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Police nab more bomb suspects

Officials investigate ties to Saudi Arabia, Italy

By Beth Gardner
Associated Press Writer

LONDON — Police arrested seven people Sunday during a raid on an apartment in southern England, bringing to 21 the number in custody in the

relentless hunt for accomplices in the failed July 21 transit bombings. Investigators, determined to prevent further attacks, also were probing possible ties between two of the bombing suspects and Saudi Arabia, British newspapers reported. Police were searching for anyone who may have recruited and directed the attackers and built the explosives. Police arrested the six men and one woman during a search of two buildings

in Brighton, on the southern coast, said a Metropolitan Police spokeswoman, speaking on condition of anonymity because her department does not allow her to give her name. So far, 18 people have been arrested in Britain and three in Italy. She said police believed there were more people at large who were involved in the July 21 attacks, in which four bombs partly exploded, and the deadly July 7 suicide bombings.

Both attacks targeted three subway trains and a double-decker bus. All the July 7 attackers were believed dead; police have in custody four suspects they believed plotted the explosion July 21. "It's extremely likely there will be other people (who were involved in harboring suspects), financing and making the devices," the spokeswoman said. Key suspects were being interrogated.

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MISSION OF COMPASSION



Respiratory therapist Tracy Hills, left, and registered nurse Angela Parks look through medical supplies during one of their mobile clinics in a village on the island of Sumatra.

Local women help victims of tsunami

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Local nurse Angela Parks and respiratory therapist Tracy Hills saw poverty and devastation on their medical mission to help tsunami victims in Sumatra. But they also saw courage and the resilience of the human spirit. They say they even saw a miracle or two.

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— Local woman Angela Parks, on her visit to Sumatra.

than 220,000 people around the rim of the Indian Ocean. Banda Aceh, the closest major city to the earthquake's epicenter, was hit hard. As the plane made its descent, Parks looked out her window to see an island both beautiful and scarred. "The ocean water is that beautiful blue," Parks said. "There were volcanic mountains, thick jungles," but we could see what appeared to be rubble and an area with no structures and no vegetation." Parks, an adventurer by nature, had done some traveling in her life. She'd trekked through Asia, Europe and South America, but nothing prepared her for what she saw in Sumatra.

"I had been to countries where there had been poverty, but this was poverty and devastation," said Parks, a Twin Falls native and a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho's registered nursing program. "It was a double whammy. I don't think Hollywood could recreate what I saw."

When it comes to medical missions, Hills is becoming a seasoned veteran, having served on recent feed the Children missions in Thailand and Africa. She's planning another mission to Africa in the fall.

When it came to Sumatra, the two women didn't know just what to expect. After all, Indonesia had been a hot spot on

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld flew to Baghdad on Wednesday to insist that the Iraqis finish the constitution on time. But substantial differences remain among the Sunni Arab Shiite and Kurdish factions. Explosive weeks of intense deliberations.

Underlining the stakes, the U.S. military announced Sunday that Iraqis had killed 90 percent of the 71 members could not agree on a handful of key issues, including federalism, the role of Islam, distribution of national wealth and the name of the country.

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More time for Iraq? Deadline for constitution is discussed

By Qasim Abdul-Zahra
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Framers of Iraq's new constitution said Sunday they need more time to finish the document, a move that threatens the political momentum on which Washington has staked its strategy for drawing down forces from the country next year.

President Jalal Talabani, however, insisted that the Aug. 15 deadline be met. A showdown for parliament to approve the updates later must be met. — A showdown expected today —

The last day under the interim constitution for the committee to seek an extension.

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HAWKIN' HARRY — IN CHINA

Piracy industry sells translations — one with rewritten ending

By Alexa Olsen
Associated Press Writer

BEIJING — It's missing some paragraphs and gets a couple of facts wrong, but the wizards of China's thriving piracy industry have worked their magic again and produced a rush translation of the latest Harry Potter book.

An unauthorized Chinese version of "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" was on sale Sunday in Beijing, just two weeks after the book appeared in English and almost three months ahead of the planned October launch of the official Chinese-language edition.

Impatient Chinese fans also have begun posting their own translations online. One reader was so upset about the ending he wrote his own and posted it



Customers buy copies of the latest Harry Potter book at the Xinhua bookstore in Beijing on July 16. Only English copies were available, and now pirated copies in Chinese are being sold. Rowling is wildly popular in the fantasy series by J.K. Rowling is wildly popular in the fantasy series by J.K. Rowling is wildly popular in the fantasy series by J.K.

Mexico becomes top supplier of U.S. drugs

By Pablo Bachelet
Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Mexican drug traffickers have pushed aside their Colombian counterparts and now dominate the U.S. market in the biggest reorganization of the trade since the rise of the Colombian cartels in the 1980s, U.S. officials say.

Mexican groups now are behind much of the cocaine, heroin, marijuana and methamphetamine on U.S. streets, the officials say, with Mexican law enforcement agencies viewed as either too weak or too corrupt to stop them. Mexico's role as a drug-trafficking hub has been growing for some time, but its grip on the \$100-billion-a-year trade has strengthened in recent years. According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration in

June, 92 percent of the cocaine sold in the United States in 2004 came through the U.S.-Mexico border, compared with 77 percent in 2003.

Joint Interagency Task Force South, which coordinates federal drug interdiction efforts and intelligence, has reported almost 90 percent of the cocaine heading to the U.S. market goes by boat to Mexico or other countries in Central America, and then by land to the U.S. border.

The increase has sparked several recent reports by CIA and other U.S. agencies, as well as hearings in both the House and Senate. Congress members, worried that the smuggling networks could be used to sneak in terrorists, are pressing the Bush administration to spend more money on programs to intercept drug shipments.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST Today: Mostly sunny and warm: Highs in the upper 80s. Tonight: Clearing skies and warm temperatures. Lows in the lower 60s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST Today Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Yesterday's Low 84 Month to Date 6.03%

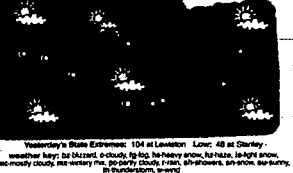
BURLEIGH/RUPERT FORECAST Today: Periods of sunshine and warm temperatures. Highs in the upper 80s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Approaching cold front will create a low tide day.

BOISE Periods of sunshine and very warm temperatures are expected today.

NORTHERN UTAH Be prepared for afternoon thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms may contain strong winds and locally heavy rain.



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Weather map of the United States showing temperature and precipitation forecasts.

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Specter: Senate couldn't override stem cell veto

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a boost from the majority leader, there is not enough Senate support now to override a threatened veto by Congress

Bombers

Continued from A1 In London, in relation to the failed July 21 attempt, police said. In Italy, authorities were pursuing contacts linked to Osman

ple leaving the country. However, police had asked that checks be made at many departure points after the attacks

Hussain's real name was Hamdi Issac, and that he was from Ethiopia, not Somalia. He falsely listed his country of origin as Somalia

Company in low-carb eating craze files for bankruptcy

NEW YORK (AP) — Atkins Nutritionals Inc., the company that promoted low-carb eating into a national diet craze

Tsunami

Continued from A1 the globe and Banda Aceh had been closed to outsiders until the tsunami

there the day before. "I said, 'No this is not our baby,'" Hills said. "The mother was shaking her head yes, this is him."

Potter

Continued from A1 China, where the hero is known as "Hi-Lo Be-to" and authorized translations of five earlier books

Potter installment was being sold off a tarp in an underpass in downtown Beijing for 20 yuan, or \$2.50

The earlier authorized translations were produced by a team of veteran Chinese book translators

The woman would stare at you and want to take your picture," Parks said. And outside the clinics, "the men totally ignored you like you didn't exist."

Still, the people they met treated them with kindness. "I guess people all over the world are basically the same," Hills said.

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Bush comforts Boy Scouts

President says fallen leaders were models of good citizenship

By Deb Riechman
Associated Press Writer

BOWLING GREEN, Va. — Succeeding on his third try to visit them, President Bush comforted thousands of Boy Scouts on Sunday at a national jamboree held by the electrocutions of four leaders and stifling heat that sickened 300.

The men you lost were models of good citizenship," Bush told the estimated 50,000 Scouts, leaders and visitors attending the event near Bowling Green, Va., where boys yelled "Boy Scouts Rock!"

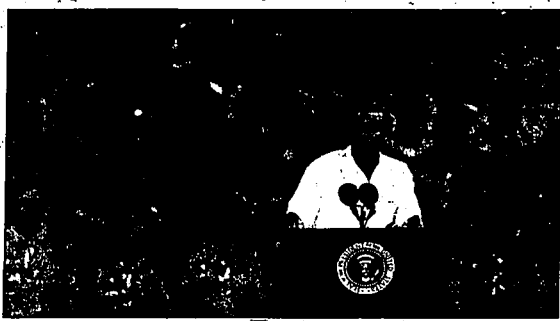
"As scout leaders, they devoted themselves to helping young men develop the character and skills they need to realize their dreams. These men will always be remembered for their leadership and kindness, and you Scouts honor them by living up to the ideals of the Scouting tradition."

Marine One landed in a grassy field and Bush, a former Cub Scout in Texas, was ferried by van to a stage where he was met by a sea of cheering Scouts wearing fatigue green uniforms covered with colorful patches and badges.

As the sun set, Bush told the crowd that the first man he often sees every morning, chief of staff Andy Card is a former Scout from Massachusetts. Scout President Dick Cheney, was a Boy Scout in Wyoming and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld was an Eagle Scout in Illinois.

Bush's speech was about patriotism and community and military service, the nation, but he also recited how his mother, former first lady Barbara Bush, was the den mother of his Scouting troop. "It's about the time her hair turned white," he joked.

Before Bush arrived on stage, an Army band performed and a man wearing an Army T-shirt



President Bush speaks during the 2005 National Boy Scout Jamboree on Sunday at Fort A.P. Hill near Bowling Green, Va.

led groups of Scouts in chants of "OO-rah" and "U.S.A." Tall pipes provided a backdrop for blue, red and black hot air balloons emblazoned with military and Scouting emblems.

It was Bush's third attempt to travel to Fort A.P. Hill, the Army base hosting the Jamboree where Scouts are trying to end their 10-day gathering with cheery memories of mountain biking, fishing, scuba diving and trading patches with new-found Scouting friends across the

On Wednesday, scouting enthusiasts waited hours in the heat for Bush, who later cancelled his appearance because of threatening storms. Scouts began collapsing from high humidity and temperatures in the high 90s. More than 300 people were treated for heat-related illnesses.

Bush's second attempt to visit the Jamboree was postponed from Thursday at the Scout-re-

quest. Officials wanted to review safety procedures for large crowds and replenish water and other supplies.

The illnesses came as the Jamboree participants were still trying to overcome the deaths on Monday of four adult Scout leaders who were electrocuted in front of several Scouts when a metal pole at the center of a large dining tent touched power lines. The tent caught fire and the men burned. An investigation into the accident is under way.

The day before, a volunteer was taken to a hospital where he died of an apparent heart attack. "I appreciate the rain check," Bush said.

The weather was considerably cooler Sunday, but Scout officials took extra precautions. Scouts hiking to the arena from the most distant subcamp about seven miles away set out 3-45 more than an hour later than Wednesday—to give

them less waiting time in the sun.

Several running buses with signs on the windshields reading "Cooling Station" were available, there were more tents to provide shade and stretchers were spaced out over the field in case they were needed.

Cases of bottled water dotted the sloping lawn of the arena like hay bales.

Even so, the day was not without minor incident. A military helicopter carrying several photographers made an emergency landing at the Jamboree after its engine failed Sunday afternoon, said Jamboree spokeswoman Renee Fairley.

She said the Blackhawk helicopter was carrying adult photographers for the Boy Scouts. She was unable to say how many people were on the helicopter, which she said landed at its designated spot on time.

Fabric on shuttle may pose danger

Repair may be needed

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — A couple of short strips of fabric dangling from Discovery's belly may require an unpreempted repair by space-walking astronauts, if engineers determine there's even a possibility that the problem could endanger the shuttle during the seven-day NASA said Sunday.

Teams of experts were scrambling to understand just how serious the problem was, with "strong arguments" raging on what to do, if anything.

The trouble has nothing to do with foam or other launch debris, but rather the accidental slippage of ceramic-fiber cloth used to fill the thin gaps between thermal tiles, which some engineers worry could trigger potentially treacherous overheating during re-entry.

It will be Monday before the analysis is complete and mission managers decide whether to have the crew's two spacewalkers cut or pull the two hanging strips.

If NASA's spacewalking specialists come up with a relatively easy solution, "Why worry? Why would you not just go take care of it?" deputy shuttle program manager Wayne Hale said Sunday evening. "Why should I lose sleep over these gun fibers if we can take care of them that easy?"

Such a spacewalking feat would be a first: In 24 years of shuttle flight, astronauts have never ventured beneath their spacecraft in orbit and have made few repairs to their ship,

certainly none of this magnitude. Discovery and its crew of seven may be perfectly safe to fly back in a week with the drooping strips, officials stressed, as space shuttles have done many times before, although not necessarily with pieces that large.

Hale, in fact, did not think it was that big a deal when he first learned of the problem a few days ago.

"My immediate knee-jerk reaction was that we can live with this," he said. "On the other hand, this is bigger than we've seen before."

One piece is sticking out 1.1 inches between the thermal tiles, the other protrudes at an angle from six-tenths to nine-tenths of an inch.

For those areas, far forward near the nose, the general wisdom and flight history indicate that the limit should be a quarter-inch, said flight director Paul Hill noted, however, that the quarter-inch measurement was taken following previous re-entries and the intense heat could have burned some of the material off. Discovery's flaws were spotted in orbit — a first — because of all the photography and laser imaging being aimed at normally hard-to-see spots, an outcome of the 2003 Columbia disaster.

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White House updates war-on-terror rhetoric

By Tom Rumm
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush and White House officials still use the phrase "war on terrorism" to describe the global fight against al-Qaida and other militant extremists.

But with the failure to capture Osama bin Laden and a recent surge in terrorist bombings, there is growing sentiment at the Pentagon and elsewhere in the administration to retire "war" and use broader terms.

"The internal debate broke into the open last week," said Gen. Richard Myers, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said at the National Press Club last week.

"Because, if you call it a war, then you think of people in uniform being the solution and it's more than terrorism," Myers said. He said "violent extremists" were "the real enemy here and terror is the method they use."

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld already has moved away from the "war on terror" description, saying the conflict is a global struggle against violent extremism.

Bush has not wavered, however, since the term took hold after the attacks of Sept. 11.

Democrat criticizes plan to appoint Bolton for U.N.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Anticipating President Bush soon will appoint John Bolton as U.N. ambassador, a leading Democrat said Sunday that Bolton would go without the confidence of Congress.

"He's damaged goods. This is a person who lacks credibility," said Sen. Christopher Dodd, a senior Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He said Bush should think again before using a recess appointment to place Bolton at the United Nations while the Senate is on its traditional August break.

"That's not what you want to send up, a person who doesn't

Analysis

2001. "We are engaged in a war on terrorism. It's a long-term ideological struggle that we're engaged in," said his spokesman, Scott McClellan.

Asked about the language that Rumsfeld and Myers were using, McClellan said, "I think that they're just talking in greater detail about what we're engaged in."

An analyst who has studied the Iraq war's effect on U.S. politics said the administration "loosely" compiled the war-on-terror and the war in Iraq.

"We're going to have an interesting time watching how the Bush people get themselves out of this rhetoric cul-de-sac," said Stephen J. Cimbala, a Penn State University political-science professor.

Bush also likes to say the U.S. is fighting terrorists abroad "so we do not have to face them at home."

But bombings this month in London and Egypt showed that terrorists seemingly can strike with impunity anywhere, renewing debate about Bush's formulation.

Critics suggest that the Iraq war, rather than making merchants safer at home, has

provided terrorists with a laboratory for new tactics.

"In fact, what Iraq has become is a training ground for al-Qaida beyond its wildest dreams," said Michele Flournoy, a senior Pentagon official in the Clinton administration.

For every militant killed in Iraq, "there will be many more who pass through Iraq, become battle-hardened and more expert in their craft, and who go to other places to launch attacks in the future," said Flournoy, now a senior adviser with the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Bush has added a second part to his fighting-terrorists-abroad line to emphasize what he calls "a dual strategy."

"One, stay on the offense, bring these people to justice before they hurt us. And, at the same time, spread an ideology that competes with their ideology, and that's an ideology of democracy and freedom," the president recently told an Atlanta audience.

Bush said the battle is with those who have an "ideology of hate."

It echoes the main theme of Bush's second inaugural address: spreading democracy and freedom through the world.

Some outside experts think the time to retire the "war on terrorism" phrase is long past.

"We are fighting al-Qaida and its allies precisely because they are bombing people. We should be challenging not only their terrorist tactics but also their ideology that leads them to kill in the name of religion," said Kim R. Holmes, former assistant secretary of state in the Bush administration. Holmes now is affiliated with the Heritage Foundation, a conservative research organization.

Yet even at the Pentagon, there is some support for the catch phrase.

La. Gen. James Conway, director of operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said "war on terror" probably is here to stay for a while longer.

"It is a discussion that has been had philosophically with our allies. And we've been told actually that global war on terrorism translates pretty well into the various languages. So I think that continues to make it a part of the discussion," Conway said.

Vice President Dick Cheney has his own variation. He cites a need to "hunt down the terrorists" before they can hit us again.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Details emerge about BASE jumper

TWIN FALLS — Few details were available Monday about a 31-year-old BASE jumper who got hurt Saturday afternoon while jumping from the Perrine Bridge.

Emergency dispatchers sent out the call about 3 p.m. Saturday.

"She jumped off the bridge and part of her parachute got tangled up," said Staff Sgt. Perry Barnhill with the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department, who was at the scene. "She obviously landed a lot harder than she was supposed to."

She was taken to the hospital, he said, but no report will be filed and he did not know the woman's name.

Barnhill said she appeared to have a broken ankle and severe cuts on her legs.

"She was tough," he said. "Tougher than I would have been."

Twin Falls City Council meets today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls City Council meets at 5 p.m. today.

Alex Castaneda will give a presentation as the representative of the Hispanic Festival. The council also will consider the appointment of Susan Ash to the Library Board of Trustees and approval of a handicapped parking space at 201 10th Ave. N.

There also will be a public hearing at 6 p.m. where Brad Willis will request a zoning amendment that would allow developments to put up two signs at vehicle entrances.

This is the second reading. The meeting will be at City Council Chambers, 305 3rd Ave. E.

CSI to offer 'Back to School' workshop

TWIN FALLS — A "Back to School" workshop will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday at 2085 N. Green Street at the Idaho Center for New Directions.

Participants will learn about the services available at CSI, financial aid resources and college procedures. They will explore the myths that prevent adults from returning to college. The workshop is designed for students who are considering full- or part-time college classes and is unsure of where to start or what resources are available.

For more information or to register, call 732-6680 or (800) 680-0274, ext. 6680.

Jerome County Fair parade will be Tuesday

JEROME — The Jerome County Fair parade will start at 5 p.m. Tuesday at Jerome High School when the parade starts on Main Street to the fairgrounds.

Registration is at 4 p.m. at the high school parking lot. Pre-registration is not required.

