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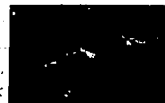
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Road spending nears milestone

Federal highway bill brings big-ticket projects to Idaho

By Christopher Smith
Associated Press writer

HAILEY—When the first gold from the Wood River Valley was loaded aboard a freight train here in 1883, a railroad executive predicted the booming mining town would become "the Denver of Idaho."

More than a century later, one of the few things little Hailey has in common with the Colorado metropolis other than a mile-high elevation is frequent gridlock.

"I can't tell you how many times we have a traffic jam between Hailey and Ketchum, where you are sitting there just barely moving your tires for 11 straight miles," said Blaine County Sheriff Walt Fernald.

The national highway funding reauthorization bill now awaiting President Bush's signature is sending some bullion back to Hailey in the form of federal highway dollars. It allocates \$22.6 billion toward widening

State Highway 75 through the Wood River Valley leading to Sun Valley resort, one of thousands of "High Priority Projects" around the country included in the \$285.5 billion laundry list that fills more than 1,600 pages.

The bill received final congressional approval July 29 after two years of impasse and 12 temporary funding extensions since the last measure expired in September 2003.

Idaho gets an average of \$276 million annually for roadwork over the next six years, a 30 percent hike over the \$212 million average per year the previous measure gave the state. Idaho also boosis its return on federal gas taxes, going from the current

\$1.38 in highway funds received per every dollar of gas tax generated to \$1.44 for every dollar in taxes by fiscal 2008.

The state also reaps \$152 million — \$12 million of which is additional "earmarks" requested by Idaho's congressional delegation above the normal funding formula — in more than a dozen road segments and transit projects Congress prioritized for fast action.

Besides the Timmerman Hill-to-Ketchum section of Highway 75, the projects include \$31.4 million for U.S. 95 in parts of northern Idaho, \$18.6 million to build a new I-84 interchange in Meridian, \$13 million for U.S. 93 at Twin Falls, \$12 million for U.S.

20 near Rigby, \$11 million for U.S. 30 near McCallum, \$9.6 million for Grangerom Road near Orofino, \$8.6 million for Arroyo Road in Nampa, \$5.6 million for State Highway 50 south of Cascade, and \$5.4 million for Washington Street in Twin Falls.

The federal money, combined with millions the state is receiving through Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's construction bonding program, puts Idaho on the verge of a highway-spending milestone, said Idaho Transportation Department Director Dave Ekem.

"For the first time, as a result of this bill and the state's bonding, Idaho may be able to exceed — Please see **ROADS**, Page A2

DOGGONE DEBATE

Pit bull owners dispute breed's bad reputation

By Kevin Otzenberger
Times-News correspondent

JEROME—Are pit bull terriers vicious by nature, or do owners make them that way?

In Jerome, the numbers tell one side of the story: during one stretch last month, nearly half of all problem dogs in the animal shelter were pit bulls, said animal control officer Gordon Leininger.

But pit bull owners argue that bad dogs reflect bad owners and breeders.

"Pit bulls are not the problem. It's people that take them home and don't socialize them with other dogs or kids," said Jerome pit bull breeder Paul Pereira. "A dog is a dog. They want to be pampered and played with, and if you don't treat them right, they can become aggressive and think that people are the enemy."

The city of Jerome recently revised its vicious dog ordinance to address residents' complaints about dangerous dogs. Now, Jerome police and animal control officers can kill vicious dogs found at large. Deadly force can be used only if tranquilizers are not available.

The ordinance defines a vicious dog as a canine "that has bitten, clawed or otherwise harmed, or constitutes a physical threat, or a dog whose temperament or habits endanger or menace any person or animal without provocation."

The ordinance also makes it illegal to own a vicious dog and provides fines of up to \$300 and jail time of up to 90 days for violations.

The city of Denver has taken its battle against vicious dogs one step further by specifically banning pit bulls. In the nearly three months since the ban was reinstated, Denver has euthanized more than 290 pit bulls. A similar law in Ohio was declared unconstitutional last year by the state Supreme Court.

Pereira has been breeding pit bulls for two years. He owns four adults and is expecting a new litter in October. He has bred over one hundred dogs and says he "never owned an aggressive pit bull."

"He had up to 16 dogs at one time: four males, 12 females, and not one fight, because of the socialization," Pereira said. In Jerome, Leininger said much of the problem with



Abel Flores plays with his 4-month-old female blue nose pit bull terrier, Paris, at his home Friday in Twin Falls. Flores does not believe the dogs are vicious by nature and says it's important to treat them well. "We love her and give her attention," he said.

loose, uncontrolled dogs relates to residents illegally breeding them to compete in dog fights.

"People prearrange a place to meet, usually in a farm or in town, block off the street, bet on the fight, and then disperse before any authorities can arrive," Leininger said. "It's usually kids

around their late teens, and there are often drugs and drinking involved."

The Twin Falls animal shelter, operated by the Magic Valley Humane Society, reported that one pit bull had been quarantined in the past six months for biting, and that pit bulls did not

comprise any significant percentage of the dogs that were turned in for aggressive behavior.

Shelter Director Debbie Blackwood returned to Idaho in April from the annual Humane Society of the United States national convention. She said pit bulls do not

Denver's ban chases pit bulls underground

Dog owners go to extremes to keep their companions safe and alive

By Nicholas Riccardi
Los Angeles Times

DENVER — Roxanne Vigil rushed home from a barbecue one recent Wednesday night to find her backdoor open and the fugitives she was hiding gone.

Neighbors had called her cell phone, warning that the police were at her house in northwest Denver. The officers had departed by the time Vigil returned, but they'd left a notice for her on the front door. The clock was ticking. She had seven days before the fugitives would be executed.

Vigil, 19, consulted her sister and mother. There was only one hope for the family dogs: Baby and Chopper, the pit bull underground railroad, an elaborate rescue network that spirits condemned canines off death row.

Denver's on-again, off-again ban on pit bulls has driven some dog lovers to distraction since it was reinstated in May. The ban requires pit bulls found within city limits to be held for a week. They are killed if they aren't claimed. A dog is released only if the owner finds someone who lives outside the mile-high

city to take custody. If the pit bull is found again in town, there is no second chance. The dog will be euthanized.

Some dog lovers have sold their houses and fled the city rather than part with their pets. One man backed out of buying a house and lives out of a camper shell in his pickup with his two pit bulls. Others have stayed in town but lead a clandestine existence, dodging authorities and concealing dogs, dashing across city limits when it's time for a walk.

In the nearly three months since the ban was reinstated, Denver has euthanized more than 290 pit bulls. Baby and Chopper's father, Buck, was caught by Denver Animal Control and put to sleep last month.

The director of the city's animal shelter, Doug Kelly, said the city had little choice but to level the ban.

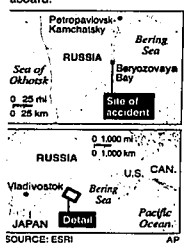
"When pit bulls bite, they can be very, very serious bites which can end up more often than other breeds in serious bodily injury and death, and that's something that the city just can't ignore," said Kelly, who has received e-mails and letters from around the world warning him as a "Hit Nazi."

"The rhetoric can get pretty strong," Kelly added.

Pit bull owners say that because the city is messing with family. "It's like, 'You can keep one of your children, but this one is too sticky, too broad a jaw,'" said Please see **UNDERGROUND**, Page A2

Seven trapped in sub

A Russian mini-sub was stranded 628 feet down on the Pacific Ocean floor after getting snagged on a fishing net. Seven crew were aboard.



Rescuers race to save sub

By Yevgeny Kulkov
Associated Press writer

VLADIVOSTOK, Russia — Trapped under countless crushing tons of frigid water, seven sailors waited to see if their mates far above could find a way to pull them to safety before the oxygen in their tiny craft gives out.

In the second day since their sub got caught on an underwater antenna 600 feet under the Pacific, they may have felt some heartening motion. A surface rescue vessel hooked onto the "little sub" early Saturday and dragged it 60 yards toward shallower water where divers could presumably plunge in and release them.

The United States and Britain, meanwhile, were rushing to send sophisticated unmanned underwater robots to the disaster scene in Russia's Far East, north of Japan.

How much time remained was a matter of increasing doubt and anxiety. Estimates of how long they could continue to breathe ranged from at least 18 hours to a couple of days — both those figures coming from the same command.

More haste for outside assistance within hours of news breaking about the sub's plight — a speedy request that was a marked change this month, including the use of submarines to settle an imaginary conflict in a foreign land. In the exercise, Russia is to field a naval squadron and 17 long-haul aircraft.

The rescue effort underscores that promises by President Vladimir Putin to improve the Pacific Fleet, as spending on the navy's equipment have apparently had little effect. Authorities initially said a mini-sub would be sent to try to aid the stranded one, but the navy later said it wasn't equipped to go that deep.

Navy agencies quoted Admiral Viktor Byodorov, commander of the Pacific Fleet, as saying Russian rescuers had managed to

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NATION/WORLD



U.S. Marines Sgt. Dennis Osborne, left, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Lance Cpl. Jesse Biggs of Conrad, Mont., question Iraqi men in a palm grove near their house Friday in Parwana, near Haditha, Iraq.

U.S. envoy: N. Korean talks 'rather excruciating'

By Joe McDonald
Associated Press writer

BEIJING— Nuclear talks with North Korea are moving too slowly, but delegates have no plans to recess and have agreed to continue meeting over the weekend, the chief U.S. envoy said Friday.

Assistant Secretary of State Christopher Hill said the 11th day of talks on Friday were "rather excruciating" and produced little. "We got some things done, but it's not as much as I'd like and it's not going to get us there in the time span that we think we ought to get there," Hill told reporters.

Diplomats say the talks are deadlocked over the North's insistence on retaining a peaceful

nuclear program and the question of what it would receive in exchange for dismantling.

The talks coincided with a proposal Friday by European negotiators to Iran that would provide support for a civilian nuclear power program if Tehran renounces atomic weapons. But Hill said the North Koreans didn't mention the initiative during a one-on-one meeting Friday and he played down comparisons between efforts to keep the two countries from developing atomic arms.

"It's an example of, you know, why we really need to deal with these problems. But I don't want to suggest there's a lot of, you know, cross-pollination there," he said.

The High School Soccer Rules Clinic

The High School Soccer Rules Clinic for officials will be Monday, August 8th at T.E.H.S. Referees should arrive at 6:30pm. For more information call

Peter Doble at 733-2111 or John Jacobson at 734-3151.



U.S. forces launch new offensive

Operation targets area where troops recently died

By Bassem Mroueh
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. Marines and Iraqi troops pounded insurgents with bombs and tank cannons Friday during a major offensive along a stretch of the Euphrates river valley where 22 Marines were killed this week.

About 800 U.S. Marines and 180 Iraqi soldiers moved into al-Qadisiyah, one of a cluster of western towns in Anbar province around the Haditha Dam that is believed to be a stronghold of Iraqi insurgents and foreign fighters.

Heavy Abrams tanks battled insurgents armed with rifles and rocket-propelled grenades.

while U.S. jets destroyed at least four buildings — two of which were found and booty-trapped with explosives, a U.S. military statement said.

"The wires were connected to numerous 155-mm artillery rounds scattered throughout both buildings," the military said.

Operation Quick Strike is the third major campaign since May aimed at rooting out insurgents and foreign fighters in the Euphrates Valley, which is believed to be a major infiltration route for extremists entering Iraq from Syria.

On Wednesday, 14 Marines and a civilian translator were killed near Haditha when a huge roadside bomb wrecked their lightly armored vehicle. Three days earlier, six Marine advisers died in a firefight with insurgents.

The Islamic militant group Ansar al-Sunnah claimed its men staged both attacks.

Two other Marines have died

in Anbar this week — one from a car bomb, the other from small arms fire.

Witnesses said 500-pound troops had cordoned off Haqlaniyah, about 140 miles northwest of Baghdad, and were searching house to house. American warplanes prowled overhead and a number of heavy explosions were heard. Bombs were being dropped in the area.

The U.S. military has defended its operations in western Iraq, insisting it is reducing insurgent attacks despite the nearly two dozen Marine deaths this week. As of Thursday at least 1,826 U.S. military personnel had died since the beginning of the Iraq war.

Iraq's leading Shiite Muslim cleric, meanwhile, signaled he wants Islam as the foundation of the country's legal system, setting the stage for a showdown next week as politicians struggle to finish the draft of a

constitution by the Aug. 15 deadline.

In the holy city of Najaf, Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari conferred with Shiite religious leaders, who wield strong influence among Iraq's majority Shiite population.

During the meetings, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani told al-Jaafari that he would like the constitution to enshrine Islam as the main source of legislation, the prime minister said.

"Ayatollah al-Sistani does not want to impose dictation on the committee drafting the constitution, but according to my knowledge, he hopes that Islam becomes the main source of legislation," al-Jaafari said.

The role of Islam in the constitution has been one of the major sources of contention among the committee drafting the charter. Designating Islam as the main source of law is opposed by Kurds and some Iraqi women, who fear a major rollback of their rights.

Blair's anti-terrorism plan includes expelling foreigners, mosque closures

By Mara D. Bellaby
Associated Press writer



Tony Blair

LONDON — Prime Minister Tony Blair proposed strict anti-terror measures Friday that would allow Britain to expel foreigners who preach hatred, close extremist mosques and bar entry to Muslim radicals. The rules of the game are "changing" following last month's bomb attacks, he declared.

The proposals, which also target extremist Web sites and bookshops, are aimed primarily at excluding radical Islamic clerics accused of whipping up hatred and violence among vulnerable, disenfranchised Muslim men.

"We are angry. We are angry about what they are doing to our country, angry about their abuse of our good nature," Blair said. "We welcome people here who share our values and our way of life. But don't meddle in extremism because if you meddle in it, you are going back out again."

The July 7 suicide attacks on London's transit system and the failed July 21 attacks stunned Britain and raised the anti-terror proposals was on foreigners because authorities believe "the ideological drive to push is coming from the outside."

But some members of Britain's 1.8 million-strong Muslim community expressed concern that moderate Muslims would be subjected to new prejudices and restrictions.

Britain has been criticized for lagging behind its European neighbors in responding to the growing threat of terrorism. Since last month's attacks, France has expelled two extremist Muslim prayer leaders and plans to ship home eight others. Italian authorities deported eight Palestinian imams. Some British officials feel human rights legislation has hampered Britain's ability to deport foreigners. As a signatory to

the European Convention on Human Rights, Britain is not allowed to deport people to a country where they may face torture or death.

Blair is hoping that by winning pledges from countries that deportees would not be subjected to inhumane treatment, Britain can take a tougher line. An agreement has already been reached with Jordan, and Blair is talking to Algeria, Tunisia and Egypt.

The prime minister said some of the measures will be considered by Parliament and that he would consider asking Parliament to reconvene next month — rather than October — to take up the proposals. Other measures, such as broadening the grounds for deportation, can be enacted immediately.

Blair said the government was prepared to amend human rights legislation if legal challenges proved insurmountable. Under the proposals anyone who preaches hatred or violence could be deported, those linked to terrorism would be automatically refused asylum and steps would be taken to make it easier to strip naturalized citizens of their British citizenship if they preached violence.

The government also will consider a request from police and security services to hold terror suspects for three months without charge. The limit is 14 days. The measures also would extend the use of home arrest for Britons who can't be deported.

New powers would be created to allow the closure of mosques that foment extremism. Authorities will draw up lists of radical preachers who will not be allowed to enter Britain, and a list of radical Web sites and bookstores. Any foreigner who "actively engages" with those places could face deportation.

Membership in extremist Islamic groups such as Hizb-ut-Tahrir would also be considered a crime as would glorifying terrorism.

It isn't immediately clear how the measures would have affected those suspected of carrying out last month's attacks. Three of the suspected July 7 bombers, who killed 56 people, including themselves, were Pakistani Britons; the fourth moved from Jamaica as a child. At least three of the four men in custody for allegedly carrying out the botched attacks July 21 were immigrants from East Africa.

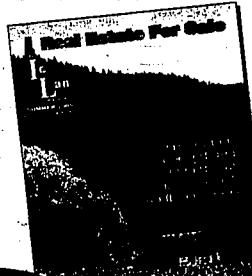
The proposals, however, could affect their ideological leaders, as well as people such as jailed Egyptian-born cleric Abu Hamza al-Masri, who allegedly encouraged the killing of Jews and other non-Muslims and is wanted in the United States, and Omar Mahmoud Abu Omar, a Palestinian Islamist extremist better known as Abu Qatada.

Sheikh Omar Bakri, who has frequently shrugged off allegations that he preaches extremism, criticized Blair's proposals, particularly suggestions that he could be targeted for remarks made years ago. "If they believed what I said was illegal, why didn't they arrest me at the time, they know my work well," he told The Associated Press. "However, I feel I've done a great service for Muslims. I've addressed their anger and frustration so many youth feel." He said if asked to go, he would return to Lebanon rather than challenge the decision.

Iqbal Sacranie, who heads the Muslim Council of Britain, said the group would be seeking more details from Blair, but his early response was concern. "Our democratic values need to be upheld, not undermined," he said.

"No one should have the right to close down an institution such as a mosque, it will only ignite further anger and frustration in the hearts and minds of Muslims," Ajmal Mataroor of the Islamic Society of Britain told The Associated Press.

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YOUR WEEKEND

Still a kid

• **What:** LeAnn Rimes will perform an outdoor concert in Jackpot.

• **Where:** Cactus Petes Outdoor Arena.

• **When:** 2 p.m. Sunday.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$35, \$45 and \$60, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1105.

Fair fun

• **What:** The Jerome County Fair wraps up its weeklong run in Jerome.

• **Where:** Jerome County Fairgrounds.

• **When:** Today and Sunday.

• **Highlight:** Highlight is tonight's final go-round of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association Rodeo at 7:30 p.m.

• **How much:** Admission to the fairgrounds is free; parking is \$1. Rodeo tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for youngsters and seniors; and free for kids 6 and under.

Party in Rupert

• **What:** The Minidoka County Fair and Rodeo concludes in Rupert.

• **Where:** Minidoka County Fairgrounds.

• **When:** Today. Highlight is the final go-round of the Modern Woodmen of America Rodeo Series at 7 p.m.

• **How much:** Admission to the fair is free. Rodeo tickets are \$6 for general admission; for adults, \$4 for kids ages 6 to 12. Family tickets (two adults, four kids) are \$20.

A little jambalaya

• **What:** The Subdivides will headline the second night of the 29th annual Northern Rockies Folk Festival.

• **Where:** Hop Porter Park, Halley.

• **When:** 8:30 p.m. today.

• **Other featured acts** will include Red Headed Fiddler at 1:45 p.m., Ms. Loreta and Friends at 4:15 p.m., Kim Stocking Bands at 4:15 p.m., Hot Strings at 5:30 p.m., and Reina Collins and Hayden's Wheel at 6:45 p.m.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$18 for the two-day event, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1105 or online at <http://www.wmf.net>. Tickets are \$20 at the gate, and children under 12 and seniors over 65 get in free. Buttons can be purchased at Iconicist Books in Ketchum and Halley, Chapter One Bookstore in Ketchum and Big Red Bills and Copy & Print in Halley.

High-country hoedown

• **What:** The Camas County Fair concludes this weekend.

• **Where:** Various sites around Fairfield.

• **When:** Today and Sunday. Today's highlights include the 4-H Livestock Show, scheduled to begin at 8 a.m., followed by the 4-H Livestock Buyers BBQ at noon in the park. A community parade will travel south on Main Street beginning at 1 p.m. Sunday's highlights include the American Legion Hoedown Fair on Main Street from 7 to 10 a.m., with church in the park at 10:30 a.m. For more information enter-tainment in a music festival is scheduled from 1 to 6 p.m. Musical guests include the Kim Stocking and the Public Radio Bands. Singers will include Fairfield's Mark Hansen and the Smith Sisters duo.

• **How much:** Most events are free.

The king of pops

• **What:** Acclaimed pops conductor Eric Kunzel will conduct the Sun Valley Summer Symphony in a program of Broadway music.

• **Where:** In a tent on the Sun Valley Resort esplanade.

• **When:** 8:30 p.m. today.

• **How much:** Free.

TROTTING ALONG



Matthew Hart, 4, of Rupert puts his stick horse through its paces this week during the Tiny Tot Horse Gymkhana at the Minidoka County Fair. The fair continues through today.

Essay writers and nominees will join Dalai Lama on stage

The Times-News

BOISE — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne announced Friday two opportunities for young Idahoans.

Either through essays they've written themselves or through nominations by adults, Idahoans ages 11 through 18 could earn an opportunity to join the Dalai Lama on stage Sept. 12.

Selected young people from both groups will deliver A Message of Compassion from Idaho's Children before the Dalai Lama during his upcoming address to Idaho's youth in the Wood River Valley.

During the Sept. 12 address, titled "Laying the Foundation of the Future: A Special Address to the Children of Idaho," the Dalai Lama also will bestow a special blessing on the youth.

"Idaho has been blessed with many treasures, but its beauty goes far beyond its mountain peaks and pristine rivers," Kempthorne said. "People make Idaho a beautiful place. Now, with the world watching the Dalai Lama's visit to Sun Valley, Idaho has the perfect opportunity to highlight our state's most valued treasure — its young people."

Gov. Kempthorne invites Idahoans ages 11 through 18 to tell

the world what compassion means to them through a 500- to 700-word essay. Selected essay writers may be asked to share their essay before the Dalai Lama.

"Inspiration for your essay should be uncommon examples of compassion and caring, and demonstrations of why unselfish contributions to society deserve attention and recognition," Kempthorne said.

Separately, adults are invited to nominate Idahoans ages 11 through 18 who exemplify compassion and caring, and whose unselfish contributions to society deserve recognition. A documentary highlighting selected nominees will be produced by Boise State University Filmmakers and shown during the Sept. 12 event.

"Tell us about a young person who best personifies compassion, integrity and caring, and who is a worthy role model for others," Kempthorne said.

For more information about essay requirements or the nomination process, go to <http://www.gccf.idaho.gov>. Tickets for the Sept. 12 address, which will be held from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the Wood River High School Stadium in Halley, will be available to Idaho youth in grades 6-12 on Aug. 27.

Dairy decision postponed

Commission does approve feedlot expansion, however

By Mario Mischel
For The Times-News

BURLEY — A decision on a controversial dairy has been postponed.

The Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission was to decide Thursday on a conditional-use application for the dairy at 900 S 450 E, on property owned by Orrin and Linda Woodbury. Residents have raised concerns over road improvements needed for the large lot and have questioned who would operate the dairy.

County Administrator Kerry McMurray said there was a notification problem and the hearing will be rescheduled.

In other business, the commissioners approved by a 4-1 vote to expand the city's request to expand their feedlot operation at 800 E 650 S from 1,000 to 5,000 head.

Commissioner Bruce Beck requested himself from the discussion because of a conflict of interest, and Commissioner Clayne Zollinger Jr. cast the dissenting vote.

Prior to the vote, County Administrator Kerry McMurray said his office had received a letter requesting that the commission re-open the public hearing on the feedlot expansion. The letter stated that there

had been a lack of notice for the hearing and that the applicant had withheld information regarding nutrient management, among other allegations.

Deciding that the letter made allegations without presenting facts for consideration, commissioners voted not to reopen the public hearing.

Three of the commissioners said they read a lot of time thinking about the matter; commission Chairman Dee Veerman said he had read through the ordinances to find references to handling odor but found nothing.

"We don't have a stink-o-meter," he said, "so it becomes a subjective reality rather than an objective reality, and it's hard to make an objective decision on a subjective matter."

