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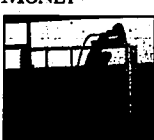
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# Iraqis protest against U.S.

Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Chanting "Death to America" and burning effigies of President Bush and Saddam Hussein, tens of thousands of Iraqis flooded central Baghdad on Saturday in what police called the largest anti-American protest since the fall of Baghdad, the capital, exactly two years ago.

The peaceful demonstration

Idaho soldiers gain place in history.

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by angry young followers of Shiite Muslim cleric Muqtada al-Sadr underscored the United States' accomplishments and its failures since the end of the war. Once staunch supporters of the U.S. invasion to oust the dic-

tator who ruthlessly suppressed them, many Shiite Arabs in Iraq have grown so frustrated by the lingering military occupation, with its checkpoints, raids and use of force, that they took to the streets to call for a deadline for troop withdrawal.

At the same time, the fact that so many protesters were able to gather and freely voice their opinions without bloodshed or insurgent attacks suggests Iraq is

making progress toward establishing a democratic system and creating a strong security force.

"This is the first manifestation of freedom in Iraq," said Lt. Ali Muhsin of the Iraqi National Guard, raising his voice to be heard over the din of protesters. "We have never witnessed such a thing before. In the old days, people would only have been able to do this if they were hailing Saddam. Now they are

protesting for their rights."

Carrying banners that read "Go Out" and "Leave Our Country," marchers hit the streets early Saturday morning, blocking roads and causing traffic jams around the city. Most of the protesters came from the Baghdad slum of Sadr City, but busloads also arrived from Kut, Amara, Baqubah and other

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## Better detectives

### Officers learn the art of dealing with crime scenes

By Karin Kowalski  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A bloody handprint stained the wall outside the restroom Wednesday night in Twin Falls City Park, a man lay dead under a tree, police tape clattered in the wind and firefighters bathed the area in flashing lights.

A serious emergency? Not so much.

Four mock crime scenes took over the park as part of a week-long advanced crime scene investigation class that drew about 20 law enforcement officials statewide and from Utah.

Wednesday's exercises gave students their first practical experience of the week. Armed with cotton swabs, gloves, note-books and cameras, students in four groups tackled one crime scene each.

"The first step, they learned, is to film the scene with a video camera, then mark evidence and photograph it."

One scene involved a dead body surrounded by chairs, a cooler, beer bottles and a croquet set.

Cpl. Leon Cazler from the Heyburn Police Department brought out evidence markers and a hinged ruler to label the size of items. He's in the class so he can help his department's main detective.

"Our education never stops or else we shouldn't be working," Cazler said.

After three hours, Cazler's group had found narcotics and a bloodied croquet ball. Only at the end did they find the murder weapon, a croquet mallet, stuck in a tree.

Other groups responded to a rape, murder and suicide. They had to separate trash in the park from evidence, including blood spatter, hair, gunshot residue and used condoms. Twin Falls firefighters lit the scenes as night fell.

Chris Rowe, the senior crime scene investigator for the Nampa Police Department and a state crime scene investigation instructor, made blood spatters by hitting a sponge with a piece of wood. The different patterns can indicate where

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Above, using a flashlight to cut through the dark and examine evidence, Owyhee County Deputy Sheriff Daryl Candel, right, and Tracy Perrine, a Twin Falls Police Department community service officer, search a mock crime scene Wednesday night during training at City Park in Twin Falls. Police and sheriff's departments statewide and from Utah participated in the training.

Top, Perrine explains to her team the types of wounds she examined before pictures are taken and more evidence is collected.

## Prince Charles, Camilla wed after decades-long romance

The Associated Press

WINDSOR, England — Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles wed in a modest town hall ceremony Saturday with the blessing of the queen and the Church of England, sealing a tangled love affair ignited at a polo match more than 30 years ago.

Once married, the royals knelt beneath the towering Gothic arches of St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle, nervously pledging their undying love and confessing their "sins and wickedness" — a phrase from the Church of England's Book of Common Prayer — as their vows were blessed by Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams. Despite years of

public and media criticism, even ridicule, Charles and Camilla shared affection appeared to finally to have won them a measure of acceptance from the British public, many of whom blamed their relationship for poisoning Charles' marriage to Britain's beloved Princess Diana.

"He did a bit of a dirty job on Diana," said Tina Quinney, 59, one of the thou-

sands of people lining the streets of this royal town. "But the past is the past."

The ceremonies went off flawlessly on a bright, sunny day despite sinister omens: A change of location for the civil wedding vows, unsubstantiated reports of the queen's "fury" that the couple would wed at all, and a one-day postponement for Pope John Paul II's funeral.

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# THE GUN DEBATE

## Latest issues tilt toward easier access, fewer rules

The Associated Press

With more than four out of five states allowing law-abiding citizens to carry concealed weapons, that argument is finished. Now, the nation's long-running argument over guns turns on how much to loosen the rules — should guns be allowed in judge's chambers? Bars? In workplace parking lots?

The work in state legislatures following the latest spate of fatal shootings shows how much the debate has changed. The 1999 Columbine school shootings sent moms marching into the streets for tougher gun laws, but this year, many state legislatures are looking at ways to broaden access to weapons and ease training and other requirements.

"Where do you stand on self-defense and New Mexico state Rep. Thomas Anderson, a Republican who said local judges asked him to change the law to let judges carry weapons into their court chambers. "I believe in it."

His bill died in committee, but it will be back next year. New Mexico this year already broadened its concealed-weapons law, passed just two years ago, to drop the age requirement to 21 and allow the state to reach agreements with other states so gun-carriers can cross borders without worry.

The push for concealed weapons began in the late 1980s, when all but 10 states refused to allow residents to do so, or only allowed it in special circumstances. Starting in 1989, those barriers fell. Now it's up to 46, with 35 states allowing just about anyone who is not a felon to get a permit.

The late 1990s saw a rise in gun control legislation. In 1999, after 15 were killed, including

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Status of carrying a concealed gun

- Legal
- Illegal
- Restricted



SOURCE: Brady Campaign

the gunman, at the shootings at Columbine High School in Colorado, gun control gained a sharp edge and legislators' attention.

Violence hasn't subsided this year, from courthouse shootings in Atlanta and Tyler, Texas, to the school killings at Red Lake, Minn., the most deadly since Columbine.

But the reaction has spurred something far different, drawing on the idea that if the victims had weapons they might not be victims.

"At the scene of these crimes, despite all the good intentions of the police, the prosecutors, the courts, the judges — they're all coming in later," said Wayne LaPierre, chief executive of the National Rifle Association. "The country as a whole is taking another look across the board, at the idea that maybe it makes good sense to allow people to protect themselves in as many situations as possible."

Current legislation in some cases is a direct response to the recent shootings, though often predates it. In recent weeks:

—Florida legislators passed a measure allowing people to "meet force with force" to defend themselves without fear of prosecution, extending the right from their homes to anywhere they're legally allowed to be. Gov. Jeb Bush said he intends to sign it.

—Arizona's Senate approved letting people carry guns into bars and restaurants, as long as they're not drinking. The House has yet to act.

—North Dakota legislators approved removing the shooting test needed for a concealed-weapon permit, though the bill awaits final approval from the governor.

Even schools and workplaces, the scene of some of the most horrific violence, saw restrictions fall. A new Virginia law lets people with concealed handguns onto school grounds, as long as they and the gun remain in their car. A 2004 Oklahoma law lets employees with permits keep guns in cars in job parking lots.

"Employers have a responsibility to make their workplace a safe place. For them to let workers with guns onto the premises is insane," said Brian Selby, senior counsel at the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence. And bars? "Hello! Do you

want to mix alcohol and guns?" The shift in opinion and legislation comes directly from the election outcomes of 2000 and 2004, and the national focus on security after Sept. 11, both sides agree.

"There's an ebb and flow," Selby said. "There's no question that the NRA is on the offensive trying to roll back the gun laws on the books. ... Their vision of society is everyone ought to have a gun. That's not our view of a safe society. I don't think it's Americans' view of a safe society."

Still, the struggle hasn't all been one-sided.

Missouri, where legislators approved a concealed-weapon law even though a statewide referendum rejected it. In 1999, gave cities the right to restrict weapons on city-owned property. Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell and Philadelphia Mayor John Street, both Democrats, are studying sweeping changes.

Times, one of the significant battlegrounds, saw legislation that seeks to ban 50-caliber ammunition, close a loophole that allows sales at gun shows without background checks, and require guns to be sold with "trigger lock" safety devices. Gun-rights interests scored a victory last week by killing a bill that would allow lawsuits against gun dealers.

Anderson, in New Mexico, said restrictions are outlawing the way he grew up. When he learned about guns before he was a teenager, in his view, restrictions make crime more likely, and his view seems on the rise.

There should be the possibility that any house on the street should have a weapon, he said. "Do I think every house should have one? No. But the bad guy should think so."

## Woman in Wendy's case has litigious history

LAS VEGAS (AP) —

The woman who claims she bit into a human finger while eating chili at a Wendy's restaurant has a history of filing lawsuits — including a claim against another fast-food restaurant.

Anna Ayala, 39, who hired a San Jose, Calif., attorney to represent her in the Wendy's case, has been involved in at least half a dozen legal battles in the San Francisco Bay area, according to court records.

She brought a suit against an ex-boss in 1998 for sexual harassment and sued an auto dealership in 2000, alleging the wheel fell off her car. That suit was dismissed after Ayala fired her lawyer, who said she had threatened him.

Speaking through the front door of her Las Vegas home Friday, Ayala claimed police are out to get her and were unnecessarily rough as they executed a search warrant at her home on Wednesday.

"Lies, lies, that's all I am hearing," she said. "They should look at Wendy's. What are they hiding? Why are we

being victimized again and again?"

Ayala acknowledged, however, that her family received a settlement for their medical expenses about a year ago after reporting that her daughter, Genesis, got sick from food at an El Pollo Loco restaurant in Las Vegas. She declined to provide any further details.

San Jose police have joined the Las Vegas police fraud unit in the investigation into how a 1.5-long fingerprint ended up in Ayala's bowl of chili at the San Jose Wendy's on March 22. Ayala has sued the franchise owner, Fresno, Calif.-based JEM Management Corp.

Wendy's spokesman Bob Bernini would not comment on the investigation Friday.

The company, however, maintains that the finger did not enter the food chain in its ingredients. The employees at the San Jose store were found to have all their fingers, and no suppliers of Wendy's ingredients have reported any hand or finger injuries, the company said.

## Victim's family hopes for swift trial

WASHINGTON — COURT HOUSE, Ohio (AP) — After his grandmother was killed in a string of highway shootings in Ohio, 7-year-old Max Knisley worried the gunman could be lurking around any corner.

Even after suspect Charles McCoy Jr. was arrested, the child wondered: "Did they get the gun, too?"

Now that McCoy's trial is under way, the Knisley family is hoping for a swift end to a case that terrorized drivers around central Ohio between October 2003 and February 2004.

"We don't want to put them back through the whole ordeal again," Brent Knisley said of his children. Max and 11-year-old Loren. He said so many reporters called after his mother was killed that he had to get friends to manage the interview requests.

McCoy, 29, has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity to aggravated murder and assault in 12 shootings — including the fatal shooting of 6-year-old Gail Knisley. He could face the death penalty if convicted of aggravated murder.

Jury selection began Friday, and the trial is expected to last until mid-May.

Brent Knisley, 44, said he and his brother plan to trade off attending the trial and running the family's collectible repair shop in Washington Court House, about 40 miles southwest of Columbus.

Gail Knisley was being driven by friend to school when an appointment when a bullet pierced the driver's door and killed her in November 2003. No one else was ever hit.

Just after the shooting, Loren Knisley's teacher gave her an index card with one green side and one red side to put on the blackboard. If the red side was showing, students knew not to talk about the death. Loren turned up the green side if she was willing to discuss what happened.

"She's grown up way too fast," her father said.

One of McCoy's lawyers said the suspect's family was nervous about the start of the trial.

"I think there's a great deal of anxiety and concern and tension," attorney Michael Miller said. He added that McCoy's parents likely will be absent



Charles McCoy, a suspect in multiple highway shootings, appears at a pretrial hearing in Columbus, Ohio.

from the courtroom because they cannot have contact with their son since they are to testify.

McCoy's father declined to be interviewed. No one answered the door at the home where McCoy lived with his mother.

The jury will try to decide which is the more credible of two psychological evaluations. One said McCoy did not know the difference between right and wrong at the time of the shootings, and another said he did despite having paranoid schizophrenia.

## Sajak, White know where they stand

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Pat Sajak and Vanna White know where they stand in history.

It's been more than two decades since Sajak, 58, and White, 48, joined the "Wheel of Fortune" game show. But the co-hosts who so perfectly synchronize the motions of spinning the wheel and turning the letters say this will be the last stop in their careers.

"I'm at peace with what my obituary's going to say," said Sajak, who was taping episodes of "Wheel" this weekend on the show's first-ever stop in Kansas City.

Both once had other aspirations. Under the "Wheel of Fortune" become a TV bachelorette. But they say they're OK with that. They're paid well, work just a few days a month and reign over television's top syndicated show.

"I don't have much patience for quasi-celebrities that complain about their success," Sajak said.

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## NATION

## LIKELY TO SEE DISAPPOINTMENT

## U.S. Catholics want clergy reform

The Associated Press

The majority of America's Roman Catholics tell pollsters they want a greater voice for the laity in the church, that priests should be allowed to marry and that there should even be women in the clergy.

As the world's focus turns to the secretive election of the pope April 18, those U.S. Catholics might want to prepare themselves for some disappointment.

The winner seems certain to continue John Paul II's progressive policies on social issues such as war and peace, human rights and concern for the poor. But on hot-button concerns that so excite U.S. Catholics, and often the media, expect no changes. That includes the late pope's firm policies against women priests,

divorce and remarriage, birth control, gay sex, same-sex marriage, abortion, mercy-killing and stem cell research using human embryos.

Sands like that are "too close to the heart of the tradition for the next pope, or any pope, to change," says Russell Shaw, former spokesman for the U.S. bishops' conference.

Prominent American Catholics both from the left and right agree with Shaw, though they do see possibilities for flexibility at the margins.

A moderate pope might speak less about birth control than John Paul did for instance, or tolerate theologians' discussion about topics like women priests. A pope might stop using such issues as litmus tests in picking bishops. Or he could subtly allow

local dioceses to decide whether to allow Communion for some remarried Catholics, even if they lack annulments.

However, it's also conceivable the next pope will be more conservative than John Paul — which in some ways would please Catholics in developing countries, where the faith is growing. The Rev. Joseph Fessio, provost of Florida Ave. Maria University, says John Paul brilliantly proclaimed Catholic tradition but "he really hasn't, in a lot of cases, backed up that teaching with disciplinary action or enforcement." That's something Fessio would like to see more of.

Paul Baumann, editor of the liberal lay magazine *Commonweal*, acknowledges an ultraconservative is a definite possibility — one he sees as unlikely. "The likelihood of there being a progressive pope is slight to nil," Baumann said. "I think it's

much more likely that we'll get a very conservative pope, but one without the charisma or public presence of John Paul."

He hopes for a moderate conservative, who'll emphasize church unity.

And as far as women priests go, there's not a chance, said Kathleen Cummings, who teaches women's history at the University of Notre Dame.

"The Catholic Church is a patriarchal institution," she said. "It's a structure run by males that views women primarily if not exclusively as wives and mothers."

The Rev. James Martin of *America* magazine says four Vatican sources told him that, under John Paul, the Vatican was about to issue a decree clamping severe restrictions on an outright ban on seminarians who acknowledge they're gay — even if they are celibate.

## General assembly meets in public, often votes in private

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — Lobbyists wedge their feet against the double doors so they can press an ear to the wood without getting whacked in the head. They offer slices of pizza to reporters in exchange for an account of what happened behind closed doors.

Some advocates have resorted to extreme measures to sniff out the action they're missing as they're shut out of committee voting sessions in Maryland's General Assembly.

Maryland's open meetings law generally calls for committee voting sessions to be open, and the official policy of the state House and Senate is to expose them to the sunshine. But lawmakers widely abide by an unwritten rule that calls for clearing the public out of committee rooms before votes are taken.

It's a practice that is unusual in state legislatures, experts say.

A survey of House and Senate chambers nationwide, conducted by the National Conference of State Legislatures in 2002, found that rules governing most chambers require they keep committee meetings open.

In Florida, as few as two lawmakers getting together to discuss official business must open their meeting. In Wisconsin, legislators publicize their committee hearings and voting sessions 24 hours ahead of time on the state's Web site.

In Maryland, some lobbyists and lawmakers argue that lawmakers debate more openly if those with a stake in the bills are not present. But advocates of open government, including some legislators, point out that committee votes are the heart of the action in the legislature and should be open for anyone who wants to observe them.

Of the 2,500 bills introduced

last year, 1,500 lapsed or were killed in committees. The fate of many of the 2,650 bills from this year's session is still being decided.

"The committee is like the engine room," said James Browning, director of Common Cause Maryland, a government watchdog group. "This is where the action is really happening."

It's up to the panel leaders when to begin deliberating and voting, but lobbyists and aides of Republican Gov. Robert Ehrlich say the action usually is delayed until they leave the room. Lawmakers say it's also common practice to put off voting until the general public — and news reporters — scatter.

Often they post a sign outside that reads "VOTING" — an attempt to shoo away Joe Citizen.

"By law, the voting sessions

are open," said Sen. Sharon Crockett, a Democrat. "By practice, they tend to be closed."

Reporters are generally allowed to watch voting, although there is no public notice of when committees plan to vote, other than brief announcements hours or minutes beforehand on the floors of the chambers.

There are a lot of games that get played," said Delegate Donald Dwyer, a Republican member of the House Judiciary Committee.

The tradition in the Maryland state capital is longstanding. "When I was a chairman, I would have somebody ask that lobbyist to leave, knowing I couldn't force him to leave," said Casper Taylor, a former House Speaker who led the House Economic Matters Committee from 1987 to 1994. "But to just explain to them it's a tradition of Economic Matters not to have lobbyists in voting sessions."

## Moonlighting cops face tax fraud charges

CHICAGO (AP) — Eleven current and former police officers have been charged with failing to pay taxes on income they earned as bouncers at suburban strip clubs, prosecutors said Friday.

The defendants, who also included two jail guards, a suburban police dispatcher and a library official, earned between \$1,000 to \$25,000 a year while moonlighting as bouncers at the clubs, prosecutors said. The charges were filed Thursday.

Three of those charged are current Chicago police officers. The officers will be reassigned to administrative duties while the department investigates the allegations and whether it was appropriate for the officers to be working at the clubs, said Sgt. Robert Cargile, a spokesman for the police department.

All 15 defendants are charged with either filing a false tax return, which carries a maximum sentence of three years and a \$250,000 fine, or failing to file, which carries a maximum of one year in prison and a \$100,000 fine.



Stu Schechter, bottom, one of the sculptor/designers of the signature artwork in the new Central Terminal at Sea-Tac Airport entitled "Landing," works on hanging the piece Friday in Seattle, Wash. When completed, the work, comprised of hundreds of pewter cast sculptures and thousands of suspended abstract elements, will take the form of a goose landing on water with its reflection below. "Landing" is the work of Hemlick and Schechter Sculpture of Newton, Mass.

## Earth's oldest known object on display for one day only

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Call it much ado about almost nothing.

To create buzz about an otherwise arcane subject, the University of Wisconsin-Madison showed off a tiny speck of zircon crystal believed to be the oldest known piece of Earth at about 4.4 billion years old.

Saturday's daylong celebration was capped with "The Rock Concert" by jazz musicians who composed music to try to answer the question: What does 4.4 billion years old sound like?

"This is it — the oldest thing ever. One day only," said Joe Skulan, director of the UW-Madison Geology Museum, where the object was displayed under police guard. "The idea

of having a big celebration of something that's so tiny — we're playing with the obvious absurdity of it."

Jazz Passengers, a six-piece group from New York, was hired to compose music for the event. Composer Roy Nathanson said he mixed humor, jazz music, computer-generated beats and the occasional rock-like being banged together to "follow the geological history of how this zircon came about."

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# 'Bunker buster' nukes face hurdles

Foreign Affairs

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration is renewing a push to research and develop a new family of lower-yield nuclear weapons, including the controversial "bunker buster" or Robust Nuclear Earth Penetrator, that could be used against the underground weapons labs and leadership redoubts of the nation's enemies.

Taking a new approach, the administration is insisting that the nation's existing nuclear weapons stockpile has flaws and is ill suited to meet current and future threats. Officials are seeking approval several prototypes for new nuclear warheads within the next 7 to 10 years.

But opponents, including some Republicans, argue that these weapons' smaller, more discrete yield would make them more likely to be used, and that their very existence could provoke a new nuclear arms race at a time when the United States is trying to curb global nuclear proliferation.

Last year, opponents in the House blocked funding for new nuclear weapons research, though the research had been funded in previous sessions. Trying again with a different set of arguments, the administration is asserting that the U.S. nuclear stockpile is perishable, not appropriate for military needs and difficult to protect against terrorists.

Plans call for spending \$22.5 million on developing the bunker buster through the next two fiscal years, as well as spending \$97 million on lower-yield warhead replacements over the next five years.

Opponents vow to fight this new initiative, with Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., announcing Friday he had gathered 88 cosponsors — including one Republican, Rep. Chris Shays of Connecticut — for a measure to keep bunker buster funding from the administration's budget. It appeared last week before

the Senate Armed Services Committee. Linton Brooks, chief of the National Nuclear Security Administration, said the existing stockpile was designed principally for the Cold War era, with multiwarhead missiles and is "wrong" for current threats.

He told senators there were a number of compelling reasons for bunker buster research and replacements for the stockpile. "The stockpile we inherited from the Cold War may not be the right stockpile militarily," Brooks said. "We have no capability against deeply buried targets. Our systems are unsuited for some specialized missions."

He asserted that the administration was not pursuing the development of new weapons beyond the bunker buster, but warned the nation had to prepare for the nuclear armament needs of the future.

Other than to request completing this modest research and development effort on the Robust Nuclear Earth Penetrator, we aren't investigating any capability changes," Brooks said, adding that the United States needs to maintain the capability to respond to future threats.

Brooks also warned that the security threats to the nation's nuclear arsenal have changed and that new technologies and safety approaches could make the weapons stockpile more secure, though he gave few details. During the Cold War, he said, the biggest fear was spies stealing nuclear secrets; now, officials must also worry about a terrorist suicide team infiltrating a site and detonating a nuclear warhead there.

The U.S. stockpile of several thousand warheads was not built to last, he said, and must be annually certified as reliable. The United States ceased underground nuclear testing in 1992, so certification now involves elaborate X-ray examination of warhead structures and nuclear munitions under explosive stress.

# Democrat leader defends filibusters

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid said Saturday that the fight over President Bush's judicial nominees is really a battle between Democrats who believe in checks and balances and Republicans who want everything their way.

The GOP has threatened to change the Senate rules to ban filibusters of judicial nominees, which Democrats have used to block 10 Bush nominees.

"When it comes down to it, stripping away these important checks and balances is about the arrogance of those in power who want to rewrite the rules so that they can get their way," Reid, D-Nev., said in his party's weekly radio address.

The Republican plan has been dubbed the "nuclear option" because some say it would



Sen. Harry Reid

blow up Senate relations. Some supporters call it the "constitutional option" because they say forcing confirmation votes will return the Senate to its constitutional responsibility to advise and consent on judicial nominees.

Reid has threatened to retaliate by slowing down or stopping Senate business through procedural maneuvers. While the fight is technically over the internal rules of the Senate, Reid said it is still important. "This isn't about some arcane procedures of the Senate. It is

about protecting liberty and our limited government," he said.

Without the judicial filibuster, "the U.S. Senate becomes merely a rubber stamp for the president," Reid said. "It would mean that one political party — be it Republicans today or Democrats tomorrow — gets to have all the say over our nation's highest courts."

Reid also targeted House Majority Leader Tom DeLay in his remarks. While not identifying him by name, Reid said there was a "Republican leader threatening judges who protect our rights and corrupting our government by running roughshod over the ethics committee to protect himself."

DeLay, R-Texas, suggested an impeachment case could be made against judges who rebuffed Congress' will in the Terri Schiavo case. Congress ordered the federal courts to review the decisions of state judges who turned down her parents' efforts to keep her alive, but federal judges all the way up to the Supreme Court held up those decisions.

The House ethics committee admonished DeLay three times last year, and new questions have been raised in recent weeks about his overseas travel.

With his blessing, Republican leaders have remade the House ethics rules and the committee that reprimanded him, inserting allies and policies more favorable to his circumstances. "Our children know that you can change the rules just to get your way," Reid said. "I think it's time that Washington Republicans remembered those truths."

## Author donates millions to fund ophthalmology

BALTIMORE (AP) — Author Tom Clancy, who reaped millions from blockbuster such as "Patriot Games" and "The Hunt for Red October," wants people to see life a little more clearly.



Tom Clancy

To that end, he has donated \$2 million to fund a professorship in ophthalmology at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

The first doctor to hold the seat being funded by Clancy's donation, Dr. Terence P. O'Brien, has treated the writer who was diagnosed in 2001 with pathological myopia. The rare type of nearsightedness, in which the eyeball continues to elongate, can lead to profound vision loss.

Clancy has been a longtime supporter of Johns Hopkins' Wilmer Eye Institute and has included the institute in his books.

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# States scramble to protect consumers' personal data

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Legislators in more than two dozen states are considering ways to give consumers more control over personal information that is collected and sold by private firms, but many of the proposals are drawing fire from financial services companies.

Bills are on the table in 28 states responding to a series of high-profile security breaches at information brokers, banks and universities that, so far, this year have resulted in more than 1 million Social Security numbers, drivers' license numbers, names and addresses falling into the hands of potential identity thieves.

In the latest case, a student group in San Jose announced Friday that records on roughly 185,000 current and former students may have been exposed after two of its computers were stolen.

The state activity is being closely tracked on Capitol Hill, where several House and Senate members have introduced or are preparing identity theft legislation.

Generally, the various state bills do not target how thieves are obtaining data, through hacking, mail or other means. But consumer groups and privacy advocates, who are championing many of the initiatives, say they would help shield consumers from the harm and damage that identity theft can cause.

One group of bills would allow consumers to "freeze" their credit reports so that sen-

sitive data could not be given out to anyone without permission from the individual each time the data were requested.

Identity thieves often strike by obtaining a piece of private information, such as a Social Security number, and then using it to establish credit and make purchases.

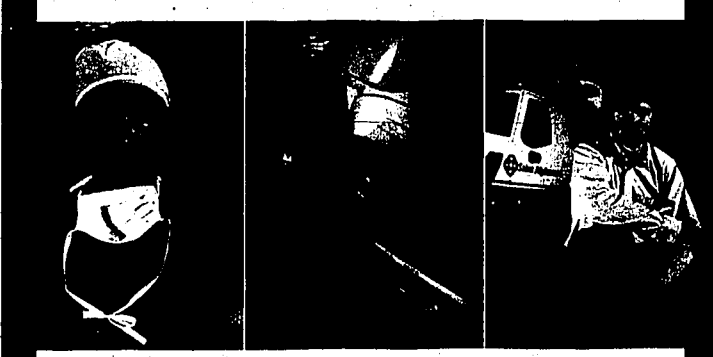
Credit-freeze bills are moving through legislatures in about 20 states. In some cases, any consumer could order a freeze at any time. In other states, only people whose data have been breached would have that option.

"For years consumers have been told to take steps to protect their data by buying personal shredders and changing their passwords," said Kerry Smith, senior consumer attorney with state Public Interest Research Groups. "But, as the Chelsea Point and other scandals demonstrate, consumers have little control over their personal information. With the security freeze in place, consumers would be able to lock identity thieves out of their credit files."

Trade groups representing banks, mortgage brokers and credit bureaus are lobbying hard to defeat the freeze idea, arguing that it would cause consumers unforeseen headaches.

Since a consumer could not remove a freeze instantly — because the request would have to be verified and processed — some opportunities for the consumer to make purchases or do other business might be temporarily affected.

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## Jackson witnesses tell different stories

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — They may not be as unpredictable as Michael Jackson, but witnesses in the singer's child molestation case have surprised lawyers on both sides with unexpected testimony.

Flight attendant Cynthia Bell had been expected to testify this past week that Jackson shared wine with his young accuser on an airplane trip — but she said no such thing.

Bell testified she served Jackson wine in a Diet Coke can but did not see the boy drink from it.

Prosecutors also thought Leslie Salas, the pop star's former house manager, would say he served wine to Jackson and several boys. But on the witness stand, Salas suddenly remembered he had also brought soda for the boys.

Jackson, 46, is on trial on charges of molesting a 13-year-old boy at his Neverland ranch in 2003, and one of the counts alleges he pilled his accuser with alcohol, but the testimony left prosecutors with no direct evidence to prove that allegation.

"The DA's come up empty-handed," said Jim Hammer, an analyst at Fox News and a former San Francisco prosecutor. "You shouldn't be surprised by your own witnesses."

Jackson case has seen an unusual number of people change key aspects of their testimony or say something unexpected, said Loyola Law School professor Laurie Levenson. It could be a sign that prosecutors are overwhelmed by the number of witnesses or by how quickly the case went to trial, she said.

"When you do last-minute preparation, you're more likely to have surprises," Levenson said.

Defense attorneys also have faced unexpected testimony. They had hoped comedian George Lopez would say the accuser once tried to cut him out of \$300 by claiming that, Lopez took money from the boy's wallet. During testimony, however, Lopez accused the boy's father of orchestrating the scheme.

Prosecutors have occasionally looked frustrated as their witnesses strayed.

Jackson's accuser told a grand jury last year that the pop star once appeared nude



Comedian George Lopez arrives at the Santa Barbara County Courthouse March 28 in Santa Maria, Calif.

In front of him and his brother and told them it was "natural." But while testifying last month, the boy did not initially recall the statement. When prosecutor Tom Sneddon pressed the boy, asking if he recalled what he told the grand jury, defense attorney Thomas Messerieu Jr. accused Sneddon of coaching the witness.

"I agree," Superior Court Judge Rodney S. Melville said. "I can't refresh his memory?" Sneddon asked. "Not if he says 'I can't recall,'" the judge said.

"I can't recall," the boy said. Eventually, the boy was allowed to review his grand jury testimony and then said he remembered Jackson making the statement.

Several witnesses testified that they met with prosecutors only a day or two before taking the stand, suggesting they had little time to review earlier statements to sheriff's investigators, grand jurors or during lawsuits.

Salas seemed to catch prosecutor Gordon Auchincloss off guard when asked if he had served wine to Jackson and children. The former house manager said he did bring wine but also had brought soda for the children.

"When you talked to the Sheriff's Department about this, you never mentioned anything about any soda," Auchincloss said.

"It just flipped into my mind right now," Salas testified.

## Who will care for the cows?

### Fewer vets go into large-animal care

BEAR CREEK TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP) — Dr. Colleen Thorp examined a black-and-white cow struggling to give birth, finally deciding that the calf was too large and needed to be helped along.

Looping chains around the calf's front legs for a better grip, Thorp nudged and twisted until the newborn bull plopped onto the barn floor.

"He couldn't have lived much longer," said Thorp, who gently massaged the calf's slimy chest and tickled its nose. "He's just exhausted. But he'll be fine."

The calf survived because Thorp was in the right place at the right time. But in rural areas nationwide, the availability of veterinarians to treat large farm

animals is increasingly uncertain.

As older practitioners retire, younger vets are showing less interest in large-animal care. The trend is "alarming," according to Ray Stock, a lobbyist for the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA).

Of 71,118 AVMA-member vets in the United States last year, only about 22 percent treated large farm animals such as cattle, pigs and sheep at least part-time. More than 45 percent of the organization's 22,330 members did so in 1996, the earliest year for which statistics are available.

An AVMA survey of graduates from the nation's veterinary schools last year found about 25 percent willing to devote at least part time to large animals — down from 36 percent a decade earlier.

The trend is a problem for

South Dakota, where "we have five cows for every man, woman and child," says Dr. Sam Holland, the state veterinarian.

"What do you do when your ranch is 70 miles from town and there's only one vet in town, and during the calving season the vet may be called to go three different directions at the same time?" Holland asked.

Thorp has practiced for 17 years since graduating from the Michigan State University vet school, and she tries to stay within 35 miles of her office. But she often gets requests from further away.

"People will say, 'I don't know what to do, there are no vets here,'" she says, driving toward another family farm. "I advise them to bring 'em up and truck and bring 'em up here. I feel for them, but there's only so much I can do."

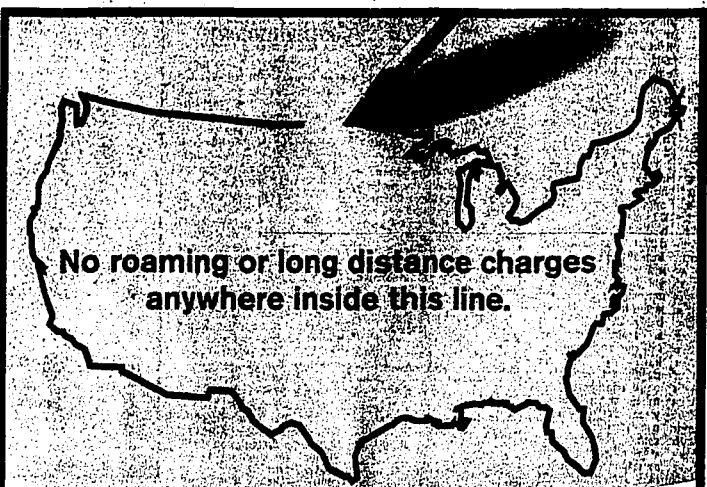
The shortfall reflects the de-

cline of the traditional rural lifestyle. As the number of farms shrinks, so does the pool of veterinarians who grew up in the country around cows and pigs.

Thorp says few young people today will put up with the hassles of large animal medicine: long hours, middle-of-the-night emergencies and dirty and physically demanding labor.

She's also been kicked a few times, and suffered a cracked rib a couple of years ago in a run-in with a cow.

Large-animal practice also has a reputation for being less lucrative than small-animal care, even though an AVMA study in 2002 found the mean earnings for specialists in either field were about \$84,000 a year. But vets with a mixed clientele, a common arrangement in rural areas, earned about \$11,000 less.



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# BATTLE AGAINST TIME

## Science's doomsday team vs. the asteroids

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Astronomer David Tholen spotted a tiny asteroid in the early evening of April 15, using the University of Arizona's Bok telescope. It was a new "near-Earth object," a flighty asteroid wandering through space just close to Earth.

Tholen's team took three pictures that night and three the next night, but storm clouds and the moon blocked further observations. They reported their find to the Minor Planet Center, in Cambridge, Mass., and moved on.

Six months later, Tholen's object was spotted again in Australia's asteroid "2004 MN4." In the space of five days straddling Christmas, startled astronomers refined their calculations as the probability of the 1,000-foot-wide stone missile hitting Earth rose from one chance in 170 to one in 38.

They had never measured anything as potentially dangerous to Earth impact would come on Friday the 13th in April 2029. The holidays and the tsunami in South Asia pushed 2004 MN4 out of the news, and in the meantime additional observations showed that the asteroid would miss, but only by 15,000 to 25,000 miles — about one-tenth the distance to the moon.

But 2004 MN4 was no false alarm. Instead, it has provided the world with the best evidence yet that a catastrophic encounter with a rogue visitor from space is not only possible but probably inevitable.

It also demonstrated the tenacity of the small band of professionals and amateurs who track potential impact asteroids, and highlighted the shortcomings of an international system that pays scant attention to their work.

"I used to say the total number of people interested in this was no more than one shift at a NASA's research center," said David Morrison, an astronomer at NASA's Ames Research Center and a student of near-Earth objects for nearly three decades.

Now it may be two shifts. Awareness of the apocalyptic potential of near-Earth objects

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has been slow to develop. It took years. Nobel laureate Luis Alvarez and his son Walter to win acceptance for their 1980 research showing that a near-Earth object impact quite likely caused the extinction of the dinosaurs 65 million years ago.

"The human brain wouldn't grasp reality until it had some what more direct evidence," said Colorado-based planetary scientist Clark B. Chapman of the Southwest Research Institute, another longtime expert on near-Earth objects. Alvarez provided that.

The vast majority of near-Earth objects are asteroids, huge rocks or chunks of iron that travel around the sun in eccentric orbits that cross Earth's path periodically. The rest are comets — ancient piles of dust, stones and ice that come in from the edges of the solar system.

"The good news is that comets represent 1 percent of the danger," said Donald K. Yeoman, who manages NASA's Near-Earth Object Program at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. The bad news is that should we find one, there's not a lot we can do about it. — We detect them only nine months from impact."

Asteroids, by contrast, generally offer decades or even centuries of warning — unless they are too small to detect, in which case there is no warning at all. But today's technology enables astronomers to get a fix on any asteroid capable of causing a global "extinction event" — six miles in diameter or bigger.

Asteroid 2004 MN4 is a "regional" hazard — big enough to flatten Texas or a couple of European countries, with an impact equivalent to 10,000 megatons of dynamite — more than all the nuclear weapons in the world. Even though it will be a near miss in 2029, that will not

be the last word. "You don't know what the gravitational effect of the Earth will be," said Brian Marsden, who oversees the hunt for near-Earth objects as director of the Minor Planet Center at the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics.

"In 2029, the close encounter with Earth will increase the size of the orbit, and the object could get into a resonance with the Earth," he added. "You could get orbit matches every five years or nine years, or something in between." In fact, 2004 MN4 could come close again in 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038 or later.

So, what can be done? The first thought, dramatically depicted in the 1998 movie "Deep Impact" and "Armageddon," is to nuke the intruder into small pieces so it will burn up in Earth's atmosphere.

Many scientists say, however, that this is unacceptably sloppy — instead of obliterating the target, the bomb could break the asteroid into large radioactive chunks capable of transforming huge stretches of Earth into wasteland.

Or the explosion could deflect but not destroy the asteroid, putting it on a future collision course. A nuclear strategy would also forever require a stockpile of doomsday weapons.

The cure's worse than the disease," said former Apollo astronaut Russell L. "Rusty" Schweickart. He is a board member of the B612 Foundation, a group of experts promoting a space mission by 2015 to send a "tugboat" spacecraft to a near-Earth object, dock with it and gently alter its speed enough to change its orbit — to show that it can be done. (B612 is the name of the asteroid home of "The Little Prince," in the Antoine de Saint-Exupéry story) "You want to

delay or speed up the asteroid a little," said Berlin-based Alan Harris, chairman of the European Space Agency's Near-Earth Object Mission Advisory Panel. "What kind of surface do you have: is it rocky? Dusty? Rubbery? How much force can I apply? I don't want to break it up — unless I really break it up."

B612 has a design but little money, while ESA has spent only a nominal amount to study the feasibility of a reconnaissance mission to an asteroid. NASA, at \$4 million a year, is currently the big spender for near-Earth object research.

Tholen, of the University of Hawaii, is a frequent contributor in the search for threatening objects. He specializes in "Ateas," a subspecies that orbit mostly between the Earth and the sun and are difficult to see in the glare of the sun. To spot Ateas, astronomers must work at dawn or dusk.

Tholen's team, on a field trip to the University of Arizona's Steward Observatory, had booked an hour on the evenings of June 19, 20, 23 and 24, 2004. They found a new Ateas on the first evening and saw it again on the second evening. It was about 106 million miles away.

The team recorded the sightings and sent them electronically to Marsden, who published the object's position, which he named 2004 MN4 in accordance with a complicated coding system based on the date of discovery.

Tholen waited for another opportunity, but rain clouds cloaked the sky. When the storm passed, the moon was squaring right where the team wanted to look. For the next six months, nobody looked for it.

"It would be awfully nice to have information so we don't get surprised," said Schweickart, who advocates flying a small interceptor mission to plant a transponder on 2004 MN4 that would constantly radio its location, tagging it like a grizzly bear. "Our favorite little asteroid might provide enough reality here to provoke people. Maybe we should get serious."

## World's first test tube gorilla fails to bond with new daughter

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The world's first test tube gorilla is not bonding with her new daughter, zoo officials said Saturday.

Timu, a 9-year-old Western lowland gorilla, took care of her newborn for a few hours after Friday's birth, but then lost interest, said Dr. Lee Simmons, director of the Henry Doody Zoo.

Timu was hand-raised, which makes it hard for her to bond with her offspring, Simmons said.

The baby will be hand-raised and given to a surrogate gorilla mother in hopes that Timu will learn from watching that relationship and will be a better mother when she has another baby, Simmons said.

Timu also failed to bond with her first baby, Bambino, who was born at the zoo in August 2003. That baby also had to be hand-raised.

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## U.S. archivist will seek assurances from Nixon Library board about funding

WASHINGTON (AP) — The newly appointed archivist of the United States will visit the privately run Nixon Library in Yorba Linda, Calif., next week to seek assurances about the facility's commitment to professionalizing its operations before receiving federal funding and the former president's publicly held archives.

"We have to raise everyone's comfort level to the fact that things are being done to honor that agreement. And that's what I'm looking for. I want my own personal level raised," archivist Allen Weinstein said in an interview this week.

After an embarrassing episode in which the library canceled a planned conference on Nixon and Vietnam, drawing complaints from historians, Weinstein and library executive director John Taylor exchanged letters last month in which they set out several steps the library would take.

Among them: make public the late president's confidential tape recordings concerning politics, redesign some exhibits to National Archives standards and schedule a new Vietnam conference.

Weinstein said he hoped to find steps forward had been taken when he meets with members of the library foundation's 22-member board at an April 16 lunch at the library 30 miles south of Los Angeles.

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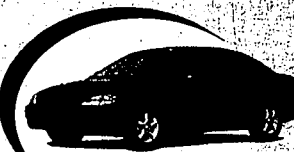


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# MORE IN COMMON THAN BOMBS

## Attorney in serial bombing case defended the Unabomber

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — The lawyer at the center of the deal that will spare serial bomber Eric Rudolph his life has helped keep other big-name defendants off death row — including Unabomber Ted Kaczynski.

Judy Clarke has been described as a "one-woman Dream Team" by a colleague who helped her defend Susan Smith, the South Carolina mom who avoided a death sentence after being convicted of drowning her two little boys in 1995.

Clarke helped Kaczynski cop a plea and avoid a death sentence, and on Friday Rudolph followed suit, agreeing to plead guilty to the deadly 1996 Olympic park bombing in Atlanta, a fatal 1998 abortion clinic blast in Birmingham and two others in Atlanta in 1997.

A staunch opponent of capital punishment, Clarke works for the federal defender's office in San Diego, Calif., and is considered one of the nation's leading death penalty lawyers. She just doesn't believe in the death penalty, so she does everything she can to keep that from happening, said Doug Jones, who was U.S. attorney in Birmingham at the time of the abortion clinic bombing.

In court, where she typically wears dark suits with floppy bows tied, Clarke showed what appeared to be an easy familiarity with Rudolph. She often leaned over to whisper to him or occasionally put a hand on his shoulder to make a point.

Rudolph, believed to be a follower of a white supremacist



Serial bombing suspect Eric Rudolph is led to a police car after a hearing at a federal courthouse June 22 in Huntsville, Ala.

religion, that is anti-abortion, anti-gay and anti-Semitic, became an almost mythic figure to some in the region as he eluded a 5.25-year manhunt of Appalachian wilderness.