The grand marshals are Janet Babcock, 2005 Jerome Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year; Allen and JoRene Lee, 2005 Jerome Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award recipients.

Kempthorne lauds early settlers

OAKLEY — Passion, perseverance and patriotism combined when Gov. Dirk Kempthorne addressed nearly 300 citizens Saturday to honor the 2005 Oakley Pioneer Days living pioneers last week.

As keynote speaker, Kempthorne told a large crowd of 300 that he wanted to honor the lives of Latter-day Saints, that those three "P's" make up much of what Idahoans are about.

Kempthorne applauded the professional manner in which a group of Boy Scouts from the Oakley III Ward presented the colors prior to the program.

"That was very impressive and professional," Kempthorne said. "They then squared their corners and their salute to the flag was crisp."

— compiled from staff reports

Uplifting women



Farhana Hibbert, left, of Pocatello paints a palm tree during an art session taught by Alma Gomez, right, of Boise during the Mujeres Unidas de Idaho conference Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho. The conference addresses issues for Latinas, Chicanas and native women of Idaho.

Hispanic conference a time for sharing and learning

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Connect your heart to your head and follow your heart. That was one of many pieces of advice Socorro Hernandez Bernasconi had for a group of Hispanic women on Saturday.

Bernasconi is the coordinator of the Cesar Chavez Institute in Guadalupe, Ariz., and was keynote speaker for the Mujeres Unidas de Idaho Conference at the College of Southern Idaho.

The two-day conference was part fun — women got to paint their own enlarged versions of Ineria, or Mexican bingo cards — and part serious business — there were workshops on pesticides, housing and domestic violence.

Farhana Hibbert, publisher of the *Idaho Unido* newspaper, gave a talk on working with the media. She also joined the group to paint a palm tree card, which she said reminded her of growing up in Puerto Rico.

"It gives me that memory of my childhood," she said. "To me, it represents freedom."

The conference, in its 17th year, rotates between Twin Falls, Boise and Pocatello. Its theme, "Releasing your inner focus," was about getting in touch with that crazy part of yourself that can accomplish a lot, Hibbert said.

Graciela Fonseca, the organization's conference chairwoman, said it started as a social organization and grew.

"Many of us work in the service field," Fonseca said. "It became a great networking thing for us."

Fonseca said a lot of the workshops focus on promoting education and health for women and families. For instance, domestic violence is not disproportionate among Hispanic people, but it is a problem.

"Because of the language barrier, it's harder to get help," Fonseca said.

During her speech, Hernandez talked about her own efforts to prevent violence.

Her oldest son was killed in a game of Russian roulette in 1990. She turned her grief into action. In 1992, she started a program that allows people to turn in guns in exchange for computers, music lessons or other gifts. She gets excited about every one that comes in. The guns are welded into other objects, such as candleholders or garden implements.

"I don't want these guns recycled onto the streets," she said.

She gave Mujeres Unidas a nod that was created from parts of a gun.

Yolanda Martinez of Boise said Bernasconi's talk, which included singing, together and making paper flowers, was really relaxing.

"It's empowering to listen to women's issues in a safe environment," Martinez said.

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A lifetime of giving

By Jami Whitford
Times-News writer

GOODING — Manuella Harbaugh spent her life giving back to others. Whether serving in her children's different activities or helping with community projects in Gooding, Harbaugh gave what she could every chance she had.

She died July 24 at age 63. In her early 20s, she joined the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps during World War II. She was later inducted to the Army Air Corps. Her assignments took her all over the world including the Philippines, New Guinea and Leyte.

a life remembered



Manuella Harbaugh

Born: Sept. 23, 1921.
Died: July 24, 2005.
Survivors: Son, Dan Harbaugh of Spokane, Wash.; daughter, Cate Ann Dempsey; grandsons, Andrew, Matthew and Michael Dempsey; sisters, Elsie Dominguez of Denver, Colo., and Annelia Archuleta of Woodland, Calif.; brother, Paul, a nurse of Denver, Colo.; and numerous nieces and nephews.
Memorial: Saint Elizabeth's Parish Rectory Fund, 4515 California St., Gooding, ID 83338, or First Choice Hospice, 147 Main Ave. E. Twin Falls, ID 83301.

She was awarded the Army Good Conduct Medal, Women's Army Corps Service Medal and the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal. She was a very patriotic person who was proud to serve and constantly flew the flag.

She was honorably discharged in 1945 and later visited Gooding, where she met Manuella Harbaugh. They married May 18, 1947. The couple had two children, Dan Harbaugh and Carla Dempsey.

Throughout her life, children were among the most important things to her — especially her own.

She wanted to be the consummate mother," Dan said. "She loved children and wanted to be a really important part of our lives."

She was a Girl Scout leader, Den mother, in the Gooding PTA and taught catechism to third- and fourth-graders at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church for many years. Up until the day she died, she even bought prayer books and rosaries for her students.

She was a member of the American Legion Post 30, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a charter member of the Women in Military Service based in Washington, D.C.

Harbaugh sincerely cared about the betterment of community, church and people. She helped with everything she could, whether it was a needy person or a swimming pool for Gooding.

"She contributed to the building of the hospital, local fire and police station needs and organized a scholarship for students in her husband's memory."

"That was just her personality," said Becker. Her home in Louise, are lifelong family friends.

"She always wanted to help make things better ... If you need something and it was for a good cause, she would try to help ... She did so many things that a lot of people don't know about. She didn't want a lot of publicity."

She had a friendly, outgoing personality and loved spending time with people, but Becker said, you never knew when you stood with her, too.

Becker chuckled as he remembered one weekend they took Harbaugh to the cabin to meet some of the Beck-

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Buhl Highway District will hold election

Candidates vie for Subdistrict 2 seat

By Blair Koch

Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Rarely is there a challenger to a commissioner serving the Buhl Highway District when his term is up. Robert E. Cornie has been the commissioner for Subdistrict 3 since the 1970s.

"No one has ever opposed him," Eva Wagner explained. "His term comes every four years. The next time his term is up is in 2007."

"Termes like that are the reason Richard Schlund decided to run in Tuesday's election for Subdistrict 2. If elected, he will serve a five-year term."

"I don't have any fault, with the job that they are doing. I just think they need new people in

there once in a while," he explained.

"I would like to do my part in helping to maintain roads out here. I'd like the chance to do what I could," he said.

Schlund is running against incumbent Marvin Cox.

Cox has served eight years.

"What is really important to (sub) District 2 is that this area is all agricultural; everything, dairies, produce and cattle, they all depend on good roads. Not just for a few but for everybody," Cox said. "That is why I've stayed on so long."

He also wants, if re-elected, to see goals within the BHD carried out.

"We had a goal of having all roads oiled within five years,"

Cox said. "I want to see that carried out as well as maintaining monies that we get, grant monies that have been used for many projects."

Subdistrict 1, Neal Gier is running unopposed. Gier was appointed in May to fill the vacancy created after Barton Sommer resigned. He will serve a four-year term.

"I have learned a lot and look forward to learning and helping everyone," Gier said.

Wagner said this is the only time Subdistrict 2 will have a five-year term.

"The district decided to stagger the terms so that there isn't a possibility of having two new seats filled," she said. "That can encumber a three-seat board."

To vote

What: Buhl Highway District election

When: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday
Where: Buhl Fire Department and Buhl City Hall, 203 Broadway Avenue North.
Absentee ballots are available until 5 p.m. today at the Buhl Highway District office, 1500 W. Main St.

After this term is up, it will return to a four-year term like the other districts.

The election will be Tuesday. Votes can be cast from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Buhl Fire Department and Buhl City Hall, 203 Broadway Avenue North.

Absentee ballots are available until 5 p.m. today at the Buhl Highway District office, 1500 W. Main St.

Minidoka Highway candidates square off

By Marie Mischel
For The Times-News

Two candidates are vying for a seat on the Minidoka Highway district's board of directors in Tuesday's election.

Jeffrey Johnson is challenging incumbent Jeffrey B. Clark for the four-year term.

The South Idaho Press posed four questions to the candidates. Their answers follow:

Why are you running for a seat on the highway district?
Clark: I think that I can help the district. I believe I've been a pretty good commissioner and have been a benefit to the district.

Johnson: I feel the way to save the Jackson Bridge is to get a person on the district. And a lot of people feel the basic attitude of the highway district could be improved.

What are your qualifications for the position?

Minidoka Highway District election

What: Minidoka Highway District election

When: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Who can vote: Any registered voter in Minidoka County can vote.

Where: Acequia Elementary School, 20504 4th St.; Heyburn Fire Department, 925 18th St.; Paul City Hall, 1525 600 W.; Minidoka County Highway Dept. Office, 503 225 W. in Rupert.

Johnson: I have been running my own business for 15 years and I realize how important it is to manage a budget. And as a reserve patrolman in Rupert, I know how to work with the

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Burley BLM director leaving in October

By Renee Wells
For The Times-News

BURLEY — The director of the Bureau of Land Management's Burley Field Office will be leaving in October to take a position in Idaho Falls.

Wendy Reynolds came to Burley in June 2003 as the field office director for the Burley area. She had previously held a position with the U.S. Forest Service in Colorado, and said her duties there prepared her for what may have been her biggest undertaking here — the Cotterell Wind Generation project. The large-scale wind farm has been proposed by Bolsores Windland Inc. and Shell Wind Energy. Reynolds says she will continue to work on the project.

"I will continue to be actively engaged in the Windland project until the analysis portion is

done," Reynolds said. "I'm looking forward to working with the public through the comment period and I feel like I can still bring a consistency to the table even though I'll be sitting in a different desk at another part of the state."

In Idaho Falls, Reynolds will serve as director of the Upper Snake River District, and her focus will change from grazing and wind farms to recreation, she said.

Ken Miller, budget manager at the Idaho State BLM office in Boise, will succeed Reynolds as director of the Burley field office.

"I really hate to leave this area because it's been a wonderful place to live and my girls love it here," Reynolds said. "But this is an opportunity to work with different issues and the government doesn't leave us in any one place for too long."

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Navajo Nation president approves peyote law

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. (AP) — Navajo Nation President Joe Shirley Jr. has signed a law that makes it legal for Navajos to transport and possess peyote for ceremonial purposes on Navajo Nation land.

The new tribal law also allows peyote that Navajo police confiscate from people who use it illegally to be given to the Native American Church to be used for approved ceremonies.

Shirley said the legislation is a way to preserve the Navajo way

of life, preserve the herb and preserve the Navajos as a people.

The law, which is the result of Shirley's signing and an all-night ceremony in a sacred teepee near the Navajo Nation Museum stresses the importance of peyote in ceremonies. They also stressed the importance of using it properly.

The Navajo Tribal Council approved the measure July 22 on a vote of 63-1 during the council's summer session.

Co-sponsor Wallace Charley

of Shiprock, N.M., said Sunday the legislation made tribal law more specific about the use and transport of peyote, as well as changed the procedure for disposing of confiscated peyote.

"There are more and more misuses of peyote than any other time," Charley said. "This legislation gives more control to the user and transport of the sacrament."

Peyote is used for meditation and spiritual ties both in the Native American Church and other ceremonies, Charley said.

DRAGON BOAT



Chansakda Phommatha, 21, right, of Broomfield, Colo., celebrates with the rest of his teammates of team Lao Buddhist Temple of Colorado, on the final day of the 5th Annual Colorado Dragon Boat Festival on Sunday, at Sloan's Lake Park in Denver. The festival is a celebration of Denver's rich and diverse Asian Pacific-American community.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

Today
 Science Camp for first through eighth grades, all day, Evergreen and Shields buildings (through Friday).
 CSI Counseling Camp, all day, Physical Education 236 (through Saturday).
 CSI gym floor refinishing (all week).

Tuesday
 Herrett Center summer hours, 1 to 9 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, (through Sept. 3).
 Photography of Michael Herrett, Herrett Center, 1st & King Valley (through Aug. 13). Free admission.
 "More Than Meets the Eye," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 Idaho State University teacher literacy exam, 5 p.m., Evergreen A20.
 "The Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "Lynrd Skynrd: Fly On Free Bird," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Wednesday
 Free solar viewing, 1 to 3 p.m., Herrett Center Centennial Observatory.
 "More Than Meets the Eye," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "The Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 Styx Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Deser 113.
 "Lynrd Skynrd: Fly On Free Bird," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Thursday
 "More Than Meets the Eye," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "The Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "Lynrd Skynrd: Fly On Free Bird," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Friday
 Certified Nursing Assistant written tests, 10 a.m., Aspen 144.

"More Than Meets the Eye," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "The Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 Narcotics Anonymous weekly meeting, 7 p.m., Deser 113.
 "Lynrd Skynrd: Fly On Free Bird," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

Saturday
 CSI Ag Department and Twin Falls Farmers Market (local produce and crafts), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the across from Eldon Evans Expo Center.
 United Church of God weekly meeting, 10 a.m., Aspen 145.
 "More Than Meets the Eye," 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "The Search for Life in the Universe," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 "Lynrd Skynrd: Fly On Free Bird," 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

ON THE AGENDA

Today
 Acquila City Council, 8 p.m., Acquila Automotive, 20602 S. D. Dierich City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 103 S. Main.
 Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. N.
 Halley Planning and Zoning Commission, 6:30 p.m., Courthouse, 206 First Ave. S.
 Hansen Community Library Board, 7 p.m., library, 120 W. Maple.
 Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
 Ketchum City Council, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N.
 Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. S.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
 Twin Falls Parks and Waterway Advisory Board, 7 p.m., 450 Sixth Ave. W.

Tuesday
 Albion City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 225 S. Main.
 Blaine County commission-

ers, 8:45 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S. Halley.
 Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401 Overland Ave.
 Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main.
 Friedman Memorial Airport board, 5:30 p.m., Blaine County Courthouse, 206 First Ave. S.
 Halley City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A.
 Kimberly-Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W.
 Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St.
 Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 107 S. Rail St. W.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
 Twin Falls County Historic Preservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Twin Falls Mediation and Arbitration Center, 163 Second Ave. W.

Wednesday
 Glenns Ferry School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 820 Old Highway 30.

Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 110 W. Main.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

Thursday
 Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar.
 Kimberly Public Library Board, 7 p.m., library, 120 Madison W.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
 Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St.

Friday
 Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.

This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

Treasure Valley home sales, prices expected to continue rise

BOISE (AP) — The region surrounding Idaho's capital city is expected to post another record for single-family home sales and prices in 2005, as more jobs and still relatively affordable prices lure new residents from California and Nevada.

In the first six months, Treasure Valley home sales rose 26 percent to more than \$1.2 billion and prices averaged more than \$213,000, a 10 percent rise over the same period in 2004, according to the Intermarket Listing Service.

"That has the industry predicting full-year numbers will easily surpass those of last year, when the total value of homes sold in Idaho's most populous region surpassed \$2.5 billion," according to the Intermarket Listing Service.

Even though housing costs are climbing, Idaho home prices haven't risen as fast as the national average of 2.5 percent and trail far behind markets on the West and East coasts, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said recently.

In addition, Idaho's economy

is creating jobs at the sixth-fastest rate in the nation.

Both of these factors are helping to boost the Treasure Valley real estate market, as large home-building companies from Texas and Florida are moving to southwestern Idaho and buying up land for building projects.

One company has already acquired 2,800 acres of land that it plans to develop, said Wayne Forey, a Boise-based real estate consultant with Pathway Development. He declined to name the companies.

"They began looking at Boise when they realized that it was growing faster than Salt Lake City," Forey said, adding this purchase has served to drive up the cost of other properties for sale.

Single-family residential building permits issued in Idaho during the second quarter of 2005 increased by nearly 44.9 percent from a year earlier.

Boise homebuilder Don Hubbell says real estate speculators also are helping fuel the local housing boom.

"Job growth here should support about 5,000 or 6,000 housing starts a year. This year, we could have 9,000," Hubbell said. "My guess is that the balance is made up by investor sales."

"That has come in the region concerned that too many new homes built at high prices could eventually reverse the housing surge."

The same fears are being echoed across the state. In high-growth areas such as Kootenai County, as well as across the country, some recall the housing bust that caused homes in the U.S. Southwest to dip by up to 20 percent in the mid-1980s.

Economists also fear some buyers may eventually no longer be able to afford a new home in southwestern Idaho because speculative investments are driving prices higher.

"Since the second quarter of 2001, the average home price has gone from \$159,000 to \$213,000," economist John Church said. "That's up more than a third. Nobody's salary is keeping up with that."

Airports have high confiscation rates

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Over the past three years, U.S. airport passengers have surrendered an average of 14,000 prohibited weapons — enough to arm every passenger on 33 filled-to-capacity jumbo jets.

They can't really speculate why people keep bringing prohibited items, Transportation Security Administration spokesman Carrie Harmon said. "A lot of people honestly forget they have something wrong, and others are simply not preparing themselves carefully," he goes through airport security."

At Utah's airports, Moab and Vernal have among the highest confiscation rates, with the number of potential weapons surrendered per 1,000 originating passengers, according to a copyright story in the Deseret Morning News.

Moab ranked sixth of 444 airports — finding 259 potential weapons per 1,000 passengers — and Vernal ranked 10th, finding 162 guns in that time, TSA data shows the airport collected just 19.

Of the 1,000 weapons, 38 were retained for evidence in prosecutions. Others were returned to owners, some of whom had them in checked luggage but had forgotten to declare them, Morris said.

The newspaper's review of data also shows that smaller airports tend to find more weapons per passenger than larger ones.

Utah airports follow that trend. Cedar City's airport screenings found twice as many weapons per passenger as those in Salt Lake. St. George screenings found seven times as many, Vernal found 15 times as many, and Moab's frequency was 35 times that of the state's largest airport.

Items to them.

TSAs data however, does have some glaring holes, the newspaper reported.

For example, the agency appears to have quit tracking the number of firearms surrendered after August of 2004.

So, while data show about 1,000 firearms surrendered nationally in the three years examined, Morris said Salt Lake City International alone actually found 162 guns in that time, TSA data shows the airport collected just 19.

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Richard A. Johnson

PAUL — Richard A. Johnson, 68, passed away July 5, 2005, in Laketown, Calif., after a long battle with lung cancer.

Richard was born Sept. 10, 1936, in Orange County, Calif., the son of Alan and Phyllis Johnson.

He is survived by a son,

Mitch (Jody) Johnson; and a daughter, Renee J. Furniss; his wife, Patricia (Pat) Johnson, of California; a sister, Karen (Jerry) White of Oregon, as well as his grandchildren: Whitney, Rachel, Taryn, Marissa, Brunsen, Jenika and Justice. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Glenn;

two wives, Carolyn and Laurel Johnson; and three grandchildren: Krista, Treg and Tressa Furniss.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, 2005, at the Park Cemetery. Services are under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

SERVICES

Byron "Barney" M. Eacker of Twin Falls, burial at 10 a.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Burial at the Magic Valley Funeral Home.

Fred "Evo" Petersen of Gooding, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Demary's Gooding Chapel, 737 Main St.

Eden, Idaho. Visitation will be held Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2005, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2005, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home at 11 a.m. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

Aug. 3, 2005, at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel. Funeral services will be conducted 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, 2005, at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel with Rev. Rudy Bauder officiating.

