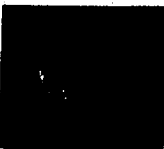


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O'Connor retires

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sandra Day O'Connor stepped down unexpectedly from the Supreme Court on Friday, closing out a career as the first woman justice and the anchor of a shaky majority for abortion rights. President Bush pledged to name a successor quickly as the costli-

Confirmation battle likely for replacement nominee.

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est confirmation battle in history took shape.

O'Connor's decision to retire created the first vacancy at the high court in 11 years, and marked the departure of the justice who had become the majority maker in a stream of 5-4 cases covering abortion, affirmative action, the death penalty and more over a quarter-century.

Bush, under pressure from

some conservatives to name an outright foe of abortion, said he would appoint a successor who "will faithfully interpret the Constitution and laws of our country." He said he would make his selection in time to have a full court in place before the new term opens in October.

The nation also deserves a dignified process of confirmation in the United States Senate," he added.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., chairman of the Judiciary Committee that will hold hearings on Bush's candidate, said he doubted there would be a filibuster.

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Crapo a longshot for high court nomination

By Julie Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE — U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, for the U.S. Supreme Court?

Not unless the president calls, says Crapo spokesman Lindsay Nothorn.

Earlier this week Democratic leader Sen. Harry Reid suggested that Crapo and three other GOP senators would be good for the court.

At the time, Crapo said he was surprised and that he hadn't given it any thought. But he might be thinking about it more now that Justice Sandra

Day O'Connor said she's retiring after 24 years on the high court, Nothorn said.

"Still, you can't characterize this as interest until you get a call from the president," Nothorn said. "I think it would be pure speculation to think the president would call."

Nothorn said he had not talked to Crapo since O'Connor's announcement early Friday. Crapo could not be reached during the day Friday because he was commuting from Washington, D.C., to Idaho for the Fourth of July weekend, Nothorn said.

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ELEMENTARY ECONOMICS



Young Alex Carror, 11, sells soda, candy and hamburgers out of a converted garden shed in his back yard in Twin Falls. He also began his business, known as Alex, when he was 8 years old.

Savvy 11-year-old turns a pretty profit in backyard business

By Barrett Hyton
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — At age 11, Alex Carror is already a seasoned businessman.

"He started his own company at age 8, started with his partner by the time he was 10 and now runs the company on his own."

"When I started it I sold orange soda and cheese sticks," said Alex, who operates Aldor (A1) for Alex, "dor" for his friend and former partner, Doris) out of a converted shed in the back yard of his family's home.

Now Alex sells everything from 50-cent bottled sodas to those oh-so-popular yellow Livio Strong bracelets.

For little more than a \$1, Alex will even grill up an Aldor burger on his mother's barbecue.

While most kids his age are

spending their free time watching TV or going to Little League practice, Alex is trying to build an empire that he hopes one day will surpass that of Bill Gates.

"I know what a typical adolescent is up to (after school) and I am very proud of Alex," said his mother, Julie Briere.

Alex, a straight "A" student, does his homework during recess so he can race home after school to open shop for his classmates.

"He has such curiosity for business," said his fifth-grade teacher, Linda Butcher.

He has made his back yard into a hangout for the young, complete with a private garden that sells plants and is thinking of selling homemade mint tea, trampolines, and Playstation 2.

"He is totally on his own," Briere said. "He has done it all on his own."

Alex is busiest during the school year, and can earn as much as \$100 in a good month.

In the summer, things are a little slower, so Alex mows lawns and delivers groceries and other items to supplement his income.

Alex will deliver anything from a greeting card to a full load of groceries, but buyer beware: he charges by weight and distance.

As a sixth-grader-to-be, Alex possesses economic knowledge and business savvy far beyond his years.

His mom doesn't even get a price break.

Briere, who coaches track and teaches at O'Leary Junior High School, came home worn out after a track meet one afternoon to find Alex waiting to make her dinner — for a price.

"He even charges his grand-

pa for burgers," Briere said.

It's nothing personal for Alex, he pays for everything he eats as well.

It's all just part of practicing smart business.

Alex and his staff of one run the shop every night after school starting in mid-April from 4 to 9 p.m., and he's open pretty much all day in the summer.

Aldor was not created, however, without adversity.

Alex lost both his biological father and stepdad in 1999.

"It's been through so much and look what he's done," Briere said.

What's next for Alex? Eventually he wants to attend college, but for now he's thinking about investing in an air hockey table for customers and wants to get cable television in his store.

That, however, is still being negotiated with his mom.

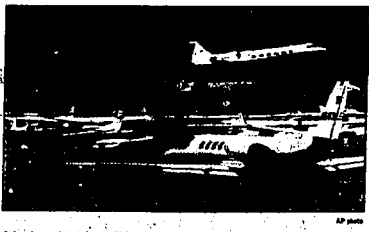
FAA nixes plan that gave priority to moguls' jets

By Christopher Smith
Associated Press writer

BOISE — When the world's richest elites of entertainment and industry fly into the Idaho mountain resort of Sun Valley for an exclusive retreat on Tuesday, their corporate jets won't get the special landing priority that airport officials originally planned.

Instead, their Gulfstreams and Learjets will have to wait in line with the unwashed masses of single-engine aircraft waiting to use the one runway surrounded by 8,000-foot-high mountains.

A national pilots organization persuaded the Federal Aviation Administration to overturn temporary flight rules that would have restricted Sun Valley's airport to pilots authorized to fly using only instruments —



A business jet takes off from the Sun Valley airport Friday in Halley. When the world's richest elites of entertainment and industry fly into Sun Valley for a secretive retreat Tuesday, their corporate jets won't get the special landing priority that airport officials originally planned. — during the peak arrival and departure times of the annual retreat sponsored by

New York investment bank

and Co. Flight navigation is complicated by a change in

in its 23rd year, the gathering of the world's business elite to play bridge, golf, ride horses and juggle over multi-million-dollar deals regularly attracts such luminaries as Oprah Winfrey, Bill Gates, Ted Turner and Rupert Murdoch.

Anticipating a crush of private aircraft at the small Friedman Memorial Airport in the Sun Valley community of Halley, Airport Manager Rick Baird said he had received FAA approval to close the airport to pilots whose licenses have only "visual flight rules" ratings from noon to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on

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Find a Fourth of July activity

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Fireworks and other Independence Day activities around the Magic and Wood River valleys today include:

Twin Falls

• Fireworks: 10 p.m., College of Southern Idaho campus.

• Entertainment: The Twin Falls Municipal Band will perform at 7 p.m. in the lawn north of the Taylor Administration Building.

• Traffic control: If you're participating in our city, the fireworks show on the CSI campus, arrive early. The Twin Falls Police Department will be closing sections of Falls Avenue and Washington Street North surrounding the campus at 9:15 p.m. North College Road will be closed at 7 p.m.

Please be patient. Several thousand people routinely attend the fireworks and most of them drive to the event. It may take several minutes for the police to direct vehicle and pedestrian traffic through the camp. In addition, drivers may be routed in a different direction than they normally travel.

Police say the area around the campus will be heavily patrolled for drunk drivers.

Burley

Fireworks: At about 10:15 p.m., the park next to the library Municipal Golf Course.

Jerome

Fireworks: At about 10:15 p.m., Jerome High School football field.

Halley

Fireworks: At about 10:30 p.m. (or following the rodeo) in Quigley Canyon east of Halley.

Food: Boy Scouts pancake breakfast will be from 8 to 10 a.m. Upper Big Wood Grande Hall, 54 S. Third Ave. (\$5 for adults, \$3 for kids under 12, \$15 for families and \$3 for seniors); Button Barbecue, Hop Foster Park, following the noon parade (\$9 for adults, \$6 for seniors and children 12 and under); Ice cream social, Halley Cultural Center, 314 Elm St., 1 to 3 p.m., free.

Parade: Noon, south on Main Street from Myrtle to Cedar streets.

Rodeo: Final go-round of the Sawtooth Rangers Riding Club Rodeo, 7 p.m. Halley Rodeo grounds (\$17 for reserved tickets, \$12 for general admission, \$2 for kids).

Other fun: Old Frontier Gang "shootout" with a Standeech, 11:30 a.m. Main and Cross Streets

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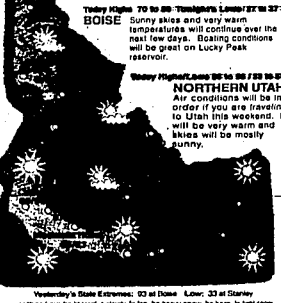
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Tonight: Mostly clear skies and nicely cooling temperatures. Lows in the middle 50s.
Tomorrow: Sunny, warm and dry. Highs in the lower 80s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Sunshine and warm temperatures. Highs in the lower 80s.
Tonight: Mostly clear skies and nicely cooling temperatures. Lows near 50.
Tomorrow: Sunny, warm and dry. Highs near 80.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Sun fired skies and comfortably warm temperatures are expected over the next few days.
BOISE Sunny skies and very warm temperatures will continue here the next few days.



Weather key: Partly cloudy, cloudy, fog, heavy snow, ice, rain, light snow, moderate snow, heavy snow, drizzle, rain, sleet, snow, rain/snow, ice/snow, rain/sleet, rain/snow/ice.

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

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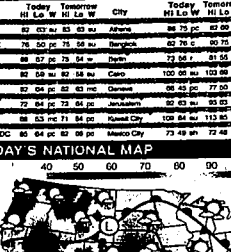
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UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT REDUCTION NOT SO DRASTIC

TWIN FALLS—A Friday story about new laws going into effect included incorrect figures on reduced benefits for someone who is laid off.

NINE SCHOOLS FALL SHORT OF READING GOALS

An article in Friday's newspaper contained an error in a headline. Nine local schools missed state requirements for the Idaho Reading Indicator test.

JACKPOT

Fireworks: At about 10:15 p.m. at the airport.

RICHFIELD

Fireworks: At about 10:15 p.m., Richfield High School.

FAIRFIELD

Fireworks: At about 10 p.m., best viewed from 4-H Park.

BILLYS

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SHOSHONE

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WEST MAGIC RESORT

Fireworks: At about 10 p.m., Fun: ATV/boat parade, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; building fund auction, 3 p.m.

ALBION

Fireworks: 10 p.m., old airport south of town.

PARADE

10 a.m., from the south end of Main Street to the park.

FOOD: BREAKFAST, 7 TO 9:30 A.M.

Senior Citizens Center (\$12 per family \$4 per adult and \$2 per child 10 and under); food booths will be open in the park all afternoon.

OTHER FUN: LAWN MOWER RACES, 1 P.M. PARK, PLUS OTHER ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON IN THE PARK, INCLUDING A "CHICKEN FLING," wheelchair races and a tug-of-war.

HOLLISTER

Food: Community breakfast, City Park, 7 to 10 a.m.

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Confirmation battle is likely regardless of choice

By Tom Raun
Associated Press writer

Analysis

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's choice to fill the vacancy of retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor is all but certain to ignite a political inferno no matter who he picks. Her departure gives Bush an opportunity to transform the dynamics of the high court.

confirmation and risk a difficult confirmation fight that might result in defeat.

"This appointment is the moral equivalent of a presidential election," said historian Allan Lichtman of American University.

Lichtman said Bush should opt for a "moderate conservative" like Attorney General Alberto Gonzales because "such a nomination would get through the Senate and also move the court to the right," Bush will not necessarily, said Lichtman.

But that opportunity for Bush also raises the stakes. Democrats indicate they will wage a mammoth Senate battle if the president cautions to his conservative base and attempts to replace the moderate O'Connor with a jurist they consider to be on the judicial mainstream.

On the other hand, if the president nominates someone with views similar to O'Connor's, he would face a political rebellion within his own party from conservatives still fuming over the Senate rejection of Robert H. Bork in 1982.

Well-bankrolled interest groups on the political right and left are already in action in an effort to influence the outcome.

"Her replacement will have a monumental impact on the lives and freedoms of Americans," said Robert G. Neas, president of People for the American Way, a liberal group that is planning a "major role in a national referendum to elect someone expected to dominate the summer."

The announcement appeared to catch the White House by surprise. It had prepared for the retirement of another court member, Chief Justice William Rehnquist, who is battling O'Connor's case.

Since Rehnquist was one of the more conservative members of the court, replacing him with another conservative would not have shifted the balance of power.

The same can't be said of O'Connor, who for a quarter century has been the crucial swing vote on a host of 5-4 votes on abortion and other divisive legal issues. The court is closely divided between a narrow conservative majority and a more liberal bloc. Her retirement would put more pressure on a narrow conservative majority and a more liberal bloc. Her replacement would put more pressure on a narrow conservative majority and a more liberal bloc.

In a brief Rose Garden appearance, Bush pledged to be "deliberate and thorough" in naming a replacement. He expressed hope for a "dignified" confirmation process and for "fair treatment"—a fair hearing and a fair vote for his nominee, an apparent reference to brutal battles with Democrats over appellate court nominations.

While a simple Senate majority is needed to confirm a nominee, 60 votes are required to end a filibuster. Republicans hold 55 of the 100 Senate seats.

Thus, Bush faces a crucial choice: Does he replace O'Connor with someone like a moderate who might be able to attract bipartisan support or at least not be filibustered by Democrats? Or does he go with a strict

affirmative action.

In a 1989 case, she called a Richmond, Va., effort to boost minority contractors unconstitutional, because it didn't meticulously document the past discrimination it was trying to remedy.

But in the key 2002 case challenging the constitutionality of race preferences in admissions at the University of Michigan Law School, O'Connor was the deciding vote to retain the practice.

"Attaining a diverse student body is at the heart of the Law School's proper institutional mission, and its 'good faith' is 'presumed' absent a showing to the contrary," O'Connor wrote in *Grutter v. Bollinger*.

O'Connor has also convinced conservatives with thoughts about "separation of church and state."

In a 1997 case about public schools providing services to poor children in sectarian schools, O'Connor led the change in evaluating a hard separation of church and state, saying an earlier ruling was too strict.

She also voted with the court majority to approve public vouchers—for Cleveland students to attend religious schools.

But last week, O'Connor voted to have two Ten Commandments monuments removed from courthouses in Kentucky and the state capitol grounds in Texas, arguing that both were improper entanglements of government and religion. Though most of the court's conservatives voted to uphold the more benign Texas monument, O'Connor balked, saying such symbols are "more divisive than helpful."

The separation of church and state has "kept religion a matter for the individual conscience, not for the prosecutor or bureaucrat," O'Connor said. "At a time when we see around the world the violent consequences of the assumption of religious authority by government, Americans may count themselves fortunate. Our regard for constitutional boundaries has protected us from similar travails, while allowing private religious exercise to flourish."

Decisions by the high court's first woman

Here is how Sandra Day O'Connor ruled on notable Supreme Court decisions.

Year	Case	Decision
June, 1989	Texas v. Johnson	Dissepts on two decisions
1989, 1990	Cornelius v. Buhler	Dissepts on two decisions
December, 2000	Bush v. Gore	Dissepts on two decisions
June, 2003	Grutter v. Bollinger	Dissepts on two decisions
December, 2003	McConnell v. FEC	Dissepts on two decisions
2004	Washington v. Glucksberg	Dissepts on two decisions
June, 2005	Simmons	Dissepts on ruling
2005	Roper v. Simmons	Dissepts on ruling

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — In her best-selling memoir about growing up on a dusty cattle ranch in Arizona, Sandra Day O'Connor said that her childhood had endowed her with three pivotal values: openness, independence and generosity.

If you had to sum up O'Connor's 24-year tenure on the Supreme Court — first woman justice, key defender of every major social controversy for a quarter century, confounder of both the far right wing and the nation's most liberal elements, the public eye of the high court to millions at home and abroad — you wouldn't need to look further than those three words. O'Connor's hard-scabble upbringing on the Lazy B ranch is the perfect prism through which to view her work as one of the nation's most important jurists. Practical and deliberate. Tough but moderate — and willing to change her mind. Hard working and independent, but mindful of the barriers that hinder some Americans' progress.

O'Connor embodies the kind of conservatism that inspired by Ronald Reagan, who the president who nominated her to the court, and Barry Goldwater, the senator from her native Arizona who pioneered a revolution in libertarian thought. But she has shied from the more shrill conservatism of the modern Republican Party, allowing her from some of its current leaders.

