with the controls and the car will roll.
- If there is a lighter, matches or other things that are not kid-friendly in the car and the kid gets hold of them — not a good scenario.
- Muggings, kidnappings, killings.
- Suffocation, too hot or too cold in the car.
- Car stolen — with kid inside.

• Another car can bang into the car with the kid inside. We are not sure any more if there is a law against this. We believe a group should be especially careful of this thing that the young kid cannot be replaced. We believe if it isn't a law, it should become a law not to leave a kid alone in a car for any length of time and for any reason at all. Not alone, not ever. Not because it's sleeping or too cold or hot outside or to just "run in the store or house or friend's for a sec." That moment is when things can happen. Please use common sense. Please, please take care of those precious children.

MAX AND SHERRY JOHNSON
Twin Falls

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Republicans need a true reality check

Do Republicans have any idea what realism is? It means a depletion of ifs that is more true to life. Really, Why Do Republicans fear the truth so much? Every time someone says the way things really are, they are called hateful, anti-American supporters of terrorism. If the police call your home and say a relative has been shot, do you call the police negative, hateful supporters of criminals? Boy, the criminals must really love you guys. If friends reported that your house burned to the ground; do you tell them they must've really enjoyed watching it? No. You face reality, however depressing it may be, and pick up the pieces. You face the situation and then recover from these negative tragedies of life. This isn't about the over-political, entertaining debacle of the new millennium called "Bush vs. Kerry." This is about reality. If Al Gore was president and this was what has been happening, I'd still be upset. Cover your eyes, conservatives. The reality in Iraq is more than 1,000 U.S. troops are more than 7,500 U.S. and coalition troops are injured and between 10,000 and 20,000 Iraqis are dead. It does not matter who is running things here. Those are called statistics. So many people seem to prefer to be sedated from reality. What about Mount St. Helens being active again? Do you go on the Internet at the picture of the volcano pre-1980 and say "Oh, thank God, it isn't erupting?" It may hurt some people for me to say this, but the earth wasn't created by Walt Disney. This isn't the fantasy world you want it to be. I have read several people's predictions regarding these elections that say Bush will get a second term. They also say this is because half the country is in denial. As far as "if you stub your toe, you blame it on Bush" goes, I say the following: I don't blame Bush if I stubbed my toe; I blame him for stubbing his own toe, then denying it. So, we'll end our gloomy rhetoric which is based on reality when you all quit taking the happy pills and wake up. Actually, we probably won't stop noticing reality. I didn't lie; I just deny ever saying it in the first place. Happy elections 2004. May your hearts think and your brains feel. Balance is the key. JAMES GLANDON JR., Twin Falls

Pence is the solution for District 25 needs

Last fall, I wrote my three District 25 representatives about a problem I was having with a state agency. Sen. Clint Stettin responded almost instantly and Wendy Jaquet wrote back a few days after that. Wendy then went above and beyond the call of duty by personally calling me on the phone to follow up on the progress I was having at resolving the problem. Tim Riddinger, on the other hand, showed neither the courtesy nor responsibility to respond to my request for assistance. Accordingly, Tim's response for the Legislature is more a matter of ego than wanting to serve the citizens of Gooding, Lincoln, Camas and Blaine counties. Luckily, we now have a candidate for District 25 who is well qualified, articulate and shows a desire to actually serve

Only answer for Bush's war is a draft

I speak of Donna Pence. I have an opportunity to elect a real representative, a teacher, a nice farmer, a woman who is active in local affairs, a step up from the non-representation of the past. Please join me, and the rest of us, in voting on Nov. 2. Your vote does count. PAUL MCCLAIN Gooding

Got kids? A vote for Bush is a vote for the draft. Iran and Syria are next. That might sound like fear-mongering but it's not. It's simple. President Bush believes he is on a crusade against Islam. His top advisers, Paul Wolfowitz, Richard Perle, Donald Rums-

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LETTERS

Potential jurors must answer the summons

T.F. County deserves better sheriff service

I am going to vote for one of the two other candidates other than Touseley for sheriff in November.

I think that when someone is elected to a county office in Twin Falls County you should be able to reach him by telephone. When I try to talk to Wayne, I get his secretary or his under-sheriff.

Twin Falls County isn't that big yet.

No one who is too busy to talk to me deserves my vote.

Even the president of the United States gives you an auto answer by email when you contact him. Not the sheriff of Twin Falls County.

The current sheriff of Twin Falls County is much too busy to call a common person like me; therefore, he doesn't deserve my vote.

I am still a little "steamed" about the slow response from the Twin Falls County sheriff's office when that cow got buried alive out by Filer. I don't think that Mr. Noh or Mr. Gasking should have had to call Touseley or our prosecutor to Boise to get an answer why charges hadn't been brought against the owner of the dairy.

It was just a cow! OK, just so happens I am big on animal rights. Once was enough for me. I don't need a whole herd! Buried alive before I start wondering about the ethics of the sheriff of Twin Falls County.

DANNY CRAFTON
Hansen

Study proves abstinence pledge is effective

We have had many problems with teen sex and sexually transmitted diseases. One thing that gets very little good press is something that may make a great difference: Teens who make a virginity pledge.

The Heritage Foundation has just published a new report that says that teens who make a virginity pledge have far better life outcomes than those who do not.

The report shows that teens who make a virginity pledge are: (1) less likely to experience a teen pregnancy; (2) less likely to be sexually active in high school and as adults; (3) less likely to give birth as teens or young adults; (4) less likely to engage in risky unprotected sex; and (5) will have fewer sex partners.

In addition, making a virginity pledge is not associated with any negative outcomes.

The complete article can be found at <http://www.heritage.org/Research/Family/cd04-07.cfm>.

TERRY C. KILLINGER
Filer

Positives in valley should include equal parades

Even though I've lived in the Magic Valley for many years, I'm a relative newcomer to the Twin Falls area. There are many positive things that I have seen happening in Twin Falls and the outlying communities. In fact, those positive features were one of the reasons I chose to move to this particular area.

The Twin Falls Centennial celebration has been exciting to watch and enjoy in downtown Twin Falls last weekend. I had driven there to meet a foster daughter and then planned to walk over and enjoy the sights and sounds of the celebration. It was a fun evening.

All the blocked-off streets were a bit of a pain to circumvent, but it wasn't a really big deal, and I eventually got to where I wanted to park. Later, though, I wondered why all the streets were blocked off for the Homecoming Parade and yet, during the summer when the Hispanic community held its Heritage Parade, they were not obliged to run their parade down one side of Shoshone Street against oncoming traffic.

Was there a reason traffic was diverted for one parade and not the other one? I'm a little confused. What was the difference?

KATHLEEN DAVIS
Filer

Local media fail to cover major story on jail

How safe are we in a place where media is controlled by the sheriff?

I was surprised to hear there had been a riot or uprising at the Twin Falls County jail on Sept. 10 when two units refused to enter their cells, covered the floor with water and water (possibly with the intent of taking a hostage). Eleven city officers were called to assist in quelling the incident. Was anyone hurt? This call went out over the police scanner and was heard by anyone listening.

This story is news. The absence of information leads me to believe that the local media is either scared of our local sheriff or completely in his pocket and nothing negative is to be said, especially in an election year. The citizens of Twin Falls County may never know what really occurred. Is a serious incident review occurring? What recommendations for officer and inmate safety could be made?

I checked your newspaper for several days following Sept. 10 to see if it was mentioned, even just a few lines at the bottom or on the side of an inside page where readers don't read. I found nothing. I contacted friends who watch the local news and KMYT also failed to mention this newsworthy item. Is that because it occurred at the jail and may reflect poorly on the sheriff?

If this occurred at any school, it would have been front page. The Times-News and KMYT are quick to report school staff incidents or any complaint about county commissioner decisions. What about reporting on the sheriff's department other than when he wants more money? All elected officials should be fair game.

NANCY MCARTHUR
Twin Falls

Bush critics aren't about hate, but change

During a conversation, I overheard a lady say, "I don't know why they hate the president." Now to my thinking, there are many reasons and I thought about it and my response is, "I doubt anyone 'hates' the president, we just feel he is inept. He put us in a war for his own personal glory and he did not realize that very serious issue with a fine-tooth comb."

We have never before been an aggressor nation. He has put us in harm's way with his attitude. He fed Congress into giving him the power (if needed) to go to war, then rushed into it, and it is all being proved now.

Everyone supports the troops; they have no choice in the matter. It was not their decision to do this. We are losing young 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds on a daily basis, and I cringe when I hear the news. I am secure here at home come up with the comment, "Better there than here."

We are presented with the "fear factor" by this administration. Every time it needs a political point made, we get an orange alert. Nixon played with those issues in 1972, and I quote, "South Vietnam probably can never survive anyway." He was talking to Henry Kissinger (these were taped conversations). "We also have to realize, Henry, that winning an election is terribly important."

Where in the heck is Osama bin Laden? Why didn't we use all our troops and expertise there to clean that task up before putting our troops into the mess they face now in Iraq? Planes flying into the Twin Towers was nothing new. The Japanese trained Kamikaze pilots with planes loaded with bombs to fly into targets. Pearl Harbor was one and just as many lives were lost then.

Then we had a president who united all of us in a war effort. New jobs were created and women became important in the work force. We are in China now, more than I've ever seen in my 40 years of political activism.

No one wants to take Dick Cheney to task for all his overspending and pocket-lining - it's a long list of drug companies, Halliburton and his involvement in the energy crisis. Why won't he resign. The documents in his brief on those energy (secret of course) meetings prior to Enron's mess and the rolling blackouts? JEANNE MEYER
Twin Falls

Jerome County has recently experienced an increasing problem in having a significant number of jurors fail to appear for jury duty as they are required by law. This problem reached its peak in a recent criminal jury trial when 18 jurors failed to appear which resulted in that criminal trial being canceled because of an insufficient number of jurors from which to pick 12 jurors, and an alternate.

The jurors who did appropriately respond to their juror summons and perform their civic duty, in essence, wasted a half a day because they had to make arrangements to work or home to attend and the jury trial was subsequently vacated. Jerome County nonetheless was required to pay the jurors who did attend as well as witness fees for those witnesses who had been subpoenaed to testify.

READER COMMENT
John K. Butler and Thomas Borresen

The failure of these jurors to attend when called to do so has caused significant cost, delay and inconvenience to all those connected with the judicial system, including the parties who were scheduled for trial that day.

Idaho law requires that a citizen appear when summoned to serve as a juror for a three-month time period. Jerome County has established a call-in system for jurors to ascertain when they are to timely appear in court and it is every juror's duty to make this weekly contact. Idaho law also provides that when a juror fails to appear as required, the presiding judge can impose a fine of \$100 or three days in jail or both.

As judges, we certainly do not desire to have to resort to such sanctions but may well have no other option if the problem of non-appearing jurors continues.

Before imposing these types of sanctions, we wanted to bring this problem to the attention of Jerome County citizens so that each citizen understands the vital importance of appearing in court when required as well as to put Jerome County citizens on notice of the potential consequences when they fail to appear as required.

As judges, we both firmly believe that the American jury system is the keystone to our form of justice and each citizen has a civic obligation to serve as a juror when called upon to perform this vital service. We believe that each citizen who is called upon to serve as a juror is being asked to perform the

highest duty of citizenship - that is to sit in judgment on facts which will determine either the guilt or innocence of a person charged with a crime or the appropriate outcome in a non-criminal case.

We have instituted some additional notification procedures to make it easier for jurors to perform their civic duty but if you are called upon to serve as a juror, please take your juror summons seriously and follow the instructions. We sincerely do not want to resort to the sanctions referred to above, but, most importantly, your assistance will aid in the success of the Jerome County judicial system running smoothly.

John K. Butler is 5th District judge for Jerome County, and Thomas L. Borresen is 5th District Magistrate judge for Jerome County.

Nuclear threat is real

The presidential debate on foreign policy was dominated by one issue - the war in Iraq. Yet when the candidates were asked to name the single most serious threat to the national security of the United States, neither mentioned Iraq. John Kerry responded without a moment's hesitation - nuclear proliferation. The president agreed, broadening the threat to weapons of mass destruction in the hands of a terrorist network.

That was the correct answer from both men. Nobody pointed out the obvious - that the administration went to war in Iraq allegedly because of this threat and was completely wrong.

So where does this threat really exist? John Kerry pointed in the right direction - to North Korea and Iran, which are pursuing nuclear weapons, and to Russia's unsecured stockpiles of nuclear materials and weapons.

That much was clear. But when the debate moved deeper into discussing what to do about North Korea and Iran, it was so full of mistakes and obscure references that only a handful of experts could follow it. Let me do some translation.

Bush and Kerry seemed to agree that diplomacy can resolve the nuclear problems

DANIEL SNEIDER

with North Korea and Iran, but that was as far as it went.

Kerry argued that the administration delayed any talks with the North Koreans for two years, during which time they built between four and seven nuclear weapons. He called for direct negotiations with North Korea, talks which could cover everything from a formal treaty to end the Korean war to troop deployments along the zone separating North and South Korea. Kerry talked vaguely about a nuclear deal with Iran, faulting the administration for doing "nothing."

The president argued that direct talks do the bidding of North Korean leader Kim Jong Il. They would collapse the ongoing six-party negotiations organized by China that include Japan, South Korea and Russia. On Iran, Bush backed European-led talks with Iran and the efforts of the International Atomic Energy Agency to curb Iran's nuclear program.

The debate over direct vs. multilateral talks is misleading.

Daniel Snieder is foreign affairs columnist for the San Jose Mercury News.

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LETTER

Burley High celebration lifted all spirits

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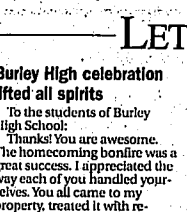
Next time, with some planning, we will have an even better time. I assure each of you that there are many people in this community who believe in you, and will support you in your positive efforts. We will get spirit back to Burley High School, and this was a great start.

Supporting your school will bring memories that will last a

lifetime. Keep trying, it is worth it. You all have a great life ahead of you. Never forget, life will be what you make it, so make it great!

Thanks, Todd and Brenda, Tab and Tammy. As usual, you guys came through.

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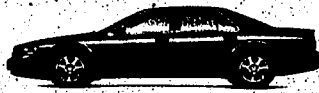
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There's no cure for the obscure

Want to be able to spot a real Idahoan? Here's an ironclad test:
If you're, say, in Buhl, and someone you meet tells you he's from "Filler, Idaho," then there's a pretty good chance that this guy's never seen the ocean.
I've been to one world's fair, a picnic and a rodeo, and I never met anyone anywhere else who deemed it necessary to explain what state he was from when he was actually in that state.
Happens all the time here. Years ago, when I was a sports-writer in Idaho Falls, I stopped to help a pickup out of a snow-drift. The driver pulled out of the highway and into a sign that read, "Welcome to Mud Lake, Idaho."



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump.

After I helped winch the truck back onto the road, I shook the man's hand and asked him where he was from. With a straight face, and standing 15 feet from the fractured welcome sign, he proclaimed, "I'm from Mud Lake, Idaho."

Golly, I would have guessed Mud Lake, France.

This curious practice reaches its absurd limit when you encounter someone from Pocatello, Idaho.

Now the Greater Pocatello Chamber of Commerce, for reasons known only to itself, has spent thousands of dollars over the years asserting, to anyone who will listen, that there's only one Pocatello in the world. The mind reels as to why anybody would want to plagiarize "Pocatello," but for the sake of argument let's pretend there's also a Pocatello, Ecuador, tucked away somewhere in the Amazon basin.

Now imagine the Spanish conquistadors wandering through the muck and the mud and the mire, up to their breast-plates in leeches and piranhas, stumbling upon a thatched hut with a local Indian sitting on the front porch, whittling.

"Please, sir, the captain would wait. Where are we?"
"Why, stranger, you're in Pocatello, Ecuador," he'd explain.

"*Dios santo, Comandante!*" the captain would cry. "We should have turned left at the Howard Johnsons!"

Still, being specific is not an unalloyed blessing. When I was in graduate school in Chicago, I parked my car, bearing Idaho license plates, in a loading zone and dashed into the post office to mail a letter.

When I got back to the car, the burliest policeman I ever saw was standing in front of it, writing me a ticket.

"This is gonna cost me a lot, isn't it officer?" I asked sheepishly.

"Yes, son, it is," the cop said, tearing the ticket out of his notebook, handing it to me and climbing back aboard his motorcycle.

This is how the ticket read:

CITY OF CHICAGO, PARKING SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT
Blocking of loading zone, Class A violation
\$250 penalty.

Below, the officer had written "Make of model: Plymouth, License number: 1B1673" State: Iowa.

Now somebody in Keokuk, Iowa, must have received a nasty shock in the mail about six weeks later, but not me. I beat the rap because I was obscure.

In college, I had a chemistry lab partner who invariably fell asleep and began to snore in our 8 a.m. class — and so was called on by the professor whenever he began to nod off. So focused was the instructor on Jerry and his drooping eyelids, that he never called on me — so I rarely did the required reading.

One morning, like clockwork, Dr. Buylless noticed Jerry's

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Shoshone closes loophole

Several drivers had successfully challenged their speeding tickets

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — A newly adopted city ordinance and the completion of a traffic study should close a loophole that allowed some drivers to have their speeding tickets dismissed.

Last week, the Shoshone City Council adopted an ordinance clarifying that the speed limit is

20 miles per hour in residential areas.

The ordinance was drafted by City Attorney E. Scott Paul after an individual who'd been ticketed for speeding successfully challenged his ticket.

State law says that if a city wants a lower speed limit than the state's hollerplate standard — which is 35 mph in residential areas — then that speed limit

must be established based on a transportation study, Paul said.

The individual ticketed for speeding pointed out that a traffic study had not been performed. The ticket was thrown out in court.

Two or three other individuals have also used this defense, but Paul said they'll not be able to do it anymore.

Shoshone Police Chief Robert Quiroga said a traffic study has

been completed. It was conducted at random times where motorists were driving in Shoshone's residential areas.

"The average speed was 21.9 mph," Quiroga said.

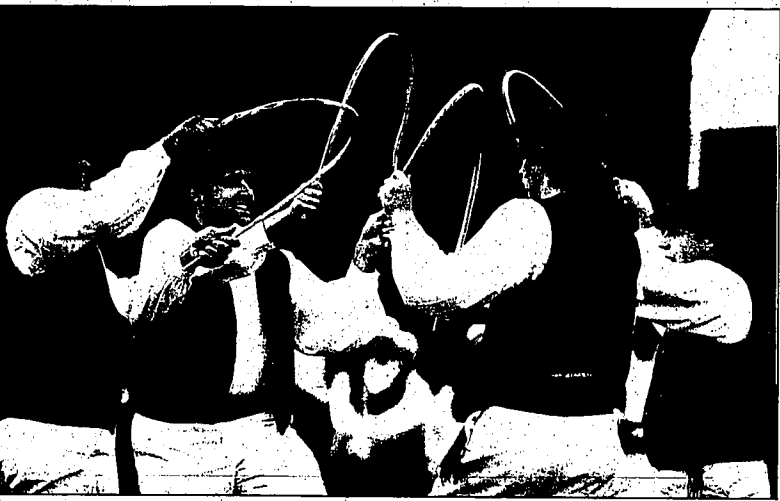
This reaffirmed Shoshone's 20 mph residential speed limit, Paul said.

"Eighty-five percent of traffic will normally flow at a safe and reasonable speed," Paul said.

Based on the traffic study, the City Council chose to keep the residential-area speed limit at 20 mph originally established in the former ordinance, which had been written in the mid-1980s.

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CELEBRATING SHEEP



Basque dancers perform at Halley's Roberta McKercher Park as part of the Sheep Folklife Fair in Hailey on Saturday morning. The fair is part of a weekend festival celebrating the sheep lifestyle in the Wood River Valley.

Annual Folklife Fair arrives in Wood River Valley

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

HAILEY — Ellen Mandeville took her daughter Jessica's hands and they danced in their chairs to a cheerful fiddle tune at Saturday's Sheep Folklife Fair in Hailey.

The Mandevilles moved to Hailey about seven months ago, so the fair was a good way for them to get to know the local history, said Todd Mandeville.

Once a bone of contention, the annual Training of the Sheep Festival has changed into a cultural feast for the Wood River Valley.

Based on the practical need to drive sheep south to winter pastures, today's noon parade of sheep down Ketchum's Main Avenue is the centerpiece for a celebration in its eighth year.

Crowds flocked to see dancers, musicians, wool vendors, sheep shearing demonstrations and herding demonstrations.

Cindy Hamlin, of Hailey, brings her granddaughter, Ibbi Bell, every year to see the festival. Watching the border collies circle around the sheep is a favorite part for them.

"Can we go pet the sheep," asked Ibbi, 4. "I want to pet the baby fluffy ones."

Anne Brown of Hailey has deep roots in sheep ranching.



Ariel Begay of the Navajo Lifeway demonstrates Navajo weaving at the Sheep Folklife Fair at Roberta McKercher Park in Hailey.

Her mother, Judy Wagoner, of Idaho Falls, is a fifth-generation sheep rancher. Brown brings her two children to the festival every year.

"It's fun," Brown said. "It's my kids get of their ranching heritage."

Brown said today they're more of a skiing family but the festival helps them and the Wood River Valley remember their roots.

"This state was built on agriculture and it recognizes that," Brown said.

Glenn Bradley, who lives near Shoshone, grew up in Hailey and said the Training of the Sheep is a great success story.

He can remember when more recreation and new homes came to the valley and some residents started to dislike the spring and fall movement of the sheep.

However, instead of fighting over it, they found a way to cooperate.

"Why don't we make it something that's fun," Bradley said people decided at the time.

After the mining industry went bust in 1983, the sheep industry kept the Wood River Valley alive, said Ivan Swanner, a member of the festival committee.

At one time, there were several sheep ranches in the valley.

Training of the Sheep continues

Today's events:

• 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. — Sheep dog trials at The Peregrine Ranch north of Hailey, \$3 adults; \$1 children.

• 10 a.m. to noon — Ivan Swanner discusses the history of the sheep industry in the Wood River Valley in the old Lane Mercantile Building (now Starbucks on Main Street, Ketchum) where sheep ranchers once chawed on the weather and wool prices.

• Noon — Trailing of the Sheep Parade beginning near Ketchum's Industrial Park along Idaho Highway 75 and continuing along Main Street Ketchum.

• 1 to 4 p.m. — Western Folklife Center Historical Display at Ketchum/Sun Valley Ski and Heritage Museum.

• 1:30 p.m. — Sheep Shuttle featuring sheep rancher John Peavey will leave Forest Service Park for Sheepherder Walk.

• 2 to 3:30 p.m. — Sheepherder Walk through aspen groves along Eagle Creek and into the woods.

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• 4 to 5 p.m. — Sheepherder Walk through aspen groves along Eagle Creek and into the woods.

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• 6 to 7 p.m. — Sheepherder Walk through aspen groves along Eagle Creek and into the woods.

• 7 to 8 p.m. — Sheepherder Walk through aspen groves along Eagle Creek and into the woods.

• 8 to 9 p.m. — Sheepherder Walk through aspen groves along Eagle Creek and into the woods.

Serving their country

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



Joshua E. Dumas

- Age: 22.
- Hometown: Twin Falls.
- Local family: Mother, Carol Lynn Dumas; brothers, Jamie and Jeremy.
- Service, date of enlistment: National Guard, May 2000.
- Rank, assignment: Specialist, medic.
- Task: Medical support.
- Additional information: Completed combat training at Fort Hood, Texas, and is now at Fort Irwin, Calif., for desert training. Serving with the 141st Field Artillery Battalion assigned to the 25th Infantry Brigade out of Jackson Barracks, New Orleans, La. Scheduled to ship out to Kuwait/Iraq first of October. Write to Dumas at 1-E, Dumas, Joshua, D111B 141 FA BN; APO AE 09326.



Tyson Dean McAlindin

- Age: 24.
- Hometown: Twin Falls.
- Local family: Father, Dave and Shelly McAlindin; of Twin Falls; mother, Katie and Scott Hroczkowsky of Phoenix, Ariz.; grandparents, Dean and Joanne Tisdale of Buhl.
- Service, date of enlistment: Marines, April 1, 2003.
- Rank: Corporal.
- Task: Gunner light-armed vehicle.
- Additional information: Deployed from 29 Palms on Aug. 22. Write to McAlindin at Cpl. McAlindin, Tyson D., 3rd Air Bn, Co 1st Bn, Unit 41715; FPO AP 96426-1715.

To send a message to those serving in the military, go on-line (www.magicvalley.com) and click on "Military Messages." To submit information and photos about local servicemen and women involved in Iraq and Afghanistan, please call Times-News clerk Kami Whitell at 735-3278 or e-mail jwhitell@magicvalley.com. Please include your own name and contact information.

Agencies offer assistance to counter bark beetle attack

By Michelle Dunlop
The Times-News

KECHUM — The Idaho Department of Lands and U.S. Forest Service plan to continue their battle against bark beetles by awarding more grant money to residents in Blaine and Custer counties next year.

"A lot of people are just being overwhelmed," said Jim Rineholt, chief coordinator for the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

Forest officials estimate nearly 1 million lodgepole pine trees in the SNRA have been lost to mountain pine beetle infestation since the late 1990s.

"In some areas, they've pretty

Battle against bark beetles in 2004

- Funding: The Idaho Department of Lands handed out a total of \$450,000 in grants this year.
- Site grants: were awarded to the subdivisions of Iron Creek, Smiley Creek, Crooked, Homestead, Cow Camp and Fisher Creek, which cover 1,435 acres.
- One individual in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area also received a grant.
- Spraying: The agency and home-

owners sprayed 5,000 to protect them against future attacks.

• Infestation: 8,000 green, infested and dead trees have been cut and removed; 10,000 will be removed soon.

• Next year: The Department of Lands will accept applications for grants for 2005 until Feb. 22.

• For more information: Call Jim Rineholt with SNRA at 727-5021 or visit the department's Web site: www2.state.id.us/lands.

much attacked everything 8-inches in diameter or larger," Rineholt said.

After the beetles burrow into a tree's bark, the insects break up

the tree's nutrient system and obstruct water circulation in the tree. The dead or infested trees, complete with rust-colored needles, left in the beetles' wake

pose a fire hazard.

"Private landowners can apply for grants that will enable them to use the funds for cutting and removing dead and green infested trees," Rineholt said.

"The purpose here is to reduce future mortality and promote healthy stands of trees."

Last year, the Department of Lands awarded \$450,000 in grants to landowners to combat the insect. Six subdivisions covering an area of 1,435 acres received aid along with one individual.

"They felt really good about it," Rineholt said.

those grants is Oct. 22. Recipients can use the grants toward applying preventative sprays, removing infested trees or planting new trees.

"When they work out their total cost there is a match the homeowners have to contribute," Rineholt said.

Homeowners have to match 25 percent of the cost, he said. Rineholt wouldn't be surprised if several recipients from this year reapply for additional funds.

Many underestimated the work that needed to be completed on their properties, he said.

Beetle infestation has affected more than 100,000 acres in the SNRA and "lots" of residents, Rineholt said.

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OBITUARIES

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

Martha Walker Crane Webb - Twin Falls

Martha Walker Crane Webb, 88, our beloved mother and grandmother departed this life peacefully Friday morning, Oct. 8, 2004, at the Twin Falls Care Center following a long life well lived.



Feb. 13, 1909.

She was born on March 18, 1909, to Melvin Ross and Annie Eliza Hunter Walker in Oakley, Idaho, the sixth of 10 children. She grew up on the family farm and attended schools in Oakley and played on the championship basketball team that won the state championship tournament.

She married Ralph Owen Crane on March 12, 1935, in the Logan Temple. They started their life together in Gooding, later moving to Gooding, Hansen, Buhl, Kimberly and Twin Falls. While in Twin Falls, Martha dipped chocolates and made mints at Fredrickson's Fine Candies. In 1969, they moved to Castro Valley, Calif., where Martha worked at the Oakland Temple. Ralph passed away in 1976. Martha married W.C. "Mike" Webb on April 16, 1978, in the Oakland Temple. She moved to the chicken farm in Livermore, Calif., where they lived until 1989 when they moved back to Twin Falls. Mike passed away

in Utah; her grandchildren, Dennis McCracken, Michael McCracken, Douglas Havens, Robin Havens, Alan McCracken, Bart Havens, Jennifer Austin, Nancy Clarkson, Stephanie Havens, Martha Ann Miller, Aaron Scott and Elizabeth Scott; 18 great grandchildren; and two sisters, LeVerte Stasney Humphries of Murtaugh, Idaho, and Marion Farnon of Butte, Mont. She was preceded in death by both husbands, an infant daughter, three grandsons, five brothers and two sisters. We will honor her life at 1 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 11, 2004, at the Twin Falls 11th Ward Church, Kimberly Stake Center at 3157 N. 3500 E. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sunday, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel and from noon until 12:45 p.m. on Monday at the church. Interment will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Martha's family would like to thank the Twin Falls Care Center for their care and special thank to Dr. Patrick Desmond for his loving concern for her and to our angel, nurse Gail, and all the staff at Idaho Home Hospice for helping to make the transition peaceful.

Henry John Meyer - Burley

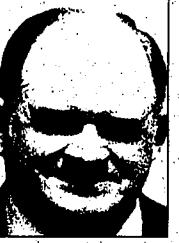


Henry John Meyer, 99, of Burley, died Friday morning, Oct. 8, 2004, at the Gooding Rehabilitation and Care Center following an illness.

Mr. Meyer was born Feb. 10, 1905, in Sweet Springs, Mo. He was the eldest son of John Louis and Charlotte Meyer. Mr. Meyer married Metha C. Decker on Sept. 12, 1926, at Rockville, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer moved to Burley, Idaho, in 1938. Henry farmed and worked as a mechanic at CASE in Rupert and John Deere in Burley for many years. After retiring, Mr. Meyer married Agnes I. Satchwell on May 13, 1971, at Burley, Idaho.

He was an active part of the Senior Citizens Center in Burley. He was also a longtime member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Metha C. Michl; four grandchildren, Sheila Currence of McKinney, Texas, Samuel Evers of Oakes Point, Texas, Holly Gerdes of Blackfoot and Stefan Meyer of Post Falls, Idaho; and two great-grandchildren, Sabra and Ian Gerdes; one step-daughter, Betty Adams of Gooding, Idaho; two stepsons, William Satchwell of Post Falls, Idaho, and Burton Satchwell of Bountiful, Utah; and several step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2004, at the Rupert Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Povey officiating. Interment will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel and one hour prior to the service Tuesday at the church.

Charles 'Doug' Sluder - Bellevue



Charles "Doug" Sluder, 61, died Friday morning, Oct. 8, 2004, at his home in Bellevue following his recent illness.

Doug was born Sept. 21, 1943, in Richfield, Mo. He was the son of Charles and Gonda Sluder. He grew up in Richfield, graduating from Richfield High School in 1961. He married Joan Meyer on July 31, 1964, in Bellevue, Idaho.

He loved having his grandchildren with him. He will be missed by one and all and his memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. Surviving family members include his wife, Joan of Bellevue daughter, Amber (DJ) McMurtado, and grandchildren, Lettie, Dee and Hunter of Bellevue, Idaho; son, Gene Sluder of Bellevue; son, Paul (Laura) Sluder, and grandchildren, Jake and Isabella of Gooding; his mother, Gonda Sluder of Richfield; and four brothers, Ron (Janette) Sluder of Vancouver, Wash., Donald (Mary) Sluder of Bellevue, Dale Sluder of Shoshone and Gilbert (Iliia) Sluder of Bellevue. He was preceded in death by his father, Charles Sluder, and his nephew, Tom Sluder. Memorial donations are suggested to the Hospice of the Wood River Valley, P.O. Box 4320, Ketchum, ID 83340. The funeral is pending. Please call the Wood River Chapel of Halley, Idaho, at (208) 788-2244 for more information.

Doug Sluder was a loving son, husband, father and friend. His smile was as wide as his heart. He was known for his generosity to family, friends, neighbors, and even strangers. His greatest joy was being with his family. He created a family-owned gravel and ready-mix business. His life was full as the life of Glendale Sam and Gravel. He enjoyed working on his ranch in Marley, Idaho, and going pleasant hunting and flying.

Melissa Irene Moss Higley - Gooding



Melissa Irene Moss Higley, 85, quietly left the frailties of old age and the sadness and confusion of lost memory behind and passed on to Heaven on Oct. 7, 2004. Nothing can replace her once radiant spirit and she will be deeply missed.

Irene began her journey on Feb. 3, 1919, in West Point, Utah, with parents Joseph and Melissa Moss. She grew up there and later met and married her true love and lifetime companion, Valdie Higley who later preceded her in death in 2001.

She was an excellent baker and loved to make batches of her delicious cinnamon rolls and the delectable jam filled with home-made chocolate chip cookies to the delight of her grandchildren. Irene taught Sunday school classes and enjoyed serving her church in many roles. She worked at the elementary school in Gooding for several years and truly adored all the children she got to know during that time. They made her smile and

A few years into their marriage they moved their family to Idaho and homesteaded 160 acres of sagebrush covered land in North Shoshone, turning it into a farm and home. After more than 35 years on the farm, they moved to Gooding. Irene loved her family, home, flower gardens and doing things for others. She spent many happy hours working on sewing and craft projects, which she generously shared with family and friends.

Archie 'Jack' Dains - Dietrich

Jack was born on Nov. 17, 1930, and died on Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2004. He was 73 years old. Jack was born in Lyon County, Kan. He was the youngest of seven children born to Asa Amos and Dora Dains. The Dains family moved to Idaho in 1942. Jack married Hilma Andrus and together they had five children. Jack and Hilma were later divorced. He then married Clara Crist and added her four sons to the family. Jack and Clara made their home in Heyburn. After Clara's death in 2001, Jack spent the remainder of his life in Dietrich to be near his sister, Darlene Gaskill.

He is survived by his sister, Darlene; his daughters, LuAnn and Judy; and his stepsons, Mark, Mike, Matt and Woody. Also surviving Jack are numerous grandchildren, nieces, nephews and all of the special people that he met along the way. A wake will be held for Jack at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, 2004, at the Eagles Nest in Dietrich. We love you Jack, and will remember you always.



UI displays cloned mules at games

MOSCOW — The University of Idaho mascot is Joe Vandal, but the school is parading a different beast before home football games.

The university's three cloned mules were on display before Saturday's game, and will be again at next Saturday week against Louisiana-Lafayette.

The cloned mules, now a year old, are being held in a corral across the street from the ASUI Kibbie Dome. They are accompanied by university student employees of the Northwest Equine Reproduction Laboratory. The students talk with visitors about the cloning project.

The mules, named Idaho Gem, Utah Pioneer and Idaho Star, were created through a collaborative scientific project between Idaho and Utah State University scientists.

Group works to stop bullying at schools

COEUR D'ALENE — The Kootenai Benevolence Medical Alliance is taking steps to stop bullying at area schools.

The organization, representing physicians' spouses, is taking part in a project called "Stop America's Violence Everywhere." The group is distributing pamphlets and booklets on topics including bullying, obesity, rape and suicide to school districts that do not have the money to purchase them. Alliance member Kathi Abate said she was bullied as a girl, and good teachers helped her deal with the problem. She said the handouts can help kids learn good coping techniques.

SERVICES

Nora Mable Robeson of Burley, viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, 321 E. Main St.; short service during the viewing at 7 p.m. at the funeral chapel.

James W. Pigg of Hagerman, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Hagerman Cemetery; visitation for family and friends from 4 to 7 p.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Paul Magee of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park; friends may call from 4 to 6 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

William Todd Foshee — William Todd Foshee, 52, of Burley, died Saturday, Oct. 9, 2004, in Burley. Arrangements will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Vern Chidester — Vern Chidester, 70, of Buhl, died Saturday, Oct. 9, 2004, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Frances S. Bowman — Frances S. Bowman, 91, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2004. Bridge View Retirement Estates in Twin Falls. At Frances' request, no service will be held. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Donald Askew — Donald Askew, 72, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Oct. 9, 2004, at his home. Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

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OBITUARIES

Bertle Leona Light - Twin Falls

Leona Light, 93, of Twin Falls, died Oct. 3, 2004, in Billings, Mont., of an extended illness.

Leona was born Sept. 15, 1911, in Bartonville, Ill., to Martin and Bertle Boyd Rose. She attended school in Bartonville and there married Harry H. Light. In 1944, they moved to Grandview Drive in Twin Falls, where she resided until recently. They were divorced in 1950. Leona was a longtime employee of Simpsons; Hánye Seed Co. and Idaho Frozen Foods until her retirement.

She was an active supporter of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren's activities. She took great pleasure in helping them with their 4-H projects, Junior Riding Club,



just teaching them how to fish or creating handkerchiefs or quilt keepers for her family.

Leona is survived by one son, Donald J. Light of Lewiston; and three daughters,

Nancee L. (Dr. Robert) Jones of Starbuck, Miss.; Joanne L. Panoke of Annapolis, Md.; and Patricia R. (Dr. Randolph) Given of Galveston, Texas; one brother, George Rose of Bartonville; close friends, Nelda Jansson, Nancy Assel and Ramona Charles Kimbrell; 15 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by two brothers and one infant daughter.

A funeral was held Saturday, Oct. 9, 2004, at Smith's Funeral Chapel in Billings. Inurnment will be at Lakeside Cemetery in Pekin, Ill. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the American Lung Association or to their favorite charity.

Leda M. Hathaway - Rigby

Leda Madine Hathaway, 88, of Rigby, Idaho, passed away Thursday, Oct. 7, 2004, with her family by her side at the home of her son, John, in Kimberly.

Leda was born July 29, 1916, in Burton, Idaho, to Joseph Hertzog and Anna Brauning Hertzog and grew up in Burton. She attended school in Burton and graduated from Madison High School in Rexburg. She served three missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, one as a young woman to Winnipeg, Canada, and two later with her husband, Michael, the first to Lansing, Mich., and then to Fresno, Calif. She married Michael James Hathaway on Nov. 8, 1940, in the Salt Lake Temple. They settled first in Terreton, Idaho, and later in Rigby, Idaho. Leda was a homemaker and loving mother. She worked many years at Fresh Pak at Carson's Nurseries Home, and as a custodian for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She had a strong work ethic and taught it to all her children. Leda was a strong support to her husband, who suffered ill health for many years.

Leda's highest priority was always her children and family. She was an angel mother and will be greatly missed by her children and grandchildren. Her husband passed away Jan. 7, 1991. After her husband's death, she lived in Rigby until 1997, at which time ill health necessitated a move to Boise and later to Kimberly to live with her son, John, and his wife, Debbie, who have taken care of her since then. As a family we wish to especially thank John, Debbie, and their children for all their loving care and sacrifice in the service of our Mother.

Leda was preceded in death



by her husband, Michael James Hathaway and a daughter, Carol Lynn.