Olve B. Lundy of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Rock Creek Community Church, 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, 2005. Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. today with family to greet friends from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

Dorothy Irene Frost Courtright of Rupert, funeral at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Rupert United Methodist Church. Friends may call one hour before the service Tuesday at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

James William Alexander, 82, of Eden, passed away July 30, 2005, at his home in

Oliver Hanzel BURLEY — Oliver Hanzel, 87, of Burley, passed away Saturday, July 30, 2005, at his home. Funeral services are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

David R. Wiggins CASTLEFORD — David R. Wiggins, 49, of Castleford, died Saturday, July 30, 2005, in Castleford. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park.

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Helicopter scans used in Idaho study

MOSCOW (AP) — Helicopters with infrared surveillance devices swooped over the Palouse countryside over the weekend measuring the temperature of streams to determine if they comply with federal standards meant to protect fish and other aquatic life.

The flights are scrutinizing 65 miles of the north and south forks of the Palouse River and Paradise Creek in Idaho and Washington.

They are being organized by the Washington Department of Ecology, and the city of Moscow is helping to pay for measuring the streams in Idaho.

The federal Clean Water Act helps set standards that streams in the Palouse watershed stay below temperatures of 64 degrees Fahrenheit.

With the measurements from the helicopters, officials are

gathering information to decide whether to reduce temperatures to protect the most sensitive species — and limit the growth of microorganisms that can rob water of oxygen.

"We want to know the worst case," said Elaine Stoumout of Department of Ecology's office in Spokane. "That's why we're doing the measurements at this time of year."

Officials hope to learn how streamside shade, runoff from irrigation, cool-water springs, the Palouse, municipal effluent and other factors influence stream temperatures.

In the summer, the volume of water is naturally low, which can boost temperatures as shallow, slow-moving water warms in the sunlight.

"Above the city of Moscow, it wouldn't surprise me if Paradise Creek is basically dry now," said

Les MacDonald, the city's public works director. "The lower the stream volume, the more likely life pools are, and they can get pretty warm."

"In measurements taken last July and August, the temperatures of Paradise Creek in some areas ranged up to 71 degrees," MacDonald said.

State and federal agencies eventually could request voluntary changes, including asking landowners to plant vegetation along the sides of streams.

Traditionally environmentalists have believed stream temperatures in the Palouse increased because conifers that grew along stream banks were cut down by homesteaders and the generation that followed.

Washington Department of Ecology also could require Palouse to cool effluent from its sewage plant, and the federal

Environmental Protection Agency could do the same for Moscow.

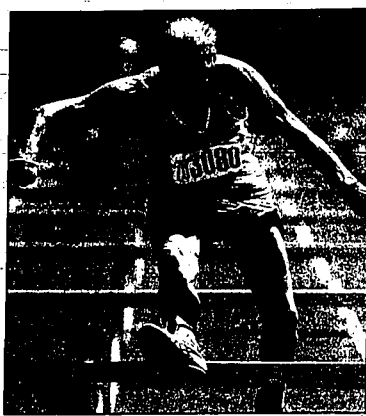
Still, just what should be done remains open to debate.

For instance, the temperature standards governing Palouse streams are based on what's best for fish such as salmon and trout. But salmon were blocked by the Palouse Falls downstream from ever spawning here, and rainbow trout aren't native to the region.

"You can see there could be a discussion about what standards are really appropriate," said Rob Bucher, Palouse Conservation District manager.

The weekend's helicopter readings will be combined with on-the-ground measurements of stream volume and temperature being taken by the Department of Ecology workers. More measurements will be taken next summer.

MASTER HURDLER



Zensh Emmerich, an 85-year-old Austrian, leaps over the fast hurdle during his 80-meter hurdle event at the World Masters Games at Foot Field in Edmonton on Saturday.

SAVING THE PAST

History buffs want to preserve what's left of Caribou City

By Ben Botkin
The Post Register

CARIBOU CITY — In its heyday, more than 2,000 miners lived in Caribou City, lured by the elusive gold in the mountain streams and rocks.

They came after carving trails into Caribou Mountain after gold was discovered there in 1870. Once there, miners blasted rocks, panned streams and dug for water down treacherous trails in search of gold. In this rough and tumble town near Grays Lake, miners used gold dust for money at saloons and supply stores.

Today, little is left of Caribou City.

A fire in 1885 swept through part of the town, causing many residents to leave. Over the years, trees and underbrush grew over the foundations. And the gold fever that once gripped the area has long since subsided.

But some are trying to revive the town before it fades into a passing mention in history books. This time around, the effort is to excavate the ruins of the trails with gold fever. What's precious now is the ghost town's history.

Caribou City's one of the few places in eastern Idaho that possessed an active gold-mining operation. At its prime, Caribou City was estimated to own 100 Idaho territory with stage coaches traveling in and out of a three-story hotel, gambling halls and dancing girls.

"Caribou was the only gold rush in eastern Idaho, so I think it should have a permanent place in eastern Idaho history," said Ellen Cameron, author of "The Mountain Caribou and Other Gold Camps in Idaho."

"That's what some government officials are looking for," Bonneville County commis-

sioners, along with U.S. Forest Service officials, are exploring the idea of putting a designated circular route through Caribou City that would be motorized and include signs to guide visitors through the ghost town.

"There are still many details to work out, and they say it could take a year before they have a plan in place." No one knows how much the project will cost or who will pay for it. It's also possible that an all-terrain vehicle pathway won't fit in with the rugged mountainside in the Caribou-Targhee National Forest.

Even so, they want Caribou City to be preserved before the ruins and history slip away like flakes of gold flowing through a creek.

"It's a story that isn't often told," said Roger Christensen, Bonneville County Commissioner chairman.

Because of the significance of Caribou City's history and the road to the town, the county and U.S. Forest Service are working together.

In 1978, a road called the Winschell Dugway opened and pack animals carried supplies to Caribou City. It became a major highway when Caribou City was booming. Now, it is a narrow dirt trail and the county still owns the right of way.

"I've always wanted a district ranger for the Forest Service, closed eight miles of the pathway in 1985 because of firewood drive trucks caused ruts in the road.

Before retiring in 2000, he wanted the roadway opened to motorcycles and smaller all-terrain vehicles.

If the eight miles of the Winschell Dugway were opened and improved, it would provide a circular pathway through Caribou City for all-terrain vehicles.

"I think it would be a good thing for people to be able to travel the Winschell Dugway with low-impact motorized vehicles to experience what the miners went through in those days," Varlone said.

Caribou City is not the kind of ghost town that is crumbling, abandoned buildings.

Towering green pines and red wildflowers dominate the landscape. It's also possible that an all-terrain vehicle pathway won't fit in with the rugged mountainside in the Caribou-Targhee National Forest.

Sections of rusty, corroded, riveted pipe still lie in the underbrush, left over from when pioneers used it to wash away dirt from hillslides as they mined for gold.

And there are several rock foundations of buildings.

More might be discovered if the time and money was invested, said Al Abusaid, an archaeologist with the Forest Service.

Canals that carried water through Caribou City are now choked with brush and blend with the mountainous terrain. Piles of rocks dot the landscape, unearthed and uprooted when miners turned the soil in search of gold. Rusty cans lie nearby.

It's not as picturesque as the forested mountaintops nearby. "But its history... I guess beauty is in the eye of the beholder — just the history of it," Christensen said, gazing at the heaps of rocks where mines once worked.

A brown sign in the Caribou-Targhee National Forest points visitors to Caribou City. Nothing else about Caribou City can be seen without taking an eight-mile hike along a narrow trail that requires jumping across creeks.

David Whitehead, a district ranger, said Caribou City some-

times gets visitors.

"There are the history buffs that come here and look around," he said.

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Cache County farms see accident increases

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — Cache County farming operations have seen an increase in accidents related to hay baling equipment this summer, something some say is a result of a lack of safety training.

Logan Regional Hospital's

emergency room statistics show eight hay baling accidents so far this year. The accidents ranged from minor injuries, to more serious problems, including back injury, fractured arms and one paralysis.

Comparatively, only one accident was reported throughout the 2004 haying season, emergency room director Brek Rustin said.

"Within about a month we've seen all of these injuries. We started seeing them at the first cut of hay," Rustin said.

Physician Brett Porter says

the injuries are a direct result of inadequate equipment, insufficient worker experience, and a lack of training. Porter also sees technology advances in farming equipment that produce larger, heavier hay bales as large part of the problem.

"I think it's worth saving what's still there before we lose it all," Elmore said.

Life

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ers' friends. On a Sunday morning, they were informally gathering around the table for breakfast when Harbaugh politely, but seriously, said, "All right now, gentlemen, as soon as we remove our caps we can say grace and eat."

The Beckers marvel at Harbaugh's memory, knowledge of Gooding history and loved her sense of humor.

"I just didn't tease her a little, she thought you were mad at her," said Becker, who always tried to get her goat.

In later years, when she couldn't play the sport, she loved watching professional golf and could tell a person just about everything about the players, who was doing what, how they golfed and where they stood in competitions, Louise said.

She loved watching Gonzaga Bulldogs basketball games, cooking, growing roses, reading, collecting rosaries from all over the world and traveling.

About the only place she never went was Antarctica, said Dan, who often traveled with her. One of her favorite trips

was to Jakarta, Indonesia, where she and Dan ran into some children and they and Harbaugh seemed to be fascinated with each other. Even though they couldn't speak each other's language, they must have had some connection, they couldn't stop laughing, smiling and playing together.

"It seems... no matter where Harbaugh was, she was ready to

give what she could to those in need, whether it was a smile or a helping hand.

"I had to sum up her life. It would be that wherever she was she would reach out, especially to children," Dan said. "She wanted to be a mother to everyone."

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Lordy, Lordy
Look Who's 40!

Happy Birthday
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Love Your Family!

BLM

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Reynolds has worked to stifle some contested issues brought on by severe drought in the first years she was here. She also put a great deal of effort into helping expedite the burying of the Goosecreek pipeline.

But the major portion of her time has been spent helping

prepare a draft environmental impact study on the Cottrell project. That document came out in June and is currently under public scrutiny.

"I'm going to miss Buryly," Reynolds said. "The time we've spent here has been a happy time. It's a beautiful place to live and I've enjoyed it immensely."

Highway

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public. If I get the position, people will be able to get in touch with me.

Clark: I have learned some things in the past four years. I have an obligation to all patrons; you really have to look at people and understand what the heck they're selling you before you make a decision. As a board member of Project Mutual for 16 years, a CPA and president of Sun Valley Co-Op, I believe I'm very well qualified.

What will be the biggest issue facing the district in the next four years?

Clark: The biggest issue facing the district is to generate, abide and meet the budget.

Johnson: The primary function is to be good stewards of the taxpayers' money.

What is your position on the Jackson Bridge?

Johnson: I know there are ways the bridge can be saved. I'd like to restore it to light traffic and foot traffic.

Clark: Given the current budget of the highway district, I don't see how you can pull it together without jeopardizing other aspects of the district.

Marie Mischel writes for The South Idaho Press.

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FIGHTING FOR HER HOME

83-year-old woman takes on Park Service to keep land

By Nicholas Riccardi
Los Angeles Times

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK — When Coors wanted to film a commercial that captured the heart and soul of the Rockies, the beer company came to Betty Dick's back yard.

It's easy to see why. The Colorado River meanders through a rippling meadow under the shadow of two 12,000-foot peaks. Dick, 83, has spent the past 25 summers here, hosting cookouts and family reunions, watching moose and elk from her front porch and soaking up the glory that is Colorado's Rocky Mountain National Park.

But now the park wants Dick to move out. The lease that allowed Dick to live on the 2.5-acre in one of the country's most popular national parks expired July 16.

Dick isn't budging. Arguing that the Park Service fleeced her and her late husband when it bought the ranch in the 1970s, Dick has gotten the U.S. House of Representatives to pass a bill that would allow her to stay on the land for the rest of her life. She appeared before a Senate subcommittee in Washington, D.C., Thursday asking senators to do the same.

"What is the hang-up, letting someone who is 83 years old stay for the rest of her lifetime? If I was 40, or even 60, I wouldn't fight it."

— Betty Dick, fighting to keep her home

She serves as host to her children, 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren and has created a treasured and playful home. Betty Dick also throws regular parties for the Rocky Mountain Theater Company and other community groups from the towns just outside the park.

"They say they bought this property for the median price," Dick said of the Parks Service. "I defy them to bring more people onto this property than I have. They should just see my summer calendar."

It was at one such gathering last summer, with 80-odd people in folding chairs under the stars that a guest urged Dick to stay put and fight when her lease expired in 2005.

The widow hired a lawyer and got her congressman, Rep. Mark Udall, D-Colo., to introduce the bill in the House of Representatives that would allow Dick to remain on the property for the rest of her life. It passed unanimously in July.

Since then, the Parks Service has offered a pair of compromises. First they offered to allow Dick to retain the three acres of land surrounding her house for another two years, at a rent of \$50 a month. The second proposal. Then the service last week proposed letting Dick stay on that patch for the remainder of her life. But Dick told the Senate's National Parks subcommittee Thursday that she is still seeking a law that would allow her to hold onto all of the property.

Rick Frost, a spokesman for the Parks Service, said the agency was trying to be accommodating but also stick to its goal. "We're accomplishing what we really want to accomplish, which is getting the land back into the hands of the American people."

Dick said in an interview that local park staff has been sympathetic and assured her that she will be able to remain on the land until at least October, when the snows begin to fall and Dick returns to her winter home in an Arizona retirement community.

The widow also has champions. Judy Burke, mayor of the gateway town of Grand Lake, points out that Dick's land is just a small portion — of a 475,000-acre park. And, she asks, "Why would it hurt to let the little 'ol' lady stay?"

It was a good time to be holding a piece of property in the valley. Congress had passed a bill to expand Rocky Mountain National Park, and the Park Ser-

vice was buying up the private land in the valley. The government bought the Dick property in 1977 for \$214,000 — without offering Fred Dick the right of first refusal.

He sued to block the sale, and a three-year battle ensued. Exhausted from the divorce, Fred Dick took his new wife to the land in the summer of 1978 and asked her if she wanted to fight for it.

"I said 'Fred, you'd be crazy to stop fighting for this. It's just a little piece of heaven,'" Betty Dick recalled.

Two years later, the government reached a settlement with the Dicks. Betty Dick said the terms had been for the two of them to give up two-thirds of the land and to be able to stay on the remaining third for the rest of their lives. But when the papers arrived in the mail, they specified a quarter of the lease as being 25 years.

Fred Dick died in 1992, but Betty has remained on the land during his lifetime and the summer of 2005.

Texas family fights uranium mining

By Lynn Brazosky
Associated Press Writer

RICARDO, Texas — The extended Garcia family has lived for five generations in a cluster of frame and muller homes here that now has a sad distinction: Their water is contaminated with uranium at levels so high the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration has told them to stop drinking it and see their doctors.

State environmental officials said the company that has been mining uranium in the area for much of the last 20 years says the contamination is natural seepage from a vein of the radioactive material that runs near their well.

But the Garcias and other Kleberg County residents don't accept that explanation and are fighting to prevent further mining.

"That's weird that it's the only place and nobody else has had Humberto Garcia said. "It just kind of raises questions. A quarter-mile away we have relatives, and they've a OK."

Lewisville-based Uranium Resources Inc. came to the area in the 1980s, sucking uranium-filled water from deep underground for processing. But the activity was suspended on and off through the late 1990s, when prices plummeted from more than \$30 a pound to about \$7. Claiming financial problems, the company failed to clean up the area or restore the water.

"The promise was they would take all the uranium and leave the water clean," said Ted Saenz, president of STOP (Stop Oppose Pollution). "They didn't."

Demand for uranium has increased recently, and URI has proposed two new mines. Global stockpiles of uranium are dwindling and several countries, including China and India, have plans to build nuclear power plants.

STOP members, who number about a dozen, say an engineer mapped the underground for them in the mid-1950s and ac-



Humberto Garcia, a retired teacher and goat rancher on the family land in Ricardo, Texas, shows how the pump house pumps water to the homes on Garcia Hill on July 29. Their system has now been hooked up to city water from Ricardo because their well water is contaminated and unsafe to drink.

curately predicted that contamination from the mine field would migrate first to the Garcias wells. They now fear poisoned water will seep toward the water supply of nearby Kingsville, population 25,000.

Mark Pelizza, a URI vice president, said those concerns are unfounded.

At a public hearing Monday, Garcia and other residents will make their case against the company mining a new area, arguing that since URI failed to clean up its former operations, it shouldn't be allowed to do more. The administrative judge will make a recommendation to a settlement with URI in December that the company must show it is cleaning old mines before beginning new mining activity.

"The settlement basically says they will make a good faith effort to clean up the water," said Mark Walsh, a member of STOP. "It was a very big blow to us."

County Judge Pete De La Garza said the agreement, which requires URI to pay the county \$20,000 for an expert to monitor the cleanup, was the county's best route toward getting at least \$5 million worth of cleanup done.

"We had two choices, the way I see it," he said. "The first choice was just to not allow them to mine, let them go away and leave our water dirty. The second I thought was more prudent — to get our water cleaned up."

But Kleberg County residents who leased land to URI said they wished their families hadn't bought into promises 25 years ago of easy royalties, regional prosperity and better-than-before cleanup.

"It's been how many years now that we cannot farm the land?" said Elizabeth Cumberland, widow whose family leased land to URI in 1980. "I personally believe we have simply lost that land."

Sex offender abducted girl, took her to Mexico, police say

RENO, Nev. (AP) — An 8-year-old girl was abducted by a convicted sex offender who took her to Mexico, where the father and mother of the girl, shelter, authorities said.

Officials in Mexico and the United States said the girl was sexually assaulted by Fernando Aguero, who is accused of kidnapping her from her home near Reno on July 22.

The girl's mother, who was reunited with her daughter Saturday, said she had a romantic relationship with Aguero.

The girl's name was reported as authorities searched for her, but The Associated Press does not normally identify victims of sexual assault.

Aguero, 47, and the girl were found in a low-income shelter in Ensenada after police received reports from flyers distributed in the state of Baja, Mexico.

The mother flew to San Diego on Saturday with Lyon

County sheriff's Capt. Jeff Page and was reunited with her daughter later in the day.

It was not immediately known when Aguero may be extradited to the United States. He remains in the custody of Mexican authorities, who want to charge him with rape and kidnapping. NBC TV affiliates in Reno and San Diego reported.

Agguero convicted in Mexico, Aguero could serve up to 38 years in prison.

Aguero — who was convicted in Los Angeles in the 1980s of lewdness with a child and served a year in prison — could receive life in prison without parole if convicted of kidnapping in the United States.

The girl's mother said she did not know that Aguero was a convicted sex offender until he and her daughter disappeared. "I'm glad everybody prayed" for the girl's return, she said.

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OTHER VIEWS

Cell phones don't belong on airplanes

The Des Moines (Iowa) Register

Let's hope the Federal Aviation Administration and the Federal Communications Commission get the message.

Those are the federal agencies that would have to OK use of cell phones during flights.

Please don't. Flying these days poses enough aggravation without being subjected to dozens of fellow passengers

simultaneously engaged in loud, one-way conversations.

Already, having to listen to cell-phone blather is a nuisance at the grocery store. In restaurants. Even at school board meetings...