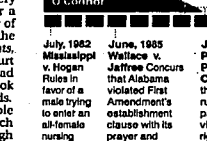
"We're very fortunate that she was the first woman to serve on the court because she brought an absolutely independent voice, strong minded and strong willed," said Marcel Goldberg, a professor emeritus at Benjamin Cardozo School of Law at Yeshiva University and a clerk for O'Connor during her 1989-90 term. "She has her own internal moral compass, and she's not sitting around waiting to see what everyone else thinks before she makes up her mind. That's how she works up in the center of the court. We laugh about it because she is now called liberal. But that's not who she is."

Then, the court was dominated by Democratic appointees, and it tilted toward the expansive federal power and progressive legislation that had flowered in the past three decades.

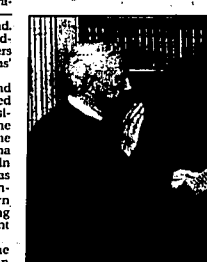
O'Connor was Reagan's first appointee, fulfilling a promise he'd made during his campaign to appoint the first woman on the court, and she was expected to provide an important conservative counterbalance.

The deal that most notably by joining William Rehnquist and other conservatives in championing a more delicate balance between the restraint of a federal government and the rights of the states.

By the early 1990s, with a Republican majority on the Court, O'Connor became the most powerful voice in landmark decisions that formed the contours of the Rehnquist court's legacy. Federalism or the idea that the questions should be left to states, is now a fundamental part of the court's legacy. In a



Sandra Day O'Connor



Sandra Day O'Connor is sworn in as an Associate Justice by Chief Justice Warren Burger at the Supreme Court in Washington, D.C., Sept. 25, 1981.

1992 opinion, in a case about Congress requiring states to provide for disposal of radioactive waste, O'Connor made the issue clear.

"The constitutional question is as old as the Constitution: It consists of discerning the proper division of authority between the Federal Government and the States," O'Connor wrote for the majority in *New York v. United States*.

In another case about whether a Virginia death-rumor inmate could raise claims—including one of innocence—in federal court after having been dismissed in state court, O'Connor was just as blunt.

"This case is about federalism," she wrote in the opening line of her opinion. "This Court will not review a question of federal law decided by a state court when the state law ground that is independent of the federal question and adequate to support the judgment."

O'Connor also helped the court pare back the reach of some federal gun laws and congressional legislation aimed at helping battered women. She has been instrumental in Rehnquist-led efforts to limit federal review of search-and-seizure requirements during traffic stops and the ways in which death-row defendants can challenge their sentences.

But as tough as O'Connor can be on federalism questions, she also has shown a penchant for compassion and sympathy

on many social issues—and a tendency to soften some positions over time. Her social pragmatism has put her at odds with other justices and conservative politicians who favor a more ideologically airtight.

In a 1986 case of the landmark abortion case *Roe v. Wade*, for example, O'Connor eventually turned away attempts to overturn it. Instead, she has pushed for—and won—court rulings that call for permissible restrictions that are judged by whether they impose "undue burdens" on women seeking abortions.

In the 1989 case, *Webster v. Reproductive Health Services*, O'Connor voted to uphold a Missouri provision that prevented public employees from performing abortions, but she insisted that *Roe* was law and shouldn't be revisited.

By 1992, her view was carrying the day. In *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, the majority opinion in that case made it clear that the right abortion wouldn't be threatened soon by the court.

"Liberty finds no refuge in a jurisprudence of doubt," O'Connor wrote. "In 18 years after our holding that the Constitution protects a woman's right to terminate her pregnancy in the early stages, that definition of liberty is still questioned.... The essential holding of *Roe v. Wade* should be retained and once again reaffirmed."

Similarly, O'Connor has refined her position on

Department: No discrimination in Ohio voting machines

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The Department of Justice says it has no evidence of discrimination in the distribution of voting machines in two Ohio counties in the 2004 presidential election.

The department began investigating after voters complained of long voting lines and alleged discrimination in Franklin and Knox counties. Investigators wanted to determine if elections officials had intentionally skewed the placement of machines to favor Republicans.

The Justice Department said, however, the distribution in Franklin County narrowly favored Democrats. In Knox County, turnout in predominantly black precincts was lower than in

white ones, machines in those districts averaged fewer votes, according to a report released Wednesday.

An unanticipated 76 percent turnout — with many first-time voters contributing to that — along lines in the Xenon College precinct in Knox County — with some people forced to wait until 4 a.m. to vote on just two available machines, officials found.

Distribution of voting machines is determined by county boards of elections, made up of two Democrats, two Republi-

cans and two nonvoting members.

Franklin County, which includes Columbus, had 2,904 machines on hand for 535,575 people who showed up to vote. In Knox County, by contrast, the number of registered voters more than doubled to 1,607 between March and November of 2004. But by the time those numbers were available, the

Knox County board already had decided on the distribution of voting machines.

The election turned on Ohio's 20 electoral college votes, and not until preliminary results were available early in the Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry conceded. President Bush defeated Kerry earlier but lost 118,000 votes in the state.

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YOUR WEEKEND

Fun in Buhl

• What: Buhl celebrates Sagebrush Days today, Sunday and Monday.

• Where: Sites in and around Buhl. Monday's parade starts on Burley Avenue down Main Street and turns right onto Broadway, right on Fair Street, then right on Sprague passing in front of the Snake River Rehabilitation and Living Center. The procession will continue on Sprague for two blocks, then turn right on Miller proceeding to Burley Avenue and dispersing at the rodeo grounds.

• When: *Today*, Crystal Springs fishing derby, 9 a.m.; Chamber of Commerce fish fry, West End Senior Center, 11:30 a.m.; West End Senior Center dinner, bingo and auction, 6 p.m. *Sunday*, Rosalie Sorrels concert, McClusky Park. *Monday*, Kiwanis Day Pancake Breakfast, West End Senior Center, 7 a.m.; parade, 10:30 a.m.; fish scramble, McClusky Park, 1 p.m.; firehose competition, McClusky Park, 2 p.m.; Troy David Memorial Bull riding competition and lawn mower race, Buhl Rodeo Arena, 7 p.m.; anvil drop and fireworks display, Popplewell Elementary School lawn, 9:45 p.m.

• How much: Most events are free. Today's Chamber fish fry is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under; tonight's West End Senior Center dinner, bingo and auction is \$6 per person and that covers the dinner and two bingo cards. Monday's Kiwanis breakfast is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 6 to 12. Children 5 and under eat free.

A week of the Fourth

• What: Rupert's Fourth of July celebration continues today, Sunday and Monday.

• Where: Rupert Square and the Minidoka County Fairgrounds. Monday's parade will travel down Sixth Street, east on 14th to Rupert Square, around the square and north on F Street to Fifth Street, and west on Eighth to Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

• When: *Today*, Fourth of July cocktail, Rupert Square, 2 p.m.; "Sounds of Freedom" entertainment, Rupert Square, 6 p.m.; Second go-round, Rupert Fourth of July Rodeo, 8 p.m. *Sunday*, "Sounds of Freedom" entertainment, Rupert Square, 6 p.m.; patriotic program, Rupert Square, 7 p.m. *Monday*, parade, 11 a.m.

• How much: Most events are free. Rodeo tickets are \$6 for grandstand reserved seating, \$4 for general admission at the rodeo and \$15 for a family pass. Tickets are available at Rocky Mountain Real-Estate Brokerage or call 431-4584.

High-country hoo-down

• What: Halley celebrates Day of the Old West today, Sunday and Monday.

• Where: Main Street, Hop Porter Park and Halley Rodeo Grounds. Monday's Mile-Long Parade starts at the corner of Main and Myrtle streets on Halley's north end and runs southeast on Main to Cedar Street on the south side of town.

• When: *Today*, Sawtooth Rangers Riding Club Rodeo, Halley Rodeo Grounds, 7 p.m. *Sunday*, Sawtooth Rangers Riding Club Rodeo, Halley Rodeo Grounds, 7 p.m. *Monday*, Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast, Halley Grange Hall, 8 a.m.; Old Frontier Gang "Shooting with a Shotgun," Intersection of Main and Crox streets, 11:30 a.m.; Mile-Long Parade, noon a.m.; Mile-Long Parade, noon a.m.; Burton Barbecue, Hop Porter Park, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; fireworks in Quigley Canyon, east of Halley, about 10:20 p.m.

• How much: Most events are free. Rodeo tickets \$17 for reserved tickets, \$12 for general admission. \$5 for kids tickets to the Burton Barbecue are \$9 for adults, \$6 for seniors and kids under 12.

Rocket's red glare

• What: The Twin Falls fireworks display will be held Monday night.

• Where: College of Southern Idaho campus.

• When: 10 p.m.

• How much: It's free.

T.F. fireworks show must go on

Group meets fund-raising goal with cash left over for next year

By William Adams
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Southern Idaho Fireworks is planning ahead. At least another year. The nonprofit group has collected just over \$26,000, with many pledges yet to come. The amount gives the group at least

an \$8,000 head start on next year's show, said Olivia Rowe, executive officer of the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors and their Affiliates.

The \$26,000 includes \$5,000 in city funds, but does not include any other city money. "We're trying to pull this off without any additional money

from the city," she said. On Friday, Rowe said, "I'm opening mail as we speak. I'm still receiving money."

"We'll have at least the \$15,000 show. This won't be the least expensive show it will be a good show, but won't be like last year."

One benefit from this year's experience is that "people have realized a fairy doesn't wave a magic wand," Rowe said. People have stepped up to volunteer and told her "this is such a tradition

for our family." Choreographed music will be broadcast by Mix 103 FM to correspond with the fireworks show.

In addition to the music, Lynn Schneiderman of Buhl will bring his nearly 8-foot-tall model of the Statue of Liberty, it stands on a pedestal, which increases its overall height to between 11 and 12 feet, Schneiderman said.

The statue also is equipped with a propane jet that shoots

flames through the torch.

The Fourth of July celebration will kick off at 6 p.m. near the College of Southern Idaho Student Union Building with food concessions, followed at 8 p.m. by the Twin Falls Municipal Band performing a patriotic concert and will conclude with the fireworks display.

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IT'S A DOG'S LIFE

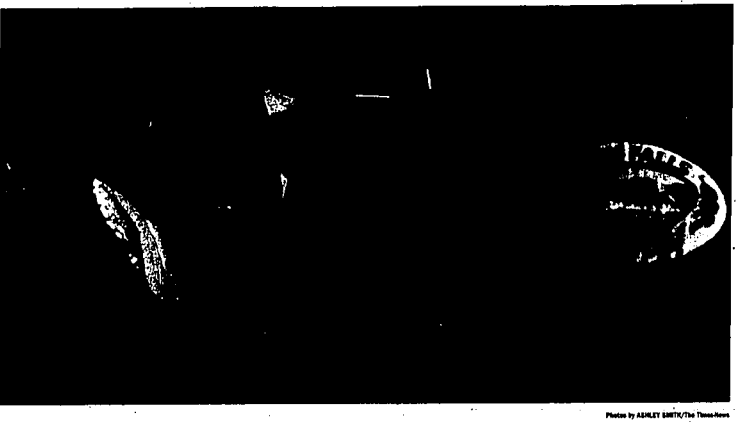


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Carlo, a 5-year-old Belgian Malinois with the Twin Falls Police Department, keeps a watchful eye on the road as K-9 officer Rick Van Vooren approaches an accident scene Wednesday evening in Twin Falls. "Dogs are a lot of fun," Van Vooren says. "They're like having a partner, but are happy with whatever we do."

Some police officers have a best friend in their partner

By William Adams
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sometimes you get lucky and get to work with your best friend every day.

Twin Falls Police Department K-9 handler Rick Van Vooren, 37, has spent two years doing just that with his dog Carlo, a Belgian Malinois.

"Carlo is more than just a dog. He's part of the family, but not. We don't play tag-of-war in the house," he said. "Everyone realizes he's a tool of the department."

A Belgian Malinois usually is compared with the German shepherd; however, there are many important differences. The Malinois are usually brown with black faces and differ in body structure and temperament.

Van Vooren says they are more dependent than shepherds. Sleeker and more high-strung, Carlo has the characteristics of a Labrador puppy and the attention span of a 4-year-old child. "He's wound up. Reminds me of someone on crank," he said. "He's hyper-aware of his surroundings."

Police departments use these dogs for their "controlled aggression," Van Vooren said. "We take and mold that to be applicable for our job."

The dogs in Twin Falls were

brought in from Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, and were originally trained as bomb-sniffing dogs.

They are retained here as drug-sniffing dogs and are used heavily in patrol work. Van Vooren said, which means they assist in searches for missing people, suspects trying to elude officers and in protection work.

Before dogs begin working, they undergo hundreds of hours of training with K-9 handler and dog trainer Tim Green of the Twin Falls Police Department.

Van Vooren said "they come to the department knowing basic commands, but are taught the intricacies of working patrol. The dogs spend considerable time with their handler getting to know them and getting used to their commands and demeanor."

Van Vooren, no stranger to working with dogs, began working as a dog handler for the Idaho Department of Corrections maintaining the health and training of up to 53 dogs. It was like having 53 kids, he said. "It's a lot of work, and he may tell, corrections, dogs are used as sentries and work shifts and have time off just like regular employees."

Van Vooren also is no stranger to the receiving end of a dog bite. He still bears the scar. Ask him about it, and he may tell.

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Twin Falls Police Officer Rick Van Vooren fields a telephone call while his dog, Carlo, stands next to him.

K-9 safety

On Wednesday, a Belgian Malinois owned by the Ada County Sheriff's Department escaped from his handler's yard and attacked a 12-year-old boy. Rick Van Vooren of the Twin Falls Police Department K-9 unit addressed the safety procedures followed by his department. The public is not allowed to interact with police dogs, Van Vooren said. By policy, he's responsible for everything that happens. "They're animals, you have to deal with that," he said. "You have to be constantly aware of

who's around trying to pet him." If the dogs don't like large crowds, for instance, they have to be kept muzzled and away from people, Van Vooren said. "You have to know your dog." As far as his dog, Carlo, escaping from his house, he said, "I highly doubt Carlo could get out of his kennel. Even if he could, he would then have to get out of the back yard, and I've taken every precaution to keep him in." As a general rule, "police dog attacks are few," Van Vooren said.

Local K-9 teams take honors during training

By William Adams
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Law enforcement K-9 teams descended on a mass of fang and fur for a week of training and competition from June 6 through 11 in Coeur d'Alene.

The Kootenai County Sheriff's Department sponsored the Idaho Police Canine Association training, which included some 74 teams primarily from Idaho with trainers from Florida, Alabama and Idaho, said Officer Rick Van Vooren of the Twin Falls Police Department.

K-9 officers met to learn, share ideas and train in new and improved techniques. "Training went from sun up to sun down," said Trooper Jerod Sweesy of the Idaho State Police. "It was very extensive."

What did officers learn? "We learned why the dog

does certain things and how to redirect what the dog's doing into something positive," Van Vooren said.

In the dog behavior and psychology courses, officers learned that "they're so much like human beings, they have fears just like people do," Van Vooren said. "What is his dog, Carlo, afraid of?"

"He doesn't like to swim. He'll do it, but he doesn't like it."

Training occupied most of the week. Disc or competition between K-9 teams began June 10, Van Vooren said.

Friday trials were closed to the public to prevent distractions while officers took their canine partners through building and drug searches.

On Saturday trials were open to the public and included agility, obedience and protection. Protection trials involved the

dog chasing a "bad guy" while obeying the handler's commands. These trials gave opportunity to "see the dog's controlled aggression," Van Vooren said.

Local participants in this year's event included officers Tim Green and Rick Van Vooren of the Twin Falls Police Department, Deputy Morgan Case of the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Office, and Trooper Jerod Sweesy of the Idaho State Police.

The trials were split into two divisions: novice and open. The novice division is reserved for dogs competing for the first time.

The open division is for dogs competing in their second and subsequent competitions. Local results are as follows: Green and his dog, Bleck, took 1st place in agility and building search, both in the

novice division. Van Vooren and his dog, Carlo, took 2nd place in building search and obedience and 3rd place in protection, all in the novice division.

Case and his dog, Kroib, brought home four awards — 4th place in agility, 5th place in narcotics detection, 3rd place in overall top dog and 2nd place in fast dog, all in the open division. Sweesy and his dog, Holly, grabbed three awards — 4th place in narcotics detection, 4th place in obedience and 2nd place in agility, all in the open division.