She is survived by her nine children, Katherine (Thomas E.) Brown of Rigby, JoAnn (Max) Cheatham of Yellville, Ark., Julie (Arden) Anderson of Shelley, Michael James (Lorraine) Hathaway of Hamer, David Hathaway of Rigby, John (Deborah) Hathaway of Kimberly, Ardis (Kent) Roberts of Idaho Falls, Merrilee (Kerry) Simmons of Lodi, Utah, and Ruth (Thomas) Beck of Vancouver, Wash.; two sisters, Renee Robison of Idaho Falls and Joy McCarley of Chubbuck; and a brother, Ben Hertzog of southern California. She was the proud grandmother of 39, the great-grandmother of 32 and the great-great-grandmother of two.

A funeral will be conducted at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2004, at the Hansen LDS Ward Chapel, 222 Birch St., Hansen, Idaho, with Bishop Mark Olsen officiating. The family will visit with friends from 9 to 10:15 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

A service will also be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2004, at Ekersell's Funeral Chapel, 101 W. Main St., Rigby, with her



son, Michael James Hathaway officiating.

The family will visit with friends beginning at 3:15 p.m. at Ekersell's. Burial will be at the Annis-Little Butte Cemetery in Annis, Idaho, under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Family lays Lori Hacking to rest in Utah

OREM, Utah (AP) — Family and friends buried the remains of Lori Hacking on Saturday, eight days after her body was recovered from a landfill in Salt Lake County.

Uniformed police officers who assisted in the search were also invited to the private ceremony at Oreg City Cemetery.

Hacking's mother, Thelma Soures, placed a red rose on the casket and also hugged Sgt. J.H. Nelson; the Salt Lake City police officer who found the remains while sifting through garbage on Oct. 1.

"To have someone come up to me and thank me like that, it was very gratifying to know that I helped her out so much," Nelson said.

Hacking's tombstone includes a picture of her and inscription reading "Our angel baby." A sign that read "Lori is home. Your prayers are answered" was also posted for the ceremony Saturday morning.

Hacking's husband, Mark, is accused of shooting her as she slept and dumping her body in the trash in late July. He is being held in the Salt Lake County jail on a murder charge and is scheduled for arraignment Oct. 29.

Mark Hacking's parents and brother attended the funeral Saturday for their former daughter-in-law.

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

SPREADING A WEB OF CHEER



Cheyenne Johnson, 3, giggles as Spider-Man peers through her window at Providence Alaska Medical Center's Children's Hospital in Anchorage, Alaska. Spider-Man and other featured performers of the visiting Moscow State Circus visited children Friday morning.

Dog's handling raises questions

Animal control board might reimburse woman for vet bills

By Lorraine Cavener
Times-News correspondent

RUPERT — The Minidoka County Animal Control Board is examining the circumstances surrounding a dog that was quarantined and returned to its owner in poor health.

Board members said during a recent meeting that wet and overcrowded conditions at the county's shelter in Paul could have contributed to the condition of the dog, which was released on Sept. 24.

Jennifer and Mark Shadden's boxer dog got loose and was picked up by animal control in Rupert on Sept. 14. The dog had to be detained in quarantine for 10 days because Animal Control Officer Steve Muni believed it had bit a child.

Quarantine is imposed as a normal procedure when a bite occurs in case of rabies.

Jennifer Shadden has shown

several times before, Muni said. Muni and Bill Shields, who works part time, cover the entire county and do not have much time to spend with the animals.

"Inside the shelter, cages are stacked in layers and the place is full to the point that 93 dogs had to be euthanized in September," Muni said.

Shadden said she would have moved the dog to be quarantined at a veterinary office if she knew about the conditions and the fact that it was not eating.

"I had faith she would be taken care of," Shadden said.

Shields said he didn't believe anything was wrong with the dog because he didn't see it when it first came there.

"We have dogs that come in all the time that make this one look perfectly healthy," Shields said.

Shadden said she did not have a problem with the animal control officers but with the facility.

Robert Christensen, chairman of the animal control board, said conditions could change at the shelter if money were available.

Board members say when the shelter is hosed out, water drains on the side of the building where the dog was quarantined, but Rupert Administrator Roger Bagley said the shelter has passed inspection by the veterinary board every year.

When the dog was in quarantine, Shadden gave it up for adoption and the new owner paid the quarantine fees.

The board's attorney, Kelly Anthon, said the board could refund the dog's new owner \$100 for the quarantine stay plus veterinary bills, which amounted to \$135, but first it should review the case and the way dogs are quarantined.

"I think we need to review everything," he said. "There may have been some injustice done to that animal."

The board plans to review the situation and make a decision at its next regular board meeting, Anthon said.

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Sikh leader dies at 75

Los Angeles Times

In 1968, Yogi Bhajan moved from India to Toronto and soon afterward to Los Angeles, where he taught Kundalini yoga. As his reputation grew, he was invited to teach at local colleges.

He established the 3HO (the happy, healthy, holy organization) in 1969. The program emphasizes yoga, meditation and community service and, as taught in the United States, as well as India.

In Los Angeles he attended interfaith forums and conferences to help establish a Sikh presence. Over time he became known as an authority for the Sikh religion in the Western Hemisphere. He had an inclusive view of the world's major religions and considered all of them valid.

After relocating to Espanola in Los Angeles in the early 1970s, Yogi Bhajan founded the Sikh Dharma community that has grown to about 500 families, most of them American converts. He was instrumental in the creation of several successful businesses owned by Sikh Dharma members. One of them, Akal Security, is among the country's largest suppliers of security officers to government sites, including federal courthouses, buildings, Army bases and airports.

Security work is in keeping with the Sikh tradition of the warrior saint, Khalsa, a founder of Akal, said Friday. A number of Sikh leaders were military generals who preached self-defense and opposed military aggression, he said.

He was a lifetime practitioner of yoga and was considered a master of Kundalini yoga, which combines vigorous physical poses with meditation and mantras.

Crump

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chin drop to his chest and asked him a complicated question about violence. Jerry blushed, shifted in his seat and shrugged his shoulders. Everybody in the class laughed — especially me.

Then, to my horror, Dr. Bayless said, "Mr. Crump, can you

answer the same question?"

Shoot, I didn't realize the professor even knew my name. In desperation, I nodded in Jerry's direction and proclaimed, "I'm with Steepy."

You may have noticed that Times-News features editor Steve Crump is not a chemist.

Authorities catch the first to escape from new jail

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The first man to escape from the Kootenai County jail since its expansion 18 years ago has been arrested by police in Spokane, Wash.

Neal G. McCrea, 40, was taken into custody Friday after officers bumped into him while on their way to respond to an attempted burglary report.

Spokane Police Lt. Dean Sprague said McCrea, who had been on the run for a week, was cooperative and identified himself.

He apparently took advantage of a blind spot in security cameras and unraveled a fence to make his way out Oct. 1.

The escape happened when McCrea was one of five inmates released to an outdoor exercise area — a concrete pad com-

pletely enclosed by heavy duty chain-link fence, including a chain link ceiling, Police said. McCrea, who was in jail on a firearms charge, apparently climbed to the top of the fence and hung — out of the sight of the cameras — to unravel strands of chain link from the top of the enclosure.

After clearing a small opening, the 5-foot-5, 140-pound McCrea apparently hoisted himself through, skipped over a roll of concertina wire to reach the roof of the jail and made his way to the street by the last placing him in the unguarded public parking lot shared by the jail and the Sheriff's Department.

McCrea is scheduled to appear before a judge on the escape charge on Tuesday.

U.S. families think their adopted children are twins

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Two families who adopted Chinese children and his adoptive mother arrived Sept. 30 at Tucson International Airport to spend the weekend. XI MEI (pronounced shee-may) was adopted by a Tucson couple, and Alabama family adopted Tao Bo.

The two families found each other when Rose Veneklasen and Jutta Walters linked up on a Web site offering support for families who adopted children from China.

As they talked, they realized their children were estimated to be about the same age, were found abandoned the same

day, and both had cleft palates. They were both taken to the same orphanage and both were afraid of the dark, according to their adoption profiles.

The women exchanged pictures. Then in July, they ordered DNA tests that confirmed with 98 percent accuracy that the toddlers share at least one parent, most likely the mother.

"This is almost like gaining new family members," Walters of Montgomery, Ala. told the Arizona Daily Star for Saturday's edition. "In fact, we keep joking that now when people ask us how many children we have, we'll have to say three and a half."

In most cases, it is almost impossible to obtain information about biological families of adopted children.

The Walters and Veneklasens, of Tucson, each have two other children.

Fish and Game officer rescues two locked elk

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — An Idaho fish-and-game officer used a shotgun to separate two bull elk locked together by their horns, sparing the animals from a slow death in chest-deep water.

The rescue, reported Saturday by the Standard-Examiner in Ogden, Utah, came less than a week after another pair of dueling elk died in extreme northeast Nevada after the landowner refused to let biologists cut off their horns.

"I know things like this happen in the wild and the animals die," said Idaho rancher Joe Sorenson, who found two large elk latched by their horns in Silver Creek on his land south of Carey, Idaho, 110 miles east of Boise. "I couldn't just stand there and let it happen on my ranch if there was any way I could help them."

At first Sorenson thought the elk were cooling off in the creek. But he found them in the same position the next day, Sept. 27, and called for a rescue.

"It was a heck of a deal," said Rob Morris, an Idaho senior conservation officer. "I know I couldn't use any drugs to sedate them. If I used the drugs, they would probably drown anyway

because they would have gone down in the river."

Morris safely separated the elk with three shots to their intestines, sparing the animals from a 12-gauge shotgun loaded with plugs.

"A broken antler isn't going to affect the bull's health in any way, shape or form," said Idaho Fish and Game spokesman Kellon Hatch.

It's not unusual for rutting bull elk or deer to spar and get themselves locked in a head-to-head struggle, but "it's very rare for it to be observed by humans," said Walt Campbell, game warden for Nevada's northeastern region, who has seen the evidence only in carcasses.

Sometimes horned animals managed to free themselves while thrashing.

The doomed Nevada elk were first seen locked together and falling on Sept. 10 at a place called "No Trespassing."

When the landowner refused access, Nevada game officials tried to secure a court order to enter Karl Beckler's property to sedate and cut off the elk's horns, but they couldn't show a legal basis for trumping his private property rights.

Crash kills Shoshone man

Magic Valley in brief

HOLLISTER — A Shoshone man died Saturday morning after his vehicle collided head-on with a semi truck on U.S. Highway 93 south of Hollister.

At 7 a.m., Luis A. Camacho, 23, was driving north on miles south of Hollister when his vehicle crossed over the center line and hit a semi truck driven by Jacob Barnes, 28, of Jerome, heading to the Idaho State police news release. Both vehicles were engulfed in flames.

Camacho was thrown from his vehicle and later pronounced dead at the scene. Barnes was hospitalized and treated for a fractured hand then released.

The cause of the accident is still under investigation.

Services will receive an individually developed technical assistance plan, guidance from a mentor agency, on-site consultation from project staff and consultants and access to on-line courses, webcasts and discussions with other providers, the news release said.

Pancake breakfast will benefit children

TWIN FALLS — The Blue Lakes Rotary Club will host its annual Pancake Breakfast from 7 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at Mountain Elementary School at 701 Morningside Drive.

The cost is \$3.50 per person and children age 4 and under eat free. The breakfast menu will include pancakes, hash browns, juice, milk and coffee. The breakfast is made possible in part by generous donations from several area businesses, according to a Blue Lakes Rotary Club news release.

The Blue Lakes Rotary Club hosts the breakfast each year at a different elementary school in Twin Falls. Proceeds from the event are donated to the school to improve the quality of education for our children, the news release said.

This year, school officials plan to use the money to fund reading aide positions at Morningside.

Tickets for the breakfast are available from members of the Blue Lakes Rotary Club. They will also be available at the door.

— compiled from staff reports

Man sentenced in pipe bomb case

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — A Utah man arrested after a trooper found explosive devices in his car will serve five years and 11 months in a federal prison.

Chancey Reynolds, 25, of Bluffdale, Utah, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge William Downes on Sept. 29 for possession of destructive devices, being a felon in possession of a gun, being a fugitive in possession of a gun, possession of forgery equipment and presenting false identification to police, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office.

The rented car Reynolds was driving was pulled over Feb. 17 for failing to maintain a single lane.

The pipe bomb case involved a section of Interstate 80 after police discovered explosive devices in the car and the trailer it was towing.

Federal agents found devices similar to pipe bombs, driver's licenses, blank driver's license paper, stolen credit cards and blank checks. They also found that Reynolds was wanted on a federal parole violation.

Another man, Troy K. Howard, of Riverton, Utah, was arrested along with Reynolds. Howard had been wanted on an outstanding warrant for forgery in Utah. His case is still pending.

Federal investigators described both men as members of white supremacist groups.

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al hundred thousand sheep in the Wood River Valley, said by U.S. District Judge William Downes on Sept. 29 for possession of destructive devices, being a felon in possession of a gun, being a fugitive in possession of a gun, possession of forgery equipment and presenting false identification to police, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office.

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Today's parade will have 1500 to 200 sheep.

Peavey said the festival started as a way to interest newcomers in the annual sheep trailing.

People came out to watch, then gradually the event grew to three days of events.

Music and dance represented the Basque, Peruvian, Polish and Scottish cultures, all with strong

connections to sheep herding.

Roy Kady's family of Navajo Diné weavers were invited to show off their traditional crafts at the fair for the first time this year.

Kady's niece, Ariel Bagley, 11, of Tec Nos Pos, Ariz., was working on a multicolored blanket with diagonal lines in the wool yarn.

"This is my first twill," Ariel said, explaining why it wasn't perfect along the edge.

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TWIN FALLS CITY COURTS

TWIN FALLS — Recent activity in 5th District Court in the city of Twin Falls included the following:

Driving under the influence sentencing

Lindsay Mae Osterander, 21, 3605 E. 3500 N., Hansen; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 18 suspended; credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages; attend court alcohol school; eight hours sheriff's work detail in lieu of jail; Magistrate Judge Randy L. Stoker.

Misdemeanor sentencing

Randy Buell, 48, 312 Ivy S., unit B, Nampa; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine; \$78.50 court costs; 180 days in jail with 174 suspended; credit for six days served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; Magistrate Judge Randy J. Stoker.

Robert Arthur Iakson, 29, 201 Locust St., Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine; \$78.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 180 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; submit to alcohol/drug testing; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Garrett L. Hays, 27, 218 Center St. W., Kimberly; one count driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine; \$78.50 court costs; 180 days in jail with 180 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; submit to alcohol/drug testing; one count contempt of court; pleaded guilty; \$50 fine; \$75 public defender fee; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Jeremy Scott Durick, 29, 4070 E. 2300 E., Piler; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine; \$78.50 court costs; 180 days in jail with 180 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohol/drug testing; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Michael Thomas McKay Jr., 32, 260 Second Ave. N., No. 16, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$78.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 24 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Nicole Renee Crosby, 22, 161 Jackson, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Amey Joan Zahurrows, 26, 778 Honey Locust Lane, No. 2, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; amended to fail to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine with \$100 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 63 suspended; credit for 27 days served; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Shad Kenneth Blundell, 19, 630 Robbins, Twin Falls; unlawful over-the-counter use of school bus; found guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; 12 months probation; no driving for 30 days; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Charles Arzedondo, 42, 476 Walnut, Twin Falls; violation of no contact order; found guilty; \$200 fine; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

David Mini Vitale, 33, 1545 Ninth Ave. E., Twin Falls; driving without privileges; amended to fail to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleading guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

George Caballeros, 22, 230 Van Buren, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; amended to inattentive/ careless driving; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Robert Molina Yorsky, 34, 343 Second Ave. W., Twin Falls; one count possession of marijuana; amended to fail to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine with \$100 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 180 days in jail with 120 suspended; credit for 60 days served; 24 months probation; one count petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine with \$200 suspended; 180 days in jail with 120 suspended; credit for 60 days served; 12 months probation; submit to alcohol/drug testing; one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

22, 161 Jackson, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended; credit for one day served; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; submit to alcohol/drug testing; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; 16 hours sheriff's work detail; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Jason Frank Manóvil, 30, 810 Sunrise, Twin Falls; resisting an obstructing officer; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

David Spellberger, 20, 233 N. 200 W., Jerome; fail to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 24 months probation; submit to alcohol/drug testing; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Mack Christopher Anderson, 40, 871 Morningside Drive, Twin Falls; one count possession of a controlled substance; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 24 months probation; submit to alcohol/drug testing; one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine with \$200 suspended; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 24 months probation; submit to alcohol/drug testing; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Teresa Ann Verwey, 40, 1515 Kimberly Road, No. 12, Twin Falls; provide false information to an officer; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Gary Mark Stevens, 10, 1995 Pole Line Road E., Twin Falls; resisting or obstructing an officer; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Lanae Ann Pokorney, 27, 160 Canyon St., Twin Falls; one count petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; one count provide false information to an officer; pleaded guilty; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Jesse James Neudorfer, 27, 1122 Washington St. S., No. 46, Twin Falls; one count fail to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs;

\$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; one count fail to appear and one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Cole Weldon Swannons, 20, 207 Garnet, Kimberly; fail to carry driver's license on person; pleaded guilty; \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Nicole Renee Crosby, 22, 161 Jackson, Twin Falls; petit theft; amended to willful concealment; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 24 months probation; 40 hours community service; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Monica Marie Shaif, 22, 1730 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pleaded guilty; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; submit to alcohol/drug testing; 16 hours community service; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Lori Diane Jones, 25, 711 Elm St. N., Kimberly; criminal trespass; amended to disturbing the peace; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$100 fine; \$63.50 court costs; 12 months probation; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Janet Lynn Eggleston, 29, 474 Van Buren St., Twin Falls; domestic battery; amended to battery; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended; credit for two days served; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; shall not possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or be where they are present; submit to alcohol/drug testing; complete anger management counseling; no contact with victim until completion of counseling; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Marceon Wright, 25, P.O. Box 5612, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$100 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; submit to alcohol/drug testing; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

James Justin McKinney, 21, 390 Lois, No. 6, Twin Falls; possession of marijuana; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 176 suspended; credit for four days served; 24 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; submit to alcohol/drug testing; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Byrce Deon Amos, 25, 115 Filer Ave., Twin Falls; one count possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Hyun Hynden Banks, 31, 3044 E. 3200 N., Twin Falls; battery; amended to disturbing the peace; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; restitution if requested; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Jesse Michael Nuss, 20, Bawnbrook No. 270, Twin Falls; criminal trespass; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$63.50 court costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended; credit for two days served; 12 months probation; \$35 per month probation fee; complete any treatment/counseling ordered by probation officer; Magistrate Judge Howard Smyser.

Misdemeanor dismissals

Bonald B. Quinto, 51, 530 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls; disorderly conduct; dismissed by prosecutor; in the interest of justice; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Don Harley Tarbox, 39, 387 Highland, Twin Falls; one count malicious injury to property; and one count battery; dismissed by prosecutor; state unable to secure attendance of the victim; Magistrate Judge Charles P. Brumback.

Advertisement for Jim Weaver, Republican Candidate for Jerome Co. Sheriff. Includes photo and text: "I will continue to serve Jerome County".

Advertisement for Kendall Hunter, REALTOR, (208) 539-3704. Text: "Buying a Home Just Became Much Easier. Hundreds of properties in the Magic Valley organized and mapped for YOUR CONVENIENCE!!!"

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Advertisement for Tom Gannon, re-elected Senator. Text: "For the past two years it has been my honor to represent District 23 in the Senate. During these two years we faced a number of challenges. With your support I will return to the Senate and continue to work for the citizens of District 23." Includes photo of Tom Gannon and list of committee assignments.

Advertisement for "CLIP MONEY! BID ON GREAT PRIZES!" from The Times-News. Text: "Congratulations! You've found today's Millionaire III Money! Clip only the bill from this ad and save it to bid on great prizes like a car, boat, restaurant and grocery certificates, and much more!" Includes image of a 2004 Millionaire III \$10,000 bill and logo for Miracle Ear.

Advertisement for The Times-News 100th Anniversary Special Section. Text: "The Times-News' role in Magic Valley people's lives. The big news events of the past century. How newspapering got started in the fledgling town. How news coverage of the issues has changed over the years. Quirky things that people have clipped and saved over the years." Includes images of newspaper clippings and a large graphic of a newspaper.

MAGIC VALLEY

SCHOOL LUNCHES

OBITUARY

BUHL SCHOOL
Breakfast Menu
Milk served daily
Lunches of fruit or pizza

Tuesday: Hot food luncheon
Wednesday: Sandwiches
Thursday: Sandwiches
Friday: Lunch menu

JEROME SCHOOLS
Milk served daily
Monday: Beef and noodles
Tuesday: Chicken burger
Wednesday: Chicken burger
Thursday: Chicken burger
Friday: Lunch party

CASTLEFORD SCHOOL
Breakfast menu
Milk and juice served daily
Monday: Pancakes and gravy
Tuesday: Pancakes and gravy
Wednesday: Pancakes and gravy
Thursday: Pancakes and gravy
Friday: Pancakes and gravy

ST. EDWARDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

RICHFIELD SCHOOLS
Breakfast
Milk and juice served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

CLOVER TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL
Breakfast served daily
Lunch: Hot food lunch
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

BURLEY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

FILER SCHOOL
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

VALLEY SCHOOLS
Breakfast served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

MINIDOKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

GLASSBORO SCHOOL
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

MINIDOKA MIDDLE SCHOOL
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

KIMBERLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

GOODING SCHOOLS
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

CASSIA SCHOOLS
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
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MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

HAGERMAN SCHOOLS
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
Thursday: Lunch menu
Friday: Lunch menu

MURTAUGH SCHOOL
Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Lunch menu
Tuesday: Lunch menu
Wednesday: Lunch menu
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Jack R. Holland Sr. - Burley
Jack Ross Holland Sr., an 89-year-old resident of Burley, died Friday, Oct. 8, 2004, at his home surrounded by his family.
He was born Sept. 23, 1915, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the son of Clarion Ross and Vera Shirley Holland. He attended school in Twin Falls; graduating from Twin Falls High School in 1934. It was during high school that he met Caroline South. She was truly the love of Jack's life. They were married on July 6, 1934, in Salt Lake City, Utah. Their marriage was solemnized in the Boise LDS Temple on May 26, 1935.
Jack started his career with Amalgamated Sugar Company in 1935 as a worker. He went to full-time status in 1941, and was promoted to assistant cashier in 1946. He was appointed cashier at the Burley office in 1950, and at different times managed offices in Burley, Twin Falls and Paul.
He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He also was active in the Lions Club serving as president in 1954, and belonged to Toastmasters International having served as president and district lieutenant governor.
In 1954, at the age of 39, he started skiing. This became a passion and from 1956 to the mid-1990s, Jack taught hundreds of area children how to ski. Jack and Caroline were weekend fixtures at Pomerelle Ski School until their retirement in 1980. They then started teaching weekdays. Jack went skiing for the last time with his great-grandchildren in March of 2004, at the age of 88. He also loved to golf and spent as much time as possible golfing with his family until July of this year.
Jack was a dedicated husband. He was Caroline's primary care giver during the many years she suffered with Parkinson's Disease. Their home was always full of family and friends. Jack became a great backyard barbecuer in the 50s and enjoyed playing host all summer long. He left a legacy of hundreds of lefts of home movies.
The family expresses their appreciation to Jack's nephew, Richard South, who gave many hours of care to him in the last few weeks, and also to Minidoka Hospice and Home Health.
Jack is survived by his children, Jack II (Julia) Holland Jr. of Burley, Jill (Richard) Hackett of Las Vegas, Nev., Lynn Edward (Kathy) Holland of Brentwood, Calif., and C. Russell (Sally) Holland of Luperc; 13 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.
He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother; two sisters; and his loving wife, Caroline, who died on Oct. 1, 2003.
The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2004, at the Burley 2nd, 4th and 10th Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 515 E. 16th St., with Bishop Brent Lee officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1255 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.
The family suggests memorials be directed to the Lions Club Eyesight Program in care of Rasmussen Funeral Home.

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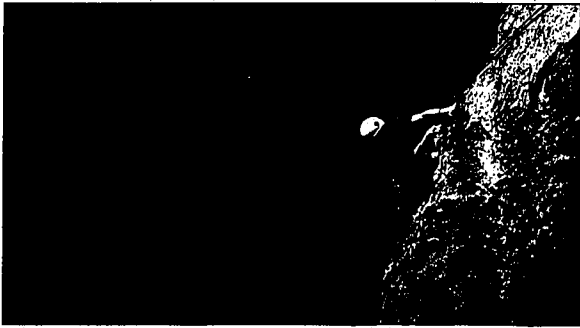
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CLIMBING THE WALLS



Tim Cronk, of Merrimack, N.H., smiles as he climbs the last pitch of the north wall of the Royal Gorge near Canon City, Colo., Friday. Cronk and his partner, Kyle McCave, also from Merrimack, were the first team to finish the ascent in the Multi-Pitch Sport-Climbing event in the Go Fast Games at the Gorge.

Suspects in football player's death will stand trial in chase

COLLAPX, Wash. (AP) - Two brothers accused of shooting a University of Idaho football player will stand trial in November on charges of attempting to elude police.

Matthew R. Wells II and James J. Wells have both pleaded innocent to charges of leading police on a high-speed chase across eastern Washington on Sept. 19. Police were seeking the men as suspects in the shooting of Eric McMillan, who died early the next morning.

James Wells is scheduled to stand trial in Whitman County, Washington on Nov. 17, and his brother is set for trial two days later. But Whitman County Prosecutor Denis Tracy said he hopes to have the trials consolidated.

Matthew Wells, dressed in orange and white striped jail coveralls, entered his plea on Fri-

day. He was flanked by his attorney Steve Maronick of Pullman and his father, mother, sister and other family members, who were in court to hear the plea, Maronick said.

James Wells entered his not-guilty plea Thursday afternoon. His arraignment, originally scheduled for Friday, was moved

up because of a scheduling conflict for his attorney, Mark Moberg of Moscow.

Meanwhile, arrest warrants for first-degree murder are pending against the men in Idaho. Prosecutors claim the Wellses went to McMillan's off-campus apartment and shot the football player in the chest before fleeing.

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Ogden pitches gondola plan to transit authority

OGDEN, Utah (AP) - A gondola running between downtown and Weber State University would cost about \$30 million, a bargain compared to building a light rail line, according to a study commissioned by Ogden officials.

Denver-based RG Consultants examined two gondola routes from the city's intermodal transportation hub. One would take a direct 3.8-mile run to Weber State from downtown. The other would loop halfway around downtown for 5 miles.

The cost of either route compares favorably with building a light-rail system, which cost Salt Lake City's TRAX system as much as \$23 million for a single mile.

The \$62,000 Ogden study considered eight- and 12-passenger mono-cable gondolas, which travel 10 to 15 mph and can move 1,000 to 3,500 people per hour.

"This has great potential," said Ogden Mayor Matthew Godfrey. "The study shows that it's a viable technology that appears to be cost-effective and much less expensive than light rail."

Godfrey also likes the novelty factor, which he believes would attract more riders than the bus system.

"The gondola sends a message about Ogden's strengths - its great natural setting and outdoor amenities," Godfrey said. "This would get people riding that would otherwise not use public transportation."

City administrators will pitch the proposal as part of the long-range transportation

plan being developed by the Wasatch Front Regional Council and the Utah Transit Authority. The first phase of that larger plan is due out in early 2005.

"This (gondola) is a little different. It's more out-of-the-box," Ogden Councilman Kent Jorgenson said.

The larger plan will take into account more conventional public transit options, such as expanded bus service, bus rapid-transit systems, streetcars and light rail, comparing costs and environmental impacts.

UTA's standard fares would likely apply if a gondola became part of the larger public-transit system.

Advantages include shorter construction time (12 to 24 months), no right of way problems and no air or noise pollution. Disadvantages include its slow speed, straight-line technology, boarding and de-boarding problems for the handicapped, and the inability to cool gondolas with air conditioning.

Also, gondola operations would have to be shut down during lightning storms or high winds.

The city gondola study comes as Ogden dropped another study on building a train to Snowbasin ski resort. City officials don't want to pay for that train, and Snowbasin owner Earl Holding hasn't volunteered to pick up the cost, either.



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Rolling clouds part briefly Saturday morning to show a new coat of snow on the crater and flanks of Mount St. Helens in southwest Washington. Heavy winds, rain and cloud cover have obscured views of the volcano, but weather is expected to improve through the weekend.

Volcano earthquakes pick up

MOUNT ST. HELENS, Wash. (AP) — Earthquake activity has increased at Mount St. Helens, but overcast skies Saturday hampered scientists' ability to see what was happening at the volcano.

"Seismicity has been picking up steadily since Friday, and now it's at levels equal to or higher than the Oct. 5 steam and ash eruption," said Jeff Wynn, U.S. Geological Survey's chief scientist for volcano hazards at Vancouver.

Earthquake activity had been low until Friday, indicating molten rock is moving upward with little resistance. By Saturday, however, quakes of magnitude 2.4 were occurring every one to two minutes, Wynn said.

Clouds lifted a little at dawn Saturday to reveal the mountain covered with snow, but continued to hamper visibility and frustrate scientists.

"Exactly where the magma is,

since we don't have visuals, we just can't say," Wynn said.

A bubble on the south side of the dome has risen to at least 330 feet since scientists first spotted it Sept. 30, and it was now almost as tall as the dome's 1,000-foot 'summit,' said USGS geologist John Pallister.

The blister is, a rather remarkable event," he said, saying that it infers magma is somewhere at shallow depths less than a mile below the surface. Scientists will monitor the bulge to see how the uplift relates to the seismic activity, Pallister said.

Despite the swelling and the increase in earthquake activity, scientists said there was no reason to raise the alert level around the 8,364-foot volcano.

There was an outside chance an eruption could shoot ash 15 miles into the air or higher, but there was no indication that any eruption is imminent or that one would be powerful enough

to threaten lives or property, said Larry Mastin, a USGS expert in the physics of volcano eruptions.

There's no way to tell when magma — molten rock — might reach the surface, scientists said.

Weather has discouraged many of the thousands of visitors who initially visited the awakening mountain, but some still anxiously watched from the Coldwater Ridge Visitors Center, the closest open vantage point for viewing the crater.

"We were here last Sunday, too," said Kathy Gurnee of Whidbey Island. Hearing that seismic activity was ramping up again Saturday, she said, "It gives us a little tentative feeling about it."

"I think today's going to be a big one. I can feel it," Gurnee's husband Mike said.

The center is 8.5 miles north of the southwest Washington mountain.

BYU-Idaho president says he won't leave

REXBURG, Idaho (AP) — The president of Brigham Young University-Idaho says he won't be leaving the university right away, despite his new appointment to a top Mormon leadership council.

Still, David Bednar said, a new president will eventually be appointed. Bednar was chosen last weekend to be a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' Quorum of the Twelve Apostles. "My assignment is I am still president of Brigham Young University-Idaho," Bednar said during a press conference Friday. "For the foreseeable future, I will have fewer (new) assignments and keep my duties here until as such time a new president is appointed."

Bednar said he will divide his time between the Rexburg school and Salt Lake City, where he will likely move with his wife, Susan. They have lived in Rexburg for the past seven years.

The church has not set a timeline, he said.

President Gordon Hinckley does not want to move prematurely or too rapidly, he said.

During Bednar's tenure, the 8,500-student, two-year Ricks College evolved into the 11,000-plus-student, four-year BYU-Idaho.

Bednar, 52, was appointed to

the quorum along with Dieter E. Uchtdorf of Germany.



David Bednar

The appointment, Bednar said, still feels sudden and startling.

"A person would never anticipate or even acknowledge that such a thing could happen. It happened with such suddenness, it's difficult to describe," he added.

He said, however, he and his family already have had a taste of the reverence paid to quorum members by those of his faith.

Last week, after Bednar delivered his first conference address, he and his family stopped at Salt Lake City's Temple Square for a family photo.

"When we got across the street, a crowd of people started to gather," he said. "They weren't interested in shaking my hand, but the hand of a member of the quorum."

A father introduced him as a new member of the quorum to his sons and daughters. "Their mother had a tear on her cheek," he said. "You wonder how it could be you, yet you see the power of the mantle (of the calling) reflected in the eyes of those you meet."

Fanciers say municipal flags need improvement

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Officials in Provo, Utah, admit they could use a better flag.

The Provo flag, marked by heavy letters of the city's name on a white sheet, was ranked 143rd worst out of 150 municipal flags surveyed by flag fanciers at the North American Vexillological Association.

In Idaho, Pocatello has another flag — only a booster could love — it finished dead last in the rankings. The flag is more banner than flag, dominated by fat letters reading "Proud to be Pocatello."

Most of the highly ranked flags featured simple geometric designs such as stars, stripes and silhouettes, which earned Washington, D.C., top honors for a flag showing two red bars and three stars.

Flags that received low marks most often had written words or hard-to-see details.

That was the case for Salt Lake City's flag, which finished 99th in the rankings. Salt Lake's flag is full of symbols — seagulls, a beehive, a pioneer family — that aren't visible from afar. It has been likened to a "bedsheet when the wind isn't blowing," said Mayor Rocky Anderson's spokeswoman, Deeda Seed.

The city is sponsoring a contest to replace its current 1963 vintage model. Utah's state flag — rated in 2002 as one of the nation's homeliest — also was slated for replacement until traditionalists objected.

"Some flags are reason

enough to keep flag burning legal; if I were in Pocatello or Provo, I'd buy up the entire stock of their flags and use them for winter heating," one critic wrote on the North American Vexillological Association's Web site.

Provo resident Joel Stevens said his city's flag was just plain "B-I-N-G-O."

"It looks like the designer took a white sheet and scratched 'Provo' on it with a black magic marker, then used crayons to draw the multicolored line underneath the name of the city," he said.

The low ranking hasn't created a flap in Utah's third largest city.

"We're flattered that they would notice our flag," Provo spokesman Michael Moxey said. "And, quite frankly, we agree with their conclusion ... We're certainly open to suggestions for improving the flag."

Designers would be pressed to fashion a flag much worse than Provo's, said Fred Kaye, author of "Good Flag, Bad Flag." "From a distance, all you would see is a smudge on a white flag," he said. "When a city puts its name on the flag, it shows it is insecure in its symbolism. There must be something more symbolic in Provo than simply writing its name on the flag."

Provo adopted the flag in 1990 after retiring a red-and-blue design highlighted by a stylized "P"

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

Without any reps or anything, she was freakin' money.

— CSI head coach Ben Stroud on the play of libero Ashley Gandaulf on Saturday

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Name the five pitchers to face both Mark McGwire and Roger Maris.

...answer below

IN BRIEF

T.F. hold soccer tryouts soon

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Soccer Association and the Twin Falls Rapids are will be holding tryouts and registration for boys and girls competitive spring teams on Oct. 30 at 9 a.m. at Ascension Fields in Twin Falls.

The association is also looking for both boys and girls coaches, referees and linesmen for the upcoming Spring season. Training is available for all applicants. To apply, or for more information, contact President Mark Goodman, 733-1699, Head Men's Coach Sasha Revolve, 733-941, or Head Women's Coach Vince Gibson, 735-0176.

Tri-Cities basketball takes registrations

RUPERT — The Rupert Recreation Department is accepting registrations for the Tri-Cities girls and boys basketball programs. The program is for girls grades 1-8 and boys grades 6-8. The cost per participant is \$16 or \$32 after Oct. 22. The season runs in Nov. and Dec., with games played in the Rupert Civic Gym. For further information or a registration form, stop by the Rupert Recreation Department or call 434-2400.

BSU boosters plan gatherings, bus trip

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Bronco Boosters are extending an open invitation to join the club at the Pressbox on Kimberly Rd. to watch Boise State Football games. The remaining games are: Oct. 16, Tulsa, 6:05 p.m.; Oct. 23, Fresno State at 6:05; Oct. 30, Hawaii at 6:05; Nov. 13, San Jose State at 3:05; Nov. 20, Louisiana Tech at 1:05; and Nov. 27, Nevada at 2:05.

The Bronco Boosters are also extending an open invitation to join the club on the Pressbox Funbus to the Boise State at Nevada game. The bus will leave Twin Falls on 9 a.m. on Nov. 27 and return at approximately 6 p.m. on Nov. 28.

The trip includes round trip bus tickets, a two-night stay at the Atlantis Resort Casino, game tickets, and free drinks for the weekend. The fee is \$165 per person, double occupancy. For more information or to reserve a space on the bus, call 733-7600.

Minidoka Fair plans Motocross benefit

RUPERT — A benefit Motocross practice will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16 at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds, 85 E. Baseline Road, Rupert.

The cost is \$10 per bike. All riding levels are welcome and all safety gear is required. Proceeds will benefit the Mini-Cassia Christmas Council. The event is sponsored by the Minidoka County fair board, Rick Holmes of Maverick Construction, Nick Telleria of Let's Ride Suzuki, the Minidoka County 4-H Extension Office and Emergency Response Unit. Concessions will be available at the event by Hart Hollow vending.

For more information, call 300-0555.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Tommy John, Nolan Ryan, Don Sutton, Joe Niekro and Phil Niekro.



College of Southern Idaho outside hitter Tatyana Menchikova, 14, spikes the ball between Salt Lake Community College players Laurie Chambers, 11, and Kristy Nilson, 3, during Game 1 of their Scenic West Athletic Conference match in Twin Falls Saturday.

Eagles seize SWAC lead

By Kevin Colbert
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Maybe it was revenge. Maybe it was fighting for the conference lead. It could have even been playing with more intensity to make up for the lack of a couple key contributors.

Whatever the reason, the second-ranked College of Southern Idaho volleyball team looked like the whirlwind team. It is capable of being in dismantling No. 6 Salt Lake Community College on Saturday at CSI Gymnasium, 30-20, 30-22, 30-28. In the process, the Golden Eagles avenged their lone loss of the season.

"They knew that their backs were against the wall and they came out and fought," CSI head coach Ben Stroud said. "That's the bottom line is that we fought like crazy."

The victory gives CSI (35-1 overall, 5-0 Scenic West Athletic Conference) the outright lead in the league over the Bruins (30-6, 4-1).

That fact may not be overly surprising, but perhaps how the Golden Eagles took the SWAC lead.

Stroud had the team come out in a 5-1 formation for the first time all season due to the absence of middle hitters Marta Siemiatkowska, (indefinite) and Samara Erelias. (sprained ankle). That put the setting duties solely on the shoulders of sophomore Ednall Serralla, who made the most of the opportunity by dishing out a match-best 39 assists.

"I was really nervous," Serralla said after the match. "I came to practice (Saturday) and (Stroud) said, 'We are going 5-1.' I said, 'OK, I can do this.'"

Serralla handled the setting



duties as steady as ever, and even contributed at the net during her time in the front row. She finished the match with four block assists and a kill.

"I was," Stroud said when asked if he was surprised at how smoothly the new formation worked. "But man, we passed so well and it made things easy for Edna."