At movie theaters, etiquette has (mostly) taken hold. Patrons usually turn off cell phones or put them on vibrate. That should catch on in other settings.

At the very least, cell-phone users should step out of the room. That's a problem on airplanes.

Country celebrates launch, now prays for safe return

Journal and Courier, Lafayette, Ind.

Now we cross our fingers on re-entry. Jubilation replaced the nerves at Cape Canaveral as NASA turned in a successful launch of Discovery, the start of the first space shuttle mission since Columbia broke apart when returning home in February 2003.

The trials at NASA since Columbia have been exacting. The space program not only had missions to prepare, but critics — inside and out of NASA — to appease.

On this liftoff — perhaps the most watched in years in a country that had come to expect routine greatness from the space shuttle launches — all eyes were trained on what parts of Discovery might have been damaged on liftoff. There, undoubtedly, will be nervous hours ahead during the shuttle's 12-day mission to the international space station, given the damage thought to be at the heart of Columbia's fate.

But on Tuesday morning, seeing a crew of astronauts return to space qualified as a brilliant sight.

Bush should have looked West

Fort Collins, Colorado

Politicians are rushing to draw lines in the sand regarding President Bush's nomination of federal appeals court judge John G. Roberts Jr. for U.S. Supreme Court.

One factor all should agree upon, though, is that Bush's choice to replace Sandra Day O'Connor is not surprising.

The jury is still out, so to speak, on Roberts' qualifications, but the process leading to Bush's selection is disappointing for its lack of consideration for diversity. Women make up more than

half of this nation's population, so it is surprising that the administration could not have produced a qualified female to replace another on the High Court.

Even more discouraging is that Bush didn't seize the opportunity to look beyond the East Coast for his selection. The West, including Colorado, has its share of jurists that would be qualified to serve...

Regardless of political partisanship, members of the Senate Judiciary Committee should conduct a thorough, vigorous examination of Roberts' qualifications.



LETTERS

Family gives up dog after fighting fireworks

When will the Fourth of July end?

You know how the Fourth of July is a fun celebration? Well that might be your opinion! And my opinion is no more Fourth of July.

Because of the Fourth, I lost my dog and I've had him for six fun years.

"How did you lose him?" is the question, and the answer is he is afraid of fireworks and since he's a big dog, he was able to jump over our 5-foot fence and run away several times during the summer and because of the situation, we had to take him to the pound. That is how he got here. Since I'm a kid, all I have to say is thanks a lot, Twin Falls! ERICA JACKSON

Twin Falls
Editor's note: Erica Jackson is an 11-year-old Twin Falls resident.

Government misstates plutonium's safety

There is a famous quote by former U.S. Sen. Dan Patrick Moynihan that applies to the presentation made by the Department of Energy on July 20 in Sun Valley on the subject of why we should all support the plan to consolidate all radioactive power systems nuclear production operations within the Idaho site.

Moynihan was in a heated debate when his adversary abruptly said, "Well, I am entitled to my own opinion." Moynihan replied, "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion but not his own facts."

Plutonium is an awesomely dangerous radioactive chemical element that does cause cancer and death to innocent people. Yet, the DOE told us at a plutonium meeting that Pu-238 poses no significant danger to anybody — that it is actually more than 250 times less dangerous than smoking one cigarette a day for a year. And many times less dangerous than having a single chest X-ray or flying on an airplane. There is no policy to say this: The DOE flat out lied to us. They apparently operated under the assumption that the plutonium is as safe as we were to question its factual underpinnings.

This is not about being a conservative, a liberal, a Democrat or a Republican or a patriot or a radical. This is about life and death. And this is about health and the inherent limitations on the power and ability of the U.S. government to keep us safe.

There can be little doubt that the INL is a target of terrorist organizations with whom we are at war. In addition, accidents do happen, often times even when we are not at war. It is disingenuous to suggest that consolidation of nuclear production operations at the INL will somehow eliminate or even reduce the possibility of something going terribly wrong, whether it be by an intentional terrorist act or by a negligent operator or caused by government bureaucrats or employees. Simply put, our government does not have the ability and cannot be trusted to protect us from the catastrophic consequences that could result from consolidating the manufacturing, transportation and storage of Pu-238 at the INL.

Please send your comments opposing the consolidation of nuclear production operations at INL by mail to Timothy A. Frazier, EIS Document Manager, NE-50/Germantown Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, D.C. 20585-1290; call (800) 919-3706, fax (800) 919-3765, or e-mail to ConsolidationEIS@nuclear.energy.gov. MICHAEL SAPHIER Ketchum

New faces among many changes at The Times-News

Let me offer a testimonial if anyone has ever wondered about the value of placing employment ads in The Times-News.

We advertised recently for a new business editor, and the queries started immediately thereafter. What happened to Virginia Hutchins? Is she leaving?

Please let me answer the second question first: No, Hutchins is not leaving after 10 years at The Times-News. She is taking on a new assignment, however, one of many changes we're undergoing in the newsroom. Topping that list is an overhaul of our features sections, which include Image on Mondays, Food & Home on Wednesdays, Week-End on Fridays, Religion on Saturdays and Family Life on Sundays.

Making those sections more useful, relevant and appealing in order to attract new readers will be a BIG job — one that Hutchins agreed to take on as features editor.

Now, let me put your minds at ease before you start asking about Steve Crump, our long-time features editor and a Sunday columnist. Crump, who has written for The Times-News for more than 20 years, is so popular with many of our readers that he could still be writing his column 25 years from now. Because of his column's popularity, we plan to expand it to a second day each week once Hutchins makes the transition to features editor. Crump will also continue to edit the Saturday Religion section and the Week-End section on Fridays, which we plan to convert to a tabloid format this fall. And he will write more stories than he



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR
Chris Steinbach

has had time to write while serving as features editor. But first we have to hire a business editor, which was the reason for the ad. A different business editor will be one of many new faces in our newsroom. Some talented people have accepted our job offers and will be joining us in the weeks to come, including:

• William Sites, as night city editor. Sites, who will join us in mid-August, is a Missouri native. He has worked for several smaller newspapers. He also owned a weekly newspaper in Missouri for about three years.

• Karma Metzler Fitzgerald, as social sections writer and coordinator, a newly created part-time position. Fitzgerald, who owns a dairy farm near Shoshone with her husband, Clem, and other members of his family, is a former television reporter in Twin Falls. She has also been a freelance writer for The Times-News and a weekly sister publication. She will continue to write for *Ag Week* after she joins us on Aug. 22.

• Josh Palmer, as education reporter on Aug. 22. Palmer graduated this spring from the University of Oregon with a bachelor's degree in journalism and minors in Spanish and business.

• Matt Christensen, as a features writer, on Aug. 8. Christensen graduated from Iowa State University earlier this year with a bachelor's de-

gree in journalism.

His hiring signals our commitment to remaking our features sections, which have previously been done by the features editor and the assistant features editor. Our expanded features staff will consist of Hutchins, Crump and Christensen, who is taking the spot Loreta Burkhardt has held down so well since late January. She joined us in a temporary position after the death of Denise Turner, who had been assistant features editor for a dozen years. But Burkhardt, who had been a Times-News correspondent before she joined the staff, made it clear she didn't want the job permanently — saying something about enjoying retirement with her husband, Nellis.

I can't thank Burkhardt enough for her hard work and the fine stories she has written the past seven months. Her last day with us will be on Friday, but she plans to continue a.l.e. as a Times-News correspondent.

Sadly, two other employees are also leaving us on Friday. Business writer Megan Hinds Myers and Cory Myers, our chief photographer, are leaving to take similar jobs at The Argus Leader in Sioux Falls, S.D. They have been two of our best employees. If I had a son, I'd want him to grow up to be like Cory. And we might not be advertising for a business editor on Friday, an Iowa native, wasn't moving back to the Midwest. They will be missed.

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LETTERS

Write to us

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a coal-fired power plant in Jerome County. A couple of questions should not only be asked but also answered. Ex-

actly who is this benefiting? As a 17-year resident of Jerome, I cannot see in anyway that this will benefit me, my family or

my community. Seems as if the only beneficial value is for a select few.

So, whose "will" are our elected officials carrying out? Are we willing to compromise the health of our families, our air and our lands for the "will" of a few? Matter of fact, let the "will of the people" be heard. Let "us" vote on whether or not we want Sempra in our county. MARK SPITZ, Home

Simpson does best to protect wild lands
My son and I climbed in the pristine Sawtooth Wilderness

last weekend and were thankful for the efforts of so many to protect these wild lands.

I am writing in support of the Central Idaho Economic Development and Recreation Act just introduced by Rep. Mike Simpson.

I urge you not act now to protect our remaining pockets of wilderness, they will be gone forever. Mike's bill attempts to balance many competing interests for the benefit of all citizens.

I hope his efforts are successful.
PETER F TOFT
Twin Falls

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The members of the editorial board and writers of editorial are
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Raeona Jones and David Cooper.

Residents aren't being heard in Sempra debate

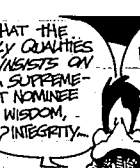
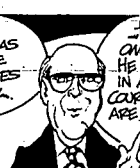
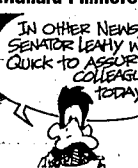
One of the great things about a democracy is the idea that we have elected officials whose sole purpose is to carry out the "will of the people." This concept is supposed to extend itself from the branches of our federal government all the way down to our local governments, but sadly it seems as if the "will of the people" is only heard when it is either re-election time or when "louder" wills are not around to be heard.

I am speaking about the plans for Sempra to introduce

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Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

Countries struggle to develop new vision

In visiting Gaza and Israel a few weeks ago, I realized how much the situation in Iraq has obscured some of the slower, deeper but equally significant changes happening around the Middle East. To put it bluntly, the political parties in the Arab world and Israel that have shaped the politics of this region since 1967 have all either crumbled or been gutted of any of their original meaning. The only major parties with any internal energy and coherence left today are Hamas, Hezbollah and the Muslim Brotherhood, and they are scared out of their minds — scared that if the secular parties collapse, they may have to rule, and they don't have the answers for jobs, security and electricity.

In short, Iraq is not the only country in this neighborhood struggling to write a new social contract and develop new parties. The same is true in Lebanon, Israel, Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Gaza. If you like comparative politics, you may want to come out here, pull up a chair and pop some popcorn, because this sort of political sound and light show comes about only every 30 to 40 years.

How did it all happen? The peace process and the large-scale immigration of Jews to Israel (albeit by the energy sources that animated the Israeli Labor Party, and their recent collapse has sapped its strength. Meanwhile, Ariel Sharon's decision to pull out of Gaza unilaterally and uproot all the Jewish settlements there, settlements that his Likud Party had coded as its core mission, has fractured that party.



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Likud's vision of creating a Greater Israel "collapsed because of Palestinian democracy and terrorism, and Labor's vision of peace collapsed with the failure at Camp David," said the former Likud minister Dan Meridor. "The death of Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian Intifada — which was as much a revolt by Palestinian youth against Arafat's corrupt old guard as against Israel — and Israel's crushing response have broken Fatah and its animating vision of revolution until victory over the Zionist entity."

Fatah never made the transition from a national liberation movement to civil society," said the Palestinian reformist legislator Ziad Abu Amr. Iraq's Baath Party was smashed to bits by President Bush, Syria's Baath — because of the loss of both its charismatic leader, Hafez Assad, and Lebanon, its vassal and launching pad for war on Israel — has no juice anymore. Lebanon's Christian Phalange Party and Amal Party, and the other ethnic parties there, are all casting about for new identities, now that their primary obsessions — the Syrian and Israeli bogymen — have both left Lebanon. Egypt's National Democratic Party, which should be spearheading the modernization of the Arab world, can't

get any traction because Egyptians still view it as the extension of an undemocratic regime. "Intensifying these pressures is the big change from Washington, said the Palestinian political scientist Khalil Shikaki: "As long as Washington was happy to see regimes that offered no stability, there was no outside pressure for change. Now that the Bush administration has taken a bolder position, the public's expectations with regard to democratization are becoming greater. But the existing parties were not built to deliver that. So unless new ones emerge, either Hamas or anarchy could fill the vacuum."

The big challenge for all these societies is obvious: Can they reconstitute these old parties or build new ones that can make the task and narrative of their own countries — making their people competitive in an age in which China and India and Ireland are eating their lunch — as emotionally gripping as fighting Israel or the West or settling the West Bank? Can there be a Baath Party or a Fatah that has real views on competition, science and the environment? Will Labor and Likud (which, though badly hobbled, are still more like real political parties than those in the Arab world) ever have a defining debate over why nearly one in five Israelis lives below the poverty line? "For decades, people in the region were only interested in political parties that offered national liberation," remarked Jordan's deputy prime minister, Murwan Mushar, whose coun-

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condition of capable Iraqi security forces taking over. Leading the charge for a start to withdrawal is Sen. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts, who at a hearing of the Senate Armed Services Committee last month told Rumsfeld the war "has been consistently and grossly mismanaged, and we are now in a seemingly intangible quagmire."

Rumsfeld said he and everyone else in the military operation in Iraq disagreed flatly with Kennedy's assessment.

Pressure for a coalition pull-out also is growing in Great Britain in the wake of the bombings in the London underground system earlier this month. In a blistering attack on Prime Minister Tony Blair in the New Statesman, writer John Pilger argued: "Our troops must come home. We owe it to all those who died in London on July 7."

Casey's conditional prospect of some reduction in the U.S. force level of 138,000, in light of Rumsfeld's refusal to set a timetable, sends mixed signals back home — but hardly the only ones in this war of controversial decision-making.

Time to withdraw from Iraq?

WASHINGTON — Dogged down in the Vietnam war, President Lyndon B. Johnson in May 1964 got some advice from one of his closest Senate allies, Democratic Sen. Richard B. Russell of Georgia. According to the LBJ White House tapes, Russell told Johnson he should get out as follows: "I have a suggestion (suggestion) that said he wished to hell we would get out. That would give us a good excuse for getting out."

Russell never followed the case-saving advice, nor did he heed the counsel of Republican Sen. George Aiken of Vermont, who said the United States should "declare victory and come home." LBJ lived to regret the kibitzing of both senators, choosing instead a draw-out policy of Vietnamization of the war that culminated in American withdrawal, not unlike the present Bush approach in Iraq. Once again, the idea of bringing U.S. troops home is the subject of growing pressure. From Democratic and antiwar groups especially, on an American president who has vowed to keep them in Iraq as long as necessary, but not one day longer.

Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, meeting Iraqi Prime Minister Ibrahim Jafari in Baghdad the other day, said again that the Bush administration would not set a timetable for troop withdrawal. At the same time, however, the American troop commander in Iraq, Gen. George W. Casey Jr., volunteered an optimistic outlook for "some fairly substantial reductions after these elections in the spring and summer." If training of Iraqi security forces "continues to go as it is going," Casey argued that "the level of attacks they've (the insurgents) been able to generate has not increased substantially" over the previous year.

It's hard to square this rosy scenario with the observation to Congress earlier this month of Marine Gen. Peter Pace, soon to become chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He said only "a small number of Iraqi security forces are taking on the insurgents and terror by themselves," only a third are ready to do so with coalition help, and the rest only "partially capable."

Jafari at a news conference with Rumsfeld seemed to be supporting an early withdrawal. "The great desire of the Iraqi people is to see the coalition forces be on their way out as they take more responsibility," he said. But then he added: "I am sure that we will see whenever the Iraqi forces are ready to stand up."

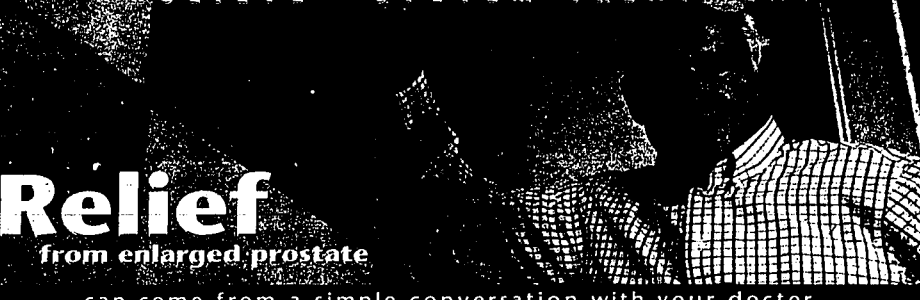
The situation is not totally analogous to what is going on in Vietnam when Russell gave his advice to Johnson. Then, LBJ was in a position to install a South Vietnamese political figure who could be instructed to ask for an American pullout. Jafari, by contrast, was not a creature of President Bush and he shares Bush's pre-

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Wave of immigrants floods the Northeast

NEWBURGH, N.Y. (AP) — Sunday morning in this small, Hudson Valley city: More than 1,000 parishioners, most from Mexico, pray in Spanish-language Masses at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Afterward, many families flock to El Azteca for its authentic tacos. If somebody needs a ride home, there are at least a dozen local taxi companies catering to newcomers born in the Mexican states of Puebla and Jalisco.

New residents from Mexico have, in the last four years, opened dozens of businesses and have begun to revitalize the ailing downtown district: they are the region's fastest growing community.

It's the same story elsewhere in the Northeast. Like the other parts of the country before it, the region is finally starting to see the impact of Mexican migration.

New communities of Mexicans have arrived to fill farm, construction and domestic jobs—government data show. Population growth in states such as Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Connecticut would be considerably slower if not for the newcomers, who are steadily bringing about the region's biggest demographic shift in generations. And while the change has brought new vitality to some places, it's also created tension.

Rodolfo O. de la Garza, a sociologist at Columbia University, says it's natural that Mexico is—and will be—the main source of Hispanic migration to the United States.

"Mexico is right there and Mexico is so big," he said. "They're not going to become the dominant group in the Northeast, but they're going to be increasingly important numerically."

Sixty miles north of New York City, Newburgh has historically been a small Puerto Rican community. But these days, Mexicans drawn to farm work in area apple orchards, dairy farms and factories far outnumber the Puerto Ricans, demographers say.

In 2000, the city's 4,500 Mexicans represented half of all its diversity today, Mexicans are two-thirds of that group, demographers estimate.

"I've seen Mexicans grow from a very small quiet-type community to a very large population, and it continues to grow," said Richard Rivera, president of Latinos Unidos, a local advocacy group.

Nationally, most Mexican-born residents have long been concentrated in California and Texas, said Jeffrey S. Passel, a demographer with the Pew Hispanic Center in Washington, D.C.

"If you go back 15 or 20 years, there were very many Mexicans outside of core settlement areas of the Southwestern states and the Chicago area," he said.

In the early 1990s, he said, California's ailing economy and rising anti-immigrant sentiments pushed some Mexican immigrants into new places. With abundant jobs in North Carolina, Georgia and New York City.

As new immigrants kept arriving—peaking at more than 600,000 a year around 1999 or 2000—many joined friends or family resettled in the new areas. Tens of thousands went straight from the Mexican state

Mexicans flocking to Northeast

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Mexican population growth

Under 20% 20-40% Over 40%

State	2000	2003	GROWTH
Maine	2,879	4,418	46(3%)
Conn.	23,274	33,821	45 (2)
N.H.	4,143	5,618	35 (4)
Pa.	54,254	70,855	31 (1)
Mass.	21,201	26,400	25 (1)
N.J.	101,477	120,466	19 (2)
Vt.	1,219	1,433	18 (2)
R.I.	5,916	6,758	14 (3)
N.Y.	250,217	278,305	12 (1)

Overseas population growth in percentages

SOURCES: Census Bureau; ESRI AP

of Michoacan to meatpacking jobs in Tar Heel, N.C., and from Puebla to work in restaurants and private homes in Manhattan.