He was captured near a grocery store trash bin in Murphy, N.C., in 2003 and charged with carrying out a string of bombings that killed two people and wounded more than 120.

Clarke's Southern roots — she grew up in Asheville, N.C., not

far from where Rudolph built his bombs — could have helped Rudolph get comfortable enough to make the plea bargain, said Jones, who has known Clarke for years.

I think she obviously ended up being critical in this case, Jones, now an attorney in private practice, said in an interview Saturday.

Clarke, who rarely grants interviews, did not return messages seeking comment.

A former president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Clarke gained prominence with the Susan Smith case, when she convinced jurors that Smith did not deserve to die for drowning her sons by strapping them in a car and driving it into a lake. She donated her \$83,000 fee for the case to a group that defends the poor in capital cases.

Before an Alabama judge appointed her to represent Rudolph, Clarke was assisting with the defense of Zacarias Moussawi, the only U.S. defendant charged in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Rudolph will receive four consecutive life terms if judges agree to the plea deal in hearings set for Wednesday. He could be sent to the same maximum-security federal prison in Colorado that houses Kaczynski.

Rudolph still must tell judges enough about the crimes to prove he really committed the bombings. He directed authorities to his stash of about 250 pounds of stolen dynamite and a bomb in western North Carolina — information that helped prompt prosecutors to make the deal.

But Rudolph isn't under any apparent requirement to explain how or why he launched a string of bombings that terrorized the South.

Emily Lyons, a nurse who was critically injured in the Alabama bombing, is troubled by the fact she may never know what really happened. Rudolph's remote-controlled bomb, which prosecutors say was housed in a green toolbox disguised with fake greenery, blasted away Lyons' memory of that day as it ripped apart her body.

I have no concept of what a bomb does except for what happened to me, Lyons said in an interview. I want to know what happened. I want them to piece the day together for me.

# Missed deadlines cost studios royalty money

WASHINGTON (AP) — Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer (MGM) and Universal Studios will lose out on millions of dollars in royalties because they missed a deadline to file paperwork with the government, a federal appeals court ruled Friday.

The U.S. Copyright Office collects fees from cable and satellite companies that broadcast films and distributes the money to copyright owners after they file claims. Those claims must be sent by July 31 each year.

In 2001, MGM's claim ar-

rived on Aug. 2 and Universal Studios' on Aug. 3. The studios each estimated the values of their claims in the millions of dollars.

In November, the Copyright Office notified both studios that their claims would be rejected unless they could produce proof they were mailed in July.

The studios submitted sworn statements from mail room clerks saying the claims were sent before July 31, and declarations from federal postal workers about normal delivery times.



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## Reporters, editor investigate popular writer

DETROIT (AP) — An assistant managing editor and a group of reporters at the Detroit Free Press will conduct an investigation prompted by errors in a column by best-selling author Mitch Albom, the newspaper's managing editor said.

Basically it will be so reporters doing what reporters do, which is checking it out, Free Press managing editor Thom Fladung said Friday in a telephone interview.

Albom apologized to readers Thursday for reporting that former Michigan State players Mateen Cleaves and Jason Richardson attended last

weekend's Michigan State-North Carolina NCAA basketball game.

He'd written the players "sat in the stands, in their MSU clothing, and rooted on their alma mater." Neither player was at the game.

Albom said he wrote the column before the game took place, as if the events already had happened, based on what the players had told him they planned to do. The paper said the players' plans changed after they were interviewed.

The column had to be filed Friday afternoon — a day before the game — but appeared in the

paper Sunday, Albom said. The paper said the section in which the column appeared was printed before the game.

The investigation first was announced in a letter to readers from publisher and editor Carole Leigh Hutton, and published on the paper's front page Friday.

Fladung said Jeff Taylor, assistant managing editor for investigative reporting, is heading the review. Fladung said there is no timeline, but "we hope they're going to move with all deliberate speed. We owe it to ourselves and to Mitch."

Albom's work will not appear in the Free Press during the investigation.

Albom, host of a nationally syndicated radio talk show and author of the best-selling books "Tuesdays With Morrie" and "The Five People You Meet in Heaven," said in his column Thursday he should not have assumed Cleaves and Richardson would be at the game.

We have high standards at this newspaper, and I have high standards for myself. We, the editors and I — got caught in an assumption that shouldn't have happened. It won't again.

## Suspect in shooting of coach had complained of how team treated son

CANTON, Texas (AP) — A man charged with shooting and critically wounding his son's high school football coach had gotten into altercations with parents and coaches before and may have believed his son was being treated unfairly, witnesses said.

Assistant football coach Howard Bell said Friday that football coaches at Canton High School became wary of Jeffrey Doyle Robertson after he threatened students he believed were picking on his son and pushed an assistant coach at a picnic



Jeffrey Robertson

when the coach tried to intervene.

"We already had said we were afraid of the guy. We saw how he had acted around the kids," Bell said.

Once, during a game last season, Bell said Robertson stormed onto the field and confronted a coach, demanding to know why his son

hadn't played in the first half. Bell said Robertson then took his son out of the game.

Robertson, who had been banned from the school for his earlier clashes with coaches, allegedly charged into the high school field house just after classes started Thursday and shot head coach Gary Joe Kinne.

Kinne was in critical but stable condition at a hospital Saturday. He was expected to undergo surgery to repair his damaged liver and remove the bullet lodged in his back.

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## Rebuilding sees maintenance woes

Los Angeles Times

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi officials have crippled scores of water, sewage and electrical plants refurbished with U.S. funds by failing to maintain and operate them properly, wasting millions of American taxpayer dollars in the process, according to interviews and documents.

Hardest hit has been the effort to rebuild Iraq's water and sewage systems, a multimillion-dollar task considered among the most crucial components of the effort to improve daily life for Iraqis. Of more than 40 such plants run by the Iraqis, not one is being operated properly, according to Bechtel Group Inc., the contractor at work on the project.

The power grid faces similar problems. U.S. officials said Iraqis' inability to properly oper-

ate overhauled electrical plants contributed to widespread power shortages this winter. None of the 19 electrical plants that has had U.S.-funded repair work is being run correctly, a senior American adviser said.

An internal memo by coalition officials in Iraq obtained by the Los Angeles Times says that throughout Iraq, renovated plants "deteriorate quickly to an alarming state of despair and ineffectiveness."

Iraqis are paying the price. Schoolchildren have to step over rancid brown puddles on their way to classrooms. Families swim in, fish from and get their drinking water from the polluted Tigris and Euphrates rivers, leading to high rates of child mortality and water-borne illnesses. People jury-rig pumps in their homes to increase water flow — poisoning

the water further by sucking sewage through cracks in the lines.

U.S. officials blame insufficient training, logistical problems and an indifferent work ethic learned under the regime of Saddam Hussein. Iraqis say the Americans excluded them from the early stages of the projects and have not provided adequate funds for upkeep.

The failures have left U.S. and Iraqi officials contemplating a disheartening scenario: After expending billions of dollars and tremendous effort, some of the reconstruction effort might quite literally go to waste. One official involved in reconstruction estimated that "hundreds of millions" had been squandered because of improper operation and maintenance of U.S.-funded projects.

It is the result, some U.S. officials said, of a misguided effort that has put more focus on dirt-turning than developing the skills Iraqis need to operate and maintain the expensive equipment that is being installed.

A State Department report to Congress on Thursday acknowledged the problem and proposed shifting \$67 million to pay for additional operation and maintenance programs to protect U.S. investment in the projects.

"This has been my biggest problem and concern in Iraq," said Mark Ovtatt, who oversees water projects for the U.S. Agency for International Development, America's primary overseas development arm. "Americans are investing hundreds of millions in Iraq. The capacity is not there to maintain it."

## AUTEURS OF WAR

## Soldiers make graphic films of fury

Los Angeles Times

BAQUBAH, Iraq — When Pfc. Chase McCullough went home on leave in November, he brought a movie made by fellow soldiers in Iraq. On his first night back at his parents' house in Texas, he showed the video to his fiancée, family and friends.

"This is what they saw a handful of American soldiers filmed through the green haze of night-vision goggles. Radio communication between two soldiers crackles in the background and its crowded out by a heavy-metal soundtrack.

"Don't need your forgiveness," the song by the band Dope begins as images unfurl: armed soldiers posing in front of Bradley fighting vehicles, two women covered in black "abayas" walking along a dusty road, a blue-domed mosque, a poster of radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. Then, to the fast, hard beat of the music — "Die, don't need your presence. Die, don't need your prayers" — charred, decapitated and bloody corpses fill the screen.

"It's like a trophy something to keep," McCullough, 20, said back at his cramped living quarters at Camp Warhorse near Baqubah. "I was there. I did this."

Film cameras arrived at the front during World War II, but soldiers didn't really document their own combat experience until the Vietnam War. (The technology didn't lend itself to amateurish, home-movie-making until the arrival of the smaller Super 8 cameras.)

Today, video cameras are lightweight and digital technology has cut out the need for processing. Having captured a firefight on video, a soldier can create a movie and distribute it via e-mail, uncensored by the military. With editing software such as iMovie and access to Internet connections on military bases here, U.S. soldiers are creating fast-paced, MTV-style movie videos using images from actual firefights and killings.

Troops often carry personal cameras and video equipment in battle. On occasion, official military cameras, known as "Combat Camera" units, follow the troops on raids and

patrol. Although the military says that footage for training and public affairs, it also finds its way to personal computers and commercial Web sites.

The result is an abundance of photographs and video footage depicting mutilation, death and destruction that soldiers collect and trade like baseball cards.

"I have a lot of pictures of dead Iraqis — everybody does," said Spc. Jack Benson, 22, also stationed near Baqubah. He has collected five videos by other soldiers and is working on his own.

By adding music, soldiers create their own cinema version of the conflict. Although many are humorous or patriotic, others are gory, like McCullough's favorite.

"It gets the point across," he said. "This isn't some jolly freakin' peacekeeping mission."

Commanders have discretion to establish regulations concerning photography on base, but common-sense rules apply, an Army spokesman said. Images that threaten operational security — such as pictures of military installations or equipment — are not allowed.

Before being deployed to Iraq, some Marines were told they could not take pictures of detainees, dead or wounded Iraqis or American casualties. But photographs and videos of dead and maimed Iraqis proliferate.

"It doesn't bother you so much taking pictures of the guy who was just shooting at you," McCullough said. He added that he hadn't seen any pictures of dead U.S. soldiers. "It's just a little too morbid, a little too close to home."

On the bases where Benson and McCullough live, the Army regularly screens soldiers' quarters for drugs, alcohol and pornography as part of what it calls health and safety inspections. But searching personal laptops would infringe on soldiers' privacy, said Capt. Douglas Moore, a video advocate general officer with the 1st Brigade Combat Team at Warhorse. Besides, if this brand of filmmaking breaks rules, it's of a different kind. "It's in poor taste," Moore said. "Kind of sick."

## Guardsmen try to bring Iraqi family to U.S.

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Though Sgt. 1st Class Shayne Beckert is now safely home from Iraq, he finds his mind going back there late at night. What keeps him on edge is not the safety of his Army buddies. It's the fate of an Iraqi family he left behind.

Beckert formed a deep bond with an Iraqi man who became a reliable source of information about insurgent attacks. The man was gunned down in front of his son, and Beckert believes it was because he helped U.S. forces. "I haven't slept over six hours a night since I've been back, just thinking about him," Beckert said recently as he pored over photos of Iraq and his fellow guardsman, Capt. Grant Wilz. "It's just something that's been nagging on my mind."

Now that they're back, the two guardsmen are undertaking one final mission — bringing the family of their slain friend to the United States.

"He became like a brother to us, and we wanted to make sure he and his family were safe," Wilz said.

They have appealed for help on radio talk shows and donated their desert camouflage for the local fire department. They've enlisted the help of their U.S. congressmen, who says the Defense Department is ready to assist.

Now, Beckert and Wilz are raising on, raising enough money to buy the airline family's plane tickets and cover their living expenses for their first six months in the country.

The guardsmen say they won't give up until they succeed. It's a promise they made



Sgt. 1st Class Shayne Beckert, left, and Capt. Grant Wilz stand for a photo in Bismarck, N.D., on March 27. Beckert and Wilz are hoping to bring an Iraqi family to the United States.

to their friend's wife.

"I told her I would do everything in my power to get her and her kids to safety," Wilz said. "I'm going to exhaust every effort I can."

The situation has become more frantic in recent days, with the family receiving new threats from terrorists and some relatives who don't want them to come to the United States, Wilz said.

Wilz said he spoke to the mother of the family on Thursday. "You can just hear she is anxious and very frightened," he said. "She's in hiding with family."

He's hoping to collect more money through a fund set up with Catholic Charities North Dakota in Fargo, but says some costs may have to be covered with borrowed

funds to get the family to the United States quickly.

Rep. Earl Pomeroy has joined the cause, saying he believes fears about the family's safety are warranted.

"All of the stories about the terrible things done to collaborators and their families, I think, supports the notion that there's very good reason to be concerned about their safety," Pomeroy said.

The soldiers refuse to use the family's name publicly, fearful that terrorists will use the information to track down their friend's surviving relatives.

Beckert and Wilz say they first met the Iraqi family during regular patrols near their base in north-central Iraq. Wilz, a registered nurse, eventually offered

## Death toll from helicopter crash rises

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The death toll from the fiery crash of a U.S. helicopter in Afghanistan rose to 18 after searchers found the remains of two more American soldiers in the wreckage, the military said Saturday.

Investigators dispatched from the United States were heading to the site of Wednesday's crash, the deadliest for Americans since the fall of the Taliban in 2001, to examine whether bad weather was to blame.

Thirteen U.S. service members and three civilian contractors were initially confirmed dead in the crash of the CH-47 Chinook near Charsat, 80 miles south of the Afghan capital, Kabul.

Spokeswoman Lt. Cindy Moore said the remains of two other soldiers listed as missing were found on Friday, raising the number of American troops killed to 15.

All the remains were taken to Bagram, the American base

north of Kabul. From there, they will be flown to Dover Air Force Base in Delaware for identification, Moore said.

The names of the victims and the nationalities of the three contractors have not been released.

Moore said investigators from the U.S. Army's Combat Readiness Center at Fort Rucker, Ala., were traveling to Afghanistan on Saturday.

The helicopter crashed as it returned to Bagram from a mission to deliver mail and supplies and transport personnel in the insurgency-plagued south. The charred wreckage was found in an area of desert near a cluster of brick houses.

Officials reported no sign of enemy fire and suggested bad visibility and strong winds may

have caused a fatal pilot error or technical problem. A second Chinook made it safely back.

According to U.S. government statistics, 137 American soldiers have died in and around Afghanistan since Operation Enduring Freedom began after the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States.

Accidents, including a string of helicopter crashes and explosions caused by mines and munitions left over from the country's long wars, have proven almost as deadly as attacks from Taliban-led insurgents.

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# Cardinals prepare for conclave

VATICAN CITY — Cardinals began an intense period of silence and prayer before their conclave to choose the next pope, saying Saturday they would stop speaking publicly to protect the strict secrecy surrounding the centuries-old tradition.

The throngs of pilgrims who attended John Paul II's funeral Friday flowed out of Rome, leaving mainly tourists in a quiet, rainy St. Peter's Square. The Vatican said a decision on calls to put John Paul on a fast track to sainthood would rest with the next pope.

Italian Cardinal Francesco Martini celebrated the second Mass for John Paul in St. Peter's Basilica, a daily rite over nine days that began with the funeral Mass. His homily

praised "this infinite humanity" that he called the late pope's hallmark.

The unanimous vote Saturday by 130 cardinals to maintain public silence was unprecedented. But in an era of continuous news updates and constant speculation, Vatican spokesman Joaquín Navarro-Valls called the media ban an "act of responsibility."

He asked journalists not to ask the cardinals for interviews and said they should not take the prelates' silence as an act of "disobedience."

"The cardinals, after the funeral Mass of the Holy Father, began a more intense period of silence and prayer. In view of the conclave," Navarro-Valls said. "They unanimously decided to avoid interviews and

encounters with the media." At least two cardinals later turned down requests for interviews.

The lack of access to the cardinals was unlikely to stem the speculation about John Paul's successor, with worldwide interest peaking in what could be a tight competition between reformers and conservatives.

Navarro-Valls said 115 prelates will participate in the conclave, which will begin April 18 — all the cardinals under the age of 80 except for Cardinal Jaime L. Sin of the Philippines and Cardinal Alfonso Antonio Suárez Rivera of Mexico, who are too sick to attend.

John Paul took the name of an additional cardinal — kept secret apparently to protect him from a government that re-

presses religious activity — to

Cardinal Karl Lehmann was quoted by the German newspaper Allgemeine Zeitung as saying race and background will play a role in the choice of the next pope, but there were no clear favorites and "probably also no firm alliances."

"One must be moved through voting, contacts and discussion to a consensus," he was quoted as saying.

John Paul was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years. Some cardinals have called for a Latin American pope to reflect the huge number of Catholics in the region. Others have said the papacy should return to an Italian, while there are contenders from elsewhere in Europe, as well as from Nigeria and India.

# Windsor united in wedding fever

## Yet divided on Camilla

WINDSOR, England (AP) — Royal wedding fever descended on the storied town of Windsor on Saturday with a flutter of flags, a sea of floppy Union Jack hats and divided opinion about the bride.

Among the thousands who lined Windsor's main street to catch a glimpse of Prince Charles and the Duchess of Cornwall were staunch monarchists, Diana-loving Camilla-baiters and simple royal-watchers who buzzed with the thrill of witnessing the wedding of the heir to the throne.

Most in the estimated crowd of 15,000 cheered the couple. A few scattered boos were muffled by clapping and music.

"I just think it is brilliant. It is love winning through," said Louise Tetch, 34, a Web designer from High Wycombe, near Windsor. "They are clearly in love."

In the minority, opponents of the marriage worked hard to get their message through.

Wynne Williams held a banner proclaiming her disgust: "Long live the queen. Diana forever. King Charles. Queen Camilla — never."

Williams, 67, was especially unimpressed with the prince's 57-year-old bride who could one day be queen.

"She's a ruthless man-eater," the woman snapped.

Across the street, Christine Wort held three black balloons. "I've come with my balloons to mourn the monarchy," said a solemn Wort, 66, from Portsmouth on England's southern coast. "I think they're an appalling couple."

In London, meanwhile, about 15 Diana supporters decked the roofs of the late princess' residence with flowers and pictures. A disappearing image of

Camilla was removed, sparking fury among protesters.

Yet some in Windsor saw Camilla — who has said she will take the title Duchess of Cornwall rather than Princess of Wales in deference to Diana's

previous title — as a distinct improvement on the late princess, who died in a 1997 car accident.

"I think it's fantastic for Charles, and I love the royal family," student Jack Lovejoy, 21, who wore a

homemade T-shirt emblazoned with a picture of the couple and the words "against all odds."

The commercial buzz around the nuptials began weeks ago with vendors hawking Charles and Camilla mugs, plates and tea towels. Many were stamped April 8 — the date the two were supposed to wed. The event was delayed a day because of Pope John Paul's funeral.

On a cool and sunny spring day, thousands lined the streets to see the couple and enjoy some British pageantry and humor. The crowds began gathering hours before the midday wedding and were in a festive mood, waving Union Jacks and England's cross of St. George.

They had come from across England and from as far afield as Italy, Canada and Australia. A few die-hards camped overnight on the sidewalk to get the best vantage spots. They need not have worried — at 10 a.m. there were still plenty of prime viewing spaces available.

# LIBERATION 1945

## At Buchenwald, anniversary for a painful symbol of German contrasts

BERLIN (AP) — Pavel Kohn survived a death march from Auschwitz and a winter train trip in open coal cars. He arrived at Buchenwald concentration camp a frostbitten, exhausted, 15-year-old Jewish orphan, his parents and older brother already dead in the Nazi Holocaust.

Kohn was among the lucky ones rescued by American troops who freed Buchenwald 60 years ago Monday. Some 56,000 others — Jews, Soviet POWs, non-Jewish political prisoners — perished at the camp just outside the city of Weimar.

"It was close to a miracle that I was still alive," Kohn, a Prague native now living in southern Germany, told The Associated Press. Although I was just a bit older than 15, nothing could surprise me anymore in terms of cruelty."

Today, he and other survivors will mark the anniversary in a ceremony at Weimar's National Theater, along with Chancellor Gerhard Schröder and Nobel literature laureate Imre Kertész of Hungary, who wrote a chilling novel about his time at Buchenwald.

For many of the aging survivors, this is likely the last major remembrance event.

The camp was packed; there was hunger, and the living conditions and hygiene were unbelievable," said Kohn.

But unlike Auschwitz, he noted, Buchenwald had no gas chambers. Prisoners were mainly worked to death. Among the methods was forcing prisoners to carry enormous loads up a slope while singing. The SS guards called them



An unidentified person lays down a flower after a memorial service at the former railway station of the former concentration camp Buchenwald near Weimar, eastern Germany, Saturday.

"Singing Horses." It was also the place where Lies Koch, the camp commandant's wife, had landshades made from dead prisoners' skin.

More than any other Nazi camp, Buchenwald stands for the contrast between the humane, cultured Germany and the nation that voted in 1933 for Adolf Hitler, started World War II and organized the killing of 6 million Jews.

Weimar would rather be known for Johann Wolfgang Goethe, Germany's most revered writer, who lived there

until his death in 1832. It's also the place where the Jewish Weimar Republic was set up after Germany's defeat in World War I, only to collapse when Hitler came to power.

Nazi prisoners began building the camp on the Ettersberg hill in the summer of 1937, clearing part of a forest where Goethe once sought inspiration.

The first inmates included criminals, homeless people, Jehovah's Witnesses and homosexuals. By late 1938, Buchenwald held more than 10,000 Jews, mainly from Ger-

## Survivors mark 60-year anniversary

Holocaust survivors of the Buchenwald concentration camp will celebrate the anniversary of their rescue by American troops April 11, 1945.



SOURCE: EBRI

many and Austria. After Hitler invaded Poland in 1939, more and more inmates from German-occupied areas were brought to Buchenwald. Soviet prisoners began arriving in 1941; the SS built a special chair in which to shoot them in the back of the head.

Though not built expressly for killing, like Auschwitz, Buchenwald was just as much part of Hitler's effort to wipe out those deemed un-German. Starvation, disease, overwork and medical experiments claimed many lives among the 240,000 prisoners brought to Buchenwald.

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# Pakistani indicted in nuke case

Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — A Pakistani military supplier has been indicted in an investigation into a network now suspected of supplying both Pakistan and India with outworn components for their nuclear weapons and ballistic missile systems, federal authorities disclosed Friday.

Humayun A. Khan, 47, of Islamabad, was indicted by a federal grand jury on Wednesday based in part on information provided by a former business associate who has been secretly cooperating with authorities for more than a year.

The Justice Department ordered Khan's indictment unsealed Friday, along with the plea agreement signed last November by the associate, Ashraf Karim of Southern California.

Documents in both of those cases portray a network that has operated longer and more extensively than federal authorities had previously acknowledged.

Khan is accused of illegally ex-

porting several shipments of specialized equipment from the United States that can be used to test, develop and detonate nuclear weapons. He did so, the court documents contend, by conspiring with Karim to route the shipments through South Africa to avoid raising suspicion.

Khan could not be reached for comment, but said in a recent telephone interview with the Los Angeles Times that he was innocent of any wrongdoing. He acknowledged supplying military parts to Pakistan but said he had never procured items for its

nuclear or missile programs in violation of U.S. law.

Kenneth L. Walenstein, the U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia, was one of several top federal authorities who described the case as a potentially serious threat to American security.

The United States government will spare no effort to disrupt the illegal trade in technology with nuclear applications," Walenstein said.

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## WORLD

# Russians speak of revolution

## Youth movement adopts spirit of uprisings nearby

The Washington Post

MOSCOW — Suddenly in Russia, everybody's talking about a revolution.

In a country with a popular president, a growing economy and a fragmented and weak opposition, Russia does not seem ripe for the kind of revolt that toppled governments in Georgia, Ukraine and Kyrgyzstan over the past 17 months. But as Lenin once said, "a revolution is a miracle," and the Kremlin and its political opponents seem bewitched by the possibility of one.

"There is an Orange spirit in Russia," said Andrei Sidelnikov, the young head of the new Russian youth group Pora! (It's Time), which took its name from the young activists at the heart of the street protests last year that ultimately brought Viktor Yushchenko to power in

Ukraine. "We are living through a new era of street politics. Our young people are becoming more and more active. ... They might explode when they can't take it any longer."

Sidelnikov's assessment, delivered at a Moscow news conference this week, would have seemed ludicrous a few months ago. But following the Orange Revolution in Ukraine, the government of President Vladimir Putin was unexpectedly shaken by thousands of retirees who took to the streets to protest cuts in their benefits. They were joined by the youth wings of opposition political parties.

The government quickly backed down and the challenge dissipated, but the fear or expectation of radical change has lingered.

"If we do not manage to consolidate the elites, Russia may disappear as one state," Dmitri

Medvedev, the Kremlin chief of staff, said this week in a rare interview with the Russian magazine Ekspert. "The breakup of the Soviet Union will look like child's play compared to a government collapse in modern Russia."

This spring fever has largely centered on the potential of the country's young people, who until now have been noticeable only for their political apathy. Both the Kremlin and the opposition have been creating youth groups to either foment or forestall unrest. In recent months besides Pora!, groups with names such as Defense and Walking Without Putin have been formed to fight what they describe as an emerging dictatorship. Pro-establishment forces have formed organizations called Nashi and Eurasian Youth Union, the latter promising to "stand as human shields

in the face of the Orange bulldozers."

The deputy head of Putin's administration, Vladimir Surkov, met last month with some of the country's leading rock musicians, ostensibly to discuss the state of the industry. But the meeting spawned speculation that the Kremlin wanted to cultivate the loyalty of the music industry, which played a critical role in sustaining the crowds on Independence Square in Kiev, the Ukrainian capital.

Surkov, one of the Kremlin's gray eminences and himself a onetime lyricist for the group Agata Kristi, discussed the state of Russian rock, from CD printing to the dominance of happy-clappy pop on state television, according to reports here and interviews with music insiders who later spoke with some of the participants. The musicians agreed not to discuss the meeting with reporters, and the Kremlin has declined to comment.

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## Ex-Salvadoran president Flores withdraws from race to head OAS

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — Former Salvadoran President Francisco Flores, the U.S. government's choice to lead the Washington-based Organization of American States, withdrew his candidacy late Friday.

His withdrawal means that, for the first time in the 57-year history of the OAS, Washington's candidate will not win.

Flores said a three-way race for the post had divided the region and created a "dangerous situation." Mexican Foreign Secretary Luis Ernesto Derbez and Chilean Interior Minister Jose Miguel Insuza have also campaigned heavily for the job.

Ambassadors from the organization's 34 member states were scheduled to meet in Washington on Monday to elect a new secretary general, and the competition was the keenest in decades.

## Israeli leader looks for U.S. support during trip

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Ariel Sharon expects overwhelming support from President Bush before embarking on one of the most fundamental concessions in Israeli history — the evacuation of 9,500 Jewish settlers from their homes.

Sharon meets with Bush this week at the president's ranch in Crawford, Texas, a venue reserved for a select few world leaders.

An embrace from the American leader would bolster Sharon, who faces intense internal opposition to the pullout.

As Sharon was flying to the United States today, thousands of his opponents planned a rally at a disputed holy site in Jerusalem, hoping to sabotage the withdrawal. On Saturday, Israeli troops shot and killed three teenagers in disputed circumstances in the Rafah refugee camp in the Gaza Strip, shattering

weeks of calm and raising tensions.

Israel is set to evacuate all 21 Gaza settlements and four more in the West Bank this summer.

In exchange, Sharon wants Bush to reaffirm his statement from last year that it is "unrealistic" to expect Israel to pull back to the borders that existed before the 1967 Mideast War, due to large Jewish settlement blocs that have been built on the territory since then.

However, Israel and Washington recently have clashed over the interpretation of this statement.

Israel insists it has the right to continue expanding these settlements. The United States opposes any further construction there, saying it threatens peace with the Palestinians and violates the internationally backed "red map" peace plan that calls for a settlement freeze.

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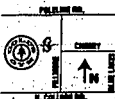
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WORLD

# Beijing protesters throw stones at Japanese embassy

BEIJING (AP) — About 1,000 protesters threw rocks and broke windows at the Japanese Embassy on Saturday after a noisy march by demanding a boycott of Japanese goods to oppose new textbooks that critics say gloss over Tokyo's wartime atrocities.

Protesters shouted "Boycott Japan!" as hundreds of police, some with riot helmets and shields, formed a human wall to keep the crowd away from the embassy. Protesters smashed the windows of a guardhouse outside the fenced compound.

In Tokyo, Japan filed a formal protest to the Chinese Embassy over the protest saying that windows in the Japanese diplomatic compound were broken by demonstrators hurling rocks and bottles.

Japan's Vice Foreign Minister Shotaichi Yachi complained to Chinese envoy Cheng Yonghua about the damage and asked that security be bolstered to prevent a recurrence. Foreign Ministry official Keiji Kametani said.

The protesters in Beijing marched to the embassy after a rally by more than 6,000 people in the Chinese capital's northwest university district, where some burned a Japanese flag.

Waving Chinese flags and singing the national anthem, marchers carried signs saying "Protest new Japanese textbooks," a reference to schoolbooks that critics say whitewash wartime aggression against China.

"Boycott Japanese goods," the protesters chanted. "Long live China!"

"I think China should be more firm," said protester Jiang Lu, 25, an engineer who works for a French company. "This is a good way to pass our voice to the government and to the Japanese people."



A Chinese protester attacks a Japanese brand car which was overturned near the Japanese ambassador's residence in Beijing on Saturday.

Others called for the rejection of Tokyo's campaign for a permanent seat on the U.N. Security Council—a status held now by only China, the United States, Russia, Britain and France. Referring to Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi, some protesters chanted, "Koizumi is a dog!"

After the rally, some protesters spent hours marching across the Chinese capital to the diplomatic neighborhood on its east side. Some tore down a half dozen advertisements for Japanese-made Canon cameras along the road as they passed.

Police maintained order among the marchers and kept passers-by from joining in but didn't try to stop the protesters. The government's Xinhua News Agency took the rare step of reporting on the protest. It put the number of demonstrators at more than 10,000 and quoted some of their chants.

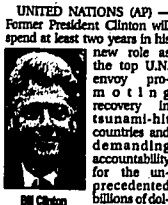
Several hundred protesters also gathered at the Japanese ambassador's official residence

on the northeastern side of Beijing, but police with riot shields pushed them away. It wasn't clear whether the ambassador was home at the time.

China hasn't said whether it will oppose a Security Council seat for Japan. But Beijing regards Tokyo as its rival and could be unwilling to give up its status as the only Asian nation with a permanent council seat, which carries veto power over U.N. actions.

Public anger has mounted in China and South Korea over new Japanese history textbooks that critics say gloss over offenses including mass sex slavery of Asian women by Japan's military.

A trade association for Chinese chain stores called last week for a boycott of beer, coffee and other products made by Japanese companies that it claims supported the textbook revision. Protesters reportedly smashed windows of a Japanese-owned department store last weekend in the southwestern city of Chengdu.



Bill Clinton

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Former President Clinton will spend at least two years in his new role as the top U.N. envoy, a move critics say is a recovery in tsunami-hit countries and demanding accountability for the unprecedented billions of dollars donated by countries and individuals, his deputy said.

Enrique Bowles said Clinton will also push for the construction of better homes, schools and hospitals in areas devastated by the killer waves and adoption of new measures to warn against disasters and ensure quick action by governments when they occur.

Clinton's goal is to work for the tsunami victims he met on his

first trip to the region in February as a U.S. envoy with former President Bush and make sure "we leave these people better off than they were before this horrendous event occurred," Bowles was in an interview.

Bowles, who was Clinton's chief of staff at the White House from 1996-1998 and is now the U.N.'s deputy special envoy for tsunami recovery, traveled to Indonesia, Sri Lanka and the Maldives in

March for a firsthand view of the devastation while the former president was recovering from heart surgery.

Clinton will make his first public appearance as a U.N. envoy on Wednesday. He will meet Secretary-General Kofi Annan for the first time since his appointment was announced on Feb. 1 and they will then hold a news conference. U.N. spokesman Stephane Dujarric announced Friday.

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## Canada fights myth about 9/11

The Washington Post

TORONTO — True or false? Shortly before Sept. 11, 2001, several of the terrorists who would carry out the attacks that day slipped into the United States from Canada.

Canadian officials are vexed that 3.5 years later they have not killed the groundless claim that Canada was a route for the Sept. 11 hijackers. Frank McKenna, the new ambassador to the United States, calls it an "urban myth" and has been trying to beat it down in television interviews and letters to the editor.

"It took on a life of its own, like a viral infection," McKenna said in a telephone interview from Washington.

This lingering headache for Canada underlines the enduring life of inaccuracies in the media and the sensitivity of Canadians to suggestions that their country's long and lightly guarded border is a threat to the United States.

"It's something that won't go away," Bill Graham, Canada's defense minister, said of the apocryphal claim in an interview Monday. "We're very respectful ... because not one suspect had been in Canada. All had been in the U.S., training in the U.S., with valid U.S. visas."

The account was born in the first days after the attacks, when reporters and government investigators were scrambling to figure out how the conspirators had carried out the plot. Bernard Etzinger, a Canadian Embassy spokesman, says the "big bang" that started the legend can be traced to two Boston newspapers.

A Boston Globe story on Sept. 13 said investigators were "seeking evidence" that the hijackers came through Canada. The Boston Herald reported the same day that federal investigators believed "the terrorist suspects may have traveled ... by boat" from Canada.

On Sept. 14, The Washington Post reported that an unnamed U.S. official had said two suspects "crossed the border from Canada with no known difficulty at a small-border entry in Cobscook Bay, Maine," and that others may have come through other Maine ports. On Sept. 16, that report was repeated by the New York Post, which also declared that "terrorists bent on wreaking havoc in the United States" had found Canada "the path of least resistance." On Sept. 19, the Christian Science Monitor referred to Canada as "a haven for terrorists."

"It was just one of those things where everybody says,

"We all knew that," and it becomes irrefutable," Etzinger said.

In the weeks after the attacks, investigators established that all of the hijackers entered the United States from countries other than Canada, a finding that got the official stamp last summer with the release of the Sept. 11 commission report. But that has not stopped the story from spreading.

The Canadian Embassy in Washington keeps a chart of new reports of the rumor. The chart shows that at least three U.S. representatives and one senator have recently repeated the claim.

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## EDITORIAL

### Fair Board wisely opts to resurrect arena issue

Just because you ignore a problem, doesn't mean it goes away. Come this summer, Twin Falls County Fair fans will see additional reminders that aging fairground facilities remain a public issue.

The Twin Falls County Fair Board has decided to take down the old country barn, and put up a new one. A wrecking-ball fate has already taken down the old goat barn. Meanwhile, the newer goat barn, which was built in 1991, will also require some additional improvements.

The cost for these projects adds up to about \$70,000. Most of that will come from sponsorships and the Fair Board's emergency reserve fund.

These cosmetic fixes may be a suitable short-term solution. But the Twin Falls County Fair, still the biggest summertime event in the Magic Valley, faces a tenuous future without a facility to secure its longevity.

Last November, county voters were asked to approve a five-year, \$2.5 million bond issue to build a 66,000-square foot multipurpose fairground arena. The arena would have been used for the fair in summer, and other year-round events.

Members of the Fair Board haven't given up, however. Twin Falls County (and southern Idaho for that matter) lacks any type of large seating arena to accommodate major conventions, concerts or other performances. Opponents of last year's bond issue said the arena would be a competing facility with the CSI Expo Center. But that facility hosts events of an entirely different nature.

Now the fair board is considering how it can revise last November's bond issue proposal. So far, their plan shapes up like this:

- **Tax override levy** - Instead of trying again to pass a bond issue with a super-majority requirement, the fair board is considering an override levy, which requires only a 51 percent majority. The board is eyeing May 2006 as a possible voting date.

**Our view: A revised proposal to build a new fairground arena deserves attention from Twin Falls County residents.**

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

- **The maximum amount that can be raised from the levy is a two-year, two-mill levy.** That would bring in \$1.2 million (or \$600,000 a year). For a resident paying property taxes on a \$300,000 home and \$20,000 of property, that's \$16 a year for two years.

- **A smaller arena** - With the smaller levy, the Fair Board would aim for a scaled-down facility. The arena would still have a concrete floor, 26-foot sidewalks and 66,000-square feet of space. But the project would not install restrooms, heating or sprinkling systems.

The board says grant applications for the arena are hindered by not having a structure in place. Passing an override levy, however, would start the building process and help attract grants.

Once those grants arrive, the multipurpose arena can add on to the structure without taxpayer support. But if grants don't come in, the fair board may have to ask taxpayers to extend the override levy for an additional one or two years.

That piecemeal approach has its risks and its advantages. But the board has a legitimate case to keep pushing for some kind of facility to meet the county's needs.

County residents should pay attention as Fair Board officials ramp up their campaign for this new proposal in the coming months.

## The Passion of the Tom

Before Republicans just scared other people. Now, they're starting to scare themselves.

When Dick Cheney tells you you've gone too far, you know you're way over the edge.

Last week, the vice president told The New York Post's editorial board that House Majority Leader Tom DeLay should not have jumped ugly on the judges who refused to order that Terri Schiavo's feeding tube be reinserted. He said he would "have problems" with the DeLay plan to get revenge on the judges. "I don't think that's appropriate."

Usually, the White House loves bullies. It embraces John Bolton, nominated as U.N. ambassador, even though, as The New York Times reports Thursday, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is reviewing allegations that Bolton misused intelligence and bullied subordinates to help burying DeLay's call to punish the Democrats.

But there's some skittishness in the party leadership about the Passion of the Tom, the fiery bomb of the bonapartism Team to show that he's being persecuted on ethics by a vast left-wing conspiracy. Some Republicans are wondering whether they need to pull a Terri Schiavo on Tom DeLay before he turns into Newt Gingrich, who led his party to the promised land but then had to be discarded when he became the petulant "definer" and "arouser of civilization." Do they want DeLay careering around in Quesegay style as they go into 2006?

On Tuesday, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist joined Cheney in questioning DeLay's call to punish and possibly impeach judges - who are already an endangered species these days, with so much violence leveled against them. "I believe we have a fair and independent judiciary today," Frist said. "I respect that."

Of course, Frist and the White House still want to pack the federal courts with right-wing judges, but they don't



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want to look as if they're doing it because Tom DeLay told them to or because of unhappiness at the Schiavo case. No matter how much Democrats may be caviling over the House Republicans' attempts to squelch the Ethics Committee before it goes after DeLay (the former exterminator who pushed to impeach Bill Clinton), privately they're rooting for DeLay to thrive. They're hoping to do in 2006 what the Republicans did in 1994, when Gingrich and his acolytes used Democratic arrogance and ethical lapses to seize the House.

DeLay is seeking sanctuary in Rome at the Schiavo funeral, and he will hang on to the bitter end. He got thunderous applause from his House colleagues on Wednesday morning, showing once more that DeLay has a strong hold on the loyalty of these who

have benefited from the largesse of his fat-cat friends and from his shrewdness in keeping them in the majority. "I think a lot of members think he's taking arrows for all of us," Rep. Roy Blunt told the press Wednesday, backing up DeLay's martyr complex.

DeLay lashed out at the latest article questioning his ethics, calling it "just another seedy attempt by the liberal media to embarrass me." Philip Shenon reported in The New York Times that DeLay's wife and daughter have been paid more than half a million dollars since 2001 by the DeLay political action and campaign committees.

Republican family values. The political action committee said in a statement that the DeLay family members provided valuable services. Mrs. DeLay provides big picture, long-term strategic guidance and helps with personnel decisions.

Political wives are renowned for injecting themselves into the middle of their husbands' office politics at no charge; a lot of members would pay them to go away.

The Washington Post also

splashed DeLay on the front page with an article about a third DeLay trip under scrutiny: a six-day trip to Moscow in 1997 by DeLay was "underwritten by business interests lobbying in support of the Russian government, according to four people with firsthand knowledge of the trip arrangements."

All the divisions that President Bush was able to bridge in 2004 are now bursting forth as different wings of his party joust. John Danforth, the former Republican senator and U.S. ambassador, wrote an Op-Ed piece in The New York Times last week saying that, on issues from stem cell research to Terri Schiavo, his party has gone so far in adopting a sectarian agenda that it has become the political extension of a religious movement.

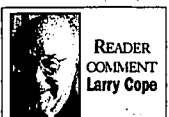
When the Rev. Danforth, an Episcopal minister who prayed with Clarence Thomas when he was under attack by Anita Hill, says the party has gone too far, it's way over the edge.

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## The future of health care in the Magic Valley

Debating the future of our hospital - Magic Valley Regional Health Center - is not a new community issue. More than three decades ago I put down roots here. Twin Falls County is my home and I have tried to do what I could to contribute positively to the community and to the local economy. It seems like we have been debating and discussing the future of this hospital as long as I can remember.

Now, I believe, it is time to make some decisions and seize a rare opportunity to dramatically change the future of our hospital as long as I can remember. Over the last several months the administration of MVRMC has been discussing the merits of a merger of the two facilities. I have been involved in discussions because of my role chairing St. Luke's local community board that oversees St. Luke's MSTI - Twin Falls - St. Luke's center, which is part of the St. Luke's health system. We have had a natural extension of the great partnership that already exists between our



hospital and St. Luke's. The guiding philosophy behind a merger has been our conviction that we can provide for the future of health care in our community by creating an opportunity that allows for the significant level of investment required to create a modern hospital, while at the same time maintaining local involvement in decisions within a not-for-profit structure.

St. Luke's has been working with MVRMC to bring forward an option for our community to consider that would create a new, Idaho-based, not-for-profit regional health system. In addition to MVRMC, this new merged system will be comprised of St. Luke's and its affiliated hospitals.

The option we are proposing allows:

- The valley to become part of a new, not-for-profit, Idaho-based regional healthcare system.

Our contribution to healthcare throughout the region increases while maintaining local influence over healthcare decisions in our community.

The ability to make a significant investment in health care in Twin Falls County. The investment would begin immediately and would be 100% committed to present and future health care needs in the County. Under this option, tax support will not be required to improve hospital facilities.

Twin Falls residents to maximize the use of their hospital's assets while removing approximately \$30 million in County-backed debt currently on the books of MVRMC.

For the hospitals involved to parlay their assets and knowledge into a system that will make all of the organizations stronger.

For a newly created healthcare system that will assure significant community input in decision-making through participation on local and regional boards.

I am particularly delighted that the concept we have de-

veloped has the overwhelming support of the Twin Falls physical community.

You will be hearing more about this idea in the days ahead as a working group, composed of representatives from both hospitals, develop a detailed merger plan. Our county commissioners, who have ultimate responsibility for the hospital, naturally must consider many issues as they make the benefits of joining facilities an Idaho-based, not-for-profit healthcare system, which will be locally managed.