Many of those pinpoint passes came from libero Ashley Gandaulf, who had split time with Serralla at setter in every match this season prior to Saturday.

"Ashley made a big difference in the back row. Stroud said, 'She was money. Without any reps or anything, she was freakin' money. Really, I think that was the difference.'"

Those accurate passes helped Serralla feed outside hitter Tatyana Menchikova, who finished with a match-high 25 kills and a .488 hitting percentage.

Tatyana was unbelievable," Stroud said. "We kept going to her, and why not? Luckily, Ednall was smart enough to keep using her because she was awesome."

For SLCC, the match was a disappointment after beating the Eagles in five games earlier in the season.

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T.F. girls hold off Cutthroats

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A blustery Saturday in the middle of a long weekend made for a sparse crowd at Ascension Fields for the Community School-Twin Falls High girls soccer contest.

The usual fans missed a pretty good game.

The Bruins held on for a 3-2 win after dominating the middle portion of the uncompetitive contest.

After the 6-3 Cutthroats jumped out to a 1-0 lead, Twin Falls' superior ball control kept the pressure on the Community School defense and generated a number of scoring chances.

"Our passing was really off and we couldn't get it back

today," said Cutthroats coach Kelly Feldman.

Twin Falls played with more confidence and aggression than in recent games. It showed during the middle of the contest when the Bruins (7-7) scored three straight to take control.

Efforts to generate more offensive pressure by more aggressive in transition are ongoing, but Saturday's game looked to be a big step in the right direction.

"It's beginning to work for us," said Bruins assistant coach Mark Goodman.

From a crowd in front of the Community School net, Ashton Ford fired a high lob that dropped in behind the Cutthroats goalkeeper in the 25th minute to tie the game. Amanda

Yardley knocked in a rebound off a corner kick in the 36th minute to make it 2-1 at the break.

The Bruins made it 3-1 five minutes into the second half when Angie Hegman scored an unassisted goal, bobbing and weaving along the baseline past two Community School defenders before scoring.

The game appeared well in hand and Twin Falls started to let down and play sloppy defense.

The Cutthroats took advantage and assumed control of the game.

"We pulled back a little so they pushed forward," Gootman said.

Forward Cassidy Doucette almost scored her second goal of

the day, firing a low shot that caromed out of bounds off the near post in the 71st minute.

But the Community School's momentum continued. Five minutes later, Cody Curran came into the Twin Falls defensive third unmarked.

"That forced Bruins goalkeeper Erin Doucette to charge out, allowing Curran to loft a shot over her to the far corner of the net to make it 3-2.

But with only four minutes remaining, the Cutthroats were unable to force a tie. The Bruins defense also woke up and vigorously contested each Community School foray into their zone.

Doucette's opening goal came about seven minutes into the game.

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No. 1 USC holds off No. 7 California, 23-17

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Southern California could only stop Aaron Rodgers and California when it counted most.

The top-ranked Trojans held the seventh-ranked Golden Bears out of the end zone after a first-and-goal with less than two minutes left and held on for a 23-17 victory Saturday.

Before Cal's final four plays, Rodgers was 29-for-31 for 267 yards and a touchdown.

But after Rodgers got Cal to first-and-goal at the 9 with just under two minutes left, the Trojans got a sack and forced three incomplete passes. Rodgers' final throw came with pressure coming up the middle and zipped by a diving Geoff McArthur in the end zone, sending most of the more than 90,000 at the Los Angeles Coliseum into a frenzy, and the Bears home with a hard-fought loss.

Southern California (5-0, 2-0 Pac-10) extended its winning streak to 14 games and avenged its only loss in the last 26. The Bears' 34-31 triple-overtime vic-



Southern California's Lawrence Jackson sacks California's quarterback Aaron Rodgers during the first half in Los Angeles, on Saturday. USC won 23-17.

tory last season kept the Trojans from claiming an undisputed national title.

Matt Leland threw two touchdown passes for the Trojans, who had only two possessions in the fourth quar-

ter — both times going three-and-out.

Rodgers led an NCAA record by completing his first 23 passes for the Bears (3-1, 1-1).

It was the first time in 52 years the Golden Bears and Trojans

met with both teams ranked in the top 10, and the much-awaited matchup lived up to the hype.

The teams traded long touchdown drives to start the third quarter with Leland hooking up with freshman Dwayne Jarrett on a 16-yard score and Marshawn Lynch plunging in from 2 yards out for Cal to make it 23-17.

Reggie Bush appeared to get the momentum back for Southern Cal with an electrifying 84-yard kickoff return. Bush bobbed the ball twice trying to field the kick, then spilling the coverage and need clear across the field before being taken down at the 16.

But Cal thwarted the Trojans when Harrison Smith intercepted Leland's tipped pass in the end zone.

Cal missed a shot to pull within three after a 16-yard drive that stalled at the 19, but Tom Schneider missed a 36-yard field

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Fashionably late or just plain late?

This stinks. This night's football game hasn't even started yet, but here I am, thinking of how I'm going to get through the kickoff with all my teeth intact. Biting down on the salty piece of rubber in my mouth that's supposed to do the trick, I close my eyes and pray that Divine Providence will lead me through this ordeal.



I remember what Coach told me. I am a wrecking ball. I am 195 pounds of gravel and rusty nails in a cloth strap. I am the only thing keeping my glory-hogging kick returner from six points.

I am a high school football player. And I'm on the special teams side of the ball. I hate him so much. They give him No. 31 like Priest Holmes. I hear he runs the 40-yard dash in under 4.4 seconds. I bet his hair even looks good when he takes his helmet off.

I wanted to be that guy, but Coach wouldn't let me. Said I had the breakout speed of free sup. Said the only thing that kept me from my glory was the last two seasons came from Kris Krume.

Instead he gives me No. 68 and tells me to run toward guys who are single. I suppose in life is to separate me from my glory. Who wears No. 68 anyway? Usually some fat guy on an NFL bench who's sucking on the oxygen mask like he thinks Yoda is going to start flowing from it.

Oh, the kicker's about ready to go. What I wouldn't give to be a kicker.

There's no turning back now. Maybe all we need is a little inspiration. Maybe Benny from first period is watching me. Maybe Mom and Dad are wearing their No. 68 T-shirts. I look to the stars and see — empty stands.

There's one thing I've noticed about Magic Valley high school football fans. They're a late-arriving crowd. What originates as a smattering of applause and a few "Go!" shouts, usually evolves to a dull roar by the start of the second quarter. By half-time, there are usually enough people around to realize that you're at an actual sporting event. But why so late, pray tell?

Big Dolphins' upset in New England? Think again

ORLANDO, Fla. — I haven't yet already reached the point that making fun of the Miami Dolphins feels spiteful and mean-spirited? Doesn't it feel as if holding the flopping fish to further ridicule is cruel and unusual punishment?



Yeah. Let's do some more. It's so bad now that the fish are begging for a little kindness. Listen to D! Tim Bowens: "At 4-0, it would be a different story than being 0-4 if we were winning. I'm sure people would be a little more negative."

What? "Tim continues: "But since we're losing, people might be a little more optimistic. We could use all the help we can get."

I think Tim is asking fans to dress out and play offense. It could hurt.

LAST WEEK: Once again I'm got my medal to the medal, good buddies, going 10-4 straight up (38-22 for season) and 3-4-1 against the spread (35-23-3 for season). But Sunday's games include potholes and accidents just waiting to happen. Drive carefully.

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SPORTS

Oklahoma humbles Texas, 12-0

DALLAS (AP) — The Oklahoma Sooners found a new way to devastate the Texas Longhorns.

Slowly, painfully and with a freshman plucked from East Texas doing most of the damage. In just his fifth college game, Adrian Peterson ran for 225 yards and made many big plays when No. 2 Oklahoma needed it most, helping the Sooners grind out a 12-0 victory over No. 5 Texas and stretch their winning streak in the storied rivalry to five straight.

The Longhorns were in it until the end, but still suffered some stinging embarrassment — getting shut out for the first time since November 1980, a run of 281 games that was the longest in the country.

As the final seconds ticked off, crimson-clad fans chanted "Five in a row! Five in a row!" and flashed their hands open to show off five fingers. Then came what's become the typical postgame scene, an Oklahoma player planting an oversized school flag at midfield while the Sooner Schooner takes a victory lap.

Peterson was in the middle of it all, even getting passed by center Vince Carter running with the flag, surrounded by television cameras and grateful teammates. Peterson probably never felt better about his decision to spurn his lifelong support of the Longhorns and join the Sooners.

"I was looking forward to this game," Peterson said. "It was a really good experience for me."

The Sooners (5-0, 2-0 Big 12) won two of the previous four meetings with early, ugly blowouts, scoring into the 60s six times. In the other two, seniors made key plays in the fourth quarter to win by 11.

This time — before a crowd of 79,517, biggest in the series' 99-game history — it was the youngster from the headline who made the difference.

Peterson showed he was going to be a force from his second carry, a 44-yard burst. They also failed to capitalize on momentum as the defense began building by harassing Jason White into two interceptions — starting with the game-opening drive.



TEXAS running back Cedric Benson fumbles the ball in the third quarter after being hit by Oklahoma linebacker Clint Ingram in Dallas, on Saturday. Oklahoma won, 12-0.

and a fumble. The Longhorns were one play from going ahead until James Touchdown, yet couldn't make any big plays. Their longest pass at that point was for 17 yards and the longest run went 22. And this was against an Oklahoma defense supposedly weakened by losing three starters to the NFL and another recently being kicked off the team.

"I'm really proud of the effort

my guys gave and they made some plays — they just didn't make enough inside the 30," Brown said. Texas' Cedric Benson finished with 23 carries for 92 yards, nowhere near his nation-leading 196.5. Vince Young wasn't effective, throwing 0-of-23 for 86 yards or running 116 times for 54 yards.

Young also was sacked three times, twice knocking Texas out

of field-goal range, and lost two fumbles. Benson lost one, too. Add these four scoreless quarters to a second-half shutout last year and the Longhorns have gone 93 minutes and 12 seconds without scoring on the Sooners. "They just had a better game plan than we did and made plays at the right moments," Texas linebacker Derrick Johnson said.

Louisiana-Monroe spoils Idaho's home opener

MOSCOW (AP) — Steven Jyles threw for one touchdown and ran for another to leading Louisiana-Monroe past Idaho 16-14 Saturday, snapping the Indians' nine-game losing streak.

Louisiana-Monroe (1-4, 1-1 Sun Belt Conference) had not won since beating Louisiana-Lafayette 45-42 on Oct. 11, 2003. The Indians secured their first win in nearly a year when Charles Estes covered Idaho's offense kick with 15 seconds remaining.

The Vandals (1-5, 0-2) had just scored on a 29-yard pass from Michael Harrington to Wendell Octave.

The Indians were penalized 16 times for 168 yards, but the Vandals couldn't take advantage.

Jyles led the Indians in rushing with 86 yards on 15 carries, and he completed 13 of 24 passes for 139 yards.

Harrington completed 25 of 35 for 210 yards and two scores to lead the Vandals, who trailed 6-0 at halftime after Jyles' 39-yard touchdown pass to Estes.

Idaho answered early in the third quarter, scoring on a 10-yard pass from Harrington to Willie Sipotan. The touchdown was capped by a 45-yard punt return from Jimmy Labita that gave Idaho possession at the Louisiana-Monroe 22.

Idaho had a chance to extend its lead, but Michael Barrow's field goal attempt was wide left on his attempt from 43 yards out. Louisiana-Monroe responded with a six-play, 74-yard drive capped by Jyles' 10-yard run with 3:53 left in the third quarter.

Louisiana-Monroe added a 29-yard field goal from Ragan Walters early in the fourth quarter to go ahead 16-7.

MISSOULA, Mont. — Craig Ochs passed for 295 yards and two touchdowns and Montana blocked a 48-yard field-goal attempt with 30 seconds

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remaining to hold on for a 24-22 homecoming victory over Idaho State on Saturday.

Montana (5-1, 2-0 Big Sky), ranked seventh in NCAA Division I-A, took a 21-9 lead on a 27-yard pass from Ochs to Jefferson Heideberger on the Grizzlies' first drive of the second half.

ISU (1-5, 0-3) got within 21-16 on a 14-yard TD run by Josh Bartlett with six minutes left in the third quarter.

Montana took a 24-16 lead on a 36-yard field goal by Dan Carpenter with 1:57 left in the third. ISU got within 24-22 on a 5-yard run by Bartlett with 3:23 remaining. Carpenter missed two field goal attempts in the fourth quarter, including a 23-yard attempt that bounced off the upright with 3:10 remaining.

Idaho State's final shot at the win — a 48-yard field-goal attempt by Jared Johnson — was blocked by Johnny Varona.

The Bengals got within 14-9 on an 11-yard TD pass from Mark Hetherington to Shack Okoebor with 4:56 left in the half. Hetherington passed for 415 yards, but was intercepted twice, once in the end zone. Akshay Lacey caught 10 passes for 177 yards and Sale Key had seven catches for 130 yards for ISU.

Montana St. 20, Weber St. 17

BOZEMAN, Mont. — EJ Cochrane kicked a 44-yard field goal in a swiftding win as time expired Saturday to cap Montana State's rally for a 20-17 homecoming victory over Weber State.

Montana State (3-2, 2-0 Big Sky) had trailed 17-0 with 12:06 left in the third quarter, after Joe Johnson kicked a 24-yard field goal for Weber State.

The play was set up after Michael Williams fumbled the kickoff and Weber State's DeMaro Harris recovered at the MSU 11-yard line.

No. 17 Tennessee upsets No. 3 Georgia; Huskers experience worst loss ever

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Coming off a dismal performance the previous week, Erik Ainge threw a pair of touchdown passes to lead Tennessee.

The Vols, a 12.5-point underdog, prevented Georgia from taking control of the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division. They built a quick 10-0 lead and held off the Bulldogs (4-1, 2-1 SEC) at the end.

Driving from its own 12 to the Tennessee 19, Georgia had one shot at the end zone with a second remaining — and the chance for an improbable victory. Appropriately, David Greene's pass over the middle didn't come close to connecting with anyone, falling harmlessly to the ground.

Tennessee (4-1, 2-1) was coming off a 34-10 loss to Auburn at home, playing their first road game of the season with a freshman quarterback, the only one Georgia's 17-time winning streak at Sanford Stadium — the second-longest in school history.

Ainge completed 12 of 21 for 150 yards and — most important — had no interceptions.

No. 6 Auburn 52, La. Tech 7

ATHENS, Ala. — Jason Campbell passed for 281 yards and two touchdowns, including an Auburn-record 87-yarder to Silas Daniels.

The Tigers are 6-0 for the first time since the 1997 season, with only one game decided by under 21 points.

Bonnie Brown gained 109 yards on 10 carries with a touchdown for Auburn, and Carnell Williams had 56 yards on 12 carries and also scored while setting up a TD with a 50-yard punt return. Auburn also had nine sacks.

No. 8 Florida St. 17, Syracuse 13

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Leon Washington rushed for a career-high 164 yards and scored on runs of 21 and 45 yards in the second half, and No. 8 Florida

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State survived a major scare, rallying past Syracuse 17-13 on Saturday night.

It was the third game against a ranked team for Syracuse (3-3), and unlike the previous two — a 51-0 loss at No. 9 Purdue and a 31-0 loss at No. 10 Virginia — the Orange made it difficult for the Seminoles (4-1) and quarterback Wyatt Sexton, who was making his first start.

Syracuse wasted two brilliant plays by safety Diamond Ferril. He put the Orange in terrific scoring position twice with a fumble return and an interception — and they failed to score both times.

No. 9 Purdue 20, Penn St. 13

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Taylor Stubbsfield caught a 40-yard touchdown pass for Purdue and became the Big Ten's career receptions leader.

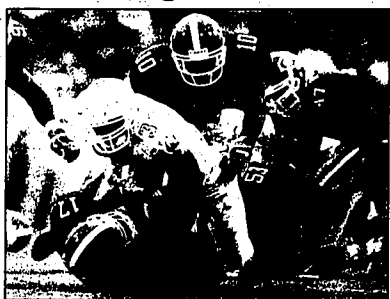
Stubbsfield's 40-yard sprint down the left sideline on the first possession of the second half put the Boilermakers (5-0, 2-0) up 17-0.

Stubbsfield had seven catches for 63 yards, giving him 271 career catches. Follow Boiler-maker John Sandoval set the previous record of 268 last year. Kyle Orton completed 24 of 35 passes for 275 yards, with two interceptions — his first of the season — and the one touchdown. Zack Mills completed 30 of 40 for 293 yards and one touchdown for Penn State (2-4, 0-3).

No. 14 Michigan 27, Ann Arbor 24

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Tyler Ecker caught a short pass from Chad Henne over the middle, eluded two tackles and lumbered down the sideline for a 31-yard touchdown with 1:57 left to give Michigan its second straight dramatic comeback over Minnesota.

Minnesota led 24-17 early in the fourth quarter — after scor-



Tennessee's Gerald Riggs (31) struggles for extra yardage as Georgia defenders Greg Blue (17), Thomas Davis (10) and Derrick White (53) haul him down in the fourth quarter Saturday in Athens, Ga. Riggs rushed for 102 yards to help Tennessee defeat Georgia 13-14.

Ten. is 6-0 for the first time since 1998.

Sophomore John Stocco was steady all day for the Badgers, completing 15 of 24 passes for 169 yards and two touchdowns without an interception.

No. 22 Oklahoma St. 42, Colorado 14

BOUTHER, Colo. — Vernand Moroney ran for 165 yards and two touchdowns and Donovan Woods threw for three more scores for Oklahoma State.

Oklahoma State (5-0, 2-0 Big 12) established its powerful running game early, blowing the Buffaloes' back on Moroney's 58-yard touchdown run on its third play.

Georgia Tech 20, No. 23 Maryland 7

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Georgia Tech ended Maryland's 13-game home winning streak in stunning fashion, blanketing the Terrapins through three quarters and forcing out ineffective quarterback Joel Statham.

Reggie Ball threw for 197

yards and a touchdown to help the Yellow Jackets (3-2, 2-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) snap a two-game losing streak.

Mississippi 31, No. 25 S. Carolina 28

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Ethan Flat found Bill Flowers in the end zone for a 29-yard touchdown pass with 4:05 left to lift Mississippi past South Carolina.

Flowers sneaked behind the Gamecocks' defense on fourth-and-one and made a tough catch on an underthrow ball, still staying inbounds.

South Carolina (4-2, 2-2 Southeastern Conference) managed to get the ball down to the Ochs line with 36 seconds left. But after Syvelle Newton spiked the ball, Corey Mills sacked him on second down, and the Rebels (3-3, 2-1) broke up two passes in the end zone. Flat was 18-of-27 for 214 yards.

Army 49, Cincinnati 29

WEST POINT, N.Y. — Army coach Bobby Ross breathed a big sigh of relief.

His Black Knights snapped the nation's longest losing streak at 19 games Saturday with Tielor Robinson scoring five touchdowns and Carlton Jones running for 180 yards in a 49-29 victory over Cincinnati.

Robinson scored his fifth touchdown on a 93-yard pass from Zac Dahman with 1:32 left to secure the win for Army (1-4, 1-2 Conference USA).

Robinson ran for 82 yards as Army smothered Cincinnati's offense, and had 111 yards receiving.

Note Dame 23, Stanford 15

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Tyrone Willingham found a way to beat his former Stanford team for a third straight time. This one, though, was nowhere near as easy.

Note Dame looked as if it was in trouble until a muffed punt by Stanford set up a go-ahead touchdown by Ryan

Grant from 3 yards out early in the fourth quarter. The Irish added another score on quarterback Brady Quinn's 2-yard run to beat Stanford 23-15 Saturday for the 800th victory in school history.

Stanford (3-2), which lost to the Irish (4-2) by 24 and 50 points the past two seasons, looked as though it might finally hunt its former coach. The Cardinal were leading 15-10 until punter Jay Ottavoglio dropped the snap late in the third quarter despite no pressure by the Irish.

Oregon 41, Washington St. 38

PULLMAN, Wash. — Oregon coach Bill Belton thought he might have fretted too much about his team's performance in the red zone. His Ducks proved — him right Saturday, scoring on six of seven trips inside Washington State's 20-yard line.

Kellen Clemens completed 36 of 55 passes for a career-high 437 yards and three touchdowns and ran for three more scores to help Oregon rally for a 41-38 victory over Washington State.

Texas Tech 70, Nebraska 10

LUBBOCK, Texas — Texas Tech handed Nebraska its worst loss in the Cornhuskers' storied 114-year history, with Sonny Cumble throwing for 436 yards and five touchdowns in the Red Raiders' 70-10 victory Saturday night.

Tech (4-2, 2-1 Big 12) recorded its first victory in eight tries against Nebraska (3-2, 1-1 Big 12), which set school records for points allowed and margin of defeat.

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goal wide right with 6:53 left. Cals' defense came up with another clutch stop and gave Rodgers and Co. the ball back

with 4:30 left. Rodgers hooked up with McArthur on passes of 11 and 19 yards, the latter a dart over a defender as McArthur streaked

down the sideline. That play gave the Bears a first-and-goal at the 9.

Rodgers threw his first interception that wasn't a

throwaway on first down, and Southern Cal snuffed out a shovel pass play with Manuel Wright sucking the junior quarterback on second down.

On third-and-goal from the 14, Southern Cal again got pressure and forced another incomplete pass.

Rodgers took a timeout to

discuss the fourth-down play. With the crowd blaring, Southern Cal made the biggest stop of the game: That was left for Leinart to take a knee twice.

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Investigator says ex-NFL player had breakdown

PITTSBURGH — Former Pittsburgh Steelers lineman Justin Strzelczyk probably suffered a mental breakdown because he pulled New York Steeler's dropers on a highway chase that ended in the fiery head-on crash that killed him, according to a newspaper.

Strzelczyk, 36, was fleeing from a hit-and-run accident just west of Syracuse, N.Y., on Sept. 30. His truck went on the New York State Thruway for miles in the wrong direction before colliding with a tanker truck.

The theory on Strzelczyk's psychological well-being comes from New York State police interviews with people involved in the collision. He was interviewed before the chase, investigator James Hunt told the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review for a story published Saturday.

But Hunt said it was drug- or alcohol-induced or something psychological related to a pre-existing illness, or both. I don't know, said Hunt, who is in charge of the case. All of sudden, he snapped.

Proppers believe alcohol may have played a role in Strzelczyk's death but won't know until toxicology tests are completed by the state police crime lab in Albany, which could take weeks.

Hunt said a woman told investigators that she talked with Strzelczyk at a gas station near Rochester, N.Y., on the morning of the crash.

"He spoke to her and asked her questions and did she believe in God and did she have children, and the toll he was carrying was that she got her children to the higher ground," Hunt said.

Two hours before his death, Strzelczyk tried to give his money to another customer at the gas station, but the customer refused, Hunt said. He did pay for the person's fuel.

"I don't want to be a martyr," he said. He had made repeated references to God and demons and other things," Hunt said. "Some of his friends and family had been trying to get him to see a doctor."

Strzelczyk was an offensive lineman with the Steelers for nearly a decade until the team released him in February 2003. He is 6-foot-3, 309-pound and played in the 1995 Super Bowl.

Sharapova wins Japan Open on Saturday

TOKYO — Wimbledon champion Maria Sharapova overpowered Mashona Washington 6-0, 6-1 Saturday to win her second straight Japan Open on a day when rain from an approaching typhoon leaked through the arena's retractable roof and interrupted play.

A 35-minute delay came during a men's semifinal in which Ivan Novak of the Czech Republic was eliminated by defending champion Lleyton Hewitt 6-4, 6-2.

"Novak fell a little bit," Hewitt said. "He was a little bit off his game today." Hewitt was leading 3-1 in the third set when play stopped.

"Novak extended his lead to 4-1 and after the delay and was in command of the Aussie's best of the way," Hewitt said.

"Here you go down a double break in that kind of match, it's very hard to come back," Hewitt said. "I thought I had a chance to win about the 20th point set, but I didn't take advantage of my opportunities early in the third set."

FINA's new strategy draws complaints

INDIANAPOLIS — American Brendan Hansen is unhappy that he's had to change his usual practice routine at this year's World Cup, Course Championships.

"Instead of paring to the pool deck and quickly taking off his wetsuit clothes to stretch, he must now take his wetsuits on through introductions. That's so TV cameras can show his new bib bearing identifying numbers, the logo of swimwear's international governing body and, of course, sponsor names."

England captain Beckham breaks a rib

MANCHESTER — England captain David Beckham broke his rib moments after scoring England's second goal in Saturday's 2-0 win over Wales in a World Cup qualifying game.

The Real Madrid star was injured while heading for Kevin Keegan's goal. It was initially believed that nothing was broken. However, England team officials said a second X-ray revealed the break.

"It was an immediate word on how long Beckham would be out. Minutes after heading a 25-yard shot into the top corner of the net to give England a 2-0 lead, Beckham was tackled by Wales' defender Ben Thatcher and slumped to the ground holding his ribs. He stayed in the game, and was later given the go-ahead after crashing into Thatcher.

"The caution was his second of the qualifying, meaning he would have had to sit out England's next game, the 2-0 win over Wednesday on Wednesday evening. The worst injury."

Soderling upset Spadea to reach Lyon final

LYON, France — Sweden's Robin Soderling beat seventh-seeded American Vince Spadea 6-2, 6-4 Saturday to reach the final of the Lyon Open. Soderling will play Belgium's Xavier Malisse in Sunday's final.

Malisse, who entered the indoor tournament having lost five straight matches, beat Soderling in a five-set match on Wednesday. Malisse and Soderling will both be trying for their first career title. Malisse is 0-5 in finals while Soderling is 0-3.

UNLV rallies to defeat Brigham Young

PROVO, Utah — UNLV's undefeated John Robinson's farewell tour continued as the Rebels rallied to play Belgium's Xavier Malisse in Sunday's final.

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SPORTS

Yankees beat Twins in 11 innings

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A big home run by Ruben Sierra, a clutch 11th-inning hit by Alex Rodriguez and the New York Yankees are headed right back where most people figured — playing the Boston Red Sox for the AL pennant.

Sierra's three-run homer in the eighth inning tied it, but Rodriguez doubled, dithered stole third base and scored the go-ahead run on a wild pitch by Kyle Lohse to lift the Yankees over the Minnesota Twins 6-5 Saturday.

"I've never been around so many guys that believe in themselves," Rodriguez said. "We have so many guys with big, big hearts."

With this 3-1 win in the first-round playoff series, New York returned to Yankee Stadium — where the AL championship series opens Tuesday night. Curt Schilling is likely to start for the Red Sox against Mike Mussina, both on amplex rest.

"This is what everybody drew up in spring training and now everybody gets to see what it's all about," Gary Sheffield said. "When Schilling went to the Red Sox and when A-Rod came here, that's what everybody wanted to see."

Minnesota led 5-1 behind ace Johan Santana before another New York rally. The Yankees came from behind for all three wins in this series after setting a major league record with 61 comeback victories during the regular season. Nine of those were from deficits of four runs



Minnesota Twins' Low Ford is tagged out by New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter as he tried to steal second in the seventh inning of Game 4 of the American League Division Series, on Saturday, in Minneapolis.

or more. "They find a way," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said. "They've just got so many great hitters."

For the second straight year, New York lost the first-round opener to Minnesota, then won three straight and advanced to the AL championship series.

The Yankees' win that matchup with Red Sox last October on Aaron Boone's homer in the 11th inning of Game 7, they lost 4-2 to Florida in the World Series. Boston spent the offseason

competing with the Yankees for Rodriguez and others, then went 11-8 against the Yankees this year, finishing three games back in the AL East but winning the wild card. The Red Sox (then swept Anaheim) in the first round.

Winning pitcher Mariano Rivera, who blew a rare postseason save chance in the eighth inning of Game 2, retired six straight batters to finish a still-flagging performance by the Yankees bullpen.

After Jeter's bludgeoning, allowed five runs in five innings, Esteban Loaiza and Tom Gordon

each threw two scoreless innings. Lohse pitched a perfect 10th and started the 11th by leading Derek Jeter to his fourth strikeout of the afternoon, but Rodriguez laced his second double of the game down the left-field line and stole third base on unsuspecting catcher Pat Borders — who didn't throw.

Then Lohse bounced a pitch to Sheffield that skipped past Borders, allowing Rodriguez to race home with the winning run.

Lehman loves his long putter

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Tom Lehman has a love-hate relationship with the long putter that sometimes makes his way into his bag. Lately, he's been finding a lot more to love about it than ever before.

Lehman, using the long putter he put back in his bag only last month, shot a 66 Saturday to take a one-stroke lead over Dicky Pride and Andre Stolz going into the final round of the Michelin Championship at Las Vegas.

Lehman took advantage of light morning winds to hit 17 greens, but it was his putting that helped him make eight birdies for his first 54-hole lead in five years.

Lehman's third round in the 60s put him at 17 under and in the final pairing on a Sunday for the first time since the Buick Open in 1999.

A nonexempt player, Pride goes from tournament to tournament hoping he can get in and then hoping he can make a check. So far this year, he's made 21 tournaments but his best finish is a tie for 54th.

Pride shot 66 at TPC Summerlin, and Stolz had a 65 to follow an opening pair of 67s.

Donald leads by two at Dunhill Links

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Luke Donald shot a 4-under-

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par 68 for a two-stroke lead heading into the final round of the Dunhill Links Championship.

The Englishman was at 17-under 199 at Carnoustie. Two of his countrymen and Ryder Cup teammates, Ian Poulter (65) and David Howell (71), were at 201. Poulter's round came at Carnoustie, the most difficult of the three-course event. Howell, the second-greatest leader, also played Carnoustie.

Northern Ireland's Graeme McDowell also was two back. He shot a 5-under 67 at Kingsbarns.

Neumann ahead at Asahi Ryukoken International

NOIYTH AUGUSTA, S.C. — Liselotte Neumann moved closer to her first LPGA Tour victory in six years, firing a 69 for a one-shot lead at the LPGA Asahi Ryukoken International Championship.

At 11-under 205, Neumann was a stroke ahead of Becky Morgan (70) and three in front of Sophie Gustafson (66), Grace Park (68), Laura Davies (70) and Cristie Kerr (70).

Neumann has won four of five tournaments when leading entering the final round.

Houston takes command over Atlanta

HOUSTON (AP) — A couple of new Killer Bs have the Houston Astros one win away from ending 43 seasons of playoff failure.

Carlos Beltran hit a two-run homer and Brandon Hatcher pitched six solid innings in his postseason debut to lead the Astros to their 19th straight win, 6-5 over Atlanta on Saturday for a 2-1 lead in their NL series.

Hoping to clinch the Astros' first playoff series win in club history, Roger Clemens will pitch on three days' rest for the first time this season Sunday. The rocket, winner of his last four postseason decisions, will oppose the Braves' Russ Ortiz in the best-of-five matchup.

"I was praying to be in this kind of situation, where every game means something," said Beltran, traded from last-place Kansas City at midseason. "Being around so many good players in the clubhouse has helped me to become a better player."

Houston has a humiliating history of October failure, having lost seven series overall and failed to advance to the first round in 1997, 1999 and 2001. But with help from new guys like Beltran and Backe, and timely contributions from Jeff Bagwell, Craig Biggio and Lyle Berkman, the Astros and Braves are close to advancing.

"We still have a long way to go," said Bagwell, a 13-year veteran and one of the original Killer Bs.

Even after the Braves' pulled off an improbable rally in Game 2 for a 4-2 victory in 11 innings, the Astros were feeling good for having earned a bid to Turner Field and stealing homefield advantage.

The Braves got off to a bad start at Minute Maid Park. Starter John Thomson threw only four pitches before leaving after reorganizing a muscle pull in his side that forced him out of the final game of the regular season.



Atlanta Braves right fielder J.D. Drew leaps as he tries to catch a two-run home run by Houston Astros' Carlos Beltran during the third inning in Game 3 of their National League Division Series, on Saturday, in Houston.

"It didn't hurt when I was warming up, but I just couldn't pitch," Thomson said. "I don't know how to explain it. I just

popped. I was walking the stairs to go back into the dugout, and if I took a deep breath or moved wrong,

Dodgers stave off elimination from NL playoffs

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jose Lima and Shawn Green had big nights, giving the Los Angeles Dodgers their first postseason win in 16 years and staving off elimination in their first-round series against the St. Louis Cardinals.

Lima followed two miserable outings by Los Angeles starters, with a five-hit, Green hit a pair solo homers and the Dodgers beat St. Louis 4-0 to cut the Cardinals' lead in the best-of-five NL division series to 2-1.

"It feels great to be in Dodger Blue," Lima said. "The fans deserve it."

Working against one of the most formidable lineups in baseball, the animated Lima pitched his first complete game

night for the Dodgers against Bill Suppan, trying to force a fifth and deciding game the following night in St. Louis. No NL team has won the division series after falling behind 0-2 since the expanded playoffs began in 1995.

Los Angeles had lost eight postseason games in a row since beating Oakland in the 1980 World Series. The Dodgers were swept 3-0 by Cincinnati in 1995 and by Atlanta the following year, then didn't get back to the playoffs until this year, when they twice lost 6-3 in St. Louis.

Lima pumped his fist, shouted and pointed at teammates in celebration and practically danced off the field after setting

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"I know it's harvest time. I know there are sugar beets and potatoes that need to be plucked from the ground. I know there are big trucks that need to be driven 15 miles under the speed limit while I'm in a rush to get to Maui. So I'm giving the Carhartt another year."

But for everyone else, here's a little tip: fashionably late only works in Hollywood. Heck, I'm not sure it even works that well there.

I know there are sugar daddies and potatoes that need to be plucked from work and Walmart. I know there are import cars that need to be crossed two lanes into traffic to take the parking spot in front of Costco I was eyeing. But can't those things be done before 7 p.m.?

Think of what you're missing. A game can be won or lost in the first 12-minute quarter. Just ask the Raft River Trojans, who

jump out on everyone, or Twin Falls' Brody Miller, who put Minico away with three first-quarter touchdown runs.

If that doesn't get you motivated, maybe you should ask yourself, "What would Coughlin do?"

New York Giants head football coach Tom Coughlin has a reputation of firing players because they don't show up to practices early enough. I can only imagine what he'd think of our football fans.

If you thought Mount Saint Helens is spouting off a lot of steam, you ain't seen nothing yet.

Let me just put it this way. I know arena athletes appreciate all the support they get. They'd just appreciate it if it arrived a little sooner.

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Eagles

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This season and climbing into the top 10 in the NJCAA national rankings.

"The only thing I'm surprised about is that we didn't fight and get more 'game,' head coach Sluay Clemensen said.

"We're two pretty evenly-matched teams when we stay up and aren't playing on our heels. We didn't deserve any thing more than what we got."

Menshikova matched 10 kills in Game 1 as SLCC never came closer than six points after CSI led 19-13. The Eagles also put their stamp on Game 2 early, taking a 14-7 edge before grabbing the win on a Menshikova kill.

Girls

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the contest when she scored off a bouncing indirect kick by Cutthroats captain Lexie Pragasaris from near midfield.

Donnelly came out to grab the high bounce, but Donette, just bent her to the ball, softly heading it into the net for a beautiful goal and a 1-0 Cutthroats lead.

While a loss is rarely a good thing, the game was a good tune-up for the Cutthroats, which open district play as the No. 1 seed against Declo Thursday.

"We could have won that game," Feldman said. "But it is more important that we played a tough game against a good team to help us prepare for state."

"Twin Falls opens Iegion Four-Five-Six tournament play at Idaho Falls Saturday.

jumped out to a 3-0 lead before Cutthroats' co-captain Bobby Flanigan scored to make it 3-1, in the break.

"Bobby Flanigan scored in his usual Bobby-Flanigan way," said coach Richard Whitehead.

He dribbled through a half-dozen defenders. He gave our boys a bit of confidence."

After Twin Falls went up 4-1 in the second half, the Cutthroats (8-2-2) rallied behind a goal from sophomore Alden Bennington and another from co-captain Reed Boeger, who fired in a long shot from outside the penalty area. A later Boeger shot hit the crossbar and rolled over it, but he had ended up a tie, Whitehead said.

"We came back and had them under a bit of pressure," Whitehead said. "Reed and Bobby certainly led by example."

The Cutthroats (7-1-2 district) is the No. 1 seed headed into district tournament play. No further Bruins details were available. Twin Falls hosts Idaho Falls at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday for a Region Four-Five-Six game that will determine home field advantage for the first round of the playoffs.

Boys soccer

Twin Falls 4, Community School 3

KETCHUM — Twin Falls' high school on for a 4-3 road non-conference boys soccer win over The Community School Saturday afternoon. The Bruins

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New England seeks NFL record 19th straight win

By Howard Ulman
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NFL Game of the Week

FOXBORO, Mass. — New England goes for an NFL record 19th straight win (counting playoffs) Sunday against a Miami team that's much worse than the Dolphins who won 18 in a row more than 30 years ago.

The Patriots, though, have built their streak by not taking any opponent for granted.

"We've had some success," safety Rodney Harrison said, "but guys aren't laying their hats on that. Guys are going out and preparing every day as if we've lost every game."

The Dolphins have lost all four of their games. So they're not focused on the Patriots' 18-win string, but their own unenviable streak.

"So we'd like to end it, but only because that would give us a win," Miami defensive end Jason Taylor said.

The Patriots became the sixth NFL team to win 18 in a row last Sunday when they broke a 7-17 tie in the fourth quarter and beat Buffalo 31-17. The Dolphins went 17-0 in 1972 and won their opener the next season.

The other NFL teams with 18 straight wins are Chicago in 1933-34 and again in 1941-42; San Francisco in 1989-90; and Denver in 1997-98.

But the Patriots' average victory margin during their streak is 8.9 points, the smallest of any of the six clubs that share the record.

Following coach Bill Belichick's lead, the Patriots' party line is that they've won three straight — not 18 — because this year's team that's 3-0 has many new faces who

weren't part of last season's Super Bowl run.

"You always want to be a part of something great. It'll be part of history, defensive end Richard Seymour said, "but right now we're still focused on beating the Miami Dolphins and that's really our only concern."

The 2004 Patriots but haven't been dominant. The Dolphins are 0-4 for the first time since their 1966 expansion season, but haven't been blown out.

Miami hasn't allowed more than 17 points or lost by more than 10 in any of its four games.

In the last meeting with the Patriots, the Dolphins' defense didn't allow a touchdown in a 12-0 Miami loss and this year it's allowed three touchdowns in four games.

"We have been holding up," linebacker Zach Thomas said. "We are a smaller defense. We like to play with the lead and we haven't had a lead all year."

That's because the offense has been terrible since Ricky Williams' surprise retirement during the summer. The offensive line has been shuffled and quarterbacks Jay Fiedler, Sunday's expected starter, and A.J. Feeley have shared time.

