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Fifth area woman dies from CJD

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — She was an avid bowler and golfer. She loved helping to organize class reunions.
Then last Sunday, Marjorie Skinner became the fifth south-central Idaho woman since January to die after being diagnosed with Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, an extremely rare and rapidly progressing fatal neurodegenerative disease. She was 72.

"We have received word that the woman who was ill with CJD died in the last week," said Dr. Christine Hahn, the state epidemiologist with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. "It can progress very quickly. We're very sorry for the family. It's a difficult disease for both the person and the family to go through."
Skinner was a Twin Falls native, a member of the Twin Falls High School Class of 1950. She later moved to Buhl, where she

and her first husband, Lloyd Adamson, ran the local Arctic Circle restaurant. Lloyd died in 1982 and Marjorie married Jack Skinner in 1984. She was very active in her community and served as the 2003-2004 president of the Clear Lakes Golf Course's Ladies Golf Association.
On Memorial Day weekend, Skinner placed fourth in a golf tournament, said Sue Skinner, a spokeswoman for the family. Less than one month later,

"Marge" Skinner had lost her ability to speak due to the aggressive nature of CJD.
"Marge was a vibrant, active woman," Sue Skinner said. "She was a wonderful spouse, mother and friend."
"She will be greatly missed."
All but one of the women diagnosed with CJD were from Twin Falls County. The other woman was from Mindoko County, according to South Central District Health. Brain tissue from at least one of the

women has been sent to the National Prion Disease Pathology Surveillance Center at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland to be studied.
Hahn, along with Chris Carter of the federal public health office in Idaho and Cheryle Becker, an epidemiologist with South Central District Health, are investigating the five cases.
Looking through the women's medical records, documenting family histories, and
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DEADLY ROADS



This cross on Route 50 honors the memory of Jeremy Klenzie, 18, who was not wearing a seat belt and was ejected and killed in a rollover accident in October 2000.

Magic Valley rural roads among most dangerous in state

By Garrett Hyton
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Four white crosses sit alongside Route 50 east of Twin Falls.
Flowers decorate the base of one, two more crosses sit side-by-side without names at a nearby intersection and the fourth is dirty and leaning after nearly a decade.
Each bears silent testimony to a grim fact: Rural Magic Valley roads are among the most dangerous in Idaho.

Between 2000 and 2004, three counties — Camas, Cassia and Jerome — ranked in the top 10 in fatal and injury collisions per 1,000 people. A fourth, Twin Falls County, ranked 14th.

Looking only at Idaho counties with more than 10,000 people, the fatal and injury collision rates in Jerome, Cassia and Twin Falls counties ranked first, second and fifth, respectively.
The state's most populous county, Ada, has more cars, more fender-bender wrecks, but its fatal and injury collision rate ranks sixth among counties with more than 10,000 people.

Why?
"It's a question with a multitude of answers."
"We have a lot of open space here and a lot of fairly high-speed roadways," said Bruce Christensen, traffic engineer for the Idaho Transportation Department's Region IV that includes all four counties.

Many of the serious wrecks happen on roads like Route 50: two-lane, rural byways that, while not inherently deadly, leave little margin for error.



Vehicles make their way along Highway 93 north of the Nevada border Friday evening.

A fender-bender mistake at 35 mph in the city can be a fatal mistake at 65 mph on a rural Magic Valley road.
Idaho State Trooper Chris Glenn sees the same driver errors repeatedly: rolling through stop signs, driving too fast, talking on cell phones instead of focusing on the road.

"We do what we can, but people just need to be smarter," he said.
"I, Rob Storm of the Idaho State Police agrees.
"It is general driver inattention," he said. Many of the crashes happen at stop signs, where a wreck is "entirely preventable if drivers stop and look twice both ways before pulling forward."

Nobody can force drivers to make good decisions, but sometimes punishment can influence their judgment.

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Low seat belt usage among reasons for highway deaths

By Garrett Hyton
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The white of one roadside cross on Route 50 stands against the dark green backdrop of a cornfield.
The cross is adorned with a wreath, fresh-cut flowers and a name: Jeremy Klenzie.
He was ejected from his Dodge pickup Oct. 29, 2000, when he veered off the road, overcorrected and rolled the truck.