Complete results of this year's competition can be found at: www.idahopolicek9.org/results.html.

To prepare for next year's competition, local teams will compete in interim competitions as departmental budgets allow, Van Vooren said.

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Commission OKs wind project sales

BOISE — The Idaho Public Utilities Commission has approved two energy sales agreements for the Idaho Power Co. and two wind power projects in the Burley area.

Montana-based Energy Development Group is the developer of both projects. Burley Wind Park and Golden Valley Wind Park. Both projects include seven 1.5-megawatt wind turbines.

The projects qualify as small power production facilities eligible for rates set by the commission under a federal act that encourages the development of renewable energy technologies as alternatives to

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burning fossil fuels or constructing new power plants and requires that electric utilities offer to buy power produced by small power producers. The rate to be paid to project developers is to be equal to the cost of the electric utility avoids if it would have had to generate the power itself or buy it from another source.

Under normal conditions, the projects will not generate more than 10 average megawatts per month. If energy in excess of that amount is generated, Idaho Power proposes

to accept the energy, but will not pay for it.

Interested parties may petition the commission for reconsideration by no later than July 22.

No more Saturday night barn dances

JEROME — The Saturday night dances at the old Spangbauer Barn in Jerome County are a thing of the past, says the woman who was helping organize them.

The Spangbauer family has sold the property where the old stone barn sits, and the new owner doesn't want to continue

the dances, Carin Hosack said. The dances resumed this spring after a two-year absence.

Raft River makes Fourth of July plans

RAFT RIVER — A community celebration in Raft River has been set for 6 p.m. July 4 at the Lynn Steadman residence.

Those attending should bring a picnic dinner or salad to share. Meat and drink will be provided. The event will include a live band, fishing and a water-slide. Fireworks will be after dark.

— compiled from staff reports

Academy teaches youths how to be chefs

By Jennifer Liebrum
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — When Joyce Pratt summoned her students to "get our coats on," she wasn't protecting them from inclement weather or a chemical experiment. She was teaching a science.

"Today, you are going to make a cake and you will practice decorating it," the Culinary Arts Academy teacher said during a recent session at Wood River High School. "I'm grading it. I want to see some expertise. Now, let's get our coats on."

Cake baking may seem like some back to the days of home economics at a Betty Crocker, but this isn't your mama's homemaking class.

"We prefer to say we are teaching them life skills," Pratt said recently, herself a fashion merchandising expert with a degree in family and consumer science and a minor in life science.

The academy, one of several specialized education programs offered by the high school to help students choose careers, is only two years old, but already has trained winners.

Several Culinary Arts chefs have earned a chance to compete in a national culinary cook-off this week in California.

The honor caps a year of wins for the program's students, who took second at the College of Southern Idaho Culinary competition in February and three golds at Boise State University's Culinary Competition in April.

Three students and Pratt are at the National Family, Career and Community Leaders of America's Leadership confer-

ence and culinary arts competition today through Wednesday in San Diego, where they will seek a national title.

Such wins are the gravy of participating in the Culinary Arts Academy, but the aim of the academy — which includes architectural and mechanical design, business and finance, information technology, Jim Woodruff residential construction, performing arts and teaching — is to help students learn a trade and perhaps identify a direction that otherwise might not be explored.

"I had a student who dropped out," Pratt said. "At first I was discouraged, but then I realized that that is what the academy is all about, finding out if this is your area of interest."

In her 15 years of teaching, Pratt said she was distressed to find that life skills such as cooking had fallen by the wayside.

"Even if they don't choose a career in food, it gives them a tangible skill," she said. "For those who do continue, the business world will be able to see that they are prepared."

In addition to cooking, students learn all aspects of food service, from sanitation to preparation, how to operate on a budget and the many ways the skills can apply in the real world.

"People hear cooking and they think chef," but there are jobs as hospital nutritionists, writing cookbooks, food photography and being a private chef," Pratt explained. "It attracts kids of all the possibilities."

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Villaraigosa takes control of L.A. City Hall

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Antonio Villaraigosa formally took the oath of office Friday as the city's 41st mayor, promising to bring a new era of prosperity and unity to a city troubled by gang crime, choking traffic and failing schools.

The son of a Mexican immigrant who escaped a troubled youth, Villaraigosa becomes the first Hispanic to hold the office since 1872. In an outdoor ceremony on the steps of City Hall, he spoke of a city with many troubles, but also great potential.

"Let's dare to dream," he told a cheering crowd of thousands that included former Vice President Al Gore and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.



Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa smiles while sitting next to his wife, Corina, and California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger at the inauguration at Los Angeles City Hall on Friday.

Despite the city's affluence, "too many parents fear for their children's safety," too many families are swimming against the tide of a declining quality of life," Villaraigosa said. "We stand proud Hispanic to hold the office of immense possibility and, if we fail to act, a future of profound uncertainty."

Villaraigosa, 52, was elected with 59 percent of the vote last month, averaging a 2001 loss to Mayor James Hahn, a fellow Democrat who was weakened by an ongoing corruption probe at City Hall. A former Assembly speaker and city councilman, Villaraigosa stitched together a

coalition of Hispanics, blacks and liberal-to-moderate whites to win a four-year term.

Cathy McCrawsey, 47, a partner-maker for the fashion industry, said Villaraigosa inspired her to go to the polls for the first time.

"I felt he really cared about the city, he seemed really passionate about Los Angeles," she said at the ceremony.

The new mayor's status was confirmed by the guest list. He was seated beside Gore, and those on the podium also included Cardinal Roger Mahony

and the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

The ceremony also attracted an overflow crowd of politicians from six continents, including former California Gov. Gray Davis, Pete Wilson and Jerry Brown, now mayor of Oakland, and former U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

Villaraigosa's election is "new evidence of how well Mexican-American communities have integrated into their new country," said Mexican ambassador Carlos de la Cruz. "He will build bridges of understanding and friendship."

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supply cost that is eventually recovered — from customers. Customers will be allocated negatively the company's costs, because they will be reimbursing Idaho Power for costs at the higher rate of about \$60 per megawatt hour.

Idaho Power also alleges the higher rate paid to small developers is affecting the company's bid process for wind from large-scale projects.

The company claims that large-scale developers are reconfiguring their projects into several smaller projects to qualify for better rates.

Wind developers, responding to Idaho Power's application, claim the commission does not have authority to suspend an electric utility's purchase obligations under the federal act and that developers will be economically harmed because of the substantial investments al-

ready made.

The developers also maintain that the company had the opportunity to address concerns such as the impact of intermittent wind on the company's grid during the case that concluded in November.

Idaho Power seeks a moratorium on buying from small-scale wind projects to allow time for an independent study to assess the total amount of additional wind resources

the company can absorb without negatively affecting its overall power supply costs and grid reliability.

Parties seeking to intervene in the case must file a petition with the commission by July 15. Parties also must file their direct testimony and exhibits by that date.

The commission will hear oral arguments at 9:30 a.m. July 22 in the commission hearing room in Boise.

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but chances are he won't show. The Twin Falls Police Department has three dog handlers and their charges: officers Rick Van Vooren with his Belgian Malinois, Tim Green with his black shepherd and Jason Farr with his German shepherd.

K-9 handlers receive no extra compensation; however, they get a half-hour on each shift to take the dog's kennel, groom the dog and do other maintenance activities, and the city pays for the dog's food.

In spite of no extra compensation, Van Vooren says, "dogs are a lot of fun. They're like having a partner, but are happy with whatever we do."

The dogs continue to work as long as they are able. Van Vooren said, which depends on the dog. In the patrol car, a bench is set up in the back seat specifically

for the dog, but the bumps and jolts affect their hips and take a toll on them.

Once retired, the dog goes back to the handler and becomes a pet.

Van Vooren has never seen a case in which the handler didn't want the dog after the dog's retirement.

Eventually Van Vooren would like to become a supervisor, but for now, "I'm still young enough I want to go chase bad guys," he said.

He's got a partner that feels the same way.

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Groups fighting decision that favors power plant

HELENA (AP) — A lawsuit challenging a proposed central Montana power plant as a pollution threat to Yellowstone National Park will be returned to U.S. District Court for a hearing. That court was wrong to dismiss the case filed by several environmental groups, the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., ruled Friday. The district court incorrectly found the groups lacked standing to file the case, the appellate court said.

The National Parks Conservation Association, the Greater Yellowstone Coalition and The Wilderness Society say the coal-fired power plant proposed for the Roundup area would cause air pollution in the park.

The groups say Assistant Interior Secretary Carl Manson approved of the plant despite Yellowstone National Park's identification in 2002 by the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. When the groups challenged Manson's ap-

proval, the federal District Court dismissed the case without holding a hearing on its merits. The Interior Department's decision did not clear the way for the power plant. The final decision rests with the state.

In the 2003 lawsuit, the environmental groups said the Interior Department violated emissions from the Roundup Power Co. plant would affect visibility in Yellowstone National Park and at Montana's Ul. Bend Wilderness Area, then withdrew the finding improperly. A finding of adverse impact such as that would prevent the state from issuing a permit without the plant's emissions being cut, the groups said. The power plant is 112 miles northeast of Yellowstone. The wilderness area is in the Upper Missouri River Breaks region, south of the Snake River. Boise-based lawyer for the American Civil Liberties Union, which in April joined with Planned Parenthood, to try and

Judge bars Idaho from enforcing abortion law

BOISE (AP) — A federal judge on Friday forbade the state from enforcing a new law requiring a minor to get parental consent for an abortion, ruling elements of the measure passed by the 2005 Legislature could have a "chilling effect" on legal abortions.

U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill issued a preliminary injunction against a law that sought to prevent teens under 18 from getting an abortion unless they had written consent from their parents or a court waver.

The decision is a blow to efforts by an Idaho Legislature dominated by social conservatives to require parents to be informed when minors have abortions.

Winmill wrote in his 26-page ruling that the law puts an undue burden on a minor's constitutional right to an abortion.

"We are troubled with today's decision," said Marty Duran, a Boise-based lawyer for the American Civil Liberties Union, which in April joined with Planned Parenthood, to try and

overturn the law. "One can only hope that the Legislature will take the hint and stop passing laws that jeopardize young women's health and safety."

Last July, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, based in San Francisco, ruled that a previous Idaho parental-consent law passed in 2000 failed to provide sufficient access to an abortion for medical reasons.

That court objected to provisions limiting medical emergency abortions to "sudden and unexpected" instances of physical complications.

The new Idaho law was meant to replace that one.

With Friday's victory, the ACLU and Planned Parenthood now plan to ask for a permanent injunction, Duran said. Jeremy Chou, a deputy attorney general who argued the case for the state, wouldn't rule out an appeal of Winmill's decision. "They scored in the first inning," Chou said. "The next time around, we'll see. It's not the entire game. According to Winmill's ruling,

provisions of the law that allowed bypass of parental-consent requirements would have led court-appointed guardians to report consensual sex between unmarried persons — the cause of most minor pregnancies in Idaho — to law-enforcement agents.

Such "fornication" — even between consenting adults — is a crime in Idaho punishable by up to 6 months in jail, and it's been enforced in the state in the last year.

A bypass process that requires the minor to sell-out her close-in-age boyfriend for a bypass is neither adequate nor completed with anonymity," Winmill wrote, adding that a girl, faced with being forced to inform abusive parents or switching on her boyfriend to obtain an abortion, "will most likely choose neither."

Rep. Bill Sali, R-Kuna, an abortion foe who sponsored last session's bill, said in an interview that he'd hoped this latest law would pass constitutional, muster Winmill's rejection was a disappointment, he said.

"Going to court and having Planned Parenthood win is painful to me," Sali said. "At the end of the day, what we have right now, in the state of Idaho, because of Judge Winmill's decision, is no protection for the rights of parents to be involved in their young daughters' lives when it comes to abortion."

At least 33 states have parental consent or parental notification laws.

The problem with Idaho's, said Rebecca Poedy, president of Planned Parenthood in Idaho, is it doesn't give young girls who don't want to tell their mother or father recourse with the courts in a way that guarantees parents won't find out.

"Idaho could pass a parental consent law that is constitutional," Poedy said. "But Idaho wants to have one of the most restrictive parental-consent laws on the books."

Mike Jurnace, an aide to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, who signed the law April 14, said Winmill's decision takes the state "back to square one."

Western smokejumpers enjoy a change of pace

LINDEN, N.J. (AP) — When your regular job involves parachuting into burning forests and climbing a 60-foot silver maple behind a lawyer's office in search of beetles is a nice change of pace.

"It's definitely a good gig and needs to be done," said Sarah Altemus, one of 11 smokejumpers from several Western states who have been sent to New Jersey to help inspect for the Asian longhorn beetle, a pest destroying trees in three states.

The firefighters' rope skills make them a valuable asset in the beetle battle.

In return for 12-hour days hanging themselves in the leafy canopies, Altemus and her colleagues get overtime, \$30 a day for meals, and lodging. If the weather cooperates, they will have only two days off during a 30-day hitch that began June 22.

Like the Western forest fire season not yet in full swing, the U.S. Forest Service was able to spare some of the nation's 450 smokejumpers for beetle patrol in the East. Without their firefighters' climbing talents, tree surveys would have to check trees from the ground or from bucket trucks.

The firefighters look for the

beetles, their eggs or the telltale dime-size exit holes of the adult. Beetles and eggs are then cut down along with some of their neighbors. Oaks and other species that the beetles avoid are spared. Other trees nearby are treated with insecticide.

Host trees — mostly maples, ashes, birches, elms and London planes — must be removed because the beetles tunnel into them and lay eggs in their bark with the young insects then consuming the trees from the inside before emerging as adults. Insecticide is useless once the eggs hatch.

Smokejumpers operate from seven bases in the West and Alaska and are the shock troops of firefighters. Dropped from planes, they use hand tools to dig trenches and clear potential fire to keep small fires from becoming big ones.

The firefighters' urban beetle patrol in New York City in 1998 and have taken place every year since.

The park-dotted, downtown area for their assignment at tenure first appeared in the East in Brooklyn in 1996 — perhaps in the wood of a shipping crate from China and have since shown up in New York's Central Park and in Illinois.

Man who died on river may have had heart attack

SALMON (AP) — A 51-year-old New Mexico man who died this week on the Salmon River may have succumbed to a heart attack, Lemhi County officials said.

Lemhi County Sheriff's Deputy Mike Mitchell said Sheriff Steve Kutz was on a guided Middle Fork trip with his wife and two daughters Wednesday when the group reached the last rapids of a six-day trip.

Kurtz and his wife fell out of their raft into the Cramer Creek

rapids. Both were rescued and Mitchell said witnesses reported Kutz was breathing and talking when he was pulled into the raft.

But soon afterward, he stopped breathing. At the scene, but taken to emergency crews tried for more than an hour to resuscitate him.

"They were five minutes from the end of a great trip when all this happened," said Mitchell, who also serves as the county coroner.

Utah high court sides with residents in Wal-Mart fight

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Utah Supreme Court ruled Friday in favor of Sandy residents trying to override a City Council decision that allowed Wal-Mart to locate there.

The court determined the Sandy recorder improperly discredited a petition calling the issue for a referendum and ordering city access.

A group of residents calling themselves Save our Communities had submitted the petition, with more than 10 percent of voting residents' signatures, but the city declared it invalid under a rule that requires more signatures on "land use law."

The court determined the zoning rule didn't fit the Legislature's intent of such a law.

"All acts taken by a city council in a city organized pursuant to the council-mayor form of government are necessarily legislative and subject to referendum," Justice Matthew Durant wrote in the opinion.

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CHEERS & JEERS

Buzz Langdon Center spruces up for visitors

CHEERS: To the upgraded waterline project at the Buzz Langdon Visitor Center. Tourists who drop by the Buzz are undoubtedly delighted by the views. But if you have to take a bathroom break, the aromas aren't as inviting. The problem was with the old well system at the visitor center. Restrooms would often run short of water with frequent use. Backed up bathrooms are a common when large tour groups are dropped by. That will change now that the Buzz is hooked into the city water system. The work was finished in a day, thanks to generous funding from Canyon Park Project owner Craig Neilson.

Sounds like a good plan. And if Saydel makes the playoffs, Idaho should send a couple gallons of fry sauce.

JEERS: To the continuing syphilis outbreak in southern Idaho. The outbreak that started in 2003 has yet to let up and even worse, is hitting younger victims in the area. The Southwest District Health Department has found 104 cases since 2003.