Along with the approving vote, commissioners attached several conditions. These included not hauling waste past the cemetery on Memorial Day and July 4, and allowing the contractor to verify the number of confined animal feeding operation (CAFO) units.

The commission also unanimously approved a conditional-use permit for Troy Crane at 251 E 300 S to remodel an existing building or build a new building as an office/storage building for his nutritional consulting business.

M.V. residents held on kidnap charges

By William Adams
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Two Magic Valley residents have been arrested and charged with first-degree kidnaping.

James Robert Cisco, 29, of Gooding and Kara Ruth Scott, 23, of Jerome allegedly kidnaped Chester Sunier, 27, of Twin Falls sometime Thursday evening, said Staff Sgt. Matt Hicks of the Twin Falls Police Department.

Stanley was taken to Hazelton and Jerome before being brought back to Twin Falls.

About 10:15 a.m. Friday, he was driven to U.S. Bank, 241 Shoshone St. N. in Twin Falls, to withdraw money, Hicks said.

Cisco and Scott are being held in Twin Falls County jail.

At one point, Stanley was left alone with a bank employee. Stanley told the employee what was happening and the employee notified Twin Falls police.

Stanley was being interviewed by police Friday afternoon, but Cisco and Scott were not cooperating with police. Hicks said. A motive for the kidnaping has not been determined.

They're being charged with first-degree kidnaping because the victim was struck with a weapon, by the alleged kidnapers' hands and he (Stanley) was being used in exchange for money, Hicks said.

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Minidoka, Cassia counties create public defenders office

By Mario Mischel
For The Times-News

BURLEY — Minidoka and Cassia counties are changing the way they offer legal defense.

Instead of the current practice of using private attorneys as

public defenders, the counties are forming a common public defender's office. The public defender will be a county employee and will not be allowed to engage in the practice

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WANTED in the Magic Valley

Name: Rachell Dianne Everin
Age: 56
Description: 5 feet 9 inches tall, 150 pounds, blond hair, hazel eyes.
Wanted for: Failure to appear.
Original charge: Felony forgery. Bond: \$100,000.
The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Everin's whereabouts to call 735-1911 or Crime Stopper 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and will be eligible for a cash reward.

Police search for driver who fled after hit-and-run accident in T.F.

By Karln Kowalski
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — An unidentified man fled on foot Friday morning after a hit-and-run accident on Fairfield Street West.

Police are still searching for the driver of a BMW that hit the side of a Honda Civic as it was turning to park in front of The Times-News building.

Freda Travis of Kimberly was driving the Honda Civic and her

friend Earl Johnson and 6-year-old granddaughter were passengers. No one was injured.

After the collision about 10:30 a.m., the driver of the BMW fled northward through an alley and parking lot. Davis said he had dark hair and was wearing a white shirt and navy blue pants.

Staff Sgt. Matt Hicks of the Twin Falls Police Department said the man was also described as Hispanic, about 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighing about 150 pounds

and wearing a white and yellow baseball cap.

The BMW had Washington license plates and two car seats in the back with two chest-plate tags. Brent Wright, a traffic officer with the Twin Falls Police Department, said Phillip Buchanan of Washington state was the owner of the BMW.

"It's not listed as stolen right now," Hicks said.

Police were unable to contact Buchanan on Friday, Hicks said.



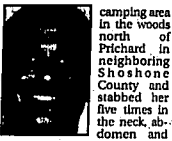
Twin Falls firefighters secure the scene of a hit-and-run accident Friday morning on Fairfield Street West.

Tuggle faced higher child support — JEROME COUNTY COURTS

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A convicted sex offender accused of taking his 12-year-old daughter into the northern Idaho woods and stabbing her repeatedly has been informed less than two weeks earlier that his ex-wife is seeking additional child support payments.

The Spokesman-Review newspaper of Spokane, Wash., reported Friday that a notice was mailed July 6 to John Rollins Tuggle informing him of a scheduled Sept. 6 Kootenai County, Idaho, court hearing on the child support increase request.

On July 20, police alleged Tuggle took his daughter from her home in Athol after telling his ex-wife they were going shopping at a mall. Instead, investigators contend Tuggle drove the girl to a remote



John Tuggle
The girl was discovered by campers after Tuggle left. He was arrested following a week-long manhunt.

camping area in the woods north of Pritchard in neighboring Shoshone County and stabbed her five times in the neck, abdomen and groin.

The injured girl was discovered by campers after Tuggle left. He was arrested following a week-long manhunt.

Shoshone County Sheriff Chuck Reynolds has said the girl also was raped and his department is awaiting results of a DNA test to proceed with the investigation.

Tuggle, 37, has been charged with attempted murder and is being held at Shoshone County Jail in Wallace. His daughter was released from a Spokane hospital last weekend.

Tuggle moved to his brother's home in Colorado upon his release from an Idaho prison in 2004 after serving 9 years for raping his ex-wife's sister. The couple divorced in 1997, about two years after he was sentenced to prison, and the girl's mother was granted full custody of the their two children.

Court records show Tuggle was ordered to pay \$100 per month in child support upon his release. In July 2004, his ex-wife petitioned for an increase to \$287 per month, based on a recommendation by the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

JEROME - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments
George R. Miller, 27; inattentive/careless driving; pretrial conference Aug. 8; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.

Thomas Scott Mueller, 21; petty theft; arraignment continued Aug. 1; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.

Christi Ann Ross, 36; use of telephone to harass/make obscene phone calls; pretrial conference Aug. 8; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.

William Anthony Ruffing, 56; petty theft; pretrial conference Aug. 8; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.



Court records
R. Steven Flynn, 41; use of possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use; \$300 court costs, \$200 suspended; one year unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail, \$8 suspended; two days eligible for work program; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.

use to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee, \$50 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail, \$8 suspended; two days eligible for work program; one year unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail, \$8 suspended, two days eligible for work program; failure to provide proof of insurance; \$75 fine, \$32.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.

Jose Antonio Reyes, 22; driving under the influence; \$1,000 fine, \$1,000 suspended; one year unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail, \$8 suspended, credit for 41 days served; 180-day driver's license suspension; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.

Felony arraignments
Ulises Hernandez, 20; lewd conduct with a child under 16 years of age; preliminary hearing July 21; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borse.

Civil
Kristen Hanley vs. Kelsey Astorga. Seeking damages to be proven at trial. \$1,075 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant operated his/her vehicle in a negligent manner, causing damages to the plaintiff.

Idaho Collection Bureau vs. Barblee Lee Tranner. Seeking \$1,994.31, plus interest; \$665 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

Yesh Property Management as property manager for Pete Hazard vs. David deVictoria and Lisa deVictoria, spouse. Plaintiff alleges that defendant is in default of the terms of a lease-tenant agreement.

Action Collection Service vs. Deborah Patrick. Seeking \$1,706.52, plus interest \$300 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for accounts assigned to the plaintiff for collection.

Timothy L. Hunt vs. Rachael D. Hayes. Plaintiff alleges that defendant is in default of the terms of a lease-tenant agreement.

Divorces
Kristin Carter vs. Richard Carter. Dennis Harold Diamond vs. Michelle Heibron Diamond. David A. Weeks vs. Trena D. Weeks.

Wet spring hurts IdaCorp's profits

BOISE (AP) — An unusually wet spring hurt IdaCorp quarterly profits, company officials said.

The holding company for Idaho Power posted net earnings of \$9 million for the quarter ending in June, a loss of \$4 million compared to the same period last year.

Profits were limited because this year's wet spring meant fewer irrigators had to run their pumps, officials said.

"The story this quarter is really weather and water," said Darrel Anderson, the chief financial officer at IdaCorp and Idaho Power.

The increase in rainfall this spring reduced earnings by \$17.6 million, or about 15 cents per share, Anderson said.

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Earnings per share fell to 22 cents for the quarter, down 12 cents from the same quarter last year.

Still, year-to-date earnings of \$33 million nearly matched last year's earnings, officials said.

Lapwai mayor appoints new council members

LAPWAI — Mayor James Lapwai said he has appointed two new members to the city council, but he won't release their names and state officials say the appointments may be illegal.

The episode is the latest

chapter in a lengthy list of city problems.

Since the beginning of the year, the police chief, city clerk, deputy city clerk and two city attorneys all have left their positions.

Three council members also have resigned, leaving just one before August's recent appointment.

Officials from the state attorney general's and governor's offices say Angle's appointments may not be legal.

Deputy Attorney General Brian Kane said normally the governor must appoint enough council members to create a quorum, which would then allow the mayor to fill the remaining vacancies.

— compiled from wire reports

SERVICES

Muriel Lora Jeffords Taylor of Hazelton, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Hazelton Cemetery. A celebration of life will be held after the service with a potluck dinner at the Hazelton Senior Citizen Center, 210 E. Wilson.

Arnold "Shorry" Pruett of Buhl, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Calvary Assembly of God Church, 1004 Burtley Ave., Buhl.

Betty Carole Covert of Holister, memorial potluck luncheon at 1 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Gun Club.

James Douglas Draper of Wendell, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Demary's Wendell Chapel, 164 E. Main.

Ruth Della Drusel of Ketchum, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Hazelton Church, 821 Bondford Road. Friends may call from 10 to 11 a.m. before the service at the church (Wood River Chapel, Halley).

Max Coffman of Caldwell.

memorial service at 1 p.m. Sunday at Christ Episcopal Church, 104 W. 3rd St., Shoshone (Demary Funeral Chapel).

Dora M. Reynolds of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., Burley. Friends

may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the mortuary and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral.

Jan Tegan Carl of Boise, celebration of life at 1 p.m. Aug. 13 at the Mausoleum at Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

James Richard Plummer
HEYBURN — James Richard Plummer, age 74, died Aug. 4, 2005, at his home in Heyburn with his wife by his side.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2005, at the Burley First Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave., with Pastor David Lord officiating. Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn.

A viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley. A complete obituary will appear in Sunday's edition.

Roba J. Crystal
HEYBURN — Roba J. Crystal, an 86-year-old resident of Heyburn, died Friday, Aug. 5, 2005, at her home.

The funeral will be made by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Marjorie Alice Jensen
HAILEY — Marjorie Alice Jensen, 92, died Friday, Aug. 5, 2005, at Blaine Manor, Halley, Idaho.

Arrangements will be made by Wood River Chapel of Halley, Idaho.

OBITUARIES

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

Skyler Ray Bailey



RUPERT — Skyler Ray Bailey, 9-year-old son of Jack and Debbie Bailey, passed away Thursday, Aug. 4, 2005, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital. Skyler was born Nov. 4, 1995, in Rupert, Idaho. His short nine years had such a great influence for good and all those who knew him. Skyler will be greatly missed.

Skyler is survived by his parents, Jack and Debbie Bailey; two sisters, Irene and Amanda Bailey; two brothers, Brandon Bailey and Cody Villanore; his grandparents, Jack and Kathy Bailey, George and Dorothy Moeller and Irene Moeller; and great-grandmother, Helen McGill.

McGill; and a cousin, Skyler Scott Hall.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 8, 2005, at the Acequia LDS 1st Ward, with Bishop James McBride officiating. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday evening at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour prior to the service on Monday at the church. Burial will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn, Idaho.

The family wanted to offer a special thanks to all the staff of Minidoka Memorial Hospital and the Minidoka County Sheriff's Department for all the care that was given on their behalf.

Betty Thietten

and Brent Maykuth. In 1945 she and her children moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, and several years later met and married Boyd Thietten. They had one son, Jay.

When an Idaho State Game Warden, and Betty resided in Mackay and Riggs, Idaho, most of Boyd's career. Upon retirement they had homes in Hamilton, Mont., and Yuma, Ariz., and shared a vacation home in Guildhall, Vt., with

their children. Their final years were spent in Scottsdale, Ariz.

Betty Vickiweg Maykuth Thietten is survived by her three children, Lynne Ramey, Brent Maykuth and Jay Thietten, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A combined, loving memorial tribute for Betty and her sister, Violet Michel, is planned for noon Sept. 4, 2005, at 320 Guest Ranch in Big Sky, Mont.

Rangers angered at water plan

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A group called the Snake Valley Citizens Alliance will march on Salt Lake City's federal courthouse this week to pressure the plan to siphon water away from western Utah farms for use in Las Vegas.

The Southern Nevada Water Authority wants to pump groundwater from the Snake Valley, which straddles the Nevada-Utah border, about 150 miles southwest of Salt Lake, through a series of pipes and wells to feed Las Vegas' burgeoning growth. The agency hopes to be able to divert water to Las Vegas by 2015.

"We are growing at a rate of about 7,000 to 8,000 people per month, and will cross the 3 million population mark shortly," said Pat Mulroy, general manager of the water authority. "So we're growing... rather rapidly."

But farmers and ranchers in the alliance say the plan hurts residents, will damage the region's economy and could have a devastating environmental impact.

"There is no way that you can develop the kind of water they're talking about," says Dean Baker, who keeps 2,000 head of cattle and grows alfalfa and hay on his family's ranch in Millard County.

The agency's plan is going through an environmental impact review by the federal Bureau of Land Management.

Some say it could drop water tables and dry up the region's aquifers, affecting the growth of indigenous plants and local wildlife.

Mulroy contends that data show the valley's natural yield of 100,000 acre-feet of water per year, and that only 20,000 acre-feet are currently in use. The water authority's license seeks about 25,000 acre-feet, she said. An acre-foot is the amount of water it takes to cover an acre with one foot of water.

"Even with our 25,000 additional acre-feet, that barely comes close to half of the perennial use," Mulroy said.

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Mormon takes prophet's call Other states check for links to Duncan



Kim Clark, 56, stands outside The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints chapel in Belmont, Mass. Clark, outgoing dean of the Harvard Business School is leaving to become President of Brigham Young University in Rexburg.

New president spurns Harvard Business School for Idaho

By John Miller Associated Press writer

REXBURG — Getting a 34-year Harvard man to abandon one of the nation's most prestigious business colleges for an Idaho church school would seem to demand nothing short of divine revelation.

For Kim Clark, whose last day as Harvard Business School dean was Sunday, it was nearly that.

It came in the form of a phone call last May to Clark, a Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints member, from Gordon Hinckley, 95-year-old leader of the Mormons. Hinckley asked the economist to head Rexburg's Brigham Young University-Idaho, which just five years ago was a two-year junior college.

Fire destroys portion of Osmond home

OREM, Utah (AP) — A fire Friday night at the home of entertainer Marie Osmond destroyed a garage and her office above it, her husband said.

There were no injuries, and Brian Blois said they went to save treasured family possessions.

"We were very blessed," he said. "I ran the City television station KSTU."

The fire started about 6:30 p.m. MDT in the garage. He was napping with one of the couple's eight children upstairs when he heard other children screaming about a fire.

"I ran through the house, got my kids," he told the television station. Other neighbors were already at the home helping pull down pictures and television doors.

Firefighters were able to contain the fire to the attached garage and office. A family cat was missing, but Blois believed it was hiding in the basement.

Marie Osmond was giving a speech in Southern California Friday night, but Blois said they spoke several times after the fire was put out.

"She's very grateful all is well," he said. "The cause of the fire wasn't immediately known."

In Atlanta, it will be a drastic change in scenery and culture for Clark, who began his Harvard career as a freshman in 1967, interrupting his stay only for a two-year church mission in Germany and a year at BYU's Provo, Utah campus.

Rexburg, which has just 17,000 residents and boasts just two non-American restaurants — one Chinese, one Mexican — and liberal Cambridge, Mass., are worlds apart.

At Harvard, for instance, there is an open lesbian and bisexual community among faculty and students. At BYU-Idaho, Mormons believe same-sex relationships violate God-sanctioned marriage. Students this month took part in a "Modest is Hottest: A Guy Guide" forum extolling the virtues of appropriate clothing.

No stranger to the West, Clark was born in Utah and raised in Spokane, Wash.

Even so, he's been to Rexburg just once for an eight-hour visit following the June announcement he'd be taking over.

"It doesn't matter to me what other people think about" the decision to leave Harvard, Clark said. "I'm pretty sure that if you and I have this conversation 10 years from now, people will know about BYU-Idaho."

Officials at the 117-year-old school say it's not an academic wilderness.

It eliminated varsity athletics to concentrate on academics in 2000, the year Hinckley announced the school would offer four-year degrees. A three-tiered admissions system allows for more students than other schools with more traditional semesters, in part to accommodate men and some women who return from Mormon missions throughout the year.

And Clark's move, viewed from inside the church, could be seen as a promotion: Some say this establishes Clark, a Mormon bishop, as a rising star. His predecessor, David Bednar, was named in 2004 to the "Quorum of the 12 Apostles," a church-governing body considered by Mormons to have the same authority as the 12 Biblical apostles.

"If one were thinking for the church either about university matters or future ecclesiastical office, Kim Clark is clearly on the radar screen," said Philip Barlow, a Mormon and religion professor at Indiana's Hanover College.

Clark, a Mormon, Clark kept his Mormonism separate from his academic life. With his wife, Sue, the nondrinker and nonsmoker by faith opted to entertain university guests at school, not the off-campus home where they're raised seven kids.

That will change at BYU-Idaho, where every Tuesday many of its 14,500 students attend afternoon religious services. The president guides their spiritual fundaments as well as their academic development.

"The church influences wastes over, runs through, pervades everything we do," said Robert Wilkes, BYU-Idaho interim president.

Clark's decision has aroused much debate, even among church members. On an LDS-related Web site called "Times and Seasons," some called Clark's move to largely Mormon eastern Idaho a wasteful sacrifice of church influence in the northeastern U.S.

In leaving his \$407,000 post at Harvard, Clark steps from a platform that lent him instant gravitas. An expert on the international automobile industry, he sits on boards at JetBlue Airways and toolmaker Black & Decker.

The church's education director, W. Holte Kerr, calls the BYU-Idaho presidency a "paid job," not an "ecclesiastical calling."

Still, a request from Hinckley would be a difficult to refuse, church members say.

"If Gordon Hinckley called and said, 'What I need you to do is go work on the grounds crew at BYU-Idaho, I would say yes,'" said Paul Pugmire, president of the Rexburg City Council.

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Law enforcement authorities around the country are taking a closer look at whether convicted sex offender Joseph Edward Duncan III may be linked to other crimes against children.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children has provided the FBI with leads for a "host of children" to determine whether Duncan could be responsible for their disappearances or deaths, center spokesman Joann Donnellan said Thursday.

"This isn't a rare occasion," she said. "It's just that when you have a high-profile suspect, a predator like Joseph Duncan, usually this is not the first time that he's committed this type of crime."

Duncan has been accused of killing three people and kidnapping two children in Idaho, where he was arrested last month. On Friday, he waived a preliminary appearance set for next Tuesday in Idaho on the three counts of murder and kidnapping before a judge outside Coeur d'Alene. He has been bound over to a district court for arraignment, likely within a week, the Kootenai County, Idaho, prosecutor's office said.

Investigators in Riverside County, Calif., said this week they had matched a fingerprint man's fingerprint to the 1997

murder scene of a 10-year-old California boy.

A spokesman for the sheriff's department in King County, Wash., said investigators are reviewing

1996 kidnapping and other cases, to see if there is any link to whether Duncan may have been involved.

"We're looking very hard at this chance," he said. "If there is some kind of a tie-in," Sgt. John Urquhart said.

The case involves 11-year-old Samuelejo White and her sister, 9-year-old Carmen Joy Cubias, who disappeared in 1996. Their bodies were found in an abandoned farm in Bothell, 19 miles north of Seattle in 1998.

Duncan's probation records say he started a job at a software firm in Bothell in January 1996.

Urquhart said the sheriff's department typically reviews its cases for possible connections between high-profile suspects arises with Seattle-area ties. He said no evidence has been found linking Duncan to the 1996 kidnapping.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children is constantly reviewing tips and leads about unresolved child cases, Donnellan said.

Defenders

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of civil law and/or criminal law other than in the discharge of the duties of this office," according to the job application for the position.

The office staff and other attorneys also will be Cassia County employees.

This change will affect at least three of the four attorneys who now work for the public defender's office, said Dave Haley, who handles felony cases for Cassia County.

"It's not going to affect me that much," he said, because at least 95 percent of his cases are public defense.

The other attorneys, however, have "fairly successful" private practices, said Haley, who plans to apply for the public defender's position.

The new agreement is similar to the existing agreements for joint operation of the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Detention Center in Rupert and the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center in Burley, said Mindoka County Commissioner Lynn Hunsaker.

Those agreements have been so successful that commissioners thought a joint public defender's office also would benefit the public, Hunsaker said.

"Apparently, we just couldn't afford to do all the things we can do together," he said.

"We wanted to make sure we fulfilled our responsibility for county-provided representation," said Clay Handy, Cassia County commissioner, adding that Twin Falls has a similar public defender's office.

"I think both counties get what we need a little more control ... and to cover ourselves from lawsuits. We haven't been displeased (with the current system), we just feel this is a bet-

ter deal."

The public defender will be appointed from those who submit applications by Wednesday. One application has already been submitted, said Kerry McMurray, administrator for Cassia County.

A panel of attorneys appointed by the administrative judge of the 5th Judicial District will choose the public defender. The number of attorneys and other staff, as well as the office location and hours in both counties, will be decided by the panel and public defender, once he or she is hired.

The counties now contract with three attorneys in addition to the head public defender, Dave Whipple. Hunsaker said this number could change with the new contract.

An additional attorney could be hired to work exclusively on juvenile cases, said Haley, but whether that person would be a full-time employee or under contract has not been decided.

The position, which will begin Oct. 1, is a two-year term that may be extended. The short deadline has "created a frantic pace" which may have to be kept up between now and then" to get the department running, Haley said.

The public defender's office will be overseen by a board composed of one person from each of the two boards of county commissioners and the clerk of the court from each county. McMurray will be the chairman.

Cassia County will pay 54 percent of the costs in the first year. Afterward, the cost will be split based on each county's population estimate.

Marie Mitchell writes for the South Idaho Press.

F&G will resume fish netting at lake

SANDPOINT — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game plans to resume a deep-water net fishing project on Lake Pend Oreille this fall.

The project, designed to help biologists determine why kokanee salmon populations in the lake are unstable, was suspended last year amid concern from residents over the impact on fisheries and the local economy.

This time, officials said, the nets will be used only to count fish and not to harvest lake trout as before. Lake trout feed on kokanee, and fish and game officials have worried that the project's netting is hampering efforts to rebuild kokanee stocks.

Only a small percentage of net-fishing will be used to determine their age and maturity, agency spokesman Phil Cooper said.

"We're not killing lake trout," said Cooper. "We're getting population estimates and the fish are being allowed to go un-

harmed.

Kokanee have been dwindling in the lake since many were washed downstream by a flood in 1997. Fish and game officials believed kokanee were being eaten by predators, including trout, at a faster rate than the small population could replace, but fewer trout than expected were found in the first year of netting.

Last year, Citizens Against Netting Fish on Lake Pend Oreille collected more than 2,000 signatures on an "unsuccessful" petition seeking a halt to the experimental program.

The population count will help fishery managers determine if local efforts to increase lake trout fishing are affecting fish numbers, officials said. The research is also expected to help biologists determine how whitefish are affecting the Pend Oreille ecosystem.

As many as nine nets will be anchored on the lake bed at depths as great as 180 feet after the Labor Day weekend and should be removed by April, officials said.

The nets will be marked with buoys and their locations posted at marinas and boat launches, and anglers using downriggers will be asked to avoid trolling between the marker buoys.

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U.S. employers add more than 200,000 jobs

Unemployment rate remains at 5 percent

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — During President Bush's first term, the economy created just 119,000 new jobs. So far in the second term, the economy already has created more than 10 times that number.