Another factor fueling the influx was the nation's widespread real-estate boom, which drove steady growth in construction jobs. Last year, nearly one in five foreign-born Hispanics was a construction worker and only 38 percent of the nation's Mexican immigrants lived in California, Pew data show. That's down from 58 percent in 1990.

Roberto Calderin moved to Orange County, which includes Newburgh. In 1996 and has seen the changes. "I went to a restaurant, an Italian restaurant—the other day, and I started horsing around with one of the busboys. I said, 'How many Mexicans you got back there cooking?' He said, 'They're all Mexicans.'"

Small but rapidly expanding Mexican communities also are now in East Boston, Burlington, Vt., Central Falls, N.J., and Providence, said Martin Montero-Seiburth, a professor at the University of Massachusetts, Boston.

In Maine, where most immigrants pick apples or blueberries or work on dairy farms, Census estimates counted 4,418 Mexicans in 2003, up 48 percent from 2000.

"Some have felt a backlash. In Farmingville, on Long Island, residents have repeatedly complained about Central American day laborers, and there have been several attacks on Latinos in recent years. In a way, that some residents cheered but immigration advocates condemned, local officials recently closed down three houses crowded with migrant centers."

Mexico's consular general for the New York region said the town reflects national immigration tensions. Suffolk County Executive Steve Levy said the Mexican government should re-examine why so many of its residents are leaving.

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Last in U.S., Minnesota tightens drunk driving limit

TRIMONT, Minn. (AP)—It was only a broken headlight on a beat-up pickup truck, but it led Martin County Deputy Matthew Owens to turn around and stop it for a check-

The pickup's driver reeked of alcohol—and a test showed he had a 0.12 percent blood-alcohol level, enough for a drunken-driving offense—even on one of the last nights in the last state in the country to have a 0.10 percent minimum for driving while intoxicated. Minnesota's DWI limit drops

to 0.08 percent Monday, giving the United States a uniform standard.

"It's taken a long time, but at least we can all be glad that we finally have this sensible national level," said John Moulden, former president of the National Commission Against Drunk Driving.

Last year, deputies and police made 134 DWI arrests in southern Minnesota's largely rural Martin County, giving it one of the state's highest drunken driving arrest rates

per capita.

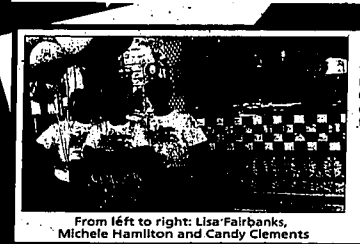
Even though Minnesota has a reputation for being tough on drunken drivers—automatically revoking driver's licenses when a person is arrested or refuses a breath test and making it a felony to get a fourth DWI offense in 10 years—the state lugged when it came to adopting the limit of 0.08 percent.

Backers started pushing for the lower limit in the 1980s but ran into opposition from the liquor industry and people who objected to the federal

threat to dock highway funds for states that did not adopt the uniform standard of 0.08 percent, first approved 22 years ago by Utah.

The National Commission Against Drunk Driving estimates a 180-pound man's blood-alcohol level will reach 0.08 percent after he drinks four 12-ounce beers, or four 1.25-ounce drinks, of 80-proof liquor in an hour on an empty stomach.

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Lobby group blog slams CNN anchor Lou Dobbs

The Washington Post

Lobbying groups can blog, too. It turns out, The National Association of Manufacturers has started an unusually personal one just to slam Lou Dobbs.

The CNN anchor, who serves up his strong views on trade and immigration on his nightly news show, has his share of critics, but few are as harsh—and monomaniacal—as the "Dobbs Watch." The industry group's blog has called him "xenophobic" and "sanctimonious," assailing the "anti-trade, anti-immigration rants" of "a demagogue who sires the basest instincts of a segment of the population in the interest of ratings."

Dobbs was raised in Minjola, N.J., where CNN promotes as being on a "crusade."

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Men have to be wary, too

Q The subject of men's skin care is starting to become the norm with a lot of guys I know. With mainstream men's magazines like Maxim and Men's Health writing about the importance of a good cleanser along with daily use of moisturizers with sunscreen, men are starting to realize that makeup isn't the only way to have great skin and a handsome face.



COSMETICS
Paula Begoun

I know many lines like Clinique have men's versions of their products that might come under the umbrella of your reviews, but there's a problem with going to the makeup counter to buy these products. Most guys (me included) find it very difficult to go stand next to the display of a hundred different shades of lipstick and try and get the attention of a saleswoman. Secondly, I've noticed many cosmetics lines have taken their products for women, chosen less "girly" packaging, and now sell them as products formulated "with the special needs of men's skin in mind." Well, I don't buy it, and I believe most men are smart enough to realize that we've become the next target for a cosmetic company's latest marketing scheme.

Don't get me wrong, I'm sure many of the products at the makeup counters do exactly what they say they do, but all I want is a product line I feel like I can trust, sold to me in an atmosphere I am comfortable with.

If you're considering looking at some new lines, please consider giving some advice to the thousands of men out there who are as clueless as I am.

— Mike, via e-mail
As new men's lines are launched (and there are lots and lots of them), I do review them, but you may have missed the section on my Web site (www.cosmeticscop.com) that contains my reviews of over 100 men's skin-care products. Nonetheless, what I'm really curious about is why you (and I suspect many men) are leery of cosmetics companies making males their next target, yet at the same time are sure many of the products at the cosmetics counters do exactly what they say (I hear this a lot). I have spent my career exposing the exaggerated, misleading, and often false claims made by cosmetics companies about everything from anti-aging products to anti-acne treatments, and my products are no better. I agree with you that the industry is jumping forward to men looking for the skin-care bandwagons. Most men approach skin care with inexperienced gullibility, and that increases the chances they will, just like women, waste money on products that can't live up to their claims. (Women on the other hand have far more experience with skin care, but they are still unbelievably gullible.)

I too hope you find a product line you can trust, but as you'll see from my reviews, most men have good and bad products, so be wary. Also, my research to date shows that men's skin-care products are often not as state-of-the-art as many well-formulated women's products. The men's products tend to lack many skin necessities such as antioxidants, ingredients that mimic the structure of skin, anti-irritants, cell communicating ingredients, or reliable sun protection (meaning UVA-protecting ingredients and an SPF rating of 15 or greater). Don't ask me why, but it is really shocking how inadequate many men's skin-care products are in comparison to the more female directed products.

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Blissing without kissing



Erin Gutierrez and Brian McVicker, front, try a pose suggested by instructors Christy Thorndill and Dug Baker.

Yoga dating is an exercise in agility

The Baltimore Sun

Making yoga more accessible

Here are a few sources of information from Christy Thorndill and Dug Baker's couples yoga class:

- Thorndill recommends the book "Partner Yoga" (Rodale Books, \$19.95) by Sain Carroll and Len Kilmate. "It has a lot of beginner information, as well as intermediate stuff. The photos are just beautiful."
- Pictures of sample couples yoga positions can be found on the Web site www.couplesyogacompany.com/Ad-vice/Josely/yoga/yogapartner.htm.

enjoy real quality time together." Brian McVicker is president of Irapuez School New York, which runs a summer-through-fall satellite program at the Inner Harbor. He and colleague Erin Gutierrez are both

For yogaphobic men who need more than a partner to take the plunge, help is on the way. Former professional wrestler Diamond Dallas Page has a book scheduled for publication in November titled "Yoga for Regular Guys" (Chronicle Books, www.diamonddallaspage.com). Co-author Craig Aaron, an Atlanta yoga instructor who has worked with Baltimore Ravens running back Jamal Lewis and New York Mets pitcher Kris Benson, says their target audience is "the regular guy who still doesn't get what yoga's about; that it's one of the great workouts on the planet."

Source: Baltimore Sun

yoga beginners but nonetheless undaunted.

"There's so much similarity," says McVicker, "to the kind of balance you do on the trapeze."

While Thorndill markets this as a

date-night activity, it's not intended to be the drive-in-movie experience on a higher plane. Each participant has to sign a good-behavior waiver, acknowledging that couples-yoga positions can be sensual "in all kinds of ways, and that my Partner and I are welcome to explore these at home on our own time."

In other words, this is blissing without kissing. "We can be very physically intimate with someone without it necessarily being in a sexual context," Thorndill observes, as waves of New Age music wash over the room. "That's something lacking in our culture."

Muscle flexibility and patience also are in short supply. That may explain why only about 20 percent of yoga enthusiasts are men, according to several surveys conducted by Yoga Journal magazine.

Savvy teachers see couples yoga as a

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Hip, trendy handbags — and ecologically friendly

Knight Ridder News Service

Attitude

MIAMI — Ecoist: A person who cares about the environment, but seeks high-quality, stylish products. Imagine there was a brand that went beyond image. One with a message to elevate consumer consciousness; selling more than just a product, but a cause. Now stop imagining. Enter Ecoist — a new line of handbags made of recycled candy wrappers, food packages and soft-drink labels that's as hip as it is environmentally aware. "It's not a gimmick," said Jonathan Marcuschamer, who founded the Miami-based company with relatives, and who serves as the vice president of sales and marketing. "Practically anything you buy today — from laundry detergent to tooth-

paste to cars to clothing — everything can be eco-friendly," he says. "The trick is to make the product appealing."

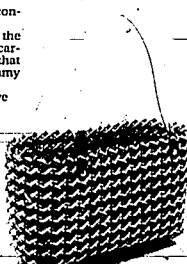
Marcuschamer is halfway through the book "Sustainable Planet." He speaks knowledgeably on the topics of energy efficiency and the consequences of the nonlinear nature of this country's product consumption. And, he has found a way to parlay that knowledge into a profitable enterprise.

Using only the finest in recyclable goods, each Ecoist bag is a unique creation unto itself. Coin purses in hot pinks and electric blues, envelopes in shimmering silver, baskets — large and small — in a dazzling

multicolored collection called "confout." One small clutch lingering at the company's warehouse boasts, cartoonish aqua hippopotamuses that could be found on children's gummy snacks.

Others are made from distinctive candy wrappers, like one decorated with a big blue letter R in an orange background. "Rolls, perhaps?" "They're all one-of-a-kind," Marcuschamer says. "We work with the material that's available."

All of the "raw materials" come from factories in Central and South America and predominantly Mexico. There, a network of suppliers pick-up



Ecoist handbags are made from candy wrappers, food packages, and soft drink labels discarded by manufacturers.

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IMAGE

WHAT REALLY WORKS?

Here's how science sizes up some therapies

The Washington Post

Out of frustration with conventional medicine or in hopes of preventing or treating disease, health consumers continue to turn to complementary or alternative medicine (CAM) treatments such as acupuncture, chiropractic care, herbs and supplements.

But of the many treatments in the rapidly growing, frequently bewildering field, what really works? While little good standard evidence to go by, that's been hard question to answer. Long-standing attempts to perform high-quality research continue. There is a real effort to use state-of-the-art methodology — using randomized, controlled trials (to determine) whether a (nonconventional) treatment is efficacious or not, said Michael Irwin, a professor at the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute specializing in studying medicine, including meditation and yoga.

Some of the biggest and best-designed trials are funded by the federal government, through the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

One NCCAM-funded trial, for example, is investigating whether massaging premature infants three times a day for 10 days speeds weight gain. Another trial, expected to produce results late this year, is studying the effectiveness of the dietary supplements glucosamine and chondroitin in treating osteoarthritis pain.

Many consumers aren't waiting for the verdicts. CAM therapies such as acupuncture, herbal medicine, massage, and chiropractic care generated \$36.5 billion in revenue last year, according to a National Business Journal industry publication, up 6.7 percent from 1997, the first year it tallied such data.

A survey of 1,000 readers of Consumer Reports, published in its August 2005 issue, nearly half reported using complementary or alternative treatments during the two years. Respondents reported mostly good results with hands-on treatments such as massage and chiropractic care, and with manipulation of the back and arthritis. But such self-reports don't constitute convincing evidence that a therapy is safe or effective, say experts.

Below is a quick survey of some CAM treatments that have been the subject of the most rigorous — independent — studies. Research does not support the therapies in all cases. The list is not exhaustive, or meant to be feasible. Some widely used therapies that have undergone little scientific scrutiny — hot mesotherapy and intercessory prayer, are discussed in an accompanying article. Small, less than 100 studies suggest benefits for some therapies.

For further information on research into specific treatments, see the Web sites for NCCAM (<http://nccam.nih.gov>) or the Mayo Clinic's Complementary & Alternative Medicine Center (www.mayoclinic.com); search for "alternative medicine." For details about herbs and supplements, consult NIH's Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS), <http://ods.od.nih.gov>.



Ask Wayne B. Jonas why the scientific foundation he directs is funding research into the power, and prayer, and the use of homeopathy to fight bioterrorism, and he offers a straightforward answer: Science is the way to determine whether they work.

Manipulative therapies

NCCAM counted 537 clinical trials involving such manipulative and body-based therapies as chiropractic manipulation and massage between 1994 and 2004. 422 were randomized, controlled trials.

Chiropractic — Studies of chiropractic treatments, which involve manipulation of the spine, joints and muscles, for low-back pain have been of "un-even quality and insufficient to allow firm conclusions," reports NCCAM. A 2003 analysis of internal Medicine meta-analysis of 39 randomized clinical trials found chiropractic care more effective than sham treatments for acute and chronic low-back pain. No difference in effectiveness was found compared to such treatment categories as doctors' care, physical therapy and exercises.

NCCAM says more research is needed to determine the value of chiropractic care for other medical conditions, such as arthritis. More research is also necessary to understand what happens in the body during and after chiropractic treatments.

Massage therapy — Studies suggest that this approach, involving joint manipulation techniques, physical therapy and the teaching of proper posture, can produce physiological changes tied to feeling better. It's been shown to alter various chemical, hormonal and immune markers, such as levels of substance P (a protein that increases pain messages) in those with chronic pain, according to NCCAM.

But a single research group did most of the studies. Further research by other groups is needed, says NCCAM, along with a better understanding of the mechanism by which massage works.

Mind-body medicine

This category encompasses therapies that call on "emotional, mental, social, spiritual and behavioral factors" to impact health, according to NCCAM. Such popular techniques as meditation, cognitive behavioral therapy, biofeedback and guided imagery fall under this rubric.

Considerable evidence sug-

gests mind-body therapies can improve psychological outcomes and reduce mortality rates from coronary artery disease by using various techniques to reduce anger, hostility and stress. Mind-body therapies have also been shown effective in treating incontinence, chronic low-back pain, headaches, insomnia, and autonomic vomiting problems caused by chemotherapy, according to an extensive 2003 report published in the *Journal of the American Board of Family Practice*.

A shortcoming of the studies analyzed was the absence of sham treatment groups, because practitioners and patients often could not be blinded to the type of treatment being given.

Meditation — This technique has been found to activate parts of the brain used for attention and control of the nervous system. In a 2003 study in the *Journal of Psychosomatic Medicine*, researchers used magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) to show that meditation increased left-brain activity, which is associated with positive emotional states.

Cognitive behavioral therapy — Evidence suggests that this technique, a form of psychotherapy used to help patients change dysfunctional patterns of thinking, may be useful as a complementary treatment for coronary artery disease and some chronic pain conditions because it can help patients learn to deal with stress. Studies show this technique may be useful for treating many chronic conditions, when it's combined with an educational or informational component, NCCAM says.

Evidence supports the effectiveness of this relatively well-researched technique. Using sensors that track bodily changes, patients learn to achieve stress and chronic pain by controlling functions such as heart rate, muscle tension, breathing, skin temperature and blood pressure through relaxation, imagery and other techniques. Biofeedback has been proven helpful in treating about 150 medical conditions, including migraines, arthritis and fibromyalgia, according to the Mayo Clinic.

Supplements

More evidence supports the efficacy of dietary supplements comprised of single ingredients (vitamins and minerals, for example) than for botanical extracts, whose chemical composition may differ from product to product. Much of the research on dietary supplements is marred by poor design and small sample size, researchers report. Recent studies have shown that dietary supplements can interact with drugs, and some herbal supplements can be toxic. The ODS warns consumers to beware of products said to cure and treat disease or to be "all natural," "totally safe," with "no side effects."

Chondroitin sulfate and glucosamine — Natural and synthetic versions of chemicals on the body and known to be involved in cartilage repair and maintenance, these two supplements are often sold in combination as a treatment for osteoarthritis. More evidence supports benefit from glucosamine than chondroitin sulfate, according to the University of California-based *Journal of Wellness Letter*, which evaluates research on herbs and supplements. Glucosamine studies have shown the ability to slow the deterioration of cartilage and relieve pain in some patients with knee osteoarthritis. But the ability to absorb chondroitin sulfate from a supplement and use it for joint protection is still unclear. A large NIH trial under way may provide more answers.

Echinacea — Studies have produced conflicting findings on this herb's purported ability to boost the immune system and shorten the duration or ease the severity of colds, according to the *Berkeley Wellness Letter*. One problem: Echinacea supplements contain a mix of chemicals; it's not clear which, if any, might stimulate the immune system or encourage healing. Because little is known about the product's toxicity, the letter advises, echinacea should not be taken by people who are HIV-positive, pregnant or have lupus, rheumatoid arthritis, tuberculosis or diabetes.

Saw Palmetto — No gold-standard clinical trials support claims that this plant supplement shrinks enlarged prostates or provides other benefits, reports the *Berkeley publication*. So far, the studies showing effectiveness have been small. Saw palmetto supplementation can alter the results of PSA tests, making prostate cancer harder to diagnose, says the *Berkeley letter*. If you're taking it, let your doctor know.

St. John's Wort — Some evidence suggests that this extensively studied supplement may help relieve milder forms of depression, but the research is not conclusive, *Berkeley* advises that patients "think before taking it" and consult first with their doctor or therapist, particularly if they're also taking any prescription medications. For example, it is believed to interact with birth control pills and selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI) drugs, used to treat depression, according to the ODS.

ENGAGEMENTS

ROSE — SMITH

BURLEY — Dennis and Diana Rose of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Leah Rose, to Christopher Allen Smith, son of Robert and Donna Yates of Boise and Alexander and Jennifer Smith of West Monroe, La.

The couple met at Idaho State University, where they completed their education. Rose received her cosmetology certification in 2005 and Smith received his certificate for law enforcement in 2004.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Cameo Event Center in Burley. A reception to honor the couple will be held immediately following the ceremony at the event center. The couple will reside in Boise.



Christopher Smith and Jessica Rose

NELSON-BULLEN

HAGERMAN — Gary and Nancy Nelson of Hagerman announce the engagement of their daughter, Kall Nelson, to Ryan Newell Bullen, son of Carl and Joan Bullen of Kingman, Ariz.

Nelson is a 2001 graduate of Hagerman High School. She attended Dixie State College in St. George, Utah, and studied fashion/retail management. She graduated from Paul Mitchell School in 2004 and is employed at Joseph Patrick Salon in Orem, Utah.