As the specifics of the merger plan develop, there will be ample opportunity for public involvement leading up to a county-wide vote. I urge you to learn all you can about the merger and when you do, I think you'll agree that we have a rare opportunity for public involvement to make a dramatic step forward for health care in our community.

We will all benefit - now and far into the future.

Larry Cope is president and CEO of Clear Springs Foods and chairs the St. Luke's Magic Valley Board of Directors.

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### A cleaner Earth starts with consumer habits

As another Earth Day approaches with its "Think Globally, Act Locally" mantra, this seems an appropriate time to consider how we can help planet Earth, who goodness knows, is in dire need. Wouldn't energy conservation be a good place to start? If we don't take matters into our own hands on this issue, no one else is going to - at least of all the Republican Party, which makes it clear every day where its priorities and loyalties lie.

For example, they recently announced that the present \$2,000 tax credit for buying a hybrid car (50 miles to the gallon) is to be phased out, but the \$25,000 tax credit for buying a Hummer (10 to 12 miles to the gallon) will remain. While Exxon/Mobil reports the high-

est quarterly profit ever by an American company (\$8.42 billion), oil prices continue to soar. We are told that by the year 2025 America's oil imports will have grown by 80 percent (always supposing there is any oil left, and we don't have to kill too many caribou or people to get at it, but in the meantime, President Bush is cutting funding for renewable energy research and programs).

We can't personally stop wars or prosecute corrupt corporations or feed the hungry millions. But we can start figuring out ways to make our image-conscious society decide that driving an energy-efficient car is infinitely cooler than being seen around town in a macho assault vehicle.

DIANA FASSINO Ketchum

### UI must be grateful for ed board's sermon

I was so pleased to read your editorial about the University of Idaho. It was a surprise to me that your editorial board knew that there was a university in Idaho and knew more about administering its various programs than I, a member of the department, than does the university administration.

It is indeed gratifying to realize that with such intelligent insight, there may even be hope for a decent newspaper sometime in the future.

Presumably the editorial board for The Times-News must also be the "worldwide" recruiting team for the College of Southern Idaho. It must certainly be a waste of superior talent, but in the case,

LESLIE L. DEAN Twin Falls

### 'Vicious dog' policy should be leashed in

"Jerome officers to kill vicious dogs." The lead paragraph in the article on April 7 says, "Vicious dogs can now be killed in Jerome if they are unprovoked and cannot be detained." It goes on to say, "The ordinance defines a vicious dog as a canine who has bitten, clawed or otherwise harmed, or constitutes a physical threat, or a dog whose temperament or habits endanger or menace any person or animal without provocation."

Tell me who is allowed to determine if the dog is vicious? There has to be some accountability from the owners of the animal, but also from the person who makes the decision that this dog is a danger. Do

you go and kill someone's pet because a person felt threatened by it? How far does this go?

I live out in the country and my dogs have free roam of our property. If you walk by our home, they will run out and bark and may even growl at you. Does that make them vicious? No, it is letting you know that this is their property and they are protecting it. You use that as an excuse to shoot my dogs? What about if someone calls in saying there is a dog roaming the neighborhood and it keeps getting away from the officer. Do you shoot it? Most dogs, if they are being "detained" by strangers, are going to try to get away from the officer. Not because they are scared, but because they are scared.

How about instead of taking

the easy route, you have to catch the animal and it has to be determined that it is a danger? This is a an unacceptable plan by the Jerome Police and the local council officers. Their definition of a vicious dog puts all of our pets at death's door.

I want both sides to be heard on the decision of whether this dog is a threat. If it is determined to be a threat, then at least have the decency to put it to sleep instead of a bullet to its head.

In case anyone questions where I stand on this issue: I have a granddaughter whose face was bitten and her top lip torn off without any provocation, but we didn't jump the gun. We found out the facts on this dog and then a decision was made.

LINDA ENOS Jerome



# Dems' filibuster doubletalk

The NAACP is lobbying to preserve the Senate's filibuster in Washington these days. What's the civil rights group's campaign encouraging Southern pride in the Confederate flag? A fundraising drive to build more of those odious monuments to Robert E. Lee?

I am not a big fan of George W. Bush's judicial picks either, but don't insult my intelligence—and I won't insult yours—by pretending that the filibuster is the cornerstone of American democracy, the guarantor of all our cherished liberties.

The filibuster, from the Dutch word for minute, is a parliamentary move that allows a minority of senators to prevent the chamber from voting on a measure by indefinitely extending debate.

The Senate filibuster dates back to the early 19th century, but the obstructionist tactic always will be associated with the efforts of the Senate's Southern Democrats to block civil rights legislation in the 20th century. The effort was so successful for so long, as Robert Caro vividly recounts in his "Master of the Senate" tome on Lyndon B. Johnson, that the Senate was widely referred to as "the South's revenge for Gettysburg."

The filibuster kept the federal government from combating racial henchings, the poll tax and plenty of other outrages, which is why the NAACP's Washington office and liberal voices across the country used to rail against the filibuster as the epitome of American perversion of American democracy.

It's now a perversion of history for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and these other liberal voices to champion the filibuster because it is temporarily convenient to do so. Like the Republicans' hypocritical attack

ANDRES MARTINEZ

The filibuster ... is a parliamentary move that allows a minority of senators to prevent the chamber from voting on a measure by indefinitely extending debate.

on states' rights in the Terri Schiavo case or in the debates over gay marriage, the liberal defense of the filibuster is an example of how devalued intellectual honesty and consistency have become in Washington.

In our frenzied 24/7 news cycle, everything is tactical, of the moment. Depending on today's constellation of forces, you can defend the filibuster, even if you decided it yesterday and may do so again tomorrow. OK, I know, I know, silly me for being disappointed by such rank hypocrisy in politics.

Still, the liberal People for the American Way's pro-filibuster TV ads are a breathtaking assault on the intelligence of viewers. They feature a "common sense" Republican—a firefighter, no less—arguing that even his guys in Washington need some moderating by the filibuster, that "America works best when no one party has absolute power" and that our

democracy works best when "both parties are speaking out and being heard." That's quite a spin on a practice that allows the hijacking of a legislature so that no one can have a say because there cannot be a vote.

Best of all, of course, the commercials defer to the 200-year-old filibuster opens with that stirring moment in U.S. history, Jimmy Stewart's noble filibuster in Frank Capra's "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington." Presumably Strom Thurmond's filibuster of civil rights legislation and Theodore Bilbo's defense of the poll tax were cut out solely because of time constraints.

The leadership of the Democratic Party ought to be particularly ashamed of its love affair with the filibuster, given the party's bleached history on racial racial issues. Yes, the Republican move to disallow filibusters when the Senate takes up presidential nominees is cynical (Republicans seemed pleased enough to have the filibuster when Bill Clinton was president) but the GOP did lead the fight against the filibuster in the day when it was being used by Southern Democrats to perpetuate racial injustice.

Republicans are once again contemplating some of the same parliamentary maneuvers to circumvent the filibuster for judicial nominees that were attempted in the 1950s to pass civil rights legislation. They're complicated, but they essentially seek to exploit the fact that although it takes 60 votes to overcome a filibuster and 67 votes to change the Senate's rules, it might only take a simple majority to back a ruling that the filibuster is inappropriate or unconstitutional when acting on a presidential nomination. And this could lower the bar



needed to confirm the next Supreme Court justice from 60 votes to 51.

I'll admit to feeling somewhat queasy about this prospect. But not enough to rewrite history or the Constitution so as to embrace the filibuster, however

tempting it might be to do so in the context of judicial appointments.

The filibuster goes too far in upsetting the balance struck by the Constitution and empowering an obstructionist minority. Surely the founders didn't in-

tend for the Senate's "advice and consent" review of presidential nominees to require a supermajority.

Andres Martinez is the editorial page editor of the Los Angeles Times.

## Office politics and the White House

Good morning, sir... In keeping with the president's management style, Cabinet members are now required to spend time in the office on a regular basis. The president says the additional face time will help the secretaries better coordinate administration initiatives. Critics see the new work rules as further proof that policy is being formulated in the White House and not at the Cabinet level. Whatever the reason, it may be interesting to listen to the president's answering machine in the morning.

Beep. "Morning, Mr. President, I'm in Transportation calling. Sorry to bother you, but I'm not going to be able to get in today. My wife's car is in the shop and she is supposed to take her mother to lunch so she needs to see my car and the car didn't have any loaners so I really don't have any choice but to work from home today, unless I were to take public transportation, but you know what kind of shape that system is in. So I guess I'll see you tomorrow."

Beep. "Mr. President, Rumny here. We were supposed to meet this morning to go over those new invasion plans, but I'm not sure what time I'll be in. If at all, I have to wait for the cable guy. He's supposed to be here between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m., so I'm really a prisoner here until he shows up. I hate to hang up you like this, but

JIM SHEA

it's taken weeks to get this appointment. So I'll see you when I see you."

Beep. "I'm not going to make it into the office today, Mr. President. My husband has the flu or something and I have to stay here and take care of him. Not that he's sick, I mean if it were me, I'd be going to work, but you know, men are such wusses—ah, no offense, sir, I'm rambling, right? Anyway, I'll have my call on so give me a call if you need me. Oh, this is Elaine. Elaine Chao. Ciao, get it, ahem, nevermind."

Beep. "Condi here, Mr. President. Look, you had me scheduled to be in the office today but I have a personal situation going on so I switched days with Gale Norton, so she's going to be in today and then I'll be in on Thursday because Gale had switched her original office day with Snowy who had to go to the bank on that second-mor-

ning thing he's doing. So, the bottom line is I'll be in Tuesday unless something comes up with Mike Johanns in Agriculture, who I owe for switching with me that time when I had the rash. Um, bye."

Beep. "Oops, sorry Mr. President, I must have hit the wrong number. I was trying to call Condi about switching days."

Beep. "Mr. President, Condi again. I'm sorry to bother you, but I was wondering if you could do me a huge, huge favor. Could you walk over to my cubicle and see if I left my list of world leaders' phone numbers there. If you could just fax it to me, that would be great. Thanks."

Beep. "Yeah, Mr. President, Rumny again. I'm turning here. I just called the cable company and they say my appointment isn't until next week, which isn't true, but the bottom line is they're not coming. So I'll be in shortly. God I hate those people."

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## LETTER

### Smith earns support for GARVEE stand

I wish to express my thanks and admiration to Rep. Leon Smith from my Legislative District 24 for spending his time to get to the facts on the GARVEE bonding bill proposed by Gov. Kempthorne.

I have heard Rep. Smith's side and was a believer, but as time went on, I started to wonder if I had missed something when many of our local government officials backed the governor's proposal. However, after reading the article in *The Times-News* on Saturday, April 2, by Julie Pence, in which she said the two former Govs. Phil Batt and Cecil Andrus (in Democrat) told Leon to stick with his children of the governor's bill because he was right, I wavered no longer.

Leon, I am in your court and you still have my vote! Our government child-like behavior at his televised veto party did not go unnoticed by many of us and will not be soon forgotten.

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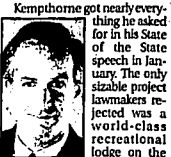
## IDAHO

# Kempthorne gets his way

## Governor wins nearly everything on his agenda

By Chuck Osley  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — For anyone keeping score, the 2005 legislative session was a series of solid if not spectacular political wins for Gov. Dirk Kempthorne; while the conservative House eventually caved in to the governor's wishes and the Senate struggled through an unprecedented ethics scandal.



Gov. Kempthorne  
Ponderosa State Park

Kempthorne got nearly everything he asked for in his State of the State speech in January. The only sizable project lawmakers rejected was a world-class recreational lodge on the shores of Payette Lake at Ponderosa State Park.

Kempthorne's biggest victory came at the end of the session, when he used his veto power on eight unrelated bills to send this message to the House of Representatives: Pass my highway plan or be prepared to stay in session indefinitely.

The move was entirely out of character for Kempthorne, who had a reputation for gentle, nuanced diplomacy that some took for a sign of weakness.

"This isn't the governor who rolled over in 2001 on his budget and on the spending package," said Boise State University political science professor Jim Weatherly.

A few years ago, editorial writers were saying, "The governor is a nice guy, but nobody's afraid of him," Weatherly said.



A large note hangs from the Idaho House of Representatives mailbox signaling the end of service, and the end of the 2005 legislative session, at the statehouse in downtown Boise on Friday.

"Now, his nice guy image got tarnished, but I doubt anybody today would say that nobody's afraid of the governor."

One of the biggest losers of the session is undoubtedly the average state employee, who will be getting only a one-time, 1-percent pay increase — effective only if state tax revenue brings in \$22 million more than expected. Democrats argued for higher, across-the-board pay raises, saying employees should come before tax breaks to businesses.

Kempthorne said he expects the surplus will easily be met during the current budget year, but the 2007 budget year may be different.

"We'll have to wait and see

what the economic conditions are," Kempthorne said Thursday. "We've accomplished so much because we have talented people. But in order to keep talented people, you have to provide them with remuneration. So I will continue to be an advocate for state employees."

Certainly the individual who lost the most in the 2004 was Sen. Jack Noble, R-Kuna, who resigned March 7 rather than face a vote of the Senate to expel him. Noble's monthlong trial by a special Senate Ethics Committee was a significant distraction in the usually sedate Senate.

After several weeks of testimony, the committee found the second-term senator and

convenience store owner had deliberately concealed the fact that he would enjoy a financial benefit from legislation he had sponsored that would have allowed his store to acquire a liquor license. The committee also concluded that Noble lied under oath during the investigation.

Noble was replaced by Preco Electronics Vice President Russ Pulcher on March 16.

One issue that drew heavy attention in the beginning of the session but then faded away during the Noble hearings was the Snake River Basin.

Some lawmakers had vowed to resolve the fate of the old Ada County Courthouse, a gray 1930s-era edifice that sits adjacent to the Capitol.

Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo, championed a move to tear the old courthouse down and build a state-of-the-art, 80,000 square foot Capitol Annex. But his efforts failed when Sen. Joe Stegner, a Lewiston Republican who is eyeing a congressional race next year, suddenly pushed for a grander plan to build wings onto the end of the Statehouse itself.

Stegner's vision would include large new meeting rooms to accommodate the increasingly large crowds that come to testify at committee hearings. The idea passed the Senate 34-1 but met with skeptical House leadership, who buried Stegner's bill in the House Ways and Means Committee.

However, House leaders did agree to form a task force during the offsession, which will consider not only the needs of the Statehouse but also the whole Capitol mall in downtown Boise.

# Highlights of the 2005 Idaho Legislature

## The Associated Press

BOISE — Here are some of the highlights of the 2005 legislative session: Passed:

- Snake River adjudication/Nez Perce water agreement: The Nez Perce Tribe gave up its claim to much of the water in the Snake River Basin in exchange for cash, land, environmental improvements and water rights. The agreement grants the tribe rights to 50,000 acre-feet of water in the Clearwater River, plus \$80 million in cash and land and a pledge from the state and federal governments to provide tens of millions of dollars for fish habitat and other environmental improvements. In exchange, irrigators water users will be protected from environmental lawsuits from the tribe and will be allowed to continue current water use practices.

- Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer: A multiparty agreement allows the Idaho Department of Water Resources to purchase water from willing sellers to increase in-stream flows for endangered fish stocks. The state will provide front-money to buy or lease groundwater pumpers. The flows will be used to provide water for senior water right holders in southern Idaho.

- Highway Bonding: Allows the state to bond for more than \$1 billion for 13 specific highway projects and connect disparate parts of the state. In the final negotiated agreement, annual state spending is limited to 20 percent of all federal dollars being funneled to Idaho road projects, and to 30 percent after the fifth year. Thereafter, it would require a vote of the Legislature to increase the percentage. Also, the Idaho Transportation Board, which oversees highway projects, may

substitute projects for any of the original 13, should they be deemed unsuitable.

- Telephone Deregulation: Allows Qwest Communications International, Inc. and other landline telephone service providers to elect to set their own rates after a three- to five-year transition period, rather than having rates set by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission.

- Cigarette tax extension: Allows the 29-cent, per-pack temporary tax established in 2003 to be made permanent. The total state tax on cigarettes is now 57 cents per pack.

- Corporate incentives: One of Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's marquee proposals, the Corporate Headquarters Incentive Act provides a package of sales, income and property tax breaks for top companies that bring in 500 high-paying jobs, with benefits, and spend \$50 million on facilities.

- Parental consent for abortion services: Requires minors seeking abortions through the court system instead of by means of written parental permission to be represented by an attorney and for a guardian ad litem to be appointed. The bill also reinstates portions of the law struck down by courts, as well as requiring doctors to inform parents after an emergency abortion.

- Fish and Game fee increase: Increase most license and tag fees by 10 percent or less in 2006 for continued departmental activities for sportsmen.

- Methamphetamine labs: The Department of Health and Welfare will establish a program for the cleanup of clandestine drug laboratories, forcing former methamphetamine labs and homes to be cleaned up before being occupied.

## Appeals court says judge didn't err in murderer's sentencing

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The Idaho Court of Appeals has ruled that a judge who sent a Lewiston man to prison for life for killing a shoe salesman in 2002 didn't err when meting out the punishment.

Second District Judge Carl Kerrick said at the 2003 sentencing hearing that John Mark Cope, 43, would never be safe to release into the community.

In his appeal, Cope, who murdered 43-year-old Brian Elliot by decapitating him with a knife and then mutilated the severed head, argued Kerrick shouldn't have allowed a mental competency report to be included in a presentence report. That violated his 5th Amendment right against self-incrimination, he said.

Cope also said the psychologist who did the competency examination showed he was biased, testified at the sentencing hearing, Cope maintained the punishment was excessive.

The three-member appeals panel disagreed Friday, ruling Kerrick didn't abuse the court's discretion. In a unanimous opinion written by Judge Karen Lemington, the court said Cope had waived his right to appeal when he agreed to plead guilty to a reduced charge of second-degree murder.

The "original" charge was first-degree murder.

"Cope poses a grave danger to others should he ever be released from prison," Lemington wrote in a nine-page decision. "Accordingly, in light of the primary goal of sentencing — the protection of society — we cannot say that the district court abused its discretion of imposing a fixed life sentence."

Cope went to a Lewiston hospital with a hand injury from the knife following Elliot's slaying.

Doctors there said Cope appeared to be psychotic, according to court records. He had previously been hospitalized for mental illness in Idaho and California.

He spoke of "letting the beast out" and told the hospital staff his name was "Dumb Truck."

Two psychiatrists who later examined Cope agreed he suffered from paranoid schizophrenia and antisocial personality disorder.

Still, Cope argued for the minimum sentence for second-degree murder.

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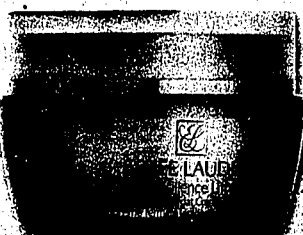
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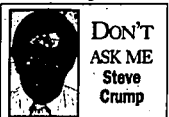
## Viewing my neighborhood from the cheap seats

"When this old world starts getting me down  
And people are just too much  
For me to face  
I climb way up to the top of the stairs  
And all my cares just drift right into space  
On the roof, it's peaceful as can be  
And there the world below can bother me"  
— "Up on the Roof," by Jerry Goffin and Carole King

To make a long story short, I climbed up on my roof last weekend to trim a tree branch that was banging against the chimney. Then a gust of wind came along and blew over my ladder.

It was Sunday, and nobody in my neighborhood was home. So I sat there, looking more or less like I knew what I was doing, and waited to be rescued.

My dog was no help. Petunia trotted out in the yard, looked up at me and barked. Then she licked herself in an unsocial manner and went back into the house through the doggie door. And then it began to rain.



**DON'T ASK ME**  
Steve Crump

Trying to be philosophical, I mused that rain was a good thing — there's a drought, after all — even when rivulets of water began running off my neck and down my back. I even thought it was a good thing when a fire engine roared past, eschewing the chance to rescue me for some disaster unseen.

The thing of it is, a grown man sitting on his roof calling for help is embarrassing. So I kind of hoped that some passerby would be nice enough to distress and ask if I intended to sit up there in the rain.

Finally a couple of them came along — two 6-year-old boys who live down the street.

"Watcha doin' up there, mister?"

"Fixin' the roof."

"How long have you been fixin' the roof?"

"About an hour."

"When are you coming down?"

"I'm not. Go get your dad."

His dad, Harry, didn't materialize, so I decided to make myself useful by doing a detailed inventory of the shingles. Three or four steps into that endeavor, I slipped and knocked a half dozen of them off the roof.

So I slid down and got even wetter, thinking about my friend Greg.

Greg is a chimney sweep who lives in Boise, and he was badly hurt last winter when a gust of wind knocked him off a ladder he was climbing. Greg was in the hospital for weeks and is still undergoing physical therapy.

And Greg knew what he was doing up there. Lord knows what mischief I could get myself in.

About then, the rain turned into a light snow, and I realized it was time to screw my courage up to the sticking point. I carefully made my way to a rain spout that runs from the roof to the driveway and gingerly started to climb down.

The aluminum spout immediately broke loose and left me hanging, more or less in midair, seven or eight feet off the pavement.

Just then, Harry's wife Donna came by, walking her dog.

"Cleaning the rain gutters, I see," she said.

"Call it," I replied evenly.

She demurred, and I finally managed to maneuver myself and the broken rain spout to the ground, where I stepped off only to have Donna's dog Fredo clamp on to my pants leg.

Fredo's incisors inflicted the only damage, but when I got back inside the house, the roof was leaking more or less directly under the spot where I had slipped. Somebody, I guess, is going to have to get back up there.

But it won't be me, and if the price of such cowardice is having to write this column, I'll take it.

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## Community colleges vie for less

The Associated Press

BOISE — Leading lawmakers want Boise State University to develop a property taxing district for its community college under construction in Nampa so that it won't tap into the dwindling state funds available to the College of Southern Idaho and North Idaho College.

Those schools split state funding, and the rest of their budgets comes from local property taxes and fund-raising efforts.



Rep. Maxine Bell

This year the schools will split about \$20.8 million appropriated by the Legislature. Legislators that represent those two colleges told Boise State University President Bob Kustra to comply with state law and create a tax district in Canyon County to fund the campus, already under construction, as not to further burden the existing schools' cramped budgets.

"It's going to be very difficult for me to put another campus going down that road knowing the effort being made by Kootenai and Jerome counties," said Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, who is co-chairwoman of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee and lives in the taxing district for the College of Southern Idaho.

"We believe the Boise area needs a community college," said North Idaho College spokesman Kent Probst. "The issue is how to pay for it."

State funding for North Idaho College declined from 58 percent of the college's revenue in 2002 to 48 percent in 2004, according to college's latest annual report.

"If Idaho can't adequately fund our existing colleges and universities, it is fair to ask legislators to fund another one," Probst said. "When you consid-

er the taxable property in Ada and Canyon counties, it would take a very small mill levy."

The vice chairman of the Senate Education Committee, Sen. Mike Jorgensen, R-Hayden Lake, said BSU should not be able to use state money to fund a new community college when schools in other districts rely on property taxes.

The first classroom building at the State West Campus will open this spring, while a second building is being planned.

## HAIR-RAISING EXPERIENCE



Bruce Roe, of Bremerton, Wash., waits to compete in The Idaho Beard and Mustache Championships at the Outback Lounge in Ketchum on Saturday. This sanctioned event is a prelude to the world championships in Berlin.

## Beard, mustache championships held

By Michelle Dunlop  
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — With his gun hanging from his bullet-lined belt, spurs clanking and gold sheriff's badge shining, Toot Joslin looks like he just stepped off the streets of Tombstone into the mountains of Idaho.

Yet, it's his face that grabs your attention — or, rather, his facial hair. Standing roughly three inches straight out from each cheek, Joslin's dusty white sideburns stretch down to a robust beard and mustache. The facial do took him a couple hours to perfect, and the occasion to sport it brought Joslin all the way from Lake Tahoe, Nev.

"Styling a beard is encouraged in this category," Joslin said.

On Saturday, the Idaho Beard and Mustache Championships were held at the Outback Lounge in Ketchum — the event serves as a stepping stone to October's World Beard and Mustache Champi-

onships in Berlin, Germany. A portion of the proceeds from Saturday's contest will benefit the Wood River Valley Animal Center.

Judges focused on facial hair but also gave a certain amount of weight to contestants' attire with retro old and wild west themes — hence, Joslin's incentive for dressing as one of the Railroad Regulators, the group who chased down infamous Western outlaws like Butch Cassidy.

"I can be myself," Joslin said.

Carey resident Gary Jacobczyk chose a patriotic theme for his beard. Red and white stripes adorned Jacobczyk's beard while silver stars sparkled from his cheek.

The beard took about three months to grow, he said. The event provided Jacobczyk with added incentive to continue a hobby he already enjoys.

"I like to ice-fish at Magic (Bremerton), and once I found out about it I just decided to group it up," Jacobczyk said. "It keeps my face warm."



Toot Joslin, of Lake Tahoe, Nev., competed in the sideburns portion of the competition Saturday.

## Children launch water bottle rockets

By Jill Michaels  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — The finesse was all in the fins.

More than 130 children learned the fine art of rocket science Saturday afternoon at the Sunset Center for Arts and Science on the College of Southern Idaho campus. The event

helped kick off this week's National Astronomy Week.

Faithful Planetarium Manager Rick Greenwald demonstrated to each shift of 15 children how to construct water bottle rockets from 2-liter plastic bottles donated by Swire Coca-Cola.

Each rocket was built by taking one plastic bottle and taping a half-bottle to its bottom. A ten-

nis ball was placed between the two stages for ballast. The cut-off bottle's spout was capped as a nose cone, leaving the intact bottle as a fuel tank. Three plastic fins were duct-taped to the rocket for stabilization.

Next came emblazoning the rockets with names. To answer one boy's question regarding

spelling, Centennial Observatory Manager Chris Anderson replied: "A-P-O-L-L-O."

For the moment of truth, the young rocket scientists stepped outside. One by one, each rocket was partially filled with water, secured to the launching platform and pressured with an air pump. Scores of five-second

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## Jerome County Sheriff's Department under investigation

JEROME — Sheriff Jim Weaver has confirmed that an investigation has been under way concerning this department.

Weaver did not disclose the nature of the investigation, other than to say it was a personnel issue. "I will assure you and the public, upon the completion of the investigation that the problems turned up will be dealt with swiftly and surely," Weaver said.

"That the sheriff's office and staff the finish of this, it will be dealt with in a professional and just manner."

At the request of Jerome County commissioners, an investigative team from Boise employed by the Idaho Counties Risk Management Program was

### Magic Valley in brief

brought into investigate, Weaver said.

Jerome County Commission Chairman Venetia Herman declined comment, citing the matter as a personnel issue.

Weaver said the investigation is internal as well as external. And he said it was understanding the investigation has expanded to the Jerome Police Department, too.

**ATV accident kills father and injures son**  
MOUNTAIN HOME — A re-

cent late night all-terrain vehicle accident left one dead and sent another to the hospital, according to an Elmore County Sheriff's Department press release.

At approximately 11:45 p.m. on Friday, a father and son crashed their ATV into the North Fork of the Boise River, roughly 12 miles north of Long Gulch Road. The son was flown to Boise for medical treatment. Search and Rescue workers found the father, deceased, about a half mile downstream on Saturday.

The cause of the accident is still under investigation by the Elmore County Sheriff's Department.

### Glambia Foods requests an air quality permit

GOODING — Glambia Foods is applying for an air quality permit for its Gooding facility.

The company is seeking the permit to regulate air emissions from a biogas-fired boiler and biogas-fired flare for a new wastewater treatment plant. The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comments on the permit request.

The application is available for review at DEQ's Twin Falls Regional Office, 601 Pine Road, Suite 2.

For more information, contact Bill Rogers at (208) 733-0502

or wrogens@deq.idaho.gov. Please submit comment by May 2 to Joan Lechtenberg in the Air Quality Division at the DEQ, 1400 N. Locust, Apt. 1401 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706 or by e-mail to jlechten@deq.idaho.gov.

### Gooding schedules cleanup day for April 16

GOODING — A cleanup day in the city of Gooding is scheduled for Saturday, April 16.

Residents may place yard waste next to trash cans that will be picked up and disposed of by city crews. No other type of trash is allowed.

— compiled from staff reports

## T.F. thanks centennial volunteers

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The parties are over, but something tangible remains from Twin Falls' big birthday bash: a new stretch of Snake River Canyon walking trail that reveals canyon vistas unfamiliar even to longtime residents.

City leaders hope the trail also will lure tourists to spend a few more days in Twin Falls, and help make Magic Valley's lifestyle attractive to job seekers, potential employers, relocating retirees and the like.

That piece of trail, zig-zagging up the canyon wall to the rim above Shoshone Falls Park is the legacy of the Twin Falls Centennial Commission and its dozens of donors.

The City Council will thank the volunteer-led commission for the trail and its other accomplishments on Wednesday, the 100th anniversary of the city's April 13, 1905, incorporation.

An open house, from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday in the City Council chambers, will recognize the 100th anniversary on the Centennial Commission at some point as the group evolved. Councilman Lance Clow said he and others did a lot of legwork to put together that list of names.

"There's a chance we're going to leave somebody out and offend someone, but we tried very hard not to," Clow said.

Wednesday's open house is a cake-and-punch affair that's open to the public, but the council chambers cannot accommodate a large crowd. Those specifically invited include Centennial Commission members past and present, the city government's retirees and past City Council members.

At about 6 p.m., the City Council will unveil a stone monument that thanks the Centennial Commission and lists the 22 members' names. The monument is to be installed later in a concrete base near the Shoshone Falls Park trailhead.

Also at the open house, Clow hopes to display a copy of minutes from the Cassia County commissioners' April 13, 1905, meeting that resulted in Twin Falls' incorporation. At the time, the city was located in part of Cassia County, with the county seat in Albion.

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## Elizabeth 'Irene' Evans

**TWIN FALLS** — Elizabeth "Irene" Evans, 88, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, April 7, 2005, at Desert Rose Retirement Estate in Twin Falls.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, April 11, 2005, at the Church of Christ, 2000 Eldorado St., Boise, Idaho. Minister Mike Sanders will officiate. Burial will follow at Cleveland Memorial Park in Boise. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 11, 2005, at the Church of Christ in Boise. Services will be under the direction of Serenity Funeral Chapel, 2158 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls.

Irene was born on April 15, 1916, at Tooty's Bend, Tenn., to Lewis and Ethel Tonty. She was raised and educated in Tennessee. She married R.C. Sanders in December of 1937. Their marriage was blessed with a son, Ronald Sanders. After her husband's death in 1947, she later remarried Richard Lee Evans on Dec. 5, 1948. Their union was blessed with a son, Richard Lee Evans Jr., and a daughter, Sandra Evans. While living in Tennessee, she taught in a one-room school house, grades first through sixth. After moving to Idaho in 1948, she taught in a private kindergarten for six years.



garden for six years.

Her hobbies and activities included cooking at Camp Hydale in Idaho City for thirty-eight years. She cooked many dinners and baked pies for pie auctions to raise money for the camp. Irene was a life-long member of the Church of Christ. She was president of Women for Christian Education. With the WCE's help, they purchased building materials for doors, window shutters, and many improvements in the kitchen at Camp Hydale. She volunteered in Vacation Bible School for thirty-five years, and held Bible studies in her and her husband's home. Irene was also in charge of making comforters and quilts

during Ladies Bible Class. They made them for orphanages and nursing homes. She made very special comforters for weddings and baby showers.

Irene leaves behind a son, Ronald C. (Sue) Sanders of McCall, Idaho; a daughter, Sandra (Jerry) Shafer of Buhl; nine grandchildren and was G.G. "Rene" to nine great-grandchildren: one brother, Harold (Ruby) Tonty of Tooty's Bend, Tenn.; one sister, Sue (Ed) Baker of Shady Grove, Tenn.; 12 brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; many beloved nieces, nephews, and numerous good friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Airforce Sgt. R.C. Sanders; second husband, Eugene Almsupport Sgt. Richard Lee Evans; one son, Richard Lee Evans Jr. at age 11; four brothers and two sisters.

"My Love to All," says Irene. Countless family and friends will miss you "Mam," "Grandma," "G.G. Rene," "Aunt Irene," "Dickieanne," and "Mrs. Camp Hydale." She will be missed by all who met her. She leaves behind a special young man, Richard Lee Evans Jr., and numerous contributions may be made in Irene's name to Camp Hydale, c/o Church of Christ, 2000 Eldorado St., Boise, ID 83704.

## Mary Stanger Hill

**BURLEY** — Mary Stanger Hill died April 8, 2005, at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Bonnie and Jack Funk, at the age of 97 surrounded by a loving and caring family.

She was the seventh child of Charles and Martha Stanger. She and her twin brother, George, were born Feb. 20, 1908, in American Falls, Idaho, into a family of nine siblings, four sisters and five brothers. Her family moved to the Vernal area in 1924. She attended schools in American Falls and Burley.

She married James Harris Hill on Oct. 25, 1927. They were later sealed in the Temple on June 26, 1945. They lived in a variety of places in the state of Idaho. Mary helped her husband on the farm. She worked in the ladies dress department in Sears and managed the Sweetbrier Shop in Twin Falls, Idaho. She was a top sales lady for the Mayfair Shop in Twin Falls and Burley, Idaho. Mary made salads and desserts along with being the cashier for the Simplot plant cafeteria. She and Jim took care of the Simplot and Altonson properties in McCall. They also had a firewood business while living in McCall, Idaho.

Her hand-crocheted afghans and knitted dishcloths were given to children and



grandchildren for special occasions of birth, graduation, marriage and Christmas. She was a marvelous cook and loved to tend and cultivate flower and vegetable gardens. Reading and giving service to others were other hobbies for her. However, working was her very favorite hobby.

Mary was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in Primary, Young Women, Sunday school and Relief Society organizations. Visiting teaching was a calling she had for over 75 years and faithfully rendered love and compassion to many women.

A dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-

grandmother, often attending drama, choir, dance, sports, Eagle courts, graduations, weddings and chariot horse racing events which often times required many hours of travel.

She leaves a loving family, Bonnie (Jack) Funk of Burley, Idaho; James Richard (Nola) Hill of Alta Loma, Calif.; and Georgia (Sherwood) Ricka of Rexburg, Idaho, along with a special young man, Richard Lee Evans Jr., and her twin brother, Mary and Jim, Jerry (Thelma) Bailey of Wendell, Idaho; 20 grandchildren; 54 great-grandchildren; and 23 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, a daughter, a granddaughter-in-law, and a great-granddaughter, her parents and nine siblings and their wives. She is also the last of her husband's siblings and wives.

The funeral will be held at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at the Unity 2nd Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 275 S. 250 E., Burley, Idaho, with Bishop Lonnie Downs officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St., Burley, and from 10:30 until 11:15 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

## Thomas Melvin Wymer

**RUPERT/JACKSON** — Thomas Melvin Wymer, 87, of Rupert, passed away April 8, 2005, at his home.

Thomas was born April 7, 1918, to Thomas B. and Hazel Hawk Wymer in Kuna, Idaho, where he lived as a child. He later moved to Boise and then to San Francisco during the war. He served in the Navy for three years. Thomas and his wife moved to Rupert in 1961 after living around the Boise area.

Thomas was a man of education. He had several bachelor's degrees and nearly completed his master's degree. Thomas was not only an educator but he also worked as a barber and later for the I.R.



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## Steve E. Whitehead

**MACKAY** — Steve E. Whitehead, 57, of Mackay, Idaho, and formerly of Pocatello and Twin Falls, died Tuesday, April 5, 2005, at his home in Mackay following a courageous battle with cancer.

Steve was born on Aug. 7, 1947, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the son of Edward K. "Duke" and Altha Wells Whitehead. He grew up and attended schools in Twin Falls, graduating from Twin Falls High School in 1964. Following high school he moved to Pocatello, where he worked various jobs before finding his lifelong love of driving truck. Steve co-owned and operated Idaho Atlantic Trucking Company with his

dad for over 30 years in Pocatello and then recently owned and operated a trucking company in Mackay for the last three years until ill health forced him to retire.

Steve enjoyed collecting and restoring classic cars, and he loved to go out and clean and polish his truck. Steve loved his family and especially his step-grandchildren and dogs.

Steve is survived by his wife, Michele of Mackay; four step-children, Jillian Carr of Emmett, Jerod Serrano of Mackay, Jarris Thompson of Emmett and Jacob Serrano of Las Vegas, Nev.; two sisters, Altha Suzanne Chubb of Pocatello and Tina Rene

Winifred Gerkman of Anchorage, Alaska; and one brother, Duke Wells Whitehead of Mackay. Also surviving are his eight step-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Edith Jerilyn Whitehead.

A celebration of Steve's life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 16, 2005, at his home, 520 Pine St. in Mackay. An open house will continue with stories and fellowship from noon until 2 p.m. Saturday at the home. At Steve's request, there will be no public viewing. Services and cremation are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

## Counselor is cleared of drug charges

**BOISE (AP)** — A former employee of a Nampa home for juvenile offenders did not give four teenagers drugs, as the children first claimed after testing positive for methamphetamine, Canyon County prosecutors said.

The state-certified teacher who ran the online education program at Discovery House cannot be linked to the charges, Prosecutor Dave Young said.

A boy alleged last month that the female employee, who has not been identified publicly, gave him the drug and cigarette, said officials with the Idaho Youth Ranch, which operates the home.

Idaho Youth Ranch CEO Mike Jones said the teachers told investigators they blackmailed the employee after a student saw a pipe fall out of her bag.

Five students, ages 13 to 17, were given urine tests after the student approached officials, Jones said. Four tested positive for amphetamines, a chemical stimulant that affects the central nervous system and provides a high similar to cocaine.

The employee tested negative, but was placed on administrative leave March 21. She no longer works for the agency, Jones said without providing further details.

## DEATH

## NOTICES

## Brenda Watson

**TWIN FALLS** — Brenda Watson, 53, of Twin Falls, died Friday, April 8, 2005, in Salt Lake City, Utah, after an extended illness.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

## Helen Stowell

**TWIN FALLS** — Helen Stowell, 96, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, April 9, 2005, at Bridgeway Estates.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

## Richard E. "Dick" Erwin

**PAUL** — Richard E. "Dick" Erwin, 77, of Paul, died Saturday, April 9, 2005, at his home. A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 13, 2005, at the Rupert Christian Church, 1110 Eighth St., Rupert. Viewing and visitation will be held from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at Hansen Mortuary Chapel and one hour before the service at the church.

## Helen B. Wells

**TWIN FALLS** — Helen B. Wells, 93, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, April 9, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

A private family service will be held at a later date. Paul's Magic Valley Funeral Home & Crematory of Twin Falls was in charge of cremation arrangements. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

## Stephen Wasko

**FILER** — Stephen Wasko, 74, of Filer, died Saturday, April 9, 2005, at the Veterans Affairs Hospital in Boise.

Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

## Conita S. Fogelson

**JEROME** — Conita S. Fogelson, 63, of Jerome, died Friday, April 8, 2005, in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary and Crematory, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome.

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## Inmate sues state of Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Utah prison inmate is accusing the state in a lawsuit of keeping him behind bars for a string of rapes he was linked by DNA to but never convicted of.

Rudy Romero was sentenced to five years to life for aggravated robbery, and scheduled to be paroled July 27 after serving 10 years of his sentence. But a month shy of that date, the state Board of Pardons and Parole notified him that he had been identified as a "prison suspect in several different sex crimes." Based on that information, the board rescinded Romero's parole date and set a July 2025 rehearing to next consider Romero's release from prison.

Romero claims the board is keeping him in prison because the statute of limitations on the rape allegations has expired, acting "as judge, jury and executioner" in the matter. He also claims the board has unfairly denied him an attorney.

All of this being done without an adjudication of guilt or innocence and in violation of due process, equal protection and fundamental fairness," he writes in the complaint.

Board spokesman John Green said officials conferred with attorneys before deciding not to grant parole, and still believes Romero was provided "full due process" at all times.

Romero was identified as the so-called Parkway Rapist last spring after DNA evidence allegedly linked him to five of 13 unsolved rapes and abductions that occurred along the Jordan River Parkway between 1990 and 1993.

Romero names as defendants in the complaint Utah State Prison warden Clint Friel, board chairman Mike Sibbett, the state Department of Corrections and the state of Utah.

The case is the first of its kind in Utah and perhaps even beyond. It has raised the interest of the Utah Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union enough to investigate the wide discretion generally afforded parole boards in determining inmate release dates.

Director Danl Eyer said it's not clear the inmates have a constitutionally guaranteed right to be released short of their maximum sentence, even if a parole date was previously awarded.

## SERVICES

Victor V. Cheney of Gooding, funeral at 10 a.m. Monday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1228 Main, Gooding; visitation and viewing from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the Denary Funeral Chapel, 737 Main, and one hour before the service at the church.

Clarence Morrell Chick of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the chapel at the Paul Cemetery; visitation from 3 to 5 p.m. today at White Mortuary, 186 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls.

Coretta Lenora Walters of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church in Twin Falls; viewing from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary and one hour before the service at the church.

George Franklin Storms of Nampa, funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at the Wendell 2nd Ward LDS Chapel; viewing from 4 to 6 p.m. today at the Zeyer Funeral Chapel, 83 N. Midland Blvd., Nampa, and from noon to 12:45 p.m. Monday at the church.

James Howard "Woody" Arthur Sr. of Twin Falls, funeral at 7 p.m. Monday at Fiske's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 281 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls; friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Hazel Lorna Rogers of Glens Ferry, memorial service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Our Lady of Limerick in Glens Ferry (Rost Funeral Home).

Agnes E. Youngblood of Gooding, funeral at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Denary Funeral Chapel, 737 Main; Gooding; visitation and viewing from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at the funeral chapel.

Winifred Stombaugh of Buhl, memorial and final interment at 11 a.m. Saturday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl.

## Suspect in shooting faces charges

BOISE — A man accused of shooting at Boise police during a Feb. 28 traffic stop, then trying to run down an officer with a car nine days later, has been charged with attempted murder and aggravated assault.

Harlan Hale, 39, was due to enter a plea Tuesday.

No one was injured in either incident.

He was arrested March 9 near Boise after police say he tried to run down an officer during another attempt to flee.

Boise and Garden City police officers involved in both incidents testified in front of a grand jury this week where prosecutors presented the charges.

Hale had two handguns with him when he was arrested, according to police reports.

Hale and three other people also are suspects in a home-invasion robbery in Twin Falls that occurred just hours before the vehicle Hale was riding in was pulled over in February. Police allege Hale, who was sitting in the rear seat of the car, opened fire on two officers making the traffic stop. The three others in the car have also been arrested.

### Idaho in brief

#### Ex-dentist pleads guilty to making false claims

POST FALLS — A former Post Falls dentist has pleaded guilty to making false claims with the state of Idaho to fraudulently obtain federal Medicaid insurance money.

Darnell C. Dick, 36, pleaded guilty in federal court in Boise last week to one felony count for the claims he made through Darnell Dick Family Dental and Northwest Family Dental Inc.

He will be sentenced June 13

for billing the insurance program for America's poor.

Dick has already agreed to pay \$280,000, including \$50,000 in Medicaid investigation costs, to settle a pending federal civil lawsuit against him.