Whether you count from January of this year, when Bush took office for a second time, or February — the first full month of his second term — the news on the job front is encouraging. Since January, the economy has created 1.3 million jobs. If you start from February, the figure is 1.2 million.

In July alone, U.S. employers cranked up their hiring, adding 207,000 jobs in a summertime

show of confidence in the economy's staying power, the Labor Department reported Friday. The unemployment rate held steady at 5 percent.

"The increase in payroll jobs last month — the most since April — reflected hiring across a range of industries. Retailing, health care, financial activities and construction all expanded employment. But factories shed jobs for the second month in a row."

Treasury Secretary John Snow pointed to the employment report as evidence the economy is "continuing on a positive path of growth and prosperity."

But Democratic Sen. Jack Reed of Rhode Island questioned whether hiring gains will be sustained, saying, "We can't

be confident that a robust jobs recovery is under way."

In his first term, Bush was dogged by questions about the health of the jobs market. The labor market is the one part of the economy that has had difficulty recovering from the 2001 recession. Rather than ramp up hiring, companies had relied largely on squeezing more productivity out of existing workers to meet customers' demand.

"Now companies are convinced that the expansion is getting stronger and is sustainable and they are increasing hiring to meet expected demand," said Anthony Chan, senior economist at JP Morgan Asset Management.

As the labor market gained

traction, workers' wages also went up.

—Employees' average hourly earnings rose to \$16.13 in July, up 0.4 percent over the \$16.07 in June. The increase was the most in a year. Average weekly earnings climbed to \$543.58 in July, up from \$541.56 in June.

While wage growth is good for workers, the increase was worrisome to investors and some economists who fret about inflation pressures picking up. On Wall Street, the Dow Jones industrial lost 52.07 points to close at 10,558.03.

To keep inflation in check, the Federal Reserve is expected to raise short-term interest rates by one-quarter of a percentage point when it meets Tuesday. It would be the 10th such increase since the central bank began tightening credit in June 2004.

Fed Chairman Alan

Greenspan has said the central bank would keep close watch on signs of inflation, especially any from the compensation front.

Analysts pointed to the growth in jobs and in earnings as raising the odds that the Fed will extend its credit-tightening campaign well into 2006 to thwart inflation, if wages keep on rising at the pace seen in July, the Fed might opt for a bolder, half-point rate increase later this year, some economists say.

"What needs to be watched is the wage situation," said Joel Naroff of Naroff Economic Advisors. "Was the jump in wages a one-shot wonder or does it portend accelerating labor costs? That is the unknown right now."

The pickup in wages should help support consumer spending,

the economy's lifeline, in the coming months.

On the net, over the year, employers added 42,000 more jobs in May and June combined than the government previously thought — figures that heightened economists' expectations.

So far this year, the economy is adding an average of 191,000 jobs a month. That is better than last year's average of 183,000 a month. The payroll performance in July exceeded economists' expectations. They were predicting a gain of 180,000 positions and expected the jobless rate to hold steady at 5 percent, close to a four-year low of 4.8 percent. The economy grew at a 3.4 percent pace in the second quarter and is expected to clock in at the 4 percent pace or higher in the July-to-September period.

Astronauts take out the garbage

Refuse hasn't been removed for two and a half years

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press writer

SPACE CENTER, Houston — The space shuttle made a long overdue trash pickup at the international space station on Friday — the first one in 2.5 years.

The Discovery astronauts hoisted giant garbage can holding 5,000 pounds of machines, discarded equipment, empty food cartons and other junk into the shuttle's cargo hold.

It was one of the last chores before the shuttle pulls away from the station after more than a week of linked flight, on Saturday.

The two space station occupants were glad to get rid of the stuff since it left them with a much tidier — and more spacious — home. One of them, cosmonaut Sergei Krikalev said before Discovery arrived that the place looked as messy as Russia's old Mir station.

It was the first trash pickup by a shuttle since the shuttle's first mission. The Columbia disaster in early 2003 prevented shuttles from returning to the space station until long after the shuttle was scheduled to rely on the much smaller and less frequent Russian supply ships for garbage disposal.

But the shuttle's first mission — caused by the loss during Discovery's launch — could mean another trash pickup.

Discovery took up some 800 pounds of badly needed station supplies like prepackaged meals and spare parts in the massive canister.

Once it was attached to the space station and emptied, it



Surrounded by storage bags, astronaut Steve Lawrence looks at a checklist Friday in this televised view from the space shuttle Discovery's middeck.

was filled to capacity with all the discarded station objects and placed back aboard the shuttle, with the help of a robot arm. Everything had to be bagged or tied down just so for the shaky ride down through the atmosphere on Monday.

A call from Mission Control went unanswered for a few minutes as the astronauts stepped through the tedious job. "Sorry to ignore you," astronaut Stephen Robinson radioed as the crew secured items in large white bags. "We all have our heads down in bags."

The shuttle astronauts also put away the inspection boom that they used during their 13-day mission — to stow Discovery's thermal skin, in a

hunt for any launch damage. NASA, meanwhile, still does not know what caused a 1-pound chunk of foam insulation to break off Discovery's external fuel tank during liftoff. The tank was redesigned following the 2003 Columbia tragedy, but no improvements were made to the area where the foam came loose.

Unlike with Columbia, which was smacked in the wing this big foam chunk missed Discovery.

Among the many theories being investigated: whether a mistake was made in the manual spraying of the foam, whether the new environmentally friendly foam that was used in that area was defective, whether

too many people handled the foam and tank, and whether the foam was damaged during the tank's shipment from Louisiana to Florida.

Space station program manager Bill Gerstenmaier, who is heading up the investigation, said he expects to get his first technical briefing on the matter Tuesday.

The tank lost four or so pieces of foam that were bigger than a fist.

"The amazing thing is, well, not amazing, but the good thing is almost all of the tank charges worked. Some didn't," NASA Administrator Michael Griffin said Friday. "So what's the difference between the ones that did and the ones that didn't?"

Roberts once helped gay-rights activists

By Jon Sarche
Associated Press writer

DENVER — A decade ago, John Roberts played a valuable role helping attorneys overturn a law that would have allowed discrimination against gays — pro bono work the Supreme Court nominee didn't mention in a questionnaire he filed out for the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The revelation could dent his popularity among conservative groups and could come of the opposition of liberal groups fearful he could help overturn landmark decisions such as Roe v. Wade, which guarantees a right to an abortion.



John Roberts

An attorney who worked with Roberts cautioned against making guesses about his personal views based on his involvement in the Colorado case, which gay rights advocates consider one of their most important victories.

"It may be that John and others are using this case as a gay-rights case," said Walter Smith, who was in charge of pro bono work at Roberts' former law firm, Hogan & Hartson.

Smith said Roberts may instead have viewed the case as a broader question of whether the constitutional guarantee of equal protection prohibited singling out a particular group of people that wouldn't be protected by an anti-discrimination law.

"I don't think this gives you any clear answers, but I think it's a factor people can and should look at to figure out what this gay is made of and what kind of Supreme Court justice he would make," Smith said.

The case involved Amendment 2, a constitutional amendment approved by Colorado voters in 1992 that would have barred laws, ordinances or regulations protecting gays from discrimination by landlords, employers or public agencies such as school districts.

Gay rights groups sued and the law was declared unconstitutional in a 6-3 ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1996.

Roberts' role in the case, disclosed by the Los Angeles Times, included helping develop a strategy and firing tough questions at Jean Dubofsky, former Colorado Supreme Court justice who argued the case, during a mock court session, Smith said.

Dubofsky, who did not return

calls Friday, said Roberts helped develop the strategy that the law violated the equal protection clause in the Constitution and prepared her for questions from conservative members of the court. She recalled how insurrectionist Antonin Scalia asked for specific legal citations.

"I had it right there at my fingertips," she told the Times. Roberts was "very helpful in meeting with me and spending some time on the case, and it seemed to be very fair-minded and very astute."

Dubofsky had never argued before the Supreme Court. Smith said she called his firm and asked specifically for help from Roberts, who argued 39 cases before the court before he was confirmed as a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., in 2003.

Smith said any lawyer at Hogan & Hartson would have had the right to decline to work on any case for moral, religious or other reasons.

But John had felt that way about this case, given that he was a brilliant lawyer, he would have just said "This isn't my cup of tea" and he would have moved the

work for something else that would suit you," Smith said.

The Lambda Legal Defense Fund, which helped move the case through the state and federal courts, said Roberts' involvement raised more questions about him than it answered because of his "much more extensive advocacy of positions that we oppose," executive director Kevin Cahill said.

Speculation on a Rehnquist successor stirs

By Bob Diekmann
Associated Press writer

CRAWFORD, Texas — Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist's second trip to the hospital in less than a month raises new questions about whether his health can hold him steady to leave the bench — and who will fill his seat if he steps down.

Already, President Bush's decision to nominate John Roberts to the Supreme Court has been scrutinized for clues into the type of candidate he'd pick if he were to name a chief justice.

The speculation intensified this week when Rehnquist, who suffers from thyroid cancer, was treated for a fever at Virginia Hospital Center in Arlington, Va., the same hospital where he spent two nights for observation and tests in July.

If Rehnquist is next to retire, the president not only would nominate a replacement but would have to decide whether to elevate a current justice to the top chair. Would he pick one of his favorite Supreme Court nominees — Antonio Scalia or Clarence Thomas? Would Bush instead promote Roberts, if the nominee is confirmed by the Senate in the meantime? Or would the president pick someone new?

ma to replace retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, he will face pressure to name a woman or a Hispanic. When O'Connor leaves, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, who was appointed by President Clinton, will be the sole female on the court.

Bush plucked Roberts from an ever-changing slate of about a dozen candidates, including five Bush interviewees in person. Court watchers are combing this slate for hints about whom Bush might pick next.

Besides Roberts, Bush interviewed federal appellate judges Edith Clement and J. Harvie Wilkinson. The identity of the other two interviewees remain unclear.

The list of those who see him for face-to-face talks with Bush,

however, was not necessarily the president's short list. He said he needed to interview only candidates he did not already know.

There has also been speculation that Bush already knew he wanted Roberts and was interviewing other candidates in case he was faced with filling another seat.

"He's certainly been criticized by Latinos, African-Americans and women for failing to take diversity into account in making the appointment," said Nan Aron with the liberal Alliance for Justice.

Before Bush nominated Roberts, almost six of 10 American polled said it was important for him to nominate a woman. Law Bush urged his husband to appoint a woman to

fill O'Connor's seat. And the retiring O'Connor, the first female justice, said Roberts was "first-rate" but not a woman.

Yet the Roberts nomination might also be evidence that Bush is not letting gender or ethnicity drive his decisions.

"At the end of the day, it turns out he chose the best lawyer he could find, and so what that tells me is that this president is willing to forgo some serious political considerations like naming a woman, naming a Hispanic to have his legacy be naming said Supreme Court nominee," said Manuel Miranda, chairman of the Third Branch Conference, a group that advocates approval of Bush's judicial nominees.

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CHEERS & JEERS

Idaho bids a happy 'adieu' to Atkins diet

CHEERS: To the bankruptcy of Atkins Nutritional Inc., the company founded by revolutionary diet guru Dr. Robert Atkins.

It wasn't exactly like V-J Day, but Idaho farmers are celebrating the demise of a fad diet that made Idaho's spuds about as popular as a strychnine Slurpee. The Atkins diet was built upon promotion of high-protein, low-carb foods, and by eliminating the sugars broken down in starchy foods such as potatoes, breads and rice.

But now we've learned the Atkins empire is flat on cash like its granola bars are flat in favor. The company filed for Chapter 11 on Monday, with a \$300 million shortfall in debt.

sticking it again to water users with the Endangered Species Act.

Four years after the Klamath Falls showdown in Oregon, three judges on the 9th have upheld a Portland judge's decision to increase spills on five dams along the Snake and Columbia rivers. And don't think for a minute that this is isolated to the Lower Snake region.

CHEERS & JEERS

CHEERS: To the logic of the Upper Snake River. The bill will push this legal victory into a new court — the Upper Snake River. The bill will push this legal victory into a new court — the Upper Snake River. The bill will push this legal victory into a new court — the Upper Snake River.

JEERS: To Idaho Power and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, for a suspect system of summer power rates.

Many Idaho Power customers will remember the inequitable three-tiered power rate structure for electricity in the winter of 2001-02. Now the PUC and company are using a two-rate system to help conserve power in summer when high temperatures "drive consumption upward."

Moderation is a beautiful thing, especially at the dinner table. And while we rejoice with our potato farmers that this fad diet is dead, we remind you that the "ater pig" diet, common at the Twin Falls County Fair has not been recommended by the FDA.

JEERS: To the couple that eluded cops on a car chase with their 3-year-old in tow. Jeffrey Newhall was charged with two felonies Monday after eluding an arresting officer, then driving off after hitting the officer with a door. Newhall's wife, Ann Marie Newhall followed her husband with their child in the car, then grouped with her husband and fled again.

The couple continued their chase from Filer through Twin Falls, before police stopped them. Turns out the car the woman was driving was stolen. She was also charged with four felonies, including felony child endangerment.

No word yet on whether the couple was following the state's new child seat provisions.

CHEERS: To Twin Falls School District, for moving summer school to late in summer months.

For kids who have to endure summer school, June is a 10th circle of hell. While some kids break from the books, others must catch up.

So the Twin Falls School District chose to switch the tables this year and gave those kids a break early on. Summer school now starts in early August. This not only gives summer students the break they need after nine months in class, but it gives them a head start and a little more rejuvenation for the new year.

JEERS: To the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, for

CHEERS: To two state employees honored for uncovering an alleged multimillion-dollar industry.

Mark Whitworth, an Idaho unemployment insurance division administrator, and Cheryl Harrington, a senior tax auditor, received the Internal Revenue Service Excellent in Partnering award. The two conducted audits of several south-central Idaho dairies to check abuse of the in-kind payment rule for employees.

Their efforts discovered a scheme by two "businessmen" to "get dairies in a payroll plan that claimed to pay workers in milk rather than cash, with workers supposedly marketing" and selling the milk.



Players begin jockeying for '08

For both parties, it was like a premature preview of 2008 presidential politics.

No sooner had Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist reversed himself to back expanded federal support of embryonic stem cell research than Republican conservatives went on the attack.

CARL P. LEUBSDORF

since the 1970s and where religious conservatives control the GOP

"Senator Frist's public backing of this horrific science is being deeply felt across middle America and, most importantly, at the grass-roots," said Barbara Scott, Iowa state director of Concerned Women for America.

Her criticism was similar to that Sen. John McCain attracted two months ago when he brokered an agreement to head off a Senate showdown on curbing Democratic efforts to filibuster conservative judicial nominees.

wide-open presidential election in decades.

With President Bush retiring and Vice President Dick Cheney not running to succeed him, 2008 will be the first race since 1952 with neither the incumbent president nor vice president.

More than a dozen hopefuls have taken steps toward presidential campaigns. They include political committees, adding staff and visiting states like Iowa, New Hampshire, Michigan and South Carolina that hold early caucuses and primaries.

Republicans seem certain to face a choice between candidates who stress the social agenda of religious conservatives who have controlled the party for 25 years and one or more centrist rivals.

Until 2000, however, centrist Republicans won every Iowa caucus contest, but McCain bypassed the 2000 caucuses out of concern about religious conservatives. Many believe he'd adopt a similar strategy in 2008.

Meanwhile, Democrats will be deciding between candidates in the mold of the party's last two presidents, Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton, and more traditional liberals, many of whom favor a more confrontational stance on issues like the Iraq war and foreign trade.

Even more than Mr. McCain's efforts to span the GOP caucuses, Mrs. Clinton's attempt to adopt a more centrist stance has complicated the prospect of a center-left clash within the Democratic Party.

Though the former first lady would have substantial financial backing if she runs, her support of the Iraq war may attract an opponent on her left, possibly Russ Feingold of Wisconsin or unsuccessful 2004-nominee John Kerry.

But just as Iowa Republicans have rarely favored the more conservative candidates, have its Democrats seldom picked the most liberal hopeful.

That's not to say that the anti-war sentiment of Wisconsin or unsuccessful 2004-nominee John Kerry.

But the pattern of last week's clashes is likely to seem quite familiar by the time the 2008 primaries are chosen.

Carl P. Leubsdorf is a Washington bureau chief of the Dallas Morning News.

only ones with internal divisions. A similar spat erupted just days earlier on the Democratic side.

Liberal groups chided Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton and other prospective 2008 Democratic candidates for wooing the Democratic Leadership Council, the centrist group that sponsored Bill Clinton's 1992 candidacy.

"The Democratic Party is in the throes of a battle for its soul," said liberal activist David Sirote, who heads the new Progressive Legislative Action Network. The choice, he said, is between the D.C. whom he labeled "a tiny cadre of conservative-leaning elitists" and progressives willing "to fight up for America's middle class."

He also hit 15 House Democrats for backing the Central American Free Trade Agreement.

These divisions are likely to play out over the next three years as the parties seek to define themselves for the de-

Some potential candidates may not fit conveniently into one camp. Until he angered social conservatives by revising his stem cell position, Frist seemed to appeal more to the party.

Gov. Mitt Romney of Massachusetts has been handling his stance against abortion rights. And though McCain correctly calls himself a "pro-life, pro-defensive conservative," his efforts to work with Democrats and to oppose some Bush tax cuts have cast him in the centrist.

It's hardly coincidental that conservatives cited a statement from their allies in Iowa, which has held the first caucuses

LETTER

Merger keeps decision power here in Idaho

Right up front, I am an employee of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, and I am strongly in favor of the proposed merger with St. Luke's to form an Idaho-based health system, given that background. It is not as an employee that I am writing but as a taxpayer of Twin Falls County who has resided in the county for many years.

I would like to know what kind of "creative" budgeting system was used to arrive at the \$240,000 consulting fee to Stoudwater and Associates that the county commissioners have approved and although I am pressed that the consultants gave us taxpayers a "free month" for August, I am curious as to how our tax dollars were used through the additional proposed months at \$45,000 per month that the commissioners have indicated is not to be paid.

It is to be wondered, also, why the commissioners felt the need to hire a consultant when the hospital board that they are a part of through an exhaustive research process to determine what governance proposals would best assure the continued health-care needs of the community. As a taxpayer with a vested financial interest, it seems that I should be entitled to an accounting of how this county has actually benefited from this hefty price tag. Would the commissioners also tell me if the consultants will realize an additional substantial payment if they sell the hospital to another buyer?

As a consumer of health care and potential patient, along with my children and grandchildren, I want to be sure that we have the best health care right here in the community where we live. I don't want decisions about my health being made in Tennessee, Minnesota or anywhere else but Idaho. In fact when I need health-care services, I will be able to receive the equipment in a comfortable setting with expert providers. I also expect that when my elected representatives will be careful with the dollars I have entrusted to them in my behalf, will fulfill their responsibility to make excellent health care available to each and every generation to come, and demonstrate that their decisions are in the best interest of the citizens of this community.

We have trusted them to represent us through our unique republic form of government, and I sincerely hope they will not be a disappointment.

LINDA BARNES
Twin Falls

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Pets belong in our hearts, not bellies

I can tell you what the problem is with eating dogs, cats and horses.

They are our pets! They are beautiful and have a high intelligence. They have proven themselves more useful than the dinner plate. They are used in therapy to help the sick and brighten up the day of the lonely. When is the last time you witnessed a horse galloping through a green pasture, tossing his head and mane and showing a spirit that God gave him. Is it in a restaurant? In this country, we do try very hard to hold together a society with morals and good judgment. Eating our companions would be immoral and show poor, unintelligent values.

Why don't you try visiting a farm in Asia and seeing the luck with the bird and you'll find that occurs because of the inhumane way they farm and slaughter their animals.

Want Wal-Mart? Hop in your car and drive there

Thirteen minutes. Get in your car and drive from the corner of North Washington and Polo Line in Twin Falls (where Wal-Mart wants to put its giant new store) to the nearest Wal-Mart in town. It will take about 13 minutes (if timed myself).

If Wal-Mart is so wonderful, isn't it worth a 13-minute drive to get there? And if we can't spare 13 minutes to drive to Wal-Mart, is the answer to welcome it here in Twin Falls? What will happen if we do? Drive to Burley, and see for yourself. As you enter town, one of the first things you'll see is the Kmart building, unoccupied and derelict. Same goes for Mountain Home, where the

Wal-Mart sits across the street from the abandoned Kmart.

It doesn't take a genius to figure out that these businesses (and who knows how many other, less conspicuous ones) couldn't survive after Wal-Mart came to town. Do you think these derelict buildings are good for the local economy or local property values?

In their scheme to build yet another outlet for Chinese sweat-shop-made goods, Wal-Mart has asked to put in signs that would violate the local unit development of the proposed Twin Falls building site. To their credit, both Planning and Zoning and our City Council wisely turned them down. (Incidentally, according to Wal-Mart's Web site, it has already built 182 new stores in the United States this year alone, not counting Sam's Clubs and Wal-Mart Neighborhood Markets, and there are currently more than 360 Wal-Marts standing empty.)

Most recently Wal-Mart lobbied for permission to conduct 24-hour operations here and was turned down again. Next,

It's going to want a drive and lube center, a drive-through pharmacy and outside storage of tractor units and tractors which are prohibited by the PUD.

If Wal-Mart's goal is to benefit our community, as it claims, why isn't it seeking an appropriate site on which to build? Instead of trying to bend the rules to the "Wal-Mart way?"

CHRIS ANDERSON
Twin Falls

Stem cell advances preserve human life

In Genesis 2, the Bible tells how man was created. It explains the origin of man to the civilized world. "Did man become a soul with the first handful of dirt or did he acquire a soul when God breathed into his nostrils and he started to breathe?"

I thank the God I worship for stem cell science and the gift of the abundant supply man and woman can produce so it can be put to a useful purpose—saving lives, easing pain.

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By Bruce Tinsley



U.N. appeals for help for Niger

GARIN GOUBLI, Niger (AP) — The United Nations appealed Friday for \$80 million to fight a food crisis threatening the lives of hundreds of thousands in this impoverished West African nation.

The appeal was made at Garin Goubli village, 20 miles south of the eastern town of Maradi during a visit by Canadian International Cooperation Minister Aileen Carroll and UNICEF Deputy Executive Secretary Rima Salah.

"We launch an appeal for \$80 million immediately to the world to help Niger," said Michele Falavigna, the U.N. humanitarian coordinator

for Niger. In the past week, three U.N. agencies — the World Food Program, UNICEF and the Food and Agriculture Organization — made appeals totaling \$75 million for Niger. Falavigna's appeal apparently encompassed the earlier calls.

Some \$25.4 million has already been contributed or committed by donors, U.N. deputy emergency relief coordinator Margareta Wahlstrom said. The Niger crisis, blamed on drought and a locust invasion, has sparked sharp questions about the way the world responds to disasters.

The international community had failed to respond to repeated U.N. appeals since November, acting only after it was too late for many and when images of starving children on TV news broadcasts made clear the situation had reached a crisis.

"We saw a child die today, it was a very sad moment for us... I feel very guilty," UNICEF's Salah said after touring a center for severely malnourished children in Maradi, an eastern town where Medecins Sans Frontieres is helping to run humanitarian efforts.

"We may need to look at how the international early warning

system can be improved to avoid such crises," Carroll said.

Experts have also questioned whether the initial response was misguided, relying on subsidizing food prices rather than distributing free food for fear of hurting local markets.

The role of the government's market reform policies, driven in part by international lenders, also should be reviewed, according to the Overseas Development Institute, a British think tank.

Niger's government raised taxes on a range of staple foods this year, saying the money generated would fund health and education.