"We may be pressing a little bit too much" on offense, Fiedler said. "We've had missed assignments that weren't showing up in practice during the week. We weren't making the game-time adjustments that we needed to."

A win Sunday would be the Patriots' 16th straight in the regular season and would give



England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady (12) throws during the second half against the Buffalo Bills in Orchard Park, N.Y., last Sunday. Of the six teams that have won 18 straight games, one stat stands out: The New England Patriots, who will go for a record 19 on Sunday, have by far the lowest margin of victory during their streak.

them a chance to tie the record of 17 consecutive regular-season victories the next Sunday against Seattle.

Miami and New England have a history of close matchups, with two of the last

three going to overtime and 10 of the last 15 decided by 10 points or less. And the Dolphins claim not to be overly frustrated by their winless season.

"The biggest challenge truly is not keeping looking back and

analyzing the past," Miami coach Dave Wannstedt said. "There is a lot of incentive for both teams. Ours is to get our first win."

The Patriots' incentive is to get their 19th straight

"This game could change their season and make us look at ourselves and figure out what we're doing wrong." Patriots tight end Christian Faurin said.

"You know what? They just might have a really good game

Smith took no short cuts to his big game

By Bob Baum
Associated Press writer



Arizona Cardinals runningback Emmitt Smith picks up yardage against the New Orleans Saints last Sunday at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe, Ariz. Since he came to Arizona, Smith has worked like a rook, with little or nothing to show for it. Through the offseason, he showed up at dawn for weight training. On Sundays in the fall, he was pounded mercilessly as part of an awful team. That made last week's breakthrough performance especially sweet.

TEMPE, Ariz. — Emmitt Smith joked about pushing his wheelchair through that big hole on his 29-yard touchdown run.

He downplayed the significance of his 77th career 100-yard rushing game — and the first pass of his 15-year NFL career, a wobbly 21-yarder that went for a touchdown.

Both landmarks occurred last Sunday in the Arizona Cardinals' 34-10 victory over the New Orleans Saints. Whatever performance

NFL Player of satisfaction Smith felt about the week

showing what he could do six months past his 35th birthday, he kept to himself.

Still, the eyes twinkled and a big grin shone through his gray-speckled beard.

"The past week just happened to be one of those special kind of weeks, where everything just opens up perfectly for you and you try to take advantage of it," he said. "I'm not out there saying anything wrong. I'm out here to win a ballgame."

Wins have been scarce for Smith in the twilight of a career that saw him gain more yards than any running back in NFL history. The Dallas Cowboys were no longer the powerhouse of earlier seasons in his final years there.

He signed a two-year contract with that lowliest of franchises, the Arizona Cardinals. It seemed to many a sad ending to a marvelous career, especially after last season, his first in the desert.

The worst came almost exactly a year ago, when he

returned to Dallas to face the team he helped lead to three Super Bowl championships. It was no triumphant homecoming. On a brutal day, he finished with minus-1 yard in six carries before going down with a hairline fracture in his shoulder blade in a 24-7 loss.

Smith, who missed four games to injury his entire career with the Cowboys, was sidelined for six weeks. When he came back, he was a backup to Marcel Shipp.

Then came the coaching change in Arizona. Dennis Green replaced Dave McGin-

nis, and chose Smith as the starter. In the opener in St. Louis, the old man gained 87 yards in 16 carries.

Quarterback Josh McCown said Smith would have topped 100 yards that day if Arizona had not abandoned the run after falling behind in the fourth quarter.

Three weeks later against New Orleans, the running game wasn't working until Green sent L.J. Shelton and Jeremy Bridges off the bench and into the lineup at right tackle and guard on the third series.

Suddenly, the seams in the defense Smith has always had an uncanny knack of finding were there to be discovered. He showed he still knew where they were.

"I give a lot of credit to what God has blessed me with, and that is vision to be able to read things and see things on the run," he said. "And having the quickness to still try to take advantage of that. It's an instinct that I've had since I was a little bitty boy. As I've gotten older, I've just got better at it."

Smith wound up with 127 yards in 21 carries, tying him with Walter Payton for most 100-yard games in a career. No one over 35 had gained that many since Marcus Allen in 1984.

"The instinct is still there. I think the quickness is still good," Smith said. "They, you don't get 127 yards just by running straight up and down."

That's as close as Smith got to saying "I told you so." Leave that to his teammates.

"So much is said about 'He doesn't have this left' and he doesn't have that left," McCown said after last Sunday's win. "You could have fooled me today."

Good news for Seahawks: No Wistrom to worry about

SEATTLE (AP) — Say what you want about Grant Wistrom's big free agency deal. The Seattle Seahawks believe he's earning his paycheck, plus this week they get part of the bonus back.

Nobody on Seattle's side has to block him.

The high-energy defensive end switched teams in what is becoming one of the NFL's freshest rivalries. Wistrom left St. Louis for a free agency offer that included a \$14 million bonus.

"We always had to account for Grant and he gave us the same sort of problems he creates now for other teams," Seattle coach Mike Holmgren said. "He's just a good player and I'm glad he's on our side now."

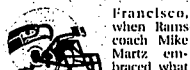
If Holmgren is happy now, he could be ecstatic by Sunday night. A victory would make the Seahawks' 63-0 unbeaten through four games for the first time ever; extend Seattle's home-field winning streak to 11 games and open an early but comfortable 2.5-game lead in the NFC West.

But let's not get ahead of ourselves, not with the Rams (2-2) recovering after a slow start.

Holmgren thinks the St. Louis defense remains formidable, even without Wistrom. The Rams have been slowed by injuries, but they still have Leonard Little, Adam Archuleta and Aeneas Williams.

"It's still a great defense even without Grant," Seattle guard Steve Hutchinson said. "They're a good unit. They play really good team defense."

And the offense? Marshall Faulk is coming off his 40th career 100-yard rushing game in last week's 24-14 win at San



Francisco, when Rams coach Mike Martz embraced what he

seemed an extraordinary run-first approach.

"I don't know why that's such an issue," Martz said. "I've always been pragmatic. I get in a game and I have an idea about what we want to do. If things don't turn out well in an area, you change gears and move."

The offensive line, though, is coming together. Even better, Faulk catches an occasional break — even if defenses don't — because of promising rookie Steven Jackson.

Marc Bulger still has Isaac Bruce and Orlando Pace still taking up plenty of room at left tackle. In fact, he'll match up with Wistrom for the first time at game speed.

"They are a powerful offensive football team," Holmgren said. "They have been and they are very, very capable still of lighting things up."

Can the same be said of the Seahawks? Seattle is coming off a bye week. Before that was a 34-0 win over the 49ers where the defense dominated. Sure, the Seahawks' got up a lot of points, but there are still questions about when they'll hit stride offensively.

The defense, on the other hand, has been marvelous.

Seattle has allowed only 13 points in three games and held San Francisco scoreless for the first time since 1977. The Seahawks forced four 49ers turnovers, and no opponent has reached the end zone since the opener.

Upset

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• Tampa Bay (0-4) at New Orleans (2-2) — Aints favored by 3. This is how Bruce Coach Jon Gruden sees the situation: "When you date a girl for three or four years, at some point you have to walk down the aisle and say you do." Well, Jon, I'd be careful walking down any aisle with someone I met on Bourbon Street, but I get your drift. In a Here-Come-The-Honey-mooners Upset Special, Buccaneers by 4.

• Jacksonville (3-1) at San Diego (2-2) — Jags favored by 3. Chargers superior RB LaDainian Tomlinson didn't practice midweek due to a groin injury. "I'm just resting it," he said. I get it. "I've been resting mine for 20 years. In a LaDainian-Feels-Fine Upset Special, Thunderbolts by 3.

• Miami (0-4) at New England (3-0) — Patriots favored by 13. A victory will make the Pa-

triot's first NFL team to string together 19 consecutive wins. But wouldn't it be the Upset of the Century if hapless Miami could knock them off?

• Detroit (2-1) at Atlanta (4-0) — Falcons favored by 7. What's up in Igotthata Coach Jim Mora says it's all about science. "There are players out there who can come into the locker room and ruin any chance you have of having good team chemistry." Sounds like Jim almost signed Tracy McGrady. Falcons by just 3.

• East Rutherford Giants (3-1) at Dallas (2-1) — Cowboys favored by 3.5. Here's a RFS — "Real Football Stat" — for you. Giants with Tiki Barber lead the league in rushing TDs (6), but Cowboys have yet to give up a

rushing TD and have gone six games without letting a runner get 100 yards. Go with the home D. Cowboys by 6.

• Minnesota (2-1) at Houston (2-2) — Vikings favored by 4. Beware this game. If it doesn't rain, the retractable roof will be, uh, retracted, and soft Vikings have lost 17 of last 18 outdoor road games. But Texas defensive backs keep waking up screaming "Culpepper to Moss, oh no!" Vikes by 7.

• Oakland (2-2) at Indianapolis (3-1) — Colts favored by 9. You think the Raiders are worried about the five turnovers last week by backup QB Kerry Collins? They sent Rich Gannon to two doctors this week for a second and third opinion. Unfortunately, they said the same thing: "He's still got a broken neck." So the Raiders figure he's questionable. Colts by just 4 in shootout.

• Arizona (1-3) at San Francisco (0-4) — 49ers by 1. Cards have NFL-leading 15-game road losing streak. But SF Flatliners may be missing four defensive starters, while Cards' D hasn't given up a TD in last two games. If Flatliners don't with this one, they are unlikely to win this year. So, keeping that in mind — in a There-Goes-The-Season Upset Special, Cards by 10.

• Cleveland (2-2) at Pittsburgh (3-1) — Steelers favored by 6. Rookie QB Ben Roethlisberger has won his first two starts. The last time a Steeler rookie did that was in 1976 — a guy named Mike Kruczek. Whatever happened to him? Steelers by 10.

• Buffalo (0-3) at East Rutherford Jets (3-0) — Jets favored by 7. Off to his best start. Jets RB Curtis Martin says: "Now there is more rhyme to my reason. And if anyone

knows what he's talking about, drop me a line. Jets by just 5.

• Carolina (1-2) at Denver (3-1) — Broncos favored by 5.5. Panthers RB Stephen Davis, who has been out since knee surgery, was asked what it would take to keep him from playing on Sunday. "A hurricane." Uh, in Denver? Actually, that's fine. Anywhere but here. Broncos by 8.

• St. Louis (2-2) at Seattle (3-0) — Seahawks favored by 7. The seah in Seattle has a lot to do with the offense of coordinator Ray Rhodes. Says Coach Mike Holmgren: "If they're in the film room with Ray, believe me, there aren't going to be many smiling faces coming out of there." Oh, I get it — he has a digestive problem. Suffering Seahawks by 9.

• Baltimore (2-2) at Washington (1-3) — Ravens favored by 1 on Sunday night. Throws, back Washington Coach Joe

Gibbs complained to league about his headset not working at Cleveland. But Gibbs is going to go back to the communication system used in the league when he last coached — smoke signals. In a Two-Puffs-Means-Puss Upset Special, Washington by 3.

• Tennessee (1-3) at Green Bay (1-3) — Cheese Heads favored by 3. ABC must have loved this game a month ago. Now it's had enough to make Al Michaels jump off his box. With QB Brett Favre still talking to flamingoes, you would think the Heads would run Ahman Green 40 times — especially if he was the captain of your fantasy team. As for the two teams, call this the Desperation Bowl. Cheese Heads by 10.

• Checking out Jacksonville — Philadelphia (4-0).
• Just checking out — Kansas City, Chicago and Cincinnati (all 1-3).

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Burgess wins again

For the second year in a row, Steven Burgess garnered a first place trophy in sparring at the two-day Tae Kwon Do national championships for sparring for boys, 13 and up. Second degree black belt division. Burgess, a ninth-grader, went on to capture the national championship ranking in Seattle at the recent national competition.

The event, which draws Tae Kwon Do stylists from Washington, Oregon, California, New Mexico, Idaho and Canada saw more than 200 competitors at the annual event.

Steven also received a second place trophy for the forms competition.

Burgess, age 14, has been training at Master Hartwell's Intermountain Martial Arts since he was eight.

He is also working on his Eagle Scout and on the Twin Falls swim team.

He has competed in four national Tae Kwon Do tournaments and this is his first ranking as national champion.



Steven Burgess is pictured

Photo courtesy of DONALD BORD



Dani Bates leads Sunshine Martinez, both of Twin Falls, during the girls' individual race.

Photo courtesy of Dorth Aase

O'Leary holds cross country race

TWIN FALLS — The annual O'Leary cross country race was held on Wednesday, Sept. 28 at O'Leary Junior High School.

Over 120 athletes competed on the 1.5-mile course. The winning boys team was Jerome with 47 points followed by Twin Falls with 52, Wood River with 73, and Kimberly with 209. The Twin Falls Bearcubs led the girls with 37 points followed by Jerome with 67, Gooding with 88, Kimberly with 92, Wood

River with 126, and Minico with 180.

Boys Top Individuals

1. Logan Parker, Jerome, 9:24;
2. Ander Jayo, Twin Falls, 9:28;
3. Josh Hyde, Minico, 9:33;
4. Alex Hernandez, Jerome, 9:33;
5. Joe Sunderland, Minico, 9:37;
6. Michael Brunner, Wood River, 9:47;
7. Clay Stout, Kimberly, 9:47;
8. Dan Henry, Wood River, 9:53;
9. Scott Phelan, Wood River, 10:00;
10. Colin

Girls Top Individuals

1. Dani Bates, Twin Falls, 10:32;
2. Sunshine Martinez, 10:36;
3. Victoria Chojnacky, Jerome, 10:44;
4. Caitlin Pleckins, Gooding, 10:50;
5. Lara Nelson, Gooding, 10:50;
6. Audrey Chatterton, Jerome, 10:56;
7. Janessa Miller, Twin Falls, 11:01;
8. Talya Murphy, 11:01;
9. Kim Brumwen, Wood River, 11:01.

Father-son team places first

In their first national competition, father and son team Bruce and Nathan DuBord garnered first place trophies for sparring and forms competition.

Bruce, an employee for Wills Motors in Twin Falls, started training after watching Nathan's progression in Tae Kwon Do. Bruce is currently a high green belt preparing to test for low blue belt.

Nathan is a sixth-grader who is home schooled by his mom, Kathy.

Nathan came to Master Hartwell's Intermountain Martial Arts while looking for an alternative for physical education for Nathan's home school curriculum.

Since then, Nathan has risen to the rank of low-blue belt and resides in classes and tournaments at the Boys and Girls Club of the Magic Valley once a week during the martial arts class.

The father and son team, both members of the black belt club, cheered each other on in Seattle at the recent national competition.

The event, which draws Tae Kwon Do stylists from Washington, Oregon, California, New Mexico, Idaho and Canada saw more than 200 competitors at the annual event.



Bruce and Nathan DuBord are pictured.

Photo courtesy of DONALD BORD

Buhl brothers get golf scholarships

BHULL — Nick and Joe Pappewell, twin brothers from Buhl, were awarded golf-related scholarships this past summer to be used towards their educations at the University of Idaho.

Both boys have received the Cody Hayes Memorial Scholarship and a Rocky Mountain PGA Foundation Scholarship.

The former award, given to golfers who exemplify the ideals and standards of golf, is funded by the memorial fund for Cody Hayes, a top junior golfer who was killed in a car accident.

The PGA Foundation Scholarship is in the amount of \$1000 and is awarded on the basis of outstanding academics, extracurricular activities, and contributions to golf.

The Pappewells were four-year lettermen in golf at Buhl High School and both competed in Idaho Junior Golf Association events since the age of five.

They are currently freshmen at the University of Idaho.

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Twin Falls Fitness leading the fitness charge

Twin Falls Fitness Center boasts 22,000 square feet of space, and offers a vast array of services all under one roof. The Center's six tanning beds do brisk business, and members can enjoy spa services and massage therapy after a workout. Members have a wide variety of aerobic and strength equipment to choose from at Twin Falls Fitness including 4 racquetball courts, 2 weight rooms, an indoor pool, hot tub, treadmills and stair climbers, a spinning room, and the largest aerobic studio in the Valley. "We offer something for everyone," says owner Connie Rencher. The Center was voted "Best Health Club," and their daycare received top honors in the last Times-News survey.

Twin Falls Fitness' educated and certified staff offers the largest selection of classes in town ranging from yoga to aqua and step aerobics to Pilates. "We've always tried to bring cutting-edge fitness to Twin Falls," notes Connie. "We were the first club in town to offer spinning and Targit training." Classes are offered throughout the day to accommodate all schedules. Real people see real results at Twin Falls Fitness.

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Section D

Voters: Take a chill pill

By Richard Morin
The Washington Post

I hope the extra \$20 bucks in your pocket is worth the spectacular job you're doing. Kiss your reputation goodbye, though it's my guess you never had one. If for one am glad to see the demise of print media, you've all become such cheap whores for the Republican party.

— From an e-mail reacting to my Oct. 5 news story on President Bush's lead over Sen. John Kerry in an interview on C-SPAN.

Post, now. It seems that nearly everybody's an excited boy or girl this election year. In fact, experts already are claiming that this year's presidential contest ranks as one of the most passionate in recent U.S. history. But there's a positive side to all this harrumphing about the toxic tests of the campaign — it seems likely to produce a higher turnout on Election Day, according to recent Washington Post surveys and researchers in voting behavior.

It is almost inconceivable that people will not come out. Curtis Gans, executive director of the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, said in an interview on C-SPAN.

"It is an emotional election. It is ... a big picture election." Gans suggests turnout could be 7 to 10 percentage points higher than the 51 percent recorded in 2000. That level not reached since the 1960s.

Two powerful forces are spicing up this presidential race: enthusiasm and anger. While neither Bush nor Kerry are loaded with natural charisma, they have managed to spark what may be record levels of zeal among their partisans. Recent surveys have found that one reason why public opinion polls have found interest levels running 10 to 15 percentage points higher than at a similar stage of the campaign four years ago.

More than nine out of 10 Bush and Kerry backers say they're "enthusiastic" about their candidate — and 57 percent of Bush's supporters and 50 percent of Kerry's partisans call themselves "very enthusiastic" about their choices. Neither the 1996 or 2000 contests ever came close to evoking that level of enthusiasm. And the polls still three weeks of hard campaigning left this year.

But there's another emotional factor in this campaign: While large numbers of partisans are cheering on their champions, a large percentage are booing his opponents. And rather loudly, at that.

About half of Kerry voters said they were dissatisfied with Bush's policies — and nearly half reported being "angry" about the president's performance, a level of resentment that has kept Kerry competitive even when he was under a near-constant attack during the dog days of August.

Bush voters aren't nearly so peeved about Kerry's proposals. One in five said that Kerry's policies make them angry. Another six in 10 said they were dissatisfied but not particularly angry with the Democrat's plans.

Part of the emotional pitch this year stems from a leftover bad feelings on both sides from the bitter conclusion to the 2000 election. Part of it is the importance of the issues on the agenda: war, peace, the economy and jobs, international terrorism. Part of it is due to the polarizing effects of spinmeisters on both sides of the partisan and ideological divide, and their take-no-prisoners style of discourse. Little wonder then that six in 10 in a recent Post-ABC News poll said this election easily ranks as the most important of their lifetimes.

Whatever the cause, the impact of anger on political activity can be profound, says George Marcus, a political science professor at Williams College in Massachusetts. In one recent study of students, he found that anger motivated them to seek out information that confirmed preexisting be-

COLLEGIATE ENTHUSIASM



George Washington University freshman Dan Kochavi stands on the GWU campus in Washington Sept. 9. Kochavi knew George Washington University was her top college choice, and she wanted GW to know it. She applied early decision, promising to enroll if admitted. She also scheduled an interview, then followed up with a note to an admissions officer.

Admissions requires more than smarts

The Associated Press

Dan Kochavi knew George Washington University was her top college choice, and she wanted GW to know it. She applied early decision, promising to enroll if admitted. She also scheduled an interview, then followed up with a note to an admissions officer. She made a point to introduce herself at a college fair. She touched base with the gymnasiums and cheerleading coaches about continuing those sports in college, hoping word would filter back to the admissions office.

She's not sure it made a difference. But it definitely didn't hurt. She's now in her freshman year at the school in Washington, D.C.

"It's always that extra little hello," she says, "that sticks in somebody's head."

Simply applying to a school shows some enthusiasm for it, but admissions officers have always looked favorably on applicants who show just a little extra interest — without going overboard. Recently, the trend has intensified.

Colleges — especially private, selective ones — face growing pressure to admit applicants who are likely to enroll. More and more schools are using software to log correspondence and campus visits to see who's going the extra mile.

"We've been saying to families and to kids that interest is an increasingly important fac-

tor," said Susan Wilmer, director of college counseling at Brooks School in North Andover, Mass. "When I speak with the college representatives in March of the senior year about my candidate pool, what they tell me is, 'Susan, we're not going to take X; we're just not convinced that he's very interested in us.'"

The development poses a challenge for students: how to show they want to enroll without becoming a pest. Some also worry the new emphasis could harm applicants with less money since expressing interest can be costly.

Colleges are telling students "if they can incur the cost of flying halfway across the country, they'll prove they love us," said Marty Nemko, a California college consultant, author and columnist.

The colleges say they recognize everyone can't afford a visit, and insist there are many other ways to demonstrate interest, such as a thoughtful application essay.

"Where we get off track are the students or parents who say, 'So what you're saying is, I need to visit five times,'" said Daniel Walls, dean of admission at Emory University in Atlanta, which began listing "demonstrated interest" as a tip factor in its admissions literature about five years ago. "We're not keeping score."

But many are paying attention, especially in the recent, Ad decision round, when schools

don't really know if they're a student's dream choice or a backup.

Colleges are looking to increase — their "yield," or percentage of admitted students who enroll. High yields make it easier to guess how many students to admit; an accurate estimate saves money and headaches later. High yields also can mean a happier campus, full of students who want to be there. Finally, yield is used in some college rankings formulas; though the "best" journal, US News & World Report, recently dropped it.

Yields are hard to maintain these days because students are applying to — and inevitably turning down — more schools. The spread of the common application, which lets students apply to more colleges with little extra work, has helped fuel an increase in applications that not even fees of \$75 or more per school have cooled.

More than half of colleges consider "demonstrated interest" a factor, according to a recent National Association for College Admission Counseling survey. Most called it marginal — but it scored as a more important criterion than SAT II subject matter tests or race and ethnicity.

"It's that last few hundred decisions one makes where that campus visit is going to play a role," said Gail Swezey, director of admissions at Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania. At Earlham College in Indiana,

demonstrated interest affects which students are admitted off the wait-list.

Colleges insist enthusiasm can't replace a substandard record. Nor, most say, will its absence sink an otherwise strong application. Swezey says she has never tried to boost yield by denying admission to a strong student because she didn't believe the student would enroll in a practice Franklin & Marshall College in Pennsylvania admitted to several years ago, but says it has stopped.

Colgate University goes out of its way to ignore the "demonstrated interest" factor — but sometimes it isn't easy. Every year, it receives hundreds of applications that, reveal, presumably by accident, that Colgate is not the student's top choice.

"We'll be reading a recommendation from a teacher and that teacher might say, 'all Johnny or Janie has been talking about for the last year has been their desire to go to College X,' and College X is not Colgate," said dean of admissions Gary Ross.

Hundreds of students make the same mistake in their essays. But it isn't necessarily a fatal blow.

"That's an indication of sloppiness," Ross said. "But if the student is a highly competitive, very bright, highly capable young man or woman, we would not deny them admission."

Firm will supply inhaled vaccine

The Associated Press

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The maker of FluMist, a relatively new nasal flu vaccine, said Friday it would nearly double the number of doses it makes to help meet demand caused by a shortage of flu shots.

The inhaled vaccine is an option for people who do not fall into the high-risk groups who are targeted for the nation's limited supply of flu shots. FluMist must be given by a health care professional and is approved only for healthy people ages 5-49.

Last year, the nasal vaccine cost two to three times more than the flu shot. But on Friday, a supermarket chain quoted a price that is more competitive with the flu shot.

In the weeks, Giant Food will offer FluMist at around \$30 per dose at pharmacies in 34 of its Virginia stores, according to spokesman Barry Scher. Last fall, Giant sold FluMist for \$59.95 per dose. Giant charges \$20 for a flu shot, although the cost for shots can vary widely depending on where it's offered.

Also Friday, some health insurance providers, including Aetna and Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield of New York, said they would cover FluMist during the upcoming flu season.

The nasal vaccine is made with a weakened live virus and is not approved for use by the elderly or toddlers, two of the groups that health officials say should be first in line for the limited number of flu shots.

The Food and Drug Administration set age limits for FluMist over concern it could increase the risk of asthma attack in young children, dismounting that could be ineffective for the elderly as a flu shot.

Gaithersburg, Md.-based MedImmune had only made 1.1 million doses for this flu season, following disappointing sales last year. But the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention asked MedImmune to step up production to help cover this year's flu shot shortage.

The company said it would rely on frozen supplies of vaccine already on hand to produce nearly 1 million more doses. The extra FluMist could be available to the public by late November, said spokeswoman Clarancia Stephen.

MedImmune made 1 million doses of FluMist in 2003, precluding strong demand for the vaccine-free, weakened flu shot. But the limits on those who can use it, difficult storage requirements and a high price led to dismal sales.

"The company has slashed its price to \$16 per dose, but the roughly \$16 per dose it charged last year."

Dreaded Tyrannosaurus was feathered like a bird

Los Angeles Times

NEW YORK — Earth's fiercest family of predators — the toothsome Tyrannosaurs — may have been cloaked in downy feathers like a baby bird, a new fossil discovery in China suggests.

Scientists at the American Museum of Natural History in New York and the Chinese Academy of Sciences announced this week they had unearthed the unusually well preserved fossils of the earliest known ancestor of Tyrannosaurus rex in western Liaoning province in China.

The 128 million-year-old fossils preserve clear impressions of lacy feather-like filaments from head to tail, offering the first direct fossil evidence that the skin of these predators was plumed.

Formally named "Dilong

"paradoxus" — the emperor dragon — the slender, four-foot-long carnivore had unusually long arms and three-fingered hands. Rows of curving blade-like teeth lined its jaws. Its primitive feathers may have served to keep it warm, researchers said.

The discovery, detailed in the current issue of Nature, adds to an emerging mosaic of dinosaur characteristics that emphasizes their kinship with modern birds, said American paleontologist Mark A. Norrell, who was studying the find in his office this week.

So quickly have conventional notions of dinosaur appearance and conduct changed, he said, that the computer-animated dentists of Jurassic Park now seem as outdated as the musty images from a 19th century science text.

Indeed so many hundreds of

fossils of feathered dinosaurs have come to light in recent years that it was not the existence of feathers that made the discovery so interesting to scientists, but rather its claim to be the earliest known ancestor of all the tyrannosaurs — the last and most successful of all the carnivorous dinosaurs.

"We have a lot of feathered dinosaurs now, so that was not so exciting," said Xing Xu, a paleontologist at the Institute of Vertebrate Paleontology in Beijing, who was the lead author of the research paper.

"Then we realized we had a feathered tyrannosaur," the paleontologist said. "Now, that was exciting."

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NATION

Years at Andover, Yale helped form Bush

Knight Rider News Service

WASHINGTON — Seeing President Bush rally people with a bullhorn from atop the mound of rubble where the World Trade Center used to be reminded Tom Seligson of Bush in a more innocent time.

"When I saw him after 9-11 with the bullhorn, it fit," said Seligson, who attended prep school with Bush. "His response to terrorism was grabbing a bullhorn at Grand Zero, basically challenging us to rise above it. This was no different from the George — the cheerleader with a megaphone at Andover — a 40 years ago."

But the Bush he met then by his classmates at the exclusive prep school and at Yale University and the Bush known now around the world are two distinct figures — one seemingly carefree and privileged, the other burdened by the pressures of the Oval Office.

Yet those early years — from Bush's entry into Andover in 1963 to his graduation from Yale in 1981 — did much to shape his character and form beliefs that many said he took to the White House.

Andover and Yale, in many ways, have a great impact on shaping the core personality of Bush than any other period," said Bill Minutaglio, the author of "First Son: George W. Bush and the Bush Family Dynasty."

"It not only shaped his worldview as an adult and his public policy as a politician. If Bush's policy is about going it alone, defining the world in black and white, you could say it started here."

George W. Bush was called many things during his high school and collegiate days but future president of the United States wasn't one of them. "He was nicknamed 'Lip' by Andover classmates for his wisecracking ways at the then-all-boys Massachusetts boarding school. He 'dubbed himself 'Bovids' Bush' after the infamous Bossy Babe of New York Tammany Hall fame — while others called him the 'High Commissioner of Stickball' for organizing teams to play tickle-tag games on the unsafely said campus."

His teachers called him an earnest but unpretentious student; he earned a zero on the first paper he wrote at Andover for a friend that appalled the professor.

Despite his family's political pedigree, few people saw any sign in young George of an ambition to end up in the White House. What they saw was a fun-loving fraternity pranksster more interested in partying than politics, and a person eager to shed the shadow of his father.

Some Bush friends think that's overly simplistic. They say



President Bush waves to supporters during a campaign rally in Wausau, Wis., Thursday.

his affability overshadowed his intelligence and obscured the budding political skills that he employs today: an ability to get people to like and support him, a knack for organization and a fierce determination to stand firm in his beliefs.

"He's very smart, and people always underestimate him," said Larry Davis, a Yale fraternity brother of Bush's who went on to help President Clinton through several White House scandals. "He was one of the friendless, most down to earth, unpretentious people at Yale," said Davis, who likes Bush personally but loathes his policies.

Bush's path from adolescence to adulthood began in the same place as his father's: Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass. The elder George Bush was a campus legend: senior class president, captain of the baseball team and a student who bucked the advice of Secretary of War Henry Stimson, Andover's 1942 commencement speaker, and put off college to enlist in the Navy and enter World War II.

Bush the father was a man of New England, the son of Sen. Prescott Bush of Connecticut. Though George W. Bush also was born in Connecticut, he was very much a child of Texas, having been raised in Midland and Houston.

When the 15-year-old Bush arrived at Phillips in 1961, he found the transition from Texas to New England daunting in

terms of climate and attitude. "Andover was cold and distant and difficult," Bush wrote in his political biography, "A Change to Keep." "In every way I was a long way from home."

Bush said he had to adjust from the "happy chaos" of the Bush household in Texas to Andover's discipline. "We wore coats and ties to class," he wrote. "We went to chapel every day, except Wednesday and Saturday. There were no girls. Life was regimented. I missed my parents and brothers and sister. It was a shock to my system."

Bush also was struggling in class. For his first essay — on emotions — he wanted to impress his "western professors" by using "big, impressive words." Looking for a way to describe "tears" running down his face, he consulted the Roger's Thesaurus that his mother had given him. He replaced "tears" with the word "lucenates."

The teacher marked the paper with a zero so bold that "it left an impression all the way through the back of the blue book," Bush wrote.

Tom Lyons, who taught history and was one of Bush's favorite teachers at Andover, said Bush tried hard in class but struggled to keep up at the academically formidable school.

"He did not stand out," said Lyons, who retired in 1999 after 35 years at Andover. "He was just a solid kid who worked hard and did average work."

Outwardly, Bush didn't seem

to dwell on his struggles, friends and classmates said. He was a larger-than-life figure, someone whom almost everyone knew and regarded as an outgoing, friendly guy who played sports but did not excel at them and enthusiastically served as head football cheerleader in his senior year.

"He was comfortable in his own skin, a straightforward guy who knew what he thought," Seligson said. "He never suffered the adolescent angst the way many other people did. He found his way there by being an outgoing, rah-rah cheerleader."

Bush also channeled his enthusiasm into stickball. The future owner of the Texas Rangers baseball team converted what had been a casual after-dinner activity at Andover into an organized, campus-wide league with himself presiding as the High Commissioner of Stickball.

While the title was lofty, the games were not. Bush made sure the teams included everyone who wanted to play, including the least athletic players. He even appointed a league psychiatrist.

"For me, stickball was a way of spreading joy, sharing humor, and lightening up what was otherwise a serious and studious environment," Bush wrote.

In his senior year, in 1964, Bush began weighing where he would attend college. He said Andover taught him the importance of high standards. He told

an Andover dean that he was interested in Yale, where his father and grandfather had gone. Given his mediocre grades, the dean "tactfully suggested I might think of other universities as well," Bush wrote.

Yet Bush got into Yale — largely because of his family connections — and once again he was tracing his father's steps. Following his father's suggestion, he met Yale's chaplain, the Rev. William Sloan Coffin, who was a leader in the anti-Vietnam War movement and a contemporary of the elder Bush.

Bush's father had just lost his first run for Congress. Coffin told Bush: "I knew your father, and your father lost to a better man." Coffin has said he doesn't remember the conversation, but it left a lasting and bitter impression on Bush.

"You talk about a shattering blow," his mother, Barbara Bush, told a newspaper reporter in 1999.

Yale wasn't the comfortable cocoon for Bush that Andover had been, several of his friends and classmates said. The Vietnam War and America's domestic strife were spilling onto college campuses. Bush, by his own admission, wasn't an active participant in the social changes swirling around him.

"It was not part of the flower-child revolution," he told Knight Rider in 1999. "I was concerned, but I wasn't marching in the streets. I didn't go to Woodstock."

Minutaglio said Bush "chose to isolate himself from the very complex issues of the day. It seems he deliberately, almost defiantly withdrew into a world he was most comfortable with, almost a 1950s world."

Bush embraced the tradition at college life — with gusto. He joined Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and, like his father, was initiated into Skull and Bones, a secretive, high-status campus social club.

Bush was arrested in 1966 on disorderly conduct charges arising from the theft of a Christmas wreath from a storefront to decorate the fraternity house. The charges later were dropped.

He got in trouble with the law again when he joined Yale celebrants in pulling down a Princeton University gold post after a football game. The offense earned him a trip to the campus police station, then sent home.

At the time, the frat lifestyle — with its heavy drinking and hazing high jinks — was under attack by the Yale Daily News. Bush told the paper it wrongly assumed that Yale "has to be so naughty not to allow this type of pledging to go on."

DKI had a reputation for being partying, and Bush was its president in 1966-67.

"There was a 'draft Bush' movement because it was a job of being socially comfortable and attracting the best women on campus," Davis said. "He succeeded. DKI had the best parties."

Bush became known for an ability to move effortlessly among the different groups on campus. He began displaying a politician's knack for remembering names, faces and events that would enable him to talk to people he'd met months before as if it were only yesterday. "I thought I was outgoing, knowing 65-70 people," said Livingston Miller, a Yale friend of Bush's. "Bush knew 700. He knew their names, their relationships and their pasts. He was good at connecting people to events. It's prodigious."

Though he praises Bush's partying skills at Yale, Davis said it was a mistake to think of Bush back then as strictly a Good Time Charlie. He said Bush was gifted with "analytical people skills" that allowed him to sum up someone quickly.

Bush also was sensitive. Davis recalled seeing Bush and some other "scholarships" in their dorm talking about people when one of them began razzing a male student, who he thought was gay, as he walked by.

"Someone made a snickering comment and used the word 'queer,'" Davis said. "Bush turned and told the guy who made the remark, 'Look at walking in the other guy's shoes.' I'll never forget that."

Improved data takes more mystery out of volcanoes

Los Angeles Times

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Geologist Jeffrey H. Latter, in a briefing at the Cascades Volcano Observatory, described how a 1025-foot magma dome at Mount St. Helens had now 2 1/2 inches in a matter of hours this week. "Imagine," he said.

The wonder in his voice was hardly surprising. Not just because the lava dome had now grown, but that he and other scientists were able, through sophisticated measuring instruments, to "see" it move — using technology that wasn't available to volcanologists 24 years ago when Mount St. Helens blew its top off in a massive eruption.

There has been a revolution in the study of volcanoes since then, much of it taking place in the Cascade Mountain Range, where U.S. Geological Survey scientists monitor 14 active volcanoes, including Lassen, Shasta and the granddaddy of them all, Rainier.

Mount St. Helens, the most active and rambling of the group, is one of the most scrutinized mountains in the world. With new technology, scientists can detect every spasm, shudder and shake; record every hiss, murmur and moan; and break them up into individual, single bubbles rising up from the depths while staying at a safe distance.

Most significantly, scientists can watch the mountain change shape as it is being pushed, pulled in itself for a branch of science that traditionally works within the framework of geological time, that is, in the realm of

thousands or millions of years. "The new science lets us work in 'real time,'" said Anthony Qamar, a seismologist at the University of Washington.

Yet for all the advancements, the most crucial aspect of a volcanologist's job — predicting the timing and size of eruptions — is still mostly guesswork.

This is the case with Mount St. Helens, as nearly 80 scientists and researchers at the observatory in Vancouver and the university in Seattle — work around the clock to determine what the world can expect from this latest volcanic episode. Scientists said Friday that the hardened dome of lava inside the crater continued to grow, indicating that magma was accumulating. They say the magma eventually could be released in a large explosive eruption or, more likely, in a slow ooze or a series of small bursts such as the ones that had occurred since the volcano began shaking Sept. 23.

Last Saturday, scientists raised the alert level to 3 on a three-step scale, indicating that a powerful eruption was imminent. After several explosions that released shabby but relatively harmless plumes of steam and ash, scientists lowered the alert level to 2 on Wednesday, meaning that volcanic activity was likely but not threatening to life and property.

Geologists say that the mountain has entered a new eruptive period that could last months, years or even decades. The mountain's last eruptive period lasted from 1980 to 1986. The first signs that Mount St. Helens was rousing were

detected at the University of Washington's Seismology Lab, located in the bowels of a science building. The lab monitors nearly 300 seismometers in the Northwest, 12 of them on Mount St. Helens. In 1980, there was only one active seismometer on the volcano.

The newest seismometers are digital, and far more sensitive. A typical seismometer is about the size and shape of a soup can, equipped with sensors that detect the slightest movement in the ground. Readings are transmitted to computers at the university and instantly posted on the Internet.

Seismologist Bill Steele first noticed seismic activity at the mountain — appearing as squiggly lines on a rolling graph — a week before the first swarm of earthquakes Sept. 23. They began, the swarms accelerated to four small earthquakes per minute. Thousands of earthquakes have shaken the mountain since.

"We got kind of excited," Steele said, gesturing at stacks of graphs on a nearby desk. Soon after, geologists began monitoring a growing bulge on the south side of the lava dome. Bulges usually indicate pressure from the inside.

The old way of measuring mountain deformations — using surveying techniques involving electronically or laser devices that measured distances between two points — was time-consuming and risky, partly because it meant scientists had to get close to the mountain to take measurements, and then they had to enter the information into computers manually.

Sickly children provide exit for father

The Washington Post

A sickly baby significantly increases the chance that the father will soon leave the family, said researcher Nancy Reichman — of the pediatric department at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey.