Officials allege Dick made multiple false claims to the Idaho Medicaid program between November 1999 and February 2001 for dental services that were not provided to Medicaid patients or that were not provided as billed.


The federal false claims suit alleged that Dick filed more than 1,000 false, exaggerated or duplicated billings to Medicaid.

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## Tribal tourism office readies for 'Summer of Peace' event

LAPWAI (AP) — Northern Idaho organizers are polishing plans for a four-day celebration of the Lewis and Clark expedition, part of a national tour, winding around the country with 15 stops along the route the explorers took 200 years ago.

The signature event, "Summer of Peace: Among the Nimiipuu," will be planned by the new office of Nez Perce Tribal Tourism, which has just three employees. Until the tribal office got involved, the smallest group handling any of the 15 signature events had 12 employees, said Tribal Tourism Director Bill Smith.

The event, slated for June 2006, will mark the Corps of Discovery's journey through Nez Perce land on the journey west. The Nez Perce are neither Lewis and Clark nor explorers from starvation and the discoverers made an extended stop with the tribe on their return trip.

"We want to tell the true tribal story," said Farren Penney of the tribal tourism agency. "The Nez Perce have an oral history, and most non-Indians don't believe something is true unless it's written down. This is our chance."

The event could draw thousands of visitors to the area, which could pose a challenge to the small new tourism office, Smith said.

"This area has never seen any-

"This area is history, with the Appaloosas and the Nez Perce being Chief Joseph's tribe."

— Bill Smith, Tribal Tourism director

thing like it, and probably never will," he said.

Once the bicentennial events are over, the Office of Tribal Tourism will work to improve the area's potential to draw tourists.

"Heritage tourism," vacations that focus on historical and cultural sites, is the latest catch phrase in the travel industry, and this area could do more to market itself in that way, Smith said.

"This area is history, with the Appaloosas and the Nez Perce being Chief Joseph's tribe," he said, noting the need for "a strong tourism infrastructure. There is a need for the tribe to be a strong liaison with the states to create a lasting legacy for the region."

## Fast-food employee pleads to double-swiping credit cards

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A 21-year-old fast-food employee has been sentenced to probation and six months in jail for double-swiping the credit cards of customers who irritated him. Travis Dominguez pleaded guilty to one count of credit card fraud, a third-degree felony. He was accused of double-swiping cards at the Midvale Taco Bell where he worked five times, putting in different amounts on the second swipe between \$20 and \$30.

Third District Judge Glenn Hwasaki ordered a psychological evaluation and \$142.22

restitution, and barred Dominguez from employment involving financial transactions.

Dominguez faced five felony counts of unlawful use of a credit card and single misdemeanor counts of theft and obstruction of justice — and allegedly called police pretending to be a Taco Bell executive claiming to have solved the case.

It's unclear where the money from the double-swiping went. Dominguez told police he didn't pocket it, but police said the cash didn't show up at the restaurant.

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## SCHOOL LUNCHES

### BURL SCHOOL

**Breakfast Menu**  
Milk served daily. Choice of fruit or juice every day.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Breakfast pizza  
Wednesday: Biscuits  
Thursday: Breakfast pockets  
Friday: Waffles  
**Lunch Menu**  
Salad bar and milk served every day.  
Monday: Burritos  
Tuesday: Spaghetti  
Wednesday: Pepperoni pizza  
Thursday: Chicken sandwich  
Friday: Chicken nuggets

### BURLEY JR. HIGH SCHOOL

**Breakfast Menu**  
Milk served daily. A variety of fruits and vegetables are served with each meal. Burley High School offers a hamburger bar, salad bar or a main dish each day. Breakfast is served starting at 7:30 a.m.  
Monday: Scrambled eggs  
Tuesday: Breakfast on a stick  
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls  
Thursday: Breakfast pockets  
Friday: Yogurt  
**Lunch Menu**  
Salad bar and milk served every day.  
Monday: Pigs in a blanket or seaburger  
Tuesday: Hoagie or hot combi  
Wednesday: Macho nachos  
Thursday: Hamburger, cheeseburger or burrito  
Friday: Chicken Malibu or tuna

### CASTLEFORD SCHOOL

**Breakfast Menu**  
Milk and juice served daily.  
Monday: Doughnuts  
Tuesday: French toast  
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls  
Thursday: Biscuits  
Friday: Breakfast muffins  
**Lunch Menu**  
Salad bar and milk served daily.  
Monday: Ham and cheese sandwich  
Tuesday: Nachos grande  
Wednesday: Toasted cheese sandwich  
Thursday: Baked potato bar  
Friday: Taco salad

### GLOVER TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Turkey gravy  
Tuesday: Taco nachos  
Wednesday: Hotdogs  
Thursday: French toast  
Friday: Spaghetti

### FILER SCHOOL

Monday: Hot dogs  
Tuesday: Tacos  
Wednesday: Pizza  
Thursday: Beef bites  
Friday: Soup and sandwich

### HANSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Breakfast Menu**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Yogurt  
Thursday: Pancakes  
Friday: Cereal  
**Lunch Menu**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Hamburger  
Tuesday: Lasagna  
Wednesday: Hot pockets  
Thursday: Chili dogs  
Friday: French toast

### IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Choice of milk every day.  
Monday: Breakfast burrito  
Tuesday: Turkey and lettuce salad  
Wednesday: Build your own sandwich  
Thursday: Spaghetti  
Friday: Pigs in a blanket

### KIMBERLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Burrito  
Tuesday: Hamburgers  
Wednesday: Sloppy joes  
Thursday: Galaxy pizza  
Friday: Chili

### KIMBERLY HIGH SCHOOL

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Burrito  
Tuesday: Cheeseburger  
Wednesday: Sloppy joes  
Thursday: Galaxy pizza  
Friday: French dip

### LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday: Tenny chicken  
Tuesday: Corn dogs  
Wednesday: Sloppy joes  
Thursday: Quesadillo  
Friday: Pizza

### MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Cheeseburger deluxe  
Tuesday: Fiesta bean burrito  
Wednesday: Tuna fish or turkey sandwich  
Thursday: Italian spaghetti  
Friday: No school

### MINIDOKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Breakfast menu  
Tuesday: Cereal  
Wednesday: French toast sticks  
Thursday: Granola bars  
Friday: No school  
**Lunch Menu**  
Monday: Baked cheese sandwich  
Tuesday: Enchilada  
Wednesday: Fish sandwich  
Thursday: Turkey gravy with whipped potatoes  
Friday: No school

### MINIDOKA MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Breakfast menu**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Toasters tarts or granola bar  
Tuesday: Hashbrowns and scrambled eggs  
Wednesday: French toast sticks  
Thursday: Ham and cheese or breakfast cookie  
Friday: No school  
**Lunch menu**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Hamburger gravy with whipped potatoes or baked potato  
Tuesday: Chicken wrap  
Wednesday: Spaghetti or Italian dunkers  
Thursday: Popcorn chicken or chicken nuggets  
Friday: No school

### MURTAUGH SCHOOL

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Nachos  
Tuesday: Chicken and pasta  
Wednesday: Pizza pockets  
Thursday: Turkey gravy and potatoes  
Friday: Chicken nuggets

### ROBERT STUART AND O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH

**Breakfast menu**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Cereal

### ST. EDWARDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Monday: Spaghetti  
Tuesday: Cheeseburger  
Wednesday: Turkey gravy  
Thursday: Bean and cheese burritos  
Friday: Corn dogs

### TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: Breakfast sandwich  
Friday: No school  
**Lunch menu**  
Monday: Corn dogs  
Tuesday: Grilled cheese sandwich  
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets  
Thursday: Chicken fried steak  
Friday: No school

### TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

Breakfast is served daily.  
Lunch: The high school has a choice of main line, hamburger bar, and salad bar each day, taco bar on Fridays. Main line menu varies every day.  
Monday: Malibu chicken sandwich  
Tuesday: Grilled chicken and bacon wrap  
Wednesday: Cheeseburger  
Thursday: No school  
Friday: No school

### VALLEY SCHOOLS

Breakfast is served daily.  
Monday: Beef enchiladas  
Tuesday: Hot dogs  
Wednesday: Cheese pizza  
Thursday: Chicken burger  
Friday: Baked cheese sandwich

### BLISS SCHOOL

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Taquitos  
Tuesday: Breakfast  
Wednesday: Enchiladas  
Thursday: Pork chops  
Friday: Soup and sandwich

### CASSIA SCHOOLS

Milk served daily. A variety of fruits and vegetables are served with each meal.  
**Breakfast menu**  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: Oatmeal  
Friday: Cinnamon toast  
**Lunch menu**  
Monday: Hamburgers  
Tuesday: Pizza  
Wednesday: School choice  
Thursday: Chili  
Friday: Tacos

### DIETRICH SCHOOLS

Salad bar, fruit and milk served daily.  
Monday: Hot dogs  
Tuesday: Spaghetti  
Wednesday: Pizza  
Thursday: Ham and scalloped potatoes  
Friday: Tacos

### HAGERMAN SCHOOLS

Choice of milk offered daily.  
**Breakfast menu**  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Pancakes, sausage  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: French toast  
Friday: Cereal  
**Lunch menu**  
Monday: Corn dogs  
Tuesday: Pizza  
Wednesday: Turkey and gravy  
Thursday: Sub sandwich  
Friday: Chili

### IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Pancakes  
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy or jelly  
Thursday: Cinnamon toast and yogurt  
Friday: Waffles  
**Lunch menu**  
Salad bar and choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Sloppy Joe on a bun or turkey sandwich  
Tuesday: Chicken nuggets  
Wednesday: French bread pizza  
Thursday: Hot dogs or roast beef sandwich  
Friday: Tuna sandwich or macaroni and cheese

### JEROME SCHOOLS

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Little smokies  
Tuesday: Chicken drumsticks  
Wednesday: Pizza pocket  
Thursday: Peanut butter untable  
Friday: Lasagna

### RICHFIELD SCHOOLS

**Breakfast**  
Milk and juice served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Scrambled eggs  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: Biscuits and gravy  
Friday: Cereal  
**Lunch**  
Monday: Chili  
Tuesday: Potato bar  
Wednesday: French dip sandwich  
Thursday: Pepperoni pizza  
Friday: Hoagie sandwich

### SHOSHONE SCHOOLS

Breakfast and choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Soft taco  
Tuesday: Chicken patty  
Wednesday: Burrito  
Thursday: Tortilla chips  
Friday: Ham

### WENDALL SCHOOLS

Breakfast and choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Hamburger  
Tuesday: Baked potato  
Wednesday: Sloppy joes  
Thursday: Roast turkey  
Friday: No school

School lunch menus are printed as a public service. To have the lunch menu (breakfast menu if desired) printed with the menu in Sunday's paper, send the menu to The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or fax it to 734-5538, attention: Lunch Menu Deadline is noon Wednesday for publication Sunday.

## Idaho OKs new cyanide gold mine in watershed

BOISE (AP) — State officials have approved a permit to use cyanide to mine gold in the watershed of the Boise River, which provides drinking water to about 200,000 people.  
Desert Mineral Mining wants to begin processing ore left over by past miners on Three Point Mountain, 20 miles southeast of Boise. Neighboring ranchers and environmental activists are protesting the mine because of concerns over using cyanide, a poisonous chemical, to leach the gold from the rock.  
But the company scaled back the size of the mine proposal and agreed to build a leak detection and collection system under its waste treatment pond to prevent contamination of nearby streams and groundwater.  
The permit issued by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality on Thursday authorized the use of cyanide for the extraction process.  
Desert Mineral still must get a reclamation permit from the Idaho Department of Lands before beginning operations. Since the company still hasn't filed all the necessary information for the other permit, "I really can't do anything," said Eric Wilson, senior resource manager at the Lands Department's Boise regional office.  
Because of intense public interest, state DEQ officials plan weekly and unannounced inspections of the mine during construction.  
Mine developers say the permitting process has taken longer and cost more than they anticipated, but they are planning to show the small-scale operation can be done safely and effectively.  
"We're not there for just one small project," said Dan Terzo, chief operating officer of the new California-based company. "We want to prove over a two- or three-month period we can run a clean operation."  
Local environmental groups are pushing for additional public comment on the remaining permit application, but were satisfied that state regulators had taken steps to prevent contamination of the river system.

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# Judge throws out death sentence

MOSCOW (AP) — A judge has spared a man sentenced to death in 2001 for killing his ex-wife and her boyfriend.

Latah County District Court Judge John Stegner threw out death sentences on Friday against Dale Carter Shackelford — the same judge that sentenced him to die for killing Donna Fontaine and her boyfriend Fred Palahniuk six years ago and then burning the bodies.

Stegner ruled Friday that the penalty was unconstitutional

because it violated a 2003 law dictating death sentences be imposed by a jury, not judges.

Defense attorneys Mark Ackley and Kimberly Simmons filed a petition for post-conviction relief claiming several violations of Shackelford's rights.

Stegner dismissed claims the defendant's right to confront witnesses was violated. He also threw out claims the jury was not instructed well enough to make the decision of guilt and that Latah County lacked jurisdiction to try Shackelford.

Stegner's ruling, in effect, leaves Shackelford without a sentence.

He could be granted a new sentencing hearing, or higher courts could choose to reinstate the death penalty, said Latah County Prosecuting Attorney William Thompson.

"I think it is too early to say, at this point, what will happen," he said.

If Thompson continues to seek the death penalty, Stegner said, a jury would have to be assembled to weigh aggravating

and mitigating circumstances in connection with the murders.

Stegner said he may file to assemble the original jury that found Shackelford guilty of the murders near Kendrick, Idaho. He said a new panel might lack necessary background on the case.

Meanwhile the state Court of Appeals may review Shackelford's sentence, Thompson said.

"It is still subject for review," he said. "This is just the first step in a long process."

# Soldiers get patches, place in history

KIRKUK Iraq (AP) — Soldiers from the 116th Brigade Combat Team got combat patches for their right sleeves Friday, earning them a unique place in Idaho National Guard history.

The Army awards combat patches to soldiers who serve in a combat theater for more than 30 days.

What made Friday's ceremony historic is the fact that the Idaho National Guard's 116th "Sneaky Snake" patch has never been worn before for combat.

"It's nice because I'm part of the National Guard, and it's a National Guard patch," said Spc. Ann Hayden of Payette, a three-year member of the National Guard and the 116th.

The 116th Cavalry, as its known statewide, was constituted in 1920. Its soldiers have participated in nearly every war and conflict since. Typically, though, deployed National Guard soldiers have been assigned to active-duty Army units. Those Idaho Guard members who've earned a combat patch wear the patch of those units.

Because the 116th is in Iraq this year as a brigade, the sol-

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in northern Iraq. About half those soldiers are from Idaho.

"First and foremost, it is a day of pride in your unit and pride in your service," said 42nd Infantry Division Commander Major General Joseph Taluta. "You're doing a magnificent job. We couldn't be more proud of the way you've conducted yourselves."

All soldiers wear a unit patch on their left shoulders, but if they get a combat patch, they wear that on their right shoulder. It becomes a permanent part of their uniform.

Soldiers entered Friday's ceremony with duct tape over their 116th combat patches because they could not officially wear them until the ceremony.

"Wear this patch with honor and never forget the warriors who wear this patch with you," Gayhart said as soldiers tore the duct tape off their shoulders.

Many National Guardsmen got their entire careers without getting a combat patch. That nearly happened to Command Sgt. Major Charles Whittier of Idaho.

He served 17 years of active duty in the Army and 13 years in the National Guard.

Whittier entered the Army during the Vietnam War but was sent to Germany. He served in Panama but left just before the fighting broke out there.

"Always a bridesmaid, I guess," he said. "I got to the point in the National Guard I never thought this was going to happen."

The patch signifies more than combat. Whittier said: "We sacrificed by leaving our families and missing key events in our lives to get this."

Sgt. Warren Hurt of Idaho Falls said it's also a message for the whole state. "It signifies the people of Idaho have been to combat and back, and hopefully we will bring everyone home."

For soldiers not from Idaho, the 116th becomes a permanent part of their military careers. As long as Spc. Justin Narcise of Chicago wears an Army uniform, he can have the 116th patch on his shoulder. He's normally assigned to an Illinois Guard unit, but he's part of the 116th during his deployment.

"It's really an honor to get a patch from these guys," Narcise said. "It's like being permanently adopted."

# National Guard to be a last resort in fire season

SEATTLE (AP) — As states in the Pacific Northwest prepare for what forecasters say could be a very bad wildfire season, forest officials are asking whether the war in Iraq will crimp their ability to call on National Guard troops for fire duty.

Guard units in some Northwest states have been returning home in recent months, but the concern now is whether they'll be released from federal service and ready to help fight fires in the region.

Rose Davis, a spokeswoman for the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, said she's fielded many questions regarding the availability of the National Guard, but it's too soon to say if and where they'll be needed.

Governors in several states are already rallying the troops.

The Pacific Northwest, including northern Idaho and western Montana, has pretty serious water and fuel issues, so the folks in those states are being wise to look at preplanning, Davis said.

Wildland fires burned more than 155,000 acres in 2004 across Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. A preliminary outlook this year shows above-normal fire potential in the Northwest.

Gov. Brian Schweitzer asked the Pentagon to free up some of the 1,500 Montana National Guard soldiers still on active duty because of the war in Iraq. Lt. Gen. H. Steven Blum, chief of the



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## Lawmakers: Feds should pay more for land

By Christopher Smith  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Unless the federal government boosts local reimbursement for lost tax revenue on public lands, some western lawmakers want to give Uncle Sam's property to the affected counties.

"If the government can't be a good neighbor, it has no business being in the neighborhood," U.S. Rep. C.L. "Butch" Otter, R-Idaho, said after introducing his bill this week to increase spending on the federal "Payment-in-Lieu-of-Taxes" (PILT) program.

Under a 1976 law, cash payments are made by the U.S. Department of Interior to compensate local governments for tax-exempt federal land. The money, intended to offset losses to the private property tax base, is generally used by counties to pay for firefighting, law enforcement, schools and other services.

Western lawmakers have long chafed that rural communities with large tracts of federal land have not received the amount of money they're due under the law. During a news conference on Capitol Hill on Wednesday, a bipartisan group of western members of Congress claimed that over the last decade, rural communities have been shortchanged \$1.1 billion.

"Either give our counties in the West the land or fully fund PILT to try and make up for it," said Rep. Rob Bishop, R-Utah.

Environmentalists and western land policy experts say it's

unlikely a Republican-dominated Congress would increase funding for a program President Bush wants to cut.

"We agree some counties have an unfair financial burden because they contain an overwhelming amount of federal land, but there's no need to make ridiculous proposals," said Sean Cosgrove of the Sierra Club's Washington, D.C., legislative office.

Others figure the idea isn't

that far-fetched.

"The idea is to finally get the land back on the tax rolls," said Idaho Association of Counties Director Dan Chadwick. "I'm not sure it's going to ever happen, but we appreciate the shot across the bow."

Otter's legislation, co-sponsored by fellow Idaho Republican Rep. Mike Simpson, would give counties parcels of federal land equal in value to the difference between

the PILT payments appropriated by Congress and the full amount authorized by law. National parks, wilderness areas and federal wildlife refuges would be exempt from the conveyances.

"But your favorite fishing hole, your family camping spot and that place you got the six-point bull elk is all up for grabs under this bill," said Lynn Kinnaman of the Idaho Conservation League.



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## Police arrest homeless man in slaying

WENATCHEE, Wash. (AP) — A once-homeless man arrested in the slaying of an 80-year-old Dryden woman told authorities that the woman had taken him in, let him do chores in exchange for lodging and treated him as well as anyone ever had, court documents show.

Dennis E. Stutesman, 50, of Wenatchee, was being held for investigation of second-degree murder in the beating and stabbing death of June Larsen due Wednesday. He was arrested in Wenatchee driving Larsen's car and later confessed to killing her, Chelan County Sheriff Mike Harum said.

During an interview with authorities, Stutesman confessed another killing in Okanogan County but did not name the victim, Harum said. A jury acquitted Stutesman in 1989 of murdering 25-year-old Tina Nelson in an Oroville orchard camp.

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“It’s not a real sport.”

— Pro wrestling legend Hulk Hogan, borrowing a phrase often applied to his profession, to boxer Roy Jones Jr., who recently bought a cock-fighting arena in Louisiana

### TRIVIA QUESTION:

Which two teams failed to reach the playoffs the year after winning the NBA championship?

...answer below

### IN BRIEF

#### CSI will honor athletes April 28

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho will honor its student-athletes April 28 at a dinner/raffle at Radio Rondoveo. The event, which is open to the public, begins at 6 p.m. with the auction/raffle preview. Dinner, catered by Outback Steakhouse, begins at 7 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person (\$15 at the door). To reserve a spot or for more information, call Christ at 732-6486. Donations for the raffle are still needed. Please call BreAnn Clark at 732-6472 if you are able to donate an item. This year’s award banquet will honor all sophomore student-athletes with a special gift and a thank you from the college. Two students, one male and one female, will receive the special President’s Award from President Jerry Meyerhoeffer, and others will receive special recognition from their coaches.

#### CSI holds golf fund-raiser at Muni

TWIN FALLS — Step up now for the College of Southern Idaho athletic fund-raiser “Fly Like an Eagle” golf tournament. The tournament will be May 14 at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. The 5-person team scramble costs \$30 per team or \$60 per person. The fee includes green fees, a tee prize and lunch catered by Outback Steakhouse. The tournament will be limited to the first 30 teams that sign up. Playoff will include one prize for top gross, as well as net and 50 percent of the teams participating. For more information, call Christ at 732-6486.

#### Pond records ace at Jerome CC

JEROME — Clay Pond stroked a hole in one on No. 12 at the Jerome Country Club recently with a 7-iron. The witnesses were Dan, Gary Cooper and Nick Cizmich.

#### Minico boosters meeting set

RUPERT — The Minico Booster Club will meet at 4:30 p.m. Monday, April 18, in the Minico High School Library. Officers for the next school year will be selected. Parents with students in grades 9-12 are urged to attend. Call 436-5670 for more information.

#### Second scrimmage proves explosive

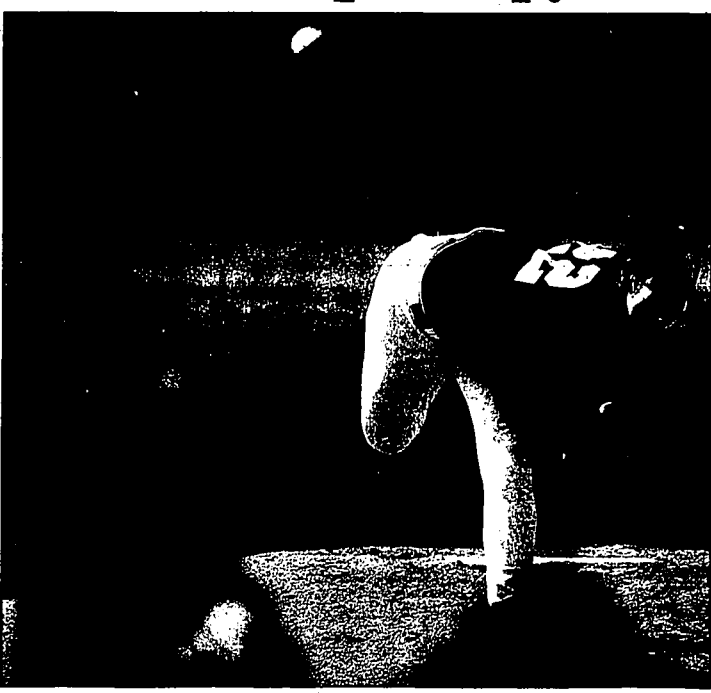
BOISE — Big plays by both the Boise State offense and defense were the story of the second scrimmage of spring football practice held Friday at Bronco Stadium. The offense scored five touchdowns, two from more than 50 yards, while the defense scored on one of three interceptions. Boise State defense made big plays as well. Sophomore linebacker Mike Altieri picked off a Zabransky pass and returned it 25 yards for a touchdown.

Compiled from staff reports

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

The Boston Celtics, after winning their 11th title with Bill Russell in the lineup in 1955, and the Chicago Bulls, who won with Michael Jordan as their leader in 1993, Russell and Jordan retired after those championship seasons.

# SLCC sweeps sleepy CSI



College of Southern Idaho pitcher Andrew Shive strikes out Salt Lake Community College's Tyler Ray during the third inning of their scenic West Athletic Conference game Saturday at Walker Field in Twin Falls.

By Kevin Colbart  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — There are times when the wheels fall off. Then there are times when the wheels never get put on before the car leaves the factory.

The College of Southern Idaho baseball team began the afternoon with a thud and was never was able to find its groove in losing 2-1 and 5-2 to Salt Lake Community College in a scenic West Athletic Conference doubleheader Saturday at Walker Field.

Coupled with two victories over CSI on Friday, the wins vaulted the Bruins (27-13 overall, 18-10 SWAC) past the Golden Eagles (23-18, 16-11) into third place in the conference standings.

“To start that game, even for both teams, there was just no intensity,” CSI head coach Boomer Walker said. “... You hope to get a few breaks here



and there, but we didn’t get any breaks. But, of course, we didn’t create any of our own breaks.”

CSI starting pitcher Andrew Shive, who otherwise threw brilliantly, opened Game 1 by beating SLCC leadoff hitter Eli Christensen on the very first pitch. While it didn’t necessarily

turn the tide, it certainly was a good omen.

Shive then induced a grounder from Clint Anderson, the No. 2 hitter, into what

should’ve been a double play. But CSI second baseman Hector Martinez booted the ball and was only able to force out Christensen at second.

It would prove to be a costly mistake.

“Give Andrew credit because he comes back after hitting a guy to lead off the game, makes a great pitch, gets a ground ball,” Walker said. “I mean, shoot.”

After an Anderson steal, Shive spun off the mound before the ensuing pitch and faked a pickoff throw to second base in an attempt to cut down Anderson’s lead. The problem was, Shive wasn’t able to hang onto the ball during the fake. Instead inadvertently throwing it hard into the infield dirt before it bounced into the outfield. Anderson advanced to third on the miscue and later scored on Jeremy Thomas’ groundout.

Salt Lake scored again in the

top of the fifth inning on an RBI single to center field by Zaddock Christensen to make it 2-0.

CSI responded, but mental mistakes again prevented the Eagles from getting over the hump. Pinch hitter Sean Pitts led off the inning with a walk, setting up Brady Bartholomew’s double over the head of SLCC left fielder Tyler Ray. In an effort to give the Eagles a spark, Pitts was waved around third as the throw from Ray went to Zaddock Christensen, the shortstop.

Pitts, who has been nursing a hamstring injury, was then gunned out at the plate.

The baserunning gaffes continued later in the frame. CSI had cut its deficit to 2-1 when Bartholomew scored on Jordan Daley’s single to right field. But the Eagles’ Kyle Resser, who had earlier reached on a walk, was held at second base. Daley anticipated that his hit would lead to extra bases and was thrown

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## Gareau gets her glory 25 years later

By Jimmy Golon  
Associated Press writer

BOSTON — The cheers had died down by the time Jacqueline Gareau reached the finish line of the 1980 Boston Marathon. On the podium, Rosie Ruiz already was accepting the winner’s wreath.

“In some way, I missed something. I missed the excitement of being received as a winner,” Gareau said this week as she planned to return to Boston 25 years after Ruiz usurped her place on the victory podium. “But being sad, being angry — not really, I feel sad for her. In some way, it’s more unfortunate for her than me.”

Pending proof that Barry Bonds or Mark McGwire’s homers were powered by steroids, Ruiz remains perhaps the most brazen cheater in U.S. sports history. And Gareau is the forgotten victim.

Officially, she won the 1980 Boston Marathon. But Gareau was deprived of her chance to celebrate when Ruiz came out of the crowd about a mile from the finish and pretended to have won.

Although race officials were suspicious of Ruiz — an unknown who simply didn’t look or act like she had just run a marathon — they deliberated for weeks while studying videotapes and other checkpoint evidence before concluding that she had not run the race. Gareau was declared the winner.

“I knew for sure that I was the winner. I had no doubt at all,” Gareau said this week in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. “I just thought I was first until he/she someone told me I was second. I didn’t really believe it.”

Of course, when I finished I was really disturbed. I didn’t like it. I couldn’t understand how she could pass me.”

It turns out, she didn’t.

At least, not on the course.

Although it’s not clear how Ruiz got to Kenmore Square, a subsequent investigation showed she took the subway during the race. The New York Times, which she used as her qualifying time for Boston, Ruiz has never waived from her claim that she was fairly she could not be located for comment.

“You could see by the way she entered the interview, when you do a course record, 231, you’ve got to be able to say what

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## THE MASTERS

# The Golden Bear says goodbye

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Jack Nicklaus climbed to the top of the ninth green, gave a small wave to the cheering crowd and dipped his head to brush the tears from his eyes.

This was the way the six-time Masters champion wanted to leave. No drawn-out sendoff, just a simple goodbye. After a tap-in for one last par and some smiles for the fans, he was gone.

And the 65-year-old says it for good.

“I don’t think I’ll venture out on the golf course for a tournament again,” Nicklaus said Saturday after shooting a 4-over 76 and missing the cut. “Unless I can gain 10 mph more club head speed, I’m not coming back.”

“I don’t think that’s going to happen.”

Unlike Arnold Palmer, Nicklaus never wanted a ceremonial sendoff at Augusta National. He had planned to make 2004 his last year, preferring not to play if he wasn’t competitive.

But he was urged to come back one more time by chairman Hootie Johnson a few days after the drawing date of his 17-month-old grandson. And after playing several rounds with his sons the last few weeks, Nicklaus agreed. “I’m over going to come back. I’ve got as good a chance of not embarrassing myself this year,” he said. “Suck it up and get it over with.” That’s how I



Jack Nicklaus waves to the gallery on Hole No. 8 during second round play of the 2005 Masters at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., Saturday.

looked at it.”

And for awhile, it looked as if Nicklaus might make a grand farewell. When he started his second round on the 11th hole Saturday morning, his mind was on the three birdies he thought he would need to make the cut.

So he set out with son and caddy Jackie planning to stay until Sunday. But he bogeyed three of his first four holes, all

but ending his chances.

When he approached the ninth green, he knew there was no tomorrow and his emotions got the best of him.

He looked out at the crowd as if to soak in the memory, then bowed his head to wipe away the tears and compose himself. After all, he still had a putt to make — and a birdie chance, at that.

Nicklaus missed the 4-footer,

and looked at the fans in exasperation. After he tapped in, the crowd stood for one last salute.

Playing partner and good friend Jay Haas hugged him, and then Nicklaus was gone, disappearing into the crowd as he walked to the scorer’s hut to turn in his last Masters score card.

“I think,” he said, “you say goodbye when you can play a little bit.”

## DiMarco retains lead

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Chris DiMarco thought he had the best seat at Augusta National last year when he played in the final group and watched Phil Mickelson win the Masters. The view was even better Saturday.

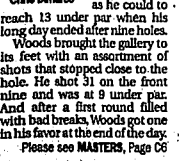
“DiMarco” played 26 holes without a bogey, building a four-shot lead after the rain-delayed second round, then pressing ahead with more solid play to keep his distance from hard-charging Tiger Woods.

Despite all the rain and muck, and confusion when the third round was delayed 20 minutes by a computer glitch, the Masters finally came and went.

DiMarco blocked out the raucous cheers for Woods and was matching as many birdies as he could to reach 13 under par when his

Woods brought the gallery to its feet with an assortment of shots that stopped close to the hole. He shot 31 on the front nine and was 19 under par. And after a first round filled with bad breaks, Woods got off in his favor at the end of the day.

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## SPORTS

## Gooding sweeps boys, girls race

## Goodbody sets three Wyatt meet records

By Diana Phillips  
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FILER — Neither ever-dropping temperatures and still winds that many runners could hitting a wall, could stop Goodbody's standstill Stanford bound Janyne Goodbody from setting three records at the 17th Angle Wyatt Invitational held at the Filer High School track on Saturday.

Goodbody blistered the field in the 100-meter hurdles in a time of 1:5.5 and the 400-meter run in 59.9 seconds. Toss in a recent-setting long jump of 19-feet-4-inches and Goodbody had a very good day of competition. She also won the high jump.

"This is Idaho. It is always windy and as a track person, you just have to get used to it," said Goodbody.

Filer had several multiple winners and won all four relays but still came up three points short of winning the meet. Casey Dabney won the 800- and 400-meter dashes, and was on the winning team in the 4x100 relay. Brad Silvester won four events, the 110- and 300-meter hurdles, shot put, and discus. Jason Allen won the long jump and high jump. Jeremiah Johnson was a member of the 4x100, 4x200, and medley relay teams.

Flyer Pickens of Gooding won the 1,500- and 3,200-meter runs.

On the girls side, Sheila Olsen of Glens Ferry won the 100- and 200-meter dashes. Jeni Vanhooker of Buhl won the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs. Gooding took all four places in the pole vault with Kalyin Pereira winning with a jump of 8-feet-6-inches. Filer won the 400-meter and medley relays and Gooding won the 4x100 and 4x200 relays.

The meet, which was named by former Filer coach Wade Quessell in honor of Filer High School athletic standout Angie Wyatt, who died in a car accident in 1987 one year after she graduated, has been held since 1988. This is the second year Filer High School has been the host of its own track meet after many years of holding the invitational at Twin Falls High School.

## Results

Boys  
100-meter dash — 1. Gooding 12.5, 2. Filer 17.3, 3. Wood River 18.2, 4. Filer 18.2, 5. Filer 18.2, 6. Filer 18.2, 7. Filer 18.2, 8. Filer 18.2, 9. Filer 18.2, 10. Filer 18.2.

200-meter dash — 1. Gooding 25.5, 2. Filer 30.5, 3. Wood River 31.5, 4. Filer 31.5, 5. Filer 31.5, 6. Filer 31.5, 7. Filer 31.5, 8. Filer 31.5, 9. Filer 31.5, 10. Filer 31.5.

400-meter dash — 1. Casey Dabney 59.9, 2. Filer 1:00.5, 3. Wood River 1:01.5, 4. Filer 1:02.5, 5. Filer 1:03.5, 6. Filer 1:04.5, 7. Filer 1:05.5, 8. Filer 1:06.5, 9. Filer 1:07.5, 10. Filer 1:08.5.

800-meter dash — 1. Casey Dabney 2:05.5, 2. Filer 2:10.5, 3. Wood River 2:11.5, 4. Filer 2:12.5, 5. Filer 2:13.5, 6. Filer 2:14.5, 7. Filer 2:15.5, 8. Filer 2:16.5, 9. Filer 2:17.5, 10. Filer 2:18.5.

1,600-meter dash — 1. Flyer Pickens 4:15.5, 2. Filer 4:20.5, 3. Wood River 4:21.5, 4. Filer 4:22.5, 5. Filer 4:23.5, 6. Filer 4:24.5, 7. Filer 4:25.5, 8. Filer 4:26.5, 9. Filer 4:27.5, 10. Filer 4:28.5.

3,200-meter dash — 1. Flyer Pickens 9:15.5, 2. Filer 9:20.5, 3. Wood River 9:21.5, 4. Filer 9:22.5, 5. Filer 9:23.5, 6. Filer 9:24.5, 7. Filer 9:25.5, 8. Filer 9:26.5, 9. Filer 9:27.5, 10. Filer 9:28.5.

1 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 4:15.5, 2. Filer 4:20.5, 3. Wood River 4:21.5, 4. Filer 4:22.5, 5. Filer 4:23.5, 6. Filer 4:24.5, 7. Filer 4:25.5, 8. Filer 4:26.5, 9. Filer 4:27.5, 10. Filer 4:28.5.

1.5 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 6:15.5, 2. Filer 6:20.5, 3. Wood River 6:21.5, 4. Filer 6:22.5, 5. Filer 6:23.5, 6. Filer 6:24.5, 7. Filer 6:25.5, 8. Filer 6:26.5, 9. Filer 6:27.5, 10. Filer 6:28.5.

2 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 8:15.5, 2. Filer 8:20.5, 3. Wood River 8:21.5, 4. Filer 8:22.5, 5. Filer 8:23.5, 6. Filer 8:24.5, 7. Filer 8:25.5, 8. Filer 8:26.5, 9. Filer 8:27.5, 10. Filer 8:28.5.

3 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 12:15.5, 2. Filer 12:20.5, 3. Wood River 12:21.5, 4. Filer 12:22.5, 5. Filer 12:23.5, 6. Filer 12:24.5, 7. Filer 12:25.5, 8. Filer 12:26.5, 9. Filer 12:27.5, 10. Filer 12:28.5.

4 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 16:15.5, 2. Filer 16:20.5, 3. Wood River 16:21.5, 4. Filer 16:22.5, 5. Filer 16:23.5, 6. Filer 16:24.5, 7. Filer 16:25.5, 8. Filer 16:26.5, 9. Filer 16:27.5, 10. Filer 16:28.5.

5 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 20:15.5, 2. Filer 20:20.5, 3. Wood River 20:21.5, 4. Filer 20:22.5, 5. Filer 20:23.5, 6. Filer 20:24.5, 7. Filer 20:25.5, 8. Filer 20:26.5, 9. Filer 20:27.5, 10. Filer 20:28.5.

6 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 24:15.5, 2. Filer 24:20.5, 3. Wood River 24:21.5, 4. Filer 24:22.5, 5. Filer 24:23.5, 6. Filer 24:24.5, 7. Filer 24:25.5, 8. Filer 24:26.5, 9. Filer 24:27.5, 10. Filer 24:28.5.

7 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 28:15.5, 2. Filer 28:20.5, 3. Wood River 28:21.5, 4. Filer 28:22.5, 5. Filer 28:23.5, 6. Filer 28:24.5, 7. Filer 28:25.5, 8. Filer 28:26.5, 9. Filer 28:27.5, 10. Filer 28:28.5.

8 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 32:15.5, 2. Filer 32:20.5, 3. Wood River 32:21.5, 4. Filer 32:22.5, 5. Filer 32:23.5, 6. Filer 32:24.5, 7. Filer 32:25.5, 8. Filer 32:26.5, 9. Filer 32:27.5, 10. Filer 32:28.5.

9 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 36:15.5, 2. Filer 36:20.5, 3. Wood River 36:21.5, 4. Filer 36:22.5, 5. Filer 36:23.5, 6. Filer 36:24.5, 7. Filer 36:25.5, 8. Filer 36:26.5, 9. Filer 36:27.5, 10. Filer 36:28.5.

10 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 40:15.5, 2. Filer 40:20.5, 3. Wood River 40:21.5, 4. Filer 40:22.5, 5. Filer 40:23.5, 6. Filer 40:24.5, 7. Filer 40:25.5, 8. Filer 40:26.5, 9. Filer 40:27.5, 10. Filer 40:28.5.

11 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 44:15.5, 2. Filer 44:20.5, 3. Wood River 44:21.5, 4. Filer 44:22.5, 5. Filer 44:23.5, 6. Filer 44:24.5, 7. Filer 44:25.5, 8. Filer 44:26.5, 9. Filer 44:27.5, 10. Filer 44:28.5.

12 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 48:15.5, 2. Filer 48:20.5, 3. Wood River 48:21.5, 4. Filer 48:22.5, 5. Filer 48:23.5, 6. Filer 48:24.5, 7. Filer 48:25.5, 8. Filer 48:26.6, 9. Filer 48:27.5, 10. Filer 48:28.5.

13 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 52:15.5, 2. Filer 52:20.5, 3. Wood River 52:21.5, 4. Filer 52:22.5, 5. Filer 52:23.5, 6. Filer 52:24.5, 7. Filer 52:25.5, 8. Filer 52:26.6, 9. Filer 52:27.5, 10. Filer 52:28.5.

14 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 56:15.5, 2. Filer 56:20.5, 3. Wood River 56:21.5, 4. Filer 56:22.5, 5. Filer 56:23.5, 6. Filer 56:24.5, 7. Filer 56:25.5, 8. Filer 56:26.6, 9. Filer 56:27.5, 10. Filer 56:28.5.

15 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 60:15.5, 2. Filer 60:20.5, 3. Wood River 60:21.5, 4. Filer 60:22.5, 5. Filer 60:23.5, 6. Filer 60:24.5, 7. Filer 60:25.5, 8. Filer 60:26.6, 9. Filer 60:27.5, 10. Filer 60:28.5.

16 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 64:15.5, 2. Filer 64:20.5, 3. Wood River 64:21.5, 4. Filer 64:22.5, 5. Filer 64:23.5, 6. Filer 64:24.5, 7. Filer 64:25.5, 8. Filer 64:26.6, 9. Filer 64:27.5, 10. Filer 64:28.5.

17 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 68:15.5, 2. Filer 68:20.5, 3. Wood River 68:21.5, 4. Filer 68:22.5, 5. Filer 68:23.3, 6. Filer 68:24.5, 7. Filer 68:25.5, 8. Filer 68:26.6, 9. Filer 68:27.5, 10. Filer 68:28.5.

18 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 72:15.5, 2. Filer 72:20.5, 3. Wood River 72:21.5, 4. Filer 72:22.5, 5. Filer 72:23.3, 6. Filer 72:24.5, 7. Filer 72:25.5, 8. Filer 72:26.6, 9. Filer 72:27.5, 10. Filer 72:28.5.

19 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 76:15.5, 2. Filer 76:20.5, 3. Wood River 76:21.5, 4. Filer 76:22.5, 5. Filer 76:23.3, 6. Filer 76:24.5, 7. Filer 76:25.5, 8. Filer 76:26.6, 9. Filer 76:27.5, 10. Filer 76:28.5.

20 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 80:15.5, 2. Filer 80:20.5, 3. Wood River 80:21.5, 4. Filer 80:22.5, 5. Filer 80:23.3, 6. Filer 80:24.5, 7. Filer 80:25.5, 8. Filer 80:26.6, 9. Filer 80:27.5, 10. Filer 80:28.5.

21 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 84:15.5, 2. Filer 84:20.5, 3. Wood River 84:21.5, 4. Filer 84:22.5, 5. Filer 84:23.3, 6. Filer 84:24.5, 7. Filer 84:25.5, 8. Filer 84:26.6, 9. Filer 84:27.5, 10. Filer 84:28.5.

22 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 88:15.5, 2. Filer 88:20.5, 3. Wood River 88:21.5, 4. Filer 88:22.5, 5. Filer 88:23.3, 6. Filer 88:24.5, 7. Filer 88:25.5, 8. Filer 88:26.6, 9. Filer 88:27.5, 10. Filer 88:28.5.

23 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 92:15.5, 2. Filer 92:20.5, 3. Wood River 92:21.5, 4. Filer 92:22.5, 5. Filer 92:23.3, 6. Filer 92:24.5, 7. Filer 92:25.5, 8. Filer 92:26.6, 9. Filer 92:27.5, 10. Filer 92:28.5.

24 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 96:15.5, 2. Filer 96:20.5, 3. Wood River 96:21.5, 4. Filer 96:22.5, 5. Filer 96:23.3, 6. Filer 96:24.5, 7. Filer 96:25.5, 8. Filer 96:26.6, 9. Filer 96:27.5, 10. Filer 96:28.5.