Cheers and Jeers is a light-hearted weekly peek at compliments and critiques from the well-read. Do you see an individual, group or organization worthy of some praise? Is it a job of healthy criticism warranted? Send your suggestion for a cheer or a jeer to The Times-News at dcooper@timesnews.com and we'll be happy to throw it into the mix for our weekly feature.

Those cases have primarily been in Canyon and Ada counties, but scattered cases have appeared in Lincoln County and Twin Falls County.

Seven babies have been born with the disease in the district since 2003, enough of a bump to make Idaho the state with the sixth-highest rate of congenital syphilis in the nation.

JEERS: To Ada County Sheriff's Department and the county jail, for a series of blunders that enabled the escape of Brian James Hale. Hale was being held in Ada County for a number of offenses, most notably a charge of attempted murder and three charges of aggravated assault on Boise police officers. He is also suspected of additional crimes in Twin Falls. But in a bizarre turn of events, on June 18, Hale managed to escape jail due to a series of fall staff errors and faulty lock mechanism in the jail. Hale was eventually apprehended in Uinta County, Wyoming after a 90-minute chase with law enforcement. But when the Ada County jail can't keep one of its most dangerous criminals, who flees across the state, few of us can feel safe.

CHEERS: To the Albion kite festival, and efforts to restore the Albion State Normal School. Last week's kite activity was organized by the Albion Campus Foundation, a group that's raising funds to restore the landmark piece of southern Idaho history. The kite festival is the first of a series of events scheduled to raise money and generate interest in both the campus and the work of the foundation.

A number of groups have already raised enough money to begin roofing work on two of the Normal School buildings.

JEERS: To Bill Bacon, attorney for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe, for holding firm on opposition to the Nez Perce water agreement.

This week the Idaho Supreme Court turned down the Sho-Bans' attempt to delay the water deal, saying the tribe had no standing on the case, and turned it over to the 5th District Court of Idaho.

Bacon didn't budge, however. "I can tie this thing up at district court for another five to 10 years and then we go to the Idaho Supreme Court ... and then we can go on to the U.S. Supreme Court."



Irish eyes are rich and smiling

DUBLIN, Ireland—Here's something you probably didn't know: Ireland today is the richest country in the European Union after Luxembourg.

Yes, the country that for hundreds of years was best known for emigration, tragic poeas, famines, civil wars and leprochures today has a per capita GDP higher than that of Germany, France and Britain. How Ireland went from the sick man of Europe to the rich man is less than a generation is an amazing story. It tells you a lot about Europe today; the innovation is happening on the periphery by those countries embracing globalization in their own ways — Ireland, Britain, Scandinavia and Eastern Europe — while those following the French-German social model are suffering high unemployment and low growth.

Ireland's turnaround began in the late 1960s when the government made secondary education free, enabling a lot more working-class kids to get a high school or technical degree.

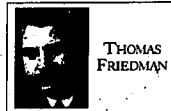
As a result, when Ireland joined the EU in 1973, it was able to draw on a much more educated workforce.

By the mid-1980s, though, Ireland had reaped the initial benefits of EU membership—subsidies to build better infrastructure and a big market to sell.

But it still did not have enough competitive products to sell, because of years of protectionism and fiscal mismanagement. The country was going broke, and most college grads were emigrating.

We went on a borrowing, spending and taxing spree, and that nearly drove us under," said Deputy Prime Minister Mary Harney. "It was because we nearly went under that we got the courage to change."

And change Ireland did. In a



THOMAS FRIEDMAN

quite unusual development, the government, the main trade unions, farmers and industrialists came together and agreed on a program of fiscal austerity, slashing corporate taxes to 12.5 percent, far below the rest of Europe, moderating wages and prices, and aggressively courting foreign investment. In 1986, Ireland made college education basically free, creating an even more educated work force.

The results have been phenomenal. Today, 9 out of 10 of the world's top pharmaceutical companies have operations here, as do 16 of the top 20 medical device companies and 7 out of the top 10 software designers.

Last year, Ireland got more foreign direct investment from America than from China. And overall government tax receipts went up.

We set up in Ireland in 1994, explained Dell founder Dell Computer, explained to me via e-mail. "What attracted us? (A) well-educated work force — and good universities close by. (Also) Ireland has an industrial and tax policy which is consistently very supportive of businesses, independent of which political party is in power."

I believe this is because there are enough people who remember the very bad times to de-politicize economic development. (Ireland) also has very good transportation and logistics and a good location — easy to move products to major markets in Europe quickly."

Finally, added Dell, "they're competitive, want to succeed,

hungry and know how to win. Our factory is in Limerick, but we also have several thousand sales and technical people outside of Dublin. The talent in Ireland has proven to be a wonderful resource for us. Fun fact: We are Ireland's largest employer."

Intel opened its first chip factory in Ireland in 1993. James Jarrett, a vice president, said Intel was attracted by Ireland's large pool of young, educated men and women. Low corporate taxes and other incentives that saved Intel roughly a billion dollars over 10 years.

National health care didn't hurt, either. "We have 4,700 employees there now in four factories, and we are even doing some high-end chip designing in Shannon with Irish engineers," Jarrett said. In 1990, Ireland's total work force was 1.1 million. This year it hit two million, with no unemployment and 200,000 foreign workers (including 50,000 Chinese). Others are taking notes. Prime Minister Bertie Ahern said: "I've met the premier of China five times in the last two years."

Ireland's advice is very simple: Make high school and college education free; make your corporate taxes low, simple and transparent; actively seek out global companies; open your economy to competition; speak English; keep your fiscal house in order; and build a consensus around the whole package with labor and management — then hang in there because there will be bumps in the road — and you, too, can become one of the richest countries in Europe.

"It wasn't a miracle, we didn't find gold," said Mary Harney. "It was the right domestic policies and embracing globalization."

Thomas Friedman is a columnist for The New York Times.

LETTERS

Helpful folks in Shoshone are much appreciated

This is an open letter to the residents of Shoshone. On Father's Day, June 19, my wife and I took some young people up to Luthran Camp Perkins by Alturas Lake. On our way home, we had our trouble just at the Shoshone city limits. We have a mechanic that we can call at any given time, so we called him.

We would just like to thank the whole town for being so kind to a couple of strangers. DALE AND SHARON (SAM) FELTMAN Jackpot, Nev.

Court citizens on the rights of property owners

Well, folks, the American dream is officially dead in the eyes of the Supreme Court decision last week, the American dream of home and land ownership is for sale to the speculator. The beautiful part is that (they developers) don't even need your permission to buy your land. They can stamp their "government of it" and it's theirs for the taking! My question is, does our government have the American people's best interests? It allows our jobs to be outsourced to cheap overseas labor. It refuses to secure our borders because of the new laborers that cross (along with potential terrorists). It allows big business to shape our laws. And now, finally, the separation of church and state. Well, how about the separation of grad and state or big business and state?

The thing seems to be the slap in the face that must wake the American people. They have lost their family, home and land ownership! Basically our way of life is in the hands of the greediest among us and there is nothing we can do about it. My home is one mine until someone comes along with more money than me and takes it away. Guess he has more rights than that sounds a lot like thievery to me. It's time to write, call and e-mail our so-called representatives and let them know that this is too much. We are only as free as our "leaders" allow us to be, and to me it seems that our government is heading toward something much different that the great democracy we claim to be. DENALON Bull

LETTER

made radioactive element. • A single particle, if inhaled into the human lung, can cause cancer.

• The DOE has admitted that current confinement methods cannot guarantee public safety in the event of an accident.

• The current plutonium production facility at Los Alamos, N.M., was closed (and is still closed) due to an accident that contaminated two workers who have tested positive with plutonium inhalation and has admitted it put priority on plutonium production over worker safety.

• European space agencies have proven that solar batteries are more powerful than panels as their plutonium counterparts.

• INL is located above the

Snake River Aquifer — the nation's second largest freshwater aquifer.

The INL plutonium-238 facility, while still a proposition, is currently receiving government shipments of neptunium-237 to INL, so it can be irradiated and then re-processed to extract plutonium-238. If we Idahoans allow this facility to become a reality, we would be opening a gate that would allow future nuclear reactors and weapon production facilities.

As a father of a 16-month-old daughter, I do not wish to have any radioactive materials a mere 60 miles away — as the breeze blows. The reasons for allowing this do not make sense: I do not see why our government continues to pursue

nuclear weapons for national security purposes when insurgent guerrilla warfare and car bomb terrorism seem to be the strategies of today's battlefields.

Why must NASA send million-dollar batteries filled with radioactive plutonium into our atmosphere when solar power has been proven effective?

Voice your opinion against radioactive materials in our great state. The DOE is holding a public hearing in July on a date still to be determined. Write your congressman, senator and Gov. Kempthorne's office in protest. The future of our land, our children and public policy is at stake. CRAIG WOLFRUM Halley

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Fear of pregnancy sparks suicidal thoughts

DEAR ABBY: One of my close friends, "Darci," is afraid that she might be pregnant. Darci is only 15. She has been going out with "Neil" for about seven months. She lost her virginity to him two months ago. Neil is a sweet and caring person, but in no position to be a father. I don't hang out with Darci outside of school, but she confides everything to me. She told me that last weekend she came close to committing suicide and Neil had to talk her out of it.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

"bundle of joy." All I want is for her to be safe and happy. I'm lost about what to do.

—**SCARED OF THE RESULTS IN ILLINOIS**
DEAR SCARED: The first thing to do is to help the girl find out whether she's pregnant. If she is, then her parents and her therapist should be told what's going on to ensure that she doesn't harm herself. If, by some miracle, she's not pregnant, you should make sure she goes to Planned Parenthood and learns about responsible behavior and birth control so this doesn't happen again.

ES. You mentioned that this troubled girl's parents and therapist know about her suicidal thoughts (and past tendencies), but as far as I know, only Neil and I know about the potential

only last weekend.

DEAR ABBY: Two months ago, my husband's 77-year-old aunt, "Maude," moved in with us after the loss of her husband of 35 years.

She is a great health, energetic, a sweet, loving and giving woman. Maude is a little on the nervous side, though, and I'm constantly having to remind her that we love her and we want her here.

She helps a little around the house, as she can. My 4-year-old son loves her.

What can I do to assure her that she's safe and that we love her and want her here? Maude's hearing isn't so good, and I'm constantly being misunderstood and having to repeat myself with every conversation. How can I help her to feel at peace?

—**LOVING NIECE IN ARIZONA**
DEAR LOVING: The first thing you should do is make an appointment—to have—Aunt Maude's hearing checked, and find out if hearing aids can im-

prove your level of communication with her. Once that's done, try to find ways to utilize her expertise. That's the best way I know to make someone feel useful and important.

DEAR ABBY: In your column on June 4, "In Love Again" wrote: "My pastors are also going to be a relief. I'm telling them how I feel; they don't listen."

In your reply to him you wrote: "You may be misjudging your friends and your pastors."

Abby, I urge him to take the advice given by the late Sen. Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania in "How to Go Into Politics": "Never get into an argument with a preacher or a newspaper; the preacher always calls on heaven as witness that he is right, and the newspaper always has the last word with its readers."

—**ARTHUR H. PRINCE, MEMPHIS, TENN.**
DEAR ARTHUR: And that, I suspect, is reason that blogs were invented. Blogs are virtual megaphones to the world.

Find new friends and fresh motivations, Virgo

IF JULY 2 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: The year ahead offers opportunities to make radical changes and think outside the box. The taste of freedom you are experiencing now is but a preview of what the future holds. Currently, your freedom is askew, so you might bite off more than you can chew. Starting in December you can implement major adjustments in your life successfully and your ability to deal with the public will be heightened. Accept opportunities that come your way as they can lead to improved conditions. From March through May you will rest on your laurels, enjoying the rewards you so justly deserve.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Put plans in motion that have been dormant or been on hold. You have the determination to reach goals without assistance. Others close may not be able to help as much as expected.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Strive to make yourself known by networking with a congenial circle of important friends and adding luster to your reputation. You will overcome minor setbacks by trying something different.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Maybe money problems stem from listening to the wrong advice. Take a new direction. If someone close has been robbing your piggy bank, maybe it is time to put it under lock and key.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Rather than crying over spilled milk, set new goals and objectives. Ask disinterested parties for an opinion of a situation. You will get better guidance from strangers than from family members.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Turn over a new leaf. Enjoy impressive holiday entertainments unshackled by concerns. Extend a hand in friendship and it will be taken. You are at your best in a crowd with an amazing audience.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Ce-

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Jeraldine Saunders

lestal conditions have changed for the better. But a tendency to care with money could still linger. Find new friends and fresh motivations so you start out of an unpleasant rut.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Drum up some enthusiasm as you shine in the spotlight of popularity today. Fresh insights and new faces can help to break you out of an unpleasant rut.

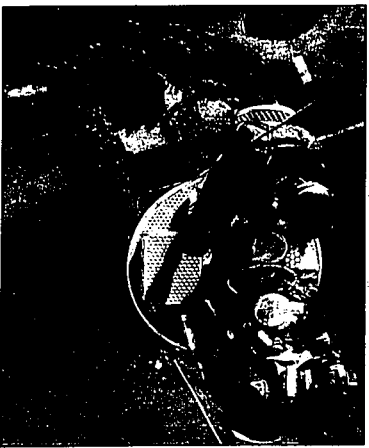
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Holiday events can lead to unexpected meetings that alter the course of your life, or at least give you some exciting insights. Get out and about to make the most of your ability to make helpful connections.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Wild enthusiasms are right at home in what should be an exciting holiday atmosphere. Keep yourself footloose and fancy free, rather than making promises you cannot keep.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Let bygones be bygones. Hurt feelings could linger from a recent spat, but significant others may be able to rise above them. Holiday celebrations will be more fun than you thought possible.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Break free of constraints and adopt an independent attitude. You can think for yourself and still maintain a wholesome relationship. Respect the freedom of others and they will respect yours.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Do something unique and different this holiday weekend. It is time to turn over a new leaf and face your fears. Maybe sipping tea, your cup of tea, but new friends might have other interesting ideas.



Adventurers Bear Grylls, 30, and Lieutenant Commander Alan Veal, 34, are the diners enjoying a dinner party suspended from a balloon at a height of nearly 24,262 feet over Somerset, England.

Adventurers fly high to enjoy formal dinner

LONDON — British balloonist and explorer David Hempleman-Adams has done his most bizarre feat to date — staging the world's highest formal dinner party.

Clad in formal evening wear, Hempleman-Adams, along with fellow explorer Bear Grylls and Lt. Commander Alan Veal, ascended to a height of 24,262 feet on June 23 in a balloon above Bath in southwest England.

Grylls, 30, and Veal, 34, then climbed 40 feet down to a platform with a formally laid dinner table, where they dined on asparagus spears followed by poached salmon and a terrine of summer fruits, all served in specially designed warm boxes.

After a salute to Queen Elizabeth II, the pair parachuted to earth.

"Without doubt, this is the strangest record I have ever attempted," Hempleman-Adams, 44, said Thursday.

The trio faced temperatures of minus-58 degrees and risked

Odds and ends

contracting the life-threatening condition of hypoxia, in which the body is starved of oxygen.

Errant whooping crane ends up in Vermont

CORNWALL, Vt. — A rare whooping crane is spending the summer in Vermont after mysteriously veering 800 miles off course on its migration toward the Midwest.

One of only about 400 such birds in the world, the 4.5-foot-tall female has been in a river floodplain in the Lake Champlain valley since at least June 9, spending most of its time on farmer Randy Quensen's land.

"It is kind of neat, although I would be a lot more interested if it was a deer out there," Quensen said.

Whooping cranes have been a federally endangered species since 1967.

— compiled from wire reports

Lefties have it unlucky: They get more injuries

Living in a right-handed world takes its toll on lefties: as a group, they incur more injuries than righties.

This day in history: The first coin to honor a real woman (as opposed to, say, Miss Liberty) appeared on July 2, 1979. Feminist and suffragette Susan B. Anthony appeared on it. Alas, the lass didn't last — the Susan B. Anthony dollar got poor circulation and disappeared.

Remember the notorious "this is your brain on drugs" commercial? Researchers discovered an unintentional side-effect when it ran — small kids refusing to eat fried eggs, believing them to be somehow laced with drugs.

Early in its history, a Hamm's Beer advertisement claimed that it was good for putting kids to sleep.