Bullen is a 2000 graduate of Kingman High School. He received his associate of science degree from Dixie State College in 2002. He served a two-year LDS Mission in Brazil. He is currently a senior at Brigham Young University, majoring in biology. He plans to attend dental school after graduation.



Ryan Bullen and Kall Nelson

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Aug. 6, in the Las Vegas LDS Temple in Las Vegas, Nev. A reception will be held Aug. 6 at the Bullen residence in Kingman. A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, on Gridley Island in Hagerman.

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Straight Talk on Elder Law and Estate Planning

FIDUCIARY PARALYSIS

QUESTION: Is there anything that can be done when estate or trust matters seem to drag endlessly along?

More times than not there is. The first thing to determine is who is in charge of keeping things moving forward. In an estate it is the personal representative (also referred to as executor or administrator), in a trust — the trustee, in a guardianship — the guardian, and in a conservatorship — the conservator. The shorthand term for this fiduciary is fiduciary. The law requires the utmost loyalty and responsiveness from a fiduciary. This duty requires that the fiduciary keep matters moving along at a reasonable pace and that all concerned parties know generally what is going on.

Second, understand that none of these responsibilities is necessarily easy to carry out. It may seem like a clear understanding is going on and what might be the cause for apparent delay. Amicable communication and understandings are always better than fighting in court.

Sometimes all else fails and a judge must intervene to resolve disputes that arise between fiduciaries and interested parties. This might be as simple as getting instructions from the judge on how to proceed in the face of an impasse. At other times it might involve getting a new fiduciary. There are available remedies.

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Course emphasizes good back health

Back School, an educational course on preventing and treating back injuries, will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Rehabilitation Services, 560 Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class will include information on the basic anatomy of the spine, common injuries and diseases that lead to back pain, along with instructions in posture and body mechanics to protect the spine and prevent injury.

Participants are provided with written materials. The class is offered on-site at local businesses, if desired.

Cost is \$25. To register, call Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Physical Therapy Department at 737-2126.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer "Baby and Me" classes from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome. This week's topic will be "Moms Club."

The session is for parents of

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children from infancy through three years.

The class is free. For more information, call 324-7262.

About C-sections

A cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the lobby at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The third class of each childbirth program focuses on cesarean deliveries, pain management, hospital procedures and non-conforming labors. Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 732-3148.

About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Thursdays, beginning Wednesday through Sept. 7, at the St. Benedict's Family Medical Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

The six sessions, taught by a

registered nurse, emphasize preparation for labor and birth, postpartum care and newborn care. Individual classes may be taken as refresher courses.

Participants are asked to bring two pillows, a blanket and one or two support people to each class.

The suggested fee is \$30 for the class series or \$5 per class. To register, call 324-1122, ext. 3361, and leave a message with your name, address, phone number, doctor's name, due date and the month of the class. Registration also can be completed by mailing the same information to St. Benedict's Family Medical Center, Attention: Adults, 709 N. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

Refresher course

A childbirth refresher course will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Thursdays in the lobby at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls. It has previously taken childbirth classes. Childbirth preparation and procedures

will be reviewed, along with a video tour of the Women's and Infant Center.

Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 732-3148.

Big Kids class

"Big Kids Klub" will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday in the Sage Room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center, 598 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The class is designed to help prepare siblings for the new baby.

Cost is \$7.50 per family with one child or \$10 per family with two or more children. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 732-3148.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Image section. Mail notices to: Times-Herald, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 192 Fairfield St. W.

Many parents fail to discuss cranberry treatment with docs

The Associated Press

Many parents give cranberry juice to their children for urinary tract infections. But many parents don't discuss the treatment with their doctor, according to a new study.

Cranberry is commonly recommended for urinary tract infections. Although some research has shown its effectiveness in adults, few studies have focused on children. Cranberries help prevent the infections by interfering with bacteria's ability to stick to certain urinary tract cells.

A study by Dr. Kuhl Kemper of Brenner Children's Hospital at Wake Forest University and col-

leagues found that more than 29 percent of all parents surveyed said they had used "cranberry products to treat or prevent the condition. However, only 23 percent of those parents who used cranberry said they had told their child's pediatrician about it. The study appeared in July's Ambulatory Pediatrics journal.

Cranberry is considered quite safe; it is well tolerated when used to treat urinary tract infections and has no known side effects, according to previous research. However, Kemper said it is important that parents discuss the use and effectiveness of all alternative treatments with their children's pediatricians, even if they seem innocuous.

WEDDING

GASPAREK-HEDGES

BURLEY — Julia Ann Gasparek and Daryl Allen Hedges were married July 8 in Juneau, Alaska.

The bride is the daughter of Charles Gasparek of Juneau and the late Joan Gasparek.

The bridegroom is the son of Dr. Gary and Mary Hedges of Juneau.

The bride is a graduate of Juneau-Douglas High School in Alaska and the Lutheran Bible Institute in Issaquah, Wash.

The bridegroom is also a graduate of Juneau-Douglas High School and the University of Idaho. He is employed at Hobbs Equipment Service in Burley.



Daryl and Julia Hedges
A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St.

Attitude

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the paper that the factories discarded, Marcoscramer says.

Hence, one industry's trash becomes another's treasure.

"We knew we had something that was very fun to create," Marcoscramer says.

"The bags are designed" by Marisa Roy, a Spanish artist who was selling her bags on the street before Marcoscramer invested in her product. The bags are still handmade in Mexico, by locals trained in an ancient technique of weaving.

"It's different. It's special. There's nothing like it," said Helen Marcoscramer, Jonathan's mother.

In furtherance of its eco-friendly goal, Ecoist pledges to plant a tree for every bag sold.

At the rate that the miniclutches and Everything/Anything bags are flying off the shelves, the company must have grown an entire forest.

"I'm gonna get busy and sell more," mused Vicki Simons, owner of South Miami boutique Simons and Green, one local shop where the bags are sold.

The bags are in 115 stores nationwide, two in Europe and four in Japan. Prices range from \$27 for a coin pouch to \$285 for a large basket.

First unveiled during December's Art Basel, the company is now in line for an expansion this summer. Ecoist will launch a home decor line with plants, mats and coasters.

And after that, who knows? "It's not an overnight thing," Marcoscramer said. "But slow-ly, if people realize the damage we're doing and realize there are products that are not inferior to the products we are used to, people can adapt to the change."

So maybe it's not a gimmick. But, it's one heck of a clever marketing strategy.

Ecoist, available at boutiques and at www.ecoist.com

It's not the heat — it's the humidity

Los Angeles Times

A sunny, sunny day might seem like the perfect opportunity to exercise. But, apparently, not if it's also humid. A new study shows that people who live in hot, humid areas get much less exercise than people in cool, dry areas.

In a comparison of residents of 44 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, the last group was found to be the least active, with only 30.9 percent of Puerto Ricans getting the recommended amount of exercise each week. Topping the list of physically active areas was Montana, where 69.9 percent of the generally cool, dry state's population met recommended levels of physical activity.

Using physical activity data from a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention survey of U.S. states and territories, researchers compared the results with information from 255 weather stations across the nation. The statistics measured temperature, dew point temperature, wind, air pressure and cloud cover.

The study found that the hottest and most humid areas had the lowest levels of physical activity. The driest, most moderate areas had the highest levels of physical activity.

Yoga

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one way to lure those reluctant guys into class.

"I think it is a good introduction," says Heather Wittington, a yoga instructor who does a lot of in-home teaching in Frederick, Md.

It's a thing about couples doing yoga, though, is that any edges in the relationship are going to show up.

She's no different, really, than dancing the tango or going on a canoeing date. Without teamwork, the thrill is gone. Fast.

Thornhill, who is 6 feet tall and admits to having been "klutzy" as a kid, teaches a slow-paced, "mindful" yoga. She begins with elementary poses: Each couple sits tall, back-to-back, and breathes deeply and slowly.

Sister, each, they hold their arms out and intertwine them, dipping to one side and the other, doing tandem trunk rotations.

"What sensations do you notice?" asks Thornhill. "Is your partner shorter or taller? Does it feel like your partner is relaxed or are they tight and timid?"

The poses get progressively more involved. For example, partners stand face-to-face, arm's length apart, wrists

Want to improve life skills? Then learn how to breathe properly

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — There's a reason the word "choked" is used to describe those who strike out with the bases loaded or bough closing a major deal. In a moment of high tension, if they needed it most, they forgot to breathe.

Adolescents and actors, professional speakers all know that breathing is an effective, powerful performance enhancer. It's legal, free and doesn't require injecting artificial substances into the body. Experts tell us why and how to do it.

• **Running:** Chicago-area running coach Bill Teach has long taught runners to focus on the out-breath portion of the breathing cycle. "Focusing on the out-breath forces us to come back into the moment," he said. "You're astounded at the increase in aerobic function you can enjoy."

To try it, breathe out for long steps and in for two steps while running. Be patient; it might take several months to master.

"It's all about forcing the lower abs to initiate the pressure on the diaphragm and moving the air outward from the base of the lungs," Leach

said. What most people do is try to add a little oxygen on top of the lungs where there is very little room, he added.

• **Public speaking:** Breathing exercises — which must be done regularly, not just before a presentation — can help project their voice and build stamina. They also help prevent embarrassing cracking or straining.

"People need to understand that there is simply no way to have strength and conviction without breathing properly," said Kirby Tepper from Charisma Consultants in Los Angeles.

• **Chiropractic work:** A tense, tightly held body is harder for chiropractors to work with.

"When someone is lying down and ready to get adjusted, we remind them to get a deep breath in and out slowly," said chiropractor Stuart Hoffman, who co-authored a children's book on breathing.

"It allows the body to relax and the muscle system to let go, so the adjustment can be accepted. It's so much easier on the body, easier on the patient and allows for better outcomes."

• **Test taking:** Some students get so anxious about exams that they freeze during the test

or forget things they really know. Relaxation techniques such as deep breathing can help increase focus and concentration.

"Even if someone doesn't have severe test anxiety, we recommend it be substituted by a question, they step back, take a deep breath and underline" the words, said Cindy Martin, clinical director of the non-profit One-To-One Learning Center, a tutorial and diagnostic center.

Three minutes spent on deep breathing — even in the middle of an exam — is worth it if it helps you overcome severe test anxiety, say the experts and the University of Chicago's Student Counseling and Resource Center.

• **Childbirth:** Lamaze classes teach expectant mothers to take deep, cleansing breaths at the beginning and end of each contraction, but any breathing technique can help control pain. Breathing is not only a good distraction, it also helps relax tight muscles that contribute to labor pain. It can reduce nausea and dizziness during delivery and help bring oxygen to the mother and baby, according to the Mayo Clinic Guide to a Healthy Pregnancy.

placed on each other's shoulders. Then they lower into a deep knee bend, lift their right legs, and then they lift it's parallel to the floor. Theoretically.

"At moments like this, couple yoga class seems like a roadside sobriety test — for Olympic athletes."

"So if you can think of finding your own balance," says Thornhill, "that's what you're looking for."

Some positions qualify as mildly erotic. Others are similar to the stretches that baseball and football players will do on the field before a game.

Following Thornhill's lead, Baltimore cinematographer Tom Schnaidt fits on his stomach. His girlfriend, Molly Van Meter, stands behind him and picks up his right leg and lifts it high, as if she's throwing a railroad switch.

"If you can, Schnaidt says softly, "That feels good."

Lean into that elevated leg and brace it with your right knee to accentuate the stretch, says Baker, who has Thornhill's leg raised perpendicular to the floor.

After leaving the class through about a dozen posi-

tions and Thai-style body massages (they literally uptoe across each other's muscles), Thornhill dims the lights.

• **Cool-down time:** "Take a moment to lay side by side," she says. "We'll hold hands while we're relaxing to keep that connection between us."

When the lights come back on and class breaks, McVicker says he found couples yoga to be "relaxingly intimate."

But that's coming from a professional man on the flying trapeze, somebody in way better-than-average shape. Sarah Brennan, a 26-year-

old University of Maryland graduate student, has a more measured reaction to her first yoga date with boyfriend Peter McVicker.

"At times it worked perfectly and it was smooth," she says. "At other times it was like, 'Where you going?'"

She and Addicks feel loose and mellow but aren't rushing out the door to go explore hot yoga moves at home on their own time.

Quite the contrary. They're reverting to "typical" Friday-night behavior, says Brennan. "We're going to meet some friend at a rockably bar."

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The Rev. Jesse Jackson, second from left, joins Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., left, Harry Reid, D-Nev., center, Congressman John Lewis, R-Ga., and Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., right, during a press conference to discuss extending voting rights Friday on Capitol Hill.

Teen disappears at N.Y. baseball game

NEW YORK (AP) — A 13-year-old boy went to a restroom during a Yankees game and never returned, and searches of the stadium, nearby fast-food restaurants and train stations by hundreds of police and security guards were fruitless.

Majelque Lewis, of Stamford, Conn., disappeared Friday night during the seventh-inning stretch of a Yankees-Angels game, police said. His mother immediately reported him missing to security, who notified police about an hour later.

Every stadium exit is monitored by security cameras and Lewis' mother did not spot him on hours of recorded images, police said. It was the teen's first trip to Yankee Stadium.

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Some fear changes in voting provisions

By Daphne Glanton
Chicago Tribune

MARION, Ala. — Before the national movement began to secure voting rights for African-Americans, a quiet registration campaign started in this small Southern town where blacks were more accustomed to kneeling down to pick cotton than standing up for their civil rights.

It was here in the early 1960s that sharecroppers, maids and janitors — people who could barely read or write — began filing through the back door of the Perry County Ala., courthouse to register to vote. One by one, they were turned down, victims of a \$1.50 poll tax they could not afford and a literacy test that many uneducated whites also would have failed had they been forced to take it.

"This is where it began and it spread to Selma," said Spencer Hogie, 70, who helped organize the Perry County Civic League in 1962. "We didn't have much but we knew that in voting, there was a lot of power."

The activism in Marion helped spark a movement across the South that forced President Lyndon Johnson to ensure the voting rights of all Americans, a move that ultimately changed the country's political landscape. On Aug. 6, 1965, Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act into law, and for 40 years it has served as a reminder of past discrimination and a protector against disenfranchisement.

As Americans gather next Saturday to commemorate the act's 40th anniversary, many civil rights leaders have expressed concern that new voting enforcement provisions that expire in 2007 could be placed in jeopardy at a time when they insist minorities are increasingly being disenfranchised.

Though rumors have spread over the Internet that voting rights for minorities will expire in 2007, it is not the case. Voting rights are guaranteed through the 15th Amendment. The Voting Rights Act helped clarify and sustain those rights.

President Bush supports reauthorization and has said he wants to consider improvements to strengthen the act. Some civil rights activists, however, fear that there could be a move under way to make the provisions permanent, which would leave them vulnerable to be struck down by the courts as unconstitutional.

"While we are fighting for democracy in Iraq, our democracy is being threatened at home," said Jesse Jackson Sr., who will lead a voting rights rally in Atlanta next Saturday. "In 2000 in Florida, blacks were purged from the voting lists. In 2004 in Ohio, black voters were disqualified for no reason. When black registration went up, the number of voting machines in black districts went down. People waited in line for hours to vote. The elections were heavy with fraud targeting black voters."

Voting to ensure that the provisions do not lapse, House Judiciary Chairman James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., said at the NAACP convention this month that his committee would soon begin considering

a bill to grant the extensions.

One expiring provision requires certain states, most in the South, to obtain pre-clearance from the Justice Department on procedures or laws involving redistricting, annexation, at-large elections or qualifying candidates as a safeguard against discrimination. Another provision requires that districts with large Native American, Asian, American or Latino populations provide ballots and registration materials in languages other than English and that bilingual clerks or poll workers be on site. Since 1965, the Justice Department has lodged more than 1,000 objections, according to officials, and cases continue to arise.

Last year in Bayou La Batre, Ala., a fishing village where about a third of the 2,700 residents are Asian-American, the Justice Department found that Asian voters had been intimidated during a City Council primary election. Supporters of the white incumbent had challenged ballots questioning the citizenship of Asian voters and accusing them of having felony convictions. The Justice Department intervened and the first Asian-American was elected to the City Council.

And in Georgia, the Justice Department has been asked to examine a new law requiring voters to show photo identification at the polls, a move critics said would target minorities, the poor and the elderly.

Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., said while significant progress has been made since the Voting Rights Act became law, the struggle for equality is not over. "We need to continue to press these needs if we want to build an interracial democracy where all Americans are treated with dignity and respect."

Meanwhile, activists in Marion continue to honor martyrs who died during the voting rights campaign. Each year, they hold a memorial service for Jimmie Lee Jackson, a 36-year-old Vietnam veteran shot by a state trooper while trying to rescue his mother and 82-year-old grandfather from a police beating during a rally.

The Feb. 18, 1965, shootings and Jackson's death days later prompted civil rights workers to organize a march from Selma to Montgomery. The Bloody Sunday march, during which participants were attacked by police, brought international attention to the voting rights movement.

Lewis, who was severely beaten on Bloody Sunday and the 40th anniversary of the signing of the law is a time to recognize those who dedicated their lives to the voting rights movement.

"While Congress passed the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and President Johnson signed it into law, it was the brave and courageous souls of Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and all across the South — it was those ordinary men and women with extraordinary vision who wrote that act," the congressman said.

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Outsource

Businesses seek foreign fighters to fill jobs in Iraq

By Sonni Ehrlich
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — For hire: more than 1,000 U.S.-trained former soldiers and police officers from Colombia. Combat-hardened, experienced in fighting insurgents and ready for duty in Iraq.

This eye-popping advertisement recently appeared on an Iraq jobs Web site, posted by an American entrepreneur who hopes to supply security forces for U.S. contractors in Iraq and elsewhere.

It listed, the Colombians would join a swelling population of heavily armed private military forces working hot spots. They also would join a growing corps of workers from the developing world.

But where Shippy sees opportunity, others see risk. In Iraq and other countries.

In a telephone interview from Colombia, the entrepreneur, Jeffrey Shippy, said he saw a booming global demand for "private army" and a lucrative business opportunity in recruiting Colombians.

Shippy, who formerly worked for DynCorp International, a major U.S. security contractor, said the Colombians were willing to work for \$2,500 to \$5,000 a month, compared with perhaps \$10,000 or more for Americans.

But where Shippy sees opportunity, others see risk. Rep. Jan Schakowsky, an Illinois Democrat, worries that U.S. government contractors are hiring thousands of impoverished former military personnel, with no public scrutiny, little accountability and large hidden costs to taxpayers.

The United States has spent more than \$4 billion since 2000 on "Plan Colombia," a counterterrorism and counterdrug program that includes training and support for the Colombian police and military. In June, Congress moved toward approval of an additional \$734.5 million in aid to the Andean region in 2006, most of it for Colombia.

"We're training foreign nationals... who then take that training and market it to private companies, who pay them three or four times as much as we're paying soldiers," Schakowsky said.

"American taxpayers are paying for the training of those Colombian soldiers," she said, "who may leave to take more lucrative jobs, perhaps with an American contractor, who then take that training with them. So we're paying to train that person's replacement. And then we're paying the bill to the private military contractor."