Malnourished 24-month-old Magama Gambo, of Nigerian origin, is carried by her mother Fatima Gambo at the MSF feeding center in Maradi, Niger, Friday. The United Nations appealed on Friday for \$80 million to fight a food crisis threatening the lives of thousands in this impoverished West African nation.

Israeli Arab town mourns victims

Sharon tries to soothe tensions after bus passengers were murdered

SHFARAM, Israel (AP) — Thousands joined funeral processions Friday for four residents of this Arab-Israeli town killed by a Jewish soldier opposed to the Gaza Strip pull-out, and Prime Minister Ariel Sharon sought to calm the nation's angry Arab minority.

Israeli officials struggled to determine how they failed to prevent the attack by 19-year-old Eden Natanz-Zada, who recently deserted the army with his weapon to protest the Gaza withdrawal and had been identified as a security threat.

Sharon condemned the attack as "a despicable act by a bloodthirsty terrorist," and Israeli newspapers referred to the shooting as an act of terrorism — language usually reserved for Palestinian suicide bombers.

The prime minister spent the day on the phone with community leaders and Israeli Arab lawmakers "expressing his sheer outrage and shock and sending his condolences to the families of those killed and wounded," said David Baker, an official in Sharon's office.

Natanz-Zada's body was held in a morgue as officials tried to determine where to bury him. Jewish law requires swift burial.

Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz refused to grant Natanz-Zada a military funeral, and officials in his command of Rishon LeZion and the West Bank settlement where he recently lived refused to accept the body.

Yitzhak Natanz-Zada, the soldier's father, appeared on Israeli TV at the morgue demanding release of the body so that it could be buried according to Jewish law, but he was refused. He expressed his frustration by saying he would bury the body in the defense minister's yard and later filed a complaint over authorities' refusal to arrange for burial.

For months, Israeli security has warned that Arab extremists might try to sabotage the mid-August pullout from Gaza and four small northern West Bank settlements by attacking Arab towns in a bid to raise tensions and divert forces carrying out the withdrawal.

Elder Natanz-Zada, who had recently moved to a hard-line Jewish settlement in the West Bank, boarded a bus Thursday bound for Shfaram, a town of 35,000 Muslims, Christians and Druse Arabs.

The soldier, who was wearing the skullcap, beard and sidecloaks of an ultra-Orthodox Jew, opened fire on the driver when the bus entered Shfaram, then proceeded to kill three other passengers before he was subdued and beaten to death by an



Christian Israeli Arabs carry the coffin of one of the two Christian victims killed in a bus shooting during a funeral procession in the northern Israeli town of Shfaram on Friday. Four Israeli Arabs were gunned down Thursday by a Jewish soldier opposed to Israel's impending pullout from the Gaza Strip.

angry crowd. More than a dozen people were wounded.

The shooting enraged Israel's Arab minority, which enjoys citizenship but has long suffered from poverty, unemployment and discrimination.

Thousands of police were deployed in northern Israel and in Jerusalem in anticipation of possible rioting. But prayers at the Al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem and the funeral pro-

cessions in Shfaram proceeded without incident, though Hamas militants in Gaza threatened retaliation.

In Shfaram, townspeople lighted hundreds of candles and placed piles of flowers on an impromptu altar at the attack site. Melted candles wax seeped onto high-heeled shoes, flip-flops, door handles, seat frames and other objects taken from the bus.

After Abdullah's investiture on Wednesday, Foreign Minister Saud al-Faisal said he expected U.S.-Saudi relations to continue improving.

On Thursday, Prince Salman, Abdullah's half brother and governor of Riyadh, said relations

between the two nations were "strong but sometimes troubled."

"The two leaderships pretty well know that their relations are strategic because they are based on mutual interests," Salman told journalists.

EU offers to back Iran's civil nuclear program

LONDON (AP) — European diplomats on Friday sought to entice Iran into a binding commitment not to build atomic arms by offering to provide fuel and other long-term support to help Iranians generate electricity with nuclear energy.

The Bush administration backed the offer, which came as a diplomatic effort to persuade North Korea into giving up its atomic weapons program stalled.

The proposal to Iran came from Britain, France and Germany, which are representing the European Union. They also offer greater economic, political and security cooperation if the Tehran government agrees to the plan.

Iran has long claimed its nuclear program is solely for the peaceful production of electricity, while Washington charges the real aim was to produce atomic arms. The discovery of clandestine aspects of Iran's program raised worries among other nations and pressures have mounted on Iran.

The U.N. nuclear watchdog, the International Atomic Energy Agency, announced it would hold an emergency meeting Tuesday to formally warn Iran not to resume uranium enrichment at its plant in Isfahan. The IAEA board could refer Iran to the U.N. Security Council for consideration of sanctions.

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Hamid Reza Asefi said the EU proposal, presented by ambassadors from the three European countries in Tehran, would be studied "today and tomorrow" and a response would be issued "soon."

In Paris, a French diplomat said European negotiators wanted an Iranian response by the end of August. The official, who briefed reporters on condition he not be named, said, "They can choose elements of it and make other proposals, and we are totally ready to consider them."

In Washington, a State Department official said the United States believed diplomacy was the best way to

resolve the fiasco with Iran. "We encourage Iran to consider positively the EU's offer to continue to observe the Paris agreement and to refrain from taking steps that would violate the agreement such as breaking the IAEA seals at Isfahan and restarting uranium conversion," said the State Department's acting spokesman, Tom Casey.

The Europeans have been pressing Iran to abandon uranium enrichment, which it voluntarily suspended in November. Uranium enriched to low levels can be used as fuel in nuclear reactors to generate electricity, but further enrichment makes it suitable for a nuclear bomb.

Iran insists it has a right to enrich uranium under the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

According to a summary of the EU proposal obtained by the Associated Press, the Europeans acknowledge Iran's right to nuclear energy and promise to help it develop "a safe, economically viable — and proliferation-proof civil nuclear power generation and research program."

The 34-page proposal promises Iran a long-term supply of enriched-uranium from other countries, on condition spent fuel is returned. Iran also would be able to buy peaceful nuclear technology, opening the door to such deals as Russia's \$800 million contract to build a reactor in the southern Iranian port city of Bushehr and supply fuel.

In return, the Europeans call on Iran to make a "legally binding commitment not to withdraw" from the nuclear treaty, as North Korea did, and to agree to permit surprise inspections by the IAEA and abandon all uranium activities, including conversion, enrichment and reprocessing.

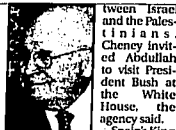
The EU nations also say Iran must "stop construction of its heavy water research reactor at Arak." Nuclear experts consider heavy water reactors a danger because they use high-grade plutonium suitable for weapons use.

Cheney pays respects to new Saudi King Abdullah

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — A U.S. delegation led by Vice President Dick Cheney paid respects Friday to King Abdullah, a visit intended to show the importance Washington attaches to close ties with oil power Saudi Arabia.

Cheney, former President Bush and former Secretary of State Colin Powell offered condolences on the death Wednesday of the new monarch's half brother, King Fahd.

Reporters were barred from the meeting at the king's farm outside Riyadh, but the official Saudi Press Agency said the two sides discussed Iraq, bilateral relations, and the conflict be-



Dick Cheney

tween Israel and the Palestinians. Cheney invited Abdullah to visit President Bush at the White House, the agency said.

Spain's King Juan Carlos also met Friday with Abdullah, who embraced him warmly in footage broadcast on Spanish television. Juan Carlos was a longtime friend of Fahd.

Saudi Arabia is a major U.S. ally in the Middle East. As crown

prince, Abdullah worked to repair ties strained by the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States, in which 15 of the 19 attackers were Saudis. The Bush family has had close ties with the Saudi royal family for decades.

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SPORTSQUOTE

Because there are no fours.

— Antonio Walker, obtained by the Heat as part of a five-team trade Tuesday, on why he takes so many three-point shots

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- Auto racing: Magic Valley Speedway, 6 p.m.
- Legion baseball: See related stories
- Rodeo: Northside Showdown, Jerome fairgrounds, 7:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

BSU ranked No. 19 in poll

NEW YORK — The USA Today preseason coaches poll was released Friday with Boise State picked as No. 19. BSU was ranked No. 13 in the final poll last winter.

WAC rival Fresno State was picked 26th. Defending national champion and preseason No. 1 Southern Cal picked up 60 of the 62 first-place votes while No. 2 Texas garnered two. Tennessee, Michigan and Oklahoma rounded out the top five.

TFHS VB tryouts are Aug. 12-13

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls High School volleyball programs will hold tryouts Aug. 12-13 from 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. at the high school.

All athletes must have current physicals.

Church cards hole in one at Pleasant Valley

KIMBERLY — Ron Church used a 3-wood to ace the 170-yard Hole No. 9 at Pleasant Valley Golf course. The feat was witnessed by Ginger Church.

Millers records ace at T.F. Muni

TWIN FALLS — Marlo Miller got a hole-in-one on No. 4 at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course from 172 yards out using a 7-iron.

Witnesses were Jim and Eve Garner.

Post posts ace in Burley

BURLEY — Joe Post carded an ace on hole No. 5 of the Burley Golf course on Wednesday, Aug. 3.

He used an 8-iron for the 175-yard shot, which was witnessed by Rick Alves and Josh Williamson.

Minico cross country starts next Friday

RUPERT — The Minico cross country team will be holding their first day of practice on Friday, Aug. 12 at 3 p.m. on the high school track.

Lighthouse opens practice on Monday

TWIN FALLS — Lighthouse Christian will be holding its first day of football practice on Monday, Aug. 8 from 8-10 a.m. and 4-6 p.m. at the Twin Falls Reformed Church.

Minico holds girls soccer tryouts

PAUL — The Minico girls varsity and junior varsity soccer teams will hold tryouts at West Minico in Paul.

Tryouts start on Friday, Aug. 12, at 6:30 p.m., continue on Saturday, Aug. 13, at 6:30 p.m., and conclude Monday, Aug. 15, at 7 a.m.

Participants should bring plenty of water and the necessary paperwork, such as consent forms and physicals.

For more information, call coach Armando Topa at 677-2657.

Motivated to do more



Alex Schied of Buhl poses in the College of Southern Idaho weight room recently.

Buhl resident's disability inspires him to help others

By Nathaniel Garabrant Times-News writer

BUHL — For certain people, the word ability is to a large extent just a synonym for motivation.

As such, the word disability refers to a lot more than simply the loss or lack of a particular faculty.

Alex Schied lost the use of his legs in a car accident nearly 15 years ago, but the three medals slung around his neck on July 1 spoke volumes about the Buhl resident's motivation.

Schied won the hardware at the 25th National Veterans Wheelchair Games held from

June 27 through July 2 in Minneapolis, Minn. The medals consist of a pair of golds for victories in weightlifting by body weight and javelin, and a bronze in slalom — a type of obstacle course race with varied terrain.

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA), the games are the "biggest annual wheelchair sports event in the world. The 2005 event attracted almost 500 athletes from 45 states, Puerto Rico, and Great Britain.

"It was a neat experience, because I got to see that I wasn't alone," said Schied, who also

competed in handcycling and air-gun target shooting.

"Around here, there aren't too many people in wheelchairs."

The 37-year-old Army veteran first learned of the games early in the year from a recreational therapist at the Seattle, VA Medical Center.

Schied, who played nose tackle and center for his high school football team in Fairbanks, Alaska, naturally gravitated towards the weightlifting competition.

"I think that comes naturally through my dad," he said.

"Though his muscular inactivity no doubt came in handy, Schied's gold medal winning

and personal best 245-pound bench press owed to a gym-rat mentality as well. He devoted five workout sessions a week to weight training to prepare for the games.

"I really gave it a good effort," he said.

The dedication, and maybe a little beginner's luck, played into Schied's knack for tossing a javelin as well.

With a toss of 9.05 meters, he captured the gold without ever having held a javelin prior to the competition.

"I watched a couple of people throw before me and then they gave me instruction," said Schied. "There was a special chair that we sat in. So I transferred up into it. They grabbed

NCAA bans Indian mascots, nicknames

Teams can keep names, but not in postseason

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA banned the use of American Indian mascots by sports teams during its postseason tournaments, but will not prohibit them otherwise.

The NCAA's executive committee decided this week the organization did not have the authority to ban Indian mascots by individual schools, committee chairman Walter Harrison said Friday.

Nicknames or mascots deemed "hostile or abusive" would not be allowed on team uniforms or other clothing being worn at the NCAA tournament after Feb. 1, said Harrison, the University of Hartford president.

"What each institution decides to do is really its own business" outside NCAA championship events, Harrison said.

"What we are trying to say is

that we find these mascots to be unacceptable for NCAA championship competition," he added.

At least 18 schools have mascots the NCAA deem "hostile or abusive," including Florida State's Seminole and Illinois' Illini. The full list of schools was not immediately released.

Not all schools with Indian-related nicknames are on that list. NCAA officials said some schools using the Warrior nickname do not use Indian symbols and would not be affected.

Florida State President T.K. Wetherell threatened to take legal action over the ruling.

"That the NCAA would now label our close bond with the Seminole people as culturally 'hostile and abusive' is both outrageous and insulting," Wetherell said in a written statement.

"I intend to pursue all legal

Who's affected

The list of schools affected by the NCAA's decision Friday on American Indian mascots and nicknames:

- Alcorn State University (Braves)
- Central Michigan University (Chippewas)
- Calweba College (Indians)
- Florida State University (Seminole)
- Midwestern State University (Indians)
- University of Utah (Utes)
- Indiana University-Pennsylvania (Indians)
- Carthage College (Redmen)
- Bridley University (Braves)
- Kansas State University (Indians)
- Chowan College (Braves)
- University of Illinois (Illini)
- University of Louisiana-Monroe (Indians)
- McMurry University (Indians)
- Mississippi College (Choctaws)
- Newberry College (Indians)
- University of North Dakota (Fighting Sioux)
- Southeastern Oklahoma State University (Savages)

avenues to ensure that this unacceptable decision is overturned and that this university will forever be associated with the "unconquered" spirit of the Seminole Tribe of Florida."

North Carolina-Pembroke, which uses the nickname Braves, will not face sanctions. NCAA president Myles Brand explained said the school's student body has historically admitted a high percentage of American Indians and more than 20 percent of the students

are American Indians.

Schools on the list could still appeal.

"I suspect that some of those would like to have a ruling on that," Brand said. "But unless there is a change before Feb. 1, they will have to abide by it."

Major college teams also would not be subjected to the new rules because there is no NCAA Division I-A tournament playoff.

Vernon Bellecourt, president

Jim Kelly's son, Hunter, dies

The Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Hunter Kelly, whose battle with a fatal nervous system disease inspired his Hall of Fame father Jim Kelly's charitable works, died Friday. He was 8.

Hunter's doctor, Patricia Duffing, said he died of respiratory failure.

Hunter's Hope Foundation released a statement saying the family is grateful for the support people have shown.

"It is the family's hope that all who mourn for their son, Hunter, would join them in thanking the Lord for his precious life," the statement read.

Jim Kelly, a Hall of Fame quarterback with the Buffalo Bills, established Hunter's Hope Foundation with his wife, Jill, in 1997 in honor of their son. It has raised more than \$6 million and awarded more than \$3.8 million to leukodystrophy and other neurological disease-related research.

Born in 1997, Hunter Kelly

was given no more than three years to live after being diagnosed with Krabbe disease, an inherited degenerative disorder of the central and peripheral nervous systems. The disease hinders development of the myelin sheath, a fatty covering that protects the brain's nerve fibers.

The disease has no known cure.

Records are scarce, but experts believe Hunter was one of the longest living of people who developed Krabbe as an infant. The disease can also develop in juveniles and adults.

Jim Kelly, who helped Buffalo win an unprecedented four consecutive AFC titles in the early 1990s, had credited his son for serving as his inspiration after he retired from football — following the 1996 season.

"He'll never be able to do what daddy did," Kelly said last year. "But he's going to do greater things. He's going to



This is a Feb. 10, 2004, file photo of Hall of Fame quarterback Jim Kelly and his wife, Jill, and their son Hunter in Orchard Park, N.Y. Hunter, who suffered from Krabbe disease, died Friday. He was 8.

make a difference in kids' lives, toughness is my trademark," Kelly said. "Well, the toughest person I've ever met in my life is my hero, my soldier, my son, Hunter. I love you, buddy."

Kelly and his son shared a birthday — Valentine's Day.

AMERICAN LEGION Cowboys

A squad falls in first round

By John Dorr Times-News writer

BOISE — Before the tournament began, Twin Falls A coach Dean Kunz said that his team needed to do the things that go them here: Pitching and defense.

The work on the mound was solid most of the game. However it was the defense that cost them a victory.

The Cowboys out-hit the Boise Senators early, but five costly mistakes led to the 11-4 defeat in the first round of the American Legion State A baseball tournament Friday afternoon at Bishop Kelly High School in Boise.

It was a disappointing day for Twin Falls said Kunz for a team that had averaged just a single error per game when they won 20 of its last 23 outings.

"The pitching was there, but you are not going to beat anyone with those errors," said Kunz. The Cowboys will face conference foe and Area C champion Marsh Falls, who lost to Lewis-Clark 6-1 in the early game behind a 12-strikeout performance by the Cubs' Trent Line. The rivals play an elimination game at 10 a.m.

Kasey Jeroux got the start instead of Mitchell Dame in a game-time decision. He struck out one-inning through 5-8 innings.

"We just felt it would be better with Dame going tomorrow (Saturday)," Kunz said.

The Senator bats came alive in the sixth. Boise belted five hits and scored five runs to blow open a 6-4 lead.

"They started well for the Cowboys. Four singles led to a pair of runs in the first inning.

Nick Yergensen smacked an RBI single to bring home Remington Pullin. Yergensen later scored on an error for the early 2-0 advantage.

Boise came right back to take the lead in its half of the inning.

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Senators bounce Cowboys

The Times-News

COEUR D'ALENE — The 32-1 Boise Senators took advantage of Twin Falls ace Nick Carr's control problems, pulling away for a 14-2 first-round win over Twin Falls in being home Remington Pullin. Yergensen later scored on an error for the early 2-0 advantage.

Carr gave up an uncharacteristic eight walks on the day while striking out four and giving up 11 hits.

The Senator batters left their bats on their shoulders and managed to get ahead in the counts. They drew walks or connected for singles to jump out to a 3-0 lead. The walk stage for two more Boise runs in the top of the fifth.

Twin Falls clawed back into it with a twin homer by Kenny Steadman in the bottom of the fifth. But the Cowboys (39-13) were held to only four hits by Senators pitcher Weston Feldt.

Boise pulled away with nine runs in the top of the seventh, chasing Carr with the score 11-2. Senators' Cowboys' reliever Matt Sherman pitched the bottom of the inning with the score 14-2.

Feldt kept Twin Falls from mounting a rally to end the game last night.

Twin Falls plays the loser of Friday's late game between the Boise Gems and the Coeur d'Alene Lumbermen at 1 p.m. MDT in a loser-out-of-bottom-of-the result was not available at press time Friday.

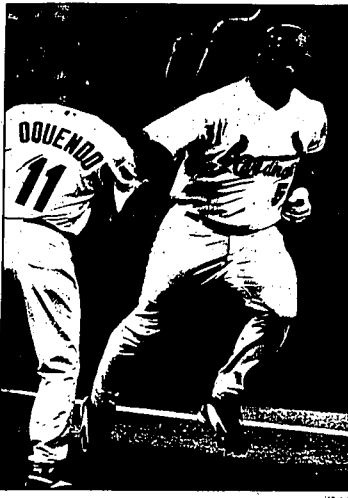
Boise 14, Twin Falls 2, seven innings

Boise: 14 runs, 10 hits, 2 errors
 Twin Falls: 4 runs, 10 hits, 1 error
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SPORTS

Pujols makes homer history Injury bug bites in NFL camps

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Pinkston was injured when he was tripped up on a route down the sideline. He remained down for several minutes before limping to the medical tent.

ing 11-on-11 drills and went to the sideline. "It was a terrible play. When we reviewed it after practice, we became even more concerned because it was really very much a possibility that he could have had the most severe injury."

Smolze (12-6) led for the first time since June 6, allowing five runs and six hits in six innings. Pujols hit a two-run shot in the first for his 190th homer since breaking in with the Cardinals in 2001.

Mets 9, Cubs 5 NEW YORK — Mike Cameron and Cliff Floyd each had two-run hits in a six-run second inning, and the New York Mets used 14 singles to beat the Chicago Cubs 9-5 Friday night.

St. Louis Cardinals Albert Pujols celebrates with third base coach Jose Oquendo after hitting a two-run home run in the first inning against the Atlanta Braves Friday at Busch Stadium in St. Louis.

Despite returns by Carlos Garcia and Kerry Wood from injuries, the Cubs lost for the sixth time in eight games and dropped below .500 (5-5) for the first time since July 10.

homed in a six-run third inning against C.J. Wilson (0-4), and Baltimore beat Texas to remain unbeaten in two games under interim manager Sam Perazzone.

Brewers 3, Phillies 1, 10 innings PHILADELPHIA — Ben Sheets pitched nine dominant innings and Milwaukee took advantage of two Philadelphia errors on the home base hit in the 10th inning.

Staked to a 10-0 lead in the fourth inning, Bruce Chen (8-6) took advantage and snapped a streak of five straight wins starts.

Sheets' second-straight nine-inning effort was nearly wasted by a bases-clearing error by catcher Ryan Howard.

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PITTSBURGH — Olmedo Saenz homered while driving in a career-high six runs and Los Angeles bounced back with three home runs after being dominated in a shutout loss the night before to the San Diego Padres.

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CINCINNATI — Rookie Jason Vargas shut down the NL's highest-scoring team, Miguel Cabrera and Alex Gonzalez homered, and the Florida beat Cincinnati.

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Racial remarks sideline Giants' radio host

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A talk-show host for the San Francisco Giants' longtime radio station was suspended for a week without pay Friday for racial remarks he made about the team's Latino players after being lifted in the sixth inning, and Washington lost to San Diego on an unearned run in the 11th inning.

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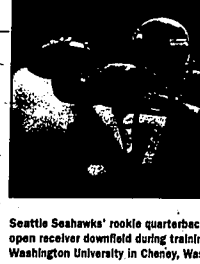
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Aspiring Seattle QB has seen and done plenty

CHENEY, Wash. (AP) — In the competition for Seattle's two backup quarterback jobs, coaches have asked one of the hopefuls, Gibran Hamdan, to put more zip on his throws and learn to wiggle within the NFL's tighter time.



Seattle Seahawks' rookie quarterback Gibran Hamdan looks for an open receiver downfield during training camp, Thursday, at Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash.

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SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

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WHAT'S ON T.V.

- Auto racing**
 - Nestle Cup, practice, SPEED, 2:30 p.m.
 - Busch Series, pole qualifying for Kroger 200, SPEED, 4 p.m.
 - Nestle Cup, pole qualifying for Atlanta 400, TNT, 4 p.m.
 - Busch Series, Kroger 200, TNT, 6:30 p.m.
- Golf**
 - European PGA Tour, Johnnie Walker Championship, third round, TGC, 7 a.m.
 - Nationwide Tour, Cox Classic, third round, 11:30 a.m.
 - PGA Tour, The International, third round, CBS, 1 p.m.
 - USGA, U.S. Women's Amateur, semifinal matches, TGC, 2 p.m.
 - Champions Tour, 3M Championship, second round, TGC, 4 p.m.
- Horse racing**
 - Standardbreds, Hambletonian, CBS, noon.
- Soccer**
 - MLS, Chicago USA at Real Salt Lake, ESPN2, 4 p.m.
 - ATP/US Open Series, Legg Mason Classic, semifinal, ESPN2, noon.
 - WTA Tour/US Open Series, Asprea Classic, semifinal, ESPN2, 2 p.m.
- Tennis**
 - ATP/US Open Series, Legg Mason Classic, semifinal, ESPN2, noon.
 - WTA Tour/US Open Series, Asprea Classic, semifinal, ESPN2, 2 p.m.