Klenzie, 18, wasn't wearing a seat belt.
"In my mind, he took away God's ability to create a miracle because he wasn't wearing a seat belt," said his mother, Colleen Lakay.

Idaho motorists are some of the least likely in the country to wear a seat belt.
"The reason people die is because they aren't wearing their seat belts," said John Molof of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in Idaho's region. "Accidents that people walk away from in Oregon and Washington kill people in Idaho."

The observed seat belt use is 90 percent or higher in Washington and Oregon, possibly because both states impose

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Raid uncovers alleged weapons laboratory

The Washington Post

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. troops raiding a warehouse in the northern city of Mosul uncovered a suspected chemical weapons factory containing 1,500 gallons of chemicals believed destined for attacks on U.S. and Iraqi forces and civilians, military officials said Saturday.

The early morning raid last Monday found 11 precursor agents, "some of them quite dangerous by themselves," a military spokesman, Lt. Col. Steven Boylan, said in Baghdad.

Combined, the chemicals would yield an agent capable of "lingering hazards" for those exposed to it, Boylan said. The likely targets would have been U.S. and Iraqi security forces, and Iraqi civilians, "partly because the chemicals would be difficult to keep from spreading over a wide area, he said."

Boylan said the suspected lab was new, dating from sometime after the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq in 2003. The Bush administration cited evidence that Saddam Hussein's government was manufacturing weapons of mass destruction as the main justification for the invasion. No such weapons or factories were found.

Military officials did not immediately identify either the precursors or the agent they could have produced. "We don't want to speculate on any possibilities until our analysis is complete," Col. Henry Franke, a nuclear, biological and chemical defense officer, was quoted as saying in a military statement.

Investigators still were trying to determine who had assembled the alleged lab and whether the expertise came from foreign insurgents or former members of Saddam's security apparatus, the military said.

"They're looking into it," Boylan said. "They've got to go through it — there's a lot of stuff there." He added that there was no indication that U.S. forces would be ordered to carry chemical warfare gear, such as gas masks and chemical suits, as they did during the invasion and the months immediately afterward.

U.S. military photos of the alleged lab showed a bare, concrete-walled room scattered with stacks of plastic containers, coiled tubing, hoses and a stand holding a large metal device that looked like a distillery. Black rubber boots lay among the gear.
The suspected chemical weapons lab was the biggest found so far in Iraq, Boylan said. A lab discovered last year in the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah contained a nov-tox book on chemical weapons and an unspecified amount of chemicals.

7 days, 7 reasons to read

Pseudoephedrine
Nasal decongestant is getting harder to find.
Monday

Kids suffer
Parents' selfish actions hurt children.
Tuesday

Nature's bounty
It's the high season for fruit salad.
Wednesday

Grand perspective
A cathartic experience on the waters of the Grand Canyon.
Thursday

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Cowboy poet and comedian Baxter Black is coming to Twin Falls.
Friday

A ministry of sharing
A couple keeps the St. Ed's soup kitchen alive.
Saturday

Stylin'
What's new in fashion for Back to School '05?
Sunday

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Plentiful sunshine and warm temperatures. Highs in the mid 80s.
Tonight: Clear and calm with light winds. Lows in the mid 50s.
Tomorrow: More pleasant summer weather with highs in the upper 80s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Sunny and warm. Highs climbing into the mid 80s.
Tonight: Clear and calm with light winds. Lows in the mid 50s.
Tomorrow: More pleasant summer weather with highs in the upper 80s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity. Includes monthly and yearly averages.

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, High/Low. Lists weather for various cities like Boise, Idaho Falls, etc.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS. Sunny and warm conditions will wrap up the weekend and bring a bright start to the work week.



Yesterday's State Estimates: 87 at Lowell; Low: 32 at Starkey.
Mostly cloudy to overcast in the early morning, then showers in an area to the south in Fundamentals.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for Boise, Burley, etc.

NATIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists forecasts for major cities like Chicago, New York, etc.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Today: Moonrise: 4:58 PM, Moonset: 12:52 AM.
Tomorrow: Moonrise: 5:23 PM, Moonset: 2:04 AM.

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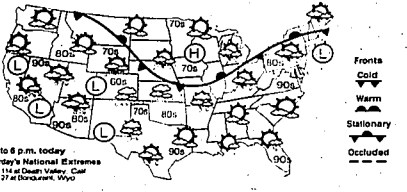
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SECURE FUTURE?