"Kiki" was the childhood nickname of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg. Anthropologists believe that it was only about 8,000 years ago that humans first realized that men had anything to do with starting pregnancies.

How good are obstetricians' estimates of the date of a baby's arrival? Not so good. "On average one baby in 40 arrives on the due date. Of the rest, twice as many babies are born after the due date than are born before it.



RANDOM FACTS OF FINCHES
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

In a diner of old. If your waitress shouted to the cook, "Mug of muck!" it meant you ordered coffee.

The highest scoring professional baseball game? After an extraordinarily long game on a hot August day in 1922, the Chicago Cubs edged out the Philadelphia Phillies, 26-23.

They're called "buffalo wings" — not because they're made of American bison but because the spiced and fried chicken originated at Frank & Teresa's Anchor Bar in Buffalo, N.Y.

Thank Walter Alcock of England next time you're in the bathroom. He's the man who invented toilet paper as we know it ("perforated" and "on a roll," that was in 1879).

Knights who served in the Crusades were buried with their legs crossed.

Erin Barrett and Jack Mingo can be reached at factmangers@ningo-barrett.com

Restaurant owners may pay for young employees to study

GENOA TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP) — A husband and wife who own two McDonald's restaurants plan to pay their high school employees to do some homework at work starting this fall.

Under the plan by Kathy and Jerry Olink, students will punch in and sit down with their studies for an hour either before or after their work shifts. The Olinks came up with the idea in the 1990s when they worked for McDonald's Corp.

"During those years, a lot of parents didn't want their kids working," Jerry Olink said. "Economic times were very good and parents, rightly so, wanted their kid to concentrate on homework and school."

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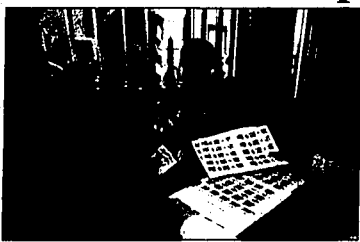
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Mexico's Fox says critics don't understand controversial stamp

MEXICO CITY (AP) — President Vicente Fox rejected calls to withdraw a new postage stamp that U.S. activists called racist, saying on Friday that critics don't understand the beloved comic book character on which it was based.



Customers purchase Memin Pinguin stamps at a Mexico City post office on Friday. The postal issue has drawn criticism from U.S. activists who say the exaggerated cartoon depiction of a black boy is racist.

The stamp featuring Memin Pinguin, a sort of Jim Crow caricature of a black child, "is an image in a comic that I have known since infancy," Fox said in an exclusive interview with The Associated Press. "It is cherished here in Mexico."

During a 40-minute interview at his official residence, Los Pinos, an upbeat Fox used both English and Spanish as he ranged over topics including what he called a "war" on drug traffickers along the border, hopes for a U.S. trade accord and Mexico's housing boom.

Known for his informal manner and love of a good joke, Fox wore a dark suit, blue-tie and standard shoes during the session in an office overlooking a garden with a fountain.

He was prepared for Saturday's celebration of the fifth anniversary of his election, which ended 71 years of single party rule. Fox found himself under fire again from U.S. black activists outraged by the postage stamp homage to the comic book character.

The stamps were released just weeks after Fox angered U.S. blacks by saying Mexican migrants take jobs in the United States that "not even blacks" want.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, the Rev. Al Sharpton and leaders of other black and Latino organizations on Thursday urged that the series of stamps be withdrawn.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan called it an example of racial stereotyping. Fox refused to back down.

"Frankly, I don't understand the reaction. Let's hope they inform themselves ... and later form an opinion," he said.

Other critics, such as the Afro-Americans or Latinos, I would suggest to them that first, read the magazine, get the information and then express publicly their opinion," Fox said. "On our side, we know that all Mexicans love the character and we're going to keep it where it is as a recognition."

The series of five stamps released Wednesday depicts a hapless boy drawn with exaggerated features, thick lips and wide-open eyes. His appearance, speech and mannerisms are the subject of kidding by

Report: Floods kill 100 in India

NEW DELHI (AP) — Nearly 300 passengers were stranded in a train on flooded rail tracks Friday after heavy monsoon rains killed at least 102 people this week, a state government minister said.

Air Force helicopters dropped food and drinking water to the passengers, stranded since Thursday by flooding that led to evacuation of nearly 200,000 people in western Gujarat state, said Narottam Patel, state water resources minister.

Soldiers were on their way to the train, 45 miles southeast of the state capital, and the air force was asked to send helicopters to rescue the passengers, Patel said. Helicopters earlier rescued a trekking team from an army medical college in northern Himachal Pradesh state, a Defense Ministry statement said.

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Suspects in Holloway case may face charges soon

ORANJESTAD, Aruba (AP) — Aruba's chief government spokesman said Friday that three young men detained in the disappearance of an Alabama teenager have not been formally charged but could be as soon as Monday.

Earlier, Aruba's attorney general, Karin Janssen, told The Associated Press that the young men had been charged with murder since their arrest three weeks ago.

"The three have been charged with the murder of Natalie Holloway from the beginning" of their arrest 21 days after the young woman went missing May 30, she said in a recorded interview.

"At the time, we didn't want to upset the family talking about murder while they searched."

The attorney general and other Aruban officials have said for weeks that no one has been charged in the 18-year-old's disappearance. Janssen said authorities also withheld information about the charges in order not to compromise their investigation. Authorities have said they have no physical evidence suggesting Holloway is dead.

The government spokesman, Ruben Tapenberg, contacted the AP following the English-language interview with Janssen.

"This is a question of semantics. It's been a problem since Day One," Tapenberg said. "The charging is a formal process that happens later on. It could happen as soon as Monday."

Tapenberg calls to Janssen were not immediately returned.

SPORTS

Tigers rip Randy Johnson

DETROIT (AP) — Magglio Ordonez hit a two-run homer in his return to the lineup...

Ordonez singled with a home run since April 13...

Twins 7, Devil Rays 4

MINNEAPOLIS — Jacque Jones hit a bases-loaded triple that sped down the right field line in the eighth inning...

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Indians 3, Orioles 1

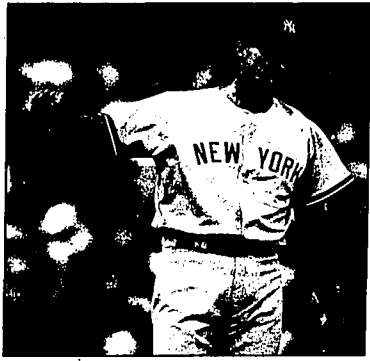
BALTIMORE — C.C. Sabathia pitched a strong game, and Cleveland handed the Orioles their eighth loss in nine games...

Blue Jays 15, Red Sox 2

BOSTON — Reed Johnson hit a pinch-hit grand slam and drove in six runs...

MLB suspends Rogers for 20 games

NEW YORK (AP) — Texas pitcher Kenny Rogers was suspended for 20 games and fined \$50,000...



New York Yankees starter Randy Johnson reacts after giving up a two-run home run to Detroit Tigers' Magglio Ordonez...

Angels 5, Royals 0

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Paul Byrd pitched a career-best two-hit and Los Angeles Angels trounced Detroit Tigers...

a fastball that barely missed his head...

Cardinals 6, Rockies 0

ST. LOUIS — The Cardinals' Chris Carpenter carried a five-inning lead...

National League Nationals 4, Cubs 3

CHICAGO — Livan Hernandez tied a franchise record by winning his 11th straight game...

Brewers 8, Pirates 4

MILWAUKEE — Rickie Weeks hit a go-ahead, three-run homer in the seventh...

Mets 7, Marlins 6

NEW YORK — Chris Woodward hit a breaking RBI single in the bottom of the eighth...

Astros 10, Reds 7

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Baseball

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Horse racing

NTRA, Suburban Handicap and New York Handicap; the United Nations; the Ohio Derby, ESPN, 2 p.m.

Boxing

USBA/NABF champion Samuel Peter (23-0) vs. NABA champion Taurus Sykes (23-1), SHO, 7 p.m.

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New York to IOC: We are the world

SINGAPORE — New York City leader is clear on what his city must do to land the 2012 Olympic Games.

"Imagine you're an athlete and you wake up in an Olympic Village on the East River right across from the United Nations."

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But even with Muhammad Ali and about 40 other Olympians in his corner, New York remains a long shot in Wednesday's vote.

What a bunch of British betters said in London. Games makes no difference to us at all, Doctoroff said after arriving Friday in Singapore.

British Lordbrooks has listed 125-1 London at 2-2 and Madrid at 2-1. New York is at 25-1 and Moscow at 50-1.

"This is the last time New York got to give it everything you got," Doctoroff said.

Back to racing at French Grand Prix: MAGNY COURS, France — All Formula One cars practiced Friday for the French Grand Prix.

But Kings' spokesman Darrin May said the franchise would add Owens to its roster for the 2006 season.

Owens, the talkative All-Pro who's embroiled in a contract dispute with the Eagles, had previous discussions with the Kings about another foray into basketball.

Owens, a 6-foot-3 shooting guard with a quick first step, has begun summer league basketball with Tennessee-Chatanooga.

Bucks sign Bogut to multiyear contract: MILWAUKEE — The Milwaukee Bucks signed No. 1 overall pick Andrew Bogut to a multiyear contract Friday.

Alonso has 59 points in the season standings, followed by Kimi Raikkonen with 37 and Michael Schumacher with 34.

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SPORTS

The woman who taught Armstrong not to quit

Crouching Tiger a hidden danger

If I had been going to hear Lance Armstrong speak, I'd have had to rent a limo. The athlete who survived cancer to win six straight Tour de France bicycle races is going out on his seventh tour of duty and he's on the cover of every magazine on the newsstands except Architectural Digest.

But I was going to hear Lance Armstrong's mother speak, and nobody wanted to come along. Not even the Lance-olat bike racers who leave their equipment all over my house and the houses of my friends.

SUSAN REIMER
The Baltimore Sun

It would be the same path Linda would follow after her mother kicked her out of the house upon learning that she was pregnant at a high school junior. She would eventually get her GED and work her way up to a corner office in a telecommunications firm because of her ferocious work ethic, inspired by the love she felt for her son.

"I grew up with him," she said.

When Lance discovered his love of cycling and triathlons as a young boy, she made a deal with him: "You train and race, and I will take care of the rest." Each of them more than held up their end of this bargain of love.

"After work and on weekends, that baby was my life," she said.

And when Lance was discovered to have cancer, his mother assumed the same "project manager" role she had played in his athletic life. Her charts, graphs, newsletters, holidays and calendars were a wonder.

One of the most poignant moments in the book comes when Lance undergoes surgery that removed two tumors from his brain. He asked immediately for his mother and said, "I want you to know how much I love my life," he said, "and how much I love you for giving it to me."

The mother and son share a never-quit attitude as certain as anything else in their DNA. Lance writes in the foreword to the book that the time he was next nearly dead in a triathlon, "She broke beside me and said, 'Son, you never, ever quit. Whatever you do, you stick to it. I want you to walk, but you're going to finish.'"

"With her next to me, I did."

Linda Armstrong Kelly's story of her own determination to make a better and better life for her son peaks when he signs his first professional deal as a teenager by carrying many times more than she has. It has his satisfaction when she brings her organization skills to the building of his dream home in Austin, one he would name "Casa Linda."

And when he is diagnosed with cancer, she was his inspiration.

"There was something familiar about the sensation of battling cancer again side by side with my mother."

Lance Armstrong has his own book. In fact, he has a couple, one after meeting his mother, I mean, he put in the title of one of them: "It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life."

I am thinking it might be about the mother.

LEMONT, Ill. (AP) — Most of the moving and shaking took place at the top of the Western Open's leaderboard.

Look a little farther down, though, and there's a guy who could produce the biggest shake-up of all.

Tiger Woods rebounded from the dismal first round that had him at the edge of the cut line shooting a 5-under 68 Friday to put himself within range of the leaders.

"Hopefully they won't run away from me," he said after his morning round. "And I can go ahead and play a good round tomorrow and get myself back in it."

Woods is still six strokes behind leader Chris Couch, who shot a 4-under 67 and is at 9-under 153 for the tournament. But he's making up ground fast. Woods is now tied for 17th after starting the day tied for 103rd.

Duffy Waldorf (65), Tim Herron (66) and Jim Furyk (70) are one stroke behind Couch. Ben Curtis, who shared the first-round lead with Furyk and Todd Fisher, is two strokes off the lead after an even-par 71. Fischer (72) is at 136 with Steve Fleck.

"It's still a long tournament," said Couch, who earned a spot here by winning the Nationwide Tour's LaSalle Bank Open last month. "I'm trying not to think too far ahead. I'm going to take it shot by shot and keep trying to have some fun."

Woods certainly had a lot more fun in the second round than he did in the first. The world's No. 1 player couldn't get anywhere close to the cup or take advantage of the par 5s, and his 2-over 73 left him in jeopardy of missing another cut this year.

His record of 142 consecutive cuts made on the PGA Tour ended in May, when he failed to make the weekend at the Byron Nelson Championship.

Woods hit 11 of 18 greens Friday, the same as he did Thursday. But he needed only 23 putts, six fewer than he took in the first round.

"I didn't hit the ball that bad (Thursday). I just got nothing out of it on the greens," he said. "I felt like I had my speed back today."



Tiger Woods tees off on the 17th hole during the second round of the Western Open, Friday, at Cog Hill Golf and Country Club in Lemont, Ill.

Sorenstam survives in World Match Play

GLADSTONE, N.J. — Annika Sorenstam survived a big scare in the second round of the HSBC Women's World Match Play Championship on Friday, holding a 35-foot birdie on the 21st hole to beat 32nd-seeded Tzipora Barron.

Sorenstam, coming off a 23rd-place last week in the U.S. Women's Open, overcame three two-hole deficits before taking her first lead with a conceded par on the 19th. She then overcame a 2-hole deficit to halve the par-4 18th to win, but bogeyed the hole — missing an 8-foot par — to send the match back to No. 1.

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Streck leads two in birdie-filled round

EAST MEADOW, N.Y. — Ron Streck isn't a household name on the Champions Tour. He is, however, the answer to a golf trivia question.

Streck, the first player to use a metal wood in competition on the PGA Tour, won a 3-and-2 on Friday and held a two-stroke lead over Craig Stadler in the opening round of the Commerce Bank Championship.

Streck had five birdie putts of 3 feet or less, including 3-footers on 17 and 18 at the 6,859-yard Red Course at Eisenhower Park, a county public facility on Long Island.

"I hit every green except No. 1. So you aren't going to hear me complain about anything today," said Streck, who is 65th on the money list this year with \$98,243. His best finish this season was a tie for 21st last week at the Bank of America Championship.

Dave Eichelberger, Wayne Levi, Darrell Kestner and Gary McCord had 65s as 51 players in the field of 78 broke par. The average score in the opening round was a tournament-record 69.63, a stroke off the par-record 68.34 set earlier this year at the par-70 The Moors at the Blue Greens Classic.

Stewart claims first Daytona pole amid controversy

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Greg Biffle is a cup better when he's surrounded by a lot of controversy.

Stewart won the pole for the Daytona 500 on Friday, two days after an altercation with a fan at Daytona International Speedway.

Biffle played the incident after qualifying.

"It's a pretty pretty deal," Stewart said. "It's not something that we've ever worried about before. We were even told that we were discarded it already."

Stewart covered the 2.5-mile superspeedway at 185.5 mph, only slightly faster than Tony Stewart, who had a lap record of 188.8 mph. Stewart's lap was faster than Jimmie Johnson's 186.5 mph and Kevin Harvick's 186.5 mph.

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Stewart, meanwhile, offered conflicting details of the incident.

He told the newspaper that the woman gestured for him to pass her and then waved her middle finger at him as he drove by.

"I say, 'By God, I'm going to find out what this girl's problem is. So I back up, go to the line and then she gets out and walk up to her window,' Stewart explained. "I go, 'What's your problem?' She says, 'I'm not angry who you are,' I said, 'It doesn't matter who I am. What's your problem?' She wouldn't tell us. And that was it."

Stewart later told a security guard he didn't want to pursue the issue, and Williams opted not to call police.

Stewart, who was fined for punching a photographer in 2002 and won a race the following week in the midst of the controversy, declined to retell his version of the story after qualifying.

But he said he was surprised the incident drew so much attention.