Baseball

Astros at Giants, Fox, 2 p.m.
Manners at Cubs, FSNN, 5 p.m.

Basketball

WNBA, Seattle at New York, ESPN2, 6 p.m.

Boxing

Champion Jeff Lay (19-0) vs. Robin Reid (38-41), for IBF super middleweight championship, SHO, 7 p.m.

Extreme sports

X Games 11, ESPN, 11 a.m.
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SPORTS

Mayfair masters first day of International

CASPER ROCK, Colo. — There aren't many players who make more eagles and birdies than Billy Mayfair. And there aren't any tournaments that reward below-par shooters the way the International does.

Mayfair, who ranks second behind only Vijay Singh in birdies and eagles this season, rolled in a 70-foot putt for eagle on No. 17, then finished with a birdie to take the lead after the first round of one of the tour's most unique events, Friday.

"Any man on this tour, it's better to be aggressive than anything else," Mayfair said. "I'll play the same way tomorrow — as aggressive as I can. But not stupid."

Playing at high altitude (6,300 feet) and using the modified Stabileford scoring system, two factors that reward hitters and aggressiveness, Mayfair scored 15 points to lead Brandt Jovel by two, D.A. Points and Charles Howell by three and Geoff Ogilvy under Partridge by four.

Under the Stabileford scoring system, players get five points for eagles, two for birdies, nothing for pars and lose one point for bogeys.

"You may see me out there with a calculator before the week is over," he said.

While Mayfair's presence on the leaderboard wasn't a surprise, Corey Pavlin's certainly was. The shortest hitter on tour debunked the theory that only big hitters can succeed at 7,619-yard Caspio Pines, making six birdies to finish with 10 points, tied for seventh place.

Webster shoots 67 to share lead

GLENDALES, Scotland — Steve Webster shot a 5-under-par 67 Friday to share the lead with fellow Englishman Mark Foster halfway through the John Walker Championship.

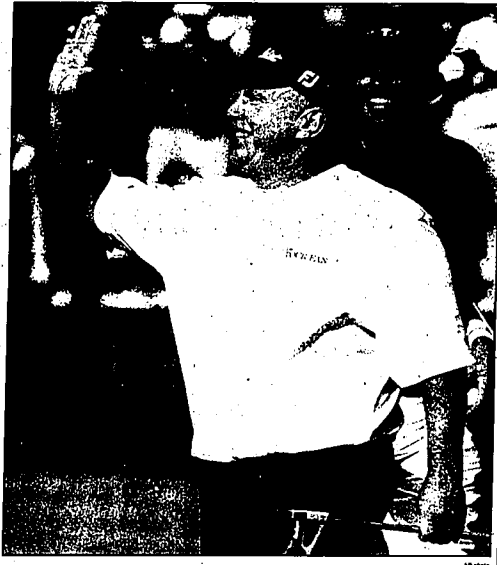
Webster birdied five holes on his back nine and was at 6-under 138. Foster, the first-round leader, shot a 70 that featured an eagle on the 16th.

Gregory Bourdy, a 33-year-old Frenchman in his first full year on tour, bogeyed two of his final four holes to finish at 69 on a day when the greens dried after overnight rain. He and England's Sam Little trail the co-leader by a stroke.

Neumann retains lead in rainy conditions

ADDENBOROUGH, Sweden — Liselotte Neumann shot a 2-over 74 Friday in rainy conditions to lead Gwladys Nocera by one stroke after the second round of the Scandinavian-TPC.

The tournament host Annika Sorenstam shot 75 to share sixth place on a windy day at the Barseback course.



Billy Mayfair, of Scottsdale, Ariz., reacts after making an eagle on the par-five 17th hole during the first round of the International Golf Tournament in Castle Rock, Colo., on Friday. Hank Kuehne, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., looks on in the background.

Nocera, the only player to break par with a 69, finished one shot ahead of Minea Elmqvist (72), Suzann Pettersen (72) and Curtis Koch (74), who tied for third. Sorenstam was tied for sixth with fellow Swede Helen Alfredsson.

Purtzer matches course record in opening round of 3M Championship

BLAINE, Minn. — Tom Purtzer matched the tournament record with a 9-under 63 that included a hole-in-one, and he held a one-stroke lead over Bruce Lietzke on Friday at the 3M Championships at the TPC of the Twin Cities.

Champions Tour rookie Don Reese had a 66, one stroke in front of nine players, including defending champion Tom Kite. The group at 69 included U.S. Senior Open champion Allen Doyle and leading money-winner Dana Quigley.

Purtzer, seeking his first Champions Tour victory in 17 months, had seven birdies in addition to the hole-in-one in the bogey-free round. On his next-to-last hole of the day, he aced the 205-yard fifth with a 4-iron. He had a 6-under 30 on his second nine.

Manning, Vick to highlight American Bowl

TOKYO (AP) — Peyton Manning and Michael Vick will share the spotlight when they take the field Saturday at the American Bowl in Japan.

But until then, both plan on soaking up the atmosphere in the world's biggest city.

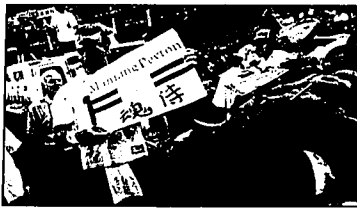
Manning and Vick, two of the NFL's marquee quarterbacks, took part in practice Thursday in preparation for Saturday's NFL preseason opener between the Indianapolis Colts and Atlanta Falcons at Tokyo Dome, the 13th American Bowl to be played in Japan.

"I'm thrilled and honored to be here," said Vick, who led the Falcons to an 11-5 record and the AFC championship game last season.

While the teams will be on a tight schedule, both players said they hope they can experience some of the Japanese culture while in Tokyo.

"I'm going to try to get some electronics," said Vick. "I'm a big gadget guy so I want to get something I can take back to the States and brag about."

Two-time MVP Manning said he was already impressed with



As autograph-seeking fans lean forward, Atlanta Falcons quarterback Peyton Manning displays a placard written with his name, number and Chinese characters reading "Samurai (warrior) spirit" to reporters during a fan day event at the Tokyo Dome in Tokyo Friday.

"I got a lot of fan mail and I can tell you the Japanese fans are very knowledgeable about the NFL," said Manning, who broke Dan Marino's single-season record for touchdown passes with 49 last year. "I'm looking forward to walking around and seeing some of this great city."

The NFL's series of international games began in 1986, in response to growing interest in American football around the world. Since then, 39 games have been played in 12 cities outside the United States.

Indianapolis coach Tony Dungie likened Saturday's quarterback matchup to the 1994 American Bowl between the

"Other Seminole tribes are not supportive," said Charlotte-Westchates, the NCAA vice president for diversity and inclusion.

Among the schools to change nicknames in recent years over such concerns were St. John's (from Redmen to Red Storm) and Marquette (from Warriors to Golden Eagles).

The NCAA plans to ban

American Bowl

Tokyo
TV: ESPN2, 3 a.m. Saturday, ESPN, 6 p.m., Saturday

Minnesota Vikings and the Kansas City Chiefs.

"Like '94 with Warren Moon and Joe Montana, you'll see two future Hall-of-Famers in Saturday's game," said Dungie, who is in Japan for his third American Bowl.

Even reluctant traveler Edgerly James of the Colts was getting with the program.

James, a two-time NFL rushing champion and three-time Pro Bowler, said before leaving the United States that the clearest he intended to get to Tokyo was a visit to the Benihana restaurant chain.

The Colts have never played in Japan, while the Falcons made the trip in 2000 when they beat the Dallas Cowboys 20-9.

Roush eyes first Brickyard win

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Jack Roush can hardly wait until Sunday.

Heading into the Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, the owner of Roush Racing's five-car Nextel Cup juggernaut likes his chances of winning the event he considers second only to the Daytona 500 in prestige.

"I would think the odds of our winning at Indy are bigger than they were at Pocono, and we won both races at Pocono," Roush said Friday.

Those victories, by Carl Edwards and Kurt Busch, were Roush's first at that track in Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains. They gave the elite team, winner of the last two series championships, nine victories in 20 races this season — more than any other team.

Now, reigning Cup champion Busch, Edwards, Greg Biffle, Matt Kenseth and longtime Roush star Mark Martin have the opportunity to give the boss another team first with a victory at the famed Brickyard.

It would be another coup for Roush, who waited 16 years for his first Cup title and has gone 11 years and already has two victories there.

The race in front of you always looks the biggest, and it needs to be. Roush said "This" when you stand back from it, you realize this is the second-biggest event of the year, after Daytona. Everything after Indy puts in a computer.

"A win here would be huge for us. This place is all about history. You can't step through those hallowed gates without feeling a sense of history and the names that have won here. There's a real presence when you get here."

Nextel Cup Allstate 400 TV: 12:30 p.m., ABC

Friday turned into a lost day for the Roush team and the rest of the Cup competitors when rain washed out both scheduled practices. The revised schedule for Saturday has the teams practicing for two hours in the morning with qualifying moved from 10 a.m. to 3:10 p.m.

Roush's team has had some chances to win since NASCAR's top series came to Indy in 1984. Martin has finished in the top 10 in seven of his 11 Indy starts with a best of second to fourth-place finishes.

Left Gordon in 1998. Kenseth ran second to Kevin Harvick in 2003. Busch has finished in the top 10 in three of his four starts here. Biffle, the series leader this year with five victories, finished sixth last year in his second Indy race.

Edwards, in his first full season in Cup, has no Brickyard history, but he had never seen Pocono before winning there in June and already has two victories there.

This is supposed to be Martin's final season in Cup. Roush has signed James McMurray to drive the No. 6 Ford in 2007, but McMurray can't get out of his contract with Chip Ganassi for next season. So, Roush has cleared with Martin to put off his retirement for a year if McMurray is not freed up.

But, knowing it might be his last chance, Martin, who came to NASCAR with Roush in 1988, would love to give his longtime friend and boss that first Indy win.

Hawks' ownership rift headed to court

ATLANTA (AP) — A power struggle among the Atlanta Hawks' owners heads to court next week, overshadowing an attempt to improve the team with the fewest wins in the NBA last season.

Three Steve Belkin of Boston has obtained a restraining order preventing his co-owners from removing him and other NBA general managers from the Atlanta Hawks.

As the NBA governor of the Atlanta Spirit LLC group, which also owns the NHL's Atlanta Thrashers and the NHL's Atlanta Thrashers, Belkin must sign off on the Hawks' trades.

His refusal to approve the sign-off deal for general manager John Johnson of the Phoenix Suns prompted the rift.

The restraining order obtained Thursday prevents the other owners from following through with plans to vote Belkin out. The restraining order was first reported Friday by The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. A hearing is scheduled for Tuesday in Suffolk County Superior Court in Boston.

Belkin said Thursday. On Friday, Belkin stressed in a statement to The Associated Press that he did not object to the five-year contract offer to Johnson valued at about \$70 million, including about \$20 million for the first year of the deal, making Johnson one of the team's highest-paid players.

Instead, Belkin said he consistently told other owners that he did not approve of the offer to the Suns — two first-round picks, second-year guard Boris Diaw and a \$4.9 million trade exception.

Belkin released Friday's statement in an apparent effort to answer criticism that his objection to the trade came late in the negotiations with the Suns or was unexpected by the other owners or general manager Billy Knight.

Atlanta Spirit LLC chief executive officer Bernie Mullin said Friday the deal with the Suns can't be completed until the deal is settled with the owners.

Michael Gearon Jr. and fellow owner Bruce Levenson also remained confident the deal will go forward.

NCAA

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of-the-National-Coalition-on-Racism in Sports and Media was pleased with the post-season ban but had hoped for even stronger action.

"We should have hoped the NCAA would have provided the moral leadership on this issue, but obviously they've chosen to only go halfway," said Bellecourt, a member of the

Anishinabe-Ojibwe Nation in Minnesota

The NCAA two years ago recommended that schools determine for themselves whether the Indian depictions were offensive.

Florida State, for example, has received permission from the Seminole tribe in Florida to use the nickname. That, however, will not suffice.

schools using Indian nicknames from hosting postseason events, Harrison said schools with such mascots that have already been selected as tournament sites would be asked to cover any offensive logos.

Such logos also would be prohibited at postseason games on cheerleader and band uniforms starting in 2008.

Regardless of when Schied elects to devote his effort, he is very clear about where he attributes his ability to do so.

"Without my wife, I don't know where I'd be," he said. The near future, in contrast, is a little more certain.

"When I got home, I actually had an ovine injury in my shoulder," he said, "so I'm kind of taking a break for a couple of months, doing some rehab to strengthen it back up."

You can bet a motivated man like Schied won't stay idle long.

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the javelin and threw it with the best technique I could.

"Then the next two throws — we only had three — I saw how far I could get it with the same technique. All three of them stuck in the ground and all three of them were qualified."

Despite his success, the rewards of the personal interaction at the games weighed equally in comparison to the medals.

"There, I realized that I'm not as bad of as some people," said Schied. "I can do things for myself. I'm more independent than I thought I was. I can do other people do things, so I can do some things better than. And

I got to give some of my experiences, so they can do some things better now for themselves.

Schied, who earned a degree in Web application and design from the College of Southern Idaho in the spring, is currently seeking to use the inspiration and insight to benefit the disabled community as a whole. In addition to running his own Web hosting company, Zundor Interactive, he is currently developing an informative Web site for the disabled, abilities.com.

"At one point, there was an expo where people brought different things that were made for people in wheelchairs, like a pickup or different wheelchairs

or different parts for wheelchairs," Schied said. "It really made me realize that not everybody is going to be able to come to this. So the whole world is going to need more Web sites like this, so it really has inspired me to make it even better than I had thought about before."

Each individual with a disability has friends and family and care workers," he continued, "and all of these people need some sort of resource on the Internet."

Schied's wife, Christina, took notice of the rekindled inspiration.

"I think he lost some of his fire during the school process," she said. "Now, being part of the vet-

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Creating a new family culture

A young friend of mine is in love. At least, she's pretty sure she is.

And why not? The young man of her dreams is outstanding in every respect: tall, handsome, hard-working, tall handsome, of strong moral character, intelligent, tall, handsome, spiritually motivated, dynamic, tall, handsome. Especially disciplined, ambitious, tall and handsome.

Oh, and did I mention that he's tall and handsome? Emily (not her real name) is pretty excited about the relationship. Jim (not his real name, either) is everything she could possibly want in a — dare we say it? — husband. Except —

Well, OK, there is one little problem. Emily has always loved music and theater. She has a beautiful voice and loves to sing, and she enjoys going to the theater, even occasionally acting in a show. Jim, on the other hand, isn't especially interested in such things. The other night when she asked him if he would go to a play with her, he said he would go — but only to be with her.



VALUE SPEAK Joseph Walker

That wasn't good enough for Emily. "I don't want to feel like I'm dragging him to the theater," she told me. "If he doesn't want to go, I won't force him. But how can I even think about marrying someone who doesn't like all of the same things I do?"

We talked about the possibility that Jim hadn't been exposed to the theater much during his growing-up years, and that he might learn to appreciate it if she introduces it to him a little at a time through carefully selected programs.

"But what if he refuses to go?" Emily asked. "Or what if he goes but doesn't really give it a chance, or if he does give it a chance and decides he really hates it? Then what?"

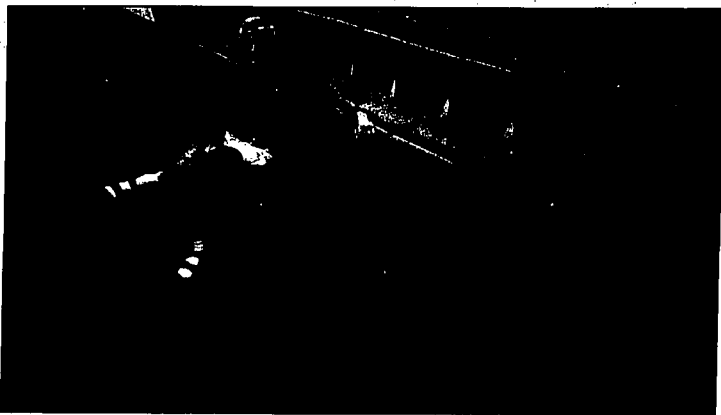
It's a good question, one with which every happily married couple I know has eventually had to come to terms. No matter how compatible two people are, there's always some things no matter how deeply devoted to each other, no matter how much alike in every other respect, there is always something that will irritate which they disagree. It may seem like a little thing at first, even a charming idiosyncrasy, hardly worth mentioning. But over time and proximity have a way of turning little things into big things, and charming idiosyncrasies into irremediable differences.

Emily is aware of that. That's why she's worried. She knows that what she has going here is great, and she doesn't want to lose it. On the other hand, she doesn't want to make a commitment to a relationship that is doomed to failure — no matter how hard-working, intelligent, strong, intelligent, motivated, dynamic, disciplined and ambitious Jim may be.

Not to mention tall and handsome. Thankfully, most differences can be worked out in any relationship. — In fact, some differences can be downright healthy, leading to growth and maturation as individuals, couples and families. When Anita and I were married (28 years ago this week, believe it or not), she introduced me to camping, home-made enchiladas and, eventually, I introduced her to Spam.

OK, bad example. The best marriages, it seems to me, result from a healthy mix of two different sets of likes, dislikes, habits and traditions, creating a new family culture that is unique and satisfying. Come to think of it, there are only a few things that really need to be shared: personal and family values, standards of behavior (including financial philosophy), religious beliefs. Differences in those important matters can be difficult — sometimes impossible — to overcome. But pretty much everything else can be dealt with by two people who love each other enough to share everything.

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



Pastor Dan Rieke, of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Twin Falls, sits on chairs with cushions at the church instead of traditional pews made of wood.

The pew:
A short history
Pews were originally raised and in enclosed places in a church designed for an ecclesiastical dignitary or officer; the meaning was later extended to include special seating in the body of the church for distinguished lay and, finally, to include all church seating. In its early stages, the pew was meant for standing in and was close in conception to a pulpit; but in its second phase of development, it became an elaborate wooden structure, shut off from the main body of the nave, with seats, prayer benches, and other accessories. Such pews were owned by individuals or institutions and appeared both in wills and in legal actions. In its final and more generalized context, a pew consisted of a long, backless, oak or pine bench with a fixed kneeling board. The upright ends were squared off or terminated in a finial or other carved ornament. The use of this type of seating in modern churches is almost universal. Source: Encyclopaedia Britannica

At the seat of heaven

Comfort — not contrition — drives the design of modern church pews

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — That church pews ain't what they used to be, goes without saying. But to be or not to be comfortable in church is more controversial than you might think. The controversy, however, is nothing new. "One of the old stories," said the Rev. Patrick O'Grady, pastor of St. Ignatius Orthodox Christian Church, "is about the minister's son who returned (at length) to his father's church and saw people sitting in padded pews (in stark contrast to the hard, uncomfortable pews on which he was raised). "He sniffed and said, 'Sinners at ease in Zion.'"

But not so at O'Grady's place of worship. While he tells the old story in jest, O'Grady makes his meaning clear.

"We don't have pews," he said. Nor does he have "a passive audience."

At the church on Addison Avenue East, members do have a limited amount of seating, "though it's rarely used."

Seating in the sanctuary is available "for the weak or the old — or for mothers with (young) children." But what's more important than a place to sit is a need for room to move during times of worship.

And the issue of comfort is non-existent on the benches that are available.

The reasoning: "Standing is the basic posture for prayer," O'Grady said.

For Orthodox Christians to show their humility to God, the act of bowing "sometimes bending over in a prostrate position," is an essential part of reverence, he says. And members need to have room to display such acts of respect during prayer, and in times of worship.

"To be 'pewed in' would make meaningful movement (required in Orthodox worship) impossible," O'Grady says.

"Another line of ecclesiastical reasoning is that the sense of hearing is directly related to a person's sense of feel. But the notion that that church pews were traditionally designed to be uncomfortable — to keep people awake — is still part of the overall debate.

And in most new churches, comfort is paramount.

At Our Savior Lutheran Church, the Rev. Dan Rieke wants his listeners to feel as comfortable as possible, and his congregation agrees with that line of thinking.

To help make that happen at their new multi-purpose facility, a sizable amount of the building fund went into the purchase of interlocking seats — chairs that become virtual pews when locked into place.

And until the 300-some members can see their way clear to begin construction on a sanctuary, the need for removable interlocking seating was "the best choice," Rieke said.

At the Amazing Grace Fellowship, Assistant Pastor Rex Baker also prefers interlocking chairs.

"(The chairs) are more comfortable, and they do — in effect — make a pew," a spiritual aspect in the idea of fellowship.

With chairs, "people are still close," and that's important in a large auditorium with a seating capacity of 485 people, Baker says. And with chairs that break apart, the sanctuary can also be used as a multi-purpose facility.

"I was raised on pews, but I prefer the chair," Baker said.

Cost is also a determining factor. And though a trend toward the casual is increasingly being reflected in the continuing popularity of multi-purpose sanctuaries, when folks at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension moved to their new location on Eastland Drive North, they opted to bring their old pews with them, said the Rev. Brian Thon.

But according to building experts, in the demand for the installation of seating — from contemporary to the traditional, and from small country churches to large cathedrals — the seat of choice is still the wooden pew.

What's more, according to Christian Today.com, as the desire for the "traditional" church experience remains strong, companies that refurbish and manufacture pews report that their sales are doing fine.

"Pews are often seen as unique and integral components of church interiors," said Steve Carpey, president of Flexible Seating Systems, a maker of modular pew systems.

"With its characteristic permanence, stability and simple elegance, the pew helps to define what constitutes a house of worship," Carpey said.

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A time of doubt for atheists

With religion in the air, nonbelievers try to cope

Los Angeles Times

It's been years, decades even, since the Almighty was so hot.

The evidence is everywhere. President Bush rallied the faithful to hold on to the White House. A book by an Orange County, Calif., preacher extolling God's purpose in our lives stays a bestseller for more than two years. And Hollywood, frequently seen as a den of iniquity, is courting a more spiritual audience in movies and TV.

Faith is the new must-have, evident when a major league points skyward after his base hit, when a movie star credits the Big Guy for his Oscar, when the Justice Department backs the display of the Ten Commandments at two state capitols, and when it defends the Salvation Army's requirement that employees embrace Jesus Christ.

So where does that leave the fraction of Americans who define themselves as godless? Although

the percentage of Americans who claim no religion is about 14 percent, less than a quarter of them identify themselves as atheists, according to recent polls.

Some are using humor to cope, such as actress Julia Sweeney in her comedy "Letting Go of God," which ran in Los Angeles for several months this year. "It's really because I take you so seriously," she tells an imaginary God, "that I can't believe in you."

Others see the future as a time when nonbelievers are outcasts and "religion dictates law, social protocol, even private life."

"The McCarthy era is the last time this climate existed," says Los Angeles resident Stuart Beckman, co-president of Atheists United, a local affiliate of Atheist Alliance International.

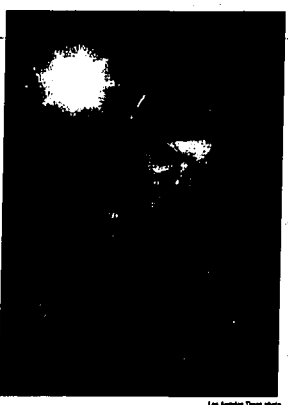
Although the comparison sounds melodramatic, atheist activists believe the climate to be so perilous that they're considering

something drastic: unity.