25 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 100:15.5, 2. Filer 100:20.5, 3. Wood River 100:21.5, 4. Filer 100:22.5, 5. Filer 100:23.3, 6. Filer 100:24.5, 7. Filer 100:25.5, 8. Filer 100:26.6, 9. Filer 100:27.5, 10. Filer 100:28.5.

26 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 104:15.5, 2. Filer 104:20.5, 3. Wood River 104:21.5, 4. Filer 104:22.5, 5. Filer 104:23.3, 6. Filer 104:24.5, 7. Filer 104:25.5, 8. Filer 104:26.6, 9. Filer 104:27.5, 10. Filer 104:28.5.

27 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 108:15.5, 2. Filer 108:20.5, 3. Wood River 108:21.5, 4. Filer 108:22.5, 5. Filer 108:23.3, 6. Filer 108:24.5, 7. Filer 108:25.5, 8. Filer 108:26.6, 9. Filer 108:27.5, 10. Filer 108:28.5.

28 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 112:15.5, 2. Filer 112:20.5, 3. Wood River 112:21.5, 4. Filer 112:22.5, 5. Filer 112:23.3, 6. Filer 112:24.5, 7. Filer 112:25.5, 8. Filer 112:26.6, 9. Filer 112:27.5, 10. Filer 112:28.5.

29 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 116:15.5, 2. Filer 116:20.5, 3. Wood River 116:21.5, 4. Filer 116:22.5, 5. Filer 116:23.3, 6. Filer 116:24.5, 7. Filer 116:25.5, 8. Filer 116:26.6, 9. Filer 116:27.5, 10. Filer 116:28.5.

30 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 120:15.5, 2. Filer 120:20.5, 3. Wood River 120:21.5, 4. Filer 120:22.5, 5. Filer 120:23.3, 6. Filer 120:24.5, 7. Filer 120:25.5, 8. Filer 120:26.6, 9. Filer 120:27.5, 10. Filer 120:28.5.

31 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 124:15.5, 2. Filer 124:20.5, 3. Wood River 124:21.5, 4. Filer 124:22.5, 5. Filer 124:23.3, 6. Filer 124:24.5, 7. Filer 124:25.5, 8. Filer 124:26.6, 9. Filer 124:27.5, 10. Filer 124:28.5.

32 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 128:15.5, 2. Filer 128:20.5, 3. Wood River 128:21.5, 4. Filer 128:22.5, 5. Filer 128:23.3, 6. Filer 128:24.5, 7. Filer 128:25.5, 8. Filer 128:26.6, 9. Filer 128:27.5, 10. Filer 128:28.5.

33 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 132:15.5, 2. Filer 132:20.5, 3. Wood River 132:21.5, 4. Filer 132:22.5, 5. Filer 132:23.3, 6. Filer 132:24.5, 7. Filer 132:25.5, 8. Filer 132:26.6, 9. Filer 132:27.5, 10. Filer 132:28.5.

34 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 136:15.5, 2. Filer 136:20.5, 3. Wood River 136:21.5, 4. Filer 136:22.5, 5. Filer 136:23.3, 6. Filer 136:24.5, 7. Filer 136:25.5, 8. Filer 136:26.6, 9. Filer 136:27.5, 10. Filer 136:28.5.

35 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 140:15.5, 2. Filer 140:20.5, 3. Wood River 140:21.5, 4. Filer 140:22.5, 5. Filer 140:23.3, 6. Filer 140:24.5, 7. Filer 140:25.5, 8. Filer 140:26.6, 9. Filer 140:27.5, 10. Filer 140:28.5.

36 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 144:15.5, 2. Filer 144:20.5, 3. Wood River 144:21.5, 4. Filer 144:22.5, 5. Filer 144:23.3, 6. Filer 144:24.5, 7. Filer 144:25.5, 8. Filer 144:26.6, 9. Filer 144:27.5, 10. Filer 144:28.5.

37 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 148:15.5, 2. Filer 148:20.5, 3. Wood River 148:21.5, 4. Filer 148:22.5, 5. Filer 148:23.3, 6. Filer 148:24.5, 7. Filer 148:25.5, 8. Filer 148:26.6, 9. Filer 148:27.5, 10. Filer 148:28.5.

38 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 152:15.5, 2. Filer 152:20.5, 3. Wood River 152:21.5, 4. Filer 152:22.5, 5. Filer 152:23.3, 6. Filer 152:24.5, 7. Filer 152:25.5, 8. Filer 152:26.6, 9. Filer 152:27.5, 10. Filer 152:28.5.

39 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 156:15.5, 2. Filer 156:20.5, 3. Wood River 156:21.5, 4. Filer 156:22.5, 5. Filer 156:23.3, 6. Filer 156:24.5, 7. Filer 156:25.5, 8. Filer 156:26.6, 9. Filer 156:27.5, 10. Filer 156:28.5.

40 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 160:15.5, 2. Filer 160:20.5, 3. Wood River 160:21.5, 4. Filer 160:22.5, 5. Filer 160:23.3, 6. Filer 160:24.5, 7. Filer 160:25.5, 8. Filer 160:26.6, 9. Filer 160:27.5, 10. Filer 160:28.5.

41 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 164:15.5, 2. Filer 164:20.5, 3. Wood River 164:21.5, 4. Filer 164:22.5, 5. Filer 164:23.3, 6. Filer 164:24.5, 7. Filer 164:25.5, 8. Filer 164:26.6, 9. Filer 164:27.5, 10. Filer 164:28.5.

42 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 168:15.5, 2. Filer 168:20.5, 3. Wood River 168:21.5, 4. Filer 168:22.5, 5. Filer 168:23.3, 6. Filer 168:24.5, 7. Filer 168:25.5, 8. Filer 168:26.6, 9. Filer 168:27.5, 10. Filer 168:28.5.

43 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 172:15.5, 2. Filer 172:20.5, 3. Wood River 172:21.5, 4. Filer 172:22.5, 5. Filer 172:23.3, 6. Filer 172:24.5, 7. Filer 172:25.5, 8. Filer 172:26.6, 9. Filer 172:27.5, 10. Filer 172:28.5.

44 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 176:15.5, 2. Filer 176:20.5, 3. Wood River 176:21.5, 4. Filer 176:22.5, 5. Filer 176:23.3, 6. Filer 176:24.5, 7. Filer 176:25.5, 8. Filer 176:26.6, 9. Filer 176:27.5, 10. Filer 176:28.5.

45 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 180:15.5, 2. Filer 180:20.5, 3. Wood River 180:21.5, 4. Filer 180:22.5, 5. Filer 180:23.3, 6. Filer 180:24.5, 7. Filer 180:25.5, 8. Filer 180:26.6, 9. Filer 180:27.5, 10. Filer 180:28.5.

46 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 184:15.5, 2. Filer 184:20.5, 3. Wood River 184:21.5, 4. Filer 184:22.5, 5. Filer 184:23.3, 6. Filer 184:24.5, 7. Filer 184:25.5, 8. Filer 184:26.6, 9. Filer 184:27.5, 10. Filer 184:28.5.

47 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 188:15.5, 2. Filer 188:20.5, 3. Wood River 188:21.5, 4. Filer 188:22.5, 5. Filer 188:23.3, 6. Filer 188:24.5, 7. Filer 188:25.5, 8. Filer 188:26.6, 9. Filer 188:27.5, 10. Filer 188:28.5.

48 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 192:15.5, 2. Filer 192:20.5, 3. Wood River 192:21.5, 4. Filer 192:22.5, 5. Filer 192:23.3, 6. Filer 192:24.5, 7. Filer 192:25.5, 8. Filer 192:26.6, 9. Filer 192:27.5, 10. Filer 192:28.5.

49 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 196:15.5, 2. Filer 196:20.5, 3. Wood River 196:21.5, 4. Filer 196:22.5, 5. Filer 196:23.3, 6. Filer 196:24.5, 7. Filer 196:25.5, 8. Filer 196:26.6, 9. Filer 196:27.5, 10. Filer 196:28.5.

50 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 200:15.5, 2. Filer 200:20.5, 3. Wood River 200:21.5, 4. Filer 200:22.5, 5. Filer 200:23.3, 6. Filer 200:24.5, 7. Filer 200:25.5, 8. Filer 200:26.6, 9. Filer 200:27.5, 10. Filer 200:28.5.

51 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 204:15.5, 2. Filer 204:20.5, 3. Wood River 204:21.5, 4. Filer 204:22.5, 5. Filer 204:23.3, 6. Filer 204:24.5, 7. Filer 204:25.5, 8. Filer 204:26.6, 9. Filer 204:27.5, 10. Filer 204:28.5.

52 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 208:15.5, 2. Filer 208:20.5, 3. Wood River 208:21.5, 4. Filer 208:22.5, 5. Filer 208:23.3, 6. Filer 208:24.5, 7. Filer 208:25.5, 8. Filer 208:26.6, 9. Filer 208:27.5, 10. Filer 208:28.5.

53 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 212:15.5, 2. Filer 212:20.5, 3. Wood River 212:21.5, 4. Filer 212:22.5, 5. Filer 212:23.3, 6. Filer 212:24.5, 7. Filer 212:25.5, 8. Filer 212:26.6, 9. Filer 212:27.5, 10. Filer 212:28.5.

54 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 216:15.5, 2. Filer 216:20.5, 3. Wood River 216:21.5, 4. Filer 216:22.5, 5. Filer 216:23.3, 6. Filer 216:24.5, 7. Filer 216:25.5, 8. Filer 216:26.6, 9. Filer 216:27.5, 10. Filer 216:28.5.

55 mile — 1. Flyer Pickens 220:15.5, 2. Filer 220:

# Bulls beat Raptors to clinch playoff berth

CHICAGO (AP)—The Chicago Bulls secured their eighth playoff berth since the Michael Jordan era, beating the Toronto Raptors 110-97 on Saturday night.

Chicago is headed to the playoffs for the first time since the 1997-98 season, when Jordan led the Bulls to their sixth NBA title. The Bulls winners of 12 of 13, are fourth in the Eastern Conference.

Kirk Hinrich scored 25 points and five Bulls scored in double figures. Tyson Chandler had a season-high 18 rebounds and finished with 21 rebounds in a reserve role.

Jalen Rose led the Raptors with 19 points against his former team.

**Hawks 105, Timberwolves 98**

ATLANTA — Tyson, Luc scored 23 points, including 12 straight in the fourth quarter, to



help Atlanta snap a 14-game losing streak and deal Minnesota's deal-season hopes a devastating blow.

Minnesota, led by Kevin Garnett's 31 points, 12 rebounds and seven assists, tall four games behind eighth-place Memphis in the race for the first playoff spot in the West with five games remaining.

Atlanta, the league's worst team, hadn't won since March 11 at Toronto and had dropped 27 of its last 28 games. The Hawks' last home victory was Feb. 7 against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Tony Delk added 10 points for Atlanta.

**Cavaliers 98, Bucks 81**

CLEVELAND — LeBron James scored 40 points and recorded his third double-

of the season to help Cleveland keep its weak grasp on a playoff spot.

By snapping a three-game losing streak and winning for the fifth time in 15 games, Cleveland slowed its freefall through the Central Division standings. With six games left, the Cavaliers are tied with Philadelphia for the No. 7 spot in the East, 1.5 games ahead of New Jersey.

James made seven 3-pointers to go with his 10 assists and 10 rebounds. Drew Gooden added 24 points and Jeff McInnis 22 for Cleveland.

Michael Redd led Milwaukee with 26 points.

**Nets 99, Celtics 86**

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Vince Carter scored a season-

best 45 points, including 24 in the first quarter, and New Jersey continued their late playoff push.

Jason Kidd added a season-high 17 assists and rookie center Nenad Krstic had 17 points in leading the Nets to their fifth win in 14 games.

Carter finished 18-of-32 from the field, including 7-of-9 from 3-point range.

Paul Pierce had 16 points to lead the Celtics.

**76ers 112, Wizards 106**

WASHINGTON — Andre Iguodala, Willie Green and Marc Jackson scored 20 points each for Philadelphia, which won its fourth straight.

Allen Iverson, the NBA scoring leader, sprained both thumbs in Friday nights win over Cleveland and did not play.

Chris Webber missed his fourth straight game with a sprained left shoulder.

Gilbert Arenas scored a career-high 44 points for the Wizards, who have lost five straight.

## U.S. women win world hockey title

LINKÖPING, Sweden — The United States beat Canada 3-1 in a penalty shootout to win the 2006 World Hockey Championship on Saturday.

Natalie Darwitz, Angela Ruggerio and Krissy Wendell scored for the Americans after regulation and a 20-minute overtime ended 0-0. Sarah Vallancourt scored Canada's goal in the shootout, the first in championship history.

The United States finally won the title after losing all eight previous championship games to Canada. The Americans outshot the opponents in every period, hit the post once in the third period and nearly scored late in overtime when Cammi Granato's shot came within inches from the goal line during a power play.

Kelly Stephens had the best scoring chance in regulation, hitting Canadian goalie Kim St. Pierre's right post from close range after taking a pass from Wendell with only seconds left of an American power play seven minutes into the last period. The Americans outshot Canada 14-6 in the session.

In the first period, the United States outshot Canada 15-7. Granato had two scoring chances, the best one a wristed after skating in front of the net during a power play.

**Bogut, Augustus win John Wooden awards**

LOS ANGELES — Andrew Bogut barely heard of John Wooden while growing up in Australia. He knows a lot more about him now.

Bogut and UCLA's Seimone Augustus were runaway winners of the John R. Wooden awards, presented Saturday to college basketball's players of the year.

Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun, who received the legends of coaching award, listed in some details for Bogut about his life.

"I'd heard the name before. College basketball isn't very big in Australia," Bogut said. "He's a legendary coach—one of the best of all time."

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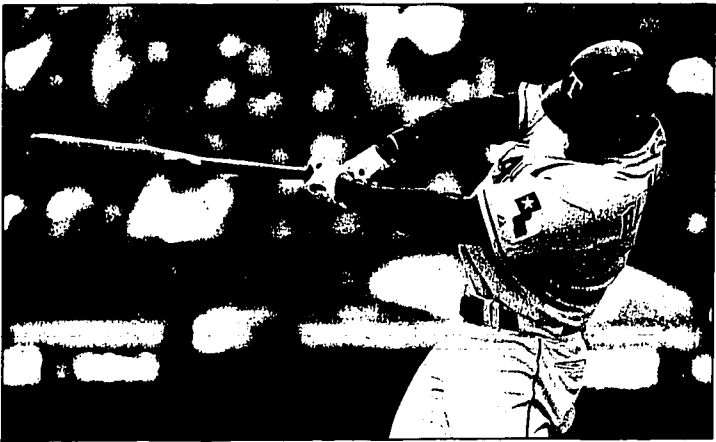
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# Rangers salvage win over Seattle



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SEATTLE (AP) — Credit the Texas Rangers' potent lineup with a save for their beleaguered bullpen.

Hank Blalock and Richard Hidalgo each hit two-run homers off Eddie Guardado in the ninth inning Saturday to salvage a 7-6 victory over the Seattle Mariners.

The Rangers went into the eighth leading 3-2 behind Pedro Astacio's strong debut, but the bullpen gave up four runs and wasted its third straight save opportunity and fourth of the season.

"Fortunately, guys came up with big hits in the ninth inning," said Michael Young, who singled and scored on Hidalgo's go-ahead homer.

With one out in the ninth, Alfonso Soriano reached on a fielding error by Bret Boone and Blalock followed with his homer. Young then singled, and after an out, Hidalgo homered to give Texas a 7-6 lead.

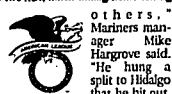
"I'm glad we took advantage of the situation. It might be the only time in the rest of his career that we see Bret Boone make an error like that," Young said. "His best defense is second base man in the game."

Hidalgo's homer came in swirling winds and rain as the Safeco Field roof was in the process of being closed. He pumped his fist as he rounded the bases.

"I knew we went ahead by one run. I just got so excited," Hidalgo said. "I thought it was going to hit the wall. It's a long way from there. I'm glad it got out."

Only one of the four runs allowed by Guardado (0-1) was earned. Soriano's homer was the only one that wasn't.

Everybody is going to have outings that aren't as good as



These things happen and it's never fun when it does happen.

Guardado agreed. "Basically, I got rocked. Plain and simple," Guardado said. "I let the team down. They batted back and I didn't do my job."

Francisco Cordero earned his first save of the season but it wasn't easy. He struck out the first two batters before walking Ichiro Suzuki. Jeremy Reed followed with a single to make it first and third for Adrian Beltré, who had three hits and two RBIs.

**Yankees 8, Orioles 5**

NEW YORK — Ruben Sierra snapped a seventh-inning tie with a three-run homer, and the New York Yankees rallied from four runs down to get Randy Johnson off the hook and defeat the Baltimore Orioles 8-5 on Saturday.

Mariano Rivera earned the save after blowing his first two chances this season against Boston, and Jason Giambi hit his first homer since Sept. 21.

Making his second start in pinstripes, Johnson was missing his best stuff. He gave up five runs — four earned — and eight hits in six innings, six days after beating Boston 9-2 in the season opener.

The Big Unit also hit a batter with a pitch and walked reserve Chris Gomez, with the bases loaded in the fourth, when the Orioles sent nine hitters to the plate.

Alex Rodriguez had three hits

and an RBI for New York. Baltimore starter Bruce Chen allowed three runs — two earned — and eight hits in six innings. He struck out six and walked none.

**Blue Jays 12, Red Sox 5**

TORONTO — Ceng Zou hit a grand slam to spark a six-run eighth inning, and Vernon Wells, Corey Koskie and Shea Hillenbrand hit consecutive homers for Toronto.

The Red Sox dropped to 2-1 under interim manager Brad Mills. Terry Francona was hospitalized Wednesday after experiencing chest pains.

Wells, Koskie and Hillenbrand each homered to left off David Wells for Toronto's first back-to-back-to-back homers since 2001.

David Wells (0-1) struggled in his second straight start, giving up six runs in 6-1/3 innings. He was also hit hard on opening day against the New York Yankees, allowing 10 hits and four runs in 4-1/3 innings.

Jason Frasor (1-0) picked up the win after pitching 1-1/3 in relief.

**Tigers 11, Indians 1**

DETROIT — Marcus Thames hit a grand slam and Brandon Linge finished a homer short of the cycle, leading the Tigers in a rout.

Carlos Pena also homered for the Tigers, who had 11 hits and took advantage of three Cleveland errors. Linge had a triple, double and single in his first three at-bats but flew out in the seventh.

Will Ledezma was the winner in his season debut, allowing one run and seven hits in six innings. He struck out three and

did not walk a batter. Jake Westbrook (0-2) allowed a career-high eight runs — seven earned — on seven hits and two walks in two-plus innings. The seven earned runs were also a career worst.

**Devil Rays 11, A's 2**

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Josh Phelps and Aubrey Huff both hit three-run homers and Tampa Bay roughed up Oakland starter Barry Zito.

Hideo Nomo (1-0) won his Devil Rays debut, giving up one run and one hit in six innings. He struck out four and walked two.

Phelps and Huff homered during a seven-run second that put Tampa Bay ahead 7-0. The Devil Rays started the inning with five consecutive hits off Zito (0-2), who gave up a career-high 11 runs in just 3-1/3 innings.

The Devil Rays limited the Athletics to just three hits — including two homers.

**White Sox 8, Twins 5**

MINNEAPOLIS — Carl Everett, Timo Perez and Paul Konerko each homered in support of starter Jon Garland to lead the White Sox to an AL-best 4-1 start.

Perez's upper-deck shot off Brad Lidge (0-2) in the seventh inning, snapped a 3-all tie for Chicago.

Shannon Stewart hit a three-run homer and Torii Hunter added a solo home run for the Twins, who stranded seven runners in scoring position.

One day after being sent home with the flu, Garland (1-0) gave Chicago six solid innings, allowing 10 hits and three runs without a walk. Shinji Takagaki got the final out for his second save.

## Major League Baseball

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New York	3	2	.600	—	2-3	W-1	3-2	0-0	0-0			
Tampa Bay	3	2	.600	—	3-2	W-1	3-2	0-0	0-0			
Toronto	2	2	.500	—	2-3	W-1	1-1	2-1	0-1			
Baltimore	2	3	.400	1	2-3	L-1	1-2	1-1	0-1			
Boston	2	3	.400	1	2-3	L-1	0-0	2-3	0-0			
Central Division												
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Chicago	4	1	.800	—	2-4	W-2	2-1	2-0	0-0			
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**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

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Cleveland 4, Detroit 3

Baltimore 12, N.Y. Yankees 5

Tampa Bay 3, Oakland 2, 10 innings

Seattle 5, Texas 6

**Saturday's Games**

N.Y. Yankees 8, Baltimore 5

Jones 7, Seattle 6

Chicago White Sox 6, Minnesota 5

**Today's Games**

Baltimore (Lopez 1-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Pavano 0-4), 11:05 a.m.

Cleveland (Lincecum 0-4) at Detroit (Borke 0-1), 11:05 a.m.

Seattle (Carmel 0-4) at Toronto (Bly 0-1), 11:07 a.m.

Oakland (Parsons 0-1) at Tampa Bay (Brazton 0-1), 12:15 p.m.

Texas (Dresser 0-1) at Seattle (Mach 0-2), 2:05 p.m.

Kansas City (B Anderson 0-4) at L.A. Angels (Cobán 1-0), 2:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Schultz 1-0) at Minnesota (Santana 1-0), 6:05 p.m.

**Monday's Games**

L.A. Angels at Texas, 12:05 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 1:05 p.m.

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**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

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Milwaukee 6, Chicago Cubs 3, 12 innings

St. Louis 6, Philadelphia 5

Florida 5, Washington 0

San Francisco 6, Arizona 7

Los Angeles 10, Colorado 8

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San Francisco 4, Colorado 2

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L.A. Dodgers at Arizona, late

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Washington (Parsons 0-4) at Florida (Beckett 1-4), 11:05 a.m.

Cincinnati (Wilson 1-0) at Houston (Lincecum 0-1), 12:05 p.m.

Philadelphia (Lester 1-0) at St. Louis (Carpenter 1-0), 12:15 p.m.

Milwaukee (Sarraf 0-4) at Chicago Cubs (Cox 0-1), 12:20 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Kendryk 0-4) at San Diego (Riedinger 0-4), 2:05 p.m.

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## Cubs' Zambrano shuts down Brewers

CHICAGO (AP) — Carlos Zambrano pitched one-hit ball into the eighth inning and had two singles and an RBI to help the Chicago Cubs hand the Milwaukee Brewers their first loss of the season, 4-0 Saturday.

Zambrano gave up only a two-out line single in the second inning to Russell Branyan as he out-pitched fellow opening day starter Ben Sheets.

Jerome Burnitz hit a solo homer and Todd Walker a two-run double for the Cubs, who snapped a three-game losing skid.

The Brewers were the last remaining undefeated team entering in the major leagues.

Through the first six innings, Zambrano set down a Brewers lineup that scored 25 runs in the first three games in order four times. After giving up Branyan's single, he retired 10 straight before walking J.J. Hardy to start the seventh.

Zambrano (1-0) was removed for Chad Fox after walking Chad Moeller with one out in the eighth. Latroy Hawkins pitched a perfect ninth.

Zambrano started the Cubs' opener at Arizona last Monday. He allowed three runs on seven hits in 4-2/3 innings and did not get a decision in Chicago's 16-6 win.

Sheets (1-1) allowed four runs and eight hits in seven innings. Zambrano's two-out RBI single and the Cubs' 1-0 lead.

Burnitz led off the first inning with the Cubs into the right-center field bleachers with one



Chicago Cubs starting pitcher Carlos Zambrano throws during the first inning against the Milwaukee Brewers, Saturday, in Chicago.

out in the sixth to make it 2-0. Walker doubled off the base of the right-center field wall with one out in the seventh to drive in Zambrano and Corey Patterson.

**Phillies 10, Cardinals 4**  
ST. LOUIS — Rookie Gavin Floyd pitched seven dominant innings, retiring 19 straight Cardinals batters, and Pat Burrell was 4-for-5 with a three-run home run and five RBIs in Philadelphia's victory.

Chase Utley and Bobby Abreu also homered for the Phillies. Cardinals starter Jeff Suppan gave up 10 hits and six runs — five earned — in four-plus innings.

The 22-year-old Floyd, the fourth pick of the 2001 draft out of high school, allowed three hits with two strikeouts and no walks. He also got his first career hit in the fourth, a single up the middle.

away from winning in the ninth, but Carlos Delgado's first home run in a Marlins uniform pulled Florida into a 2-all tie.

Guller provided the winning margin with his third hit in the seventh, a shot over the center-field wall off Antonio Alfonseca (0-1).

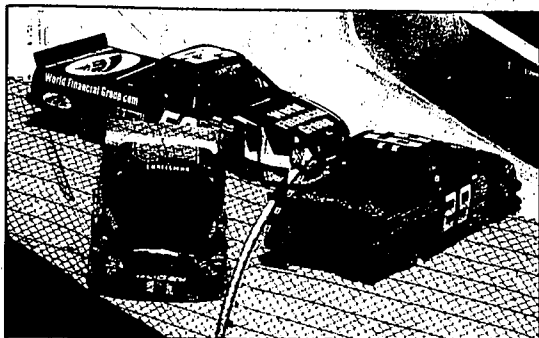
Chad Cordero (2-0), who gave up Delgado's home run, gave up a double in the 10th but sealed the Nationals' third win in five games.

**Braves 6, Mets 3**

ATLANTA — Brian Jordan hit a grand slam to lead the Braves to their fourth straight victory, and ended the Mets' season-opening losing streak to five games.

Chipper Jones also homered to help the Braves keep the Mets from the winless team in the majors. New York already made first-place Atlanta by four games in the NL East.

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Brad Keselowski (29) spins out in front of Chase Montgomery, front left, and Todd Kluever in turn two during the Kroger 250 Craftsman Truck Series race at Martinsville Speedway in Martinsville, Va., Saturday.

## Bobby Labonte completes first Martinsville sweep

MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP) — Bobby Labonte became the first driver to win in each of NASCAR's top three series at Martinsville Speedway on Saturday, capturing the closest Craftsman Truck Series event at the track.

Labonte passed Chad Chaffin for the lead with 30 laps to go then held off Ricky Craven and Ron Hornaday on a restart with five laps to go. His Chevrolet beat Craven's Ford to the finish line by just 0.257 seconds.

Labonte, making only his fifth start in the truck series, also became only the 12th driver to win in the truck, Busch and Nextel Cup series.

"Every win here has been sweet," said Labonte, the 2000 Nextel Cup series champion. "It had its highlights and its moments of 'Well, we're not sure if we're going to get there

or not."

One of those came on the last restart when Hornaday, running third, immediately pulled alongside Craven to challenge for second heading into the first turn. The duel allowed Labonte to take control, but barely.

"(Hornaday) and Ricky were beating and banging behind me and I gave me just enough to get away," he said in Victory Lane.

In a season when his Nextel Cup team has struggled — he's 34th in points through five races — Labonte said any success was appreciated.

"Our Sundays haven't been that great, but we take it one day at a time and today was another day," he said. "We can't even tell if we're really got great cars in our Cup deal because we really haven't run long enough in a lot

of races to even know that."

Labonte finished last in the season-opening Daytona 500 and his best finish has been 41st, 37th and 22nd. Hornaday finished third in a Chevrolet, and Todd Bodine, who gave up the lead when he pitted with 39 laps to go, was fourth in a Toyota.

"We could quite make it on fuel and our front tires were going away," Bodine said. "Any way you look at it, we probably would have finished where we are without the tires, or with the tires."

Kevin Harvick, trying to become the first driver to win in each of NASCAR's three top series in consecutive starts, wound up 12th.

Harvick won Busch and Nextel Cup races at Bristol last weekend.

## Biffle scores well week to week

By Dave Kallman  
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MILWAUKEE — When Greg Biffle won his NASCAR Busch Series title in 2002, he said it would take a couple of years to race competitively in Nextel Cup.

When Biffle's progress stalled, he told owner Jack Roush that he needed a team that would give him cars in which he could be confident. Biffle said that if Roush couldn't provide that, he'd have to look elsewhere.

Now look at him. Although he missed the "Chase for the Nextel Cup" championship last year, he was the only two-time winner not to qualify. After winning the final race of last year, he took the second of this season, and five races in six solid second-place finishes.

A year and a half into Biffle's pairing with veteran crew chief Doug Richter, the two have as much confidence in each other as ever, and the driver feels comfortable with his decision to stay at Roush Racing, is primed to contend as he predicted.

"I could have wrote a book," Biffle says, "because I know what it takes to be successful in this racing."

He's not trying to sound cocky just realistic.

A short track racer from Vancouver, Wash., Biffle, 35, climbed the ladder through the regional ranks to the Craftsman Truck Series (winning the 1998 rookie of the year and 2000 championship for Roush) and Busch Series (winning the 2001 rookie title and 2002 championship).

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To start 2005, Biffle generally has scored well every week, and that's why he's within 94 points of Jimmie Johnson heading into the Advance Auto Parts 500 on Sunday at Martinsville (Va.) Speedway.

Daytona was a bit of a let-down — he finished 25th in the 500, the only race he hasn't led — but since then Biffle has recorded four top-10 finishes, including the victory at California.

Even with triumphs at Michigan and Miami in 2004, he managed only eight top-10s in the best-of-the-best season to three victories," Biffle says, referring to the Kansas race, where he rallied from a late gas stop and

changed back to finish third. Niggling problems kept other strong performances last year from turning into top-10s.

"We were leading both California races, blew a right rear tire, broke a transmission," Biffle says. "We were fourth at Texas, and an oil pump that broke. We were there all year."

"We ran well, we just couldn't finish them. Toward the end of the year, we felt like we got that ironed out."

And that's far, the finishes have carried over. Perhaps it's a sign of Biffle's team's progress that he could look at his third-place finish at Atlanta as the worst day of his life "because he got beat out of the final pit stop and refer to ninth last weekend at Bristol (Tenn.) Motor Speedway as a 'terrible finish' because a mistake in pit strategy and a late flat tire kept his result from matching his performance."

Although Martinsville has never been good to Biffle, and his team tested there in hope of improving their fortune. If they can avoid a truly bad finish there Sunday and perform as they're capable elsewhere, there's no reason they won't keep rolling.

"That's where I feel our team's at," Biffle says. "You've got to run in the top five to win. I feel confident we can run in the top five."

Those who run in the top five also consistently contend for the title. But that goes without saying. If you show up with one thing not being perfect, you're only harming yourself."

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Smith, a gangly and over-the-hill passer, blossomed into a Heisman Trophy candidate and a likely high first-round pick in the upcoming NFL draft under Meyer.

His new quarterback comes with far greater credentials. Leak, who'll be a junior next season, already has thrown for 5,632 yards and 45 touchdowns. Only Rex Grossman (53) threw more TD passes in his first two seasons at Florida.

Meyer insists Leak is more than athletic enough, though the coach conceded Saturday that he was unsure at first whether Leak had a quick-enough delivery and enough grip on his football.

Those doubts no longer exist. "Leak didn't say anything about Saturday — Meyer wanted to keep him out of harm's way. But now he's in there. I looked completely comfortable."

## Older drivers wonder where respect has gone

MARTINSVILLE, Va. (AP) — The confrontation between Dale Jarrett and Shane Hmiel during a Busch Series race has left some veteran drivers wondering: Does Hmiel's disrespect toward the former series champion during and after the race reflect a trend?

Hmiel had caused an accident that knocked Jarrett out of the short-track race at Bristol Motor Speedway last weekend. An angry Jarrett confronted him, and Hmiel replied with an obscene gesture. He later intimidated Jarrett's opportunities to exact revenge were growing abhor.

The 24-year-old Hmiel apologized Friday and said he has the utmost respect for the veterans like Jarrett who have helped turn NASCAR into a booming sport.

Up-and-coming drivers almost always treaded lightly around the older stars. The respect stemmed from a desire to learn and from the understanding that it was the veterans who are responsible for the sport's fast growth.

"We had one of the seasoned NASCAR racers who will be competing Sunday at Martinsville Speedway in another short-track race, said that when he came up, he had helped David Pearson, Richard Petty

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and Bobby Allison.

"At that time I had a tremendous amount of respect for those guys," Rudd said, adding that young drivers then dreamed of one day working for one of the top owners.

"They paved the way for when I came into it, and now the same has to be said here," Rudd said. "Look at the money these guys are making. That wasn't always the case."

Jeff Burton isn't that far removed from his days as an up-and-comer.

"I think that inexperience and youth let things come out of your mouth that shouldn't come out of your mouth," he said.

Hmiel's comments demonstrate the point perfectly, Burton said.

"I think that when Shane did that, what he doesn't understand is that he offended a lot of people," Burton said. "He offended a lot of people that are in this sport that have been here for a while; he offended a lot of fans of this sport that have been here for a while; and he didn't

accomplish a whole lot other than making a lot of people mad. In the end, Shane came out the loser."

Jarrett, the 1999 series champion, said he approached Hmiel's car right after the accident to "talk him out."

"It's not my duty to make sure that everybody out there understands patience and tell everybody how to drive, but I think in a situation like that, it could have been more of a helpful situation," he said. "But he obviously took it the wrong way."

Jarrett is 48, twice as old as Hmiel. Jarrett said the way young drivers arrive has changed. Many now start on quality teams before they've proved anything.

"When I was coming along, if we went to the veteran drivers it was for advice and because we looked up to them," Jarrett said. "I'm not sure that's the case in this day and time... They come in with a little bit of a chip on their shoulder thinking that's the way they have to be."

That's a brave new world, can boomering, Burton said.

"The way you race and the way you conduct yourself on the race track, that's what gains you respect," he said. "It's not about what you say."

## Long Beach ace Tracy on pole for opener

LONG BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Paul Tracy spent most of last season watching the Newman/Haas Racing duo of Sebastien Bourdais and Bruno Junqueira win races and listening to people question the commitment of the former series champion and his Forsythe Racing team.

After running away with the Champ Car World Series title in 2003, Tracy won only two — including the season-opening Toyota Indy 300 at Long Beach — in 2004. He slipped all the way to fourth in the standings as Bourdais and Junqueira combined for nine wins and finished 1-2 in the points.

A new season begins Sunday at Long Beach, where Tracy is not only the two-time defending champion and a four-time winner, but also goes into the 81-lap race on the 1.968-mile downtown street circuit as the pole winner.

"I'm definitely very motivated for the team," Tracy said after setting a track record with his lap of 1 minute, 7.485 seconds (104.982 mph). That broke the mark of 1:07.494 (104.969 mph) set in 2000 by two-time series champion Gil de Ferran.

It was his second Long Beach pole — he also started from the pole here in 1994 — and the 23rd of his Champ Car career. But Tracy, 34, said the team owned by Gerald Forsythe have a lot to prove in 2005.

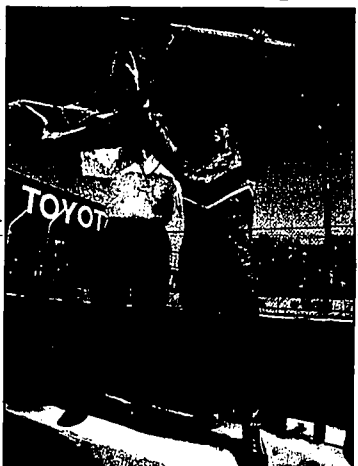
"It gets me upset when you pick up some motorsports magazine and say the Forsyths have been losing in ways that we're not motivated," Tracy said, eyes flashing.

He noted that new teammate Mario Dominguez, who joined Forsythe on Thursday, qualified third in the 19-car field for Sunday's race.

"You can't go fast like that unless the car is good," Tracy said. Dominguez, who moved ahead of Bourdais on the grid with a lap of 1:07.803 (104.941 mph), said, "Forsythe just has something special about a lot of experience and confidence. They know what they're doing."

"I didn't know anybody on the team until Thursday. I've been on a crash course and it just shows how professional this team is."

Bourdais saw his 15-race string of starts from the top three spots end on Saturday. Junqueira took the provisional pole on Friday, assuring himself of a front row start, and



Canadian Paul Tracy wears the Bragisatone Pole Award flag after taking the pole position in Champ Car qualifying for the Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach, Saturday, in Long Beach, Calif.

he came close to retaining the top spot with a lap of 1:07.644 (104.737 mph) as the checkered flag flew for the end of Sunday's qualifying.

"It was very, very close," Junqueira said, shrugging. "I had two tries and that pretty much all I could do. Paul had a great car and a great lap, but tomorrow counts the most. I hope we can have a good start, great poles and great strategy and win tomorrow."

If he or Bourdais does win Sunday, it would be the first victory here for the Newman/Haas team since Mario Andretti took the checkered flag in 1987.

The team co-owns by Chicago businessman Carl Haas and actor Paul Newman won three of the first four Champ Car races at Long Beach. Haas has always been competitive here, said Junqueira, who has finished third and second here the past two years. "It's just a matter of everything has to fall in the right place. There's no reason why we shouldn't win the race."

The racing may look a bit different on Sunday, with Champ Car abandoning a 2-year-old rule that forced teams to pit and change tires within a specified number of laps at each event.

"It's a long race and, without the forced stops, there will be a lot of different strategies going on," Junqueira said.

Bourdais, who won eight poles and seven races last year on the way to the title, was a little disappointed after qualifying fourth at 1:07.821 (104.465 mph).

"The car was pretty good but I was just trying very hard and made a couple of mistakes," he said. "But if it is a bad day, I'll take it. We'll be ready to race tomorrow."

Justin Wilson was fifth at 1:07.915 (104.312 mph), followed by former Formula One driver and Champ Car rookie Timo Glock at 1:08.274 (103.770 mph). Alex Taglianini at 1:08.466 (103.479 mph) and 2002 series champion Cristiano da Matta, returning after a two-year stint in F1, at 1:08.459 (103.458 mph).

## Leak takes Meyer's offense out for a spin

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Working out of the shotgun, Chris Leak took the snap and went deep down the middle.

With a feathery touch, Leak's pass cleared a defender and Chad Jackson reached way up to haul it. The first play of Florida's spring game, Saturday covered 28 yards and drew a boisterous cheer from a huge crowd of fans, who can only hope the glorified scrimmage was a glimpse of what's to come under new coach Urban Meyer.

Leak finished 14-for-20 for 221 yards with four touchdowns on 10 plays. The Orange and Blue game attendance surpassed the previous best by nearly 20,000 and was about 9,000 better than the best-attended game Meyer coached at Utah.

"That's the first time I've ever been nervous for a spring game," Meyer said.

The combination of Leak's was talents and Meyer's feathery ingenuity is a potential nightmare for Southeastern Conference defensive coordinators.

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## Cleveland hired to rebuild Fresno State's program

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Steve Cleveland was hired to be Fresno State's basketball coach on Saturday, and the former Brigham Young coach pledged to restore integrity to a program rocked by years of scandals.

Cleveland, who went 138-108 in seven seasons at BYU, replaces Jay Lopez, who resigned March 17 after a school investigation determined he had broken an NCAA rule about taking money from recruits.

"My intent is to run this program at the highest level of integrity," Cleveland said at a news conference at the Steve Marr Center. "To graduate

young men, to have them doing those things on and off the court that would bring great pride to this community."

"It's not going to be easy, and it's not going to be done next Thursday, (but) I love the potential of this program, and the potential of this community."

In his first season, Fresno State's previous coach, spent several years dodging various scandals that undermined public confidence in the program. In fact, the Bulldogs' entire athletic department has been in turmoil since director Scott Johnson resigned just before becoming basketball coach Stacy John-

son-Klein was fired on March 2.

Cleveland's squeaky-clean reputation perhaps was even more important to Fresno State than his coaching abilities. Though BYU struggled this season, Cleveland's program largely stayed clear of any scandals at the Mormon Church-maintained university.

"He met and exceeded all the criteria that were set in the university search," interim athletic director Paul Olano said. "Last year's has been a tough one for Steve at BYU, but his overall performance there has been stellar — and we know about tough years, Steve."



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# For NFL players, returns not just measured in yards

By Jimmy Golian  
Associated Press writer

BOSTON — Kansas City Chiefs fullback Tony Richardson admitted to more than the NFL's insecurity when he arrived at the Harvard Business School. In addition to the once and future CEOs roaming the halls, two of his classmates had three Super Bowl rings.

"I wasn't going to say anything about that," New England Patriots linebacker Ted Johnson said with all the mock modesty of a Harvard student, even one who is spending just two weeks in an executive education course on this campus.

Welcome to the nation's most prestigious business school, an incubator of great financial minds, this week, 30 NFL players preparing for a world where returns aren't just measured in yards. In two weeks of classes, the athletes are studying topics such as "Cash flow, Profitability — Sustaining Growth" and "Introduction to Entrepreneurship" while getting a chance to hobnob and network with the elite of the business world.

Harvard Business School has trained many of finance's biggest stars, including the heads of Procter & Gamble, General Motors and Staples — as well as someone who went into politics, like President Bush. Businessmen like Murray and New York Mayor Mike Bloomberg. But in addition to its two-year MBA, the school also holds shorter, more targeted programs, including a two-week executive education course waiting to pick up a few business skills.

"I've seen too many guys have a lot of problems when they're done with their playing careers. The transition to life after is very difficult," Johnson said. "When I heard it was at Harvard — I talk about a soft sell. This is as good as it gets."

The NFL and the players' union helped arrange the classes at Harvard and a similar one at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School, which was third behind Harvard in the 2006 U.S. News rankings, which in the same way Philadelphia's football team lost to New England in the Super Bowl.

For two Eagles players, that might be worth a trip. "When you say 'Harvard,' it holds such prestige," said receiver Freddie Mitchell, who gave a "shout-out" to his own school, UCLA. "I can go to Wharton any time."

Actually, although former NFL players Greg Kinnick and Ken Baumgardner got their MBA here, it's not likely many players will attend. "I'm certainly not 30 — and certainly not school. That would involve a rigorous application process and two years away from NFL weight rooms and paychecks."

The executive education program is just two weeks — shorter than an NFL midcamp but long enough to pick up a few pointers. The NFL players' association

reimburses athletes for the tuition. "We value education in the National Football League," said Mike Haynes, an NFL vice president. "I know how important it is if you really want to be (financially secure) after you hang up your cleats."

There are no grades, but the players have their own All-Pro team. Retired receiver Damon Dunn established himself as a real estate guru, and several players were impressed by how tenaciously Giants defensive back Jack Brewer challenged his professors during discussions.

Players are taught by regular professors who use case studies to show what went wrong or right in a certain business, which, when you get down to it, is just like breaking down game tape. More of an adjustment is the way students drive the class discussion.

The school has had to make some adjustments as well. No one was eating the sweets on the snack tables, so out went the cookies and in came power bars; for drinks, they brought in more smoothies and Gatorade.

And the program had to be changed to include a monthlong break in the middle so the players wouldn't be away from workouts too long.

In general, though, the players found it easy to forget football. With the busy schedule, they pretty much forgot about it. Classes start at 8 a.m. and tend to run into lunch with students peppering the professors with questions. Afternoon classes are more relaxed, with students talking more about what they studied that day.

At night, there's homework and discussions among the players that last into the early hours of the morning.

That's part of the reason why Eagles linebacker Darnell Jones was sleeping on a couch Thursday afternoon, copies of The Financial Times and The Wall Street Journal spread out on coffee table nearby. "It's bad enough that I know every minute of the day exactly where I need to be," he griped.