"It's pretty flattering to know that anything we do makes that big of news," he said.

Biffle enjoys Nextel lead

Greg Biffle has the Nextel Cup points lead for the first time in his career. He plans to keep it, too.

Biffle, who won championship in the Craftsman Truck Series in 2000 and the Busch series in 2002, heads into the Pepsi 400 on Saturday 22 points ahead of Jimmie Johnson.

Biffle has a series-leading five victories, has led more laps than anyone else in the series with more confidence than ever with his newfound success in NASCAR's premier series.

"I'm not as concerned about the points anymore," he said. "All I wanted to do was lead the points. I don't care if I lead them for a week. If something

Lance

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winding climbs in the Pyrenees last year, also could be a threat but has yet to prove that he has the uphill alpha he's shown that the American has in spades.

Outsiders include Ilija Štanić, a former Armstrong teammate, and Iban Mayo. But they both failed to live up to expectations last year.

Since Armstrong secured his sixth crown in 2004, surpassing the previous record of five victories he shared with Greg LeMond, Miguel Indurain, Jacques Anquetin and Bernard Hinault and Belgium's Eddy Merckx, some have questioned whether he is fully motivated this time around.

But such speculation seems to ignore the competitive fire that burns naturally in Armstrong, just winning, whether it be for the first time or the hundredth, is for him motivation in itself.

Surviving cancer also steeled him, both physically and mentally, for the Tour's rigors.

"What it teaches is that pain is temporary. Quitting lasts forever," he says.

Basco, for one, has no doubts that Armstrong remains the man to beat.

"Of course he's still hungry. When a rider wins six Tours, he's not a normal person in the head," said the CSC team boss, who at 27 is just coming into his prime.

On Saturday, the 189 riders go out individually in a flat-out pedal against the clock over 11.8 miles from the Atlantic Coast town of Promelette in the island of Normourmet-en-Ille.

The race, of course, while longer than has been usual for the first day of recent Tours, is still too short for the favorites to open decisive time gaps over each other. Nevertheless, it will be an early test of form.

Armstrong, wearing the colors of the Discovery Channel that took over sponsorship of his team after last year's victory, will set out last, an advantage because it allows him to see how other riders fare first.

He'll ride a sharp new-look bike decorated by New York graphic artist Leo Futura and engraved with the numbers "10/2" — to mark the day, Oct. 2, 1996, when doctors informed him he had testicular cancer.

Armstrong has since called anniversaries of that date his "Sarge Diem Day." The Latin phrase means "seize the day" and also could be used to neatly sum up the way in which Armstrong has proceeded since his diagnosis.

Following the Saturday's prologue, the four heads eastward to Germany before hitting the plains of the Pyrenees and the Massif Central in France France where a time trial on the penultimate day will decide the final placings before his traditional victory ride into Paris.

There, win or lose, Armstrong will say goodbye.

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WIMBLEDON

Davenport is back in the final, and it's just 'amazing'

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Lindsay Davenport left Wimbledon last year thinking she probably had played her last match at the All England Club. Now she is not only back, she's in the final.

On Saturday, she'll try for her fourth Grand Slam title and first since 2000 when she faces two-time champion Venus Williams.

Davenport reached her second major final of the season but first at Wimbledon in five years by finishing her rain-suspended 6-7 (5), 7-6 (4), 6-4 victory over Amelie Mauresmo on Friday.

"Goah, it's pretty amazing," said Davenport, the 1999 champion. "I've come through a very tough draw here playing a lot of good players. To be in the finals and come through these tough matches is pretty exciting. Hopefully, it works out."

The 29-year-old Californian talked of retirement after losing last year to Mauresmo in the semifinals. She changed her mind after winning four consecutive hard-court titles this summer, then clinched the No. 1 ranking for the sixth time in October and reached the Australian Open final in January before losing to Serena Williams.

Venus Williams has revived her career to earn her first berth in a major since her sister Serena beat her for the 2003 Wimbledon crown.

Davenport leads the rivalry 14-10, with her winning four meetings. But Williams



has won all three times they've played at Wimbledon, including in the 2000 final for the first of her four major titles.

"I've played her by far more than anyone I've ever played on tour," Davenport said. "Yet we've both gone through so many transitions. But we both have kind of evolved quite a bit and still play these close, crazy matches."

Davenport's semifinal match against Mauresmo could also be described as close and crazy.

It started Thursday after a four-hour rain delay and was moved from Centre Court to Court 1. Then, with the top-ranked Davenport just four points from victory in the final set and Mauresmo serving, more rain forced them off the court for the night.

When play resumed nearly 10 hours later, Mauresmo held serve at love, and Davenport did the same to win the final game.

"Anyone would die to be in a position to serve for a match on grass in the semis of Wimbledon, so I had all that on my side," Davenport said. "But it was such a tough 24 hours. To come back in that situation, it was brutal."

Williams won the 2001 title and finished runner-up to her sister in 2002 and 2003. She returned to the final by beating defending champion Sharapova 7-6 (2), 6-1.

Sharapova was seeded 13th last year when she became the lowest-seeded player to win the women's championship. At No. 14, Venus is seeded even lower.

"I'm pretty much in the moment right now," Williams said. "Most of all, I feel like I deserve to be where I am. It's just very natural."

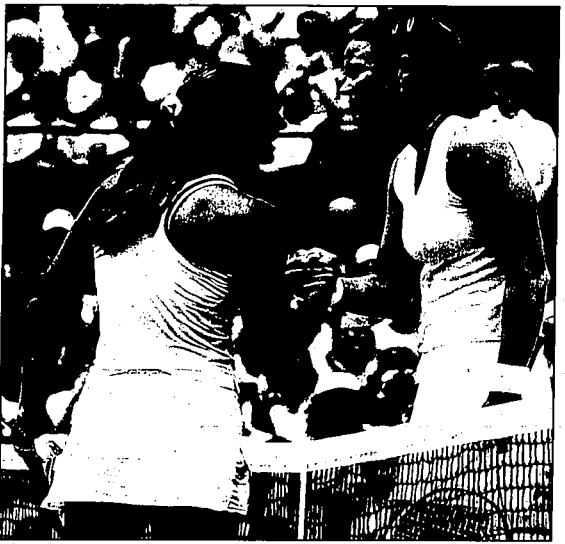
"I feel like I have a rare opportunity in my life, at this moment in time right now... to be the best," she added. "I feel like I have to take those opportunities and I feel like I have to live my life with no regrets."

Williams hasn't dropped a set in the tournament and has lost only 31 games in six matches, including wins against Jill Craybas — who stunned Serena in the third round — and French Open finalist Mary Pierce.

Davenport lost eight games in the first three rounds, won a three-setter against Kim Clijsters, then eliminated U.S. Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsov before beating Mauresmo for the seventh time in a row.

Davenport managed to sleep for 8.5 hours before returning to the club to finish the semifinal. Mauresmo slept poorly.

"She showed great experience in some key moments," said Mauresmo, who has reached the semifinals in her past three Wimbledon appearances but never the final. "I know also that she wouldn't give it to me, and I would have to fight for it. I played good but not good enough to beat Lindsay."



Lindsay Davenport, of the USA, is congratulated by Amelie Mauresmo, of France, after Davenport's 6-7 (5), 7-6 (4), 6-4 win in their semifinal match on Centre Court at Wimbledon Friday.

Federer

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Federer. Hewitt won eight of their first 10 matches, but since then, Federer has taken eight in a row.

Here's an example of why: On a 12-stroke exchange at 2-2 in the second set, Federer lunged to one corner for a backhand lob to keep the point going. Hewitt pounced, smacking an overhead toward the opposite side of the court, but somehow Federer got to that, too, and ripped a cross-court forehand passing winner.

Most players — perhaps all but one — would be content to try to keep the ball in play there. Not Federer: He goes for a winner, and he delivers.

Federer, who won three majors last year without the help of a coach, has enlisted Tony Roche, the 1968 French Open champion who used to work with Ivan Lendl and Patrick Rafter. Why? To stay a step ahead.

There's all those little areas you can work on and you can improve on, and I think that's very important that he continue to do that," Roche said. "He's sort of taken the game to another level, and he knows the other guys are going to be working a little bit harder."

Then again, as Hewitt simply stated: "I don't know what he's got to really work on."

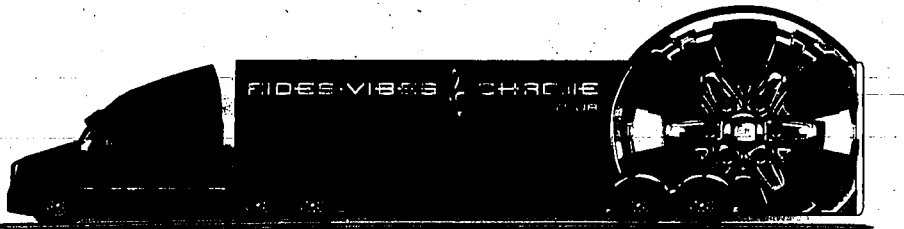
Other than a brief blip in the match's third game, when Federer made four unforced errors to get broken, Hewitt — generally regarded as his generation's best returner — just could not get a read on the Swiss star's serve.

Federer mixed it up so well that he repeatedly had Hewitt leaning to the wrong side, which is no way to confront a small ball moving at 125 mph. Federer won 20 of 23 points during his service games in the second set.

It was the type of play that's helped Federer go 57-3 with seven titles in 2005. Two of those losses were in Grand Slam semifinals, to eventual champions Marat Safin in Australia and Rafael Nadal in France.

"I believe strongly in my capabilities. I'm very motivated. There's a lot of confidence as well, with my record on grass and in general over the years," Federer said. "I've built up this feeling on big points that I can do it over and over again."

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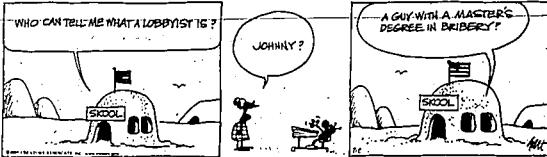


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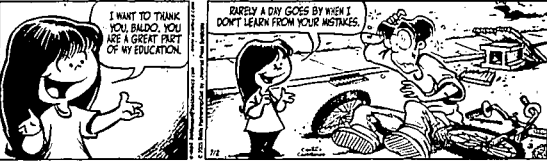
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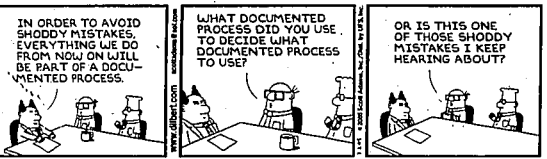
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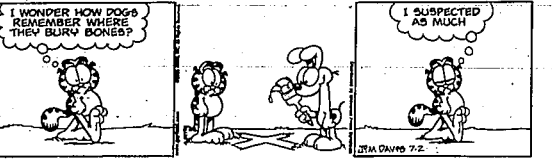
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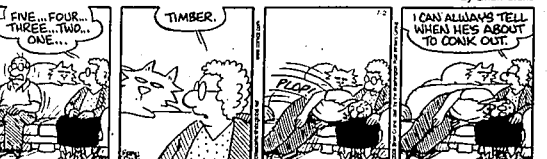
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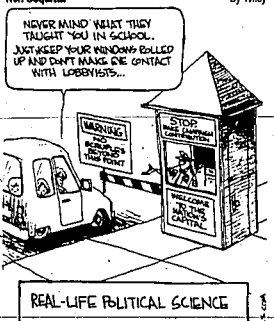
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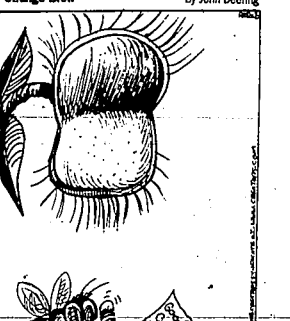
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Firms invited to insurance seminar

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley employers can learn how changes in the state's unemployment insurance law affect their businesses at an unemployment insurance seminar July 26 in Twin Falls. Idaho Commerce and Labor said.

Stricter penalties for companies that try to defraud or manipulate Idaho's unemployment insurance system in order to avoid paying their required taxes will be discussed.

Employers will have an opportunity to ask questions about the penalties and about the Legislature's decision to increase unemployment insurance taxes and lower benefits to replenish the state's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund.

Information on how employers can control unemployment insurance costs will also be available. Attendees will learn expanded business services available through the newly merged Idaho Commerce and Labor department.

The meeting will be held from 9 a.m. to noon July 26 at the Twin Falls office of Commerce and Labor 771 North College Road. The seminar is free, but space is limited. Registration is required. Call Crystal Ferris, 332-3576, ext. 325, or send e-mail to sut@lidaho.gov.

GM sales soar on discount offer

DETROIT — General Motors Corp.'s sales soared 41 percent in June to their highest monthly sales in nearly 14 years, thanks to a heavily promoted discount that allowed customers to buy cars and trucks at the employee rate. Sales figures showed on Friday.

In response, DaimlerChrysler AG's Chrysler Group said it will match GM's starting July 6 with an employee discount program of its own. Despite falling sales, Ford Motor Co. declined to match GM's offer.

Asian brands also continued their surge last month, according to results released Friday. Toyota Motor Corp., Honda Motor Co. and Nissan Motor Co. all posted their best June sales periods over the United States while General Motors, Hyundai Motor Co. said June was its best single month on record. Chrysler Group said sales were up 10 percent in June, the company's seventh consecutive quarter of year-over-year increases.

Mortgage rates at lowest level in a year

WASHINGTON — Rates on 30-year mortgages fell this week to their lowest level in more than a year, offering a dose of welcome news to prospective home buyers who have been waiting for home prices to stabilize.

Freddie Mac, in its weekly survey, reported that as of the ending June 30, rates on 30-year, fixed rate mortgages dropped to 5.53 percent, down from 5.57 percent last week. The rate was the lowest since early April 2004, when rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 5.52 percent, a spokeswoman for the mortgage giant said.

Rates on 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages, a popular choice for refinancing a home, also declined this week to 5.12 percent, compared with 5.16 percent last week.

Manufacturing grew at a faster rate in June

NEW YORK — The U.S. manufacturing sector grew faster-than-expected pace in June, as new orders to factories picked up, a private research group reported Friday.

Activity at the nation's factories increased for a 25th consecutive month, according to figures from the Institute for Supply Management. The June report followed six consecutive months of slowing growth in the sector, but it was a sign of recovery.

ISM's manufacturing index registered 53.8 in June, up from a reading of 51.4 in May. The new reading was 1.4 points higher than the 51.5 figure forecast by analysts. A reading of 50 or above in the index means the manufacturing sector is expanding. A figure below 50 represents a contraction.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

Aquaculture group seeks to promote fish

By Clody Snyder
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — After six years in business, the Idaho Aquaculture Commission has a clear mandate — to promote and protect the sale of aquaculture products.

Aquaculture is an industry that is not able to expand because of environmental and water challenges. Harold Johnson, vice-chair of the IAC, told fellow aquaculture producers during the Idaho Aquaculture Association's annual meeting.

"We're going to have to do it with value-added products and niche markets," Johnson said.

That's where he said the Idaho Aquaculture Commission can help. Although Idaho is the largest producer of trout in the United States, it is still a relatively small industry — with just 40 to 45 million pounds of live weight and 22-25 million pounds of processed product produced each year.

One of the functions of a commission is that it can accept gifts and grants. That will allow producers to pool their efforts to secure a grant to explore a new marketing opportunity.

Commission members were named by Gov. Dirk

Kempthorne last fall. The Commission began charging assessments on Jan. 1. Assessments are 5 cents per hundredweight but can go as high as 10 cents per hundredweight. Letters explaining the new commission were mailed to aquaculture members last winter.

"It's important that producers selling live sales report monthly," Johnson said. "Sales processors will be picked up at that level."

The legislation enabling the commission's formation included language that allowed producers to opt out of the program. While a few have chosen to opt

out, Johnson said he hopes they will reconsider and opt back in. Promoting and protecting aquaculture sales is tougher in Idaho where species range from tilapia to trout. To overcome that challenge, the commission is counting on every aquaculture producer to participate.

"The more involvement we have, the better off we'll all be," said Jerry Ward, a marketing specialist with the Idaho Department of Agriculture who works with aquaculture.

Another needed component is patience, Ward said. It has taken three years for awareness to build for the "Idaho Pro-

duced" program, he said.