U.S. soldier wears robes of a sheik

After being honored with title for helping Iraqis

QANDARIYA, Iraq (AP) — Sheik Horn floats around the room in white robes and turban, exchanging pleasantries with dozens of village leaders.

But he is the only sheik with blonde streaks in his hair. He is the only one who attended country music star Toby Keith's recent concert in Baghdad with fellow U.S. soldiers.

Officially, he is Army Staff Sgt. Dale L. Horn, but his contacts here call him "Sheik" because he patrols he is known as the American sheik.

Sheiks, or village elders, are known as the real power in rural Iraq. And the 5-foot-6-inch former aviator and U.S. commander assigned to stop rocket and mortar attacks that regularly hit their base.

Horn, who had been trained to operate radars for a field artillery unit, was now thrust into a job that largely hinged on coaxing locals into divulging information about insurgents.

Horn, 25, a native of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., acknowledges he had little interest in the region before coming here. But he was interested in the projects in that part of stopping by all the villages, all but one dominated by Sunni Arabs, to talk to people about their life and security problems.

He lately has been prodding the Iraq Education and Training Center to help build a water project in a village. He has been awarded a \$136,000 worth of aid into the area. Part of that paid for delivery of clean water to 30 villages during the broiling summer months.

"The village was very interested in them, instead of just taking care of the bases," Horn said.

Mohammed, Horn's mentor and known for his dry sense of humor, eventually suggested during a meeting of village leaders that Horn be named a sheik. The sheiks approved by voice vote, Horn said.

Some sheiks later gave him five sheep and a postage stamp of land, fulfilling some of the requirements for sheikdom.

But what may have originally started as a joke among curious village elders has sprouted into something serious. Horn is going to meet with village leaders to meet with Horn each month to discuss security issues.

And Horn doesn't take his responsibilities lightly. He lately has been prodding the Iraq Education and Training Center to help build a water project in a village. He has been awarded a \$136,000 worth of aid into the area. Part of that paid for delivery of clean water to 30 villages during the broiling summer months.

Settlers begin Gaza pullout

By Dion Nissenbaum
Knight Ridder News Service

NETZAN, Israel — Israel's contentious pullout from the occupied Gaza Strip isn't slated to officially begin for another two weeks, but a quiet exodus of settlers has already begun.

While hundreds of families vow to fight for their homes, others are loading moving trucks, wiping away tears and waving farewell to neighbors before taking one last look at houses that will be reduced to rubble within weeks.

On Sunday, Israeli officials handed over keys to the first families moving into the largest temporary neighborhood hastily erected for the settlers — and many more are expected to follow.

So far, about half of 1,700 families living in the Gaza Strip and four northern West Bank settlements scheduled for demolition have told the government that they plan to leave peacefully.

"We've begun a new life," said Eyal Ben Dahan, a 39-year-old Gaza Strip settler who became the first to give keys to a new house in this community of about 15 miles north of the Gaza Strip.

For 10 years, Ben Dahan and her family lived in Nitzan, an Israeli settlement built just inside the Gaza Strip, a coastal region packed with 1.3 million Palestinians who live under Israeli occupation.

Of the 25 settlements slated for closure as part of Israel's Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's strategic plan to increase his nation's security, Nitzan has proved to be one of the most cooper-

ative. Almost all of the 250 families have opted to accept government compensation and find new places to live without putting up a fight.

On Sunday, Ben Dahan and her husband set out on a house-hunting trip to Nitzan, a neighborhood of 350 pre-fabricated homes meant to serve as temporary housing for displaced settlers.

After a four-hour, car-pool-picked 5-Eagle Street, a four-bedroom, two-bath house with a small strip of grass set on a rise overlooking a nearby highway. It's about half the size of their old settlement home, but it's the biggest a family of six can get in Nitzan under the government plan.

Ben Dahan said she would leave the small town of Nitzan, but all that

changed last October when a homemade Palestinian rocket "flew" into their community and knocked two of her six children off their feet as they walked to synagogue.

"The children are afraid," said Ben Dahan's husband, Yosef, before he glued their mezuza — a traditional Jewish symbol of protection — to the frame of their new front door. "They can't live there any more."

While Eyal Ben Dahan isn't sure if her old job as a secretary at a settlement construction company will still be there next month and their children will have to travel a hour to school, she said she is willing to give up her old life if it will help bring an end to decades of Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

"I hope there will be peace," she said.

Sudan's vice president feared dead in crash

By KHARTOUM, Sudan — A U.N. official said search crews on Monday found the site of a helicopter crash and a body they believe is that of Sudan's vice president, a former rebel leader who is a key figure in a fledgling peace deal between the predominantly Arab Muslim government and the Christian south.

Ugandan and Sudanese forces had been searching for the wreckage of the crash site Monday and found a body they believed was that of Gaining a U.N. official in Khartoum said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to release the information. He said a U.N. helicopter had arrived in the area to help with the search, but did not provide more details.

The negotiations ended their sixth day without an agreement on a Chinese-backed proposal, and South Korean Deputy Foreign Minister Song Min-soon said talks Sunday focused on "four remaining measures" other parties will take in return for an agreement by the North to dismantle its nuclear weapons program.

The North had demanded concessions such as security guarantees and aid from Washington before it eliminates its weapons program, while the United States wants to see the arms destroyed first. The North has also insisted that it be allowed to run a peaceful nuclear power program, something Washington objects to out of proliferation concerns.

Iran threatens to restart nuclear activities

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran threatened Sunday to resume some suspended activities that could be used to make atomic weapons if European negotiators do not immediately offer a proposed package of sanctions to entice Tehran to freeze its nuclear program.

A senior European diplomat said the "2+2" talks from Britain, France and Germany were just days away from making Tehran a "generous" offer to provide indefinite guarantees that Iran will not be involved if it agrees to permanently halt uranium enrichment.

But Iran's nuclear negotiator, Hassan Rouhani, turned up the pressure for an immediate proposal by warning that Iran was preparing to restart uranium enrichment work at its Bushehr Nuclear Conversion Facility, the state-run Islamic Republic News Agency reports.

The Isfahan plant converts uranium ore concentrate, known as yellowcake, into uranium hexafluoride for enrichment. Uranium enriched to high levels can be used for nuclear bombs, at low levels it is used as fuel for nuclear energy plants.

Rebels in Nepal free seven officials

KATHMANDU, Nepal (AP) — Maoist rebels on Sunday freed seven government officials they had seized in eastern Nepal, and all were safe and in good health, an official said.

The freed hostages, released from the town of Biratnagar, about 350 miles east of Kathmandu to report they had been released, said Vijaya Poudel, the administrative chief of Ilaha District, where 11 officials had been seized on Saturday.

— compiled from wire reports

Contemplation & consternation



People hold banners as they listen to speakers during a vigil held by the Muslim Association of Britain and the Stop the War Coalition, near the scene of where an explosion took place July 7 in London, in this July 17 file photo.

Fear, disbelief as British Muslims reflect

By Sudarshan Raghavan
The Washington Post

LEEDS, England — Nisar Ahmed feels close to his four sons, who often travel to his native Pakistan. So close, he said, that he's never had any reason to suspect they would secretly visit a terrorist training camp or enroll at a radical Islamic school. But that was before the London bombings.

Now, Ahmed is taking no chances. The next time his sons, ages 27, 28, 30 and 31, fly there, he said, he's going to question them: Are you really going to that wedding? Are you really planning to see the relatives? If the can, he will restrict where they go inside Pakistan — a measure other fathers are also planning to take, he said.

"All parents are going to make sure their children stay in their village or in the city where they come from," Ahmed said in a firm voice.

For the first time, Muslims of this city's Heaton neighborhood said they are taking a hard look at their community, which police said produced three of the four men who died in the July 7 attacks.

Some are struggling to understand how their young people were drawn into fanaticism, and are trying to take action to prevent a recurrence. Others are unconvinced the three men were suicide bombers, and suggest they might have been dupes who didn't know they were carrying bombs.

Whatever their view on this question, members of the older generation in Heaton tend to share a collective fear that the attacks might have stained their community irreversibly. "They feel that 50 or 60 years of hard work is going down the drain," said Mohammed Arshed, a social worker and community elder in Heaton.

The three local men whom police have identified as July 7 bombers — Shehzad Tanweer, 28, Mohammed Sidique Khan, 30,

and Hasib Hussain, 18 — came from Pakistani immigrant families. Authorities are investigating whether they received terrorist training during visits to Pakistan last year. Their families have said they benched they were visiting relatives and studying how to pronounce the Arabic in the Quran, Islam's holy book.

They could have been any of our children, said Ejaz Hussain, owner of a corner shop who knows the parents of two of the bombers.

Community elders have come under pressure to ease their area's sudden notoriety as a breeding ground for terrorism. They have held public meetings with police officers and pledged to cooperate fully. They have organized peace marches to show solidarity against terrorism. Parents of the bombers have expressed their condolences to victims and their families.

At the white-walled Hardy Street mosque this week, Sarwar Khan, an elder, took two journalists on a tour. He opened a green door and stepped into a room filled with young girls, all wearing traditional Islamic head scarves and reciting from Arabic text-books in Yorkshire accents.

He insisted the school isn't a madrasah, or Islamic school. In Pakistan and other Muslim countries, extremist madrasahs often teach children hatred of the West. The girls were studying Arabic and the Quran because they couldn't study them in the British school system, he said. "This is all very basic — like learning your ABCs," said Khan, secretary of the Kashmir Muslim Welfare Association.

Then he went to a dusty basement room with treadmills, a bike machine and a ping-pong table. This was where the bombers once pumped weights together. Sarwar said Khan, the mosque's members were more vigilant.

"We know who is coming and what they are doing," Khan said. "It's like a wake-up call, not just here, but to every Muslim parent, to make sure they watch over their children, know where they are going and what they are being taught."

Ashed agreed. As he sat inside a community center, he spoke of how Pakistani parents rarely attend parents-night programs at local schools. "They are too busy making money," he said, shaking his head. "Parents need to take more interest."

But he also argued that the government needs to integrate young Muslims disaffected by high unemployment, substantial living conditions and a deep mistrust of the system.

"If, for example, Islamic teachings were sufficient at school, not only could those teachings be monitored but kids wouldn't feel the need to go to madrasahs," said a close relative of Tanweer, who spoke on condition her name not be used.

None of this, said Ashed, could ease anger over global suffering of Muslims that many believe helped fuel the bombings. "What's happening in Afghanistan and Iraq is making the Muslim community lose fear of the system."

There are other questions. Why would the bombers buy round-trip tickets to London if they planned to kill themselves there? Why would one bomber buy parts to repair his Honda Civic two days before the attacks?

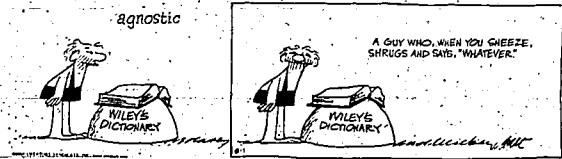
In Heaton, this is a vital distinction. Maybe the men were carrying the bombs for someone else, perhaps without knowing it. This would mean their community had not an incubator for extremists.

"Were they suicide bombers or were they set up?" Ashed asked. "The questions are all these questions in the mind of the community. There are so many questions that are unanswered."

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By Johnny Hart

Baby Blues

Rhonda: 364-HI, Thom. This is Rhonda's sister, Wanda. It's nice to meet you.



By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

THOMSTER: Thanks. Rhonda has told me so much about you!



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By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos



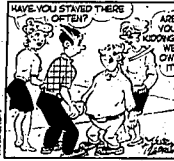
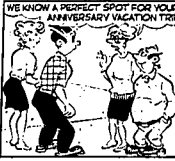
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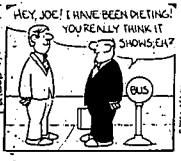
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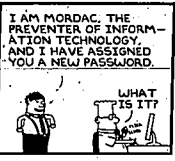
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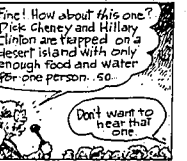
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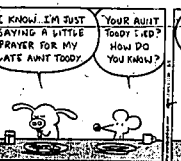
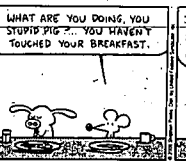
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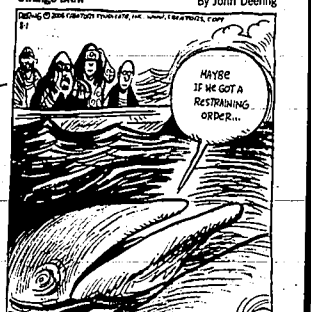
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By Wiley



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By John Deering



Computer awaits your presence, Aries

IF AUG. 1 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Invent a "new you" in the year ahead and leave the past behind. During October through January you may be electrified by a fresh sense of purpose and self-helpful friends who can help you achieve heartfelt ambitions. Reach for the stars and go for the gold in all areas of your life. Avoid credit purchases or making major decisions in late February through March — you will be apt to "let off more" than you can chew. Again in June and July you may be faced with an excess of optimism, so the safest thing to do is work hard and not stir the pot.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): It is a good day to try the latest technology or play with the computer. The best path to success is to be open-minded and objective as possible. Avoid signing contracts or starting love relationships.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Put your best foot forward in public and take giant steps with your career by being open to innovation. Make new friends but remain uncommitted if money or your heart is on the line.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Be deaf to sob stories or tales of woe. You can best help the underdogs of the world by having confidence in their ability to stand on their own two feet rather than doing things for them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Gather opinions and write down inspirations so when the iron is hot you can strike. Be open to trying new ideas when handling money is concerned. Recent limitations might be on your mind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Tighten relationships by letting the ends remain loose. Give everyone the freedom to do as they please and delegate authority. Widen your sphere of influence by cultivating important con-

HOROSCOPE

Jeraldine Saunders

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Change your tune to change the world. Quit repeating the same old mistakes. Be self-reliant and adapt to the latest trends to be a successful force in the business marketplace.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Worrying about things that don't exist is counterproductive. Make your daydreams count for something by prioritizing goals. Ignore sudden whims where your heart is concerned.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Stand up and be counted. It is a good time to appear in the public eye and receive recognition for your efforts. Make business contacts that can lead you further up the ladder of success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Bite your tongue. Promises and agreements made today could backfire. Seek educated opinions and concentrate on home and family to make the most of a prosperous atmosphere.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Someone could alter your outlook on finances or provide you with valuable insights. Digest new information for a few days before acting. Delay signing contracts or agreements.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): People will notice and appreciate you more if you skip along to the beat of a different drummer. You can easily persuade others to follow if you don't force any crucial issues.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Being independent and free to come and go as will might lead to greater success than following the conventional herd. Put off important commitments as circumstances can shift quickly.

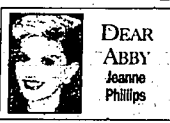
DEAR ABBY: My dad's girlfriend, "Coral," moved in with us over six months ago. She moved in, she went through the fridge and pantry and threw out everything that wasn't "organic." She says there won't be any bad foods in the house from now on.

Coral does all the shopping now. All she buys is gross stuff like beans and soy. She says no meat is allowed. I can't stand it! I can't have anything I like anymore. I saved my allowance and bought ice cream. Coral found it and yelled at me and said no TV for a week.

But don't like it either, but he says it's unfair to disrespect Coral's wishes and beliefs. He says, "Don't worry, we'll go out sometime, and you can have what you want." Please tell me what to do.

—STARVING IN ALTOONA, PA.

DEAR STARVING: Respect is a two-way street. Coral may



DEAR ABBY
Jeane Phillips

have your best interests at heart, but she's trying to win friends and influence people. She has gotten off to an unfortunate start. How much better it would have been had she gradually started encouraging you to change your eating habits instead of ranting her biases down your throat.

You should not be hungry all the time, and your father should not allow his girlfriend to punish you for acting like a normal child. Please clip this item, show it to your dad and tell him you want it. Coral is entitled to her beliefs, but she should not impose them on you the way she has.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 28-year-old dear mother of a 7-year-old

daughter. I was married and divorced by the time I was 23.

For a month I had a relationship with my current boyfriend, Keith. We have been together for five years. I am pregnant with his child, and we are anxiously awaiting our home's completion in September and our baby's birth in November.

Keith recently told me he is no longer in love with me, and the only reason he's staying is to make it look good to my family. He said he doesn't want it to look like he abandoned me in the middle of my pregnancy. I have been there for him through thick and thin. I am in complete shock because I've loved our relationship was strong.

I play the role of the happy mother-to-be, but I cry myself to sleep every night. Keith says he will live with me for one year starting in September. Then he wants me to refinance the house in my name alone. He says he will help me financially.

I'm afraid to turn to family or friends for fear of "I told you so"

lectures. What I don't understand is why Keith is telling our family how "happy" he is about the house and the baby.

I'm trying to stay strong for the sake of my 7-year-old and the baby, but I'm deep into this financial burden and don't see any way out of it. Please tell me what to do. I don't know if I can handle being a single mother again.

—LIVING A LIE IN ILLINOIS
DEAR LIVING A LIE: The longer you live this lie, the more depressed you will become. So please stop doing it. If ever a woman needed the support of family and friends, it is now.

Although your boyfriend says he will support you financially, my advice is to consult a lawyer to guarantee that Keith follows through.

Keeping this mess a secret will only be detrimental to you in the long run, so please don't continue isolating yourself. The surest way for you to get the help you need is to quit living this charade, ask speak up and ask for it from those who love you.

Opposite effect: Study concludes burglar alarms increase crime

This day in history: You know that famous painting by John Trumbull showing dozens of distinguished guys waiting to sign the Declaration of Independence July 4, 1776, right?

Well, although adopted on July 4, 1776, the formal signing of the Declaration of Independence didn't take place until Aug. 28.

Don't see the color red. Neither do most other flower-pollinating insects.

Dr. Michael Smith of the University of North Carolina tells us that the 1832 gold rush in Dahlonega, Ga., was a big one, but it was not the country's first. He passes along documentation that Carbanus County, N.C., saw its own gold rush 30 years earlier when a 12-year-old boy found a hefty yellow rock in a creek in 1799. His family used it as a doornop for three years before discovering it was gold and that there was plenty more where that came from.

Football was nearly out-



RANDOM KINDS OF FACINNES
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

laved in the United States in 1909. In that year, 27 players died and hundreds more were permanently injured. A blue-ribbon committee headed by Princeton University president Woodrow Wilson changed the rules to make the game safer, drastically cutting the number of deaths and injuries.

What did Wilson's football committee ban? Things like diving tackles, blocking with linked arms, picking up and carrying the guy with the ball, that sort of thing. "Ruined the game," grumbled some traditionalists.

If you visit California, make sure you visit Castrolville, self-proclaimed "Artichoke Capital

of the World." That may sound like small-town puffery, but Castrolville comes by its giant fiberglas artichokes honestly: California grows more artichokes than any other state in the union, and Castrolville's field is the biggest in the state.

If you're a man, you're more than 10 times more likely to be at least a little color blind than a woman. Statisticians say that 1 in 12 of all men and 1 in 200 of all women have some degree of color blindness.

Some crimes things don't go as planned: a three-year study in Philadelphia found that police responded to about 157,000 burglar alarms but that only 3,000 of the cases actually involved "intruders." The study concluded that by diverting the attention of 58 full-time police officers for false alarms, security systems may have actually increased crime in the city.