Atheists aren't by nature of one mind. There's a godless organization for every writ of nonbelief — the prayer-never-hurt-anone, live-and-let-live atheists; the pro-the-God-fearing-world-wrong, keep-America-secular atheists; and the contrarian I-don't-believe-in-God-but-don't-call-me-an-atheist atheists.

Four, however, is a great motivator. And politically active atheists know that they need an advocate in government to be heard. Unfortunately, as one activist noted, most politicians are as eager to align with the godless ranks as they are to lobby for pedophiles. Hence the need for an image makeover.

Keen to cast off stereotypes of immorality, atheists are stressing their integrity, patriotism and respect for the faithful while staying true to their age-old commitment



Stuart Beckman, co-president of Atheists United, says that for nonbelievers the present political climate is like the McCarthy era of the 1950s.

RELIGION

Pageant revives debate over religion's past

LDS critics, believers gather in Nauvoo

Chicago Tribune

NAUVOO, Ill. — The lights went up and the mayflies swarmed as Latter-day Saints flooded the stage, with the silhouette of the sacred Nauvoo Temple rising from the hallowed bluff behind them.

Then Prophet Joseph Smith appeared, parting a sea of actors and recounting the life and ministry, sacrifice and resurrection of his savior Jesus Christ.

"Isn't that what all the prophets have taught?" Smith asked as he strolled downstage. "Yes, Brother Joseph. All the prophets from the beginning of time," the narrator responded. "And such a prophet we found."

As the Mormon Church, officially known as the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, celebrates the bicentennial of its founding prophet's birth, members from around the world are descending upon Nauvoo, a city that has come to symbolize the meteoric rise and fall of the prophet.

There, immigrants from other nations looked to be part of a new experiment of Christendom built on a temple and created a prosperous and powerful city. And from there, thousands of Mormons were forced to flee across the frozen Mississippi in the dead of night after the murder of their leaders.

For 29 years Nauvoo has hosted a pageant to showcase the city's history. This year, the pageant has been rewritten and recast to highlight more about the doctrine and teachings that Smith laid down for the Latter-day Saints. Church and town officials expect the pageant to triple the town's population of 1,100 during its

monthlong run through Aug. 5.

In this anniversary year, Mormons are reflecting on Smith's legacy, which to some degree has been downplayed for fear that outsiders would mistake their reverence for the prophet as if they were worshipping him as a God.

"If one can not square with Prophet Joseph, we have nothing as a church," said Elder Donald Stahell, church President Gordon Hinckley's liaison to Nauvoo. "If Prophet Joseph and his mission are true, then the church has everything. If it's not true, we become a fraud."

The prophet, who lived only to age 38, also is experiencing a rebirth in the minds of scholars who may not accept his claims of a divine role but recognize his significant contributions to the nation's political and religious landscape.

Though Mormons consider themselves to be Christians, the church is founded on the belief that Smith at 14 received a revelation from God that the original church of Jesus Christ had to be restored. His revelations came during a time of religious upheaval called the Second Great Awakening, a series of revivals that swept across New England to renew the purity of early Christianity.

Smith's parents had been fervently religious but did not subscribe to any particular denomination. According to Mormon history, Smith had been praying to God for guidance on which denomination to choose when the first revelation — God the Father and his son Jesus Christ — came.

The church teaches that a subsequent revelation led Smith to dig up gold plates em-

bossed in what the Mormons call "reformed Egyptian," which he translated and published as the Book of Mormon. The church considers the book to be a companion text to the Bible or "another testament of Jesus Christ."

As Smith gained followers, they moved from New York to Ohio, on to Missouri and then to Illinois. There Smith, a savvy businessman, negotiated the purchase of a swath of swampland on a bend in the Mississippi, and in 1839 the Mormons founded Nauvoo — Hebrew for "beautiful." After draining the swamps and surviving malaria, cholera and typhoid, they would build 2,000 homes.

Smith acted as mayor, formed a militia to fight dissenters and eventually ran for president on a platform of religious freedom. Before long, the Mormon missionary zeal had drawn enough immigrants to rival Chicago in size and political clout.

When Smith and his brother Hyrum were charged with the destruction of an anti-Mormon printing press, they had drawn enough immigrants to rival Chicago in size and political clout.

Envy of the surviving Mormons, who wielded enormous political power in Illinois, escalated into anger, and in 1846 then-Illinois Gov. Thomas Ford ordered them to leave. Thousands followed their new prophet Brigham Young to Utah, where church headquarters remain today. Last year the Illinois Legislature issued an apology.

Mormons believe that, like Young, living prophets receive ongoing revelations. They also say time on earth is just one



Joseph Smith

photo courtesy of East Tennessee State University

stage of life; people continue to develop after death and are reunited with their families to reach the ultimate goal of "God-hood."

"We can make people live an eternal life like God does," said Richard Bushman, a Mormon professor at Columbia University who has written a biography of Smith to be published this fall. "That is a great message of hope and excitement for human potential."

Such beliefs re-energized Mormons and other Christians who do not believe Smith was a prophet and consider the Mormon church an apostasy. As thousands of Mormons converge in Nauvoo through early August, so have demonstrators who distribute literature to pagant spectators every night.

Nauvoo Police Chief Don Faulkner has called in extra officers to patrol during the pageant and paid his annual visit to Colleen Ralson, a well-known former Mormon who runs a Nauvoo storefront dedicated to proving Mormon doctrine is a fraud.

David Warner, a Mormon who serves as director of music and cultural arts for the church, insists the pageant will illustrate to Christians how the latter-day Saints with the Latter-day Saints. "Many people familiar with

the Christian tradition will come in here and hear things they already know and hopefully that will help them see the commonality that we have," Warner said.

"It's about families who come here to this area seeking the most American of ideas — religious freedom," he said. "It's important to realize they were doing something that has been done for centuries — following someone who spoke for God."

What Mormons and other Christians do not have in common, however, is the Book of Mormon, which millions believe is not just a work of art but prophetic.

"You do have to say he's some kind of genius if not inspired as a prophet," Bushman said of Smith. "They have to take him seriously as a force. Any religion that grows to 12 million people — even if you don't believe his theology at all, he was an influential person that has to be admired."

Bushman said intellectual forces aligned against religious miracles have diminished Smith's significance in the fabric of American history. "They see him in the history of fanaticism in the 19th century," he said. "We need to make larger comparisons — let our imaginations roam a little bit and find other ways to look at Joseph Smith."

Atheists

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to the separation of church and state. Some even bristle at the terms "atheist" or "nonbeliever." Others have begun raising funds, lobbying politicians and building online communities.

There have been larger-scale actions as well. The first godless march on Washington drew thousands in late 2002, and a few months later the Godless Americans Political Action Committee was formed. This year, an inauguration Summit of 22 like-minded groups was held in Washington to simulate cooperation days before Bush's swearing in. And this Veterans Day, so-called foxhole atheists (servicemen and women who are nonbelievers) will be honored in the capital.

"If all goes as planned, says Ellen Johnson, longtime president of America's Atheists, at least one presidential candidate will be courting their vote in 2008."

"We can't complain about what the religious do," she says. "All we have to do is copy their strategy."

Some among the nonbelievers say life is pretty good compared with decades past when violence was a common threat and professed nonbelievers were driven from their jobs and homes.

"I actually think it is getting better for atheists in the U.S. despite the religiosity of the current administration," Las Vegas atheist Clark Adams writes in an e-mail. "Many celebrities are on record as nonbelievers, and it's not uncommon to see an atheist positively portrayed on TV or in movies."

Others, though, label this argument "the great they're arguing to reference the many atheists who so fear harassment that they join atheist groups anonymously and others who are cast out of their families, refused positions involving children or relieved of jobs because of their nonbelief."

It's this great that pushes the separation of church and state, a debate energized during the 1960s by legendary atheist activist Madalyn Murray O'Hair, who proclaimed herself "the most hated woman in America."

They reject the argument often cited by Christian activists that the nation's government was founded by Christians. They argue that although some of the authors of the Constitution may have been religious men, they consistently maintained a clear boundary between their faith and their government. "They note that until the communist scare of the 1950s, 'In God we trust' wasn't the national motto, nor did it appear on paper currency and 'under God' was absent from the Pledge of Allegiance."

They point out that Bush — who as Texas governor declared April 17, 2000, Jesus Day — has awarded religious "armies of compassion" and other faith-based groups more than \$2 billion in public funds since 2003. And they feel the steel in remarks by former California Supreme Court Justice Janice Rogers Brown, now on the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, who told Roman Catholic legal professionals in April that people of faith were embroiled in a "war" with secular humanists.

"I have been threatened with damnation to many times if I'm stupid," says Dave Siler, chairman of Piscataway, N.J., communications director of American Atheists and founder of No-Godzilla.com. "The amount of intolerance in this country is staggering."

The Times-News:
Your guide to living in the Magic Valley

Ancestors' trek propels Mormon teenagers

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — More than 200 Mormon teen-agers abandoned their iPods and baseball caps and pulled out suspenders or calico bonnets for a long walk into the history of their church.

Last week the teen-agers embarked on a three-day, 12-mile trek in the Appalachian valley in Fauquier County designed to emulate the 19th century pilgrimage that took Mormons fleeing religious persecution in Nauvoo, Ill., west to the Great Salt Lake Valley.

More than 70,000 pioneers made the journey over two decades, with the group reaching the valley July 24, 1847. The day is celebrated as a state holiday in Utah and is remembered among 12 million Mormons worldwide, including 50,000 in the Washington area.

Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, or Mormons, across the country have organized their own treks to pass on church history to its younger members.

Many of the Northern Virginians who set off said they had a family connection to the event as well.

"One of my great-great-grandmothers did this, so it's a family tradition," said David Wellington, 18, of Mount Vernon. The teen-agers were divided into "families" of 12 to 14 and assigned a "Ma and Pa," adult volunteers who would be their chaperons. Their first task was to assemble handcars. Many pioneers had to push or pull their belongings more than 1,000 miles across the country in carts because they could not afford oxen and wagons.

"It's like we're following in their footsteps and that's a good thing," said 15-year-old Keri Wheeler, who was wearing a home-sewn skirt, bonnet, even bloomers — and eating a high-energy snack to prepare for the journey.

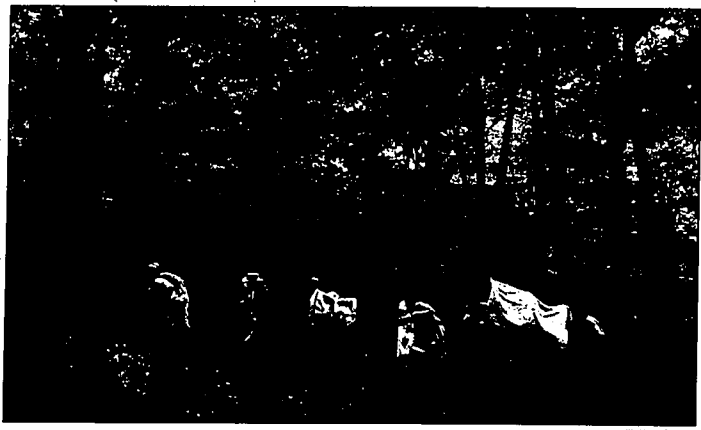
Keri Jamison, 37, a volunteer, "Pa," carried a transcript of his family history in the form of a camp journal recorded by ancestor William Woodard, who was a member of one handcart group that headed west in 1856.

One of Woodard's responsibilities was to record the number of miles the company traveled each day — seven to 20 or more, depending on weather and terrain — as well as how many people died.

Jamison said the group left in late September and hit hard weather. Many froze to death in snowstorms and were buried along the trail.

The trek, which is based on a curriculum designed by Brigham Young University, is designed to give the teen-agers a small taste of the pioneers' hardships. Most amenities, including toothpaste, books, pillows and even paper plates, were confiscated before the teenagers left base camp, and meals of mush and stew were waiting for them along the way.

Close clouds threatened rain, but spirits were high as the group set off at 11 a.m.



In the spirit of a long-distance trek by Mormons in the 1800s, teenagers haul a cart over hilly land in Fauquier County, Va. They will travel for three days.

A trail boss went ahead on a horse, and a line of 15 carts followed along, chumsily at first. "It was a lot of laughing and mingled with the sounds of cups clanging on the back of the wagons and the bumps of objects falling out of the wagons."

One wagon fell on its side back panel and had to stop for repairs.

"We fixed it the pioneer way, with duct tape," Keri Wheeler, 14, of Bristow, said proudly.

Her new family members hollered directions at each other as they climbed and descended their first hill, trying not to topple the wagons. "Watch out! Pull back! Watch out for the horse poop!"

As the young people struggled with the cart, the adults hung back, not wanting to interfere with any lessons they might learn. The chaperons have organized an itinerary for the teenagers, including such activities as a head-on and pioneer games.

They have also planned some challenges. At one point, they will ask the women to pull the carts by themselves, reminding the young people that there was a time when men were called to fight in the Mexican War and women had to continue the trek alone.

But, for the moment, all the teen-agers focused on just getting past the next hill, and then the next. Just like the pioneers.

The Mormon Migration

Between 1846 and 1869, about 70,000 Mormons traveled the Mormon Trail, fleeing religious persecution. They endured extreme cold and heat, blizzards, disease and starvation. More than 6,000 died along the way.



Washington Post graphic

'Signs' topic of Holister service Churches seek broader appeal

HOLLISTER — Elder Charles Upton of Twin Falls will be the speaker at the 11 a.m. worship service of the Holister Community Presbyterian Church on Sunday.

The topic of his sermon will be "Signs, Wonders and Miracles." There will be refreshments after the service. The church is located at 2461 Central Ave. Visitors are welcome.

Gospel Opy presents special Gypsy Padgett

TWIN FALLS — Cissy Padgett of Helena, Mont., will perform with the Magic Valley Gospel Opy at 7 p.m. today at the First Assembly of God Church, 189 Locust St. N. Padgett has been singing since she was a child and has one CD, "He's Everywhere."



Cissy Padgett

For more information, call 733-5349.

Record holder performs at Calvary Chapel service

BUHL — Dennis Agapian will perform at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Calvary Chapel of Buhl, 1004 Bayview Ave., in the old Fidelity's grocery store.

Agapian was the 2003 Christian Country Musical Association's Entertainer of the Year and Musician of the Year. He is an alumnus of the Guinness Book of World Records as the fastest flat-picking guitar player and ministered with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association for more than 20 years.

For more information, call 308-2208.

Double services take place at T.F. church

TWIN FALLS — Members of the Rock Creek Community Church will have double services Sunday. Those at the church campout at Nat-Soo-Pah Hot Springs will have a service there and others will have services at the church, 131 Grandview Drive N.

Communion will be offered at each church. Pastor Dale Metzger will speak on "Come As You Are."

Special prayer and study groups will meet as usual. For more information, call the church at 734-5268.

Burley Christian Center will host evangelist

BURLEY — Burley Christian Center, 317 W. 27th St., will host evangelist John Hartz for services set for 10:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday.

Church news

through Wednesday. John and Melinda Harke founded Fossil Ministries. They travel throughout the United States building the body of Christ through preaching God's word. They entered full-time ministry in 1995. For more information, call 678-5460.

Bible school takes place next week

TWIN FALLS — A vacation Bible school for children entering first through sixth grades will be held from 8:15 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday this week at the First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N. Pastor Tim Tubbs will speak on "Worry — Not Me" at the 10:50 a.m. service Sunday. Jenni Florendo will lead the singing. Admission is free.

Singer performs at Agape Foursquare Church

TWIN FALLS — Agape Foursquare Church will host gospel singer Cissy Padgett of Helena, Mont., at 6 p.m. Sunday at the church, 181 Morrison St. For more information, call 733-6255.

Aaron Well Band will perform at Kimberly park

KIMBERLY — The Aaron Well Band will perform an acoustic gospel concert at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Children's activities will begin at 6 p.m. If weather permits, the concert will be held at the Kimberly City Park; otherwise, it will be held across the street at the Kimberly Christian Church, 307 Madison St.

The band combines southern gospel-style vocals with bluegrass. It has been featured in *Billboard's* Unlimited magazine, appears on PBS and Christian Cable Television and performed pre-shows for various groups in Nevada.

For more information, call 423-5334.

Family fellowship starts Spanish services

RUPERT — The Christian Family Fellowship will begin services for the Spanish-speaking community this week. A kick-off service is set for 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Rupert Square with Christian singer Rodrigo Villareal of Houston, Texas, providing inspirational music. Spanish-speaking services will be held at 6:30 p.m. Sundays at 711 Alfresco Road in Heppner.

The church will continue its English-speaking services at 10

a.m. Sundays. A new Spanish radio program, "En Onda Con Tu Comunion," airs at 3 p.m. Sundays on KJMC-LP 93.3 FM.

Church holds vacation Bible school in Kimberly

KIMBERLY — Vacation Bible school will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Kimberly Baptist Church. The theme is "Rambling Road, Which Way Do I Go?" Children ages 4 to 12 are invited to go on the "tour" to Washington, D.C.; Chicago; Lebanon, Kan.; Yellowstone National Park; and Kipoti's Berry Farm. The event features Bible stories, treats and games each evening. A family night program will be held Friday. Anyone who needs a ride to the church bus should call 423-5694 or 423-4106. Admission is free.

Women's fellowship holds monthly luncheon

HELYBURN — The Ladies Life Fellowship will hold its monthly non-denominational luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Connor's Cafe. The theme is "Blue Hübbon Dooze." Joan Papp will be the speaker and will present the program. Music will be by Ruth Lovelace. Church reservations, call Lulu at 438-5376. For prayer concerns, call Ruth 438-5380. Prayer circle will be held from 10 to 11:40 a.m. Aug. 14 at the Simpson's home. Call 436-5380 for directions. The public is invited.

Missionary speaks at Buhl church Wednesday

BUHL — Helayn Sager Aranguena, of Sun City West, Ariz., and formerly of Burley, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Buhl Presbyterian Church on Main Street.

Aranguena attended a two-week mission trip to the village of Maralit in Kenya with a group of Christians, who she then told the Africans about Jesus Christ and his love for them. She said she had a childhood dream to do a mission with the black people in Africa and was visiting the Samburu Tribe was the dream come true.

She will give a narrative, in

native dress, of her January mission trip to Kenya. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free, but free-will offerings will be taken. For more information, call 543-8527.

Aglow International meets Thursday

TWIN FALLS — Aglow International will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the community room at the Twin Falls Housing Authority, 200 Elm St. N., behind Pizza Hut on Addison Avenue.

Pastor Paula Mangini, a co-pastor of Winepress Christian Fellowship and local mortgage loan officer, will speak.

Aglow International is a non-denominational network of men and women. Everyone is invited for worship, inspirational teaching and personal ministry. For more information, call Karen at 404-6749.

Trinity Episcopal church announces grant program

RUPERT — Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church has established a \$10,000 community outreach grant that will be available to any individual or nonprofit group that creates or sustains outreach activity programs.

Grant committee spokesman David Fagg said the programs may include enhancing educational and vocational attainment, enrichment or recreational programs that reach out to the disadvantaged or any program that makes life better for people in general.

Applicants must represent non-discriminatory, nonprofit programs and applications must be submitted to the committee by Sept. 30.

For more information or an application, call Vernell Cowell Church at 436-3436 or the church at 436-4904.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Elen Thomson, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Thrift Register, Idaho Press office, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE — Keeping the beat amid staccato flourishes, the prize-band drummer in Spring Creek Church's sanctuary was a metaphor in motion last Sunday as hundreds of worshippers followed lyrics on large, wall-mounted video screens.

Miles from its geographic roots, the Pewaukee, Wis., church has evolved far beyond pump-and-organ hymns and strait-laced formalities. But its Bible-based beliefs have remained as steady as the metronome since it was founded in 1881 as Garfield Avenue Baptist Church in Milwaukee.

The church's name has changed along the way — part of a continuing national trend in which denominational identities are eliminated or downplayed to create broader appeal in an era in which people church-shop.

Decades of steady growth have gotten an extra boost in recent years from expanded activities and a \$4.2 million sanctuary with state-of-the-art sound, video projection and theater-style lighting.

Average attendance on Sundays — including 1,150 people in the two morning worship services and more than 200 young children in Sunday school classes who do not attend the services — hit a new high in July.

"Baptist" is gone, but Spring Creek still has "church" in its name.

The latest trend among churches trying to draw people who want something different or who have never attended church is to adopt a catchy, nondenominational name. As of May 1, for example, the First Assembly of God in the San Francisco Bay area became simply Harbor Light.

Emerging churches — more intimate faith communities reaching out beyond baby boomers to those of Generation X and Y — are using names such as Three Nails in Pittsburgh and Landing Place in Columbus, Ohio, said Eddie Gibbs, professor of church growth at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif.

"I think what we are seeing is the detribalizing of Protestantism, in that if you have a large external constituency, which would identify culturally or historically with a particular denomination, then obviously this is a factor to have that identification," Gibbs said. "But (that changes) when the community becomes increasingly diversified."

"Probably after Vietnam and Watergate there was an increasing distrust of institutions, so that (tests) was still in, but the institutional church was no longer an attraction. So, I think that the dropping of the denominational label is to become more generic, less of a threat, less of a reminder of negative stereotypes if you've walked away from church."

The trend accelerated when large numbers of baby boomers who had left churches began returning in the 1980s, but the process continues today, said Gibbs, who is co-author of a book on emerging churches to be published later this year.

Embrook Church — a nondenominational megachurch in the town of Brookfield, Wis., that draws more than 6,000 adults to Sunday services and has planted eight sister churches in the Milwaukee area — was started in 1958 as an independent Baptist congregation and adopted the Embrook name about a decade later to reflect the fact that most of its members then were coming from nearby Elm Grove and Brookfield, said Dick Robinson, senior associate pastor at Embrook.

"Spring Creek is our northern boundary. It is a little cruder, but it's on the map. Our second reason was we no longer wanted to be a church where only Baptists could come. We like to say we are a church that anyone can attend that teaches and follows the Bible. We take the Bible seriously," he said.

That attracted Raul Herstlerberger, 43, a mother of three, who began attending a women's Bible study group at the church nearly five years ago. Herstlerberger, who has a nondenominational background, was new to the area at the time.

Asked why she and her family joined, she said, "The friendly people and that they really stick to what the Bible says."

RELIGION LETTERS

He needs help in directing blind fury

He kills more efficiently than weapons of mass destruction. His choices in inflicting suffering are not satisfactory to me, nor are they understandable, unless innocence offends him.

He knows where the little houses are, where people live who do dangerous things, for little money. Clearly, he needs help in directing the blind fury with which he flays the guilty. But daily, he's deluged with pleas for more of the same. JOHN WALSH Burley

There is no knowledge, wisdom in the grave

In the King James Bible it states, "No man has seen God at anytime." It also states, "God is love." In the books of Revelations, it states, "God is a mystery." Jesus said, "God is a

spirit." He also said that he was a prophet.

Billy Graham has said there are many things he doesn't understand, but he said they would all become clear when he gets to heaven. He has also said he doesn't fear death and is looking forward to meeting and seeing God when he gets to heaven.

This is rather sad that he has not been able to see God while he is still alive, for God is everywhere and, like the Bible, states, "There is no knowledge not within the grasp of your thou goes" (Ecclesiastes 9:10). WILLIAM HAFNER Twin Falls

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less from readers. Letters should include the writer's signature, mailing address and telephone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and The Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

Religious leaders split over Frist position on stem cell research

WASHINGTON (AP) — Religious leaders are split over Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist's decision to reverse course and support more federal funding for embryonic stem cell research.