"Having a child with poor health decreases the probability that the parents live together by 9 to 10 percentage points" after a year to 18 months of the child's life, Reichman and her colleagues reported in the August issue of Demography. They analyzed data collected from the parents of more than

3,000 newborns. About 5 percent of these babies had a serious health problem, which included having a birth weight of less than four pounds — a reported chronic disease or disability, or being unable to crawl or walk by the time they reached 18 months.

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Kerry's drive helped him flourish at Yale

Knights Ridder News Service

CONCORD, N.H. — At the post and proper St. Paul's School, set here amid pine woods and deep blue ponds, the ultra-ambitious John Forbes Kerry initially rubbed people the wrong way.

In a culture that prizes effortless achievement, or at least the appearance of it, he was too much of a striver. At the hockey-mad school, "Log-the-Puck" Kerry loathed passing on the ice. It seemed common knowledge that he wanted to be president, to follow in the footsteps of the other JFK whom he then idolized, John F. Kennedy.

That was all a bit much for many of the rich young preppies who dominated the English-style brick boarding school in 1957-52, where Kerry attended, and for whom so much came easily.

"He was a little different from the average (student) then," said Herbert Church Jr., who taught at St. Paul's for 27 years and remembers Kerry well. "Most had as their No. 1 objective getting into Harvard or Yale, then getting some blockbuster job on Wall Street, then leading themselves a nice, comfortable upper-class life. ... I did have the feeling he was interested in making a public mark."

Kerry was a young man of unusual seriousness and drive from an immigrant Asian Jew. A researcher and worldly man, he had an early intellectual awakening at St. Paul's, one of New England's most prestigious prep schools, and he excelled at Yale University from 1962 to 1966, which nurtured rather than scorned his open ambition.

But his journey through high school wasn't easy; it was there that he first earned a reputation for overreaching ambition that sticks with him to this day. It's a straight line from the boy called "Log-the-Puck" Kerry to the pol derided by some in Boston as "Liz Shot" Kerry for his eagerness to appear before television cameras.

Kerry derived much of his ambition from his father, a diplomat who'd descended from an immigrant Asian Jew. A researcher and worldly man, he wasn't especially warm to his children, Kerry's friends say. Kerry endured frequent moves because of his father's work, which also can drive a child toward introversion.

Kerry's mother was a Forbes, a notable New England family whose money was nearly as old as the United States (indeed, on one side she was a Winthrop, whose money was even older than the United States). As a boy, Kerry sometimes vacationed at a Forbes family estate called Les Essarts, on the Brittany coast of northern France, and at emaggy Naushon Island, a private Forbes family reserve off Cape Cod, with about 30 houses clustered around a private ferry dock and miles of trails for horseback riding and hiking.

The most formative time of Kerry's youth began at age 11 in 1954, when the family moved to Europe, recalled Cameron Kerry, Kerry's younger brother.

"The effects of the war were very evident," Cameron Kerry said. "There were still bombed-out, shut-up buildings. ... With a father whose work was to help rebuild the war-torn continent, service and government-policy issues were part of the everyday chatter of family life. A strong sense of duty and curiosity was instilled in the four Kerry kids, Cameron Kerry said. John soaked it up, in family talks and on his bicycle adventures



Democratic Presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., speaks at a rally in Kissimmee, Fla., Oct. 1.

around Berlin and later, as he grew older, riding through wider swaths of Europe.

Kerry attended a series of boarding schools beginning at age 11, including one in Switzerland, before he arrived at St. Paul's.

Trying to live up to his distant father affected the way he socialized, friends say. "I think his father was very polished and very at ease in social circles," said Daniel Barbiero, who met Kerry at St. Paul's and roomed with him at Yale. "John wasn't so much, and tried hard to be good at everything."

Kerry excelled at St. Paul's. He played hockey, lacrosse and soccer, joined several academic clubs and played bass guitar in a rock band called The Electrics, which performed at tea dances with guests from girls' schools.

His interest in current events already was apparent; he founded a club called the John Winant Society, named for a former New Hampshire governor, to debate issues of the day. He wrote earnest essays for the school's literary magazine on issues such as public funding for education. He loved oratory and debate at a school that stressed both, and he won the school's most prestigious award for public speaking. At a school full of square-jawed young Republicans, WASPs, the Roman Catholic Kerry vociferously supported Kennedy in 1960. A Catholic from Massachusetts, the same initials, he resonated powerfully with Kerry, said his brother Cameron.

Church, the former teacher, recalled Kerry as "solemn" and "quite idealistic." He was perhaps interested in somewhat more mature things, Church said. "The John Winant Society tended to be more-serious young men. That was not the type of organization you joined because you were sitting to join. You joined because you wanted to learn something."

Among his peers, by most accounts, Kerry wasn't popular at St. Paul's.

Partly that was because even though he moved among elites, he wasn't wholly of them. His mother had the prominent Forbes family name, but not its extraordinary wealth, unlike many St. Paul's families. A generous aunt paid for Kerry's

education. While Kerry had access to Forbes family estates, he also sold encyclopedias door-to-door one summer.

Those distinctions mattered at St. Paul's. One alumna of Kerry's era described the status-conscious environment as "Lord of the Flies goes to boarding school"; several others called the dominant cliques of privileged young men "nasty."

"There were a lot of rich kids there who thought they were great, and if you weren't as rich or prominent as they were, you were sort of looked down on and given a hard time," recalled Andrew Gagarin, who attended St. Paul's and Yale with Kerry.

Then too, Kerry's incessant resume-building made him work harder than was considered cool. His earnestness flew in the face of the affected sarcasm that colored the campus style.

"St. Paul's was a place where you weren't supposed to let them see you sweat," said Livingston Miller, who was at St. Paul's and Yale with Kerry. "John went totally against that grain."

Kerry took his seriousness to Yale in the fall of 1962. Many vividly remember him as almost always wearing a tweed jacket and seldom, if ever, gathering in the residence hall common room to watch the TV series "The Fugitive," a favorite pastime of young Yalies.

"He was driven to be a leader, to make an impact," said Cary Koplin, a classmate at Yale. "John was looking beyond the weekend road-trip to Yosemite or the miker, or 'What am I going to do to avoid military service?'"

In previous generations, such seriousness would have been as frowned on in the Ivy League as it had been at the prep schools that fed them. But Yale was in the midst of huge changes that helped Kerry fit in.

Many in the Class of '66 remember being in the Ivy League as it had been at the prep schools that fed them. But Yale was in the midst of huge changes that helped Kerry fit in. The meritocracy had arrived at Yale, after decades in which breeding was at least as important as talent in winning admission.

"There was an egalitarian spirit," said William Theodore, a member of the Class of 1966 who'd attended public high school. "There

would be a Goodyear or a Vandenbilt or whatever, but for the most part it didn't seem to matter."

Kerry reveled in Yale's atmosphere of achievement. Amid the school's gothic stone arches and sparkling green quads, he evolved from an awkward teenage striver into a prominent young man whom many saw as destined for great things.

He was one of those campus figures people knew of, even if they didn't know him personally. He headed the Yale Political Union, which sponsored debates and brought public figures to campus for speeches. He was part of a powerhouse two-man debate squad. He lettered in soccer, scoring three goals against rival Harvard his senior year.

In the most telling sign of accomplishment — and acceptance — in Yale's social order, Kerry was tapped to join

the most prestigious of the university's many secret societies: Skull and Bones. The group, housed in a windowless stone building on a New Haven street, chooses 15 students a year out of a rising senior class of about 1,000; typically they're the students of greatest promise.

Barbiero said Kerry also could be fun-loving. Barbiero recalled bombing around New England in Kerry's blue Volkswagen Beetle, and a Kerry-piloted plane ride down the Hudson River when Kerry barely understood the temptation to fly under the George Washington Bridge.

"He loved Yale," said Chip Stanberry, Kerry's debate partner. "He felt he fit it, that the school and the makeup of the student body and the institution matched his vision of the environment in which he was happy. He was a duck in water."

"He was very active at Yale and he was respected for his energy

and his output," Barbiero said. "It was the inverse of St. Paul's." Kerry remained obsessed with current events, especially the escalating war in Vietnam. Alan Cross, a classmate and fellow Bonesman, said Kerry "was aware, was politically attuned, was concerned about changes that were happening, was informing his peers."

Kerry's speech on Class Day during graduation weekend showcased his commitment. He questioned U.S. policy in Vietnam, even though he'd already volunteered for the Navy. Challenging "an excess of interventionism," Kerry said "the United States must think, bring itself to understand that the policy of intervention that was right for Western Europe does not and cannot find the same application to the rest of the world."

Through Kerry's Yale years, there remained rumblings — albeit less consequential than they'd been at St. Paul's — about the United States' role in Vietnam. His friends acknowledged that the ever-busy Kerry could come across, especially to those who didn't know him, as aloof or snobbish.

But "if you knew him, he was none of those things," Stanberry said. "As opposed to aloof, he was reserved. ... John was not good at chitchat."

With military service and Vietnam loomed, Barbiero said. There were few conversations about the future beyond New Haven. But many of Kerry's classmates said there was little doubt that he knew where his future lay and had generated himself toward becoming "a Yale man who was famous," as Barbiero put it.

During a college break, Barbiero took Kerry home to meet his parents on Long Island. He told his mother, a staunch Republican, that one day Kerry would be president.

"Well, John, if you ever run, I'll vote for you," Lydia Barbiero told Kerry.

This fall, her son said, Lydia Barbiero, now 88, will keep her promise.

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NATION

Religion takes on big role in presidential contest

Chicago Tribune

NEW YORK — With its time-polished pews, soaring Gothic nave and stained-glass splendor, the interdenominational Riverside Church seems like a serene spiritual haven from the bustle of Manhattan beyond its doors.

But, these days, it is far more than that. Increasingly, Riverside and thousands of other houses of worship around the country double as political battle stations, registering voters, making issues and rallying the faithful to take a stand on the front lines of the 2004 fight for the White House.

Officially non-partisan, as per Internal Revenue Service rules for tax-exempt religious organizations, these faith-based efforts are welcomed and encouraged by Democrats and Republicans alike to bring out every possible vote on Nov. 2.

Spurred by such issues as gay marriage, abortion, the war in Iraq and by expectations of a close election, religion has taken on an unusually high-stakes political role in the contest between President Bush, a Methodist and born-again Christian, and Sen. John Kerry, only the third Roman Catholic nominated on a major ticket to run for the presidency.

"It's much more intense this year than in the immediate past," said John Green, director of the Ethics Institute of Applied Politics at the University of Akron. Religion's level of impact on voting behavior is considerable, comparable to that of gender and economic status, said Green, who conducted the recently released Fourth National Survey of Religion and Politics for the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life.

"If religion were not an important part of many Americans' lives, politicians would not be talking about religion. They are after votes," said Richard Land, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, at a recent Interfaith Alliance forum on politics and religion in Atlanta.

Indeed, woe to the politician who discounts the significance of religion. According to an August poll by the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life, about 85 percent of Americans said religion is important in their lives.



Rev. Dr. Lula Leon, Rector, right, walks President Bush and first lady Laura Bush to the door as they depart St. John's Church after attending services Oct. 3 in Washington.

Moreover, in the same poll, 72 percent of registered voters told "it is important to them that a president have strong religious beliefs."

Said Mark Silk, director of the Greenberg Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., "There seems to be a much larger and more focused effort to mobilize voters by religious grouping. I think this really comes out of Republican Party politics, and the Democrats and progressives are perhaps belatedly waking up to this and trying to put on a show of their own."

In fact, the Democratic Party and progressive, or liberal, religious groups are playing an intense game of catch-up in an arena where the GOP has spent more than 20 years organizing and cultivating people of faith, especially conservatives, who particularly gravitate to the party's firm stands against abortion and gay marriage.

Religious outreach by the

Kerry-Edwards campaign is the most extensive such Democratic effort in memory, said Mike McCurry, a former press secretary in the Clinton White House. McCurry, who joined the Kerry team as a senior adviser in mid-September, speaks for the campaign on issues of religion.

"We are making a more concerted effort as a party and as a national campaign to reach out to the religious faithful and let people know that this is a part of our core values," said McCurry. Among the examples he cited: the organization of "people of faith coordinators" in battleground states, potluck dinners at churches and the mobilization of church youth groups. And, the Democratic National Committee, just launched a website: www.kerryshuresurveys.org.

Democrats, aware that polling puts them on the secular side of the so-called God gap, have stepped up efforts to counter the image that their party is less

friendly to people of faith and to demonstrate that "devout Democrat" is not an oxymoron.

"When people understand you can be a religious person and a Democrat, they are proud of it in public, that will be a real light bulb going off," said McCurry.

If that light burns too brightly, however, Democrats may risk alienating some of their secular core constituency, who place a premium on the separation of church and state.

Democrats have made their strongest gains in recent years among Latino Catholics, Jews and mainline Protestants, according to polls, but lag far behind Republicans in terms of those who regularly attend religious services.

The 2004 Political Landscape survey issued by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press found that while 63 percent of voters who attend religious services more than once a week said they will vote Republican, 62 percent of voters who "seldom or never attend services" said they will vote Democrat.

Democrats, whose past religious outreach largely focused on African-American churches, are trying to narrow that gap. In Boston in July, the party held its first "People of Faith" luncheon at a national Democratic convention. Similarly, the GOP held a "Faith, Family & Freedom Rally" for religious conservatives during its convention in New York.

Republicans are working hard to hold on to their faithful. In fact, Karl Rove, Bush's top strategist, has made it clear that Republicans don't take their religious base for granted and are determined to recruit the 4 million evangelical Christians estimated to have stayed away from the polls in 2000 because of uncertainty about Bush.

Some of those voters may be in battleground states, where percentages of registered voters who identify themselves as evangelicals or born-again Christians are substantial, including Iowa, with 30 percent; Ohio, 27 percent; Minnesota, 25 percent; Michigan, 24 percent; Florida, 23 percent and Pennsylvania, 22 percent.

Over the summer, the Democratic National Committee also created the post of director of religious outreach. The first director, Rev. Brenda Peterson,

left after two weeks following attacks by conservative groups, including the Catholic League, over her support of a Supreme Court case asking that the words "under God" be removed from the Pledge of Allegiance, in mid-September. Peterson was succeeded by Alveda Kelley, who has a master's degree in theological studies from Harvard University and specializes in Catholic issues.

In terms of Catholicism, Kerry has quite the opposite problem as that faced by John F. Kennedy in 1960, according to Steven Waldman, co-founder and editor of Beliefnet, a multi-faith religion Web site.

"The problem for John Kennedy was people thinking he was too much of a Catholic, too much under the thumb of the Vatican. The problem for John Kerry is people thinking he's too little of a Catholic, that he's not a good enough Catholic," Waldman said. In fact, one unusual feature of the campaign has been the number of attacks on Kerry by other Catholics, notably church hierarchy, for his support of civil rights and stem cell research and his opposition to a constitutional amendment barring gay marriage.

St. Louis Archbishop Raymond Burke said this year that because of those stands, he would deny the sacrament of Communion to Kerry, a position publicly shared by Adanta Archbishop John Donoghue and a few others. However, Cardinal Theodore McCarrick of Washington dissented, saying denial of Communion should not be used to sanction politicians at variance with church teaching.

Most Americans, it appears, agree with McCarrick. In a Pew poll on the subject in August, 64 percent of those surveyed — and 72 percent of Catholics — found such penalizing of politicians "inappropriate."

But, Americans are curious about Kerry's faith and, at the convention in Boston, he made his boldest statement on that subject.

In his acceptance speech, Kerry, pledging to lead an inclusive administration, made an explicit appeal to religious Americans:

on my sleeve, but faith has given me values and hope to live by, from Vietnam to this day, from Sunday to Sunday. I don't want to claim that God is on our side. As Abraham Lincoln told us, I want to pray humbly that we are on God's side."

Kerry's statement at the convention also was extremely important because many voters echo strong religious faith with strength of conviction and character, said Beliefnet's Waldman.

Referring to a Time magazine poll in June that found only 7 percent of likely voters considered Kerry "a man of strong religious faith," Waldman said, such a number "feels into that sense that he's a waffler, that he's not a person of conviction or the kind, in his personal life or his votes on Iraq. They reinforce each other."

While outreach efforts by Democrats and religious progressive groups are not as extensive as those of the GOP and religious right, McCurry said, "I think we'll look back and say that in Election 2004, progressives re-found their political voice."

In fact, a number of new or re-energized progressive groups recently have sprung up, including the year-old Clergy Leadership Network, a so-called 527 advocacy committee based in Washington.

"We've focused on the need for national leadership and policy change in our country," said Rev. Albert Pomphrey, president of the multi-faith group.

Most of the progressive religious and lay organizations are motivated by a desire by liberals and Democrats to challenge the near-monopoly that conservatives and Republicans have enjoyed in terms of issues involving religion and moral values, they said.

"Things really are changing. The good news is the old conservatism dominated by the religious right and focused on just one or two issues is over," said Jim Wallis, president of Call to Renewal, a faith-based movement devoted to fighting poverty.

Last week, the organization launched a six-state, 11-city bus tour in the Midwest, including Chicago, with the goal of spreading the message that "overcoming poverty is a religious and moral issue in this election year."

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to the general laws of the State of Idaho, a general election will be held on November 2, 2004, for the purpose of electing two (2) Directors of the Minidoka Irrigation District, for Director's Division No. 4 and Director's Division No. 5, to serve for a period of three (3) years. Said Directors shall succeed Wesley D. Goff (District No. 4) and Frank N. Hunt (District No. 5), the present incumbents whose terms of office expire.

The polls for the reception of ballots cast at said election will be opened at the hour of 1:00 o'clock p.m. and will remain open until the hour of 7:00 p.m., of the same day.

The following places have been designated as the polling places for said Director's division or electing Precincts, to wit:
Director's Divisions No. 1 & 2: Acaquiza Schoolhouse
Director's Divisions No. 3 & 5: City of Eau Claire Shop
Director's Division No. 4: Minidoka Irrigation District Office
Written nominations for the office of Director, if any are made, must be signed by at least twelve (12) electors in the District and filed with the Secretary of the District not less than twenty (20) days, nor more than forty (40) days, before the date of Election.

DATED this 8th day of September, 2004.
Ruth Stannabury Bailey, Secretary
PUBLISH: September 26 and October 10, 2004

APPOINTMENT TO PANEL OF CHAPTER 7 TRUSTEES

The Office of the United States Trustee is seeking resumes from persons wishing to be considered for appointment to the panel of trustees who administer cases filed under chapter 7 of the bankruptcy code. The appointment is for cases filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Idaho, Boise, Idaho. The cases to be assigned are from the Twin Falls - Pocatello, Idaho area. Chapter 7 trustees receive compensation and reimbursement for expenses in each case in which they serve, pursuant to court order under 11 U.S.C. § 330 and § 528.

The minimum qualifications for appointment are set forth in Title 28 of the Code of Federal Regulations at Part 58. To be eligible for appointment, an applicant must possess strong administrative, financial and interpersonal skills. Fiduciary experience or familiarity with the bankruptcy area is desirable but not mandatory. A successful applicant will be required to undergo a background check, and must qualify to be bonded. Although chapter 7 trustees are not federal employees, appointments are made consistent with federal Equal Opportunity policies, which prohibit discrimination in employment.
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PUBLISH: October 3 and 10, 2004

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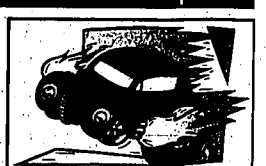
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PUBLISH: October 10, 2004

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is hereby given that the Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA) will hold a public hearing at its office on October 27, 2004, beginning at 9:00 a.m., as required by the amended Initial Revenue Act of 1986.

The public hearing is to provide information regarding proposed changes to the Qualified Allocation Plan (the "Plan") for the year 2005.

Interested persons may, prior to the time of the hearing, address comments in writing to the Multi-Family Housing Department and Finance Association, P.O. Box 7899, Boise, Idaho 83707-1899.

PUBLISH: October 10, 2004

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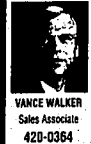
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Power Rancher, Wilmington, N.C.

ANSWER: The regular way to play this cue-bid used to be as a game force. These days a much more popular treatment is to play the cue-bid as a major-oriented two-suit with, say, 4-13 points. A cue-bid of a minor shows both majors, of a major shows both major and an unspecified minor. This treatment is called Michaels, named after its inventor, Mike Michaels, who died 40 years ago or so.

Dear Mr. Wolff: I was dealt this exciting collection: ♠ 10-8-3, ♥ 10-7-5-2, ♦ 6-4, ♣ K-Q-3. When partner opens one club and the next hand bids one diamond, how do you rate passing, hiding one heart, and raising clubs?

Light Brigade, Seneca, S.C.

ANSWER: Without the intervention, I might raise clubs, but would probably bid one heart. With the overall, bidding hearts would overstate my values, misrepresent my hand, and not get in the opponents' way at all. The club raise limits my hand, takes up opponents' space, and shows where I live - perfect!

Dear Mr. Wolff: What are minor penalty cards? How do you distinguish them from major penalty cards, and what are the penalties associated with them?

Elvis Silpner, Salt Lake City, Utah

ANSWER: A minor penalty card is a single card below honor rank

that has been exposed inadvertently during the bidding or play, and the associated penalties are very light. If that happens to you, you may not play any nonhonor card of the same suit before you play the penalty card. Otherwise, there are essentially no penalties.

Dear Mr. Wolff: You hold ♠ A-4-3-6-3, ♥ A-Q-7-6-5, ♦ 9-7-2, ♣. How would you respond to a strong no-trump?

Stunning and Jamming, Colyer, Wyo.

ANSWER: If you play Smolen (whereby Stayman followed by a jump in one of the majors shows 5-4 with both majors), then transfer to spades and bid three hearts to show 5-5. If you use Stayman and find a fit, you could jump to four clubs to show a slam try with shortage in clubs. Alternatively, some people play direct jumps to three hearts or three spades to show both majors (invitational and forcing respectively), in which case a three-spade call would be fine here.

Dear Mr. Wolff: What is DOPI? I've also heard people say they play IROP and DOP. Are these real conventions, or are my friends putting me on?

Doubling Thomasina, Galveston, Texas

ANSWER: When the opposition intervenes over Blackwood, but below five of your trump suit, a popular riddle is to play DOPI or DOP. IOP (double or redouble shows no aces, pass shows one, and the next step two, etc.) If the intervention is higher than your trump suit, using double to show an even number of aces and pass to show an odd number works slightly better, though there is always room for confusion here!

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Sweet home: The Centennial page looks at early M.V. houses.
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MONEY

The Times-News

Sunday, October 10, 2004

Section E

Notes on the economy

Magie Valley report

In the air
Passenger boardings for SkyWest Airlines - Delta Connection carrier - at the Twin Falls airport:
September 2004: 2,756
That's a 14 percent increase from the 2,427 SkyWest boardings in September 2003. For comparison, September boardings totaled 2,015 in 2002.
Year-to-date 2004: 25,763
That's a 17 percent increase from the 22,090 boardings in the first nine months of 2003. At that point last year, boardings were running 1 percent below 2002 levels.
(These totals don't include charter flights.)
Source: Twin Falls airport

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

CSI offers winter classes for farmers

TWIN FALLS - The Farm Business Management, CCA program at the College of Southern Idaho is offering winter classes for farmers, ranchers and dairy operators.
Bob Lowder will teach the Global Positioning System, Geographic Information System and QuickBooks classes to help operators gain more information about and manage their businesses more efficiently.
CIS and CIS are helping operators go beyond traditional record keeping to improve their business sustainability, class organizers said. Combined with QuickBooks, designed to help small business with its accounting needs, the classes are designed to improve the managerial skills of agriculture operators and increase their operations efficiency.
Classes will begin Nov. 16 and will be held one day a week through mid-March. The program is open to men and women in any kind of agricultural operation. More than one person from each operation may enroll for the same price of \$450.
For information, contact Lowder at 732-6104 or at blowder@csi.edu.

Buhl chamber holds Beans & Jeans Social

BUHL - The Buhl Chamber of Commerce will hold its Beans & Jeans Social from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at the Chamber Park.
Chamber members are invited to bring a friend. People interested in becoming members are invited to attend.
For information about the Buhl chamber and its activities, call 543-6892 or visit the Web site at www.buhlchamber.com.

Insurance professionals will meet Wednesday

TWIN FALLS - The Magie Valley Insurance Professionals will meet at noon Wednesday at Maxde's Pizza in Twin Falls.
Branden Rathert and Karla Cunha, radio personalities from Mix 103 FM, will talk about their November turkey drive. Tara Burns, state director of the National Association of Insurance Women, is the guest speaker.
For information, call Pat Meyer at 733-1076.

Magazine surveys greatest innovations

BusinessWeek magazine asked 500 senior business leaders to name the greatest innovations from the last 75 years. Fifty-six percent cited the personal computer; 51 percent said the Internet. The discovery of DNA was next, named by 49 percent. More than a third, 34 percent, said "television" and more than a third said the polio vaccine. Only 2 percent said cloning, and 1 percent cited the hybrid automobile.
Among innovative CEOs, Microsoft Corp. co-founder and current chairman Bill Gates was named by half. Apple Computer Inc. CEO Steve Jobs was

Boom narrows T.F. construction gap

By Megan Hinds and Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writers

TWIN FALLS - With boosts from a \$1.4-million thrift store facility and five six-digit commercial projects, September saw a 73.4 percent rise from a year earlier in construction values in the city of Twin Falls.

With the help of 31 new single-family home permits - almost twice the 10-year average for September - the city last month issued permits for projects totaling an estimated \$6.72 million for combined construction types. That's \$2.85 million more than in September 2003.

That year-over-year improvement signals a hearty market for labor in the construction trades, and building activity is a key indicator for Twin Falls' greater economy.

Year to date, overall construction values are lagging the record-setting 2003 level; January-September values were down 8.2 percent, or \$4.11 million, from the first nine months of 2003. But this construction year still has a chance of being one of Twin Falls' best.

The 31 new single-family home permits in Twin Falls permitted inside the city last month averaged \$99,807 each in estimated value. That total compares with 28 permits for new single-family homes a year earlier.

Each month's permit list also provides a window into local business investment. Highlights from September follow.

A new thrift store?

Deseret Industries, a thrift store owned and operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, announced nearly a year ago its plans to build a new Twin Falls store at 722 Cheney Drive. Its building permit was approved last week, with a city value of just over \$1.4 million.

According to the September permit, the new building will total 45,175 square feet, about 20,000 square feet larger than the LDS church estimated it would be last December.

Deseret media spokesperson Neal Newell did not return phone calls last week regarding the LDS church's estimated it would be last December.

Wayne Tonge, manager of the existing Deseret store on Blue Lakes Boulevard North, said he did not comment on Deseret's expansion plans, but he did say he's looking forward to the move.

"I have no way of knowing what the plans are," Tonge said. "But I'm excited we're moving forward - we've outgrown the store we're in."

A new dealership

When a major automotive



Daniel Niska sheets roof on a new office building that will house the administrative offices of Hospice Visions Inc. in Twin Falls Thursday.

The September report				Recent numbers at a glance	
Estimated values for construction that received permits in September from the city of Twin Falls:				Here's how Twin Falls' total construction values in the past six months stacked up against the same months a year earlier:	
Type	Sept. '04	Sept. '03	Sept. '02	Sept. '04	up 73 percent
New single-family homes	\$3,094,029	\$2,883,560	\$2,357,259	Aug. '04	down 34 percent
New multifamily units	0	0	0	July '04	up 37 percent
New commercial projects	\$2,032,437	\$399,051	\$718,195	June '04	down 32 percent
Commercial alterations/additions	\$1,128,814	\$241,605	\$677,031	May '04	down 20 percent
Total (including such things as mobile homes, residential alterations/additions and signs)	\$6,724,108	\$3,877,431	\$3,967,527	April '04	down 9 percent

Source: City building department

company says it wants a separate dealership for its cars, its local dealer leaders.

So local dealership owner Rob Green will build a 14,184-square-foot car lot and service center expressly for the Nissan side of his Nissan-Hyundai dealership at 1070 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

"Nissan wants to have its own dealership separate from Hyundai," said Rhett Latham, general manager of Rob Green Nissan-Hyundai.

The building permit listed a city estimate of \$476,582 for the project, which will include a new sales floor, lot space and a service department/body shop. But Latham said the dealership's investment likely is higher than that, and Nissan will kick in some corporate dollars to get the project completed.

The expansion will result in about 20 new hires, Latham said, including mechanics and sales staff. Construction of the new dealership is slated to begin soon and should be completed by the end of April.

A new spa

Since adding a cosmetic services department, Snake River Eye Nose & Throat Clinic & Laser Institute has seen a steady increase in business and is now running out of space.

"The parking is poor where we're at now, and we're outgrowing our waiting room," said Dr. Marilyn Rightt, who practices at the clinic.

So the medical practice will move from its offices at 630 Addison Ave. W., Suite 240, to new digs at the Renaissance Office Park at 705 N. College Road, Suite B. The city valued the tenant improvement project inside an existing shell building at \$255,270, but Rightt estimated the practice's total investment at more than \$500,000.

The new 8,000-square-foot location will be split between the ear, nose and throat offices and a day spa called Marrod Medical Spa, Rightt said. The spa will feature five laser hair removal and skin treatments, microdermabrasion, permanent makeup and cosmetic

injections like Botox, in addition to traditional hair and nail offerings and massage treatments.

"The idea for the spa came about through necessity," Rightt said, as increasing health care costs encourage some medical practices to develop additional businesses like cosmetic services and spa facilities.

"The insurance crisis has pushed doctors into doing things on the side," she said. Rightt estimated the spa will hire around nine new employees, including hair stylists, nail technicians, massage therapists and receptionists. The project is slated to be finished by January.

More hospital remodeling

Magie Valley Regional Medical Center was busy with remodeling efforts throughout the summer, and similar projects will continue through fall and winter, spokesman Shawn Barigar said.

The hospital received a September building permit for a

remodeling project - valued at \$185,000 - to revamp its diagnostic imaging department. The first part of the project is designed to better accommodate patients by combining the registration and reception areas for both outpatient diagnostic imaging and laboratory services, Barigar said.

The second portion of the project will connect the hospital's two nuclear imaging rooms, where technicians inject radioactive substances into patients to help diagnose diseases. The project will "provide a more efficient working area for staff and improve operational efficiency and service to our customers," Barigar said.

The remodeling is slated to begin later this month and should be completed early next year.

Hospice growth means new offices

Hospice Visions Inc. has seen a 20 percent increase in patients since the same time last year.

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Debit cards should be chosen wisely

Knight Ridder News Service

NEW YORK - Debit cards are the latest rage in plastic payment, but like credit cards, not all are created equal.
A debit card looks similar to a credit card. But instead of borrowing money from your line of credit and paying it off later, a debit card takes the money directly out of your bank account.
In 2003, 31 percent of in-store transactions were completed with a debit card, reports the American Bankers Association. That's compared with 21 percent in 1999.

There are two types of debit cards, writes Debby Fowles, author of "The Everything Personal Finance in Your 20s & 30s Book." A traditional debit card is issued solely through your bank. You must enter a personal identification number, or PIN, to complete a transaction.
There's also a deferred debit card. It is also issued through your bank, but bears the logo of a major credit card company. To use it, you can enter a PIN or sign for the purchase as

you would with a credit card.

When you choose a debit card, first find out what kinds your bank offers and ask about any associated fees.

One in five banks now tacks on charges for each transaction, completed by entering a PIN, the Wall Street Journal reports. Other fees are levied for minimum balance requirements, ATM use or even for having the debit card itself.

Fowles said cards that work only with a PIN are safer. If the card is ever stolen, the thief can't access your bank account unless he or she also has your PIN. With deferred debit cards, the thief can simply sign your name.

To protect your bank account assets, pick a PIN that isn't easily deciphered, like your birthday, address, Social Security number or telephone number. If you have a deferred debit card, you might write "ask for identification" on the back of the card.
That way, anyone using your card would need to have matching ID.

Small steps can lead to big savings

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - While consumers fretted this summer about rising gasoline prices, they might have missed the fact that their homes were also guzzling fuel.

The average family spends about \$1,400 a year to power their house, about half of it for heating and cooling, the Department of Energy estimates.

There are many steps families can take - some at no cost - to keep home energy spending in check, said Rozanne Weissman of the nonprofit Alliance to Save Energy in Washington, D.C.
"Electricity prices are going up in many parts of the country because there's a natural gas crunch, and natural gas powers most of the new power plants," she said. "But the average consumer can cut home energy use without losing comfort - and help the environment at the same time."

And the savings can be substantial. Set an air conditioner to 78 degrees, and it will cost one-fifth less to operate than maintaining a setting of 72 degrees, utility companies say.

Most of the no-cost steps are no-brainers:
* Turn off lights, computers and other electronic devices when they're not in use.
* Use fans instead of air conditioners.
* Keep air conditioner filters clean.
* Close blinds or shades on

South- and West-facing windows - or plant trees outside - to reduce the impact of afternoon sun.

* Take quick showers instead of baths.

Weissman says consumers also can save by taking advantage of new technologies that put energy efficiency on autopilot.
"I have sensors in my office," she said. "When I walk in, the light goes on. When I leave, after a few minutes, the light goes off."

Similar motion or light sensors can be used in homes and outdoors to keep lights off when they're not needed, she said.

Weissman is also a fan of programmable thermostats, which can be set to turn air conditioners on when they're needed and off when they're not.

"You can set them so they're off during the day while you're out at work and on an hour before you come home," she said. "It doesn't require work on your part. The thermostat remembers to do it."

The Center for a New American Dream in Tacoma Park, Md., has long had a campaign urging families to replace standard high bulbs with compact fluorescent lights, not only to cut energy costs but also to reduce the release of carbon dioxide, which contributes to global warming.

Replacing just four bulbs - out of the 30 most families use - can save \$100 on a home electricity bill over the life of the lights, said the center's Sarah Roberts.

Some back-to-nature energy savers such as drying clothes on a line outside instead of in a dryer, grilling outdoors instead of ramping up the oven, and walking or biking to run errands.

When it is time to buy new appliances, one way to determine their energy efficiency is by looking for the government's Energy Star designation. Energy-efficient appliances generally cost less to operate.

Wendy Reed, a spokeswoman for the Environmental Protection Agency, which runs the Energy Star program with the Department of Energy, said hundreds of products in 40 different categories carry Energy Star designations certifying that they exceed federal guidelines for energy efficiency.

A new air conditioner with an Energy Star rating should be 20 percent more efficient than its standard counterpart, Reed said.

Even ceiling fans get Energy Star ratings if their motors are efficient and blades aerodynamic, she said.

"Not only are the fans more efficient, but you can set your thermostat higher and let the fan help keep you cool," Reed said.

"That reduces air conditioning costs."
Many states and some manufacturers offer rebates and other incentives to help people switch to the more efficient products, she added.
The time to look to replace an old air conditioner is when it starts needing a lot of repairs or is more than 10 years old, she said.

YOUR BUSINESS

CAREER MOVES

Jill Stone — The Idaho Association of Realtors named Jill Stone of Irwin Realty as its 2005 state president. Her term starts Dec. 1 and runs through Nov. 30, 2005.

Stone has been a member of the association for more than a decade and previously served as South District vice president and dean of the Idaho Graduate Realtor Institute. She helped develop the Association Management Program, was president of the Upper Valley Association of Realtors (a local affiliate of the state association) in 1992 and 1993, and was state director from 1994-96. She has served on a number of state and national committees, including the National Association of Realtors Professional Standards Committee and the Member Policy and Board Jurisdiction Committee.

The Idaho Association of Realtors represents more than 6,000 members and 22 local associations and is affiliated with the National Association of Realtors, a trade association with more than 1 million members.

Remza Jazarevic — Remza Jazarevic became an independent partner with Marya Duncan in an alterations business at 1343 Main Ave. E. in the new downtown shopping center.

Jazarevic is a graduate of the Remza's Alterations inside Imaginables, which is operated by Duncan. Both businesses specialize in sewing and clothing alterations. Jazarevic came to Idaho from Breko, Bosnia, where she attended sewing school. She had 19 years of sewing experience, including five years working in a boutique in Bosnia. In Twin Falls, she worked at AmeriPride for four years in sewing jobs and as an assistant to Duncan at the Imaginables Costume Shop for another five years. Imaginables no longer handles costumes.

Jazarevic lives in Twin Falls with her husband, Esef, and two daughters.

Remza's Alterations and Imaginables can be reached at 733-1704.

Andy Holgate — BURLEY — Andy Holgate of Burley invented the Automated Radar Detector, a product designed to introduce advancement to a useful device inside a vehicle, monitorer of the product said.



Members of the Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation staff are, from left in front, Barbara Coronado, Kevin Sandau and Brandy Miller; and in back, Jose Orozco, Teresa Spritzer, Jason Wilson and Todd Hill.

Probation officers — TWIN FALLS — Kevin Sandau, Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation supervisor, graduated Sept. 17 with honors from the Idaho Juvenile Probation Officer Academy in Meridian. He completed the two-week academic course work with a 98.5 average grade, the highest in his class of 22.

The training involves class work, self-defense training and verbal judo instruction. Probation officers are instructed in the Idaho Juvenile Corrections Act, legal procedures and policies, and practical application in the safe and legal handling of at-risk juveniles.

Sandau's graduation completes the certification of the seven officers within the Twin Falls County Juvenile Probation department. In addition to Sandau, probation officers are Barbara Coronado, Brandy Miller, Jose Orozco, Teresa Spritzer, Jason Wilson and Todd Hill.

Among Idaho's most populous counties, few have committed their entire juvenile probation staffs to the training, although state certification is mandated by 2005, said Chris Talkington, administrator for Twin Falls County's juvenile services.

Sandau was promoted to probation supervisor in 2001. Talkington credited Sandau with "raising the level of professionalism among staff while maintaining positive relations with at-risk youth and their families."

Sandau has more than 12 years of experience with Twin Falls County and is a graduate of Briar Cliff College in Sioux City, Iowa.

Holgate invented the detector five years ago. As a former truck driver, he got the idea on the job while checking his radar. He said it is simple to use, incorporates humor to alleviate dullness and boredom for drivers, sets up a fun and lighter atmosphere and brings forth innovation on the job.

The idea is being made available for licensing to manufacturers interested in new product development, especially in the automotive industry. Holgate hopes to make the Automated Radar Detector available to the public.

Invention Technologies Inc., based in Carol Colles, Va., is handling publicity and public relations for Holgate. It can be reached at (800) 940-9020, Ext. 285, or products@invent-tech.com.

Jackie Frey — TWIN FALLS — The Department of Emergency Services coordinator for Twin Falls County, Jackie Frey, was awarded the Idaho certified emergency manager accreditation at the annual Idaho Emergency Management Association meeting in Boise Sept. 20.

The accreditation is sponsored by the IFEMA and is given to individuals who have completed requirements and training in planning, mitigation,

response and recovery in emergency management.

Also at the annual meeting, Frey was elected president of the Idaho association.

The emergency department for Twin Falls County coordinates resources for all of the first-responding agencies in the county and is involved in the Office of Domestic Preparedness Equipment Grant, Citizen Corp., Community Emergency Response Team training, emergency preparedness training for citizens and other projects.