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Aniston's ex cancels auction

NEW YORK (AP) — If you wanted a makeshift birthday card supposedly written on a piece of toilet paper by Jennifer Aniston, you'll have to look elsewhere.

Aniston's former fling Michael Baroni, a California lawyer, has canceled his eBay auction — originally set to begin Friday — of keepsakes from the pair's teenage romance.

The goods included a piece of paper with Aniston's name and phone number written in lipstick and a photo of the pair hugging when they first met. "I have voluntarily canceled the eBay auction upon receiving word from one of Jennifer's representatives that she didn't want me conducting the auction," Baroni said in a statement to The Associated Press on Friday.

"I have nothing but fond memories of Jennifer as a friend and only wish her well."

Aniston's representative, Stephen Huvane, didn't immediately return a call Friday for comment.

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Monday, Aug. 1, 2005

THE ACES ON BRIDGE® Bobby Wolff

"Husband a lie, and trump it up in some extraordinary emergency."

— Joseph Addison

By retaining control of all four suits, declarer was able to bring home this game, even though the bidding and early play suggested that the contract was in danger.

Against four spades, West led the king of trumps, which declarer allowed to hold — good technique. When the spade-jack came next, South knew that West also held the queen. He surmised from the bidding that West also held the club king. A losing club finesse would put West on play, allowing him to cash the trump queen, removing hearts' last trump. Unless hearts broke 3-3, the contract would fail by way of two club and two trump tricks.

The situation seemed desperate, but since it seemed impossible to take a ruff in dummy, South needed to find another chance — that of utilizing low trumps in hand to ruff dummy's losers. That task proved surprisingly easy to do. He took the second trump lead with the ace, played ace and king of diamonds, then ruffed a diamond. It would have done West no good to overruff, as then South could safely ruff the third club in dummy, so he discarded a club.

Declarer re-entered dummy with a top heart to trump his last diamond, and again, West discarded. But now came two more top hearts. Although that suit did not break, South was able to ruff the fourth heart in hand. West finally overruffed in desperation, but declarer still had the club ace and dummy's trump winner to come, his ninth and 10th tricks.

NORTH 08-1-A
 ♠ 9 8 7
 ♥ A K Q 4
 ♦ K 10 8 7
 ♣ 7 4

WEST
 ♠ K Q J
 ♥ 10 9
 ♦ 9 3
 ♣ K J 9 8 5 2

EAST
 ♠ 5 2
 ♥ J 7 3 2
 ♦ Q J 9 4 2
 ♣ Q 3

SOUTH
 ♠ A 10 6 4 3
 ♥ A 5
 ♦ A 5
 ♣ A 10 6

Vulnerable: North-South
 Dealer: South

The bidding:

South West North East
 1♣ 2♠ 3♠ Pass
 3♣ 3♦ Pass 4♠ All pass

Opening lead: Spade king

LEAD WITH THE ACES

08-1-B

South holds:

♠ Q 9 5 4
 ♥ 10 6 5 2
 ♦ A 2
 ♣ J 6

South West North East
 Pass 1NT Pass 1♥
 All pass

ANSWER: Lead a small spade. Yes, nothing is attractive, but the most passive option of a trump lead might easily cost you a trick. Meanwhile, a spade might start to get a force going on declarer. When you have four trumps, the forcing game is often a possibility.

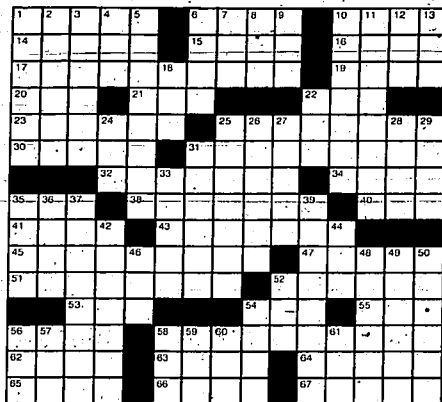
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By Henri Arnold and Mike Argiloin



WHAT THE PRISON BASKETBALL TEAM SADLY LACKED.

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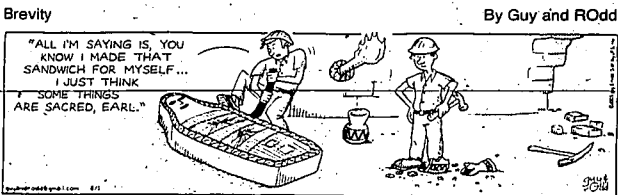
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Section D

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

Last year, we had guys that would drown in a car wash if they went through it. That's how slow we were.

— Nevada football coach Chris Ault at this year's WAC media conference in Reno.

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who was the first major league baseball pitcher to win Cy Young awards in both leagues?

.....answer below

IN BRIEF

Wendell football meeting is Friday

—WENDELL — The Wendell High School football program will hand out equipment Friday, Aug. 5 at 5 p.m. for seniors 5-30 p.m. for juniors, sophomores; and 6-30 p.m. for freshmen.

The parents meeting follows at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Practice begins at 7 a.m. Monday, Aug. 8 with afternoon sessions beginning at 2 p.m. All players must have a physical before beginning practice. For more information, call Steve Goodbody at 536-5740.

T.F. Parks and Rec soccer deadline today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks & Recreation department has extended the registration for 4- and 5-year-olds. The program will meet on Mondays. Those registering after Monday, Aug. 1, must pay a \$10 late fee, along with the \$12-20 participation fee (depending on jersey number).

The league is for boys and girls in kindergarten through 7th grade teams usually play two times per week for five weeks with game times at 5:45 and 7 p.m. Also, volunteer coaches are needed.

Parks & Rec is also starting a "Preschool Practice" soccer program for 4- and 5-year-olds. The program will meet on Tuesdays from Sept. 10 through Oct. 1 at 10 or 11 a.m. It is an introduction to fundamentals in a noncompetitive environment. There are no tournaments or coaches, but parents must participate with their children.

The fee is \$12-15 and includes a T-shirt. Registration for either program will be accepted at the Park & Rec office located at 136 Maxwell Ave. or online at <http://www.tffid.org>. Call 735-2265 with any questions.

Fall mixed league tennis planned

TWIN FALLS — The USTA plans to offer a Fall Mixed League Tennis for players ages 19 and over at a combined rating of 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5 level of play. The deadline to have six players registered on a team is Aug. 9. League play begins Aug. 15.

For further information, contact Lisa Naillon at 734-6556.

Brun Boosters meeting is tonight

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School Brun Boosters are searching for new members, particularly parents of sophomores and incoming freshmen. The club will hold an organizational meeting on Monday, Aug. 1 at 7 p.m. in faculty lounge at the high school.

They are also looking for new officers for the upcoming school year. For more information, contact Tony Prater 735-0906.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Gaylord Perry. He won an American League Cy Young in 1977 with the Cleveland Indians and a 24-16 record; he won a National League Cy Young in 1978, with the San Diego Padres and a 21-6 record.

AA Cowboys down Reds, earn state bid

Marlins take third

By Eric Larson Times-News writer

POCATELLO — Just like the three-run blast Nate Robertson sent out of Halliwell Park on Sunday, the Twin-Falls Cowboys are headed north.

The Class AA Cowboys earned their spot at the 2005 American Legion baseball state tournament in convincing fashion, defeating the Idaho Falls Reds 12-1 in eight innings during Sunday's state play-in game

in Pocatello. With the win, the Cowboys earned Area C's No. 2 seed in the upcoming state tournament.

"You know, it's like I told our guys after that loss against the Russes, 'We're going to see what we're made of these next couple days,'" Cowboys head coach Tim Stadelmeier said.

"We're going to see what kind of character you have in you, what kind of fight you have and how much you want to win." And they showed it.

Chance Elam rebounded after taking his first loss of the season, Friday to the Russes, with a heady performance.

"He gave you one run off of seven hits, five walks and one strikeout."

Instead of trying to do it all himself, he relied on the Cowboys' defense to come through behind him.

"I was kind of actually nervous before the game," Elam said. "I don't know why, but I was feeling pretty nervous and I couldn't control my pitches in the early part of the game. So I threw about 75-percent the whole game and pitched like bullpen pitches. I knew I had the best defense in the state, so just let them work behind me and help me out."

The Cowboys converted nine of 10 opportunities to score. Please see COWBOYS, Page D2

By Joe Paisley Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Success isn't always measured in first-place medals.

Sometimes it's improvement after hours of hard work in the pool.

Magic Valley Marlins YMCA swimmer Josh Wirtz was such an example this weekend at the Snake River Summer Championships swim meet.

"Wirtz, 12, broke through with his best weekend to date, qualifying for the finals in all nine events at the YMCA/City Pool in Twin Falls."

Wirtz staff considering the incoming O'Leary seventh grader hadn't reached a final (top 8) in two years of competition.

"It was my goal this summer," Wirtz said. "It took a lot of hard work."

Wirtz recorded personal-best times in all nine events.

He helped the Marlins pile up the points against some larger swim teams.

The Boise YMCA won the meet convincingly with 1,698.55 points to 1,103 for Swim Team Pocatello. The Marlins took third with 642, besting out the larger Nampa squad's 615 points.

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Another local swimmer who did well was SWIMMING, Page D2

Tears and Respect



Wade Boggs, one of the newest members of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, looks up as he talks about his late mother, Susan, during induction ceremonies on Sunday in Cooperstown, N.Y. Boggs played for the Boston Red Sox, New York Yankees and Tampa Bay Devil Rays. Also inducted was Chicago Cubs second baseman Ryne Sandberg.

Wade Boggs and Ryne Sandberg enter Hall of Fame

The Associated Press

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. — Wade Boggs cried. Ryne Sandberg simply was Ryno — smooth as silk.

Four decades after they once dreamed of baseball greatness, Boggs and Sandberg were inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame on Sunday to the raucous cheers of thousands of Boston Red Sox and Chicago Cubs fans.

"There were many stops along the way," said Boggs, who began playing minor-league baseball in Elmira, N.Y., in 1975. "But today that train has pulled into Cooperstown, and I've found this family here at the Hall of Fame. My wife and I believe this is the beginning of another baseball journey."

Boggs, who batted left-handed, was a scrappy kid who didn't attract much attention

even though he finished his senior year at Plant High in Tampa, Fla., on a 26-for-33 tear. He was drafted in the seventh round by the Red Sox and then spent five-plus seasons in the minors before finally forcing the Red Sox to promote him in 1991.

"Life is about obstacles," said Boggs, who also played for the Yankees and Tampa Bay. "Our lives are not determined by what happens to us, but how we react to what happens. Baseball is just a game. You should always play the game with heart, and play the game you love, and possibly one day your dreams can come true just like mine did."

Boggs learned the trademark inside-out swing that produced 3,010 hits from his father, Winfield, a first-pitch softball star. He learned well, going on to hit .300 or higher 15 times and finishing with a .328 career average. He was the only player in the 20th century with seven

straight 200-hit seasons. And when it came time to pay tribute to his 60-year-old father, Boggs broke down as his dad, too, brushed away tears.

"Daddy, I wouldn't be up here without you, my mentor, my idol," Boggs said. "Anyone can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad. That's why I call you dad, because you are so special to me. You taught me the game, and you taught me how to play it right. Without you, I wouldn't be here. Thank you, dad."

The tears continued when Boggs remembered his deceased mother, Susan. "She couldn't be here today, but she's here in spirit," Boggs, only the 41st player elected on his first try, said as he glanced skyward. "She was the rock of the family. She had to wear two hats, my father being in the Air Force. Mom, I love you. I miss you. I wish you were here."

Sandberg, a darling of Cubs fans because he excelled in every facet of the game as a star second baseman who shunned

the spotlight, said he became a Hall of Famer because he respected the game. "And the 48 Hall of Famers sitting behind seemed to nod in unison."

"A lot of people say this honor validates my career," said Sandberg, who wasn't picked until the 20th round of the 1978 amateur draft by the Philadelphia Phillies. "But I didn't work hard for validation. I didn't play the game right because I saw a reward at the end of the tunnel. I played it right because that's what you're supposed to do, play it right and with respect. Turning two is more important than knowing where to find the little red light on the dugout camera."

Also enshrined were longtime San Diego Padres' announcer Jerry Coleman, winner of the Ford C. Frick Award presented annually for major contributions to baseball broadcasting, and veteran sportswriter and broadcaster Peter Gammons, recipient of the J.G. Taylor Spink Award, presented annually for meritorious contributions to baseball writing.

Ramirez, Soriano stay put as trade deadline passes

Matt Lawton the most recognizable player to move

By Ronald Blum Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Manny Ramirez, Alfonso Soriano, A.J. Burnett and Mike Cameron all stayed with their teams as baseball's non-waiver trade deadline passed with only five low-level deals involving 11 players.

Outfielder Matt Lawton was the highest-profile player to switch sides Sunday, going to the Chicago Cubs from the Pittsburgh Pirates for outfielder Jerry Ferrer.

"As you can see by the strange nature of this year, I think we are all shocked how few deals in the game were made," Cubs general manager Jim Hendry said.

The trade that would have made the most news never happened. Boston had discussed a three-team trade with Tampa Bay and New York that would have sent Ramirez to the Mets. New York would have included Cameron and outfielder Last-

ings Milledge, the 12th overall pick in the 2003 amateur draft. Tampa Bay would have dealt Aubrey Huff, Danys Baez and Julio Lugo.

"At the end of the day, Boston made the decision that Manny Ramirez was going nowhere," Devil Rays general manager Chuck Lamarr said.

Last year, there were eight trades in the hour before the deadline, and Neomar Gonzalez, Steve Finley, Esteban Loaiza and Orlando Cabrera were among the players who switched teams.

With about two-thirds of the 30 teams thinking they have a chance at postseason play, there were far more buyers than sellers this year.

In other trades:

• The Chicago White Sox acquired third baseman Geoff Blum from San Diego for left-hander Ryan Meaux.

• The Atlanta Braves obtained reliever Kyle Farnsworth from Detroit for right-hander Roman Colon and Zach Miner.

• Arizona got left-hander Buddy Groom from the New York Yankees on Sunday for a player to be named or cash.

On Saturday, the Seattle sent outfielder Randy Winn to



Pittsburgh Pirates outfielder Matt Lawton follows through on his double against Florida Marlins pitcher Jason Vargas in the sixth inning on Tuesday. Lawton was traded to the Chicago Cubs on Sunday.

San Francisco for catcher Yorvit Torrealba and pitcher Jesse Foppert and dealt Miguel Olivo, who started this season as the Mariners' No. 1 catcher, to San Diego for catcher Miguel Olveda and right-hander Nate Mather.

Boston acquired outfielder Jose Cruz Jr. and cash from Arizona for infielder Kenny Perez and right-hander Kyle Bono.

On Friday night, Texas agreed to trade pitcher Chan

'The Chase' begins at MVS

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Speedway management promised more exciting racing as "The Chase for the Championship" began in four difference classes Saturday night.

So far they've delivered on their promise.

Bobby Latham got off to a quick start Saturday at the Magic Valley Speedway, taking the Premier Series pole and the early lead in the main event before falling down the stretch under pressure from veteran Steve Jones of Kuna.

Jones took advantage of a lap 35 restart to take the lead. Latham finished in second place and took a lap 36 restart to take the lead.

Wade Huffman and Mike Buddenhagen. It was Jones' second main event win in a row.

Although the standings were unimpressive Sunday night, Jones likely overtook series leader Rob Vest for the season lead.

Jeff Meads overtook Grand Nationals leader Louis Lopez on lap 33 and cruised to a main event win.

Jerry McKean and Jerry Rice started side-by-side near the rear of the field and battled to bring home third and fourth place.

Jeff Peterson led most of his seventh-place starting position to take fifth.

Jason Whited surged to the front for a series standing with a main event win in the Pony Stocks.

Kevin Larson entered the race with the points lead ahead of Kristy Fehringer. But Larson's car developed mechanical problems as did Fehringer's, opening the door for Whited.

Lon Anderson took second place, helping him move from fourth overall to second behind Whited. Whited entered the night in third place in the series season standings.

John Uric took third Saturday, followed by Rick VanVooren and Dustin Wilton. Dustin Wilton surged to the lead after starting in the 10th position to garner a main event win. Dan Anderson led most of the way but settled for second. Jim Shirley, Mark Sandberg and rookie Jason Lehnert rounded out the top five.

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SPORTS

Smiling — yes, smiling — Taylor reports for Redskins training camp

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) — Smiling and unusually congenial, safety Sean Taylor reported to Washington Redskins training camp Sunday, ending an off-season in which he snubbed his coaches and got arrested in Florida.

"I'm happy to be back," Taylor said as he walked to his car after taking a required conditioning test with the team's training staff.

Taylor sported a different look and different attitude, at least in the few seconds he was exposed to reporters.

He wore his hair tightly braided under a baseball cap, with

green shirt and white baggy shorts. He smiled as reporters walked with him and even paused in his car to give one photographer extra time to take his picture — a gesture unimaginable when Taylor was boycotting the media for much of last year.

Taylor said he would speak more at length Monday, when the Redskins hold their first practices.

"I'll have something for you in the morning," he said.

Being cooperative won't end Taylor's troubles, however.

He is facing a felony charge of aggravated assault with a firearm and a misdemeanor charge of simple battery stemming from June 1 confrontation

near his Miami home.

His trial is set for Sept. 12, the day after the Redskins open the regular season.

Even if the trial is postponed, the matter will cloud Taylor's season.

Tatupu joins Seahawks at training camp

CHIENY, Wash. — The Seattle Seahawks signed second-round draft pick Lofa Tatupu on Sunday, leaving first-round selection Chris Spencer as the team's only unsigned rookie.

Tatupu, a linebacker out of USC, joined the team for Sunday's curly workout.

"He didn't have time to study a

playbook, relying on his memory from minicamps as Seattle practiced in full pads on the third day of camp.

"I just went off what I remembered," Tatupu said. "We didn't have to do as many things (before) as we're doing now. I'll have time to catch up. Right after this, I'll get right into that playbook. No nap for me."

Arizona, Arrington reach contract agreement

PRESCOTT, Ariz. — The Arizona Cardinals agreed to terms with second-round draft pick J.J. Arrington on Sunday, hours before the team opened training camp.

The deal with the running

back from California left first-round pick Antrel Rolle as the team's only unsigned draft pick.

Financial terms of Arrington's four-year contract were not disclosed.

Arrington has been listed as the starter at running back for the Cardinals after summer workouts.

As a senior, Arrington was the only back in the country to top 2,000 yards, finishing with 2,019 on 289 carries.

He scored 15 touchdowns.

Cardinals, Boldin sign on \$23.5 million extension

PRESCOTT, Ariz. — The Arizona Cardinals agreed to a contract extension with receiver

Anquan Boldin on Sunday that would keep him with the team through the 2010 season.

The six-year, \$23.5 million contract includes signing bonuses of \$5 million this year and \$5 million in 2006.

The deal has annual salaries of \$1.5 million this season, followed by \$1.75 million, \$2 million, \$2.5 million, \$2.75 million and \$3 million over the next five years.

Boldin, represented by agent Drew Rosenhaus, missed a minicamp in the spring because he wanted a more favorable deal, especially in light of the much larger contract given to fellow Cardinals wide receiver and second-year player Larry Fitzgerald.



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