Richard Land, head of the public policy arm of the Southern Baptist Convention, said he was "brokenhearted" by Frist's announcement last week. "I don't disagree with him more," Land said.

Roman Catholic Cardinal William Keeler of Baltimore,

who leads the American bishops' Committee for Pro-life Activities, called the senator's reversing "disturbing."

"Such destruction of innocent human life, even out of a desire to help others, rests on a utilitarian view that undermines human dignity," Keeler said.

The Catholic Church teaches that life begins once a sperm and egg unite, and many other Protestant leaders generally agree. Taking embryonic stem cells destroys embryonic

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HONORING VOLUNTEERS



Left, Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteers honored for 5,000 to 10,000 hours of service were, from left, bottom row: Emma Perkins, Val Gierlach, Alice Ferrin, Iva Wyatt and Joyce Reas. With them is Kenneth Harman, administrator. Right, administrator Kenneth Harman congratulates Delta Skagga for 10,051 hours of service to Cassia Regional Medical Center.

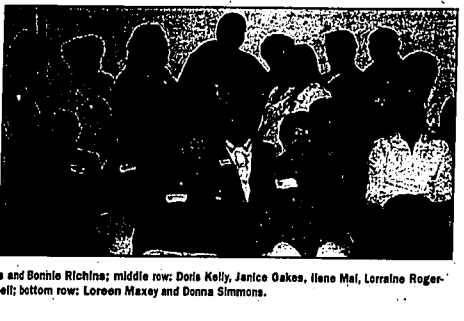


Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteers honored for 1 to 5,000 hours of service were, from left, top row: Grayden Jensen, David Simmons, Sandy Pasley, Felicia Burkhardt, Cindy Hanka, Lori Fletcher, Kenneth Harman (administrator), Bob Washburn, Jody Thurston and Dale Pierce; bottom row: Clea Holyoak, Myrna Ruffell, Joyce Lusk, Norene Zimmerman, AJ Loquanzotti and Coli Payne.

Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteers honored for 500 to 1,000 hours of service were, from left, back row: Sandy Pasley, Geri Alejandro (director of volunteers) Joyce Lindstrom and Kenneth Harman (administrator); bottom row: Joe Pasley, Haven Gierlach, Leola Kamitich, Lorraine Hatch and Dondi Hilling.



Cassia Regional Medical Center volunteers honored for 4,000 to 5,000 hours of service were, from left, top row: Daralyn Moss, Marilyn Hess, Dalinda Schwendiman, Wilma Baker, Kenneth Harman (administrator), Mary Rittell, Wendy Von-Wallier, Verna Turley, Chuck Reas and Bonnie Richins; middle row: Doria Kelly, Janice Oakes, Ilene Mai, Lorraine Rogers and Jenny Campbell; bottom row: Loreen Maxey and Donna Simmons.



Jefferson releases school supply list

JEROME — Jefferson Elementary School has announced school supply lists for each grade.

Kindergarten: One box each of gallon and quart size bags, 12 yellow No. 2 pencils, one 16-count small crayons, one large box of tissue, four 4-ounce bottles of white glue, one pair of scissors, one set of large water-based markers and one full-size backpack.

First grade: One box each of gallon and quart size bags, 12 yellow No. 2 pencils, one 8-count and one 24-count small crayons, one set of watercolors, one plastic school box, two large boxes of tissue, one pair of scissors, three 4-ounce bottles

of glue, two glue sticks, two plastic pocket portfolios, one pink pearl eraser, one highlighter, one box wide-tipped markers, one wooden ruler with metric and standard measurement and one package of stickers.

Second grade: One box each of gallon and quart size bags, two 8-ounce bottles of glue, 10 yellow No. 2 pencils, one pink pearl eraser, one plastic pencil box, one pair of scissors, one set of watercolors, two 24-count small crayons, one package wide-ruled notebook paper, two spiral notebooks, two boxes of tissue, one 12-inch ruler with centimeters, three pocket portfolios, one back-

pack or book bag and one package of stickers. No three-ring binders.

Third grade: 60 No. 2 yellow pencils, two packages of pencil top erasers, one pencil sharpener that collects shavings, one 4-ounce bottle of glue, one 24-count small crayons, one pair of scissors, two large boxes of tissue, one wooden ruler showing inches and millimeters, one cloth zipper pouch (no pocket box), one spiral notebook, one set of watercolors, six pocket folders (no three-ring binders) and two packages of loose leaf paper.

Teachers may require other supplies as well. Check with them by calling the school at 324-3396.

Lunches — Safe Harbor is in need of volunteer groups to provide lunches for 75 people at 11:30 a.m. Saturdays at various downtown locations. Call Phyllis Berg at 735-8787.

Volunteers — Volunteers are needed to help with a fund-raiser for Safe Harbor, which is trying to open an emergency homeless shelter in Twin Falls. Volunteers are also needed to help with monthly birthday parties starting Sept. 10. Birthday cards, cake, ice cream and other party items are needed.

Tour packets — South Central Idaho Tourism is in need of volunteers to put together tour packets. A volunteer with experience in Access is also needed. Call 732-5569.

Museum volunteers — The Twin Falls County Historical Museum is in need of senior volunteers. Call 736-4675.

Delivering meals — The Twin Falls County Senior Center is in need of volunteer drivers to de-

liver meals to homebound seniors. Call 734-5084.

Drivers — The Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers is in need of drivers to help with transporting the elderly, chronically ill and disabled to doctor appointments and/or grocery shopping. Mileage reimbursement and volunteer insurance is available. Call 733-6333.

Grocery shopping — The Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers needs a volunteer to assist an elderly woman with grocery shopping at the beginning of

each month. The woman needs transportation and assistance in shopping, unpacking, storing perishables and opening bottles. Mileage reimbursement and volunteer insurance is available. Call 733-6333.

Chores — The Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers is in need of volunteers to help the elderly, chronically ill and disabled with light housekeeping chores. Call 733-6333.

Clothing — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center is in need of clothing for men,

women and children and toys for children. Drop items off from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed from noon to 1 p.m.) Monday through Friday at 1525 Addison Ave. E. Call Aleksandrass at 736-2166.

Drivers — The College of Southern Idaho Office on Aging is in need of volunteer drivers to take Magic Valley seniors to medical appointments and grocery shopping. Mileage reimbursement and excess insurance is available. Call Edith at 737-4764 or Kitty at 878-0727.

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-2122, Ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency of the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call weekly to retain request.

PLAY OF MYSTERY



Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre returns with an all-new mystery. The event will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Legacy Event Center, 89 W. 700 S., Burley. Tickets are \$12 and must be purchased in advance by calling 438-9378 or 433-6352. The event is a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society. From left are, back: Tia Mullins, Philana Phillips, Bayley Phillips and Sabrina Tallon; front: Jared Bench, Spencer Kemp and Brian Meyer.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

T.F. Senior Center holds pancake breakfast

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Center is holding a pancake breakfast from 8 to 1:30 a.m. today at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W. The suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors older than age 60 and \$2.50 for children younger than age 12. Blueberry and regular pancakes, eggs, hash browns, potatoes, fruit, sausage, juice, coffee and milk will be served. For more information, call 734-5084.

T.F. Senior Center hosts bridge games Mondays

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Center will host bridge at 1 p.m. on Mondays at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W. Players should come through the back door. The cost is \$1.25. For more information, call Donna Baird at 733-5531.

BJ Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

RUPERT — The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club has announced the results of American Contract Bridge League-sanctioned open pairs play for Aug. 2 — North/South First, Faun and Warren McEntire; second, George and Nancy Gibson; third, Dolly Freiburger and Catherine Carson; and fourth, Pat Stephenson and Mildred Wolf.

Former employees of Kraft meet for picnic

RUPERT — Retired employees of Kraft will meet for a picnic at 4 p.m. Thursday at the Rupert Square. Guests should bring a potluck dish and table service. Drinks will be provided.

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M.V. square dancers meet Tuesday night

KIMBERLY — The Magic Valley Singles Square Dancers will have a square dance at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Kimberly City Park. Everyone should bring finger foods. Dress is casual and all square dancers are invited. The square dancers will hold a demonstration dance at 7 p.m. Sept. 4 at the Twin Falls County Fair. For more information or to sign up to dance with the group at the fair, call Vicki at 733-8838 or Vera at 734-4647.

NEW JUNIOR CLUB MEMBERS



The Junior Club of Magic Valley inducted 18 new members: Libbie Astorquia, Candace Baltz, Delaney Caibo, Diana Goff, Desiree Halliger, Regine Ibar, Katie Johnson, Suzi Leon, May Leon, Jennifer Loza, Azra Muravnic, Ruth Mes, Destiny Nielsen, Richi Paron, Wendy Shanley, Corinne Starley, Michelle Watkins and Kolyan Weighall. The Junior Club is a service organization founded in 1959 by a group of local women looking for a way to give back to the community. Club members perform volunteer service for Magic Valley organizations aimed at improving the social, economic, cultural and civic conditions of the community.



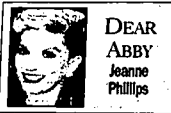
Andrea Dayley, left, was recognized by the Junior Club of Magic Valley for the most hours worked by a member. She donated 218 hours last year to improve the community through fund-raising activities, the club reports. Kyla Kelly, past club president, was named Member of the Year for her commitment and dedication to the organization and its successful fund-raising projects, the club reports.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

MORNING BREAK

Woman gets locked out of man's life

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to "Jack" for 25 years...



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

between us. I work every day at a well-paying job and contribute as much as Jack does to our income...

DEAR LOCKED OUT: Tell your husband that you do "need" keys to the bonus room, the shed and the PO box...

marriage counseling to get to the bottom of this, but do not let the subject drop until this is resolved.

DEAR ABBY: I am 10 years old. My best friend, "Elizabeth," can't communicate with her mom or her new stepdad...

DEAR CARING FRIEND: How sad that when parents were handed out, your friend was so severely shortchanged...

parents will allow, arid if she needs to talk, your mother will listen and help if she can.

DEAR ABBY: Do you know what the term "grass widow" means? How did it originate...

DEAR INSULTED—MAYBE: Although various dictionaries differ on the date of origin, according to "American Slang," the abridged edition of the "New Dictionary of American Slang" by Robert L. Chapman...



Country music star Tracy Byrd autographs the rear end of 3-month-old Meshell Roddy on Friday at Louie Mohana's Furniture Store in Bourg, La. Byrd was in town just to meet fans and sign autographs.

Property taken after ad lists wrong address

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Kris Bryan couldn't believe it when she came home and realized strangers were taking away her stuff...

A legal notice in the Lawrence Journal-World for unclaimed property mistakenly listed Bryan's address...

Sgt. Dan Ward, a spokesman for the Lawrence Police Department, said he was confronted by the people at her home, who showed her the Journal-World ad...

Ward said it was unclear how people got into Bryan's home. There were no signs of forced entry and Bryan told authorities she believed her door was kicked.

Police are still trying to find her possessions.

Stand on your own two feet, Pisces

IF AUG. 6 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Relationships are highlighted in the coming year and adjustments may be required. Confusion can mar personal relationships in October and November...

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

play and act as the umpire if necessary. Snap decisions might be unpopular — but necessary.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your romantic nature needs a suitable outlet. Play matchmaker if you are already in a steady relationship...

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Hospitality and generosity make cookouts run more smoothly and outdoor sports more fun.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): With both the moon and Venus in your sign you could be restless for adventures of the amorous kind.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): If you have an itch, scratch it. The desire for a change of pace could send you in search of novel entertainments...

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Sit back and bask in the warmth of sincere appreciation. You could be the target of an innocent flirtation...

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your motto should be "the more, the merrier," especially if you are off on a day trip or entertaining friends at home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The best things in life are free. Act like a Girl or Boy Scout in public: help old ladies cross the street...

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): It has to be either very old and elegant or very new and unconventional. It's appeal to your taste today. Your appreciation for oddities might make you seem eccentric and off-beat.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Enjoy perfect celestial weather for get-togethers and short trips, but hold off on making important agreements and purchases. Stand on your own two feet and a special someone will love you more.

Turkey dinner repeats spark prisoner strike

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Some Colorado prisoners are complaining their food is for the birds.

The straight turkey dinners prompted El Paso County jail inmates to go on a brief hunger strike.

The inmates refused to eat Saturday, arguing that meals such as turkey chili, mac, turkey a la king, turkey stew and turkey sausage were unnecessarily cruel.

Sheriff's officials said Wednesday that the hunger strike lasted a half hour.

"Turkey, turkey and more turkey is not a form of punishment," the sheriff's office said in a tongue-in-cheek prepared statement.

The inmates had spaghetti for dinner Wednesday — with turkey-based meat sauce.

Odds and ends

identified himself as an officer and later apologized for what he did, while never actually admitting to exposing himself.

Witnesses told police they also saw Rossmeier expose himself for a brief period of time. Both men were arrested on indecent exposure charges.

Teeth thefts leave gaps in students' research

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — A thief is taking a bite out of Seth Newsum's research.

The doctoral candidate at the University of California, Santa Cruz, says somebody stole the century-old seal teeth he's been studying.

The choppers were on loan from the Smithsonian Institution for his research on the historic ecology of marine mammals.

He has been working on the project for five years.

"At this point, I'd just like them back, no questions asked," said Newsum, 28, who said he's willing to negotiate a reward.

His friend, Eva Krivak-Tetley, lost some teeth of her own; the fossil teeth of a sperm whale she needs to finish her senior thesis.

Krivak-Tetley's car before they went missing — along with some CDs, cash and laboratory materials.

— compiled from wire reports

Wint-o-green Life Savers can give you some sparks

Yes, it's true that if you chew a Wint-o-green Life Saver in the dark, you can see blue-green sparks. When the crystalline molecules fracture, the free electrons make light through a process called triboluminescence.

This day in history: On Aug. 6, 1928, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to successfully swim the English Channel.

Harvard Medical School reports that at least 18,000 American adults die prematurely every year because they lack medical insurance.

Termites queens can pop out an egg a second day after day.

Staudying other planets creates some problems in the names of familiar scientific fields. "Geos" in Greek — used in words like geology, geography and geophysics — means "earth."

Scientists who are studying the soils of Mars think they should be called areosolites. Are is the Greek name for the god called Mars in ancient Rome.

Like their counterparts elsewhere, even Amish teens can be pretty pigheaded and unmanageable. That's why the elders developed a period called "rum-springs" (running around). At age 16, Amish teens are turned out of the community to date, drink, drive cars, buy electronic equipment, etc. to get it out of their system while they decide

RANDOM KINDS OF FACIENESS Jack Mingo Erin Barrett

whether they want to be baptized as adults in the faith. Since the price of not coming back means losing access to their family, friends and community, most decide to come back after a few years.

With a name like "woodwind," you'd expect that they were all once made of wood, right? Usually true, but not always true. For example, the saxophone, developed by Adolphe Saxe in 1841, has always been made of metal.

What lurks below of them are jellyfish in every ocean in the world. Furthermore, there are even freshwater jellyfish that can live in lakes.

Alas, Joseph Rechenhofer's memorable name has been nearly erased from history. He is the guy who first thought of putting an eraser onto a pencil. Rechenhofer received a U.S. patent for his contraption in 1958.

Erin Barrett and Jack Mingo can be reached at factmatters@mingo-barrett.com

EZ PAY advertisement for The Times-News. Includes text: 'Sign up for EZ Pay and receive your choice of a', 'AutoPride Full Service Car Wash Valued at \$15.95', 'Small Cold Stone Creamery Cake Valued at \$18.95', '2 tickets to Roaring Springs Water Park', 'Enjoy receiving The Times-News every day while paying for your paper the simple, convenient way with EZ Pay Service.', 'EZ Pay lets you pay for your newspaper subscription automatically from your checking, debit card or credit card account with 12 monthly payments of only \$17.40!'

Hungry kids advertisement. Text: 'Hungry kids What are you going to fix them for school lunch? Sunday in Family Life'

The Times-News advertisement. Text: 'The Times-News magicvalley.com The Times-News, 132 Fairfield St. West, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 208-733-0931'

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Urban Renewal will meet on Monday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency will meet at noon on Monday to consider approving its budget for the 2005-06 fiscal year.

The budget expects revenue for Urban Renewal to be in excess of \$2 million, which is matched by expenditures.

"It's just the budget process," said Dave McAlindin, Twin Falls economic development director. "It's a public hearing as required by law. We'll have a budget there."

There are no other items on Monday's agenda.

Urban Renewal is also accepting development proposals for its property bounded by Shoshone Street, Fourth Avenue South, Fifth Avenue South and Hansen Street South. It is 12,500 square feet.

"The board felt it was time to put out a request to see if there's anybody interested in developing the property," McAlindin said.

He added that the spot would be a good place to put an office. Proposals must be handed in by 5 p.m. Sept. 9, and the chosen developer must start construction within 12 months of selection and completion and occupy the development within 10 months after that.

Pair takes ownership of Grandstands in Buhl

BUHL — As of Aug. 1, Buhl's Grandstands restaurant, at 1003 Main, has new owners. Sisters Sheri Ard and Debra Laing, along with their husbands, Bill Ard and Mark Laing, purchased the establishment and are making improvements.

So far, they have invested \$10,000 into remodeling the banquet room, which they plan on promoting to host events such as birthday parties, baby showers and after-game parties.

"We were interested in the restaurant because my husband is really into sports. He has coached for both youth and high school sports," said Sheri Ard. "We have after-game parties here," Debra Laing said. She will be a familiar face to Buhl customers, as she has worked at the town's Farmers National Bank for 16 years.

Grandstands will begin to host sports-night themed events, such as Monday Night Football and NASCAR Sundays. It will also unveil a new menu showcasing buffalo burgers, beginning at the Aug. 27 grand opening.

"We will also feature Clear Springs trout, as Buhl is the trout capital of the world," Sheri Ard said.

The eatery has five employees, but owners look at doubling that within a year, when the need arises.

Grandstands offers to-go orders and some local deliveries. It can be reached at 543-0855.

'Lean Business' lunch will be on Aug. 16

IDAHO FALLS — TechHelp and the Idaho Small Business Development Center will present a "Lean Business" lunch Aug. 16 at the Idaho Innovation Center, 2300 Yellowstone Ave.

Lunch is at 11:30 a.m., followed by a speaker and question period from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Dan Jones, vice president of marketing at Boise-based TechHelp Solutions, will speak on "Trends in Employee Health Care." Jones has 20 years experience in the benefits field, and the event is for managers with responsibility for providing employee benefits and for benefit cost containment. Cost is \$15, which includes a catered lunch.

To register, call Rhonda at (208) 523-1087, or e-mail to rhonda@techhelp.com or register online at www.techhelp.org.

— compiled from staff reports

Economist: Construction benefits M.V.

**By Garrett Hyton
Times-News writer**

TWIN FALLS — Construction is becoming a common theme in relation to Magic Valley's unemployment rate success.

With the expansion of Pole Line Road in progress and new homes being started on record pace, more people are finding work because of the area's plentiful construction activity.

"One of the main reasons you'll see rates so low in Magic Valley is because of construction," said Greg Rogers, Idaho Commerce and Labor's regional economist for Magic Valley.

Magic Valley's lowest July unemployment rate was in Twin Falls County at 3.5 percent, down from 3.8 percent a result of the construction and new businesses.

"We've seen new jobs being created at the Lowe's store," Rogers said. "We've seen new construction jobs. Construction has doubled."

And the year-over-year drop in unemployment in Twin Falls County is reflected throughout

Seasonally adjusted unemployment rates:

County	July '05	July '04	July '03
Blaine	3.6	3.0	4.0
Camas	3.7	3.6	3.1
Cassia	4.6	5.0	5.1
Gooding	2.7	3.4	4.2
Jerome	3.6	3.8	4.3
Latah	5.1	4.3	5.2
Shoshone	5.5	5.4	7.6
Twin Falls	3.5	3.4	4.0

Source: Idaho Commerce and Labor forecasts

A look at local labor

Magic Valley.

The combined Twin Falls and Jerome area has an unemployment rate of 3.5.

With the exception of Camas County, every county has shown improvement of some kind in the past year. Minidoka County led the way with its July unemployment rate (5.4 percent) down 2.1 percentage points from 12 months ago.

Mini-Cassia as a whole dropped its unemployment from 6.3 percent a year earlier to 5.1 percent last month.

"That tells us that there is a sustained economic recovery,"

Rogers said. "Hopefully, new businesses will come in, and hopefully we'll get the combined total down to where the rest of Magic Valley is at. But there's been tremendous improvement."

Rogers added that it usually takes several years for an area to see such drastic improvement.

Most counties have July rates similar to June's, with the only significant increases coming in Blaine and Lincoln counties.

Rogers attributed the month-to-month raises to lulls in highway traffic and the service market, and he said that kind of increase is normal for this time of year.

Statewide joblessness has also improved from a year ago. Total unemployment in Idaho set another record in July, but demand for

work rose faster than the economy could expand to meet it, state analysts said. In a statement, Idaho's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was forecast at 4.2 percent for July, up three-tenths of a percentage point from June but still half a percentage point below July 2004.

Another 900 people statewide were added to the unemployment employment to 706,400.

"But the statewide labor force continued its steady expansion, adding 2,000 new jobs each month during a month that traditionally sees a slight uptick in the unemployment rate," analysts said. "The state's unemployment rate is closed for the summer, work in agriculture slows and food processors take some downtime for maintenance before the new crops come in."

Custom business lights up

The Associated Press

GRATON, Calif. — When remodeling their home, Jan and Jim Loomis meticulously sought out the unusual.

Everything from the accent pieces and pillows to the fixtures and furniture was carefully selected to harmonize with the property's woody environment.

But when it came to outdoor lighting, the couple hit a wall. Exterior fixtures, they were disappointed to discover, seemed uniformly unexciting.

At a time when consumers are overwhelmed with virtually everything from cell phone service plans to frozen pizzas, there were surprisingly few real choices in fixtures. Most companies, they found, simply produced variations on the same tried themes.

So when Jan Loomis went to the San Francisco Flower and Garden Show in March, she set out to find, among the 360 commercial vendors, someone doing something inspired with lights.

She got lucky and stumbled upon a relatively new company, StoneAge Lighting. Based in Canada, it had a growing distribution in the United States. StoneAge offers outdoor fixtures out of granite and limestone.

Indeed, the home improvement boom has created an opening for artisans who want to do something different.

For the Loomises, who wanted something attractive yet unobtrusive, lights that looked almost as though they were placed there proved to be the perfect choice.

"I wanted something very organic, very natural," said Jan Loomis. "I didn't want the lights to make a statement on their own."

At the other end of the spectrum, Richard Duben and partner Jesse Blyeu of Another Planet Lighting created beautiful fixtures using light-emitting diodes, or LEDs, from their workshop in Forestville, Calif.

Most commonly seen on stereos, dashboards and other electronics, these ultra-low-energy-using lights are slowly making their way into more lighting fixtures.

For the tropical garden on Healdsburg, landscape designer Diana Stratton basks in the glow of her LEDs housed within sculpted acrylic fixtures.

Stratton was also dismayed by the lack of choices in exterior lighting until she discovered Duben's playfully inventive lights.

"They're economical, but aesthetically they're also beautiful," said Stratton.

While Another Planet's fixtures can be wild and otherworldly, their work can also be restrained. Stratton in-



Top, Jan Loomis walks in front of her house near the rock shaped accent light in her yard July 5, in Gration, Calif. Jan and her husband Jim sought out the unusual, including the rock-shaped light fixture which they found from a relatively new company, StoneAge Lighting. Inset, this garden lamp utilizes light-emitting diodes, or LEDs to provide accent lighting in small fixtures. Most commonly seen on stereos, dashboards and other electronics, these ultra-low-energy-using lights are slowly making their way into more lighting fixtures.

stalled a set of sconces in a client's outdoor courtyard that were downright elegant.