Dr. Jennifer Burgegraf — BURLEY — Dr. Jennifer Burgegraf joined the staff at the West End Veterinary Clinic in Burley.

Burgegraf earned her doctorate of veterinary medicine from the University of Illinois. She was involved in daily research projects with Colorado State University and spent one summer working in a private mixed animal veterinary practice in western Montana while a medical student.

She came to Burley after completing veterinary externships working with clinics and re-

search centers in Arizona, Washington and California.

Burgegraf, who grew up on a small dairy in Lancaster, Pa., picked Burley for the rural community's agricultural lifestyle.

She provides health and surgical care for both small and large animals at the clinic west of Burley on S. Highway 30. The clinic can be reached at 543-6000.

Independent agents — TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Independent agents Sue Thomason of Mountain West Insurance in Jerome and Ray Stroberg, owner of Covenant Insurance and Investments of Twin Falls and Burley, and eight other Idaho agents were among 1,200 of Progressive's largest independent agents and brokers invited to attend the national introduction meeting for Drive Insurance from Progressive — a new brand designed for independent agents.

Drive is meant to send a message to consumers: independent agents and brokers offer expert advice and personal service, choice, low rates and superior claims service provided by Progressive, the local agents said in a press release.

Milk drivers — BURLEY — I.W. Ray of Heyburn received the Idaho Driver of the Year award for 2004 from the Idaho Trucking Association.

Ray has more than 25 years driving experience with more than 5 million accident- and ticket-free driving miles logged.

He started with Idaho Milk Transport Inc. in 1988 and runs in seven Western states.

Parke Bunn of Burley retired after 12 years with Idaho Milk Transport. After retiring from farming, Bunn started driving, with his normal run being from Burley to Denver.

Children's flower garden — TWIN FALLS — The Fred Meyer Foundation assists nonprofit organizations dedicated to helping children and reducing hunger. It has awarded grants totaling about \$3.7 million since it began in December 1998. For information, call 1-800-858-9202, ext. 5605.

The Magic Valley Arts Council, the official arts agency of the city of Twin Falls, aims to foster and promote experiences in the arts for all people in the greater Twin Falls area. The council is an association of arts organizations, individuals, educational institutions and businesses. For information, call 734-ARTS.

Shilo Inns — TWIN FALLS — Shilo Inns said it is introducing high-speed wireless Internet access in all guest rooms at all 42 Shilo locations. The new service is free to Shilo guests.

"Nowadays, the traveling public wants to feel connected with their businesses and customers, as well as their families and friends," said Mark Finnestrom, owner of Shilo Inns of Children and non-business guests also enjoy the faster download time available with our free Internet access, as it allows them to play online computer games faster than with traditional dial-up service.

Equipment installed throughout each Shilo Inn will enable customers to use their personal computers to access the Internet not only from their guest rooms, but also from many of the common areas of the hotel including the lobby, restaurant, pool area and meeting rooms.

Shilo Inns is a chain of independently owned hotels in the Western United States, with 42 company-owned locations across nine Western states.

Kraft Foods Inc will host live audio Webcast — RUPERT — Illinois-based Kraft Foods Inc., which has a cheese plant in Rupert, will host a live audio webcast at www.kraft.com at 3 p.m. Oct. 18 to discuss its third-quarter financial results, which will be issued at about 2:05 p.m. the same day.

"An archived rebroadcast will be available on the Web site for a year."

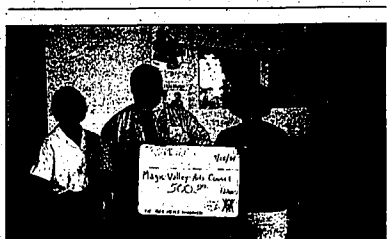
Kraft Foods markets food brands including Kraft cheese, Maxwell House and Jacobs coffees, Nabisco cookies and thin crust Philadelphia crust cheese, Oscar Mayer meats and Milka chocolates.

CONTRIBUTIONS

CHILDREN'S FLOWER GARDEN



A ribbon cutting is held at the Children's Flower Garden on West 11th Street across from Book Plaza in Burley. Land for the garden was donated by J.R. Simplot Co., and flowers and landscaping were donated by many other area merchants and individuals. Attending the event were city officials, contributors, Hill-Cassia Chamber of Commerce members and other community members. At center holding the scissors are Burdell Curtis, representing J.R. Simplot, and Dale Whipple, president of the Oregon Trail Botanical Garden Foundation.



Twin Falls Fred Meyer Foundation board members Kathy Schiffler, Eddy Packham and Becky O'Brien present a \$500 check to Magic Valley Arts Council Executive Director Stacy Madsen for the organization's annual Kids Art in the Park program held each summer in Twin Falls City Park.

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Halley artist Robert Kantor's piece "God's Promise, The Mobile," a painted steel mobile, was created with the colors of the rainbow and geometrical shapes to delight the Napa Valley Vintners Community Health Center's young patients. It is over 8 feet high and spans 19 feet.

Halley artist Robert Kantor donated a piece titled "God's Promise, The Mobile" to the Napa Valley Vintners Community Health Center in California.

The facility houses four nonprofit agencies that provide health and dental services to low-income residents of Napa County.

Kantor's work is represented by Ochi Gallery in Keelburg, the I. Wolk Gallery in St. Helena, Calif., and RVS Fine Arts Gallery in Southampton, N.Y.

The Napa Valley Vintners Community Health Center opened its doors in September 2002 and has served more than 23,000 people annually. The building was made possible by a \$3 million seed grant from the Napa Valley Wine Auction and by donations of more than \$6 million from individuals, foundations, corporations and government grants.

General Nutrition Centers Inc. of Twin Falls will help generate public awareness of breast cancer throughout October, in support of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

GNC locations will distribute a woman's health guide that focuses on early detection and prevention of breast cancer. All customers who wear a pink ribbon to the Twin Falls GNC store on Friday — National Mammogram Day — will receive 10 percent off their purchase of regularly priced product.

GNC will also encourage "Denim Day" participation in its stores around the country on Friday. All GNC employees can help in the fight against breast cancer by wearing jeans and a pink ribbon to work. Participating employees will donate \$5 to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

For more about GNC's participation in Breast Cancer Awareness Month, visit www.gnc.com.

CONTRIBUTION

— During Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, Curves fitness and weight-loss centers across the country will participate in a promotion to encourage early detection. Sue Curves said it offers a 30-minute fitness and weight loss workout that combines strength and cardiovascular training in a supportive environment for women. The Curves franchise chain has more than 8,000 locations with more than 3 million members in 23 countries around the world.

Indulgence-salon opens in downtown Buhl

BUHLE — The Indulgence salon opens its doors in downtown Buhl at 1016 Main.

Owner and nail technician Laura Torres is offering grand-opening specials throughout October.

Torres specializes in gels and will do a full set of gels or spa pedicure for \$18. Hair stylists Cherie and Lanni Kohl are offering \$10 haircuts or free haircuts with every hair color service. Electrologist Ann Corpio is offering free consultations and one-half off the first treatment. Myril Houk is offering \$5 off the regular price for facial therapy. Beauty consultant Shell Irish will give complimentary skin care and spa treatments by appointment.

Indulgence carries several lines of jewelry including Italian charms, Cookie Lee Disney charms, beaded jewelry, crystal accessories and slider charm bracelets.

One hundred pieces of jewelry will be given away at the end of October. Residents are invited to sign up, free of charge, for jewelry giveaways.

MILESTONES

— Torres will initiate a kickback card program Nov. 1. Clients will earn 5 percent back as a credit from all salon services, to be redeemed on additional services.

Salon hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Clients can also arrange for evening or Sunday appointments. Walk-ins are welcome.

The new business can be reached at 543-5910.

Shilo Inns installs high-speed Internet

TWIN FALLS — Shilo Inns said it is introducing high-speed wireless Internet access in all guest rooms at all 42 Shilo locations. The new service is free to Shilo guests.

"Nowadays, the traveling public wants to feel connected with their businesses and customers, as well as their families and friends," said Mark Finnestrom, owner of Shilo Inns of Children and non-business guests also enjoy the faster download time available with our free Internet access, as it allows them to play online computer games faster than with traditional dial-up service.

Equipment installed throughout

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YOUR BUSINESS

Boise SBA office makes record number of loans

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Boise District Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration backed a record number of 625 loans to small businesses in its recently completed fiscal year.

The amount of financial assistance provided to these businesses was over \$100.6 million. The agency guarantees bank loans to small businesses, and it estimates that more than 5,824 jobs were created or retained as a result of the SBA loan program this past year.

"This represents a 39 percent increase in the numbers of firms assisted over our previous year," said Tom Borgdoff, Boise SBA district director.

Borgdoff said the SBA Express Loan and the Idaho Prime Loan products have been popular with lenders and borrowers alike, contributing to the increased activity in handing loans. The SBA Express Loan program lets lenders make all credit and underwriting decisions using their own forms and procedures, which expedites the loan process. The Idaho Prime Loan is a cooperative effort between the state treasurer, SBA and the banking community that provides loans up to \$750,000 at prime rates.

Zions Bank was the top producer of SBA loans for the Boise District Office, participating in a total of 108 loans. While virtually all commercial banks in the state made SBA loans during the year, the top producers were: Zions Bank, 108; D.L. Evans Bank, 102; Wells Fargo Bank, 59; US Bank, 57; and Mountain West Bank, 50. The largest dollar volume of SBA loans was generated by Zions Bank with over \$15.9 million.

"The banking industry in this area has been very supportive of the small business community and SBA loan programs over the years," Borgdoff said. "We are fortunate to have lending partners that really understand the impact small business has on the overall economy."

USDA Rural Development seeks comment on renewable energy

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Agriculture Acting Under Secretary for Rural Development Gilbert Gonzalez is soliciting public comment on proposed program rules for administering the nation's renewable energy systems and energy efficiency improvements program.

"The program is part of President Bush's energy plan to increase the utilization of renewable energy and improve energy efficiency for farmers, ranchers and rural small businesses," said Gonzalez.

The Renewable Energy Systems and Energy Efficiency Improvements program was created as part of the 2002 farm bill to help farmers, ranchers and rural small businesses

develop renewable energy systems and make energy efficiency improvements to their operations. The proposed rules were published in Tuesday's Federal Register. Gonzalez said the purpose of publishing the proposed rule is to formalize program guidelines for receiving and reviewing loan and grant applications. With the publication, public comment will be accepted for 30 days.

USDA Rural Development provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development and critical community and technology infrastructure. Information on rural programs is available by visiting USDA's Web site at www.rurdev.usda.gov.

Rotary district seeks professionals for April exchange to Argentina

The Times-News

HAILEY — The Rotary Clubs of District 5400 are seeking professionals to visit Argentina in April, as a part of the Group Study Exchange program of the Rotary Foundation.

Through this program, teams of professionals exchange visits with other countries. The awards involve a month-long visit, during which team members share knowledge of their country and experience the customs, vocations and lifestyles of another.

The purpose is to promote international understanding and goodwill through person-to-person contact. While abroad, team members stay in Rotarians' homes and participate in five days of vocational experience within their professional area. Numerous opportunities to enhance public speaking skills are available through presentations to Rotary clubs, professional organizations and other groups about

their home country, organizers say. Rotary Foundation provides the round-trip air travel, and local Rotarians in the host country provide meals, lodging and group travel within the host district. Team members pay for personal and incidental expenses.

People interested in applying should be employed full-time in a recognized business or profession and be between the ages of 25-40. They must live or be employed in Rotary District 5400, which includes Malheur County Oregon and most of Idaho, excluding the panhandle region.

For an application or information, contact Tom Smith at P.O. Box 100, Hailey, ID 83433, call him at 781-2700; send a fax to 578-1595; send e-mail to tom@haileyvidh.com; or visit the district Web site at www.rotary5400.org/GroupStudyExchange.html.

The application deadline is Oct. 22, and interviews of potential team members will be held Nov. 6.

How does your home's value compare around the nation?

The Associated Press

We're a nation of people who relocate, with real estate values a key concern for many families.

How would you rate your place measures up against the highest average sales prices and most affordable across the country?

Not surprisingly, seven of the top 10 most expensive average selling prices were in California, led for a second year by the L.A. area, the push enclave perched atop

the Pacific Ocean just north of San Diego. The average sales price there this year \$1.7 million. Los Angeles was followed by Beverly Hills and Santa Barbara, at \$1.3 million and \$1.2 million, respectively.

Nimble Golden State cities in the top 10 were Greenwich, Conn. (\$1.19 million); Wellesley, Mass. (\$1.1 million); and Kailua, Hawaii (\$1.09 million).

The most affordable market was Minn. NEJ, where a home went for an average price of \$130,000.

Building

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and that has meant more employees and more administrative duties, said the company's executive director, Russ Slatter.

As a result, Hospice Visions will move out of its current administrative offices at 308 Shoshone St. E. to a new 3,306-square-foot office building at 208 Shoup Ave. W.

"We've way outgrown the way we have now," Slatter said. "It's no longer efficient or effective, none of the above."

The new offices will provide 11 or 12 office spaces and workstations for the company's nurses, a reception room and a large conference room, she said.

Development group T&S LLC is backing the project, which it valued at \$154,328. The total investment is valued at around \$300,000, Slatter said. Hospice Visions will rent the building from T&S.

Slatter said the company has plans to hire more employees within the next year, and the extra space may allow for some part-time employees, to make the move to full-time.

The project should be completed in early December.

falls to do business, he said. For instance, national banking companies, The Times-News parent company and retail chains such as PEPSI-MART, Target and Costco Wholesale all send employees to their local operations in corporate jets. And when weather's bad in Hailey, Sun Valley-bound air travel is diverted to Twin Falls that accounts for a significant part of Reeder Flying's winter business.

Reeder Flying flies the planes, arranges ground transportation for passengers and provides lounge services.

The expansion permitted in September will more than double the size of Reeder Flying's office. Reeder hopes to see it completed by Jan. 1.

"We think that people will like it and it will be an asset to the airport and the community," Reeder said.

Reeder Flying employs about 30 full-time employees, and the construction won't increase that number.

Elsewhere in town

"Twin Falls' other September building permits not included:

- Nelson and Co.'s \$62,500 tenant improvement project at 1411 Park Ave. E., No. 301.
- Churmac Trailer's \$10,000 remodeling of a building at 800 Blake St.
- Leon Hanson's \$30,000 remodeling of an office building at 417 Adams Ave. E.
- Color Tyne's \$28,000 remodeling of a building at 836 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.
- Twin Falls Crane Service's permit to place a foundation for a modular office unit at 428 Locust St. S., a \$27,720 project.
- Clear Channel Communications' permit to build an additional radio station and storage room at 425 Park Ave., a \$23,000 project.
- Snake River Construction's \$20,000 remodeling of its garages at 1149 Addison Ave. W.
- Terry's Heating and Cooling's permit to remodel a building at 1535 Kimberly Road, a \$20,000 project.

Drought relief bill could help Idaho

TWIN FALLS — A drought relief bill making its way through Congress could help Idaho farmers and ranchers.

The emergency disaster program first proposed after President George Bush asked Congress for supplemental funding to assist hurricane victims would have authorized nearly \$3 billion in emergency funds to assist farmers and ranchers whose disasters occurred in either the 2003 or 2004 crop year.

Although that proposal had bipartisan support, some senators and representatives questioned disaster spending for agriculture without requiring offsets in mandatory programs authorized by the 2002 Farm Bill. On Oct. 6, the House passed an amendment to the disaster bill that authorized \$3 billion in drought relief assistance by cutting \$3 billion from the Conservation Security Program. A separate bill to provide emergency assistance to farmers and ranchers hit by a series of hurricanes will not require offsets.

Farm organizations and commodity groups are opposed to paying for the drought relief program with offsets in mandatory farm programs.

"That's like saying you're better off because we took money from your left pocket and put it in your right pocket," said Mark Gager, a North Dakota wheat grower and president of the National Association of Wheat Growers.

Boiler tube rupture slows Amalgamated factory

PAUL — Coffee shop talk has it that a boiler blew up and blew a hole in the roof of the Amalgamated Sugar Co. factory here.

But that isn't exactly what happened.

Russell Morgan, safety inspector for Amalgamated, said one of two boilers at the factory ruptured a tube last week. Damage did not include a hole in the roof of the factory, but the outer metal skin on the top of the boiler was lifted, Morgan said.



Wayne Young, of Riverside, Idaho, right, and Don Ostberg, of Marsland, take advantage of the low waters and good weather to get their line out at American Falls Reservoir, Oct. 3. While low waters might be advantageous for fishing, a continued lack of precipitation has brought drought and disaster for Idaho farmers.

Alan Hieb, general manager for the sugar company, said the rupture happened when years of psi from the coal-burning boiler abraded the 2-inch tubes, which are under constant high temperature and high pressure. The boiler, which is the larger of the two, had to be shut down for repairs.

"We had to learn to live with one for a couple days," Morgan said.

While it was shut down, a repair crew replaced tubes in 12 sections as preventative maintenance, Hieb said.

"It took about five days to get it repaired and running," he said. Amalgamated maintenance people did most of the work last week on the ruptured tube, Morgan said.

Certified welders were used, Hieb said.

The boiler contains about 3,000 tubes. The area where the tube ruptured last week was not included when maintenance crews hired earlier this year worked on the boiler, he said.

Congressmen support ag bankruptcy protections

WASHINGTON — Idaho Congressmen Mike Simpson and C.L. "Butch" Otter are co-sponsoring legislation introduced by Congressman Nick Smith, of Mich. that would extend Chapter 12 bankruptcy protec-

tions for family farmers through July 31, 2005. Chapter 12, first enacted in 1986, offers special bankruptcy protection for family farmers by allowing them to reorganize their debt rather than forcing them to liquidate their assets.

"The extension of Chapter 12 protections will give farmers the ability to sit down with lenders and come up with viable solutions that will enable them to restructure their debt and still hold on to their land and livelihood," Simpson said.

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Chapter 12 provides family farmers a specialized form of bankruptcy relief that responds to their particular needs. The goal of the measure was to provide farmers with the opportunity to reorganize and thus preserve their farms through a streamlined and expeditious bankruptcy process. It was originally enacted as a temporary measure, but has been extended six times. The last extension expired Jan. 1.

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MONEY

Soy leaps onto breakfast table

By Karen Robinson-Jacobs
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS—Anyone who thinks soy won't amount to a hill of beans hasn't looked at Deen Foods Co.'s Soy Silk yogurt and Silk Soy milk. Wholesale revenue of Silk Soy milk is expected to grow by 36 percent this year, executives at Dallas-based Deen have told analysts, making it one of the fastest-growing food products of any stripe.

Supermarket and mass merchandise sales of Silk, which accounts for more than 70 percent of the refrigerated soy milk category, grew almost 20 percent last year, according to Information Resources Inc., a Chicago-based market research firm.

"That's more than double the growth rate for all soy milk products," Deen is combining its three groups that sell most of its branded products — White Wave, Horizon and Deen Foods and the Dean National Brand Group — under one unit yet to be named.

The combined business will be headed by Steve Demos, who in 1977 founded White Wave, the Boulder, Colo., company that created Silk. In 2002, Deen acquired White Wave.

"White Wave is a key growth strategy," said Cary M. Olson, manager of Deen Foods, the nation's largest dairy processor.

"It's extremely important to the company going forward," Demos said. "It differentiates Deen from being a commodity-driven company."

At Deen, as in the milk market, the main commodity is still cow's milk.

Deen's dairy group represents 10 percent of the company's overall business in the second

Got soy?

Sales of soy-based foods have slowed in recent years, but soy milk sales are still growing.

Year	Sales in millions	Increase in percent
2000	\$2,800	\$482
2001	\$3,200	\$550
2002	\$3,850	\$594
2003	\$3,900	\$582
2004*	\$4,000	\$712

*Projections
Data from industry sources and sales estimates
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refrigerated milk sold at supermarkets and mass merchandisers other than Wal-Mart.

"If kids grow up on soy milk," he said, "that becomes a much bigger market."

Today, it's the grownups who are consuming more soy as part of a nationwide push to eat healthier.

A dramatic change from its days as the sole province of hippies and health nuts, soy today is a nearly \$4 billion industry in the United States, said Peter Gollitz, president of Soyatech, a firm in Bar Harbor, Maine, that conducts research on the soy industry.

In the mid-1990s, White Wave successfully began its head-to-head competition with dairy in the refrigerated section. Before that, soy milk was sold largely in square, "shelf-stable" boxes in the health food aisles.

Other soy milk companies had tried to take on dairy but failed. Reformulated from traditional soy milk using white organic cane sugar, Silk was sweeter and textured more like cow's milk. Moreover, it had less of the dense, heavy taste associated with previous soy milk incarnations.

The reformulation and entry into the dairy case "opened up soy milk to the 95 percent of the market that had not had soy milk yet," Gollitz said.

"What Silk was tapping into was the consumers who had been reluctant to try (soy milk) before," he said.

Soy products grew in popularity in the 1990s, thanks largely to medical reports touting the health benefits of soy. However, some have raised concerns about whether soy

has adverse effects, including brain atrophy and estrogenic effects.

Gollitz dismissed most of the concerns, saying they're based on misinformation.

Silk accounts for about 90 percent of sales at White Wave, which also makes tofu.

White Wave hopes to capitalize on Deen's distribution network to broaden its reach into food service operations, convenience stores and other untapped outlets.

White Wave is also benefiting simply from getting the word out. The company launched a \$35 million marketing effort in April, including a \$22 million national television prime time ad campaign — a first for soy milk.

Because a disproportionate number of vegetarians and Hispanics are believed to be lactose intolerant — unable to easily digest dairy products — the company launched bilingual billboards in key markets such as Texas, Demos said.

Demos and others in the industry say it's only a matter of time before a major soft drink player like PepsiCo or Coca-Cola joins the fray.

"It was not so hard for Pepsi to join up with Tropicana," noted Tom Pirko, president of Benmark LLC, a beverage consulting firm in Santa Barbara, Calif. "It's not a big stretch to see it dive in here."

"We're always looking at new beverage options but there's nothing specific planned at this point," said Pepsi spokesman David DeCoss.

Said Demos: "Bring it on... Our trajectory is clear. We have never lost more than 15 percent of market share to any competitor... We are the authentic brand."

Drastic moves after death of spouse can be disastrous

The Baltimore Sun

Four years ago, Diane Howard quit her job with an insurance company in Washington, D.C., to join her husband living in Chicago. Three months later, her 52-year-old husband died of a heart attack.

His assets went to his children from a previous marriage, and Howard was left with no paycheck coming in. On top of her grieving, Howard faced financial decisions, such as cutting expenses, making sure she had health insurance and taking inventory of her assets.

"You really are in a fog. You can be somewhat numbed and there is a tendency to make errors of judgment," the 50-year-old said.

It remains one of those statistical realities: Women tend to outlive men. According to the 2000 U.S. Census, women are about four times as likely to be widowed as men. Among those 60 and older, nearly 39 percent of women and 11.2 percent of men outlived a spouse.

That means women more often wind up themselves picking up the financial pieces after a spouse's death. It's not often easy. Nearly one-quarter of widows are broke within two months of a husband's death, according to the Women's Institute for Financial Education.

Jarrat G. Bennett, a financial planner in Fairfax, Va., says one new widow who spent \$40,000 within a few months taking care of children in Europe and Bermuda.

"She felt she had to keep doing things for her kids. She had to keep spending money," said Bennett, author of "Making the Money Last," a book for surviving spouses. The widow planned to buy her 18-year-old son a new Corvette, but Bennett persuaded her to invest for her future instead of credit card, he said.

Here is advice from experts who work with widows, although it can apply to widowers, too.

• Take no drastic steps. A widow may go through a series of stages, from shock and denial to anger and mourning, said Regina Forte, founder of Lifespeaks, a financial counselor in Huntington, Md., and a contributing author to "Making the Money Last."

"She is literally reinventing herself as a single person," she may not have been single for 25 to 30 years, Forte said.

With emotions raw, new widows are advised to put off, if possible, major decisions in the first year after a spouse's death.

Widows who get life insurance proceeds should, for example, should park the cash in a money-market account until they have time to think clearly what they want to do with it, Forte said.

There often is pressure on new widows to make big money decisions. Children and relatives will ask for loans. Unscrupulous salespeople seek opportunities and call widows to sell them investments they don't need, experts warned.

And it's not just big money decisions that should be put on the back burner. Don't quit your job or move, experts said.

"One woman sold her house in the community where everyone knew her and moved to another state to be nearer to her sister," said Dodie Theune, a senior vice president at the Bryn Mawr Trust Co. in Pennsylvania.

"After her grieving period was over and she was ready to go out back in the world, it was not the

world she knew. It was another state, another culture." The woman ended up moving again.

• Create a budget. Often the loss of a husband means less household income.

If he worked, his paycheck will disappear. If retired, his pension income might be reduced or eliminated. And if both spouses collected Social Security, only one check will come in, although it will be the amount of the higher benefit.

Widows need to figure their expenses and how much income they will have coming in. They may have to cut costs.

• Establish a credit record. Occasionally a widow may discover that she has little or no credit history. Her own, experts said, has been an authorized user of a husband's credit card, instead of a joint owner.

Being an authorized user is less meaningful to creditors trying to gauge creditworthiness because authorized users aren't responsible for making payments, said Maxine Sweet, vice president of consumer education for Experian, a major credit bureau.

Widows should contact the card issuer, which might give her plastic in her own name or establish her own credit limit likely won't be the same as before, experts said. Or, if she can't get a card, she should start to build her own credit record.

One way is to get a secured card. A widow can open a savings account and that becomes her credit limit, said Todd Mark, spokesman for the Consumer Credit Counseling Service in Great Falls, Va.

By making one or two charges monthly and paying them off in full and on time, she can build a track record in six to nine months that will make her eligible for a standard credit card, he said.

• Acquire or update documents. Widows will need financial and health care powers of attorney, where they designate someone to handle legal and medical decisions for them if they no longer can, said Rajiv Goel, an estate planning lawyer in Bel Air, Md.

Widows who already have these documents, she should review them to make sure they are up-to-date, he added. She might have named her spouse as the person to make decisions on her behalf but failed to designate a backup in case her husband died before her, Goel said.

Also, a widow should set up a will for her assets will be divided upon her death, or review an existing will to see if it still follows her wishes.

Some assets, including life insurance, 401(k) accounts and individual retirement accounts, are owned jointly. If a will is instead, the money will go to the person listed as the beneficiary. Again, widows should review the designations to make sure they are correct.

• Consider care needs. "The cost of long-term care — home care, assisted living or nursing home care — can deplete a widow or widower's estate pretty quickly," said Goel, who recommends buying a long-term care insurance to cover costs.

• Find good help. Often one spouse ends up handling finances. If the money manager in the family dies, the survivor may need professional help. Consumer advocates generally recommend choosing advisers that work for a fee, rather than one that makes commissions selling products to clients.

Credit cards' rates have some seeing red

The Dallas Morning News

The credit-card offers keep getting more generous. Low introductory interest rates. No interest until 2004. No interest for the entire life of the loan.

"We want to engage the customer," explained Frank Oltine, chief credit officer at Bank One Corp., which is offering no interest on purchases and banking fees for a year.

"We want to be the primary credit card being used."

But at the same time that credit card companies are making these offers, they are increasing their scrutiny of customers, watching their every move to see if they remain worthy of such generosity.

"What will happen is that those people who signed an agreement go from zero percent to 16 percent, and they wind up subsidizing everyone else," said David Robertson, publisher of The Nilson Report, a consumer payments newsletter.

Time was when a late payment or an overdraft on your line of credit could result in you paying a higher interest rate. But now, with competition intensifying and personal bankruptcies soaring, credit card companies are unleashing a slew of policies aimed at reducing their risk of defaults.

"Among them: Your rate could go up if you take advantage of another credit card offer, or if you have a new mortgage or a new auto loan. The reason? Your risk profile has changed."

Your credit card company could jack up your rate if you are late with a payment even on another credit card or even on your bill.

Card companies are raising

Credit deals

The Dallas Morning News

Here's a sampling of some attractive credit card deals available — and how easy it is to lose them.

Discover deal: No interest for the life of the loan.

Catch: After six months, you lose the rate if you do not make at least two monthly purchases as required by the agreement. Also, if you're late on one payment, Discover will apply the standard purchase annual percentage rate — currently 13.99 percent. If you're late twice, the APR goes to 19.99 percent.

Bank One deal: Zero percent on purchases and, for balance transfers for the first 12 billing cycles after you open an account.

Catch: If you are late once during the first 12 bills, your APR will jump

to 8.99 percent on purchases; if you are late twice in any six-month period, the rate goes to 19.99 percent.

American Express deal: 3.9 percent APR for balance transfers and for the life of a loan.

Catch: American Express periodically checks your credit history. If it finds that you are less credit-worthy than when it first gave you the card, you could lose the rate.

Citibank deal: Zero percent APR on balance transfers for six months.

Catch: If you have a late payment on any card account with Citibank, your rate on all balances could go to 27.99 percent.

Source: Lender Web sites and cardholder agreements

late fees and reducing grace periods.

Remember, when a credit card company offers you a low interest rate, it's not the same as a bank loan agreement, in which the interest rates and other terms are spelled out. With a credit card, your interest rate can change at any time.

"This is why it's such a hard time for consumers," said Linda Sherry, a spokeswoman for Consumer Action, a consumer advocacy group in San Francisco. "You have to tread very carefully or it could blow up in your face."

While the card deals are pouring in, experts say there are many caveats. In the case of some low-interest offers, the minute you make a mistake,

you get bumped to a much higher rate.

"Take Discover cards' recent offer of zero percent interest for the life of the loan. The agreement on this card requires you to make two purchases each billing cycle. Your purchases can be for any amount. But after six months, if you miss a purchase in a billing cycle, your rate goes up."

The Nilson Report said that three out of four customers do something that violates the cardholder agreement and lose a favorable-balance transfer rate.

"Companies are waiting for a certain percentage of customers to make a mistake so that they can make money," Robertson said.

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Looming trouble

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Rich is a graduate of the University of Idaho. Eberhardt is a graduate of Willamette High School in Villa Park, Ill. He is employed with Rich Livestock in Rupert. The wedding is planned for Friday, Oct. 15, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Rupert. A reception will be held following the ceremony.

WELKER-MAYO

TWIN FALLS - Mary Dragich of Prineville, Ore., announces the engagement of her daughter, Lisa Welker, to Dave Mayo, son of Robert and Ann Mayo of Chico, Calif. Welker is also the daughter of the late Sherman Welker.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Oct. 15, at the Twin Falls. A reception will be held following the ceremony.

CLAWSON-LAYTON

TWIN FALLS - Matt and Davina Clawson of the Boutique, N.M., and formerly of Twin Falls, and Robin and Tim Walkins of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley M. Clawson, to Brian J. Layton, son of Alan and Lori Layton of Twin Falls.

Clawson recently graduated from high school and will be attending college soon.

Layton is currently serving as a firefighter for the U.S. Air Force. The wedding is planned for 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, at The Ballroom.

FULLMER-JONES

GLENN'S FERRY - Kelly Sebele of Glenn's Ferry and Rocky Brown of Emmett announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Mairi Fullmer, to Brian Thomas Jones, son of Toni and Tom Jones of Glenn's Ferry.

Fuller is a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho with an associate of arts degree in criminal justice. Jones is employed at Titan Technologies of Boise.

The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at Calvary.

HOPKINS-DAVENPORT



Kristan Hopkins and Robert Davenport

TWIN FALLS - Craig and Rose Loden of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their son, Robert W. Davenport, to Kristen Marie Hopkins, daughter of Jeff and Nhomi Hopkins of Bull.

Davenport is currently serving in the United States Army and will be stationed in Iraq for 12 months.

Hopkins is currently completing her senior year at Filer High School and will attend the College of Southern Idaho nursing program.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Nov. 6, in Twin Falls. A reception to honor the couple will be held following the ceremony at the Loden residence in Twin Falls. The couple plans to reside in Twin Falls.

Some kid philosophy

Knight Ridder Newspapers

Ten bits of wisdom from "Heally Important Stuff My Kids Have Taught Me" by Cynthia Copeland Lewis (Workman Publishing, \$7.95):

1. The school bus is never running late the same day you are.
2. If you can't find a way through the crowd, make one.
3. Twelve is a lot older than 8.
4. They'll remember you if you're the best reader in class or if you throw up at lunch.
5. If it hurts, stop doing it.
6. Ask why until you understand.
7. There isn't a lot of time between green bananas and speckled bananas.
8. You're only little until someone littler comes along.
9. Sometimes you clap just because everyone around you is.
10. When in doubt, order a hot dog.

CARLISLE-HANNEBAUM

SEATTLE - Stacy Marie Carlisle of Everett, Wash., and Trent Jay Hannebaum of Renton, Wash., were married Sept. 4 at St. James Cathedral in Seattle. The wedding was followed by a reception cruise on Lake Union aboard the Sternwheeler, "Christine".

The bride is the daughter of Perry and Christine Wheeler of Everett.

The bridegroom is the son of Jay "Bud" Hannebaum of Feathererville and Janice and Paul Hannebaum of Harvey, N.J.

The bride is a graduate of Monroe High School in Mon-



Trent and Stacy Hannebaum

roe, Wash. The bridegroom is a graduate of Filer High School.

The newlyweds reside in Renton, Wash. They will honeymoon in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, in November.

THE LATHAMS

TWIN FALLS - Robert "Bob" and Janet Latham of Twin Falls celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, Sept. 10, with friends and family at the Turf Club. They were honored with a special program presented by their children, JoAnn Lee, Jamie, Juliana, Brenda Fischer, Bob Latham Jr. and Terry Steelman.

They were married Sept. 17, 1954, and have lived in Twin Falls throughout their married life.

They are past owners of Latham Motors and currently own Hertz of Magic Valley.

The Lathams have five children, 16 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



Bob and Janet Latham



ENGAGEMENT

LOWE-MCMURRAY

BOISE - Michelle Howard of Buhl announces the engagement of her daughter, Stephanie Lowe, to Shawn McMurray, son of Pat and Lisa McMurray of Boise.

Lowe is a senior at Boise State University and is employed at Hawley Howell Eunis & Hawley LLP in Boise.

McMurray is also a senior at BSU and is employed at Victory Mountain Equipment Finance in Boise.

The wedding is planned for



Shawn McMurray and Stephanie Lowe

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Menus:
Monday: Stuffed fish, broccoli, salad and oven cookies.
Tuesday: Baked ham, sweet potato, veggies, rolls, cottage cheese salad, cream pie.
Wednesday: French dip sandwich, au gratin potatoes, steamed veggies, salad, pie.
Thursday: Baked potato bar, fruit.
Friday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes, bread, pineapple cake.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., 3rd fl.
Menus:
Today: Roast beef dinner.
Monday: Chicken alfredo, California blend veggies, apple salad, molasses dessert.
Wednesday: Cook's choice.
Thursday: Spiced ribs, baked potato, corn, mixed fruit, bread, butterscotch cake.
Activities:
Today: Pottery, 1 p.m. Seniors, 5 p.m. movie night, 5:30 p.m.
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Cats, 6-9 p.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., 10 a.m.
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Laines' Market, 5-7 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Blood pressure check, 11:45 a.m.
Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Saturday: Community breakfast, 8 to 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.
Menus:
Tuesday: Fried trout or lamb steak,

huttered spinach, sliced bread, left-O salad, cook's choice dessert.
Thursday: Sliced ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, peanut butter nut cookie, biscuits, raisin rice pudding.

Jerome Senior Center

212 1st Ave. E.
All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.
Menus:
Monday: Sweet and sour pork, pork, oriental veggie, fruit, cookies.
Tuesday: Chicken party, potatoes and gravy, peas, left-O w/ fruit, cream puffs.
Wednesday: Sautéed w/ meat-sauce, creamed corn, green salad, fruit, garlic bread.
Thursday: Ham, au gratin potatoes, carrots, fruit medley, fruit pudding.
Friday: Fried chicken, corn, potatoes, salad, blueberry cake.
Activities:
Monday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.
Tuesday: Board meeting, 1 p.m.
Pinchle, 1 p.m.
Snack bar, 6 p.m.
Ball, 6-8 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.
Thursday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.
Foot clinic
Blood pressure
Friday: Pinchle, 1 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc.

310 Main St., N., Kimberly
Menus:
Monday: Sausage, scrambled eggs, hashbrowns, pancakes.
Wednesday: Potato bar, rolls, pudding.
Friday: Oven fried chicken, potatoes, gravy, green beans, tossed salad, cake, ice cream.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Crafts, 1 p.m.
Friday: Pinchle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizens

3001 Superior Ave.
All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.
Menus:
Monday: Closed.
Tuesday: Tuna casserole, broccoli, fruit salad, bread, bananae.

Wednesday: Sweet and sour pork, rice, California veggies, salad, bread, apricots.
Thursday: Baked chicken, potatoes and gravy, cauliflower veggies, peaches, cottage cheese, roll, pumpkin squares.

Hagerman Senior Center

400 E. Lake
Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch is served at noon and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested donation is \$4, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.
Menus:
Monday: Beef stew, potatoes and carrots, salad, rolls, lemon pie.
Wednesday: Ham dinner, baked beans, sweet potatoes, veggies, salad, bread pudding.
Friday: Tangle pie, corn, green salad, breadsticks, dessert.
Activities:
Eden
Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Suggested donation is \$4, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.

Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden
Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Suggested donation is \$4, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.
Menus:
Monday: Beef stew, potatoes and carrots, salad, rolls, lemon pie.
Wednesday: Ham dinner, baked beans, sweet potatoes, veggies, salad, bread pudding.
Friday: Tangle pie, corn, green salad, breadsticks, dessert.
Activities:
Eden
Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Suggested donation is \$4, non-seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.

Wednesday: Sweet and sour pork, rice, California veggies, salad, bread, apricots.
Thursday: Baked chicken, potatoes and gravy, cauliflower veggies, peaches, cottage cheese, roll, pumpkin squares.

Golden Years - Senior Citizen, Inc.

210 N. Hall St. W., Shoshone
Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Menus:
Tuesday: Squerkrout and winners, five-way mixed veggies, mashed potatoes, green salad, peach shirt cake.
Wednesday: U138, cucumber and carrot sticks, fries, blueberry pie.
Friday: Roast pork, banana squash, green salad, mashed potatoes and gravy, dinner rolls, apple brown Betty.
Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 10:30 a.m.
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Pinchle, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Snack bar, 6 p.m.
Early bird bingo, 6:30 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 10:30 a.m.
Friday: Pinchle, 1 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center

Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Menus:
Monday: Baked potato bar, homemade rolls, iced chocolate cake.
Thursday: Hamburgers, potato soup, banana cream pie.
Activities:
Monday: Twin Falls shopping, 9 a.m.
Tuesday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Jazz concert, 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Development, 8:30 a.m.
Board meeting, 9:30 a.m.
Chocolate tasting, 1 p.m.