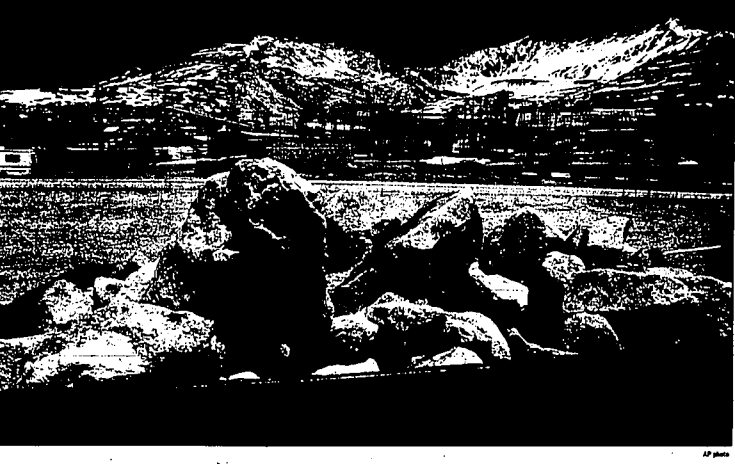
Ward identified strengths and weaknesses of the industry. Being the largest trout producer in the nation is a plus, but having no top-of-mind awareness hurts, he said.

"When you think of a potato, you think of an Idaho potato, but there is no similar awareness for Idaho trout, Ward said.

Threats can come from global competitors such as Chile or even other U.S.-produced protein sources, like pork and chicken.

"We need to find of more and different ways to market," Ward said. "We need to think outside the pond."

METAL BOOM



A carload of molybdenum sits near the entrance of the Climax Molybdenum Mine near Leadville, Colo., on May 27. Climax, once the world's largest underground mine, was shut down in 1987.

Colorado mining town looks to past for its future

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEADVILLE, Colo. — A cold wind whistled down from the summit of 13,400-foot Bartlett Mountain, blowing dust past the earth-colored buildings that have stood silently over miles of empty tunnels for a generation.

The underground explosions, clanking trucks being loaded with ore and humming conveyor belts that defined the Climax Molybdenum Mine for 50 years are long gone, replaced by fences and cement road blocks.

The quiet could soon be over. The mine's owner, Phoenix-based Phelps Dodge Inc., is considering starting up the open pit mine at Climax after watching the price of molybdenum — a mineral used to strengthen steel — skyrocket from \$2 per pound in 2001 to \$38 earlier this year.

"We are initiating a study on the possibility of reopening. We have not announced that we are reopening the mine," Phelps Dodge spokesman Ken Vaughan said.

The study won't be completed until late this year, but the prospect of reviving the signature business of this old mining town has created a buzz not seen in years.

Climax was once the world's largest underground mine and employed about 3,200 people until the price of molybdenum plummeted in the 1980s. When the mine shut down in 1987, so did the town.

"We lost 80 percent of our property tax value, and we haven't recovered," Mayor Bud Elliott said in his office in the century-old City Hall building, gleaning out at spectacular views of Colorado's two highest peaks.

"We had the highest income per capita in the state. Now

we're one of the poorest counties in the state," he said.

Colorado is among the highest producers of molybdenum, mining about 28 million pounds worth \$350 million of the mineral last year, Colorado Mining Association President Stuart Sanderson said.

Most came from the Henderson mine west of Denver, also owned by Phelps Dodge, which recently announced it was increasing production at the facility.

"The mineral industry, generally speaking, is experiencing a resurgence and prices that it has not seen in a decade or more," said Rodrick Egger, director of the economics and business division at the Colorado School of Mines in Golden.

Egger said the big issue mining companies face is trying to determine how long the boom will last.

Starting or restarting a mine can cost hundreds of millions of dollars, so companies look not only at current market prices but prices going back several decades. It is usually a history of ups and downs.

"I think it would be a mistake to think that these cycles are over, that prices are going to

stay at their current high levels," Egger said. "They could stay for several years but that's indefinite."

Global demand for molybdenum has been pushed by construction and growth in countries such as China and India, said Luke Popovich, spokesman for the National Mining Association in Washington.

"It's this rapid urbanization, turning peasants into consumers. That's really what drives metal demand," Popovich said. "China is certainly driving mineral prices throughout the world and in the U.S. it's been growing by about 8 percent for the past six or seven years."

Leadville would love to cash in.

"For nearly a generation, the town of 2,821 has relied on tourism and its history of Wild West gunslings and ragtop riches miners to attract tourists driving through the Colorado Rockies. Many residents commute to work in ski resort towns such as Aspen and Vail in surrounding counties.

Climax reopened in 1995, attracting swarms of miners and mining hopes here until molybdenum prices fell.

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AOL will show off broadband skills

Dial-up king moves into high-speed Internet access with Live 8 hub

NIGHT RIDER News Service

PHILADELPHIA — Like a faded rock star donning a fresher look for a comeback, America Online is making itself relevant to help get that message out. It will broadcast Saturday's Live 8 or broadcast online via high-speed or broadband Internet video streams.

But wait, broadband? Isn't AOL in the slow, dial-up internet-access business?

Yes, but with dial-up subscribers fleeing its service like summer disaster-movie mobs, the Dulles, Va.-based company wants to reinvent itself as a broadband entertainment hub. Live 8, it says, is the perfect showcase.

AOL has already begun making its news and entertainment offerings available via its aol.com Web portal to anyone with a Web browser, not just AOL subscribers.

Among the lure are the site's music section, which grants free access to 46 concerts including Live 8.

AOL executive Bill Wilson equates the company's effort to MTV's telecast of the Live Aid concert 20 years ago, when MTV was still in its infancy.

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Oil experts say China's bid won't rile global markets

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — The oil market is calm — for a U.S. oil company. So should Americans worry, or shun?

Alarms are ringing on Capitol Hill over last week's takeover bid by CNOOC Ltd. for Unocal Corp. The proposed \$18.5 billion deal, lawmakers warn, has ominous implications for national security — in particular, the security of U.S. oil lifelines.

Congressional heavyweights vowing opposition include Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, and Rep. Ralph Hall, D-Texas, chairman of the subcommittee on energy

Consumers see merger with fear and favor

THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — Bank of America's plans to buy MBNA Corp., creating a credit card giant, have drawn a mixed debate over whether consumers are better served by bigger companies.

While supporters argued Thursday that the deal would give customers access to a wider array of services, some consumers advocate worry that the merger could reduce competition and drive up interest rates and fees, as well as pose new privacy concerns.

A merger between Bank of America, the nation's fifth-largest credit card company, and MBNA, the third-largest, would create the largest credit card issuer in the country, as measured by balances outstanding. The company would account for one of every five dollars charged on plastic.

"This is horrible for consumers," said Robert Manning, a Rochester Institute of Technology professor and author of "Credit Card Nation," a critical look at the credit card industry. "There will be fewer options and fewer choices for consumers. Consumers, who now are often charged \$39 in late fees if their payment arrives past the due date, can expect \$50 late fees coming up on the horizon, within a year or so," Manning said.

They also can expect to see the rash of promotional low-interest rate offers shrink, he added.

"MBNA was the most generous of all transfer offers. If that's off the table, this will be the beginning of the end for people with a lot of debt who are in the rotating credit card debt game."

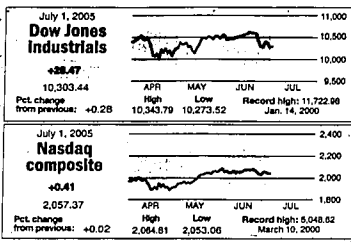
Yet MBNA customers should not expect to get fewer companies in their mailboxes, other experts say. Many consumer advocates predict Bank of America will aggressively market its services to these cardholders, tailoring solicitations to individual needs based on MBNA data since federal law permits affiliated companies to share a customer's credit history.

"Bank of America can now target those (MBNA cardholders) who missed a few credit card payments — what a perfect opportunity," said Harlan Phillips, a former MBNA customer who advocates tighter regulation of the industry.

"But it is hard to see how the Chinese purchase of Unocal could affect petroleum's availability or otherwise endanger U.S. security, any global energy experts say. China may be a potential military adversary, but congressional frustration over Chinese trade policy drives much of the animus toward the

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MONEY



Stocks edge higher after Fed disappointment

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street finished back in the green with modest gains Friday as stronger-than-expected economic data helped investors rebound slightly from their disappointment with the Federal Reserve's latest policy statement. The major indexes finished the week narrowly higher. The market started the third quarter quietly as many traders left for the long holiday weekend. Stocks had dropped sharply Thursday as the Fed gave no indication it would stop its steady, gradual interest rate hikes. The central bank also raised the nation's benchmark rate a quarter percentage point to 3.25 percent on Thursday. But some analysts felt the sell-off which slashed nearly 100 points from the Dow Jones Industrials, was overdue, and bargain hunters lifted stocks Friday despite another surge in crude oil prices. Strong manufacturing data and a bullish consumer confidence report helped as the major indexes stay positive. "Clearly cooler heads are pre-

Merger

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vated law professor Elizabeth Warren to customers "who've recently moved, what an opportunity to suggest its time to change banks." Broadcaster's announcement of the merger, Bank of America identified one of the benefits as being the "opportunity to deepen customer relationships by delivering a variety of services to MBNA customers. Bank spokeswoman Alexandra Trower said the bank has provided innovative products and services for decades and will continue to do so after the merger. It is approved by regulators. As for fees, she added, "we understand that to best serve our customers, we need to be

competitive in that front as well." The bank will never be an "industry outlier" in that area, she said. The proposed acquisition is by far the biggest in a string of credit card issuer mergers in the past five years. "This is just a sign of competition, and competition is always good for consumers," said Tracy Mills, a spokeswoman for the American Bankers Association. "There are still more than 6,000 issuers, which means customers have a myriad of choices; they don't just have to focus on the top issuers, but can find different options." "It may seem like there are a lot of cards, but they are most-

ly from the same companies," said Ed Mierzwinski, the consumer program director for the consumer advocacy group U.S. PIRG. Mierzwinski advised consumers to "keep shopping around, especially when you get an offer from your existing bank. You can probably do better." After the merger, the top 10 credit card issuers will account for nearly 90 percent of the market, according to Robert McKinley, president and chief executive of CardWeb.com Inc., which monitors the credit card industry. Consolidation generally means higher prices, McKinley said. In this case, he said, that probably means higher fees for balance transfers, for-

eight transactions and paper statements. Privacy experts said there is no reason to expect a merged company to be lax on security, but they pointed out that a bigger database would be a more attractive target for hackers. "Security is only as good as the weakest link, and this machine will be full of links," said Tom Hendricks, editor and publisher of Privacy Times. The merger may not be all bad news for consumers, said Linda Sherry of Consumer Action, an advocacy group that publishes an annual survey on credit card fees. "Our top complaint goes to MBNA, but I can't say we got a lot of complaints about Bank of America."

AOL

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Networks also will broadcast the concert system instruction at Temple University, said AOL should be able to avoid this by having "mirror" sites to serve up the concert in different countries. He said that other bottlenecks, however, that are out of AOL's hands. For cable modem users, for instance, "collectively, if your whole neighborhood is on the network and on Live 8, you could have a slower download." As an Internet service provider, AOL hit its peak in 2002, when it boasted 28.7 million U.S. subscribers. But the decline of dial-up Internet access never fully capitalized on its 2001 merger with entertainment and cable giant Time Warner Inc. by expanding broadly into broadband.

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In March, AOL had 21.7 million U.S. subscribers. The new AOL plans to be an advertising-supported portal that offers, among other things, massive archives of free video clips, many of them from the U.S. Copyright Clearance Center. Analysts say a swelling market for online advertising bodes well for AOL, but it has much inertia to overcome before it can compete with other competitors including MSN and Yahoo. In the first quarter, AOL's advertising revenue grew 45 percent to \$311 million, though not enough to offset an overall revenue decline of 3 percent because of customer defections. Revenue from subscriptions fell \$1.73 billion from \$1.6 billion in the same quarter last year.

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 Get puzzled with
 the crossword.
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Praying all the while

The P-word has been in the news lately.

You know that one word. The one that makes certain folks — especially those who work in the national media and in Hollywood — squirm.

And yet during the past week we've seen that word a lot in stories about an 11-year-old boy who was lost in the mountains during a Scouting encampment. We heard about the prayers that were being offered for his behalf during the four days he was lost, and we heard about the prayers that were answered when he was found.

People say that the heavens are closed and that God no longer answers prayers," the boy's mother said shortly after a tearful reunion with her son. "We are here to unequivocally tell you that the heavens are not closed, prayers are answered and children come home."

VALUE SPEAK

Joseph Walker

Hear that sound? That's the sound of serious squirming in newsrooms and Hollywood.

Of course, I squirmed a little when I heard her say that, too — but not because I'm at all uncomfortable with her message. Like more than 70 percent of Americans, I believe. Prayer is part of my daily life, and I've seen answers to prayer that would make your knees bend. But as she made the statement, my mind went immediately to the family of another Scout who was lost in the same mountains last year — and never found. They are praying for, too, and they have spent hours on their knees pleading with God in behalf of their lost boy. Why was one of us granted an answer so extraordinarily, while the other prayers have so far been met with silence?

I don't pretend to know why. But I'm aware of the response to this year's miracle by the family of last year's tragedy. The father was one of the first to volunteer to help with the search for this year's lost Scout. His expertise in organizing and conducting mountain searches, gained after a year of experience, was invaluable to the process of searching and finding. And this year's family expressed profound gratitude for the emotional support last year's family offered throughout the anxious hours, helping the father cope with the emotions only they could understand.

Other than this year's family, no one else was granted a happy outcome that last year's family. They celebrated the miracle with bittersweet tears of joy and sorrow, and with their tears, rolled up their sleeves and prepared to resume their search for their still-lost son. Praying all the while.

How do you maintain such faith under such dire circumstances? Another question for which there is no answer. Clearly, faith isn't for wimps. It isn't like science, with definitive answers and predictable absolutes. There is no such thing as The First Law of Thermofaith, holding that for every act of prayerful faith there is an equal and opposite positive reaction. It doesn't work that way. If it did, we wouldn't need faith, would we? We could just pray and get whatever we want. And we all know what happens to children who get everything they want, day after day: they come to live in a world with a bunch of spiritually spoiled brats?

When it comes right down to it, faith about bending our will to God's, trusting that his eternal perspective is infinitely superior to our limited, mortal view. Building and maintaining faith isn't easy — it never has been. That's why it's so inspiring when we see how others flex their faith and speak openly and publicly about stuff like — you know — the p-word.

Even if it makes some powerful people squirm.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.

A show OF faith

"(The pageant) is a way to show people that we do have a faith in Jesus Christ — that we're happy in our faith."

—Katrina Wicker, 16-year-old pageant participant



Jeffrey Carney, 12, loads handcars onto a truck Wednesday after a rehearsal for a pageant at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Harrison Street in Twin Falls. The pageant will celebrate the 200-year birthdate of the prophet Joseph Smith.

Local LDS kids stage mega-pageant to celebrate their heritage

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sixty hundred-fifty Magic Valley youths will take part in a pageant next week to commemorate the 175th anniversary of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and the 200th birthday of its founder, Joseph Smith.

As a testimony of their faith, young Mormons from the Kimberly, Twin Falls and Twin Falls West stakes will dance, act, sing and perform with choir and orchestra in a three-day event, starting Thursday in Bruin Stadium.

Under the theme of "A Marvelous Work," performers will reenact some of the hardships and the subsequent rewards that accompanied Mormon pioneers "in their exodus to the Great Salt Lake," said Grant Maughan, who is the regional director of public affairs for the church.

The event is in response to a church-wide letter encouraging local leaders to stage stake and multi-stake events and activities in an effort to commemorate the historic event, and "to provide a sense of unity" among young members.

"It's quite an event," Maughan said. For Katrina Wicker, 16, the whole production is personal.

During each performance — scheduled to begin each evening at 9:15 — she'll read an entry from a family diary that was written by her great-great

grandmother about her own trials and ultimate rewards of the journey west.

"We would camp out for the night either by a spring or a creek of water. We would help Father gather sagebrush to build the fire. And then he would help Mother over the wagon wheel."

"She would spread cloleth on the ground and we would sit down. Father always asked the blessing before we ate."

"Father always fixed the best place for Mother to sit."

"If it (were) a rock, he would put a cushion on it."