But Jones, who went to Michigan, said he was already planning to add his Harvard education to his resume and a Harvard sticker on his car.

Jones already has a few business on the side. Tampa Bay running back Greg Camella, who grew up in the Boston suburbs and went to Stanford, hopes to use his experience as an entrant to a full MBA program.

Richardson already has a business degree from Webster University in Kansas City. If nothing else, the classes will help him vet the offers he attracts as a high-profile and well-paid professional athlete.

He has already learned how to pass.

"As football players, we want to be in the game. We don't want to be on the sideline," he said. "I've just learned that it's OK to be on the sideline in business."

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# Buzzards Bay wins Santa Anita

ARCADIA, Calif. (AP) — Buzzards Bay scored a stunning upset in the \$750,000 Santa Anita Derby on Saturday, giving trainer Jeff Mullins his third consecutive victory in the West Coast's major prep for the Kentucky Derby.

Buzzards Bay, a 30-1 shot, ran near the lead in the 11-horse field before going to the front at the top of the stretch and winning by a half-length. He covered 1-1/8 miles in 1:49.18 under Mark Gully.

The winner paid \$62.20, \$21.80 and \$10.80, while further muddling the picture for next month's Kentucky Derby.

Sweet Catnip's hopes of beating the boys was dashed with a fifth-place finish. Last year's champion filly and winner of the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies went off as the 4-5 favorite.

General John B., a 60-1 shot, finished second, triggering an exacta payout of \$751.40. Wilko, the Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner, was third.

Mullins won the Santa Anita Derby last year with Castledale and in 2003 with Buddy Girl. Castledale paid \$62 to win, sixth highest in the race's 68-year history.

for the Derby on May 7.

And this colt owned by Steinbrenner's Kinsman Stable just may be the one to beat on the first Saturday in May.

Buzzards Bay, who won his only other start this year by 15-7 lengths in an allowance race at Gulfstream Park, topped that margin of victory over runner-up Survivalist.

In the process, Buzzards Bay covered the 1-1/8 miles in a stinging 1:47.16. The stakes record is 1:47-1/5 by Private Terms in 1987.

Belamy Road now joins two other 21st horses already set for the Derby — High Fly and Noble Causeway, the 1-2 finishers in last week's Florida Derby.

Belamy Road, ridden by Javier Castellano, paid \$7.10, \$4.30 and \$4.10.

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Greeley's Galaxy

wins Illinois Derby

CICERO, Ill. — Greeley's Galaxy charged hard down the



Race winner Buzzards Bay, left, with jockey Mark Gully, closes in on the finish line next to second-place finisher General John B., right, with Jon Court, during the \$750,000 Santa Anita Derby, Saturday, in Arcadia, Calif.

stretch to win the \$500,000 Illinois Derby by 10 lengths at Hawthorne Race Course on Saturday.

The 9-5 favorite, ridden by Kent Desmarceaux, broke away from the pack after the final turn, leaving Monarch Lane to fight off Magia Graduate for second place.

Owned by B. Wayne Hughes and trained by Glen Sute, Greeley's Galaxy finished the 1 1/8 mile, Grade 2 race in 1:49.62 for his third win in four career starts.

# Ruben Patterson reflects on season of sobriety

By Anne M. Patterson  
Associated Press writer

PORTLAND, Ore. — Ruben Patterson woke one day just before the start of the NBA season feeling sick and tired. Again. Hangovers were just as much a part of his routine as practice.

But that day was to be unlike others. Patterson decided he'd had enough of alcohol.

Concerned about his legacy as a player, a father and a man, Patterson resolved to eliminate the demon that had dogged him since he was a teenager.

Over the past decade, Patterson's career as an NBA player, columnist and actor has been used off the bench. He is better known for off-court incidents, including the attempted rape of his children's nanny.

"I got to the point where I was so tired, I was like man, I've got to stop," he said. "So then and there I said to myself, 'I'm stopping.' And I haven't had any since."

It remains to be seen whether Patterson indeed has turned his troubled life around, but his play is one of the few positives in the Portland Trail Blazers' bleak season. One newspaper columnist said Patterson, while not the team's highest scorer, should nonetheless be considered its MVP.

Former Blazers Darnell Valentine, the team's director of player programs, is in charge of providing players with support on and off the court as part of a management pledge to Portland fans.

"Ruben was able to wake up. He had that kind of determination. He saw where his life was going, and what his legacy was going to be, and he changed it," said Valentine, a previous national representative for the NBA players' association. "He has that kind of willpower."

Patterson's transformation has come during a season when the once-proud franchise has had its first losing record since 1988-89.

The Blazers will miss the NBA playoffs for the second straight season, after 21 consecutive years in the postseason.

This season has not been entirely smooth for Patterson, either.

Patterson came to training



Portland Trail Blazers forward Ruben Patterson hugs teammate Darnell Valentine from behind after Valentine sank his fifth consecutive 3-pointer during their game against the Seattle SuperSonics in Portland, Ore., March 24.

camp demanding a trade because of a perceived verbal slight made by general manager John Nash during the summer. But he steadily played and practiced his way to more minutes.

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kind of training you do; you've got to look like a runner; you're not running with a cotton yellow shirt. You have to be tough. You could see it completely."

Gareau eventually got her medal and the wreath that goes to the winner (Boston did not win the medal). Gareau said she was very, very excited. When it happens, I will probably get goose bumps."

Gareau has been back to the Boston area five times since 1980, with two genuine second-place finishes and two others in the top 10. She ran as a fundraiser in 1986, the massive 100th edition, but mostly has been competing in cross-country skiing and bicycle races while living in Boulder, Colo., and the Montreal suburbs.

Gareau's husband were partners in sporting goods stores before the Sept. 11 attacks cooled off the U.S. economy and they moved back to Canada.

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His ball was caked with mud when the siren sounded, so he mucked his position in the 10th hole, allowing him to start Sunday with a clean ball.

Thomas Bjorn was at 8 under par, and no one else was close. It was a relief for him in some ways. This is not a great life, to do things like that."

Mark Henrich, were at 4 under par. Melenby was another shot behind — but 10 shots behind. "I'm a little bit out of control of this major championship."

The Masters usually doesn't begin until the back nine. Sunday, it was the front nine that started Sunday morning. The third

round was to resume at 6 a.m. Right when Woods started to make his move, DiMarco announced he'd taken a 10-foot birdie on the seventh, and another 10-foot birdie on the eighth. He played smartly, taking chances only when they were there.

Bjorn, however, is a friend of

Woods and has seen some of his best golf. The Dane saw plenty of it on the front nine Saturday afternoon playing in the group behind him, and he was duly impressed.

"Tiger is Tiger," Bjorn said. "When he gets into these kind of runs, you never know what's going to happen."



# YOURSPORTS

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## T.F. Muni ladies announce scramble results

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Muni Ladies Golf Association had a scramble April 7 with 5 teams participating. The team of Kathleen Thompson, Barbara Frith, Colleen Adams, and Jeanne Gibson shot a 68 to finish in first place. The second-place team of Irene Carey, Mary Schmidt, Sondra Hill, Julie Blandford, and Rose Schoen shot 71. Next Thursday the play is a two-lady bestball and ladies may ask a friend to play.

## M-C women's bowling announces results

**BURLEY** — The Mini-Cassia Women's Bowling Association recently completed their annual city tournament. There were 31 four-women teams, 45 sets of doubles and 90 singles entries competed in two fun filled weekends at Snake River Bowl in Burley.

Winning in the team competition was the AFLAC team of Kris Zanone, Derry Smith, Dejean Carson and Stacey Uscola

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with a team score of 2497. Annette Hirsch won the singles division with a three game handicap total of 711. Winners in the doubles division were Lori Parish and Kristie Johnston with a combined handicap total of 1298.

Tiffany Hagar had an excellent weekend of bowling, posting the high scratch game of 259, high scratch series of 679 and winning all-events scratch with an 1,855. She averaged 206 for nine games.

Tina Brown, bowling in her first city tournament ever, won the all-events handicap with a 1,929.

The tournament results and prize list is posted at the bowling alleys. Winners may pick up their checks at the association's annual meeting.

Representing the Mini-Cassia WBA at this year's Idaho State High-5 Tournament in Idaho Falls will be Tiffany Hagar, Annette Hirsch, Derry

Smith, Kris Rodriguez, and Nita Mader. These girls carry the highest averages in the association.

## Team brings home the gold at winter sports

**MCCALL** — The Magic Valley Team traveled to McCall for the Special Olympics Idaho Winter Games on March 4-6. Each athlete competed in two events. The team won seven gold medals, three silver medals, and four bronze medals. The Snowshoe Team members are Rachelle Roeder, Savannah Henstock, and Ken Merrill. The Alpine Skiers Team members are Jared Dirksen, Megan Royce, Zoey-Davis Reid, and Joe Teja. The teams are coached by Jill and Willis Stone, Shelly Rorri and Donna Rae Henstock. Savannah Henstock was Co-Host for the Opening Ceremonies and led the athletes in their motto "Let Me Win. But If I Cannot Win, Let Me Be Brave In The Attempt."

## Merrick inducted into TFWBA Hall of Fame

**TWIN FALLS** — This week it is my pleasure to tell you about the most recent inductee into the Twin Falls Women's Bowling Association Hall of Fame: Anita Merrick.



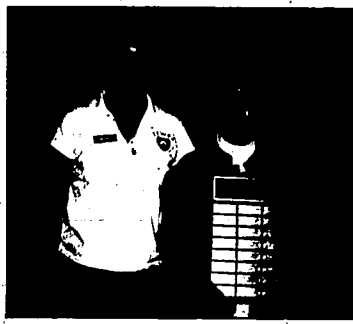
Let's Go Bowling  
Thelma Tucker

Anita started her bowling career in Elko, Nev. in a small house called the Telescope Lanes and she also bowled at the Rainbow Lanes in Elko. She became very active in the organization of leagues and with the association. She was a member of the Elko WBA as well as the Nevada State WBA. At that time she held many positions as a league officer but she especially liked being league secretary.

When she moved to Fairfield she started bowling at Ranch Bowl in Gooding. She would commute the 30 miles just to bowl on her leagues. When she retired and moved to Twin Falls, she again took up bowling with a vengeance. She has bowled on two or three leagues every year since she came to Twin Falls and she is currently secretary on two leagues. She currently serves on the TFWBA Board of Directors.

She has a personal interest in making sure her leagues are fun. She also takes it upon herself to find subs for all her leagues. She has met many many people at the bowling centers through the years and considers each and every one her friend.

She is very competitive and bowls in a lot of tournaments. She has traveled the state to Gutter Gussie tournaments, state tournaments and senior tournaments. She has bowled in many national tournaments as well. She still has all her pins, plaques and trophies that she



Anita Merrick, right, is pictured at her Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

has won and collected through the years and they are all very special to her. She gets very frustrated at times and would like to have her 180 average back again someday.

Anita was inducted into the Hall of Fame at the annual meeting of the Twin Falls Women's Bowling Association. Election of officers took place at this meeting as well.

Current president Jeanne Christian was elected to serve two more years. Anita Merrick was elected to serve as Second Vice President. Dee Hall as Treasurer. Directors elected are Bernice Smith, Cindy Courtney, Susan McCann, Julie Capurro and Carol Quaintance. State delegates elected are Bernice Smith, Crystal Shull and Lisa Dickenson. National delegates are Anita Merrick, Lisa Dickenson and Julie Capurro.

As you can see from the elections, Anita is still very active in the leadership of bowling. Welcome to the Hall of Fame, Anita. You are very deserving. Congratulations to Shoshona

Yovan on the Tues. A.M. Trios League for picking the 4-6-7-10 split in the fifth frame of game two. The split we all call the "big four".

Here are the results from the Bull Men's City Tournament. First Place Team: "Last Resort" 3,222. Second place Team: "Jerome Sheet Metal" 3,150.

Doubles: Karik Nejezhcheba/Dirk McCallister 1,429. Curt Quaintance/Ron Romero Sr. 1,415. Shan Bick/Matt Welch 1,359. Cordell Runyan/Bob Fields 1,346.

Singles: Ron Romero Sr. 780. Al Kocinac 732. Cordell Runyan 721. Bob Fields 698. TC Tomlinson 696. Josh Allred 692. Mary Bright 686.

All Events Scratch: TC Tomlinson 1,779. All Events Handicap: Ron Romero Sr. 2,086. Bobby Norris 2,070. Bob Fields 2,026.

So join these bowlers and "Let's Go Bowling!"

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## TAKING SECOND

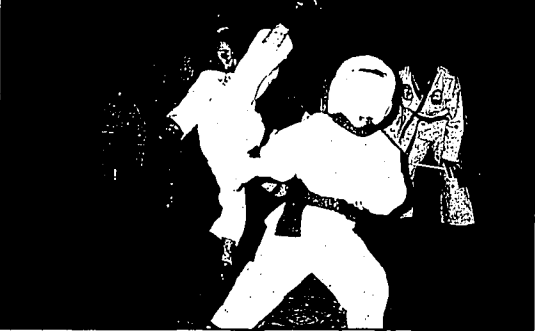


Photo courtesy of Bill Fitchner

A sparring picture from the national tournament in Reno, Nev. of Pili sungi Martial Arts students shows six-year-old Candice Robbins, left. Candice took second in her division after fighting several hard fought matches.

## WINNING THE DIVISION



Photo courtesy of Bill Fitchner

A sparring picture from the national tournament in Reno, Nev. of Pili sungi Martial Arts students shows Alister Robbins sparring with a competitor from California in the ages 10-13 blackbelt division. Robbins won the division.

## SPARRING TO WIN



Photo courtesy of Bill Fitchner

A sparring picture from the national tournament in Reno, Nev. of Pili sungi Martial Arts students shows Travis Fitchner sparring in the ages 4-6, second and third degree blackbelt division, which Fitchner won.

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# SPORTS

## Curses: Major League Baseball clubs continue to suffer

By **Tr. Sullivan**  
**Knight-Ridder Newspapers**

**FORT WORTH, Texas** — The Boston Red Sox exorcised the Curse of the Bambino last season, ending 86 years of torment when they finally won the World Series.

That leaves 10 teams that have never won a 25 years without having won the World Series. And four have gone a half-century or more without winning the Fall Classic.

The other six, all expansion teams, have never won a Series.

The Chicago Cubs are still synonymous with the phrase "long suffering." It's been 94 years since the Cubs won. Their crowning frustration is the White Sox, have gone 87 years without winning the Series.

The Texas Rangers/Washington Senators hold the distinction as the oldest franchise that has never won a World Series. The Cubs blame their misfortune on the Billy Goat Curse. The Rangers and White Sox will have to be more creative trying to exorcise their futility.

A look at the unfortunate 10:

### Chicago Cubs

Curse: 96 years  
 Last World Series title: '08  
 Pennants since: '10, '18, '29, '32, '35, '39, '45

**Why they were bad:** Former commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis hated the concept of a farm system, equating it to slavery. So the Cubs in the '40s and '50s didn't buy one, buying players from independent leagues instead. And in the 1963 division race against the Mets, a black cat walked past the Cubs' dugout, not a good sign.

The one that got away: Losing the 2003 National League Championship Series and blaming it on the poor fan who tried to catch a foul ball was bad, but so was losing the 1984 NLCS to San Diego. The Cubs won the first two games in the best-of-five series, then lost three in a row. In 1929, the Cubs were down 2-1 to the Philadelphia Athletics in the World Series, but had an 8-6 lead in the eighth inning of Game 4. The Athletics promptly rallied for 10 runs that inning.

**Unburned:** For many years, it was said that the Cubs couldn't win because Wrigley Field had no lights. Playing their home games during the day in the summer heat was too sapping. But they haven't won much under the lights, either. Owner Phil Wrigley was planning to install lights as far back as 1942, but World War II broke out and Wrigley donated the material to the war effort.

### Chicago White Sox

Curse: 87 years  
 Last World Series title: '17  
 Pennants since: '19, '59, '93

**Why they were bad:** After the Black Sox Scandal in the 1919 World Series, owner Charles Comiskey released the eight players accused of throwing games. Those eight were subsequently banned. It took years for the White Sox to recover.

The one that got away: The White Sox relied on pitching speed and defense to win the American League pennant in 1959, then faced the Los Angeles Dodgers in the World Series. The Dodgers were a mix of the aging stars of the 1950s and Brooklyn and young players who would become big stars in the '60s. The favored Sox won the opener 11-0, but the Dodgers won the Series 4-3.

The curse of UHF: The White Sox had Harry Caray. They had Jack Brickhouse. They had WGN. They could have built a national following as the Cubs have. Instead, they left WGN after the 1967 season, moving their games to a UHF station. But cable TV, not UHF, was the next big thing. Cable left the Sox and the Cubs and WGN in 1983. The White Sox became the second team in the Second City.

### Cleveland Indians

Curse: 56 years  
 Last World Series title: '48  
 Pennants since: '54, '95, '97

**Why they were bad:** Akron sportswriter Jerry Fluto wrote in 1940 that the Indians had been a bad baseball team since April 17, 1960, when All-Star right fielder Rocky Colavito, with the home run run and racket right arm, was traded by general manager Frank "Trader" Lane to Detroit for shortstop Harvey Kuken. The Indians had been a strong franchise in the

1950s, but plummeted after Colavito and other good players were traded.

The one that got away: The Indians were three outs from a 2-1 victory in Game 7 of the 1997 World Series, but Florida rallied to tie the score against closer Jose Mesa on singles by Moises Alou and Charles Johnson and a sacrifice fly by Craig Counsell. The Marlins then won the Series in the 11th on Edgar Renteria's single.

The Curse of Bobby Bragan: Fort Worth's favorite son was fired as Indians manager by Lane in the middle of the 1988 season. Bragan wrote in his autobiography, "There's an ongoing rumor I put a curse on the Indians after Lane fired me. (People) ask if it's true. No, it isn't. I didn't need to hex the club. Having Frank Lane as its general manager was curse enough."

### San Francisco Giants

Curse: 50 years  
 Last World Series title: '54  
 Pennants since: '62, '89, 2002

**Why they were bad:** The Giants had one of the best managers in baseball when Hall of Fame pitcher Cal Hubbard, who was also an extraordinary farm director. But the system fell apart when Hubbard died in 1920. Trading Gaylor Ferrer for a washed-up Sam McDowell and then slugger George Foster for utility infielder Frank Duffy during that decade didn't help.

The one that got away: In the 2002 World Series, the Giants were up three games to two against Anaheim and led 5-0 going into the seventh inning of Game 6. When starter Russ Ortiz, working on a two-hitter, gave up a pair of one-out singles, manager Dusty Baker pulled him. The Angels rallied for a 6-5 victory and then won Game 7.

The Curse of Al Davis: The Giants of the mid-'60s were loaded with extraordinary talent, including Willie Mays, Willie McCovey, and Latin stars Juan Marchand, Orlando Cepeda, and the Alou brothers. But manager Alvin Dark had a backward attitude when it came to race. He was fired after the 1964 season. The Giants spent most of the '80s in contention, but could never grab the brass ring.

### Texas Rangers

Curse: 44 years  
 Last World Series title: None  
 Pennants: None

**Why they were bad:** Owner Brad Corbett set up a confusing front office in the mid-'70s that included vice president Eddie Robinson and general manager Dan O'Brien. Either could have done the job, but Corbett often ignored their advice and made a series of bizarre trades that would doom the franchise to mediocrity. Then, under George W. Bush's

### San Diego Padres

Curse: 36 years  
 Last World Series title: None  
 Pennants: '84, '98

**Why they were bad:** The 1984 Padres won the pennant with Jack McKeon as their general manager, and Dick Williams as their manager. But owner Ray Kroc had died, leaving control to his wife and son-in-law. After the 1985 season, Williams was forced out as manager and the franchise spent a decade in ownership disarray.

The one that got away: The

Padres have been to the World Series twice. In 1984 they faced the Detroit Tigers, who had won 104 games during the regular season. In 1998, they faced the New York Yankees, who had won 114 regular-season games in 1998, they never had a chance.

The Curse of Bad Geography: The National League wanted to expand to Dallas in 1969, giving Houston a natural rival, but the shortstomped Astros blocked it. So the league put a franchise in San Diego. As Padres broadcaster Jerry Coleman noted, there was the Pacific Ocean to the west, Mexico to the south, the desert to the east and Vin Scully to the north.

**Washington Nationals**  
 Curse: 36 years  
 Last World Series title: None  
 Pennants: None  
 Division titles: '81

**Why they were bad:** The Montreal Expos had a highly productive farm system, and probably had the best team in both leagues in 1994. But the late-season players' strike shut down the game that year and wiped out the playoffs and World Series. With a fast-shrinking fan base, the Expos were forced to unload just about every good player they had — John Wetteland, Pedro Martinez, Mike Alou, Ken Hill, Cliff Floyd, Marquis Grissom, Larry Walker and Vladimir Guerrero, among others. They never recovered and finally moved to Washington.

### Houston Astros

Curse: 43 years  
 Last World Series title: None  
 Pennants: None  
 Division titles: '80, '86, '97, '99, 2001

**Why they were bad:** Letting Nolan Ryan go away after the 1988 season was a poor public relations move. But the real kick to the Astros came after the 1980 season, when general manager T.J. Smith was fired by owner John McMillen. The Astros had just won their first division title, and Smith had them headed in the right direction.

The one that got away: The Astros, with Nolan Ryan on the mound, had a 5-2 lead against Philadelphia in the eighth inning of the deciding game of the 1980 National League Championship Series. But the Phillies scored five in the eighth and ended up winning 8-7 in the 10th inning to win the pennant.

The Curse of the Killer B's: Jeff Bagwell, Craig Biggio, Lance Berkman, Derek Bell and Kevin Bass (in '86) were major contributors during the regular season, but in 82 playoff games they have batted a combined .225 with 21 hits in 313 at-bats, with nine home runs and 31 RBI. Carlos Beltran, a Killer B who defied the odds in 2004, left to sign with the New York Mets.

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### Milwaukee Brewers

Curse: 36 years  
 Last World Series title: None  
 Pennants: '82

**Why they were bad:** The Brewers were reasonably competitive for a 15-year stretch from 1977-92. But after Sal Bando took over for Harry Dalton as general manager, they let Paul Molitor leave as a free agent, Robin Yount retired, a young Greg Schiedel was traded away and a once-great farm system died. Ace pitcher Teddy Higuera was basically hurt for all four years of a four-year, \$13 million contract, a big deal at the time.

The one that got away: Rolfe Fingers saved 29 games for the Brewers in 1982, one year after he had won the MVP and Cy Young awards. But an elbow injury kept him from pitching in the postseason, and the Brewers (then in the AL) lost their only World Series to St. Louis in seven games.

The Curse of Miller Park: The Brewers' new ballpark has not helped the franchise. Instead, it's been nothing but trouble. The opening of the park was delayed for a year because of a construction accident that left three people dead. Once opened, there were multiple problems with the retractable roof. Extended litigation over the roof was finally resolved in January.

Montreal deserved better, but a bad stadium proved to be a major part of the downfall.

### Seattle Mariners

Curse: 28 years  
 Last World Series title: None  
 Pennants: None

**Why they were bad:** The Mariners went through a series of cheap, profit-first owners — most notably, George Steinbrenner — who were convinced that Seattle was stuck in a hopeless small-market situation with a terrible stadium. Twice they threatened to move the team to Florida. Arguably made a profit but refused to spend money on players or player development. In the winter of 1986-87, Argos cut the salary of every player, then suggested they attend a seminar on positive thinking.

The one that got away: The 1997 Seattle Mariners were loaded — Randy Johnson, Ken Griffey Jr. Alex Rodriguez, Edgar Martinez, Jamie Moyer and J. P. Bane — all healthy and at the top of their game. But the Baltimore Orioles were just as good and won three of four division series. Johnson was traded the following season and that core of players never reached the playoffs together again.

Curse of Ball Four: Before the Mariners, there were the Seattle Pilots, a 1969 expansion team that lasted just one season. The Curse of A-Rod applies here, too.

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Hiring workers can result in tax credit

**TWIN FALLS** — Idaho employers who hire workers facing barriers to employment are eligible to receive a break on their federal income taxes, Idaho Commerce and Labor said.

"These tax credits give employers an incentive to provide jobs to Idahoans with limited work skills or experience," said Commerce and Labor Director Roger B. Madsen. "A job is the first step toward improving the quality of their lives and easing their dependence on public assistance."

President Bush recently reauthorized funding for the Work Opportunity Tax Credit and Welfare-to-Work Tax Credit programs through 2005.

The former provides tax credits up to \$2,400 per employee for the first year depending on the number of hours worked. To qualify, employers must hire individuals from targeted groups including individuals on welfare, ex-felons with low income, vocational rehabilitation clients, veterans who have received food stamps, 18- to 24-year-olds who receive food stamps and Supplemental Security Income recipients.

Welfare-to-Work provides employers with tax credits up to \$3,500 the first year and \$5,000 the second year depending on total hours worked. New hires must have been on public assistance a minimum of 18 months prior to hire.

To qualify, employers must file an application form with Idaho Commerce and Labor no later than 21 days after hiring the person.

Application forms are available at Commerce and Labor offices in Hailey, Buxley and Twin Falls by calling (208) 332-3570, ext. 3318, and online at [idaho.gov](http://idaho.gov).

### Groups offer business enrichment course

**TWIN FALLS** — KeyBank and the Northwest Nazarene University School of Business, in partnership with the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, are offering a business enrichment series via video conference from 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday at the College of Southern Idaho.

The theme is "Health-care Costs in the 21st Century — Is Your Business Prepared?" Speakers and topics include Ed Dahlberg, president and chief executive of St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, "Health Care Costs Concerns: The Providers' Perspective," Tim Smith, president of the NNU Department of Kinesiology, "Corporate Wellness: How to Develop and Encourage Healthier Lifestyles," and Dennis Warren, vice president of account management at BlueCross of Idaho. "The Cost of Health Care is Rising — What Can You Do?"

The afternoon will conclude with a speakers' panel moderated by Dahlberg. Dahlberg, vice president of financial affairs-general counsel at NNU. Cost for the afternoon session is \$45. Continuing education credit is available for an additional \$50. Seating is limited. For information or to register, visit [www.nnu.edu/bizsem](http://www.nnu.edu/bizsem).

A special presentation at 7 p.m. will feature Dr. Bob Arnesen, former NBC chief medical editor and now NBC special foreign correspondent, discussing "Bottom Line Medicine: Human Lives vs. Dollars." This session is free, but reservations are requested. Call the Twin Falls chamber at 733-3974.

### CSI holds conflict resolution workshop

**TWIN FALLS** — The Community Education Center at the College of Southern Idaho is offering an enrichment class, "Conflict Resolution in the Workplace," from 7 to 9 p.m. April 28 in Shields 106.

The fee is \$25 per person or \$75 per organization. The workshop will cover steps employers can take when misunderstandings or arguments occur between employees.

Instructor Gillian Jenkins is a human resources director with 25 years' experience in management, accounting, including executive, business, office, human resources and payroll.

To register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

— compiled from staff reports



CORY HITCHES/The Times-News

Mike Olson nails down the framework for a new Chevron convenience store on Blue Lakes Boulevard North in Twin Falls on Thursday. The store will be at the front of the same lot as the new Lowe's home-improvement store.

# Construction trends

## Home building tops off a big finish in March

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
and Megan Hinde  
Times-News writers

**TWIN FALLS** — An extraordinarily busy month for home builders sent the city's March construction values soaring.

With the help of five six-digit commercial projects, Twin Falls saw March values rise 59.3 percent from a year earlier. The city last month issued building permits for projects totaling an estimated \$6.14 million for combined construction types. That's \$2.29 million more than in March 2004.

Year-to-date values are up by 71.5 percent from the first three months of 2004.

If the city remains on that upward trend for the rest of 2005, it would resume a string of growth that was interrupted last year. Twin Falls' construction values for combined types rose for four years in a row before declining 2.8 percent year-over-year in 2004.

There are plenty of pages left on the 2005 calendar, of course. But the city's monthly reports of building activity give economy watchers a good indication of local vigor — and clues about what's to come in the market for construction labor.

One trend is particularly remarkable: Twin Falls' rapid building of new houses.

Despite climbing mortgage rates, Twin Falls issued 52 permits for new single-family homes inside the city limits last month, averaging about \$91,000 each in estimated value. That

tops the 23 permits for new single-family homes a year ago and the tally of 40 in March 2003.

So how big is 52 home starts?

• It's more than twice the 10-year average for March: city records show that during the past decade, the city issued an average of 25 new-home permits during each March.

• Also, 52 is the third-largest permit tally for new Twin Falls homes in any month. The all-time record is 59 in July 2004.

• And it's the latest in a remarkable string of statistics. March was the 13th consecutive month that Twin Falls has set a new home-building record. Each month since July 2004, the city has issued more permits for new single-family homes than it ever did before during that month.

Last month's permit list also provides a window into local business investment. Highlights from March follow.

### A new dental office

A Beaverton, Ore.-based dental group will establish a Twin Falls office soon.

Williamette Dental Group, which operates about 50 dental offices in Washington, Oregon and Idaho, will take up residence at 1411 Falls Ave. E., No. 1301. That's inside an existing shell building in the Locust Grove office complex.

The full-service dental office will have two dentists and an orthodontist, a Williamette Dental spokeswoman said earlier this year.

### The March report

Estimated values for construction that received permits in March from Twin Falls city:

Type	March '05	March '04	March '03
New single-family homes:	\$4,738,221	\$2,151,266	\$3,753,195
New multifamily units:	0	0	0
New commercial projects:	\$555,051	\$1,206,648	\$485,527
Commercial alterations/additions:	\$446,900	\$234,000	\$414,656
Total (including such things as manufactured homes, residential alterations/additions and signs):	\$6,139,497	\$3,852,207	\$4,943,305

Source: City building department

### Recent numbers at a glance

Here's how Twin Falls' total construction values in the past six months stacked up against the same months a year earlier:

• March '05	up 59 percent
• Feb. '05	up 173 percent
• Jan. '05	up 7 percent
• Dec. '04	down 40 percent
• Nov. '04	up 84 percent
• Oct. '04	up 48 percent



The interior remodeling project has a city-estimated value of \$342,000. Construction will begin soon, said Justin Winslow of Wolverton Corp. Development & Construction, which is in charge of the project.

### Another convenience store and restaurant

Travelers on Blue Lakes Boulevard may have been surprised to see the recent demolition of the Snake River Chevron at 1300 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. But a bigger convenience store is

going up in its place — complete with a new restaurant. Hunzaker Enterprises LLC, which owns Snake River Chevron and also the Quilino's Classic Subs restaurant at 1111 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Suite B, is building a 4,428-square-foot convenience store, gas station and restaurant on the same site as the former Chevron location — just a few feet farther back from Blue Lakes. The project has a city-estimated value of nearly \$200,000, which includes the building, gas pumps and a canopy. Please see TREND, Page D6

## ODD AREA CODE

### Former LDS missionaries make Utah, Idaho an unlikely hotbed for international business

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

**BOISE** — When McKay Jensen returned to his native Idaho after two years on a Mormon mission in Montreal, he figured his fluent French would be much use in a state more famous for french fries than French speakers.

But now he uses it daily to deal with French-speaking Canadian distributors for Melaleuca Inc., a health-products company that operates a call center in the eastern Idaho town of Redburg.

Employers ranging from Melaleuca to online auction house eBay, the FBI in Salt Lake City, and eye-care company 1-800 Contacts in Desper, Utah,

are capitalizing on the language skills required for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' far-flung evangelism.

"I got an e-mail that Melaleuca was looking for French speakers," Jensen said. "Where else would I get that opportunity here in Redburg?"

About 32,000 Mormon missionaries are stationed outside the United States, most in countries where another language is crucial to their mission.

And every year, thousands return to strongly Mormon Idaho and Utah, fluent in Japanese, Chinese, Korean, German, Spanish and dozens of other languages.

"Because of the returning mission-

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AP Photo

Workers at the Melaleuca call center field calls at their office in Redburg in this Feb. 2003 photo.

# YOUR BUSINESS

## CAREER MOVES

### Dr. Laurence Hicks

**RUPERT** — Dr. Laurence Hicks will utilize his practice with the Minidoka Memorial Hospital Rural Clinic, effective May 1.

The Rural Clinic has two internists and a physician's assistant, and by affiliating they can expand access for their clients.

Hicks clients who keep their follow-up appointments after May 1 will do so at the new facility, in Suite 13.

### Advertising consultants

**TWIN FALLS** — Brian Croner, president and owner of Marketing Resource Group, attended the Idaho Advertising Federation's Rockie Awards ceremony in Boise.

MRG won a total of seven awards for creative advertising: four Silver Rockies and one Citation of Excellence for full-color trade magazine advertisements for Rangen Inc.'s Aquaculture Feeds Division.

Mark Gerber was the graphic artist for the Rangen's aquaculture feed ad titled "Every Phase of Life." "Start When Young" and "Weigh In for Big Profits."

Matthew Croner was creative consultant for the Farmers National Bank and one Silver Rockie for best collateral piece for the Magic Valley Advertising Federation.

MRG is a full-service advertising agency at 317 Sixth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. It can be reached at 736-1833.

### Insurance agents

**JEROME** — Magdalena Perez of Jerome and Julie Burton of King Hill, both with Farmers Insurance Group, are new licensed to offer their customers investment products, in addition to the insurance products they already provide.

They both passed the securities license exam in addition to completing a specialized training program sponsored by Farmers Financial Solutions LLC, the broker-dealer affiliate.

Perez and Burton offer a variety of investment products and services including several mutual funds, variable annuities and variable universal life insurance.

### Veronica Ruiz

**BURLEY** — Cassia Regional Medical Center initiated a "Catch the Spirit" customer service program recognizing individuals who provide exceptional service.

A trophy is displayed in the employee's work area for one month. The award comes with the responsibility of choosing the next recipient outside of his or her department.

Alice Romborg passed the award to Veronica Ruiz.

"Over the past month, Veronica has provided exceptional customer service to her coworkers, and when it comes to helping us in dietary, she always seems to go the extra mile," Romborg said. "For example, whenever I've been assigned to pick up carts while Veronica is the nurse on duty, she cheerfully helps out by gathering trays for me, even from rooms not assigned to her."



Tony Minich

**Casino employees**

**JACKPOT** Nov. — Cactus Petes Resort Casino announced three winners of recent employee awards.

**February Employees of the Month** were:

— In support — Security officer Tony Minich joined Cactus Petes in May 2003.

— In gaming — Fortunato Peres in June 1991, is a dealer in the gaming department.

— In food and beverage — Cook David Cerezo, who joined Cactus Petes in June 1986, is part of the culinary staff.

**Loan officers**

**TWIN FALLS** — Republic Mortgage added Patti VanLeuwen and Pam Canoy as senior loan officers.

VanLeuwen and Canoy have experience with conforming and nonconforming loans. They are certified for Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Federal Housing Administration, Veterans Administration and U.S. Department of Agriculture loans. They also specialize in less-than-perfect-credit loans and can place borrowers into loans that fit their scenarios.

Republic Mortgage said, VanLeuwen, who has been in the industry for 10 years, is married and is a native of Twin Falls. Canoy, who has been a loan officer for 12 years, is a native of Wisconsin, but she married a Magic Valley native six years ago.

Republic Mortgage can be reached at 734-1000 or at 715 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., inside the Fred Meyer store building.

**Board members**

**KETCHUM** — The St. Luke's Wood River Foundation enhances health care in the Wood River Valley by providing assistance to St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center and other community health-care providers.

Effective Jan. 1, four new officers were elected to the foundation's board of directors: President Peter Krenner, Vice President Martha Reed, Treasurer Jim Vaughn and Secretary Ben Holmes.

The newly elected executive board joins these members to make up the 2005 St. Luke's Wood River Foundation board: Terry Bashaw, Dr. Tom Broderick, Suzanne Cunningham, Marybeth Flowers, Morley Golden, Bruce Jensen, Tim Johnson, Emily Karasak, Mary Malkmus, Wilson McElhinny, Dr. Scott McLean Jr., Bud Purdy, Shirley Reid, Dick Springs and Ward Wood.

**Chelsea Hodge**

**TWIN FALLS** — Chelsea Hodge, previously of Hair & Nail Perfect, joined Cut Loose, a service salon at 1201 Falls Ave. E.

Hodge specializes in all cosmetology, featuring hair, nails, pedicures, color, color, permanents and special occasion up-dos. She is available for appointments and walk-ins on Tuesdays through Saturdays, and by appointment on evenings and Mondays. She can be reached at 734-0003.

### Chad Hoelt

**TWIN FALLS** — Ziens Bank hired Chad Hoelt as manager of its Twin Falls branch office inside Smith's at 1913 Addison Ave. He is responsible for business development and customer service management of the branch.

With over 10 years of experience in banking, Hoelt previously was a manager at Washington Mutual Bank. He is a native of Seattle.



Chad Hoelt



Jane George



Doug Smith



Rich Whitecarver



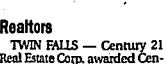
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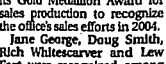
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Nedra Lingnaw



Gloria Bestian



JoAnne Nielsen

**Realtors**

**TWIN FALLS** — Century 21 Real Estate Corp. awarded Century 21 Greater Valley Properties its Gold Medal Award for sales production to recognize the office's sales efforts in 2004.

Jane George, Doug Smith, Rich Whitecarver and Lew Fort were recognized among the system's top producers nationwide. They were honored with the Emerald Level master award. Paul DeHoff received the Ruby Level master award.

Nedra Lingnaw, Gloria Bestian and JoAnne Nielsen have reached the multimillion-dollar level.

Century 21 Greater Valley Properties is located at 1717 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. is a full-service brokerage specializing in residential, commercial and recreational properties.

**Ryan Culver**

**JEROME** — Ryan Culver inquired a product that promotes user will serve as a reminder for users to execute a particular task.

The "Motion Messenger" uses proprietary features to alert the user that a certain project needs to be started. It is simple to use and eliminates chances for individuals to miss appointments or fail to accomplish chores or tasks, promoters say.

Culver's idea is being made available for licensing to manufacturers interested in new product development, especially in the electronics industry.

Invention Technologies Inc. in Coral Gables, Fla., is handling publicity for the Motion Messenger. For information, call (800) 940-9020, ext. 2285, or visit [products.invention-tech.com](http://products.invention-tech.com).

**Douglas Cobia**

**TWIN FALLS** — Professional Truck Driving School announced the graduation of Douglas Cobia on Feb. 22.

Cobia earned his tankers, doubles-triples and combination materials endorsements. He will work for Central.

### Local fruit, vegetable stand changes location

**TWIN FALLS** — Magic Harvest Produce, a locally owned fruit and vegetable stand, recently moved.

The current owners have operated the stand on Pole Line Road in front of Ace Hardware for the past three years. The stand is now at 1310 Kimberly Road, in front of the new Markers Boutique Nursery.

It carries an assortment of fresh fruits, vegetables and locally produced milk as well as canned fruit, jams and syrups.

Magic Harvest Produce sells locally grown products when available from over 30 growers across Magic Valley. Its season runs from the first of April until sometime in November, and the stand is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, as well as most Sunday afternoons.

### Rod's Trading Post moves auctions to new Web site

**TWIN FALLS** — Rod's Trading Post Inc. moved its firearm auctions to [www.gunbroker.com](http://www.gunbroker.com).

Rod's Trading Post, which has been in business since 1986, sells a majority of its firearms online. Marketing Director Ryan Horsley said the store's online business has continued to grow in the past five years.

"The fact is that we reach nationwide consumers who are looking for used firearms; the turnover is substantial. We have tapped into a rapidly growing market," he said.

Horsley said the business had a 43 percent increase in sales in the first quarter compared with the same period last year, which he attributes to high demand.

for used firearms.

Rod's Trading Post is in historic downtown Twin Falls at 215 Shoshone St. S. Its Web address is [www.redtradingpost.com](http://www.redtradingpost.com).

### Hancock Fabrics is now test market for product

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls Hancock Fabrics store is a test market for a new product from a Hollywood television producer with a passion for sewing —

more than 200 Zimmatic dealerships as "Top Zimmatic Irrigation Solution Providers in North America."

North America, Dave Butler and Doug Butler received the award for Silman & Butler, and Ted Barrie, Dale Adams and Brice Beck received the award for Butte.

To earn the award, a Zimmatic dealer must be equipped to provide the total irrigation solution from permitting, design, installation and after-sale service, plus offer the grower a package that can include remote control, chemical injection, weather and soil moisture monitoring.

Lindsay Manufacturing, based in Omaha, Neb., produces technology-driven irrigation systems.

**CONTRIBUTIONS**

■ **Toyota and the National Science Teachers Association** awarded Kathy Graham a Toyota Tapestry mini-grant of \$2,500 for excellence and innovation in science education for her program titled "Lights, Camera, Action."

Science Show Time" Graham teaches science at Sequoyia Elementary School in Twin Falls.

This year is the 15th anniversary of the Toyota Tapestry grant program for kindergarten through 12th-grade science teachers. Award-winning projects are selected from environmental science, physical science and science applications that promote inquiry.

Grants totaling \$546,000 were awarded to 77 teachers nationwide in 2005.

Toyota Motor Sales USA Inc. is the marketing, sales, distribution and customer service arm of Toyota, Lexus and Scion in the United States.

■ **Jensen Jewelers** was honored in February as a Business Partner in Conservation by the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for reaching the "gold level" of giving by donating jewelry to local and national Rocky Mountain Elk benquets.

The net value of Jensen Jewelers' contribution to conservation efforts of the foundation was more than \$169,000.

John Jensen, president of Jensen Jewelers, said the business also has supported the Nature Conservancy, Ducks Unlimited, Montana Department of Fish and Game, the National Rifle Association, Safari Club and the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep.

Jensen Jewelers has been a



The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce holds a ribbon cutting for the new Sprint Express Store at 181 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. The store specializes in business and consumer accounts and offers customer service, upgrades phone and service plans and opens accounts for new customers.

Hip Line Media DVDs featuring instructional sewing classes, launched by Lori Pettini.

The Home Sewing Association estimates that 30 million people in the United States sew and spend in excess of \$8 billion annually on sewing items, a company press release said.

Several of the DVDs have received awards for excellence in how-to programming, and a Spanish-language track is included on the Simple Quilt DVD.

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■ **Toyota and the National Science Teachers Association** awarded Kathy Graham a Toyota Tapestry mini-grant of \$2,500 for excellence and innovation in science education for her program titled "Lights, Camera, Action."

Science Show Time" Graham teaches science at Sequoyia Elementary School in Twin Falls.

This year is the 15th anniversary of the Toyota Tapestry grant program for kindergarten through 12th-grade science teachers. Award-winning projects are selected from environmental science, physical science and science applications that promote inquiry.

Grants totaling \$546,000 were awarded to 77 teachers nationwide in 2005.

Toyota Motor Sales USA Inc. is the marketing, sales, distribution and customer service arm of Toyota, Lexus and Scion in the United States.

■ **Jensen Jewelers** was honored in February as a Business Partner in Conservation by the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for reaching the "gold level" of giving by donating jewelry to local and national Rocky Mountain Elk benquets.