Blaine County Senior Center

721 14th Ave. S., Halsey
Menus:
Tuesday: Chicken casserole, noodles, quick fruit salad, steamed squash, hot rolls, cherry crisp.
Wednesday: Meat lasagna, garlic bread, Italian veggies or ham sandwich, mixed bean soup, angel food cake or steamed corn.
Friday: Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, french cut green beans w/ almonds, frozen pink salad, hot rolls, spiced cake, cinnamon frosting.
Activities:
Monday: Twin Falls shopping, 9 a.m.
Tuesday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Jazz concert, 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Development, 8:30 a.m.
Board meeting, 9:30 a.m.
Chocolate tasting, 1 p.m.

Thursday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Bingo, 5:30 p.m.
Friday: Spotlight dance program, 12:30 p.m.

Camas County Senior Center

127 E. Willow, Fairfield
Noun meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9-2 on meal days. The cost of the meal for non-seniors is \$3.50; children under 10 are \$2.00. The suggested donation for those 60 years of age and older is \$2.50.
Menus:
Tuesday: Hamburger, potash, steamed rice, tossed salad, fruit, dessert.
Wednesday: Italian wedding soup, tuna sandwich, salad, fruit, cookies.
Friday: Pork steaks, mashed potatoes, gravy, roll, corn, applesauce, peanut butter squares.
Activities:
Tuesday: Pool
Quilting
Iigsaw puzzles
Friday: Park steaks, mashed potatoes, gravy, roll, corn, applesauce, peanut butter squares.
Activities:
Tuesday: Pool
Quilting
Iigsaw puzzles
Monday: Board meeting, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Art class, 9 a.m.
Quilting
Friday: Pool
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Iigsaw puzzles

Thursday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Bingo, 5:30 p.m.
Friday: Spotlight dance program, 12:30 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley
Menus:
Monday: Spaghetti, green salad, french bread, Italian veggies, apricot crisp.
Tuesday: Ham-and-beans, corn-bread, spiced pears.
Wednesday: Birthday dinner
Thursday: Beef fajitas, Spanish rice, green beans, salad, apple pie.
Friday: Italian meatballs, parmesan noodles, green salad, mixed veggies, hard roll, assorted desserts.
Activities:
Monday: All play pool, 10 a.m.
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.
Pinchle, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: All-play pool, 10 a.m.
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.
Woodworking class, 8 a.m.
Dinobites, 10 a.m.
Computer class, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: All-play pool, 10 a.m.
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.
Thursday: All-play pool, 10 a.m.
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.
Pinchle, 1 p.m.
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Halloween was easier when Grandma took out her teeth

A while back, I read a survey that listed Eliza, Michael Jackson and a witch as the top three Halloween costumes in the United States. At the time, I thought the results, in themselves, were pretty scary.
But that's nothing compared to this year's costume favorites. A Washington Post story that ran in newspapers last week talked about a brand new type of Halloween costume that's enjoying brisk sales, especially in California and New York: Child punk suits and "ho" dresses, priced at \$40 and \$50 each, have drawn inspiration from today's hipsters and from MTV.
The costumes begin at size 4. Junior wears a pink velvet suit and matching white-brimmed hat with faux-zebra trim. The girls wear black leathers and stockings and other stuff I don't want to know.
Size 4?
Now I'm really convinced that Halloween was easier when I was a kid. The good old days, when my grandmother just took out her teeth and welcomed the neighborhood children to her "spooky house" and my dad sat in the bushes by our front door wearing a glow-in-the-dark mask.
I don't think anyone ever worried about getting mugged or kidnapped. And on one would



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Denise Turner

have been been able to guess what kids in velvet suits and leathers were trying to be.
Now Halloween seems to be entering the realm of adult entertainment, not to mention the fact that we're bombarded with so many safety rules! Don't take your kids out trick-or-treating after dark. Go with them. X-ray their candy.
Or maybe just skip the whole thing, if you can get away with it.
I doubt you could get that lucky.
I just read that consumers will spend \$7 billion a year on Halloween costumes, candy and decorations. Any way you look at it, the holidays is big business.
I'll be a little better after checking a few of the Web sites that still offer regular costumes for kids. I found Superheroes, princesses and Snoopy-Doo. There's also a series titled "When I Grow Up" - with astronaut, doctor and police officer costumes. Costumes for the

kids who don't aspire to be hookers, I suppose.
You can even purchase costumes for the family pet, everything from Batman to Ruggedy Ann to Santa Claus.
And you can make your parties more elaborate, with crime scene-type or fog machines or Dracula cake plates.
Maybe that would have helped the family that lived down the street from us the year our daughter turned 3. A schoolmate who lived in that house invited our child to come over for a Halloween party on trick-or-treat night. I was thrilled. We wouldn't have to figure out which homes were safe, or which candy was OK to eat. We could let someone else deal with the sugar highs.
The party invitation said, "Bring a bag of candy and 50 cents for prizes."
Strange. But I was willing to pay for some peace of mind.
Unfortunately, our daughter came home from that party with neither candy nor prizes. The kid had just taken every-

one's money, and all the candy, too. No one had planned games, either, so the parents had offered to take everyone for a ride in the back of their pickup - to visit somebody on a farm in a nearby town.
Thank goodness, we were missing a daughter who knew when to come home.
On Halloween, you have to know when the night is turning out to be more of a trick than a treat.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

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The CSI Foundation honored three donor families at a community dinner. From left to right are, back row: CSI President Jerry Meyerhoefer and Tom King; front row: foundation Associate Executive Director Deb Wilson, Cella Kunau, Lex Kunau, Orville Johnson and CSI Foundation Executive Director Curtis Eaton.

CSI Foundation honors families

BURLEY - The College of Southern Idaho Foundation honored three donor families from the Mini-Cassia area at a community dinner on Sept. 9.

The dinner was attended by more than 100 community leaders and guests, including state legislators and local elected officials.

The CSI Foundation paid tribute to Lex and Cella Kunau, Herman and Jean King and

Orville and Betty Johnson for their contributions to CSI.

Both the Kunaus and the Kings have assisted greatly in the advancement of the CSI Outreach Center in Burley, the foundation reported. The Johnsons recently created an endowed scholarship for CSI nursing students.

In an address at the dinner, CSI President Jerry Meyerhoefer said that the Mini-Cassia

Center has grown significantly and is an important part of what CSI does in education and economic development.

Annette Braegger, Mini-Cassia Outreach Center coordinator, led the CSI Foundation Board of Directors on a tour of the center.

For more information about the CSI Outreach Center, call Braegger at 678-1400.

Youngsters win awards at style review, 4-H Communication Rodeo

Stensen Marchant of the Basin Beasts and Basters 4-H club presents his 'Ready to Ride' demonstration at the Cassia County 4-H Communications Rodeo.



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BURLEY - The University of Idaho Extension Service reported 2004 4-H Style Review and Cassia County 4-H Communications Rodeo results.

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Isis Hopwood, Blue Rosette, District Qualifier
Shirley McMurray, Red Rosette, District Qualifier
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Kasia McMurray, Blue, District Qualifier
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Timotea Josephine Haney, daughter of Ashley D. Childs of Gooding, was born Monday, Sept. 20, 2004.
Jeffery Scott Johnson, son of Brenda Nadene and Robert Wilson Johnson of Jerome, was born Friday, Sept. 24, 2004.
Emmaleigh Taylor-Vallie, daughter of Stephanie Morgan Andill and Brandon Kane Jordan of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Sept. 24, 2004.

Lexana Adriana Deleon, daughter of Andrea and Samuel Hernandez Deleon of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004.
Clarissa Molina, daughter of Ana Yandra Molina and Juan Juarez of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004.
Caitlyn Gabriela Neves, daughter of Lynette Cogswann Murie and Joe G. Neves of Burli, was born Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004.
Jaylenn Katrina Porter, daughter of Katrina Anne and Maximilian Randall Porter of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2004.
Isaac Larry James Finley, son of Rebecca Lynn and Jason Alan Finley of Wendell, was born Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2004.

STORK REPORT

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Jasmin Ochoa-Juarez, daughter of Marie del Rocio Ochoa and Bulmaro Enciso Juarez of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2004.
Sophie Beckler Berlin, daughter of Khalil Jochen and Ryan Steven Berlin of Burley, was born Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2004.
Erin Alcocer, daughter of Teresa and Miguel Alcocer of Burley, was born Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.
Savina Rae Chapa, daughter of Lusienne and Ron Chapa of Jerome, was born Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.
Jerrold Cole Christwell, son of Crystal May and Robert Chase Christwell of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.
Jayvoni Klara Cone, daughter of Jennifer Lynn and Nathan-Wesley Cone of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.
Jaxon Cole Garby, son of Hillary Rose and Joshua Paul Harty of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.
Benson Michael Hatch, born to Kimberly P. and Rustin Mark Hatch of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.
Avery Anne Stephenson, daughter of Iodi Lynn and Preston Ray Stephenson of Jerome, was born Friday, Oct. 1, 2004.

St. Benedicts Medical Center

London Scott Hollowell, son of Steven J. Hollowell and Melissa Lang of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Sept. 27, 2004.
Kyra Ann Murphy, daughter of Brad and Kristy Murphy of Wendell, was born Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004.
Carlan Champ Myers, son of Casey and Garnet Myers of Filer, was born Friday, Oct. 1, 2004.
Craig Stevens Bowen II, son of Craig and Deborah Bowen of Jerome, was born Saturday, Oct. 2, 2004.
Braydon Matthew White, son of Matthew and Kristen White of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004.

Communication Rodeo

- Demonstrations - Junior Miscellaneous
Emily Bowers, Red Rosette, District Qualifier
Brian Bowers, Blue, District Qualifier
Demonstrations - Junior Agriculture
Stensen Marchant, Blue, District Qualifier
Demonstrations - Intermediate Agriculture
Ben Larsen, Red Rosette, District Qualifier
Demonstration - Senior Agriculture
Tyrell Marchant, Red Rosette, District Qualifier
Interview Contest
Juniors
Alysa Marchant, Blue Rosette, District Qualifier
Emily Bowers, Red Rosette, District Qualifier
Nicole Glynn, Blue

- Stensen Marchant, Blue, District Qualifier
Intermediate
Elise Marchant, Red Rosette, District Qualifier
Senior
Tyrell Marchant, Blue Rosette, District Qualifier
Daryl Cochran, Red Rosette, District Qualifier
The following do not have a district contest:
Extemporaneous Speech
Senior
David Cochran, Red Rosette
TV Commercial
Junior
Stensen Marchant, Red Rosette
Senior
Alysa Marchant, Blue Rosette
Senior Team
Tyrell and Elise Marchant, Blue Rosette
Alysa and Elise Marchant, Red Rosette

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Germann graduates from Mercedes Benz school

Tyson Germann has graduated from Mercedes Benz technical school in Chicago, Ill. He will be employed in Arlington, Va., at the American Service Center for Mercedes Benz. Germann is a 2002 graduate of Burley High School. He attended Cassia Regional Technical Center for three years. He is the son of Brent and Julie Germann of Burley.

Brothers receive Doctor of Osteopathic degrees

Ryan E. Rich and Gregory R. Rich received Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degrees from the University of Health Sciences in ceremonies held in Kansas City, Mo. They are the sons of Itandy and Criss Rich of Rupert. Ryan graduated from Minico High School in Rupert in 1992,



and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology from Utah State University in Logan, Utah. After graduation, he will complete a postdoctoral residency in family practice and emergency medicine at the University of Wyoming in Casper, Wyo. Gregory was the valedictorian at Minico High School and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology from Utah State University. After graduation, he will complete a postdoctoral residency in anesthesiology at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Bedke is appointed to position at Girls State
Valerie Bedke was appointed

U.S. representative and city council member at the 58th session of Idaho Springs Girls State. Bedke is the daughter of Scott and Sarah Bedke and will be a senior at Oakley High School.

More than 250 girls from across Idaho attended the event sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Hosted at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, Girls State is a week-long conference designed to teach young women about how government works.

Baker earns Delta Kappa Gappa scholarship

The Idaho State Chapter of Delta Kappa Gappa Society International for Women Educators has awarded a scholarship for \$600 to Sanle Baker to further her education. Baker is the counselor at the Oakley Schools and pursuing an education specialist degree from the University of Idaho in

Moscow. She's a member of the Gamma Chapter in the Mini-Cassia area, has been a teacher for 14 years and a counselor for five years. She lives in Burley, is married to Roll Baker and has three children.

Student wins contest with bookmark design

Conner Young, a student at White Pine Intermediate School in Burley, won the Region Five bookmark contest by designing a bookmark with religious words. He received a \$100 savings bond. His teacher, Ruby Gebhart also received \$100 to be used for classroom supplies and necessities.

Area students take spots on ISU deans lists

POCAHELLO - Idaho State University announced the names of area students honored on spring deans lists.

College of Business

To qualify, students must complete 12 semester credits and receive a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. Burley: Michael D. Blauer, Kristal L. Seale and Rebecca E. Van Tassel. Gooding: Ryan Allison. Jerome: Matthew C. Giver. Kimberly: Megan V. McHenry and William M. Humphries. Rupert: Robert S. Mansley. Twin Falls: Brady C. Farley.

College of Arts and Sciences

To qualify for the deans list, students must complete at least 12 semester credits and receive a grade point average of 3.66 or higher. Burley: Nicholas L. Clark. Burley: Jamie L. Bunn and Andrea R. Jensen. Caldwell: Brooke M. Osgood. Eden: Andrea R. Kurz. Heyburn: Tasha L. Brudshaw. Jerome: Cameron T. Clark.

Rupert: Bethina L. Throckmorton, Shoshone: Matt V. Alexander and Deborah D. Holter. Twin Falls: Julianna Call, Dubravka Harba, Sarah A. Heck, Amy E. Lupp, Dennis L. Mahler, Theresa T. Plinn and Heather A. Seigel.

College of Education

Burley: Anna L. Hallowell. Burley: Britton L. Campbell, April D. Jones, Hannah M. Kirkpatrick, Liana L. Lindsay, Kalli A. Osterlund and Eric M. Rogers. Filer: Adrienne D. Dolote and Debra Richards. Gooding: Scott C. Rogers. Hagerman: Terrell A. Hainbohn. Hayden: Desha E. Foster. Heyburn: Tyler E. Peterson. Jerome: Sindy L. Black, Angela L. Gunnstock, Courtney A. Hoyt, Holly M. Pedrinio and Amelia A. Shroy. Kimberly: Lisa D. Dickard and Heather M. Lutz. Rupert: Breanna Breen, Sheri L. Boldt, Leslie M. Crane, Michelle S. Love and Marjorie Suterhelder. Twin Falls: Megan O. Ashvethuener, Ashley G. Horton, Katie Brock, Kimm Lynn Chapman, William C. Clements, Mary A. Fawley, Steven D. Fuller, Angela E. Heide, Annette Holmes, Janneve J. Salors and Misty J. Wagoner.

CSI offers digital camera class

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho is offering "Digital Camera 101" from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Fridays, Oct. 15-29, in the Aspen Building, room 144, on the campus, 315 Falls Ave. E. The cost is \$50. This workshop will cover downloading, saving and manipulating pictures and how to print, e-mail and include pictures in presentations or web pages. For more information or to register, call 732-6288 or 732-6290.

Halley Public Library hosts used book sale

HAILEY - The Halley Public

Library's 17th annual used book and fresh baked goods sale will be held from 1-7 p.m. Thursday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the library, 7 W. Crox St.

This fund-raising event is sponsored by Friends of the Halley Public Library during the third week of October every year. Money raised will benefit the library. Donations of hardback, paperback books on tape, CDs and videos are welcome and can be dropped off at the Halley Public Library anytime during business hours. Bakers are welcome to donate treats. Volunteers also are needed. For more information, call Brandon Baldwin 788-4726 or Cree Cree Lowe 788-3286.

Snake River Weaver's Guild meets Tuesday

TWIN FALLS - The Snake River Weaver's Guild will hold meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. The hostess will be Sue Carter. For more information, call Sue at 837-6525 or Elly Young at 274-5356.

20th Century Club will hear musical program

TWIN FALLS - The 20th Century Club will meet at noon Tuesday at the Turf Club, 734 Falls Ave. E. DeAnna Manns will present a musical program, accompanied by Sarah Benton. New members are welcome. For reservations, call Marge at

733-2435 or 722-3116 or Helen at 733-2552.

Store offers cake decorating class

TWIN FALLS - Kitchen Magic in the Lynnwood Plaza will hold a course 2 cake decorating class from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. The fee is \$20, plus supplies, and must be prepaid by Thursday. For more information, call 733-4285.

Centennial Committee presents program

BURLEY - The Mini-Cassia Association for Retired Persons (AARP) will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Golden Heritage Senior Center, 2421

Overland Ave. Members of Burley's Centennial Committee will present the program and reveal plans for the city's centennial celebration. Doug Manning is chairman and other committee members include Ite Stone, Linda Petersen, Joan Tilley, Julie Woodford, Valerie Brown, Mike Olson, Pernae Main, Lynn Ann Arnel and Brian Tibbets. The meeting is open to the public. Rolfe I. Harrison is president. For more information, call 678-4705.

What's happening at school? Read School Days on Monday.



The children and grandchildren of Paul & Jeanne Meyer extend an invitation to friends and business to share in the 25th anniversary of Paul and Jeanne on **Saturday, October 16th, 2004 7 pm** American Legion Building 477 Seaton Avenue Twin Falls - no gifts please, just memories!



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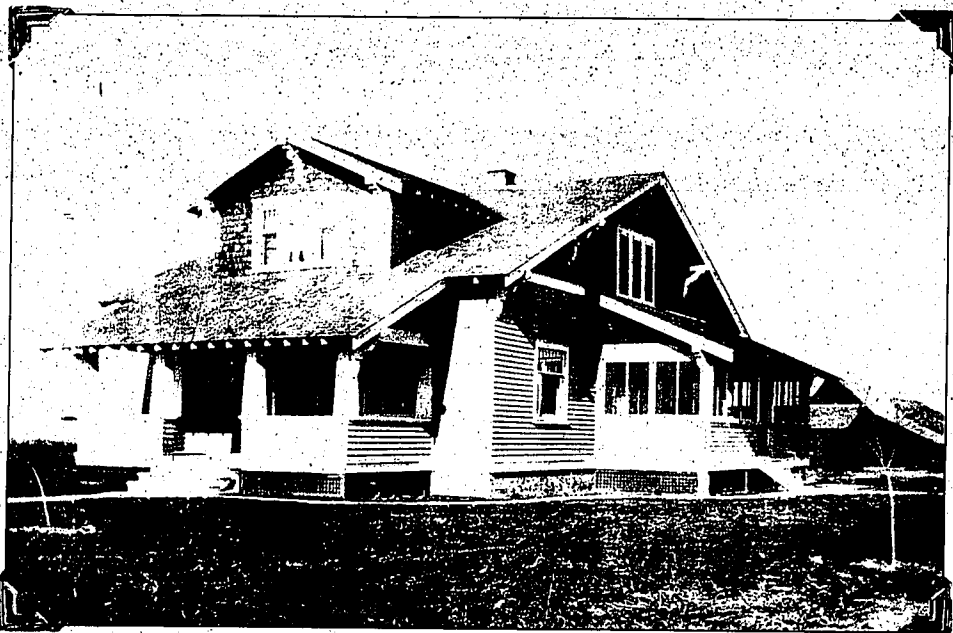
Magic Valley scrapbooks

Photographs of family homes are prominent in many of the local scrapbooks we perused this year. Those houses, after all, started lives in a new land, welcomed new brides and composed new cities.

Some of those houses were the centers of farming operations, and some the sites of countless social gatherings. Some showcased their owners' construction skills, and some were monuments to the collaboration of many hands.

Today, we share a selection of our readers' old photos of family homes. Some of these houses still stand, while others have fallen victim to the passing years. But all survive in the memories of generations.

-Virginia S. Hutchins



George and Jennie Hill came to Twin Falls County in 1905 and right away built this home, at 2186 E. 4200 N., pictured in about 1905. George Hill built up a substantial farming operation and farmed 160 acres in the Maroa District, 3 1/2 miles northwest of Filer. The home still stands and looks good, says Teresa Hamlett, one of the couple's descendants.

Photo courtesy of TERESA HAMLETT of Twin Falls



Photo courtesy of RUTH LINDGREN of Twin Falls

Augusta Brose, in about 1912, shows off the cement block home which her husband, Robert Brose, and his helpers built at Rock Creek. They made every block, urns and decorations. He also had some fancy wood carvings in the home - stairway, door dividers, even furniture," granddaughter Ruth Lindgren says. "The home was finished in 1904, and they had many social gatherings in their home."



Photo courtesy of FRED D. HARDER of Twin Falls

The H.F. Harder home at 343 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. is shown in 1908. Harder's grandson, Fred D. Harder of Twin Falls, said the wagon's contents are probably watermelons which the family raised nearby. The house is gone now, and in its place stands the Lynwood Manor apartment house.



Photo courtesy of HAZEL ASLETT of Twin Falls

This house in the Maroa district near Filer was the first home for E.J. Malone and his family after they came to Idaho from Illinois. Dave Lewis, hired to build the house while the Malone family was in the process of moving, took this photograph in 1907.

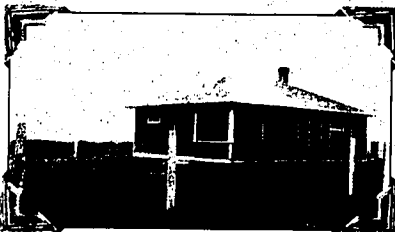


Photo courtesy of JIMMIE OWEN of Kimberly

This house on Irwin Farm, shown in 1913, still stands on the farm, 2 1/2 miles east of Twin Falls' Eastland Drive on Addison Avenue East. Carl Irwin built the home and had it ready when he and his bride, Mina, arrived from Salina, Kan., after their wedding.



Photo courtesy of MAI D. MADAM of Eden

Hugo Jones and his wife, Artle Jones, are pictured south of Kimberly in 1915. The couple rented this house and the farmland around it, their first home after their marriage.



Photo courtesy of JEAN D. NUTSCH of Jerome

The Twin Falls home of James Albert Waters, built in 1905 at the corner of Blue Lakes Boulevard and Falls Avenue, is pictured in about 1915. J.A. Waters and his wife, Mary Elizabeth, came to Twin Falls in September 1904 with their three daughters and lived in a tent the first winter. "The railroad came in 1905 and they got lumber to build their two-story house," the late Jean Nutsch of Jerome, a granddaughter of the Waterses, said earlier this year. "The power plant was being built at Shoshone Falls, so their house was wired for electricity. Electricity consisted of a drop cord in the center of each room with a pull chain - no wall switches or plug-ins."



Photo courtesy of JESSIE DEKLOTZ OLSON of Filer

The first house on the DeKlotz homestead west of Filer, shown here in 1913, still stands today. The family chose an old Iowa farmhouse style for construction, says Jessie DeKlotz Olson of Filer. Her grandfather, father and uncles built the home.



Photo courtesy of ANABEL H. LUSTY of Ketchum

Perrine family members - from left, Stella, Burton, Gene, Hortense and I.B. - show off their Blue Lakes Boulevard home in Twin Falls in 1914.

YOUR HOME 2004

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DREAM HOME

By Rebecca Tateoka
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - Heraclitus said, "Nothing endures but change." In Larry and Ginny McCombs' Twin Falls home, that saying is frequently put to the test.

"My family is always teasing me about the paint not being dry before I'm ready to repaint," said Ginny.

The walls are not white, or even a version of white. Rather, they get treated to neutral sages and the occasional bright red. At least, says Ginny, for now.

"I think the biggest thing is that I'm not afraid of color," explained Ginny, sitting in a comfortable armchair that she's had recovered many times. "I'm not afraid of being bold."

That bold attitude makes for some elegant and unique decorating ideas.

For the McComb living room, Ginny found three quotes she wanted on the walls. Rather than put them in a frame, she created enlarged stencils and painted them directly onto the walls. For depth, she hung a single large golden letter in the quote, then used several colors of paint for each of the other stenciled letters.

"I wanted to make that quote look older," said Ginny, "so I took the wall paint and went over the words."

Her bold use of color is also evident in the guest bedroom, which was recently vacated by the McCombs' youngest son. The room is now a deep rose, somewhat feminine.

"I guess our son won't be coming back to this room," said Ginny, with a laugh.

Along with bold color comes a bold use of upholstery and fabric. Ginny acknowledges her love of the color green, and every room in the house has a tribute to that color. But the palette isn't bland.

For example, Ginny found the perfect dining room set a few years ago. The table had metal



The kitchen gets a dose of warmth through color, plants and groupings.

Photos by REBECCA TATEOKA

corners that matched a sideboard the McCombs had owned for years. The only problem was the fabric on the seats of the chairs.

"I found this really wild, fun fabric and knew it would work," said Ginny.

The fabric is a tropical motif with ferns and large tropical flowers woven into a black background. The colors matched Ginny's palette and,

because the seats are small, the fabric is a nice complement, rather than a statement.

"If I had this fabric covering the sofa or even in the pillows, it might be too much," Ginny explained. "But in something small, it's perfect."

She recommends recovering good pieces of furniture multiple times. Her recovered chairs were good pieces that just needed better fabric.

"A friend of ours had them out in the yard. He didn't know what to do with them. They had this awful fabric on them," said Ginny. "I asked him if I could buy them. I paid \$25 apiece for them."

That's another key to decorating, Ginny has developed a knack for searching out bargains. In fact, she says that a lot of her accessories came from T.J. Maxx in Twin Falls. And she finds much of the fabric to recover furniture pieces at Hancock Fabric.

Ginny suggests that you think about what the piece is used for, then spend money accordingly. For example, "A bedroom set does not have to be the best or the most expensive, because you're not as hard on it." On the other hand, you need to put money into the living room and family room sofas, because they will be used more.

"Less expensive doesn't equal cheap," said Ginny.

The armchairs, by now on Please see DREAM, Page F2

GINNY'S DECORATING TIPS

- If you have high ceilings, you can usually get away with bold colors.
- Keep the window coverings simple.
- Paint all the trim white. White ceilings are great, as well.
- Group likes together, but don't line them up. Nestle your accessories to add depth and interest.
- Have focal points, or vignettes, that create areas of interest. These can be for art displays or just a separate seating area.
- Details matter. Hide cords behind live or silk plants, or behind furniture.
- Make the scale of the furniture and accessories match. Place tall lamps on the large buffet, along with a large picture or mirror above.
- Look at a piece of furniture's shape and sturdiness, not the fabric. If the chair has the right legs or is the right scale, recover it later in fabric you like.
- Don't try to finish decorating all at once. Decide what is missing and then take the time to find the right thing, whether it's a different fabric, a new accessory or a bold paint color.



Ginny McCombs relaxes in one of the comfortable armchairs she found for \$25 each and has had recovered many times.



A vignette in the living room adds coziness to the surroundings.



Here, the size of the table and the flower arrangement balance the sofa and the room.



Various accessories in a variety of textures create balance around the hearth.



In the living room, this grouping allows for intimate times with family and friends.

YOUR HOME 2004

Room with a leafy view

By Patricia Corrigan
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — You say you're up a tree — in a tree house?

More people than ever are spending time among the leaves. The professionals who build elaborate tree houses that cost as much as a car or boat say business is on the rise. The amateurs who build more modest tree houses with help from family and friends say strangers to drop by and ask for advice.

Steve Wallis, and his 3-year-old brother, Aden, scot up the ladder, scurry into their cedar tree house and poke their heads out the windows. Then Hew practices a few Olympic moves on the monkey bars. Along with their 9-week-old brother, Kalen, Hew and Aden live with their parents, Lynne and Darren Wallis. He is the vice president at Heshmann-Hillard, a public relations firm.

"The tree house sits on a 16-by-20-foot freestanding platform that wraps around a sweet gum tree, but is not attached or attached to it. The slide and swing set are attached to the platform. Underneath, at the base of the tree, is a sand-box. The entire setup sits on rubber mulch."

"The Wallises bought some books and sketched what they wanted. Then Darren called a friend, Jason Wright. "He's an engineer," said Wallis. "He designed it so it would be structurally right, and then he helped build it."

Wallis and Wright worked on the tree house for "at least five intense weekends," spending 12-hour days on the project. Meanwhile, J.J. Guenther, 9, has inherited something from his three older brothers — a two-story lookout tower, complete with drawbridge that stands along dogwood and oak trees in the woods behind his home. Jane and John Guenther, built the tower in 1992, when J.J.'s brothers were 5, 6 and 8.

Known as the Raccoon Club, the tower is not so much a tree house as a house in a tree. John Guenther, an architect and partner at Mackey Mitchell Associates, did that on purpose.

"As a child, I built a tree house

in a tree. That tree house was attached to the tree, and eventually, the tree died," said Guenther. "For my kids, I wanted them to have the view that you get when you're up in a tree but without damaging a tree."

The ground level of the cedar-shingled tower measures 8 feet by 8 feet, with large screened openings. A built-in ladder in one corner leads up to a trap door that opens to an 8-by-14-foot deck above that features reclining seat-backs. A sheet of clear plastic resin over a barrel vault roof on the second floor.

The Raccoon Club took "10-months of weekends" to build and the materials cost about \$3,000.

"Then there is the Casolari tree house. When Alex Casolari was 5, his older brother, Tony, would climb up into their tree house, pull up the rope ladder and slam the trap door shut. Alex, now 15, has had his revenge. He just spent the summer rehabbing the tree house and the effort helped him earn a Boy Scouts merit badge.

The two-story tree house, high in a weeping maple, is easily visible from nearby a nearby road. The 8-by-4-foot tree house stands two stories high with a peaked roof. It rises to 24 feet off the ground and is attached to the tree with just four bolts. An 8-by-16-foot freestanding deck sits just under the tree house.

"We built the tree house for Tony and Alex over an eight-month period, and then about five years ago, we put the deck on to make it more adult conducive," said an Casolari, the manager of Whitmore House, Washington University's private faculty club. The frame of the tree house originally included parts from an old waterbed and a sunroom. Now, it's made of more conventional building materials. The total cost over 10 years has been about \$800.

The whole family, including the parents, uses the tree house as a hangout. The family even watched Mark Twain in his 62nd home, run on a small portable television in the tree house. And they decorate it with lights at Christmas.

This house of straw stands firm

By David Colker
Los Angeles Times

IOSHUA TREE, Calif. — A single, elegant vase sat in the kitchen window of the high desert retreat built by the late composer Lou Harrison. As the first light of day crept in, documentary filmmaker and concert promoter, Eva Soltes, who worked with Harrison on numerous projects over three decades and now owns the house, looked up at the vase and smiled.

"That's Lou," she said quietly. The comment could have been taken as her describing the ornate object as just the kind of thing he loved. So she laughed and added, "That really is Lou."

The ashes of Harrison, who died on Feb. 2, 2003, at age 85 while en route to a festival of his musical works, were inside the vase.

The house, built against a stunning backdrop of huge granite rock piles common to this landscape near Joshua Tree National Park, is very much representative of what Harrison was all about. Like Harrison who incorporated Baroque, Asian and a wide range of other musical forms into complex, achingly beautiful works — it's a glorious mixture.

The retreat is dominated by a soaring, arched roof that took design cues from both mosques and medieval cathedrals. It uses traditional materials in an experimental way. It was built by a community of people, longtime friends and admirers of Harrison and others who were lured by the novel way in which the house was constructed.

Inside the retreat's 2-foot-thick walls, the primary building material is lightly bound bundles of straw. Straw-bale construction — a rapidly growing nationwide trend — was used because of its recycled materials, low cost, malleability and insulating quality that makes heating and air-conditioning more efficient.

But while most straw-bale houses end up looking either quite conventional or like something out of a hobbit village, the Harrison retreat is elegant and awe-inspiring.

Harrison's work, though long respected in music circles, did not become widely known until his later years, when it was performed by the likes of the San Francisco Symphony, Yo-Yo Ma, the Kronos Quartet and Keith Jarrett. Many of Harrison's close friends were involved in his broad range of projects, including the building and playing of gamelan, an orchestra of bell- and marimba-like instruments native to Indonesia for which,



Portraits of Harrison, right, and his partner, William Colvig, adorn one wall of the vibrant great room.



Filmmaker Eva Soltes, a longtime Harrison collaborator, now owns the Joshua Tree, Calif., property.

Harrison wrote numerous pieces, almost like a tic-tac-toe board. On the south side, the three pieces, are the equally sized kitchen, bathroom and bedroom. The three pieces of the design puzzle on the north side are not exactly rooms, but equally spaced, outdoor patios, set apart by graceful arches.

But the heart of the house is the great room that is the combination of three of these modules with no walls in between. Its drama derives from its being three times bigger than the others and from the fact that its thick gray walls climb 22 feet to a vaulted ceiling that gives the house its cathedral-like feeling, making the retreat seem far larger than its total of 1,000 square feet.

Harrison's primary house, shared with life partner William Colvig — an electrician by trade

who built numerous Asian instruments with Harrison — was in coastal Aptos, near Santa Cruz, Calif. Both men were in fragile health and thought that spending part of the year breathing dry desert air would help. But not much money was available for building a retreat. Commissions for serious music are not bountiful.

Harrison and Colvig, both ardent environmentalists, were committed to straw-bale construction. The Skillful Means construction and architecture firm was engaged.

The original plan was to seal the straw-bale insulation with gunita, a strong concrete mixture that can be blown onto a structure. But during the planning stage, the cost of gunita skyrocketed, placing it far beyond the modest \$70,000 budget for the retreat.

The house ended up costing Harrison about \$125,000. As delays grew longer, costs and

Sampling Lou Harrison's music

- For a sampling of Lou Harrison's music, go to www.musicamerica.org/illustrating to hear a San Francisco Symphony concert — conducted by Michael Tilson Thomas — devoted to his works. An interview with the composer also is on the site.
- "Piano Concerto" (New World Records), performed by Keith Jarrett and New Japan Philharmonic Orchestra.
 - "Rhythms With Silver" (New Albion Records), music written for Mark Morris Dance Group.
 - "Just Guitars" (Bridge Records), featuring John Schneider.
 - "Gay American Composers" (Composers Recordings), includes Kronos Quartet playing two movements of his string quartet.
 - "Lou Harrison: A Portrait" (Argo), selections performed by the California Symphony.

frustrations mounted. But saddest of all, Colvig — who had shared Harrison's life since 1967 — died in 2000.

Soltes, who is making a feature-length documentary about Harrison, was on hand to film the moment, on Feb. 2, 2002, when the house was declared finished and the proud owner rushed in to flip a switch for the first time to the light room.

A year later to the day, Harrison was gone.

Get organized in no time

By Mary Beth Breckenridge
Akron Beacon Journal

• THE SHELF: Think you don't have the time to get organized? Donna Smallin would beg to differ. Smallin, an organizing expert, has written "The One Minute Organizer, Plain & Simple," a compilation of original ideas that can be accomplished in little chunks of time. Smallin urges readers to commit to spending five to 15 minutes a day to making some aspect of their lives more orderly, but she does include tips that can be implemented in as little as a minute. The ideas are as easy to read and absorb as they are to accomplish. Smallin divides the information into common problem areas — clearing clutter, paper stuff, home management, etc. — and presents the pointers within those categories in at-a-glance form. "The One Minute Organizer, Plain & Simple" is published by Storey Publishing and sells for \$9.95 in paperback.

• WHAT'S NEW: We usually think of bathroom grab bars as just necessities, but a new, adjustable-fixture maker Watermark Designs thinks they can be just as attractive as they are functional. The Spring Creek, N.Y., company has introduced a line of grab bars in four finishes and 35 finishes designed to coordinate with a home's faucets, towel bars and bath accessories.

Home & garden in brief

Prices range from \$175 to \$480, depending on the size and finish. The grab bars can be ordered from the company at 800-842-7277.

• Q&A: How do you get a ring-around stain out of a porcelain bathroom sink? The stain has been there for years. I've tried cleanser, toothpaste and baking soda mixed with salt.

Bathroom-fixture manufacturer Kohler Co. recommends Bar Keepers Friend, a low-abrasive cleanser. Many manufacturers also recommend it for cleaning stainless-steel sinks. You were kind enough to call me back to tell me the product worked, so I'll pass along your caution: Bar Keepers Friend contains oxalic acid, which is a bleach. Be careful not to get it on materials such as clothes or carpet.

• WEB SITE: World-Wide Quilting Page at www.quilting.com. A week after the horror of Sept. 11, 2001, this quilting page was as joyous as standing room, only at Madison Square Gardens. Quilters — who normally chafe at the thought of designs, sewing machines and (for unknown reasons) dogs and cats — were essentially crying online. It was no surprise to see the names of the dead on the pages, where they will remain in tribute forevermore.

Dream

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their fourth or fifth fabric, had "good bones." The chairs are currently covered with black and white toile. That fabric is repeated in the tablecloth of a small, table-and-chair "vignette." The chairs are from the dining set, and have the tropical fabric on the seats. Ginny also found an ottoman, stripped it down and had it recovered in black material with a box pattern woven in. The fabric is repeated on the top of the small table.

"I think it's a common mistake people make in decorating — it's either too much or too little," Ginny said. "That's why the different fabrics thread through a room, not as major themes but as consistent accents."

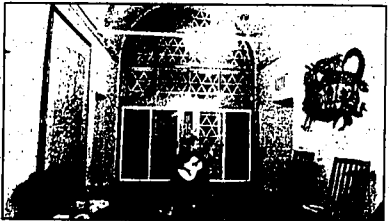
The philosophy also pertains to scale, said Ginny. If you have a large sofa, everything has to be large — big lamps, big accessories.

Because Ginny does most of the repainting and decorating herself, she enjoys making her house a home. The trick, she says, is to enjoy each step along the way, rather than waiting to enjoy the finished product: "If you enjoy decorating as a work in progress, then you can figure out what you want and look for it. It's like being a pianist. A pianist doesn't play the same song over and over and over."

Now that the kids are grown and the McCombs have seven grandchildren (with four on the way), Ginny is changing her furniture by giving pieces to the children.

But she still loves to rearrange. "You can recover a chair, paint a wall and change the look," she said.

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Guitarist John Schneider plays in the home's centerpiece, the great room. The 22-foot ceiling tops a vaulted window protected from intense sun by a meshranya, or wooden lattice. The room's design is meant to create a spacious sound for live music.



A vase holding some of the composer's ashes sits in the kitchen window, framed by the home's 2-foot-thick walls, which are packed with straw bales. Harrison was attracted to atraw-bale construction for its low cost and environmental benefits.

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Set up a home office

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — A home office can be as simple as a computer in the corner of the kitchen or as elaborate as an entire floor converted into a home-based business. It all depends on needs and personality.

According to an Associated Press story, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics notes that 19.8 million people do some work at home as part of their primary job. Based on a survey by Harris Interactive for Office Depot, 68 percent of American adults have home offices or work spaces — and only 20 percent say their home office is set up "just the way they like it."