Duben molds his acrylic and LED lights, which run on the same transformer-driven low-voltage systems used by most home exterior lighting systems, into a remarkable variety of shapes and colors.

Path lighting comes in diamond, rectangular or lipstick-slick accents, among others. But the two artists also do special orders and more recognizable shapes, ranging from lily pads and tubular snakes he calls "Moonbeams" to flaming fox tail torches on bamboo stems.

For bases, the artists use copper and brass, which patina and weather well.

"For years we have been boxed in by the idea that technology advances must be encapsulated in sanitary plastic cubicles and parochial designs," Duben writes on his Web site. "Well, I simply don't buy into that philosophy. Modern lighting should be functional, yes... but it should also be fun, mysterious and beautiful."

While there are outdoor fixtures made of concrete and composite stone that imitate real stone, Canadian electrician Carl Christensen conceived of the idea of using nature's most durable material, said Josh McGovern, the West Coast representative for StoneAge.

To illuminate the Loomises' property, designers wound up placing nine of the 100-plus-pound fixtures around the home — three up-lights to spotlight the property's massive oaks, a ballard in a small garden area and five path lights.

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UI opens cattle research station on 1,100-acre ranch

The Associated Press

SALMON — With the donation of a 1,100-acre ranch and more than 100 headers, the University of Idaho has launched what school President Tim White says will be the premiere research facility for cattle and ranching operations in the Pacific Northwest.

The Moscow-based school took ownership of the ranch six miles north of the town of Salmon on Thursday, opening its first new agricultural research station in 20 years.

It will be called the Nancy M. Cummings Research Center in honor of the Arcow woman who

died in 1995 after moving to the spread between the Salmon River and the Continental Divide.

"My mom would have loved this," said her daughter, Sherrie Auen, who with her husband, Ron, donated the property to the university on behalf of a family foundation. "The goal is to have a long-term impact on Salmon and to make a difference to the community."

The Auen Foundation also paid for construction of a new classroom building, fences and an upgrade of the irrigation system.

Area ranchers donated the first head of cattle, and UI faculty and students have started

research projects at the ranch.

"I assure you that we will be good stewards of your ranch," Carl Hunt of UI's College of Agriculture told family members during a dedication ceremony at the ranch.

Research will include studies on using radio tracking devices to monitor cattle from ranches to feedlots and packing plants, as well as determining how genetics may affect meat quality and taste.

The center also will monitor rangeland health factors: including water quality and noxious weeds.

The center's herd breeding development is focused on black baldy cattle, a cross re-

quested by Idaho producers. Leaders of the state's beef cattle business say a research station focusing on their trade has long been needed.

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Fruit and vegetable growers "have spent a lifetime making planting, harvesting and marketing decisions in a highly competitive, highly perishable and always volatile marketplace," the letter told Potato News, a U.S. Potato News. "Any sudden increase in production often results in volatile swings in market prices, which can be devastating, resulting in widespread economic losses to the produce industry."

Esplin agreed, saying groups such as United and FGI have worked to reduce potato acreage.

The new legislation would encourage more acreage and, thus, defeat work by these groups, Esplin said.

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MONEY

Stocks fall on data showing more jobs

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks and bonds slid Friday after record oil prices and surprising strong gains in jobs and wages unveiled investors, who feared that a more robust labor market and higher wages could spark inflation and lead to more interest rate hikes. The major indexes closed down for the week.

Wall Street extended its losses from Thursday after the Labor Department said workers' average hourly earnings rose to \$16.13 in July, the largest increase for the year. The financial markets got no help from the price of oil, which climbed on fears the U.S. gasoline supply would meet the summer's demand. A barrel of light crude settled at a record \$62.31, up 93 cents, on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

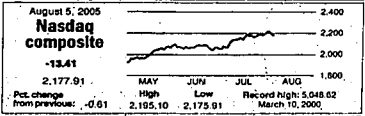
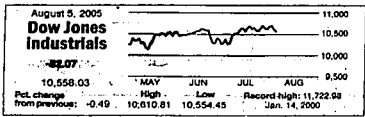
The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 52.07, or 0.49 percent, to 10,558.03, compounding an 87-point drop the previous session.

Broader stock indicators also closed lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 index dropped 9.94, or 0.76 percent, to 1,226.42, and the Nasdaq composite index fell 13.41, or 0.61 percent, to 2,177.91.

Bond prices sank. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note rose to 4.39 percent, its highest level since April, from a yield of 4.31 percent last week.

Oil prices advanced. The price of oil rose to \$62.31 a barrel, its highest level since April, from a yield of 4.31 percent last week.

The early part of the week saw a continuation of the market's July rally with the Nasdaq composite and S&P 500 indexes reaching four-year highs, but higher oil prices and data showing the economy growing at a strong clip ended the advance.



Joseph V. Battipaglia, chief investment officer at Ryan Beck & Co., said the market's rally in July was a sign of a strong economy, but higher oil prices and data showing the economy growing at a strong clip ended the advance.

The three major indexes ended the week lower for the first time in five weeks. The Dow edged 0.78 percent lower, the S&P 500 fell 0.76 percent and the Nasdaq dropped 0.32 percent.

Investors have been longing since the Fed raised its yearlong streak of interest rate hikes, but an end to the hikes appears less likely after strong July durable goods.

The Fed's Open Market Committee, concerned about an overheating economy and inflation, is expected to raise the short-term federal funds rate a quarter percentage point on Tuesday that would be the 10th rate hike since June.

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The Labor Department reported the biggest jobs gain in four months, saying employers expanded their payrolls by 207,000 in July. Revised figures released Friday for May and June showed payroll gains for those months were also larger than previously thought.

In company news, Delphi Corp. fell 62 cents to \$4.96 after the world's largest maker of auto parts confirmed it is restructuring talks with its main unions and its biggest customer, General Motors Corp. The company also disclosed it had begun drawing on its \$1.8 billion pension plan to fund its operations. It said it initiated a draw down of \$1.5 billion on Wednesday.

Wacom Inc. rose 12 cents to \$34.19 after its second-quarter earnings were flat compared with the same period a year ago, when the company still owned the Houston video store chain, but excluding that and other discontinued operations, earnings, reported after the close of regular trading Tuesday rose 5 percent, beating analysts' estimates by a penny.

Japanese barley feed users visit M.V.

By Cindy Snyder Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — Whether formulating a ration for Wagyu beef or growing trout, one goal is the same — keeping feed costs at a minimum while maximizing growth.

And while barley has earned its place in the Wagyu ration, researchers are still finding out how to get the best value in a tannin diet.

A Japanese trade delegation of primarily barley feed buyers had a chance to see firsthand some of the research regarding feeding rainbow trout plant-based diets during a one-day visit to Magic Valley.

The four-person delegation visited the Fish Culture Experimental Station in the Goding area, and barley fields in the Filera area.

Researchers at the University of Idaho's Culture Experimental Station are feeding trout diets that include up to 35 percent barley and getting those fish to grow 10 percent faster in six months. Trout at nearby commercial operations typically reach the 1-pound threshold in about 9 months, but researchers often hear the fish in the lab are pampered compared to those in a raceway.

Ken Overturf, a scientist with the USDA-Agricultural Research Service in Kimberly, concedes the lab fish are a bit better but insists most of the efficiency gain is a result of genetic selection.

He made 137 crosses of trout this year, looking for the fish that grow the most efficiently on plant-based diets.

To determine that, Overturf uses molecular biology to find out whether a reaction observed in fish is linked to a specific gene or series of genes. Genes don't change depending on what the fish is fed, but changes in carbohydrate utilization and metabolism caused by different feed sources can change gene expression.

And it's those changes in gene expression that indicate which fish will perform better on a plant-based diet.

After the fish are fed an experimental diet, samples are taken of the fish, and researchers look at amino acid levels.

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Article: Personality outweighs competence

By Marshall Loeb Knight Ridder News Service

NEW YORK — According to an article in the June issue of the Harvard Business Review, an overwhelming majority of people would rather work with a less skilled but likeable person than a more competent jerk.

The study was conducted by Tiziana Casciaro, assistant professor of organizational behavior at Harvard Business School, and Miguel Sousa Lobo, assistant professor of decision sciences at Duke University's Fuqua School

of Business. They collected data involving 10,000 work relationships.

Given these detailed studies, it may be worthwhile to ask: Are you the office jerk?

While most people deny being a jerk at work, in our overbearing and competitive work environment it's not to always notice when you're behaving badly.

Signs of jerkiness include profanity, withholding information, being excessively sarcastic, belittling or intimidating others, slamming desks and swearing, or stooping to mean and aggressive tactics such as

loafing, signing, and if you find yourself exhibiting these signs, consider:

Seek feedback. Get an honest assessment from your peers of how they feel you're behaving.

Get more exercise and sleep. Either can add a positive burst to your general mood.

Take your lunch break with people in your office. That will make it harder for you to take your stress out on others.

Look for counseling. If you feel increasingly out of control, your problem might need more than a quick fix.

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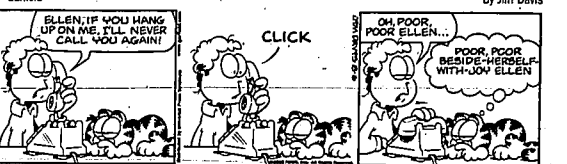
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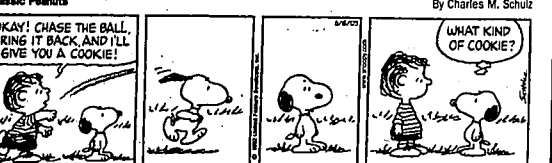
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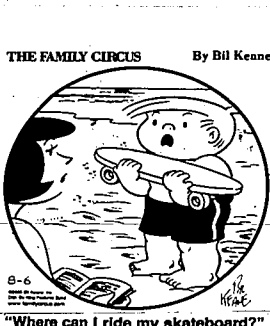
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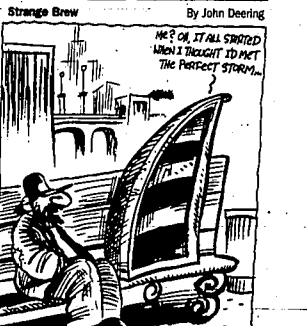
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L.D.P.R. Project No. 340933 - Mald Gorge State Park Day Use Restroom ADA Upgrade - Gooding County, Idaho. The project scope consists of the removal of an existing masonry restroom building including demolition of concrete, masonry, plumbing, electrical and finish work. A pre-bid site visit will be held at the project site, in Mald Gorge State Park, Hagerman, Idaho on Wednesday, August 17, 2005 starting at 10:00 a.m. General contractors intending to submit a bid are asked to have a representative present.

Work duration will be 75 consecutive calendar days, with liquidated damages of three-thousand fifty dollars (\$3,500) per calendar day.

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- Boise, Idaho 83702
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- 1074 East 25th Street
- Hagerman, Idaho 83332
- Twin Falls Plan Room
- 124 Blue Lakes Blvd. Box B
- Twin Falls, Idaho 83301

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Notice of Trustee's Sale
T.S. No. 200509094 - 24541 Loan No. 140622117 On 11/08/2005 at 11:00 a.m. (enlarged local time), at the following location: to the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: In the lobby of First American Title Company, 260 Third Avenue North, Twin Falls, ID 83301, Fidelity National Title Company, as Trustee will sell at public auction, the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Parcel 11, 11.11 percent of land located in Lot 10, Block 2, Hidden Lakes Estates Subdivision, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof recorded in Book 15 of Plats, page 7, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho; being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the most Easterly corner of said Lot 10 and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE North 23°15'15" East 174.97' to said Block 2, said boundary between Lots 10 and 11; Block 2, said subdivision; THENCE South 00°40'58" West 52.85 feet along the boundary of said Lot 10; thence South 52°27'15" East 237.82 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; AND A part of land located in a portion of Lot 10, Block 2, Hidden Lakes Estates Subdivision, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, recorded in Book 15 of Plats, page 7, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho; being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the most Easterly corner of said Lot 10 and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE North 60°14'32" West 185.82 feet; THENCE North 28°16'18" West 58.83 feet to a point on the Northerly boundary of said Lot 10 at the intersection of said Lot 10 and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; AND A part of land located in a portion of Lot 11, Block 2, Hidden Lakes Estates Subdivision, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, recorded in Book 15 of Plats, page 7, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho; being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCING at the most Northerly corner of said Lot 11 and being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE North 69°24'18" East 89.30 feet along the Northerly boundary of said Lot 11; THENCE South 15°37'10" East 76.91 feet along the said boundary to a point on the Westerly boundary of said Lot 11; THENCE North 44°11'11" West 148.07 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 119 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 41898 Hidden Lakes, Kimberly, Idaho 83411 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Frank D. Molewarick and the Trustee, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of Zions First National Bank, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 02/22/2002, and re-recorded on 02/22/2003, as instrument No. 2003-02244 and re-recorded on 12/30/03 as instrument No. 2003-031073, of Official Records; Idaho, Boise, Idaho. The Deed of Trust and the above referenced are named to comply with section 45-1508(4)(A), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is being made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust and Note dated 02/22/2002. The monthly installment due on the above referenced obligation (if applicable) is \$708.04, due per month for the months of 12/04 through 09/20/2005, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or satisfaction. The monthly installment due on the above referenced obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$632.427.55, plus accrued interest at the rate of 8.25% per annum from 12/01/2004. All delinquent payments, including late charges, penalties, interest, taxes, insurance, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this obligation, and that the obligor is liable for the entire amount of the obligation to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of the purchase price to the Trustee, and the obligor shall have no further recourse. Melmet Default Services, Inc. like The Law Offices of Steven J. Melmet, 1920 E. First Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701-2436. Telephone: (714) 950-5610. Fax: (714) 950-5611. Website: www.ascentx.com/websites/ Reinstatement and Pay-Off Requests: (714) 480-5472. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS FOR THE USE OF THE USER. Date: 7-15-05 Fidelity National Title Company By: G Sheppard ASAFP711659

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006
URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF THE CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

Public notice is hereby given that the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, will hold a public hearing or the consideration of the proposed budget, including general revenue sharing for the fiscal period October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006, pursuant to provisions of Section 59-1002, Idaho Code, said hearing to be held at City Hall, Twin Falls, Idaho, at 12:00 PM, on Monday, August 8, 2005. At said hearing any interested person may appear and show cause, if any they have, why said proposed budget should or should not be adopted.

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES
The following is an estimate set forth in said proposed budget of the total proposed expenditures and accruing indebtedness of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, for the fiscal period October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006, including the two previous fiscal years.

Proposed Expenditures	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005-2006 Proposed
General Fund	52,079	53,231	65,000
Bond Fund	322,281	1,151,284	1,655,001
Capital Improvement Fund	999,465	418,143	334,878
Total Proposed Expenditures	1,373,825	1,722,658	2,045,179

ESTIMATED REVENUE
The estimated revenue for the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho for the fiscal period October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006, is as follows:

Estimated Revenue	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005-2006 Estimated
Tax Levy	105,500	59,231	50,000
General Fund	922,281	455,882	300,000
Capital Improvement Fund	581,225	484,143	107,000
Total Tax Levy	989,006	1,023,197	1,057,000
Other Funds	100,000	617,461	950,179
Total Amlt from Other Sources	868,613	617,461	950,179
Total Estimated Revenue	1,955,619	1,620,658	2,045,179

Gary Evans, Finance Director for the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the proposed expenditures and estimate revenue for Fiscal Year 2005-2006, all of which have been tentatively approved. I further certify that the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, did give notice of said hearing with notice having been published twice at least seven (7) days apart prior to the adoption of the budget by the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho. A copy of the budget and the budget hearing on Monday, August 8, 2005, at 12:00 PM, and have the right to provide written or oral comments concerning the entire Urban Renewal Agency budget. A copy of the proposed budget in detail is available at City Hall for inspection during regular office hours, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM. DATED This 28th day of July, 2005. Gary Evans, Finance Director

PUBLISH: Saturdays, July 30 and August 8, 2005

101 Lost and Found

LOST Spring LSPNT, female, liver and white; missing since 7/24/05. Call 344-1284 or 402-9050.

104 Personal

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101 Lost and Found

FOUND Cat, male, Siamese, long hair, blue eyes, white chest. Found near Pleasant Rd. & South Washington. Please call 208-736-2017 leave message. Must identify to claim!

101 Lost and Found

FOUND dog, about 3 (Dad, male, Cairn Terrier, black recently groomed. Found near Pleasant Rd. & South Washington. Please call 208-736-2996.

101 Lost and Found

FOUND keys at a restaurant in Thompson Park. Can be picked up at posted sign. Please call 208-731-0828 or call (no leash) near building.

101 Lost and Found

LOST Call phone, black, heavy set on the president streets. 734-7216 or 280-1458

101 Lost and Found

LOST Men's wedding rings, East of Eastwood. Call 208-733-3906.

101 Lost and Found

LOST Staffordshire Terrier, 3 months old, on SW 100 of Hartson St. in T.F. White without spot on rump brown head. Weighing 16 lbs collar w/identification. 308-8787.

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LOST dog, Jack Russell Terrier, white with brown spots, big friendly. Has purple collar. Answers to Jill. Lost on Park St. on 8/4. 208-736-2047.

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LOST Kitten, gray & white. About 3 months old. Found at 2768 Sagebrush Tr. Twin Falls, ID. Call 734-3470.

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By Pat Brady

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CAREGIVERS
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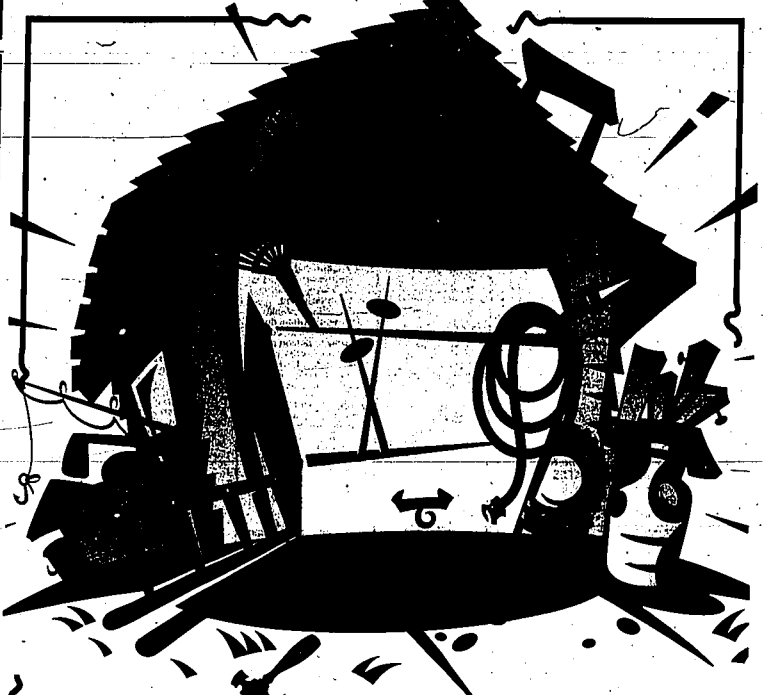
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Resumes to jennyupent@mayor.com</p> <p>MECHANIC Immediate opening for Journeyman Diesel mechanic full-time to work in a full service truck shop. Compensation hourly with overtime. Hourly rate depends on qualifications and experience. Contact: Jackson Trucking PO Box 98 Jerome, ID 83338 or call 206-324-3004</p> <p>MECHANIC Local mobile mechanic needed. Truck provided. Pay DOE. For more information please call 731-3366</p>	<p>ELECTRICIAN Journeyman electrician call Brian at 206-734-3002</p> <p>MECHANIC Wanted mechanic Experience with trucks and farm machinery for large custom farming operation. Call 324-7148.</p> <p>MEDICAL Nurse Licensed Practical (LPN), full-time, bilingual English/Spanish for South Central District Health-Jerome. To assist in public health clinics and programs. Mon-Fri 8-5 some late clinics unit plus availability for emergencies. Some travel required. To apply call: \$11,535-\$19,25hr plus great state benefits & holidays Apply at www.ghr.idaho.gov 8078700730 or call 206-734-3004</p>	<p>MEDICAL Highland Estates Assisted Living for the Elderly is looking for full-time and part-time individuals to join our team, days and evenings. *Caregivers Must enjoy working with and caring for the elderly, be dependable, and able to work weekends. Interested applicants may apply in person at Highland Estates 2050 Hilland Ave. Burley, ID 83318</p> <p>MEDICAL Idaho Home Health & Hospice is now accepting applications for CNAs to fill 24-hour care positions in the Magic Valley Region. Nights call Marla at 734-4061 for info. EOE</p> <p>MEDICAL Idaho Home Health & Hospice is now accepting applications for PRN and part-time LPN's for the Twin Falls area. Please call Gloria Masbach for more information. Call 206-423-5951 EOE</p>	<p>FEED MILL OPERATOR FT. Must have CDL. Good salary & medical benefits.206-280-5579</p> <p>MEDICAL Idaho Home Health & Hospice is now accepting applications for Payroll/Accounts Payable, Payroll and insurance billing experience preferred. Collection and book-keeping experience a plus. Room to grow with an exciting company. Please call Fred Anderson for more information (206) 734-0461. EOE</p> <p>MEDICAL Idaho Home Health & Hospice is now accepting applications for CNAs to fill 24-hour care positions in the Magic Valley Region. Nights call Marla at 734-4061 for info. EOE</p> <p>MEDICAL RN part-time, MA's & CN's Evening & Night Shift. Mt. View Care Center 600 Park St. Kimberly, ID 83341 Or call 206-423-5951 EOE</p>
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"She has the head. But I never own to it before her. Discipline must be maintained."
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Against South's contract of three no-trump, it was very tempting for West to break discipline and lead a heart, but he had played with this particular East enough not only to know to trust his jump overcalls, but to fear his wrath if such an experiment were not to succeed.

He therefore led the diamond two, and East put in the nine at the first trick. Three no-trump looked shaky now, but South did his best when he won the trick and finessed in clubs, then advanced the spade jack, covered all round. This suggested to declarer that West had four spades, a view reinforced by what happened when he cashed the club king and the queen appeared. Accordingly, he cashed dummy's spade queen, followed by the ace and king of hearts, East discarding a diamond perforce. Now came the critical moment of the deal. South exited with a losing diamond to East, who was down to four winning diamonds and the 10-5 of clubs. Thoughtlessly, perhaps, East simply cashed his winning diamonds, and South hastened to discard his blocking club eight as soon as he could. At trick 12 East was employed — he had led 12 to a club into dummy's tenace, conceding the eighth and ninth tricks.

Had East been awake and watching the club spots, he would have exited with a club after cashing precisely two diamonds. South would win his club eight, but would be forced to give up the last three tricks to West.

NORTH 08-C-A
 ♠ Q J 3
 ♥ A K 5
 ♦ Q J 8 7 6 3
 ♣ 2
EAST
 ♠ 10 9 8 6
 ♥ 10
 ♦ A Q 10 9 5 4
 ♣ 10 5 4 2

SOUTH
 ♠ A 7 4 2
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ K 8 3
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The bidding:
 South West North East
 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: Diamond two

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South West North East
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ANSWER: Pass, rather than making a takeout double. Although you have an opening bid, you are facing a passed hand. You should be reluctant to invite partner into the action with such sterile distribution and with values far more suitable for defense than offense.

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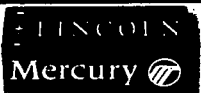
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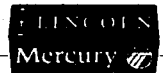


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