The net value of Jensen Jewelers' contribution to conservation efforts of the foundation was more than \$169,000.

John Jensen, president of Jensen Jewelers, said the business also has supported the Nature Conservancy, Ducks Unlimited, Montana Department of Fish and Game, the National Rifle Association, Safari Club and the Foundation for North American Wild Sheep.

Jensen Jewelers has been a

family-owned group of jewelry stores for more than 49 years. It donates to Rocky Mountain Elk chapters in Twin Falls, Burley, Idaho Falls, Rexburg and Pocatello; Bozeman, Helena, Great Falls, Kellsell and Billings, Mont.; Elko, Nev. and Rapid City, S.D.

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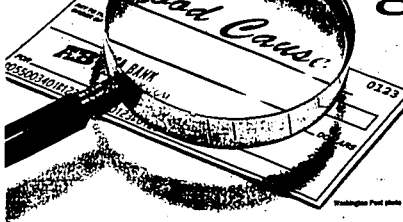
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## MONEY

# Under the magnifying glass



## Charities try to regain donors' confidence

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — While corporations have been fighting to regain investor confidence in the wake of accounting scandals, charities and other nonprofits are moving to convince donors that their money will be well spent.

One of the catalysts: a donation-skimming investigation that erupted three years ago at the Washington area's United Way office, which led to the ouster of the chief executive, board of directors and the entire finance team. Since then, managers of the National Capital Area chapter have struggled to restore public trust.

United Way's rapid descent — and problems at other respected charities around the nation — have helped fuel a regulatory drive to make it clearer to donors what happens to their money. Earlier this year, a California law that requires large nonprofits to open their books for an annual independent audit took effect. The Senate Finance Committee this week heard testimony about tax-exempt charities profiting by devising ways to help corporations and wealthy individuals shelter their income from taxes.

Charities and other nonprofits also are examining what they can do on their own to reassure donors that they are well run. "It's time to grow up," said Peggy M. Jackson, a management consultant and author of "Sarbanes-Oxley for Nonprofits," a forthcoming book on nonprofit accountability. "The years of fiscal adolescence are over. If donors are going to entrust you with their money, they expect a return on their donation. They don't expect you to betray their trust."

"The big issue for a lot of us relates to cost," said Diana Aviv, president of Independent Sector, a District-based coalition of nonprofit groups, charitable foundations and corporate donors. "The balance is between the commitment to do the right thing and the resources it takes to do it."

“We have to demonstrate every day that we deserve people's support again, and hopefully they'll come to the same conclusion.”

— Charles W. Anderson, United Way's new chief executive

Aviv and other nonprofit officials are moving to outank and help shape possible federal legislation, releasing last month a report on nonprofit business practices and preparing a second report on the thorny issue of nonprofit executive compensation. He released something this spring.

James M. Schroeder, executive director of Friends of the National Zoo, said he is not certain that federal legislation should be imposed on nonprofits, lest it become a costly, paperwork-driven exercise. FONZ, which had revenue of \$13.5 million in 2003, already has an audit committee and is working on a whistle-blower response policy. Management practices at the zoo itself have been the subject of expert studies and a series of critical news reports in recent years, but the nonprofit group has not been accused of any wrongdoing.

Schroeder said the nonprofit board already is responding to the changed environment. For instance, he said, two board members recused themselves last year from a decision on which investment adviser the board should use to manage its money because those board members had business ties to local banks.

"There is a sensitivity to doing what is right," Schroeder said.

But it remains unclear whether those voluntary steps will head off congressional efforts.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Charles E. Grassley, R-Iowa, this week said Congress "has not taken a serious look" at tax-exempt organizations since 1969. "My hope is that we will see a serious reform proposals quickly," he said.

Tom Dresslar, a spokesman for California Attorney General Bill Lockyer, said regulators have shown ample flexibility in dealing with nonprofit groups. For instance, Lockyer agreed to modify the new state law to require annual audits at charities with yearly revenue of at least \$2 million, up from the \$500,000 revenue figure he initially proposed.

"One of the main reasons the attorney general sponsored the bill was, given all the scandals in California and across the country, donor confidence was waning," Dresslar said. "We see this as a way to bring increased accountability and transparency."

New York state lawmakers are considering a similar measure, which was proposed in the last legislative session and awaits reintroduction this term. A spokesman for Attorney General Eliot L. Spitzer said.

For United Way, which collects and distributes donations to nonprofit groups serving the homeless, AIDS patients and needy children, the stakes couldn't be higher. Charles W. Anderson, United Way's new chief executive, said the charity will submit its business as a way to bring in cash. Already, United Way has slashed its payroll by nearly two-thirds since the scandal broke, he said.

Donations have not come close to rebounding to the \$69 million reached in 2001, before the fraud was exposed. In 2003, donations amounted to \$39 million, an 8 percent increase from the year before. "We have to demonstrate every day that we deserve people's support again, and hopefully they'll come to the same conclusion," Anderson said.

## Organize your financial paperwork

By Marshall Loeb  
MarketWatch

NEW YORK — Keeping financial records is an important part of preparing to file your income taxes, but that's not all. Good record keeping helps you manage your finances, keep your identity and assets safe, provide proof of transactions such as bills paid, and have all your key documents in one file to grab in case of emergencies.

Organizing your mountain of financial paperwork can be daunting. Fred Revey, author of the new book "Winning the Cash Flow War," offers some advice on what paperwork to keep and what to toss.

You should have at least three files for your financial paperwork — label them "critical," "active" and "dead storage."

In the "critical" file, collect important paperwork that would be hard to replace and vital to

save in an emergency. Include: Marriage certificates and divorce decrees

Titles, deeds or registrations for property and vehicles

Mortgage and other loan information

Insurance policies

Investment statements

Credit-card statements

Income tax information (copies of past returns, proof of estimated tax payments)

Social Security cards

Wills

Birth certificates

Copies of your identification cards such as driver's license, green card or passport

Documents with the original documents in a safe place, such as a fireproof box in your home or a safe deposit box.

Your "active" file should hold important financial documents from the past three years. Include: Unpaid bills (then mark with date paid)

Bill receipts

Bank statements

Canceled checks

Income tax paperwork, such as W-2 and 1099 forms

Your "dead storage" file should include things that were previously in your "active" file, as well as documents from up to seven years ago. Any financial document older than that can safely be tossed out — but remember to shred it first.

For tax documents, remember that the IRS has a three-year time period within which to audit your federal tax returns, and six years to initiate legal proceedings if you failed to report 25 percent or more of your income. There is no statute of limitations for the government to start legal proceedings if you filed a fraudulent return or if you failed to file a return at all.

To be supersafe, keep any tax documents that may be questionable.

## Gates v. Dell: More than third choose Dell

The Associated Press

GATES V. DELL: They're the men behind the ubiquitous hardware and software of American computing. Michael Dell and Bill Gates. Which do you admire more? A magazine asked that question of 100 people at a retreat in Ind. held for entrepreneurs this month in

Tucson, Ariz.

Sony, Bill More than a third, 38 percent, chose Dell, the former University of Texas student who began building PCs and later founded what has become a computer and server manufacturer, Dell Inc. Only 23 percent selected Gates, the chairman of Microsoft Corp.

On the topic of business executive, 47 percent chose Bill. President Dick Cheney, the former CEO of Houston-based Halliburton Co., as the most suited figure to run a company. He was followed by Oprah Winfrey (16 percent), New England Patriots coach Bill Belichick (15 percent) and filmmaker Mel Gibson (13 percent).

## Authors offer guidelines on how you can afford a satisfying life

By Pamela Vio  
The Dallas Morning News

So much of personal finance advice centers on very specific steps, such as making sure you don't overpay for financial advice or investments, taking advantage of your company's 401(k) plan, and so on. But trying to give yourself a financially healthy life, as well as a satisfying one, involves more than that. It means making some overarching moves in your life to lay the foundation for prosperity.

Dwight R. Lee and Richard B. McKenzie address the issue in their book "Getting Rich in America: 8 Simple Rules for Building a Fortune and a Satisfying Life."

"Getting rich in this country is no big deal," said McKenzie, professor of economics and management at the University of California at Irvine. "It's within the grasp of virtually everyone in this country. Poor people will have a greater struggle, but it's doable, and it's far simpler than most people have made it out to be."

"It's really a lot of common sense." From establishing certain mind-sets to considering physical and emotional needs, Lee and McKenzie described eight things you can do to give yourself an edge financially.

1. Think of America as the land of choices. "You really do have a lot of opportunity in this country," said Lee, an economics professor at the University of Georgia. "The sheer wealth of the country and the opportunities it affords to make a good income just makes it that much easier to save."

2. Take the power of compound interest seriously. Albert Einstein is said to have called compound interest "the greatest mathematical discovery of all time."

Compound interest is your principal, plus interest that was earned earlier, plus the interest on the interest. For example, if you deposited \$100 in a bank account at a 10 percent annual percentage yield, the bank will credit you \$10 at the end of the first year and \$121 at the end of the second year.

That extra \$1, which you earned on the \$10 interest from the first year, is the compound interest.

Left alone, that initial \$100 would grow to \$1,744.94 after 30 years.

3. Resist temptation: That is, stay strong against urges for instant gratification at the expense of your future financial well-being.

"The trouble with instant gratification is that it's not very gratifying, certainly in the long run," Lee said. "Weigh the cost and benefits of some of the de-

cisions we make and don't try to have it all now."

What's more gratifying is having a sense of control over your life because you've saved extra resources, he said.

4. Get a good education: This is a key rule.

More and more, it's become crystal-clear that it pays to go to school and stay in school.

"There's a bigger downside to leaving high school," said Paul Harrington, a labor economist and associate director of the Center for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern University in Boston. "High school dropouts are increasingly finding themselves farther and farther behind."

He cited figures from the 2000 U.S. Census that showed that a high school dropout can expect to earn an average of \$8,000 over his or her lifetime, compared with an average of \$19 million for a person with a bachelor's degree.

When you look at figures from years back, it's clear that the earnings gap is widening for those without a college degree.

5. Get married and stay married: Not to dismiss the emotional and spiritual benefits of marriage, but from an economic perspective, it's a financial contract between two people that benefits the family unit.

"When we're married, we have an economy of scale in terms of living," said Craig Depken, associate professor of economics at the University of Texas at Arlington. "We only have one house payment, two cars, but we get some gains by living together."

Divorce can have severe financial effects.

"It's devastating from the point of view that you've planned for two people to live on one income or two incomes," said Maggie Tulbert, a certified financial planner in Dallas, who specializes in divorce cases. "Now you've got two separate households to support."

6. Take care of yourself. The bottom line is, if you're sick, you can't earn money.

"If we were to rewrite this book, we would spend more time on the health issue," McKenzie said. "Smoking shortens your life, so it shortens your potential working career."

If you become disabled, not only will you not be able to earn your salary, but you will also have additional costs associated with living as a disabled person.

7. Take prudent risks. "A lot of people feel, 'I can't be a good investor. I don't know how to get rich,'" Lee said.

The point is, you don't have to be perfect.

There are some risks — for example, where the market will head in the short term — that

## More advice from more experts

The Dallas Morning News

Here are more rules to live by from some Dallas experts on personal finance:

Spent less than you earn:

"If you can do this, your chances are very good that you will succeed," said Lance Atton, a certified financial planner at JVA Financial Group Inc. in Dallas.

Avoid excessive debt:

"Excessive debt is a sign of poor money management," said Viktor Szucs, a certified financial planner at Quest Capital Management in Dallas.

It is costly and it can be extremely stressful.

Zero in on what gives you earning power:

"What unique talent do you have that you can leverage to make money while adding value to the lives of others?" said Derrick Kinney, senior financial adviser at American Express Financial Advisors in Arlington, Texas. "Determine if you're working in a job that exploits your unique talents."

Do something you love:

"Life is too short to be doing something you don't like to do," Szucs says. "Choosing a career that is rather than a paycheck, is an essential component of fulfillment."

Give back:

"By giving to others, you can reach a level of happiness that is beyond dollar signs," Szucs says.

We can't do anything about," Lee and McKenzie wrote in their book. "Then there are risks that we can minimize — for example, through the types and breadth of our investments."

They advocate buying mutual funds that invest in a broad range of stocks.

8. Save for balance: Watch out for overkill in your efforts.

"In writing a book, it's tempting to say the way to get rich is to only be frugal, to be a miser," McKenzie said. "Clearly you can get rich that way, but if all you do is set aside income, then much of the joy of life can go out the window."

"Don't try to save 50 percent of your income. If you do, it becomes much of a burden and you end up not saving at all."

And there you have them: Eight simple, practical rules. However, following them might be harder than you think, and there's the rub.

"It's giving up current satisfaction for future benefit, and a lot of people have a hard time doing that," Lee said.

## Good Luck, Sherry!

I'm the staff of Magic Valley and I would like to thank Sherry B. for her years of contribution to our organization, and wish her luck on her new business, Fox Floral.

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# FOR LOVE & MONEY

Couple blends financial counseling, marriage therapy

By Sheryl Jean  
Knight Ridder News Service

Talk to financial planners Susan and Steve Zimmermann, and you will get more than practical advice on how to invest your money. You will also get a strong dose of psychoanalysis.

In 20 years of working and living together, the Zimmermanns have learned that to truly help people get their finances under control, they first must know what makes them tick.

The Zimmermanns are among a small but growing number of financial planners who have figured out the intimate bond between money and relationships makes human nature hard to ignore when making financial decisions. Most people's money habits are deeply rooted in the way they were raised, they and others say, so it is no surprise money is one of the top reasons behind marital troubles.

Susan Zimmermann, who along with her credentials as a financial planner is a licensed

Barbara Epstein, found the Zimmermanns last summer. "I felt very comfortable with them. There's no hard sell here, but can it sit and pet their dog?"

At Zimmermann Financial Group's Apple Valley office, the family pets greet visitors. Clients sit in comfortable couches and chairs in a living-room setting. The Zimmermanns try to make finances fun — by handing out toy dinosaurs to clients who give up bad financial habits and heartbeats for having the courage to change.

Such homespun touches make it easier for clients to talk about their lifestyles and spending habits. The Zimmermanns focus on helping people figure out how to vary their investment options and protect their money for the long term.

Bloomington, Minn., residents Cindy and Ken Youngberg, who started meeting with the Zimmermanns this summer, have discussed the guardianship of a disabled cousin and establishing a trust for their own disabled

son. Those issues never came up with their previous financial planner of 10 years.

The Zimmermanns met nearly 20 years ago when they worked together at a Twin Cities education software company. They saw many customers who were

affected by tax changes and decided to start their own business in 1987. They are both certified financial planners. Steve Zimmermann also has a broker-investment qualifications.

In the mid-1990s, Susan Zimmermann became interested in a psychological study of financial decision-making and ended up getting a master's degree in counseling and family therapy. She weaves that knowledge into her financial planning and dealing with the various "money

rascals" she counsels. The most problematic pairs are an overspenders who are compulsive, and a spender who is very organized, she said. "Those two types can give each other some major headaches because they'll both tend to plant their feet in the middle and see how the other reacts," she said.

The most compatible couples are those who are equal parts stasher, who is diversified, and spender, who is not. The real decisions will be made without much disagreement.

The Zimmermanns have found their niche: About three-quarters of their clientele are couples, and about half of those are business partners.

Many financial planners say they inadvertently deal with client matters that reach beyond the finances because the issues often are intricately tied together. Couples will discuss subjects that have not been broached before. Sometimes it gets downright nasty.

"There's a greater degree of trust when they know you're family," said Susan Zimmermann said of clients. The Zimmermanns, who create their own financial plan, have dealt with their own diverse money habits, a blended family, paying for their four children's education and business growth and succession issues.

Trust is the magic word these days as investors' confidence has been shaken by corporate greed, mutual-fund scandals and the stalled stock market. Financial planners, who often deal with people's life savings, are in the hot seat. "I can understand what I'm going through if they haven't gone through it themselves," said Steve Karolewski, who with his wife,

## Tips for couples

### In handling money conflicts:

The traits that attract couples to each other can turn into the roots of conflict, says Susan Zimmermann, financial planner, therapist and author of "The Power in Your Money Personality." Common clashes about money often stem from not being able to relate to each other's opinions, not budging on one's beliefs, and not discussing each other's goals, expectations or priorities.

Here are questions couples should ask themselves, according to her book:

- How are you alike or different from each other?
  - Do you clash?
  - How do you handle conflicts or indecisions about money?
  - Do you talk "I" or "we"?
  - Avoid a clash—Compromise?
  - What would you like to change or improve?
- Couples can resolve their issues if they set mutual goals based on a willingness to spar on the money, adopting a "blend-and-take" attitude, focusing on the partnership and an understanding that they will have differing viewpoints and styles.

## What's your financial personality?

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Susan Zimmermann, a financial consultant and licensed marriage and family therapist, focuses on how people think about money. She has identified eight personality types that money associates in her book "The Power in Your Money Personality" (Beaver's Pond Press).

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# Ten surprising tips for improving your credit score

By Andrea Coombes  
MarketWatch

SAN FRANCISCO — Given that credit scoring is based on proprietary statistics, models, and little hope that consumers will ever fully understand why they've been allocated one score over another.

While light is increasingly being shed on how the system works, much of it remains a mystery.

"It's far too complex and confusing for consumers. It's just very difficult to know what you should do," said Gerd Detweiler, author of "The Ultimate Credit Handbook" and founder of DebtConsolidation.com.

Part of the problem is there's just so much information being put into and coming out of credit reports. It's getting harder than ever to stay on top of it, but if you don't you end up really paying the price," she said.

A steep price: A consumer scoring 600 pays about \$300 more per month on a \$150,000 mortgage, or almost \$100,000 over the life of a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage vs. someone logging an 800, according to the MyFICO.com calculator.

And people with high scores can be like hand grenades. "The irony is, the higher your score, the farther you can fall," said Craig Watts, spokesman at Fair Isaac, creator of the FICO score.

The late payment could push an 800 down to 600. When someone with an 800 "stumbles for the first time it puts them in such a different pool of consumers," their credit risk increases hugely," Watts said.

That consumer is "much more likely to run into problems than they were before they encountered that single (late) payment. In order to reflect that change in their risk, the score drops precipitously," he said.

Given the degree to which scores affect your financial life, consider the following ways to push up your credit score. Some may even surprise you:

1. Ensure lenders are reporting your credit-card limits.

A chunk of your score is based on revolving debt, such as credit cards, compared with the total amount of credit available, or your debt-to-credit-limit ratio. If your debt nudges up against your credit limit, your score will fall.

But some creditors withhold credit limits to tarnish customers' credit histories, making them less appealing to competitors.

Detweiler doesn't report your credit limit, but you can't get a little bit worse to any other creditor, and you're less likely to get (competing offers)," said Brad Scriber, credit-scoring expert at Experian, a credit bureau of America.

"Credit-card companies benefit by protecting their customer base, and consumers are left to pay higher prices for a wide range of services," he said. "Complaint to your credit-card company. Tell them you don't like the gaming the system to hurt your credit score."

2. Pay down a home-equity line of credit.

Home-equity lines of credit are considered revolving credit, Detweiler said. One client raised his credit score by 60 points by paying down his \$50,000 equity line. "It was having quite an impact," he said.

3. Request good credit history on your report.

Often, student loans and other debt aren't reported to all three agencies, potentially reducing your score.

during your score.

"Ask your lender to report it, or you can write to the credit bureau directly. I have this information. Please add this to my credit file," said Lynette Khalil, author of "Zero Debt: The Ultimate Guide to Financial Freedom."

The disputes don't always have to be removing information. The dispute can be "I have this student loan and I paid it and I want that shown on my credit report."

4. Be wary about moving to a new credit score.

You think a bankruptcy filing dropping off your credit report after the requisite 10 years would push your score up. "That what one of Detweiler's customers thought. Instead, she said, 'It went down about 10 points.'"

Watts said. This can happen. It can be a rather unpleasant bump.

Risk models put borrowers into different groups to compare them.

The FICO score model has 10 groups. With a bankruptcy filing on his report, Detweiler's client was grouped with others with similar filings, but his single negative entry made him look less risky than others in the group with worse credit histories.

Once the filing aged away, he was moved to the pool of people without bankruptcy filings, where his skimpy credit history was more, pushing his score down.

5. Ask about the date of last activity.

A creditor may report your payment of an old debt as new account activity, harming your score because new actions are weighed more heavily than older transactions. Your effort to take care of long overdue accounts may push old, negative information to the forefront of your credit report.

A 5-year-old debt "doesn't hurt your credit score as much," said Evan Hendricks, author of "The Score & Credit Reports: How the System Really Works. What You Can Do."

"If you pay off that 5-year-old debt, and they change the day of last activity to today, then then this 5-year-old collection becomes a new collection," he said.

Ask creditors and credit bureaus to refrain from updating the date of last activity.

Fair Isaac is working to change the practice.

"We've been working with the credit bureaus to help them understand the problem and persuade them to change the way they're recording these activity dates," Watts said. "We've had a lot of success ... two out of three bureaus do it on your report."

6. Remove duplicate data.

There's a reason consumer advocates repeat their "check your credit report" mantra: Oddities and errors occur.

For instance, a lender may report a loan but it appears on your report under the original and new lender's names.

"It makes it look like you've got two, three, four times as many loans as you do," Hendricks said. "You want to watch out to make sure you only have the correct number ... are being reported on your report."

7. Consider credit rescoring through a mortgage lender.

Those shopping for a mortgage might ask for a credit rescoring to get negative information off your report quickly.

"You can go to a lender who will submit your documentation to one of the big three credit bu-

reaus," Khalil said.

"All of the credit bureaus have special departments set up to deal with those kinds of requests on an expedited basis. After they receive proper proof that there's been a mistake and update your credit file, most times it raises your FICO score," she said.

This process is a quick means of dealing with any errors or collection accounts that erroneously show up as unpaid, as long as you have official documentation and are applying for a mortgage.

8. Don't close old accounts.

Closing an old account in good standing could harm your score by shortening your credit history. "What you've done is decreased your average account age. This is another one of the factors that goes into determining your credit score," Khalil said.

Closing that account also reduces your available credit, making your debt-to-limit ratio higher, thus negatively affecting your credit score.

Plus, there's no guarantee the closed account will disappear. "It will stay on your report as long as the credit bureaus want to keep it there," Watts said.

Others say it's OK to close accounts but avoid closing those with a good credit history.

"Part of what they're looking at is the length of the history ... close the more recent ones before you close the older ones," Detweiler said. "The higher the president of Professional Credit Counselors and author of 'The Get Out of Debt Kit: Your Road Map to Financial Freedom.'"

9. Keep revolving-account balances low.

Along with paying bills on time and catching up on past-due accounts, keep your account balances low, and don't open too many credit lines.

"So many people get hit because they have too high balances on their credit limit," McNaughton said, adding that keeping balances at 30 percent of your credit limit will help a lot.

The FICO score measures balances on individual cards as well as total debt outstanding. But should a consumer run up three cards to make a level, rather than maxing out just one?

"Perhaps, depending on what else is on her credit report and how soon she pays off the FICO," Watts said.

His rule for a better FICO score: "Keep balances low when possible, and pay down any high balances."

10. Don't open too many credit lines.

McNaughton recommends no more than three or four open credit lines. But credit scoring is never that simple.

Watts said. "Say you and your friend both have been managing credit for just one year, and the only difference in your credit reports is you have six cards to modernize and he has two. It's likely your higher number of accounts will pull your score down relative to his score because people who open a lot of credit lines very early in their credit lives are statistically more likely to have credit problems in the next 24 months."

But 30 years later, and both of you are perfect, on-time bill payers.

"Now your six accounts could improve your score compared with your friend's score, because statistically your mastery of six cards makes you a better credit risk than someone who has successfully managed just three accounts over 30 years," Watts said.

## How to choose a financial planner

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## Chrysler Group recalls 70,000 2003 minivans

WASHINGTON (AP) —

DaimlerChrysler Group Friday announced a voluntary recall of about 70,000 model year 2003 Dodge Grand Caravan and Chrysler Town & Country minivans because of problems with a latch on the rear door.

The automaker said the power liftgate latch on a small number of vehicles may become stuck in an unopened position, preventing the latch from closing. If the latch does not close, the liftgate can open while the vehicle is being driven, Chrysler said.

Max Gates, a DaimlerChrysler spokesman, said no vehicle crashes, injuries or fatalities have been reported because of the latch issue.

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## MONEY

# Tequila venture runs into a trademark roadblock

Los Angeles Times

As trade squabbles go, it's a tempest in a margarita glass.

But for Tecmeca, Calif., resident John B. Wagoner, the cross-border quarrel over his homegrown liquor business is turning into a major headache.

In October, when he finally perfected his recipe for a alcoholic beverage distilled from the "pina," or core, of blue agave plants, he knew he faced a potential legal problem, just as the French once the name Champagne, the Mexican government has—and vigorously protects—the rights to the name tequila.

So Wagoner, 44, came up with Tecmeca, a play on the name of his adopted hometown that he hoped would forestall a legal challenge.

A Guadalajara-based group that represents agave growers, tequila producers and distributors sent a letter last month that warned him to stop using the name or face legal action.

Making a spirit called tequila is "impossible to do in any other part of the world than Mexico," it said in South Africa, not in Europe, not in the United States," said Ramon Gonzalez, director of the Tequila Regulatory Council.

"Tequila," he said, is "phonetically similar" enough to fool tequila buyers into thinking it's the genuine, Mexican-made article.

The Mexican government, which contends that the name tequila is specifically protected by the North American Free Trade Agreement, is also weighing in.

"We don't see it as a minor problem," said Salvador Behar, general counsel for trade at the Mexican Embassy in Washington. "Whoever is trying to mislead the consumer is a threat and we take it seriously."

More than 6.5 million cases of tequila were sold in the United States last year, according to the Distilled Spirits Council of the United States. That was up 5.8 percent over 2003—the fastest growth of any major category of distilled spirits. And nearly 78 percent of the 109 million liters of tequila that Mexico exported last year went to the United States, the tequila council reported.

This is a very important matter for (Wagoner), said Tom Pirko, president of Santa Barbara-based consulting company Bevmark. "But it's much more important for Mexico."



John B. Wagoner distills his spirits from the core of the blue agave plant he grows on his land in Tecmeca, Calif.

Only the problem of the product's name remained.

In 1974, "tequila" was the first trademark granted protection by the Mexican government as an appellation of origin, which said only agave spirits made in the city of Tequila in Jalisco state could bear the name. The designated area has since been widened to include the entire state, as well as 56 towns and villages in four other states.

Mexico's protection is similar to the European Union's Protected Designation of Origin, which defends the names of products that are geographically distinct such as wines, cheeses, hams, sausages and oils.

Trading partners stipulate in international trade pacts that geographic appellations must be respected. Just as clauses in NAFTA protect tequila, Gonzalez of the producers' council said, other parts of the agreement bar Mexican manufacturers from using American trademarks such as bourbon and Tennessee whiskey.

Wagoner faces formidable foes in the tequila industry and the Mexican government, said Bevmark's Pirko.

"I wouldn't want to be a little guy fighting that," he said.

Despite the tequila council's threats, Wagoner said he was sticking to his mid-April launch date. To that end, he has just replaced his old 25-gallon still with a new 300-gallon version he designed himself, financed with money from outside investors.

Last month, 20,000 bottles arrived from a factory in China, squat, bell-shaped and painted red, white and blue with "Made in the United States" emblazoned on the front.

In total Wagoner has about 3,000 plants on his land and his parents' 20-acre plot nearby. One plant, he said, is enough to make about 50 bottles of liquor, and he's reached agreements with two other landowners in Tecmeca to help him grow more. His goal for the first year is to produce 120,000 bottles, or 90,000 liters (Jose Cuervo, Mexico's oldest tequila maker, sold nearly 30 million liters in the United States in 2003.)

Emulating the wineries that do the Tecmeca area, Wagoner wants to open a tasting room. He hopes to line up distributors and have his product on liquor store shelves next to high-end Mexican tequilas.

• A 5,152-square-foot office building valued at \$239,342 at 1092 Eastland Drive N.

• A fence for Lowe's, at 1350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., valued at \$123,000.

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• Steve Fuhrman's remodeling of an office building at 647 Flier Ave. to convert it into a day-care facility, valued at \$25,000.

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The restaurant? Another Quinzio's, said project manager Kenny Anderson of Don Anderson Construction.

Quinzio's is slated to be completed by June, Anderson said.

More storage units

There's always a need for more storage.

Max Casperson knows this, and he is expanding his storage unit business to keep up with demand.

Casperson — part-owner of Charmac Inc., a family trailer-manufacturing business in Twin Falls — opened mini-storage

business Oregon Trail Storage in December 2000. Now those units at 471 South Park Ave. are mostly full, and Casperson is putting in another 8,628-square-foot building to bring the number of units up to 230.

The city building department valued the project at \$149,264. Casperson said the total cost will be around \$150,000, including labor cost, he said.

Construction is starting now and should be completed by June, Casperson said.

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# Couples must consider how to divide pensions when divorcing

By Pamela Yip

The Dallas Morning News

The uncertain future of corporate pensions has permeated an area of personal finance that most people don't like to think about divorce.

Fifteen or more years ago when you negotiated property division, most pensions were pretty much thought of as an absolute guarantee," said Ike Vanden Eykel, a family law attorney. "Now you're looking at them as, 'Is this the next Enron?'"

Struggling companies are turning their pension plans over to the federal government at a record rate. Even some healthy companies are eliminating future retirees' promised monthly checks for life. Meanwhile, many people are still suffering after the turn-of-the-century stock bubble, and Social Security is on wobbly feet.

Lawyers say they see those concerns in divorce negotiations.

Idaho is a "community property" state, which means that each spouse owns an unspecified, undivided interest in assets.

The portion of the pension that was earned during a marriage is considered community property.

"What do you do when you have a risky asset?" asked Vanden Eykel.

"You either try to give it to the other side. If you can, or you need to spread the risk and spread it in a way that the person who's least able to accept the risk is burdened with the majority of the risk. It's not easy."

Retirement benefits can be the largest assets a couple divides in a divorce.

If you are in a divorce situation, you'll have to negotiate for your share. And the shifting landscape of pensions has changed many long-held assumptions of retirement.

"Retirement accounts are certainly not viewed as being as secure or static as they once were," said Janet Brumley, a family law attorney in Dallas. "Where we once viewed each and every retirement account as something that could only grow, we now seem to be coming

around to the idea that retirement accounts are changeable assets that can lose value or even disappear, just like they can morph and grow," she said.

If you're already divorced and worried about the future of your ex-spouse's pension, there's not a lot you can do, experts say. But contact your lawyer if you have questions.

If you're in the process of divorcing, consider the following advice, which applies to both husbands and wives.

The first thing to do is make sure you understand the details of your spouse's pension, as well as your own. Ideally, you should have had this information all along, even before you contemplated divorce.

"Identify all the benefits that are yours," said Anne Meeble, Washington attorney and consultant who helps lawyers divide pensions in divorce cases. "A highly paid employee will tend to have more retirement plans. Top executives will typically also have non-qualified plans or supplemental plans that are given on top of the regular pension plans. Those need to be identified."

Next, view traditional pensions as having an uncertain future and negotiate in that context.

"It's one thing when you divide current assets," said Barbara Handsch, president of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. "It's another thing when you're doing something in the future based on an account that might become defunct."

One strategy for a nonworking spouse can be to take cash and property of equal value to the working spouse's pension, leaving him or her with the future risk.

"Have an assessment of the plan value so both parties know the number as to the value of the pension plan today and then take her percentage interest in the community property estate asset of the retirement account in other community property assets, thereby divesting herself of any interest in the pension plan," Brumley said.

However, the other spouses

lawyer may have a different idea. For any spouse, it's wise not to take the whole pension, said Michael McCurley, a family law lawyer in Dallas.

"It's given new meaning to the saying, 'A hand is worth two in the bush,'" he said. "You must look suspiciously on any long-term payout in retirement, because it may or may not be there 20 years from now, 10 years from now or even five years from now."

An important principle both spouses should be interested in is diversification.

Both parties should be negotiating for a good mix of assets during a divorce, McCurley said. "You have to look for different avenues of long-term security from both litigants' point of view."

There is a way to evenly split the risks and rewards of a pension. This works particularly well if both spouses have a pension and you don't know whose is more secure.

This tool is called a "qualified domestic relations order," or QDRO (pronounced "quad row"). It's a court order that recognizes a spouse's right to receive a portion of a pension holder's benefits.

The QDRO is sent to an employee's pension plan, so it knows to recognize the spouse as being entitled to a share of the pension.

You could use a QDRO to secure your share in your spouse's pension as of a certain date and certain amount and give him or her a QDRO that secures his similar interest in her pension plan," Brumley said.

"This way, they have effectively decided to share the risk and the reward of two plans," she said. "We are now seeing people who are wanting to divide the pension plan and divide the risk."

Make sure you bring up a QDRO with your attorney.

"Most women reasonably assume that their lawyers know all about the many federal and state laws that set the rules for pension-splitting," according to the Women's Institute for Secure Retirement and the National Center on Women and Aging.

## Don't ask about someone else's money

MarketWatch

NEW YORK — Though it might be tempting to ask how much a suit cost or how much a friend is earning at that new job, asking questions about someone else's money is a big breach of etiquette.

"In etiquette, the principles are being respectful, honest and considerate," says Peggy Post, spokeswoman for The Emily Post Institute, which provides etiquette advice. "The honesty part is especially tricky. Yet some people don't think twice when they ask questions like 'How much do you make?' or 'What did you pay for that?'"

Other nosy questions couples get asked is "How much of you makes more money?"

Just because a money figure is public, such as school tuition or

the listing price for a house, doesn't mean it's acceptable to talk about, says Post. Think about how you'd feel were someone to start a conversation with you about how you planned to cover tuition payments or why you think your house is worth so much.

Even if your intention is justified — you want to buy a house in the neighborhood or you're thinking of switching careers — there are more polite ways to get the information you need.

Do your own research. Real estate agents, for example, are happy to tell you the going price for homes in various neighborhoods. Web sites such as <http://www.zillow.com> and <http://www.realtor.com> are full of human resources departments to provide average salaries, bonuses and benefits. You can search by job field, position, experience level and geographic location.

Rephrase. You could also rephrase your question to ask about money in general, not specifically one person's money. For example, say, "I'm hoping to become a reporter. Could you tell me the salary range for entry-level positions in your area?"

Remain silent. If someone asks you a nosy question, you handle it is up to you. "You don't have to answer," says Post. "You can say, 'I don't talk about things like that.'"

But your best bet is to change the subject. Switch right over to something else. The person who asks the question will usually get the clue, Post says. Unless you know the person well, be tactful and don't mention that he or she is being a bore.

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aries, there are an abundance of individuals with high-level language capabilities returning to the Intermountain West," said Joseph Ogden, assistant dean at the Marriott School of Management at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

At the Missionary Training Center in Provo, 1,100 instructors teach 48 languages.

Even as customer-service call centers lock overseas to cheap labor markets in India and elsewhere, returned missionaries can allow U.S. companies to open foreign-language operations here.

You may be willing to pay more to keep your call center closer to home, within striking distance of your corporate headquarters," said Keith Dawson, editorial director at Washington, D.C.-based Call Center magazine.

Former missionaries at companies in Idaho and Utah appreciate the irony that they can use exotic language in a largely Mormon — and overwhelmingly white region of the country.

"I pretty much assumed I'd end up on the East or West Coast, doing this type of international career," said Mark Warburton, an executive at Nu

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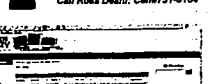
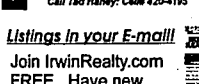
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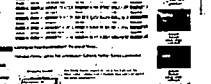
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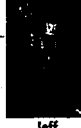
















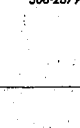



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2005 Round 3

Notice is hereby given by the Idaho Housing and Finance Association (IHFA) of the availability of approximately \$15 million in HOME Program Funds. Applications must be received at the IHFA office in Boise no later than Friday, May 13, 2005, at 5:00 PM. Applications for the HOME Program funds must be mailed to PO Box 7899, Boise, Idaho 83707-1699, or hand delivered to the IHFA HOME Programs Department at 565 West Myrtle, Boise, Idaho 83702.

Organizations eligible to apply for HOME Program funds include private non-profit organizations, public housing authorities, local government, local or Indian Housing Authority, and HUD approved Housing Development Organizations (CDO's).

The applications for the HOME Program funds may be obtained by accessing IHFA's web site: <http://www.idhfa.org> or by calling (208) 331-4769.

The HOME funds available through this application round may be used for any of the eligible activities described in the Idaho HOME Program Administrative Plan. You may access the HOME Administrative Plan on-line at [www.idhfa.org](http://www.idhfa.org) or by contacting the IHFA Grant Programs Department toll free at 1-877-439-4747 (4747-2867) or TDD (800) 545-1833 ext. 400, or fax (208) 331-1468.

PUBLISH: April 10, 2005

**Notice of Special Judicial Election**  
Castleton Joint District #417  
Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, Idaho

Public Notice is hereby given according to law, and the requisite action of the Board of Trustees of Castleton Joint School District #417, Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, is to call for a special judicial election to fill the position of Justice of the Peace in the 1st Judicial District. The election will be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2005, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said district their vote and determination on a supplemental law.

The polls will be open from 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. At the following location:

The Castleton School District Library

An elector must be a registered voter who has resided in this state and in this school district at least thirty (30) days preceding the election.

The questions submitted will be:

"Shall the Board of Trustees of Castleton Joint School District #417, Twin Falls and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy, as permitted by law, in the amount of \$68,000.00, Fifty-eight thousand and 00/100ths of dollar, for the purpose of carrying all judicial expenses of maintaining and operating the school of the District for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2007."

Qualified electors who expect to be absent from the District on April 19, 2005, or who will be unable, because of physical disability or handicap, to vote by the polls, may vote by absentee ballot. Written application for an absentee ballot may be made to the Clerk of the Board of Trustees on a form made available at the District Office, 300 Main Street, Castleton, Idaho 83321, on Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Such application must be received by the Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

By Order of the Board of Trustees  
/s/ Brenda Thomson, Clerk

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T12S, R13E Section 31

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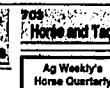
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**GMC** '88 15, 4WD, ext. cab, AM/FM, CD, new tires, new front end, runs, good body. \$3,000. 538-6115/324-6053 or 538-6115/324-6053.

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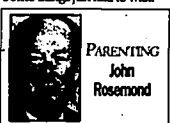
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## My, how times have changed

These days it seems that the more things change in parenting, the more they keep right on changing. For example ...

Today's parents are trying to have wonderful relationships with their children. Our foremothers and forefathers were not, realizing that a child required leadership first, and that while the parent/child relationship should by no means be "bad," a parent could not provide proper leadership if the parent's energies were focused primarily on having a "wonderful" relationship with the child. Some things just had to wait.



PARENTING  
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Today's moms orbit around their children, dedicated to trying to make them happy. Yesterday's moms were at the center of their children's attention, dedicated to teaching them to stand on their own two feet. Today's moms are trying to do as much for their children as they possibly can. Yesterday's moms were consciously trying to do as little for their children as possible. In addition to insisting that their children be good for themselves and do for the family (in the form of chores). Today's moms function as servants to their children for the term of their dependency, which is lengthening (duh). Yesterday's moms functioned as authority figures, as dispensers of responsibility.

Today's mom works for her child in perpetuity, believing that the best mom serves best. Yesterday's mom had her child working for her by the time he was 3, believing that the best mom is the man who prepares her child for a life of his own.

Which brings us to today's dads. The new ideal in American fatherhood is that of being the child's best buddy. Yesterday's dad was an authority figure, a mentor. He taught his child magic tricks, how to ride a bike, use a hammer, train a dog, and the like. He and his child had fun together, but he was not his child's friend. He knew that parenting came before friendship, and that one could not be a good friend when the time came after the child's emancipation. If parenting issues were still begging for resolution.

Yesterday's parents were married to one another. They knew, intuitively, that their relationship had to be stronger than either of their relationships with their children. In today's all-too-typical family, the parental relationship is stronger than the husband-and-wife relationship, which is clue to why so many marriages dissolve after the emancipation of the last child.

Yesterday's parents were attuned to the voice of common sense, which is why they did not complain that raising children was the hardest thing they'd ever done. For today's parents, the voice of common sense has been drowned out by a deluge of psychobabble, which is why so many parents feel that raising even one child leaves them emotionally and physically exhausted at the end of many a day.

Yesterday's parents took child rearing, but not their children, seriously. Today's parents - the ones who are likely to read this column - take both child rearing and their children seriously. The former is essential; the latter is a form of self-expression that drains all humor from the enterprise and turns it into drudgery.

Why are today's parents having so many more behavior and school performance problems with their children? The answer lies just two generations ago. It's simple really: You cannot approach child rearing in two entirely different ways and arrive at the same outcome.

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## Code of the cowboy

What if the cowboy always abided by the Code of the West? **Cowboy Ethics** by Jim Owen writes about it.

### Author taps into Western values to stir up Wall Street

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It was a bit of news that could only cheer someone who is both a capitalist and an optimist.

In the post-Enron world, a Fortune 500 company recently fired two senior executives not because they broke the law, but because they broke the rules. "The CEO called them into his office," explained Jim Owen, author and hedge-fund manager. "There were three lawyers there, and the CEO read a statement that said what they'd done was unethical, so they had to go."

Chalk one up for the Code of the West. That code, which essentially holds that the Golden Rule means exactly what it says, was born of hardship and drought and blizzards, circumstances under which a man kept faith with his principles or somebody died.

It's long past time that Wall Street learned those lessons, Owen believes, and that's why he teamed with Blaine County photographer David Stocklein to produce "Cowboy Ethics: What Wall Street Can Learn from the Code of the West." It was re-



The cover of 'Cowboy Ethics: What Wall Street Can Learn from the Code of the West' (Stocklein Publishing)

leased late last year by Stocklein's publishing company, and Owen says he's already hearing about its impact.

"People in business are talking about ethics more than ever before," Owen said in a telephone interview from his Santa Bar-

tain, Calif., home. At some level, capitalism doesn't work without trust, "and that's pretty close to where we are."

Enron, WorldCom and a half dozen other corporate financial scandals have left public confidence that business people will

do the right thing at an all-time low. It's a crisis of trust that's unsustainable, Owen warns.

"In my opinion, something has gone horribly wrong in our business," he said, "and our self-preservation depends on fixing it."

That won't happen by teaching more MBA candidates ethics courses, he says. It'll only happen when people in business realize the tangible value of doing what they know is right.

That's where Cowboy Ethics come in. "To me, the fundamental problem is that we have confused rules with principles," he said. "Rules can always be bent, but principles cannot. So while bureaucratic rules may reinforce the ways we ought to behave, they are no substitute for personal principles. I believe that where human behavior is concerned, any true, lasting change has to come from within. So if we want to encourage better ethical practices throughout the industry, we need something that will touch that deeper part of us, something that will make us want to do better and be better than we are."

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### The Code of the West

1. Live each day with courage.
2. Take pride in your work.
3. Always finish what you start.
4. Do what has to be done.
5. Be tough, but fair.
6. When you make a promise, keep it.
7. Ride for the brand.
8. Talk less and say more.
9. Remember that some things aren't for sale.
10. Know where to draw the line.