But many people believe that office environment is critical to success. Picking a style that meets your personality and taste is important. There are a lot of options for desks, chairs and storage solutions. And you don't have to break the bank creating a home office that is functional and visually pleasing.

"When setting up a home office you should ask yourself, 'What is the office for and how many hours do you plan to spend in the office?'" said Betty Pures, co-owner of Clois Office Supply in Twin Falls.

"If you will use the office strictly for keeping track of household bills or an occasional bit of work brought home from the office or school, you can probably get by with a computer set up in the corner of a room. However, if you are running a business from home, you will probably want a separate room."

Perry Krieger, manager of Harvey's Office Plus, claims, "It does not matter if you are just paying a few bills or spending hours in front of the computer screen, the chair is the single most important piece of furniture in the office."

A person can spend thousands of dollars on a computer system with all the frills and a fancy hardwood desk then use a kitchen chair and wonder why he isn't getting any work done. A bad chair can cause tension in the shoulders and back.

"If the chair is not comfortable, everything else is wasted money because you are not going to want to spend time working in the office because of the bad fit of the chair," Krieger said.

The chair does not have to be



An ergonomically correct chair should have back, arm and neck support. Desks should be designed so that work can be located at the fingertips.

expensive. A good ergonomically designed chair that supports the back and elbows can be purchased at prices ranging from \$200 to \$900. A good chair will be height-adjustable and have support for the back and elbows.

Positioning your chair at your

desk is also important. "When you sit at your keyboard your arms should be straight out, not upward like a praying mantis, and the computer screen should be at eye level. You shouldn't have to raise your head — otherwise there is

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Do-it-yourself decorating tips

Emmy Award-winning designer/TV personality Christopher Lowell, who recently introduced the Christopher Lowell Collection of office furnishings at Office Depot, offers office decorating tips:

- **Paint it:** The cheapest way to theme a dull space is with rich wall color. This will help disguise the dimensions of your office, where the eye will go to the furnishings rather than the size of the room.
- **Hang 'em high:** If you can't add moulding or architectural embellishments to your home office space, use oversized picture frames to create the illusion of architecture and substance to a charmless environment.
- **Create a mood:** If you're looking for a more intimate feeling in home or office, turn off the cold overhead fluorescents and try coordinating floor and desk lamps. They'll add style while focusing pools of light where you want them.
- **Make an island:** For space and flexibility, try floating your desk in the center of the room with two guest chairs opposite your chair. This leaves the walls free for storage and artwork.
- **Accessorial:** Don't skimp on your desk accessories. Genetic blotters, mail holders and in-out boxes might add function but in plain view can disrupt the designer look of your office space.
- **Pamper yourself:** Don't be afraid to add touches that will help you and your guest feel inspired. An aromatherapy candle here, a sound machine there or even soft background music can create a welcoming ambience while still being appropriate in the work place.
- **Case closed:** Never underestimate the concept of uniformity. Matching books neatly arranged in your bookcases will not only keep you organized but will also lend that impression to your office.
- **Blind ambition:** To soften the look of industrial window blinds, add a single drapery panel on either side. These can remain stationary, but they help add a sense of finished luxury to your office deco.
- **Tip the scales:** Small things in a small space make small rooms look even smaller. A few oversized pieces will make the room seem bigger, and a few large accessories will prevent the space from looking lousy and disorganized.
- **Think ergonomics:** Just because you're working in casual clothes doesn't mean you should neglect the ergonomics of an office environment. Be sure to invest in a comfortable chair — you'll be spending a lot of hours in it. Spend some time looking at products that will make your office more comfortable: wrist pads, mice, keyboards and adjustable accessories can make a big difference.
- **Organize:** Don't skimp on the organizational tools that will allow you to find any document in your office within 10 seconds. A filing system that suits your needs should eliminate piles on any desk and provide a neat, consistent way of tracking down folders. Keeping office products nearby, such as paper clips, highlighters and notepads, will encourage you to set up your own system of organization.

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Paint color trends grow diverse

The Associated Press

Colors inspired by nature are in purple is out - and writing on the walls isn't just for toddlers anymore. In fact, paint color trends for 2004 are more diverse than ever, with soft, traditional neutrals and bright reds and oranges Sharing the spotlight.

• **Back to Nature:** According to Debbie Zimmer, of The Rohm and Haas Paint Quality Institute, do-it-yourselfers can bring the outdoors inside, thanks to colors that evoke the beauty of nature. "Colors will be fresh and clean, and reflect elements of stone, water and plants," Zimmer says. Soft beige will bring to mind sandy riverbanks and crisp, clear blue-based greens will echo shades found in lush forest foliage. Metallic paints, particularly silver and steel gray, are an ideal accent to these soft, muted colors. Think of them as adding a "spark" to your paint job, echoing the way the sun glimmers on the water. Metallics are especially eye-catching when used in decorative painting to lend new items more of an "antique" weathered feel.

• **Feeling Blue:** Blue in all its variations is a trendy paint color. "Blue's popularity began a few years ago when it was used to evoke a spa theme in bathrooms," Zimmer said, "but now we are seeing it migrate into other rooms of the house." Blue is relaxing and, especially, good for bedrooms.

• **Not that:** Despite its recent splash of popularity, purple is no longer predominant on the color palette. Many adults flat-out dislike shades of purple. However, children are still drawn to it.

• **Bright Lights:** Pink continues to be red-hot. The freshest way to use it is to accent it with other brights, such as red, yellow and orange. When choosing a red, select one that is blue-based, which will work well with pink, teal and green. Since red can stimulate appetite, it is best for dining rooms. Orange continues to rise in popularity, but this year's tints and shades are richer and designed to work well with reds and coppers.

• **The New Neutrals:** Browns and beiges are in, but orange "punch" in a room than white, but are still neutral enough to accommodate furnishings, carpeting and draperies of all colors. Beige tones look for shades of green and small doses of metallic paint to add depth and brightness. For the more daring, black and white is becoming one of the hottest combinations, for everything from decorative painting projects



Shades that evoke the beauty of nature are popular indoor paint colors. Do-it-yourselfers can easily bring the outdoors inside with a variety of painting techniques and color choices.

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ects to mod-inspired rooms.

• **The Writings on the Wall:** Have a favorite quote you'll like to share? "Write" it larger than life light on your walls. Use of stencils.

• **Looking Ahead:** Predicting some early 2005 color trends, Zimmer says to watch out for gray, which could become the next hot color. Yellow will also grow from a popular accent color to a favorite choice to stand on its own.

• **Always use a top quality interior latex paint.** Higher grades go on easier and more evenly and resist dirt, so that your color will always be true. And be aware that the shade of paint you see on a color card - or even in the paint can - may look a bit different when applied to an entire room.

• **Take color cards home** so you can see them right in the space that will be painted. Evaluate in daylight and under artificial light at night.

• **Remember that colors tend to intensify when applied to a large area.** To compensate, choose a lighter color, or a color, rather than a darker one.

• **Paints range from "high gloss" (the shinies) to "flat" (virtually no shine).** Those with higher gloss reflect more light, so they can make a room look

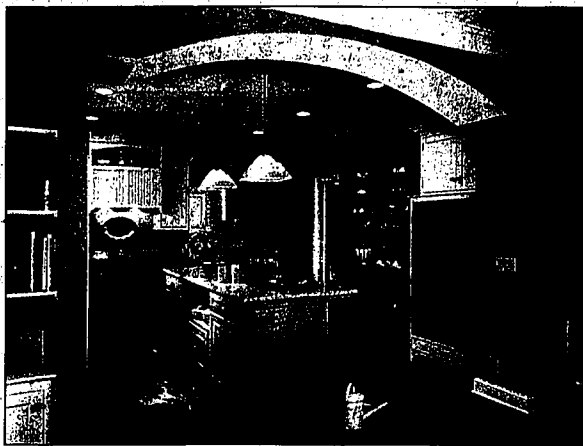
brighter. But higher gloss paints also tend to highlight surface imperfections, so if your walls and other surfaces are not in the best of shape, a flat paint might be better.

• **Before you leave the paint store,** make sure that you have the right tools and brushes.

• **Most walls and woodwork need to be cleaned to help the paint adhere better.** You can remove dust, dirt and grime with a simple detergent and water solution, after which you should rinse the surface clean and allow it to dry. If nail holes are present, they can be plugged with filling compound. Small cracks can be filled with a quality acrylic latex caulk.

• **Applying paint to interior walls is as simple as "framing" them by painting the outside edges with a brush,** then filling in the center with your roller. An effective way is to roll on the paint in a large "W" or "M" pattern, then fill it in, working in various directions.

• **When you're done,** clean and store everything properly. If you've used water-based latex paint, brushes and rollers can be cleaned with plain soap or detergent and water; cleanup of oil-based paints will require turpentine or paint thinner.



Carefully planning your new or renovated kitchen is critical for a successful outcome that is beautifully designed and functional.

Kitchens should be functional, yet beautiful

The Associated Press

The kitchen is the busiest room in the home. From food preparation and dining to balancing the family checkbook and socializing, the kitchen is the center of activity for today's busy family.

What does it take to create a dream kitchen, one that's beautifully designed, functional and, best of all, accessible for every cook and family member?

According to Chris Lauderdale, a chef with The Art Institute of California-Orange County, the key isn't the money a homeowner spends on a renovation or a brand new kitchen. It's thought and planning.

"One evening, I was catering a party at a home where the host kept asking me what I thought of his kitchen. He had just spent \$30,000 on a complete remodel. Everything looked great; very high design, but we were having a terrible time cooking because it had been designed for style, not functionality," Lauderdale said.

Keep in mind the real-life use

of your kitchen, said Gerald Brennan of The Illinois Institute of Art-Chicago. "Everybody these days loves stainless steel, but it's hard to clean and really needs high maintenance. If you have kids, you'll see every fingerprint." Instead, Brennan recommends hick appliances to his clients.

And what about those professional ranges? For Scott Swartz, of The Art Institute of New York City, they aren't worth it unless the cook can use them to their potential. Swartz recommends a commercial grade stove that's up to the task.

Cabinets are one of the biggest investments in a kitchen. Sofieka Hasluk, instructor with The Art Institute of Philadelphia, warns against gimmicks. For example, a wine storage cabinet isn't the greatest idea because a kitchen is a little warm for that.

"Quality cabinetry and countertops will last longer, and make your kitchen function better over the long haul, not to mention be more pleasing to work in," said William Niermer, a

chef with The Art Institutes International Minnesota. Good lighting, counter space and placement of waste containers are important as well.

Everyone agreed on the most important attribute for a new or renovated kitchen: "work triangulation," or the functionality and flow between the sink, refrigerator and stove.

"The triangle between sink, fridge and cooking must work for the individuals using the space," said Dan Noyes, of The Art Institutes International Minnesota. "It used to be that the distance of the triangle between the three was to be a certain distance apart. Now we use more flexibility but cater to the individual needs of the user and the space left to work with."

For example, Noyes says, a left-handed cook might want the refrigerator to the right of the sink due to the need to work in a counter-clockwise fashion.

To end up with a great kitchen, the chefs and designers recommend consulting a professional.

Extend your summer fun beyond the regular season

By Alan J. Heavens
The Philadelphia Inquirer

• **TOAST TOES ALONG WITH HOT DOGS:** There are plenty of ways to extend the summer into other parts of the year. I'm thinking of outdoor heaters, which can be used on patios or decks to take the chill out of the autumn evening air after the mosquitoes quit the scene. There are a couple of new heaters on the market, two of which are manufactured by Desa Heating.

One is a patio tower heater, which runs 12 hours on the high setting (35,000 BTUs) and 19 hours on low (22,000 BTUs), using a 20-pound propane tank. The tower heater has a piezo (instant flame) ignition. A hose and regulator are included. The burner resists the "blow out" effects of the wind. Price: \$299 to \$329.

The other is a patio umbrella table-stand electric heater, which Desa says will raise the temperature under the picnic table by 10 to 15 degrees. The heater has a 6-foot-long power cord and a weatherproof, lighted power switch, allowing access to any standard 120-volt receptacle. The heater is designed for outdoor use only. Price: \$99.

• **OUTDOOR CHORES:** These tools from HomeLife are designed to make fall yard cleanup more efficient.

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Pool industry makes waves with variety

The Associated Press

People are looking to their own homes and backyards for escape from a hectic world. And in many of those backyards, the pool is the centerpiece of an outdoor living space.

The pool industry is making new waves — with pools that offer plenty of backyard fun while also serving as beautiful and functional extensions of living space.

People are looking at pools differently," says Marc Campbell, senior vice president at San Juan Pools in Lakeland, Fla. "They are not just places to splash and play anymore."

To help you escape to your own backyard, the National Spa and Pool Institute (NSPI) and Pool People in the USA offer these pool styles and splashy ideas.

• **Above Ground:** These pools are usually less permanent than other styles and most can be drained and moved if necessary. On average, sizes range from 8 to 20 feet with depths up to 6 or 7 feet.

• **Inground Vinyl:** Traditional inground pools have reinforced walls with vinyl liners. Rectangular pools are the most common, but other shapes are available. Many new liner patterns and colors are available to enhance the poolscape.

• **Inground Granite:** The most elaborate of pool styles, the inground granite are permanent reinforced pools with concrete and plaster. These allow for a wide variety of options such as waterfalls, custom steps and special entries built in any shape and with many plaster finishes — or pebble applications.

• **Fiberglass:** Pool units are a one-piece shell installed directly into the ground. These are



In many back yards, the pool is the centerpiece of outdoor living space offering a relaxing and beautiful retreat for gatherings with family and friends.

usually made of a full fiberglass molded shell, but some combine concrete or other materials with the fiberglass. There are several styles and shapes available.

• **Water Without Walls:** Some of the most popular ideas in pools now involve the lack of pool walls. Most notable are playful and pretty beach entries — a gently sloping entrance to

the pool that mimics a beach in looks and feel. Wet decks are extremely popular," says Campbell. "You can lie in about four inches of water and read your magazine and stay cool."

• **Fountain Fun:** Fountains that gently bubble or those that make a big splash create that sound shield for your pool and help keep it clean. Intermittently squirting fountains in a beach-entry area will entertain little ones for hours. Fountains coming from and highlighting stately or antique Greek urns make a beautiful, timeless statement. Laminar flow fountains shoot a stream of water about the thickness of your finger through the air. The water holds together to create a moving, watery tube that will carry the glow of fiber optic lighting. Foaming

fountains mix water and air for a frothy, mushroom-head effect. Lots of manufacturers are offering adjustable nozzles to let you control how high and how far your fountain will go.

• **Water Falling:** Waterfalls continue to be one of the most-requested design elements on pools. Sleek sheets of water fall over granite platforms to offer a secluded area for swimmers. Other versions are playful cascades that splash and fall from real or manmade rocks. Some waterfalls let you increase or decrease the rate of fall to get the sound of gently falling rain or a turbulent rain shower.

• **It's Automatic:** Just controls and relax. Many controls are computer-friendly, allowing you to telelink to your system. You can then operate pool func-

tions via telephone from the office or your mobile phone.

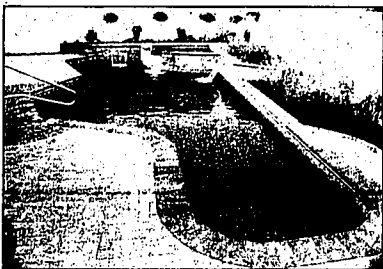
• **Light It Right:** The right lighting will not only enhance your poolscape, but it also will make it safer. Glowing incandescent lighting can spotlight water features as well as garden and architectural elements. Perimeter lighting will make a pool look magical at night. Little lights set in stone illuminate walkways and steps. Fiber optic lighting offers colors to suit any mood. These high-tech, yet accessible systems work by transmitting light from a source located away from the pool through high-quality glass or acrylic fiber optic cables. Color wheels make coloring your world as easy as flipping a switch.

• **Carefree Fun:** Today's superior chemicals, state-of-

the-art pool motors and advanced cleaning techniques have made pool care pretty much carefree. With automated systems, it takes little more than a touch of a button or a flip of a switch to cover or uncover the pool, clean it, control the temperature and dispense the chemicals. Magnetic water conditioners turn oil and other substances into larger particles so that the filter can pick them up. Salt chlorine generators (which turn ordinary salt into chlorine) keep pools sparkling.

• **Energy Efficient:** Energy-efficient filters and pumps sometimes garner power company rebates but always pay for themselves. Campbell notes that small pools (a trend in itself) are cool motors with heat pumps make for energy-efficient backyard retreats. Thermal pool blankets or solar covers have soared in popularity. Lightweight and relatively inexpensive, they attract the sun's heat and can increase a pool's temperature by as much as 10 degrees. There's even a new liquid solar blanket that can be thrown in the pool to form a layer to attract heat.

There's no substitution for old-fashioned supervision. State and local governments have area-specific barrier requirements and codes. Beyond that, self-closing and self-latching gates and doors should surround your pool. Window latches, good lighting and portable telephones also are easy and excellent protection devices. Pool safety covers that meet the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM International) safety standards will provide an added layer of protection — a horizontal fence, if you will. Covers also cut down on day-to-day operating costs by reducing heat loss, chemical usage and water evaporation. Automation makes them push-button easy. Additionally, there are in-pool motion detectors and alarms that will let you know if anyone is in the water. Other types of wireless transmission alarms strap onto children or pets and shriek if they get wet.



Waterfalls — ranging from playful cascades that splash to sleek sheets of water falling over granite — continue to be one of the most requested design elements on pools.

TVs come out of the closet in home designs

By Beth Cooney
The Stamford Advocate

It's not unusual for high-end interior designers to cringe at the sight of an exposed television.

"That's why you always see televisions concealed in armchairs," says designer Stephen Saint Onge. "Then again, that was back when most televisions were thick black boxes. The recent advent of sleek, flat-screen televisions along with innovations in everything from computer monitors to remote control devices has made it easier to integrate technology into decor."

"When a television is trim and well-designed, it doesn't seem so out of place," suggests Saint Onge, best known for his work as one of the house designers on TLC's "While You Were Out."

He also has a multiyear deal to be spokesman for Philips Electronics, the manufacturer of appliances such as plasma televisions and gizmos including the iPronto, which allows homeowners to plug in the controls for all their remote control devices. And he is the creative force of Philips' new Web site, www.designingathome.com, which features room makeovers and design projects that integrate technology with his distinct emphasis on comfort.

Saint Onge, who lives with his wife and young son in Connecticut, specializes in designing with the needs of a family in mind. His work has also been featured on "Oprah," and will be showcased as one of

House Beautiful's top 125 American designers in a fall issue. His new column, detailing a series of makeovers, is in *Cottage Living* magazine.

His first projects for Philips are a small home theater and living room designed for an Atlanta couple living in a newly renovated loft. During the next several months, Saint Onge will complete kitchens, baths, home gyms and ultimately, a kid's room, all intended to demonstrate how technology can enhance a decorating scheme without being too distracting.

He says he approached the Atlanta home theater project from the viewpoint that it can be small-scale, even intimate. "The theater is contemporary and fun, featuring comfy red leather chairs, black accents, a large flat-screen television, high-end stereo equipment, blinds selected to block light on movie night and even a couple of nifty metal cup holders fitted into the furniture. While Saint Onge has had affluent clients — one had built-in popcorn makers and a margarita machine — he says it's not necessary to have a large extra room and oodles of money.

His next stop: the kitchen. There, Saint Onge says he is anxious to demonstrate how technology can be integrated into the hub of the home. He imagines his kitchen will contain the television disguised as a mirror, an iPronto and perhaps a computer. He notes computer screens are so trim these days, they can be integrated into countertops and cabinets.

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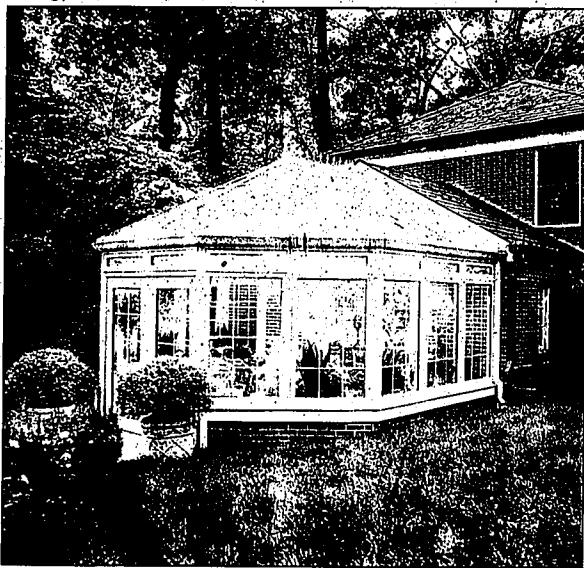
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A conservatory is just as stunning from the outside as within the home. Refreshingly cool in the summer and cozily warm in the winter, a conservatory is the place to be throughout the year.

Conservatories make elegant additions to home

The Associated Press

While common in Europe, conservatories are becoming popular in the United States as discriminating homeowners discover a variety of uses for these elegant additions offering the beauty of the outdoors from the comfort and splendor of an elegant glass house.

Conservatories have a rich history dating to the 19th century, when wealthy families of Europe would travel the world and bring back rare spices or lemon and orange trees. They needed warm climates to survive the colder months, so the idea of a glass-enclosed conservatory was developed to nurture the exotic plants and specimens from the homeowner's world travels. Today, the structures grace many European homes.

These glass enclosures caught on in the United States in the late 1800s and early 1900s. After a decline in popularity, conservatories made a comeback beginning in the 1960s and 1970s, when insulated glass became available.

Conservatories can be distinguished from sunrooms by their European style and flair designed to capture and enhance a home's theme, period style and architectural details. More conservatories are being built in the United States than ever before. From custom designed one-of-a-kind conservatories to modular pre-fabricated designs, homeowners have a variety of choices for today's conservatory.

"Our clients initially create their conservatories for a specific purpose, but it quickly becomes the room in the house where they spend most of their time," says Alan Stein, founder of the Denton, Md.-based Tanglewood Conservatories Ltd.

All Tanglewood conservatory designs start with a clean sheet of paper. In the hands of imaginative architects, a conservatory is created through an interactive and collaborative process capturing the style, ideas and feelings of the homeowner. Tanglewood's craftsmen custom-build each structure, a process that takes approximately nine months at an average cost of \$150,000 to \$250,000.

Four Seasons Sunrooms, a manufacturer of sunrooms, sunlarks and patio rooms, recently added English-style conservatories to the product line combining style and elegance with energy-efficient and maintenance-free materials.

Two conservatory models,



Modern conservatories come in a variety of shapes, sizes and materials creating a comfortable year-round living space. Filled with natural light, conservatories bring nature inside.

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the Victorian and the Georgian, offer distinctively different designs and architectural styles to appeal to a variety of homeowners. Etched glass and French doors combined with traditional embellishments like finials, ridge cresting and molding bring old-world charm to modern masterpieces.

While all products are modular and pre-fabricated, each home application requires some level of customization, said James Ruppel, of Four Seasons. The two models can be built in a limitless variety of sizes and configurations to suit the special needs of every unique installation. Both styles are available in wood or aluminum.

Four Seasons designs, builds and ships its products to more than 300 independently owned franchises worldwide. The Victorian and Georgian conservatory models take approximately two weeks to construct starting at a base cost of \$20,000.

Many conservatories are used as breakfast rooms or additions to gourmet kitchens, while others serve specific purposes, such as a music room or office. No matter how you enjoy your new addition, there is no other room quite like a conservatory that creates a natural bridge between the home and garden.

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Linens make a comeback

By Stacy Downs
The Kansas City Star

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — In this age of casual lifestyles, hand-embroidered linens seem like a more politeness from the past. Sharyn Blond is working to change that. The Mission Hills, Kan., woman designs cocktail and dinner napkins; tablecloths, place mats and bed linens. She has about 150 designs, ranging from the traditional white thread on white cloth to tropical patterns that feature crabs and colorful koi.

She's known for her craft nationwide. Bergdorf Goodman in New York will begin selling Blond's designs later this month. And in the last year, the renowned New York-based china company Moththead asked her to create coordinating linens for its dishes. She sketched fruit motifs for its Duke of Gloucester place settings that are stitched onto mats (\$122 each) and napkins (\$92 each).

All the while, Sharyn Blond Linens sells in about 10 boutiques nationwide, including her own tabletop and gift store, Sharyn Blond Ltd., in Kansas City.

The popular San Francisco accessories store Sue Fisher King carries Blond's linens because they are unique. "She has a lot of style," owner Sue Fisher King says. "Her linens have these teeny, beautiful hand-stitches that you just don't see many places in the world."

Blond remembers being a young girl eating Sunday suppers after church at her grandmother's two-story house in Kansas City, where elegantly embroidered napkins and tablecloths made meals feel like events. That sentiment has stuck with her as she and her husband, Irv, have raised five children and three grandchildren. No paper napkins or plates or plastic flatware can be found in the house.

There are those who are convinced linens are fragile and difficult to care for. Not true, says Betsy Hamilton Rowley, store manager at Sharyn Blond. Her mother bought fine linens from the Constance Letter Store in Kansas City 50 years ago, and they still look brand new after repeated use.

Blond, who has no art background and can't sew a stitch, bought the tabletop business that had once belonged to Letter, a Kansas City art who

Caring for linens

- Can be spot treated for stains
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designed linens she sold at her Country Club Plaza store in the 1940s through the 1970s.

Today, Blond receives inspiration from customer requests, so future patterns include golf and sunflower motifs. She also customizes designs for clients: family crests, monograms and long-lost patterns that replace what they remember their mothers having.

Hand-embroidered linens are becoming scarcer. A decade ago, 20,000 women worked in 15 embroidery houses in Maudeia, Blond says. Now fewer than 5,000 people work for four companies based on the island.

For more on Sharyn Blond Linens, call (816) 221-4713 or visit www.websterhouse-ks.com.

Use these handy tips for quick fixes

By Mary Beth Breckenridge
Akron Beacon Journal

Some of those vexing problems around the house are easy to solve if you know how. Here are a few handy tips, courtesy of Lowes:

• To remove a broken light bulb, first unplug the light fixture. Then cut a potato in half and push the cut side of one of the halves onto the broken bulb. Twist the potato counterclockwise to remove the bulb.

• Free a stuck window by rolling a pizza cutter between the stop and the sash, all the way around the window.

• A broken key can sometimes be removed from a door lock by spraying the key stub and lock with lubricating spray, then using needle-nose pliers or tweezers to pull the key out. If

the key is too far in the lock, call a locksmith.

• In most cases, ceiling fan blades should rotate counterclockwise in summer to create a cooling breeze, and clockwise in winter to redistribute the heated air by pushing it up against the ceiling and down the walls. To change the blades' direction, flip the switch on the

head of the fan.

• To fix a jammed garbage disposer, turn off the main power to the disposal by flipping the circuit breaker. Locate the hole on the bottom of the disposer unit. Insert an Allen wrench into the hole, and turn the wrench in both directions to dislodge the obstruction.

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Living spaces keep getting larger

The Associated Press

More definitely is more when it comes to the interior dreamscape of today's American home. In the past 30 years, home size in the United States has increased by 50 percent.

Even disregarding the megahouses and mansions of business moguls, where measurements frequently surpass the 25,000-square-foot mark, American homes are bigger than ever before. In 2003, the average home in the United States boasted 2,265 square feet of living space, compared with 1,500 square feet in 1970, according to the National Association of Home Builders.

The trend toward larger homes is expected to continue in the next 10 years, industry leaders predict, with an emphasis on extra amenities, especially of the high-tech variety. Popular luxury features include home theaters, family computer centers as well as large-scale design elements such as high ceilings and generously proportioned rooms. Americans always have valued wide open spaces, so it's no surprise that spacious homes are increasingly popular, said Doug Krieger, design director for Sauder Woodworking. "These spacious settings provide families with ample room for varied hobbies and interests, generous space for home-based businesses and gracious backdrops for family and business entertaining."

Today's bigger-than-ever-before homes present their own decorating challenges, however. What kinds of furnishings pack the most punch in today's megasealed interiors? And how can a family create warmth and intimacy in a super-sized environment?



Careful selection of furnishings and accessories creates warmth in large living spaces. Groupings of furniture can fashion a cozy conversation and relaxation area within a large room.

The wide variety of well-proportioned, stylish furnishings available today provides a host of solutions to these welcome modern dilemmas. Krieger and his staff suggest several tips. First, select furnishings with a

sense of heft and weight. Select furniture that can hold its own in the largest of rooms. Bookcases, entertainment centers and computer desks add substance and solidity without bulkiness. Commanding details such as raised

panel doors and robust finishes with open-end grain contribute to the dynamic styling that works so well in today's wide-open interiors.

Look for generously sized furnishings that won't be dwarfed

by the room's dimension. An entertainment wall unit can expand to hold today's increasingly popular 36- to 50-inch-screen televisions. The right unit can instantly create a handsome, king-sized home

On the Web
Sauder Woodworking
www.sauder.com

theater. Choose accessories that have scale and substance, too. For example, hand-woven rugs and other textiles make ideal wall hangings because their rich textures and patterns are bold enough to command attention in a large setting. A prominent display of similar objects, such as an open shelf arrangement of colorful retro ashtrays or a line-up of black-and-white photos in identical frames also makes a dramatic statement on a wall.

Create settings within settings for a thoughtful division of space and a sense of intimacy. Groupings of furniture can fashion a variety of specialized arenas, from cozy conversation-relaxation areas to complete home theaters to fully outfitted home-work and at-home business centers.

In one segment of a large room, for example, an easy chair plus bookcases can produce a graceful reading nook. In another section of the same room, a computer desk, hutch and entertainment center can be grouped to create a handsome high-tech oasis for work and leisure.

Put color and lighting to work. Neutral colors emphasize space and enhance a room's open feeling while warmer colors can be used to delineate gathering spots for social and private areas.

Lighting also can create distinct areas within a large space. For example, track lighting, hidden spotlights and individual lamps can subtly define special areas from a calm, focused work center to a bright, lively family gathering spot.

The future comes home

By Gary Dymek
Newsday

LAS VEGAS — Refrigerators that keep the milk cold and tell you the balance in your checking account. Storage rooms that give new meaning to the word organized — with hooks, shelves and drawers for everything you own and then some. In-home dry-cleaning systems that take the wrinkles out in 30 minutes. Three-rack dishwashers, combination coffeemakers and microwaves, and fireplaces with air-management systems. All this convenience and more — is right at your fingertips.

Today's homeowners — whether buying a new McManis or remodeling an old hank ranch — want everything in its place, and they want a place for everything. And they are in love with high-tech appliances.

These preferences were never more evident than during the International Builders' Show at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

Years ago, your grandparents' houses had only one so-called "display room." Remember the living room, with its plastic-covered sofa that was off-limits to the kids? Well, forget about it. Baby boomers and their children want more. They want "display houses" which explain master bedroom suites and three-car garages and mega laundry rooms.

New houses will boast home theaters, automated lighting controls and second kitchens. The convention showcased a New American Home — a low-maintenance, rectangular loft dwelling made of high-tech cinder blocks and a 5,300-square-foot Ultimate Family Home with a plasma TV in the air-conditioned garage and an amusement park-like backyard.

Here are some products to watch for:

- **Cluster bustlers:** Organizing systems are in. Especially built-in ones. Closets, garages, laundry rooms and basements will feature integrated storage systems with adjustable components that can be adapted. Companies such as Cincinnati-based Schulte Corp. provide do-it-yourselfers and contractors with a range of systems. The FreedomRail Garage System offers adjustable shelving, color-coordinated cabinetry and accessories and hooks and racks designed for hanging everything from hockey sticks to bicycle helmets. Garage systems cost about \$2,000 for a two-car garage. Visit www.schultestorage.com.
- **It looks like wood:** Synthetic lumber — a combination of

wood fibers and recycled plastic — has been around a few years. It resists rot, but it's ugly, with the texture and color of a faded paper bag. But a new generation of synthetic lumber is here, featuring colors and wood-grain textures that pump personality into decks — and might even fool a hungry beaver. Trex Co.'s Accent line comes in a shade of tan called Saddle, Winchester Gray and reddish-brown Madeira. From about \$2 a linear foot, uninstalled. Visit www.trex.com and www.evergrain.com.

- **Extreme toilets:** If your toilet is less than 10 years old, it's probably a low-flush model. These use a maximum of 1.6 gallons of water and meet the efficiency requirements of the National Energy Policy Act of 1992. Older toilets use 5 to 7 gallons. The low-flush models don't always have the muscle to empty bowls in one flush. Well, technology has finally caught up, in the form of "intense-flush" toilets that use about 1.4 gallons. Kohler's offering, the Cimarron Comfort Height Toilet, features a 31/4-inch flush valve. The Cimarron is priced from \$200, depending on color and style. Visit www.kohler.com and www.AmericanStandard.com.

- **Cool to watch:** Watch the news and chill the chocolate mousse at the same time. LG Electronics offers a side-by-side refrigerator with a 13-inch color TV embedded in the fridge door. The 25.5-cubic-foot refrigerator freezer has all the expected features, including automatic icemaker-cold-water dispenser and an EnergyStar seal of approval. The suggested retail is \$3,000. Oh, and if you'd rather pay bills online while the

mousse cools, LG's Internet model comes equipped with a 15-inch LCD computer monitor, stereo speakers and a digital camera. That one costs \$8,000. Visit www.lg.com.

- **Same-day service:** When you can't get to the cleaners, just hang your suit in your very own "fabric revitalizing system." Whirlpool's Personal Valet deodorizes and smooths away wrinkles in about half an hour. A cleaning mist envelops your dirty clothes and cleans them for less than a \$1 an item. Maytag's Neptune Drying Center (\$1,200) also refreshes clothes and removes wrinkles, but it's a climate-controlled drying cabinet that keeps delicate fabrics from being tumbled to smithereens in the dryer. Special hangers and shelves hold the clothes and steam-infused air circulates in the cabinet to dry the material. For information, visit www.personalvalet.com and www.maytagneptune.com.

- **No cold feet here:** Electric radiant floor heating will put an end to that stone-cold feeling. A micro-thin heat blanket installed under tile or stone flooring acts like a heating pad when activated. Several companies — including Nuheat, SunTouch and Flexheat — manufacture these thermostat-controlled heat blankets. They must be installed underneath the tile and wired to an individual circuit. For do-it-yourselfers, mats measuring about 3 by 4 feet start at about \$250, with thermostats priced at about \$175. Custom designs for larger areas run as much as \$3,000, with thermostat. Visit www.nuheat.com. Please see FUTURE, Page F8

Fire family

Old photos record decades of close-knit firefighting crews in Twin Falls.

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Plants get sick just like people

The Associated Press

What are the essential steps needed to promote healthy plants? The American Phytopathological Society (APS) offers suggestions.

Plant diseases are caused by living organisms (called pathogens) such as fungi, bacteria, viruses, nematodes, phytoplasmas, protozoa, and parasitic plants; and by nonliving agents such as air pollutants, nutrient imbalance, and various environmental factors. New diseases and changes in existing pathogens remain a constant threat to garden and indoor plants.

Although plants have been grown in homes for thousands of years, it hasn't been without a few problems, states A. R. Chase, professor at Mid-Florida Research and Education Center, University of Florida. "Plants didn't evolve in our homes which means they don't naturally adapt to the environmental conditions that occur there, especially during the winter heating season."

Development of new and innovative ways to control plant diseases is a constant challenge for plant pathologists. Here are some tips offered by plant doctors from APS.

- Inspect a plant before you buy it. Don't buy plants with leaves that are dried and brittle, have spots, or are yellowing or wilting. Look carefully for mites, mealybugs, scales, and aphids, which can resemble plant parts. These pests often hide under-

neath leaves or on the leaf stems and may move when disturbed.

- Put a new plant in a separate room away from other plants for a while. This helps to prevent infecting your other plants with anything brought in on your new plant. If the plant still looks healthy after three or four weeks in its new home, you can move it.
- Be sure your plant pot has good drainage. Excess-water drowns roots and encourages root rot.

Organizing a house isn't about cleaning it

By Sharon Thompson Knight *Ridder News Service*

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Sandy Linville has always had a passion for organizing.

"Some people garden, some people cook. This is always what I've loved to do," Linville said. So she took business classes and joined the National Association of Professional Organizers.

What started out as a part-

time job has turned into a family business. SOS Professional Organizer.

Linville's husband, Mike, an engineer, quit his job and now works with her full-time. Linville tries to help people see where they can put things that will be easy to find when they're needed.

"Four people with the same kitchen will organize it four different ways," she said. "The most important advice is to put

things in their proper places and keep them there. For more information visit www.sosorganizer.net.

When organizing consultant Sue McMillin of Georgetown, Ky., started With Time to Spare in 1982, most people confused organizing a home with cleaning.

"A professional organizer can provide four immediate benefits: space, time, productivity and money. She shared ideas for

organizing an office:

- Remove: Take everything out of the drawer.
- Sort: As you take things out of the drawer, sort it by placing pens, rubber bands, markers, etc. in piles.
- Eliminate: If you have 844 paper clips in your drawer, take some back to the storage unit.
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Walk on glass: Glass tile in the kitchen, bathroom — and even on floors — is catching on.

The tiles come in clear, opaque and glossy styles, and they range from muted earth tones to bright blues and reds. Some of the prettiest ones look like beach glass. One-inch squares have been around for a while, but now larger 2-inch and 4-inch squares are being manufactured by companies such as Idaho-based Sandhill Industries. Of course, they're more expensive and trickier to install than ceramic tiles, but that may add to their allure. Prices start at \$10 to \$30 a square foot and go up to \$100 a square foot. Visit www.sandhillind.com.

Office

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Strain on the shoulders which causes neck and back pain," Krueger said.

In addition to raising or lowering the height of the chair, you can adjust the height of the keyboard with a keyboard drawer. "If your monitor is too low, place a stack of paper under the monitor if needed," Krueger suggests.

Make sure you have an adequate work area.

"If you have to move one thing to get to another, you do not have enough work area," Krueger explained. "Try to make the desk area look like a cockpit in an airplane with everything accessible right at the fingertips."

John Oldenkamp, sales manager at Office Max in Twin Falls, said, "The computer is even operating in a home office, since some folks still do their paperwork with pen and paper."

For those who use computers, there is an endless variety of office machines and computer systems on the market today. There are computer systems whose memories have been expanded, shapes streamlined and programs custom-designed. There are fax machines, scanners, copiers and printers of all sorts. Computer stands are designed to stand alone in the center of the room or hide in a closet, Oldenkamp said.

There are even machines to make labels for folks whose handwriting is hard to read.

Palm or pocket PCs with 32 MB and 64 MB of memory work great when work must be brought home from the office. These palm PCs run about as fast as the PC did two to three years ago. There is a jump or flash drive — which holds 64 MB, 128 MB or more of memory — that plugs into the USB port on the computer for transporting files between the office and home computer. The flash drive is no bigger than a pack of gum.

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