"He would always sleep under the wagon, while Mother and us kids slept inside it."

"I can recall those days very easily. We had no cars or wories, just so we had our meals and a place to sleep."

"Men today don't do that for women," Katrina said. "I thought it was very valiant of my grandfather."

Still, the readings from the past and the part she'll play in a broom-dance performance have a greater meaning for the enthusiastic teenager.

"(The pageant) is a way to show people that we do have a faith in Jesus Christ — that we're happy in our faith," Katrina said.

"We want people to share that joy and happiness," she added. Joseph Simonson will also share

words from the trail by ancestor John Clark.

"In the spring we joined the Heber C. Kimball company — with three wagons and ox-teams."

"Father, Mother and myself each driving one."

"I was 15 years old and the only boy, as my older brothers were in the battalion."

"When we reached Han River we ferried the wagons across on rafts."

"I drove the loose cattle by swimming along behind them."

"When we reached the Platt River I was shaking with a hard chill, having been afflicted with chills and fever."

"My oxen being well trained, the captain asked me to go first."

"On reaching the opposite bank, I stopped my team in a safe place and swam back to help other teams across."

"When I had guided our third team across, my chills and fever were gone, and I was never again afflicted."

"I was so weak and exhausted they put me to bed."

"The next day when we resumed our journey, I drove my team, though I was still quite weak."

According to church member Donna Ary, the pageant will bring young people "closer to their beliefs" and to a realization about how much their ancestors gave.

"The pageant is a chance to show how much our prophet Joseph Smith

sacrificed to get our church going," she added.

Fifteen-year-old Lindsay Maughan agrees.

"I think (the pageant) shows how our church began — the hardships — and I kinda feel proud to be LDS," she said.

"It's fun and great that we can all get together as a youth group," she said.

The pageant's theme song, "A Great and Marvelous Work" adds to the spiritual creation with words, written by Jenny Phillips and Tyler Castleberry, that declare: "Children of promise let's stand and be heard; we are joining together — we're flooding the earth."

The audience will view replicas of handcars that were pulled across the Great Plains as part of some "real-life enactment experiences," according to the pageant's director, Jared Coley.

"They're building a stronger testimony," he said.

"By learning more about their forebears' (struggles) they're gaining more respect for their heritage and for the gospel," Coley said.

And high looking for a big turnout, not only by church members but from the community as well.

"We're planning on filling the home side of the stadium every night," Coley said.

"The performances are free."

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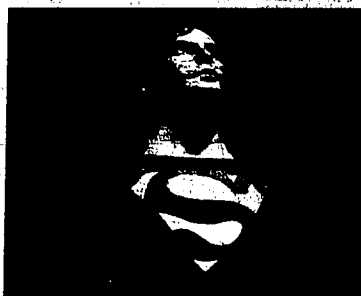
A seminarian asks himself, 'What would Superman do?'

Cox News Service

AUSTIN, Texas — Once upon a time, comic books were considered the worst sort of illu-sion on American youth. In the 1950s, the prominent psychologist Frederic Wertham shocked the nation with his denunciation of the pulp medium. Among other things, he claimed that Wonder Woman promoted lesbianism and that Robin was, essentially, Batman's catamite.

Thanks to Wertham's efforts (in addition to writing a book, "Seduction of the Innocent," he testified before Congress), the comic book industry created a "Comics Code Authority," which for decades held the medium to stultifying standards of decency.

Greg Garrett can be regarded as a modern version of Wertham. In his new book, "Holy Superheroes: Exploring Faith & Spirituality in Comic Books" (NavPress/Pinon Press), he argues that superhero comics are



Author Greg Garrett argues, in his new book, that superhero comics help teach the importance of doing what's right.

is currently studying for the priesthood at Austin's Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest. One recent morning, after Greek class let out, he answers a fellow comic book fan's questions.

Q. When did you start reading comics?

A. When I was about eight years old. My first comic was a copy of "The Avengers" and the artist was John Buscema. It was an episode where Captain America had a chance to go back and change history and rescue Bucky, his World War II mascot and partner. It was one of those time-travel stories, and I was blown away by it. I remember reading it over and over again and then going out to my grandparents' barn and swinging from the rafters and trying to execute the maneuvers that I saw Captain America and Black Panther doing — with considerably less grace!

Q. When did you make the connection between comic

books and religion?

A. You know, that was a sort of intuitive thing. You don't have to look too hard at Superman to see there is a whole Jesus complex working over it. I don't start thinking about it seriously though, until I really had the chance to do some writing about religion and popular culture. A couple of years ago I wrote a book on the "Matrix" films ("The Gospel Reloaded") with my best friend, who's a pastor in Houston, and the more I thought about it, I thought, well, (there are religious themes) in comics as well. We have a tendency to think of superhero comics as purely escapist literature, but they're really our myths and hero legends boiled down to the most extreme and outrageous depictions.

And they're familiar in ways that even some of the biblical stories are not for my students anymore. If I say, "Remember

The road to sainthood ain't what it used to be

Knight Rider News Service

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Thanks to a papal bending of Catholic Church procedure, the late Pope John Paul II is on the fast track to becoming a saint.

If he goes on to be canonized in record time, the sainthood of John Paul II may have benefited from changes in the late pontiff made.

Traditionally the canonization process could not begin until 50 years after the candidate's death; for John Paul II that would have meant starting the process in 2055. That later was changed to 10 years and then, while Pope John Paul II reduced that to five. Then a year after Mother Teresa died in 1997, John Paul II put her on a sainthood fast track, waiving the five-year waiting period. Barely six weeks after John Paul's death, the new pope, Benedict XVI, departed from waiting five years and announced the beginning of the process of beatification. As the cardinal head of the church, he can do that.

In 1983 John Paul II made a much more significant break with tradition when he modified the longstanding canonization process, streamlining the numerous steps.

One is the "devil's advocate," whose task was to pose objections against the candidate's case, to which an advocate would respond.

Furthermore, "the new procedures place the entire responsibility for gathering the evidence in support of a cause in the hands of the local bishop in whose diocese the candidate died," said Richard McBrien, theology professor at the University of Saint Mary and author of *St. John Paul II: The Vatican-appointed officials assumed the initial role in the investigation.*

The late pope's changes also relaxed one of the toughest qualifications: miracles. Now only one miracle is required for beatification and an additional miracle for canonization. Under the old process, two miracles for each step were required.

Establishing miracles is the most difficult part of the process, said James Halstead, chairman of the department of religious studies at Beloit University.

"One example is when people in northern Michigan were trying to canonize their first bishop," he recalled. "They hit a stumbling block because they couldn't come up with mirac-

Another stumbling block is when a candidate has been controversial. "There will usually be some divergence on his or her suitability," McBrien said. One example, he said, is Pope Pius XII because of his reported connection with the Nazis.

Even with the simplifications to canonization, it still could be years before there's a St. John Paul II. He would join an elite but large group that numbers in the thousands.

In addition to the process changing, the view of saints has changed.

"It has moved away from thinking that these are above human people, people I could never be like," said Blagio Mazza, historian and theologian in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. "I think it has shifted to where we are friends, there are fellow journeyers who have walked the same path we walk and have kept their faith relationship with God. These are models of how to live the Christian life today."

This goes not only for those more recently canonized, he said, but also now many of the stories of the early saints are being retold to see how they struggled with everyday life. Now, he said, there is a different way of looking at some of these stories.

Halstead said: "In the old days, saints were not so much looked upon as moral models. For example, St. Jerome was hard to live with, weird. But now I do not question that he was close to God. Nowadays saints are looked upon as religious heroes. In the Middle Ages they were close to God, they were holy. But you wouldn't want to imitate them too much."

Pope John Paul II tried to canonize a lot of laypeople to make them more accessible, people from everyday walks of life and from all over the world. In the last 400 years, they tended to be priests and nuns, and also they traditionally have been European. John Paul II chose them from all over the world.

But McBrien said the idea of what constitutes a saint is further expanding, and the church needs to change its ways regarding the types of people it canonizes. Vatican II's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church taught that



The late Pope John Paul II is on the fast track to becoming a saint.

Steps toward canonization

- 1. Beginning the process**
The process may begin five years after the candidate's death. But the pope has the prerogative to change this, such as in the case of Pope Benedict XVI allowing the process for Pope John Paul II to begin almost immediately after his death. Often it begins with a petitioner writing to the bishop where the candidate died. As soon as the formal process begins, the candidate is referred to as the Servant of God.
- 2. Gathering evidence**
The local bishop appoints someone, either lay or clergy, as the postulator, whose assignment is to investigate the life of the candidate. This includes reading historical records, talking to people with knowledge of the candidate's heroic Christian

- virtues and examining the candidate's writings to make sure there are no teachings contrary to the faith. People called theological censors examine the writings, which include everything from published works to letters and diaries.
- 3. Review in Rome**
The results, in the form of a well-documented biography, approved by the local bishop, are sent to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, composed of cardinals and bishops. In Rome, the congregation appoints various persons to review the document.
- 4. Beatification**
In his book "Lives of the Saints," Richard McBrien explains the well-defined process. The Congregation for the Causes of Saints appoints a relator, who

selects someone to assist in writing the positio (printed version of the case in support of beatification). This summarizes the documentation that supports the case that the candidate was a person of heroic virtue or was martyred for the faith. A panel of theologians examines the positio. If the majority are in favor, their opinions and conclusions are submitted to the cardinals and bishops of the congregation. If they approve, it goes on to the pope. Also for beatification one miracle must be attributed to the Servant of God. As with the heroic virtues, there is an investigation, with medical doctors and theologians undertaking that task. Results go to the congregation for approval and then to the Holy Father. With beatification, the

candidate receives the title of Blessed.

- 5. Canonization**
For canonization, a second miracle is required, except only one miracle is required for martyrs, and that is for canonization. Once evidence of heroic virtue is established at the beatification stage, it doesn't have to be investigated further for canonization, McBrien writes. The pope receives the congregation's findings, and he alone can declare someone a saint, worthy of veneration by the church. A canonization ceremony then takes place. The Blessed acquires the title of Saint and is given a day of commemoration on the church calendar, usually the day of death or entrance into eternal glory.

Source: The Kansas City Star

John Paul a martyr?

Vatican officials no longer are dismissing outright the notion that Pope John Paul II could be declared a martyr, a step that could remove the need for a confirmed miracle to beatify the late pontiff and make it easier for him to become a saint.

Cardinal Jose Saraiva Martins, prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, said Friday it was up to groups of theological experts to decide if the May 13, 1981, attempt on John Paul's life — as well as his long, public suffering before he died — warranted a declaration of martyrdom.

"In a technical, theological, juridical and canonical sense, the martyr gives his life for the faith," Saraiva Martins said in response to questions at a news conference, according to the Apcom news agency.

"We have to verify the motive for the attempt on the life of (Karol) Wojtyla. And this will be the work of the theologians."

Ever since Pope Benedict XVI announced May 13 that he was putting John Paul on the fast track to be beatified, questions have swirled about whether he could be declared a martyr. Doing so would remove the need for the Vatican to confirm that a miracle attributed to his intercession had occurred at the beatification stage — a necessary step for beatification. The Vatican would still need to confirm that a miracle occurred after his death for John Paul to be declared a saint. Church officials had initially rejected outright any suggestion that the 1981 assassination attempt could be the basis for a martyrdom declaration since John Paul lived for almost another 24

They also noted that other candidates for beatification and sainthood had also suffered ordinary illnesses at the end of their lives but were not declared martyrs.

John Paul suffered from Parkinson's disease for many years. According to his death certificate, he died of blood poisoning and the collapse of his blood vessels after suffering from organ failure brought on by a urinary tract infection.

Source: The Associated Press

saints are not only intercessors and miracle workers, which most people still emphasize the most, but are also primarily models of holiness, he said.

"There are still far too many priests, nuns and former married people who founded religious order or entered a convent following the death of their spouse," McBrien said. "Since 95 percent of so many have families, and since saints are supposed to be models and examples for the rest of the church to emulate, it would follow that most of those elevated to sainthood should have been married, raised families, had grandchildren and never entered a convent or seminary following the death of their spouse."

Devotion to saints remains strong, Mazza said. The Catholic liturgical year centers on the celebration of saints, he said.

"Most weekdays when Catholics go to Mass, there will be a celebration of a particular saint whose virtues and life are offered as a model," he said.

Also patron saints, associated with various occupations and events in one's life, are still popular. "Many children after saints remains popular among some ethnic groups, such as Hispanic, Polish and Italian," Halstead said.

"In other ethnic groups, I'm not sure why they name their children what they do," he said. "One couple named their son Rawhide after the television show."

If certain parents are pious and traditional, they may be calling for a saint's intercession, and they've taught that to their children. Also some young people are more traditional and — they will have favorite saints.

But for some secular Catholics, to them, saints are not a big deal. Other Catholics are superstitious about saints and may have strange devotions to saints, some I never heard of.

Before Vatican II, priests would refuse to baptize a baby if the name was not that of a saint, McBrien said.

"Today that wouldn't happen except in the most conservative parishes. There are plenty of children and Scots nowadays on the correct assumption that there are millions of saints; only a few of whom have been formally recognized by the church."

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LEGAL NOTICE
The 2005 harvest target for hatchery fish in the Little Salmon River is expected to be achieved at the close of fishing hours on July 4. Pursuant to his authority under Idaho Code Section 36-106(6)(A), the Idaho Department of Fish and Game Director hereby closes the spring Chinook salmon season at the close of fishing hours on July 4 at the Little Salmon River from a point boundary at the mouth of the Little Salmon River upstream to the U.S. Highway 95 bridge near Smokey Boulder Road. Copies of Order 05-18 are available at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game headquarters office, 600 South Walnut Avenue, Boise, Idaho 83712. Dated this 28th day of June 2005. IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME, Steven M. Huffaker, Director.

LEGAL NOTICE
Hatchery broodstock escapement in the South Fork of the Clearwater River and the Lochsa River is less than projected and over 90% of the harvest target for hatchery fish in the Clearwater drainage has been achieved. Pursuant to his authority under Idaho Code Section 36-106(6)(A), the Idaho Department of Fish and Game Director hereby closes the spring Chinook salmon season on June 28 in the South Fork Clearwater River at its mouth upstream to the confluence of American and Red rivers and in the Lochsa River from its mouth upstream to the confluence of Crooked Fork and Colt Killed Creeks. Copies of Order 05-18 are available at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game headquarters office, 600 South Walnut Avenue, Boise, Idaho 83712. Dated this 28th day of June 2005. IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME, Steven M. Huffaker, Director.

Lost and Found
FOUND Black Lab, white collar, no tags very friendly. Found on Friday, Call John R. Shetter at 208-738-2289.
FOUND Black Lab, male, around 3 or 4 months old, neutered, Doe has a collar. Found in Jerome, Call 208-495-6044.
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Lost and Found
LOST Border Collie, eye, June 26th at 3400 E. in Kimberly. Please call 541-910-9038.
LOST cat, female, light brown, answers to "Princess". 208-679-4312/208-877-3690.
LOST cell phone, blue flip phone at MYRVAC, On June 23rd in 208-419-2224.
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Saturday, July 2, 2005

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By Guy and Rodd

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Bobby Wolff

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Because South played a new suit bid in response to an overcall...

Against four spades the defense accurately cashed two rounds of diamonds...

This line was completely safe because declarer knew from the bidding that East would be unable to ruff or overruff the hearts...

Note what would have happened if declarer cashes only one high heart before taking the ruffs in dummy.

NORTH A J 9 7 3 2 4 3 2 AKQ 10 8 6

WEST Q 4 3 2 4 10 5 4 AK Q 10 8 6 9 8 J 9 7 5 3

EAST 5 10 7 6 4 2 9 8 J 9 7 5 3

SOUTH AK 10 8 7 6 AK 8 3 J 6 2

Vulnerable: Neither Dealer: West The bidding: South West North East

Opening lead: Diamond king

BID WITH THE ACES

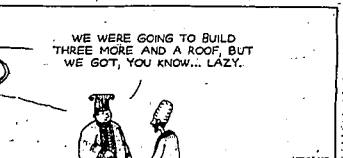
South holds: Q 4 3 2 Q J 9 AK Q 10 8 6 4 South West North East

ANSWER: Be courageous and jump to three spades. In competition, the simple raise to two spades covers a multitude of sins.

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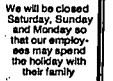
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