— James Owen, "Cowboy Ethics"

### Know a cutter?

An estimated 7 1/2 percent of adolescent girls and 6 percent of boys self-mutilate. This includes kids who cut themselves regularly, as well as those who experiment once or twice. The average age it starts is 13, and the behavior touches all socioeconomic groups.

Cutters aren't attempting suicide, but parents should have their child evaluated by a therapist. Some other tips:

- Don't shame the cutter or assume it's a habit they'll outgrow.
- Make it difficult for them to cut. Remove cutting paraphernalia from their room and don't let them lock their bedroom door.

- If you're a teenager with a friend who cuts, experts recommend telling a school counselor, teacher, coach, pastor or someone you trust. It's a serious problem your friend needs help handling.
- For teens afraid telling could harm their friend, Charlotte, N.C., psychologist Terry Verhaagen recommends encouraging the friend to see a therapist. Teens fearing volatile parental reactions might tell their parents they need a therapist's help because they feel stressed or depressed.

Source: Charlotte, N.C., Observer

## World history according to Barbie

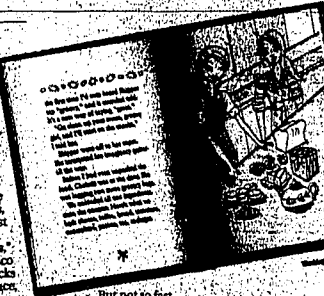
The Washington Post

Everybody complains that American kids don't know their history, but nobody ever does anything about it.

This is where Barbie comes in. The shiny-haired, pointy-breasted cultural icon has just been revealed as a secret scribbler, and what's more, a historically minded one. Mattel, the toy behemoth Barbie built, has teamed up with Golden Books to launch the "Barbie Diary of the Decades" series, with the first two diary books just out.

In "Red, White, and Blue Years," Barbie takes us to 1976, when disco was hot and little girls pushed Boy Scouts under their pillows at night. In "Peace, Love, and Rock 'n' Roll," she time-travels to 1964, when Cammy Street was flung west and little girls pushed Boy Scouts under their pillows at night.

She hosts a Beatles party to celebrate "What a Fab Night, Diary," she writes. "Sweeties, you might say, especially if you believe pennies, that a completely accurate account of the Beatles with a twist — to wit: size 10 not found in nature is hardly the best historical tour guide for 5-year-olds."



But not so fast.

What if the diaries portrayed Barbie as a pioneering feminist? What if they revealed that, when she wasn't trying to minimize the war, she was sleeping down to Washington for the Senate debate on the Civil Rights Act of 1964? What if they told of her travels for human rights? "I took too many, my influences to realize it was a brilliant concept," says veteran children's book author, Rod

Lowery about her reaction when an executive at Random House, which owns Golden Books, asked her to be Barbie's ventriloquist — and never mind that she had a brief, even-sweeter reaction herself. By putting "such a powerful character into history," Lowery said, she hoped to show girls "how to create change in their own lives."

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## FAMILY LIFE

## Sunday Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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# ENGAGEMENTS

# ANNIVERSARIES

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## MARTIN-GRIEB

**RUPERT** - Phil and Georgia Martin of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa Lynn Martin, to Matt Grieb, son of Gary and Andie Grieb of Spokane, Wash.

Martin is a 2000 graduate of Minico High School. She is em-

played at The Big Easy in Spokane.

Grieb is a 2000 graduate of Rogers High School in Spokane. He is employed in sales in Spokane.

The wedding is planned for Sunday, April 17, in Las Vegas, Nev. A reception to honor the couple will be held at a later date.

## THE CHAPMANS

**KIMBERLY** - Mr. and Mrs. James Chapman of Kimberly will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and family are invited to attend from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at the LDS Church, 222 Birch St. S., Kimberly. The event is hosted by their children, and your presence is the only gift they request.

Chipman and Ruby Seale graduated from Burley High School in 1953 and were married April 13, 1955, in the Idaho Falls Temple.

Chipman retired from the USDA in 1990 after 34 years of government service and then retired in 2000 after 19 years of part-time employment with the Magic Valley Federal Credit Union.

She has been a homemaker, a 4-H leader, and has served in many capacities in the LDS Church. She loves to cook, crochet and work on various craft projects.

They are the parents of five children, Gary (Sally) Chapman of Winter Haven, Fla., Ed (Marta) Chapman of Salt Lake City, Utah,



James and Ruby Chapman  
Steven Chapman (deceased), Julie (Scott) VanBuren of Pocatello and Carol (Travis) Stasny of Murtha. They have 24 grandchildren.

## EASTERDAY-TENNANT



Brant and Alyssa Tennant

**JEROME** - Alyssa Easterday and Brant Tennant were married Nov. 13, 2004, in Jerome.

The bride is the daughter of Dave Easterday of Castleford and Mavis Easterday of Buhl.

Parents of the groom are: Dave Atkinson of Antioch, Calif., and Dorothy Tennant of Buhl.

The bride is a graduate of Castleford High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at Rangen Inc. in Buhl.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Buhl High School and attended CSI. He is employed at Les Schwab in Buhl.

An open house reception for friends and family will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, April 23, at the Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl. The couple resides in Buhl.

## LAMBERT-SIEVERS



Marilyn and Henry Sievers

**KIMBERLY** - Marilyn Lambert and Henry G. Sievers were married March 19 at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kimberly.

Friends and family are invited to a reception from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at the Redeemer Lutheran Church. The couple requests no gifts.

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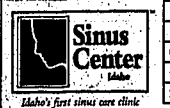
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## THE MALONES

**TWIN FALLS** - Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Malone of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house for their 66th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, April 15, at the Twin Falls Senior Center.

Malone and Ann Brennan were married April 15, 1939, in Twin Falls.

They have lived in Twin Falls all their lives. He was self-employed as a plumber. She worked at the hospital for 18 years.



Virgil and Ann Malone  
They have been active in the Moose Club and Good Sam Club.

## THE CLARKS

**RUPERT** - Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Clark will be honored at an open house for their 70th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at Legacy Event Center, 89 W. 700 S., Burley on the Oakley Highway.

Clark and Vellie Hawkins were married April 17, 1935, in Perryville, Ark. They lived in North Dakota before moving to Burley in 1948.

He worked at Chevron and J.R. Simplot and she also worked at Simplot.

They have been active in the Assembly of God Church for more than 40 years and have traveled to the Philippines on a missionary trip.

The event is hosted by their children, Dale (Velda) Clark of West Lin, Ore., Harry Clark of Declo, Gary (Audrey) Clark of Declo, Janice (Jerry) Pruitt of Roswell, N.M., Marilyn (Joe) Hoosier of Rupert and Stan (Jenny) Clark of Nampa.

The couple has 21 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.



O.L. and Vellie Clark  
and six great-great-grandchildren.

## THE BARRASES

**RUPERT** - Fred and Velda Barras of Rupert recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a small family gathering in Boise.

They were married on March 25, 1955.

They have four sons and daughters-in-law, 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Velda and Fred Barras

**Strengthen bonds with grandkids**  
Knight Ridder News Service

Some tips from the Dollar Stretcher newsletter for developing a close relationship with faraway grandchildren:

- Send short e-mails at least once a week. It is a quick and effective way to keep in touch. Find Web sites that pertain to your grandchild's interests and hobbies, and include a link.
- Clip articles, puzzles, comic strips and jokes from the newspaper and send them to your grandchild.
- Pick up brochures from museums or special events that you attend - or get doubles of your photos - and send them with a short note.

Write a fill-in-the-blank questionnaire and send it to your grandchild with a self-addressed, stamped envelope. It's a simple and fun way to learn with they've been up to.

With older grandchildren, seek their input on a situation or problem you are grappling with.

Make a cassette tape letter. For younger grandchildren, read a storybook on tape.

Collect inspirational quotes and stories that resonate with you, and create a journal capturing your thoughts in print. Send it to your grandchild.

## TURNER-BARNES

**TWIN FALLS** - Mick and Kelli Turner of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Nysje LaBae Turner, to Matthew James Barnes, son of Jack and Robyn Barnes of Twin Falls.

Turner is a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at Samuels Jewelers in Twin Falls.

Barnes is also a graduate of CSI. He is employed at Home Depot in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Monday, June 6, at Carnelia



Laura Grant and Zachary Turner



Matthew Barnes and Nysje Turner  
Vineyards in Glenns Ferry. A reception will be held immediately following the ceremony.

## HARTLEY-TUMA

**PAUL** - Doug and Renea Hartley of Paul announce the engagement of their daughter, Hilley Renea Hartley, to Andrew Douglas Tuma, son of Doug and Marlyne Tuma of Rupert.

Hartley is a graduate of Minico High School and the American Institute of Medical and Dental Technology in Provo, Utah. She is employed at Snake River Pathology in Burley.

Tuma is also a graduate of Minico High School and is a graduate of Northwest Lineman College in Boise. He is employed with the city of Rupert Electrical Department.

The wedding is planned for



Hilley Renea Hartley and Andrew Douglas Tuma  
Saturday, April 16, at the Carmo Special Event Center, 584 E. 5th St. N., Burley. A reception to honor the couple will be held at 7 p.m. April 16 at the event center.

## WALKER-GRAY

**TWIN FALLS** - Bill and Conni Walker of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Elizabeth Walker, to Dallas Lee Gray, son of Roy and Kimberly Gray of Kimberly.

Walker is a graduate of Twin Falls High School. She is employed at Tek-Hut in Twin Falls.

Gray is a graduate of Kimberly High School. He is employed at Tek-Hut in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 11, at the Nazarene Church. A reception will be held at 7 p.m. June 11 at The Ballroom in Twin Falls.



Dallas Gray and Erin Walker

## JONES-BELLEN

**HEYBURN** - Ron and Pam Howard of Heyburn announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber L. Jones, to Bradford C. Bellen, son of Steve Bellen of Twin Falls and Jana Jarvis of Rupert.

Jones is a 1994 graduate of Minico High School. She spent several years in St. George, Utah, before returning to the Magic Valley. She is employed at a Twin Falls CPA firm.

Bellen attended the University of Idaho and continued his undergraduate studies in international business at Boise State University. He is employed as a loan officer at Clearwater Mortgage in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for 6



Brad Bellen and Amber Jones  
p.m. Saturday, April 23, at The Ballroom, with a reception following at 7 p.m. at the Shoshone Room in Twin Falls.

After a honeymoon in Maui, Hawaii, the couple will reside in Twin Falls.

## MCCARDELL-DAHL

**NAMPA** - Jerry and Virginia McCardell of Nampa announce the engagement of their daughter, Caryn Ann McCardell, to Luke Lamar Dahl, son of Ryan and Beverly Hunsman of Boise.

McCardell attended school in Twin Falls and Valley. She moved with her family to Nampa, where she graduated from Nampa High School. She is employed by Denali Dillon in Boise.

Dahl graduated from Redburg High School. He later joined the Army and served in Iraq. He is employed by Magic Plumbing in Nampa.

The wedding is planned for 7



Caryn McCardell and Luke Dahl  
p.m. Saturday, April 16, in the Rose Room, 718 W. Idaho St., Boise. The couple will reside in Nampa.

# COMMUNITY

Community Editor: Pat Marantoni - 735-3288

## MATH-A-THON WHIZZES

Students at Harrison Elementary School in Twin Falls received honors for collecting the most money in the school's Math-a-thon. They are Alexis Richardson, Jameson Brown and Jesse Andrus.



Students at Harrison Elementary School received honors for collecting the most money in the school's Math-a-thon. They are Annie Dutton, Troy Brown, Chase Steinmetz, Savannah Fleming and Jessana Meads.



Photo courtesy of Harrison Elementary School

## Buhl MS announces quarter honor roll

BUHL - Buhl Middle School has announced its third quarter honor roll students:

**Fourth grade point average:**  
**Eligible:** Brian Castillo, Jenna Hutchinson, Kirsten March, Kuran Kelly and Kristina Nye.

**Seventh grade:** Mollie Bounner, Brandon Condon, Landon Egullier, Lacy Hall, Tashica Jacobson, Isaac McCreary, Juan Murillo, Cadet Owen, Mercedes Pearson, Kalia Ringer, Megan Smalley and Elizabeth Tanner.

**Sixth grade:** Blake Mabey, 3.5 to 3.59 GPA.

**Eligible:** Katherine Busby, Diana Carrillo, Kelsey Clements, Kristen Fahrenwald, Nicholas Hamilton, Deane Heworth, Kari Hulse, Leigh Hunsaker, Gabriel Jacobson, Ashley Kusek, Bruno Loza, Robert Lyttay, Mayra Perez, Dade Fetterling, Nathan Roman, Kyria Tree, Jessica Usery and Autumn Yurbe.

**Seventh grade:** Michawn Adkins, Chelsea Avey, Armando Arroyo, Courtney Asencio, Grady Carlton,

Bret Chaulion, Elizabeth Cerner, Josh Cooper, Olivia Ford, Kelli Gabardi, Jessica Garcia, Lionel Gonzales, Jason Hamilton, Dusty Hanson, Emily Hoffman, Rene Johnson, Jake Jaker, Kaylyn Newell, Eduardo Martinez, James Martinez, Jacob Myers, Blake Montgomery, Hunter Owens, Cade Perrin, Brian Schofield, George Thornbrow, Alexis Verdugo and Tonielle Wiersch.

**Sixth grade:** Rena Davidson, Miguel Garza, Matthew Hamilton, Scott Harris, Trevor Hite, Hunter Lile, Jeffery Markus, Jacob Morse, Ashy Pettinger, Emily Plew, Erin Quigley, Caleb Usery, Zabrina Vandergift, Paige Ward and Tiffany Wuensch.

**3.0 to 3.49 GPA:**  
 Eighth grade: Emiliano Aguilar, Tan Bailey, Robert Bettencourt, Jessica Deknoff, Kristina Gelever, Ashley Hahn, Brandon Hite, Erika Hoover, Rhett Leavitt, Tess Mabey, Kern Montgomery, Tyler Montgomery, Alexander Peckham, Eileen Perez, Michelle Rutherford, Stephanie Serrano, Chance Stare and Samuel Smith.

**Seventh grade:** Jake Basschi, Joel Christensen, Riley Cooper, Ted Deck, Blake Finney, Rene Gwin, Truce Hales, Cody Koein, L.J. Leckensby, Chelsea Lilly, Luis Michel, Jose Mora, Katelynn Newell, Brinney Quintana, Brianda Sanchez, Francisco Serrano, Brooke Silva, Justin Tello, Kristian Wagner, Jessica White and Courtney Will.

**Sixth grade:** Jacobo Aguilar, Liz Beth Ayala, Brandon Benkula, Daniel Brazil, Evelyn Cardillo, Allen Compton, Edhan Compton, Julian Fahrenwald, Brooke Fairchild, Callen Gentes, Lucero Gonzalez, Kyle Harvey, Beau Hayes, Leslie Hernandez, Katherine Hunter, Francisco Jimenez, Christina Lewis, Wilfredo Lopez, Mayra Loza, Alexandra McClain, Brody McClain, Michael McDonald, Emily Michael, Rachel Makera, Mark Montgomery, Mark Montgomery, Genesis Ortega, Brody Owen, Ben Pans, Andrew Pierce, Sindria Ramirez, Jordyn Rutherford, Brianna Sanchez, Jason Silva, Levi Smith, Alyssa Solano, Danielle Waller and Evan Way.

## STORK REPORT

### Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

**Mindy Michelle Montgomery**, daughter of Doreen Mae of Jerome, was born Friday, March 18, 2005.

**Ethan Marley Wilson Ozmna**, son of Tracylo and Peter Allen Ozmna of Jerome, was born Monday, March 21, 2005.

**Isaac Lee Heldenbush**, son of Rachel Rose-Ann and Andreas Albert Heldenbush of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, March 23, 2005.

**Tawni Layne Price**, daughter of Courtney Ann and Kevin Lyn Price of Jerome, was born Wednesday, March 23, 2005.

**Echo-Rose Joel Hunt-Austin**, daughter of Andrea Marie Hunt-Genschmer of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, March 26, 2005.

**Audael Tamera Marlyn Strong**, daughter of Lacey Elizabeth and Eric Paul Strong of Twin Falls, was born Monday, March 28, 2005.

**Brick Michael-Lee Shaff**, son of Monica Marie and Ronald Clayton Shaff of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, March 29, 2005.

**Isak Liam Winnill**, son of Kall Dorlene and Jonathan Dee Winnill of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, March 30, 2005.

**Zachary Kenneth Overturf**, son of Angela Maria and Kenneth Eugene Overturf of Buhl, was born Wednesday, March 30, 2005.

**Peyton David Flint**, son of Jessica Dawn and Stan Leonard Flint of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, March 30, 2005.

**Elle Reagan Lickley**, daughter of Jolie Theresa and Craig Alan Lickley of Twin Falls, was born Thursday,

To announce a birth

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**More information?**  
 Call Jami at 735-3278

March 31, 2005.

**Kendall Renee Allen**, daughter of Eilamae Jean and Thomas John Allen II of Twin Falls, was born Friday, April 1, 2005.

### Cassia Regional Medical Center

**Justin Daniel Lopez**, son of Jaime and Kristine Lopez, was born Thursday, March 30, 2005.

**St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center**

**McCall Esther Clegg**, daughter of Audra and Jeffrey Clegg of Jerome, was born Sunday, Feb. 13, 2005.

**Dominique Salinas**, son of Christian Lopez and Dionicio Salinas of Halley, was born Friday, March 18, 2005.

**Kacie Jeanne Wooten**, daughter of Robert and Gregory Wooten of Fairfield, was born Sunday, March 20, 2005.

**Benie LePree Valenzuela Smanla**, son of Danielle Smanla and Oscar Valenzuela Perez of Halley, was born Monday, March 21, 2005.

**Dakota Renee Engman**,

daughter of Kimberly and Gary Engman of Bellevue, was born Tuesday, March 22, 2005.

**Cole Emott Cured**, son of Tiffany and Matthew Cured of Ketchum, was born Thursday, March 24, 2005.

**Nikolas Alden Anderson**, son of Melissa Roemer of Halley, was born Friday, March 25, 2005.

**Jasmine Lee Jordan**, daughter of Josephine and James Jordan of Halley, was born Friday, March 25, 2005.

### St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

**Sophia Camila Gonzalez-Ordaz**, daughter of Alvarez Gonzalez and Angelica Ordaz of Wendell, was born Saturday, March 5, 2005.

**Tatijana Roze Larson**, daughter of Matthew and Crystal Larson of Jerome, was born Friday, March 4, 2005.

**David Lorenzo**, son of David and Dora Ruelas of Jerome, was born Friday, April 1, 2005.

**Navach Nicole Percifield**, daughter of Miley Percifield of Jerome, was born Wednesday, March 30, 2005.

**Chase Kristopher Miller**, son of Kristopher and Jamie Miller of Twin Falls, was born Koster and Jamie Miller of Twin Falls, was born Friday, March 4, 2005.

**Paytin Autumn Cruz**, son of Carla Cruz of Jerome, was born Friday, April 1, 2005.

**Creston B Diamond**, son of Stanley and Brooke Diamond of Wendell, was born Thursday, March 31, 2005.

**Madison Renee Wargo**, daughter of Chris Wargo and Tiffany Ward of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, March 30, 2005.

## BLOOD DONOR



**Norman Smyer** of Declo donates blood at the American Red Cross Blood Drive held at the National Guard Armory in Beryl. Smyer donated blood for the first time in 1955 and has now donated more than 27 gallons. Drawing his blood is Angela Doyle of the American Red Cross. Typically, the drives collect blood from about 100 donors per day. Smyer says he donates blood because he knows it does a lot of good for a lot of people.

By THOMAS TESSER for The Times-News

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Minico grad graduates with UI law degree

**Greg Ferbrache**, a graduate of Minico High School, graduated with a law degree from the University of Idaho in May 2004 in Moscow.

He passed the Idaho State Bar in September 2004 and will work as a prosecuting attorney in Salt Lake City, Utah, in April.

He is the son of Andy and Tuffy Ferbrache of Paul.

**Greg Ferbrache**

### Local musicians chosen at music festival

The Twin Falls Music Club held its annual music festival where judges chose several Magic Valley students to present a concert March 12 at the Twin Falls Reformed Chapel.

Selected were Brendon Freund, Claire Jones, Jordan

Stanley, Jenni Jones, Sarah Nathan, McKay Neild, Andrew and Natasha Bortz, Lindsay Hansen, Rachel Scott, Brian Thomson, Becca Stonemets, Shea Larsen, Jared Johnson, Stephen Thompson, Emily Vandenberg, Lisa Harris, Yelena Bagdasaryan, Janessa Nye, Brad Griff and Adrienne Brown.

Honorable mentions went to Ivory Diddy, Danny Barnes, Jesse Jensen, Andrew Hall, Lisa Harris, Rachel Ashley, Tamara Downs and Melissa Dodd.

## CSI TECHNOLOGY

College of Southern Idaho radiologic technology professor Gary Laurer and his 'Rad Tech' students show an RP-6 machine used in the radiology department of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. CSI students helped assess the \$100,000 robot's possible value to the CSI Rad Tech program. Pictured on the robot's screen is Jon Meers, product specialist for Intouch Health in Goleta, Calif., the company that markets the device.



Photo courtesy of CSI

### Oakley Valley Arts Council holds auditions

**OAKLEY** - The Oakley Valley Arts Council is holding auditions for its summer production of "Crazy for You," a Gershwin musical comedy, where everybody sings and dances and where anything on hand is used to make music.

Performance dates are: July 20-23, 26-28, 30. Auditions will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 12 and from 9 a.m. to noon May 14 at the Howell Opera House, 118 N. Blaine Ave.

Auditions are for actors age 15 and older. Those with tap dancing and singing are encouraged to audition. All actors should prepare a musical number to present.

For a character listing, visit [www.oakleyvalleyarts.com](http://www.oakleyvalleyarts.com). For more information, call the co-directors Burton Anderson and Connie Ellison at

862-9270 or 677-2283.

### Genealogy is discussed at historical meeting

**JEROME** - The Jerome Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Jerome Public Library, 100 First Ave. E.

Sharon Cheney with the C o d i l l e County Historical Society will speak on genealogy. Refreshments will be served. The regular meeting will follow the program.

**Rose society learns about rose pruning**

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Rose Society is meeting from

7 to 9:30 a.m. Thursday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E.

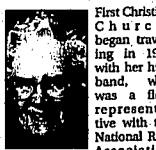
The topic of the program will be spring rose pruning. Anyone is invited. For more information, call 733-4696.

### T.F. woman celebrates her 90th birthday

**TWIN FALLS** - Dorothy Sanborn will celebrate her 90th birthday with an open house from 1 to 3 p.m. April 16 at the First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N.

Dorothy Jones was born April 16, 1915, in Boise. She married the late Grant Sanborn on Aug. 19, 1936, in Idaho Falls. They have lived in the Magic Valley since 1948.

Sanborn worked as a bookkeeper and she and her husband were active in the Twin Falls Junior Rifle Club for several years. She is a member of the



Dorothy Sanborn

First Christian Church; began traveling in 1969 with her husband, who was a field representative with the National Rifle Association (NRA); was a volunteer at the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles, Calif.; and in 1989, was presented the Public Service Award from the NRA for several years of volunteer service.

Her children are Lewis Sanborn of Twin Falls, the late JoAnn Sanborn Chapman, Barbara Sanborn, Barbara of Clinton, Mo., and Robert Sanborn of South Pasadena, Fla. She has six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Her children are hosting the even and request no gifts.

### Buhl library hosts book talk about Harry Potter

**BUHL** - The Buhl Public Library is again hosting a book talk program.

The group will discuss "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" by J.K. Rowling from 7:15 to 8:45 p.m. April 19 at the library, 215 Broadway N.

Cynthia Toppin will discuss why the series is so popular. Anyone is welcome to attend the free program. For more information or to check out the books under discussion, call or visit the library at 543-6500.

### CSI Center offers dog obedience

**TWIN FALLS** - The College of Southern Idaho Community Education Center is offering a basic dog obedience course for owners and their dogs from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 19 to May 12,

on the East Expo lawn. The cost is \$45.

Pet owners will be taught to train their dogs with basic obedience commands using positive reinforcement and behavior modification.

Instructor Donna Salley has 28 years of dog-training experience.

For more information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

### Club talks about arm chair exercises

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Breathers Club will discuss arm chair exercise for better breathing at noon April 19 at the Office on Aging, 998 Washington St. N.

Physical therapist Julie Schwerman will be the speaker. There is no charge. For more information, call Lisa Weinand at 733-4450 or Mardo Eaton at 734-6507.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

# SENIOR CALENDAR

## Twin Falls Senior Center

530 Shoshone St. W.  
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. The cost is \$5 for non to seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
Pool room open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading.  
Bargain Center will be open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, green salad, bread, pudding.  
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, broccoli, Jell-O with fruit, bread, carrot cake.  
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meatballs, fruit salad, French bread, green beans, bread, dessert.  
Thursday: Baked ham, red potatoes, mixed vegetables, pickled beets, bread, dessert.  
Friday: Sloppy Joes, corn on the cob, green salad, bowl of fruit, brownie.

**Activities:**  
Monday: Quilting Exercise class.  
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday Blood pressure Tin Alde  
Trio clinic.  
Wednesday: Quilting Elks Card Club Exercise class  
Thursday: Center pinocle. Friday: Quilting. Lunch bingo. Blood pressure.  
Saturday: Volunteer dinner.

## West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl

**Menu:**  
Monday: Chicken dinner.  
Tuesday: Beef stew, biscuits, salad, fruit, dessert.  
Wednesday: Spaghetti, French bread, green salad, fruit Jell-O, dessert.  
Thursday: Macaroni and cheese, hot dogs, pickled beets, salad, fruit, dessert.  
Friday: Hot pork sandwich, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, fruit, dessert.

**Activities:**  
Tuesday: Buffet, 1 p.m. Seniors, \$4, under age 60, \$4.50.  
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m. Crafts, 6 to 9 p.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Crafts, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 to 9 p.m.  
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m. Farmer's Market, 5 to 7 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.  
Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.

## Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St.

Dinners served at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home to delivered meals are available each mealtime.  
**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Salisbury steak, mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, steamed cabbage, bread and butter, fruit, Jell-O.  
Thursday: Roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, calf, mixed vegetables, hot roll, carrot cake.

## Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Barbecue chicken, nuggets, scalloped potatoes, carrots, fruit, cookies.  
Tuesday: Chicken or fish party, au gratin potatoes, country mix, fruit, medley, cream puffs.  
Wednesday: Sloppy Joes, potato wedges, cauliflower, Jell-O with fruit, apple crisp.  
Thursday: Pepper steak over rice, corn, green salad, pineapple upside-down cake, fruit.  
Friday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, fruit, green pea salad, garlic bread.

**Activities:**  
Monday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.  
Tuesday: Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Snack bar, 6 p.m.  
Early bird, 6:45 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.  
Pinocle, 7 p.m.  
Thursday: Foot clinic and blood pressure.  
Friday: Pinocle 1 p.m.

## Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly

Milk, coffee and tea served.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Beef biscuit roll, green salad with carrots, cottage cheese, apricots.  
Tuesday: Ham and beans, green salad, cornbread, peach, cookies.  
Friday: Pork chops, potatoes and gravy, celery and carrot sticks, green bean, mushroom soup, birthday cake and ice cream.

**Activities:**  
Monday: AA meeting, 7 p.m.  
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: Gin Rummy, 1 p.m.  
Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Bingo, 11:50 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.

## Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Senior Ave.

All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Pepper steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salad, bread, brownie.  
Tuesday: Swedish meatballs, noodles, corn, colelaw, muffins, cookies.  
Wednesday: Sweet and sour pork, rice, stir fry vegetables, salad, bread, dessert.  
Thursday: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, spinach, peaches with cottage cheese, roll, pumpkin squares.

**Activities:**  
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pinocle, 12:30 p.m.  
Pool at Glenns Ferry, 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pool, 1 p.m.  
Pinocle with Shoshone, 1:30 p.m.  
Bridge, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilting social, 9 a.m.  
Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Blood pressure, 11 a.m.  
TOPS, 4 p.m.  
Pinocle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Lefthover lunch, noon  
Bingo, 1 p.m.  
Bowling, 1:30 p.m.  
Bingo, 6 p.m.

**Menu:**  
Saturday: Potluck dinner, 6 p.m.

## Hagerman Senior Center

140 E. Lake

Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Lunch is served at noon and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested donation is \$3, non to seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, carrots, salad, fruit, rolls, cake.  
Wednesday: Barbecue chicken, potato wedges, vegetables, salad, fruit.  
Friday: Salad bar, fajita salad, pea salad, fruit salad, green salad, cottage cheese, beans, bread, dessert.

## Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden

Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include coffee, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Beef stroganoff and noodles, beet borscht, peas, fruit, cookies.  
Thursday: Real turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, fruit salad, salad, pumpkin pie.

## Golden Years Senior Citizen, Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

Offer salad, milk and coffee served daily.

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Chicken chunks, steamed broccoli, steamed rice, chocolate pudding.  
Wednesday: Lett's, carrot sticks, cucumber slices, french fries, banana cream pie.  
Friday: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, tossed salad, apple sauce, cookies.

**Activities:**  
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.  
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Early to bird bingo, 6:30 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Friday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.

## Richfield Senior Center

Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green salad, garlic sticks, rice custard.  
Thursday: Chili hot dogs, French fries, custard pie.

## Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Country chicken casserole, Harvard beets, tossed green salad, biscuits, buttered scotch brownies.  
Wednesday: Potato and salad bar, breadsticks, deviled eggs, grapes, strawberry sundae.  
Friday: Roast turkey, chestnut stuffing, gravy, buttered corn, stuffed celery, cranberry Jell-O.

salad, hot rolls, German chocolate cake

**Activities:**  
Tuesday: Exercise, 1:15 p.m.  
Wednesday: Tax assistance, 10 a.m.  
Mike Matthews, 12:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.  
Friday: Birthday party

## Camas County Senior Center

127 E. Willow, Fairfield

Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9 to 2 on meal days. The cost of the meal for non to seniors is \$3.50; children under 10 are \$2.00. The suggested donation for those 60 years of age and older is \$2.50.

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Cheeseburger, potato salad, peas, beans, dessert.  
Wednesday: Meatloaf, baked potatoes, mixed vegetables, green salad, Jell-O with fruit, roll, dessert.  
Friday: Pork chops, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, colelaw, with raisins, apple sauce, white bread, dessert.

**Activities:**  
Monday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Tuesday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Pool  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Jigsaw puzzles  
Bridge Class  
Wednesday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Pool  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Jigsaw puzzles  
Bridge Class  
Thursday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Art class, 9 a.m.  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Friday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Pool  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Jigsaw puzzles

## Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley

**Menu:**  
Monday: Lasagna, bread, vegetables, fruit cocktail, peach cobbler.  
Tuesday: Ham and cheese quiche, cornbread, potato, mixed vegetables, fruit Jell-O, assorted desserts.  
Wednesday: Birthday anniversary dinner.  
Thursday: Chili, cinnamon rolls, carrot sticks, peaches and ice cream.  
Friday: Pork noodles, hard boiled eggs, peas, egg roll, ginger pear pie.

## Golden Heritage Senior Center

Today: Jackpot trip, leave Burley at 10 a.m. \$11 per person.  
Monday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
The help by appointment.  
Tuesday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Dominoes, 10 a.m.  
Compass class, 1 p.m.  
Woodcarving class, 8 a.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Organ lessons  
Friday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.  
Saturday: Spaghetti dinner, 6:30 p.m. \$8 per person at Mindok's Senior Center

# Cowboy

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Cowboys - working cowboys, not John Wayne - learned that many years ago. When there is no margin for error - as was the case in most of their work - small complacencies can mean disaster.

"As a matter of survival, they needed to know they could depend on the integrity and character of those who rode with them," Owen said. "In the same way, our clients must be able to trust us to handle their assets; our business survival depends on it."

Stoecklein, a 55-year-old transplanted Easterner who's found fame and fortune photographing cowboys, puts it this way: "The West is a place where the fence is always tight but the gate is always open to friends and neighbors. It is a place where a man can make tough decisions without looking over his shoulder or worrying what someone else will think. A cowboy gets his strength from knowing what is right and what is wrong and being true to his beliefs. This is in essence the code of the West."

The 64-year-old Owen, who spent 35 years working on Wall Street, finds a special inspiration in three Western movie characters.

"Homer Bannon, the Texas cattle patriarch in Larry McMurtry's 'Hud' (made into a film in 1963), 'It's a story about drawing clear lines between right and wrong in an era when that idea seemed hopelessly out of fashion.'"

Bannon - played by Melvyn Douglas - finds that his herd is infected with foot-and-mouth disease, and his neighbors demand he resist the demands by his 'do-well son' Hild, played by Paul Newman, to sell the cattle before government veterinarians diagnose the epidemic.

"Homer knows it does not require a big fall from grace for men to lose their integrity," Owen said. "It most often happens by degrees, as corners are cut and minor misdeeds rationalized, each small step leading to another. And the more changes, little by little, except for those who stay stubbornly true to their beliefs."

When it comes to keeping his word, a cowboy's allegiance to people is ironclad. "Spring comes and Call gets ready to haul Gus's preserved remains back to Texas," Owen said, "telling his hands he will be back in a year. From the day of Gus's death, everyone has told Call his friend was drunk or out of his mind to ask such a favor. Call agrees the whole thing is foolish, but, as he says, 'a promise is a promise.'"

"The 3,000-mile journey does not go smoothly, and Call makes the last leg dragging the coffin behind his horse on a makeshift travois. As he dips Gus's grave with a hand shovel, he is weak and his hands have run out. Call feels he is about ready to be buried himself. He tells Call to haul Gus's preserved remains back to Texas," Owen said, "telling his hands he will be back in a year. From the day of Gus's death, everyone has told Call his friend was drunk or out of his mind to ask such a favor. Call agrees the whole thing is foolish, but, as he says, 'a promise is a promise.'"

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— James Owen, author of "Cowboy Ethics"

## 'The Fence That Me And Shorty Built'

"Somebody you'll come right 'round And look across this land, And see a fence that's laid out straight."

And know you had a hand, "In something that's withstood the years."

"The good and free from guilt, You'll smile and say, 'Boys that's the fence That me and Shorty built.'"

— Red Steagall

## Wyoming cowhand.

"As money and work dwindle, Monte is driven to consider the unthinkable," Owen said. "He resigns himself to looking for a job in town - one that might even pay enough for him to settle down and marry a local saloon girl ... One day, while breaking a wild horse and nearly wounding the town-influenced process, Monte catches the eye of the proprietor of a traveling Wild West show. Envisioning Monte as his next star attraction, the showman offers him a job playing 'a real cowboy' for the princely sum of \$15 a week - more money than he could hope to earn anywhere else."

"Monte reluctantly accepts, but the moment of truth comes when he puts on the garish fringed costume and ridiculous hat he has been given and looks in the mirror. Disgusted by what he has been reduced to, Monte rebels. 'I ain't splittin' on my whole life,' he says, taking off the hat and handing it to the stunned promoter."

Lesson: There's not enough money to make an honorable man cheapen and dishonor the way of life he's chosen.

"The Code of the West is a larger-than-life moral lesson, Owen concedes, and necessarily so. "Anybody can make money," he said, "it is much harder to make a difference."

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# History

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and moving on to the kind the women's movement made it realistic for them to aspire to (physician, executive, astronaut). In 1961 she acquired an insipid boyfriend, Ken, whom she finally ditched in 1964 after they'd gone steady for 43 years. Nevertheless, Barbiephobes still accuse her of teaching little girls to see women primarily as sex objects and shoppers. Is it a little bit of a board game called "Barbie's Dream Date"? It's a timed competition in which, Lord writes, "each player's mission is to make Ken spend as much money as possible on her before the clock strikes twelve." Yet Barbie has also starred in a game called "We Girls Can Do Anything," in which Barbie dished were Kim's Kim's.

The vice president and publisher of Random House Children's Books says she pitched the "top of my head" at a 2001 meeting with Mattel. The target age was 6 to 10. Barbie coloring books and titles

ted into Barbie videos were the success of the series, but she thought the rest of the Mattel-licensed Barbie line "was kind of phub-lah."

Her idea was sparked in part by the success of a popular novel titled "American Girl" doll characters and Scholastic's series "Dear America" diary series. "The Barbie version would offer 'fashion' through the Barbie filter," as Kim puts it. Clothes and accessories would play a big part, because with Barbie, "you cannot deny fashion." But Kim also calls Barbie's "fashion" a noble and exciting experiment "designed to put girls in touch with the history of their mothers and grandmothers."

Like Lowery's plot for "Peace, Love and Rock 'n' Roll" has Barbie as a magazine fashion photographer. In London, she dashes from the "Climax" Street, where "clicking" pictures and trying on clothes. Minutously, she runs into the Beatles.

missing, of course. "That would be pushing it," Lowery explains. She wanted her Barbie to be a better model of the real world. But of all the good-to-go model plots, it's Barbie's civil

rights adventure that gets the most play. The magazine sends her and Christie, an aspiring writer, to Washington to do a story on the Civil Rights Act and the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Barbie gets a great shot of African American girl "full of hope, gazing at Dr. King."

We know the little girls race from an illustration showing her with her dad, the two are noticeably darker than anyone else in the book. The closest we get to finding out that Christie herself is black, however, is when she remarks that the girl

"looks like me when I was little."

Asked how the decision to portray Christie this way was made, Barbie's handlers can be a bit defensive. "It was a question for Random House, says author Lowery, who suggests a call to Kim.

Actually, it's a question for Mattel, says Kim, naming Vicki Jaeger, marketing manager for Mattel Brands consumer products.

"We felt that the illustrations were whimsical characters,"

says Jaeger, who uses the word "whimsical" four times as she explains the difference between the Barbie artwork and, say, portraits by the Dutch painter Johannes Vermeer to be "an entirely true depiction of a person."

An field declines to speak for publication. She's an approved Mattel writer and would prefer to remain one. Back to Random House, then, for a last word.

"There's nothing in the art that Mattel doesn't want there," Kim says.

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## Magic Valley scrapbooks



Photo courtesy of BARBARA BUTLER of Twin Falls

From left, brothers Lou, Richard, Martin and Victor Wegener pose in front of cabins at Wegener's Tourist Park in Twin Falls in the 1930s. "They all lived in this area for a good many years," says Maureen Butler of Twin Falls, daughter of Richard. Her father helped manage the tourist park. So did Victor, before he ran a motel in Bend, Ore. Martin was a Shell Oil employee and would-be miner, and Lou farmed in Buhl, Butler says.



Photo courtesy of PATRICIA MAHER of Twin Falls

Edmond Maher, right, and two other men show the results of their day spent killing jackrabbits on the Twin Falls Tract in about 1905-08. Maher was the grandfather of current Twin Falls residents Patricia Maher and Neal Morrison.



Photo courtesy of COLLEEN O'HARROW THORNTON of Twin Falls

Earl 'Cap' O'Harrow is photographed for his 1925 high school graduation in Jerome. O'Harrow married a girl from a neighboring farm, schoolteacher Grace Lewis, and farmed in the Jerome and Twin Falls areas.

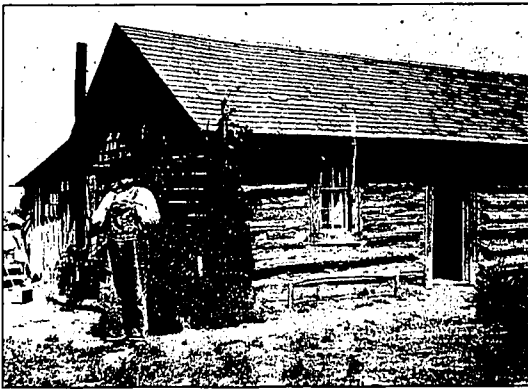


Photo courtesy of DEAN WILLES-ROSE BARILEY of Eden

Henry Villman Willis - grandfather of Joan Barkley of Eden - liked getting his picture taken. Here, he poses in the Shoshone Basin in 1900 with a cabin he built. Willis hauled lumber to Twin Falls and Buhl, delivered Rock Creek water for 50 cents a barrel and hauled trees for Twin Falls and its City Park by way of the Shoshone Falls ferry, Barkley says. She also credits her grandfather with having the first grapes in Twin Falls County.



Photo courtesy of JACQUE LAVENS LARSEN of Jerome

Charles H. Lavens, who lived in tents and felt the cold of winter, had this photograph taken in Twin Falls in March 1924 to show family members back in Nebraska that he was OK. Lavens had come to Magic Valley looking for work and was amazed at how much fruit there was here to live on, says niece Jackie Larsen of Jerome. Eventually, Charles Lavens bought a farm in Jerome, and Larsen's father, Kenneth R. Lavens, came to farm with him after getting out of World War I military service.

**T**hese men are a handful of the hundreds who built a dam, dug canals or hauled lumber to build the new towns of southern Idaho, who reshaped their lives in a new land, who earned a place in the hearts of succeeding generations.

In these portraits and snapshots from our readers' scrapbooks are farmers and servicemen, the proprietors of motels and service stations, the leaders of a housing authority and a tourist park.

They're just a few of the men peopling the memories of Magic Valley.

-Virginia S. Hutchins

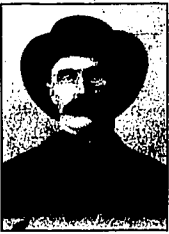


Photo courtesy of ARLIOULNE PROBASCO of Buhl

Reason T. Newberry, pictured here, fought in the Civil War with an Ohio cavalry and survived a Georgia prison after being taken prisoner by the Confederates. "He and his sons heard about the new irrigation tract opening up in southern Idaho, and they came here (from Washington) in 1903 to work on building the canals and Milner Dam and the town of Twin Falls," says Arlouline Probasco of Buhl; a great-granddaughter of Reason Newberry. One of Reason's sons, Charles T. Newberry, was on the city's surveying crew.



Photo courtesy of ARLIOULNE PROBASCO of Buhl

Horace Hedstrom, pictured in Twin Falls in 1933, married Etha Pearl Fallon after his first wife's death. Arlouline Probasco of Buhl, a granddaughter of Etha, says Hedstrom "was my step-grandfather, but he was a nice grandfather to me from the day I was born. I hardly knew my real grandfather, and (Hedstrom) meant a lot to me and my mother and family." Hedstrom was executive director of the Twin Falls Housing Authority for years.



Photo courtesy of DON ROYSTER of Burley

Right, in Filer in 1918, Lee Royster returns home from serving in the U.S. Marines during World War I. Left, Lee Royster, who enlisted in the U.S. Marines during World War I, is pictured in 1918. He returned home at the end of the war to marry Anna Pugh in Filer. The Roysters then founded a garage in Boise and owned and operated service stations in Buhl and Filer before retiring to their Filer farm. "Lee was proud of being commander of the Filer American Legion post when the new building was being built," says son Don Royster of Burley.



Photo courtesy of DON ROYSTER of Burley

Twin Falls-area resident Grover Pugh, who was stationed in France during World War I, poses in military uniform in 1918. He returned to marry Laura Rutter at Filer but died in a fall from a ladder at Amalgamated Sugar Co.'s Twin Falls factory just before the birth of their son, Marshall.

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