Social Security in flux at 70th anniversary

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Seventy years ago today, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt signed the law that created the Social Security system, but this year's great debate over the program's future has all but left behind President Bush's goal of maintaining the system's solvency through the baby boom's retirement.

Instead, the battle lines have shifted to a House Republican plan to establish private investment accounts out of Social Security's cash surplus, a plan that even its advocates say would do nothing to improve the program's financial outlook.

Opponents of private accounts will be out in force today, with 131 events celebrating Social Security's anniversary, including birthday balloons on the Mall and the distribution of 50,000 "birthday cards" laying out opposition to the latest version of a Social Security restructuring. On Friday, James Roosevelt kicked off events at a rally in front of his grandfather's memorial.

But administration officials are also fanning out this week-end by accepting the case that the nation can best honor the program by accepting the president's prescriptions for its future.

But Republican lawmakers — and even pro-life lobbyists — concede there is very little momentum left for the steps needed to secure the system's fiscal health.

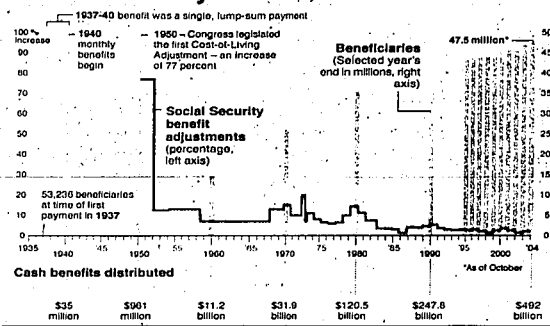
"One way or another, everyone's lost sight of why we're here," said Derrick Max, executive director of the business-backed Coalition for the Modernization and Protection of America's Social Security. "That's part of being angry with this whole birthday celebration."

To be sure, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Thomas, R-Calif., will try to craft a retirement security proposal next month to extend Social Security for decades, Republican lawmakers say. But a large number of members of the House Republicans have made it clear they do not want to vote on any bill that cuts promised benefits, boosts the retirement age or raises taxes — the steps necessary to extend the program's life — if the Senate cannot pass a Social Security bill. And that is becoming increasingly clear, GOP lawmakers and aides say.

"As far as further steps toward solvency, the question is, how much further action are we going to see in the Senate?" said Rep. Eric Cantor, R-Va., the chief deputy whip for House Republicans. "Members are rightly concerned about what's going to happen in the Senate." "Optical is the statement by Rep. Anne Northup, R-Ky., out-

Seventy years of Social Security

In 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Social Security Act into law to protect the economic stability of the American worker. The program has since grown into a massive institution that pays out billions of dollars in benefits.



SOURCE: Social Security Administration

lining what she is looking for in a Social Security bill: "The plan I support for strengthening Social Security would not increase taxes, it would guarantee promised benefits, and it would make Social Security permanently solvent."

Leaders send Republican lawmakers home for the August recess with two pages of talking points on the CBO account of Growing Real Ownership for Workers.

"This bill is not a full solvency package," the talking points conclude. "However, it will improve the solvency of Social Security by approximately two years."

That would push the date the system could not pay full benefits from 2041, as the Social Security actuaries project, to 2043. But even that modest shift is accomplished by transferring at least \$610 billion in general taxes to Social Security, critics say.

Under the proposal, workers would be given personal accounts, financed by the cash surplus that Social Security will run over the next decade. Instead of that surplus going to the Social Security system in the form of treasury bonds, it would be credited to accounts as marketable Treasury notes. After three years, those notes could be traded for private stocks and bonds.

But even at its peak in 2008, the cash surplus would not generate much more than \$500 per account, a level that would divide to \$4 per account before disappearing after a decade, Cantor said the legislation would only be a first step, which could be followed by more substantial legislation — to enlarge the accounts and possibly tackle the system's financial problems.

"Clearly, I do not think the warning surplus is all that's going to go into these accounts," he said. But other Republicans — even some who strongly back the plan — see more politics than reality in it. With little chance of enactment, the plan gives Republicans the ability to assert that they back decoupling Social Security taxes to Social Security, while Democrats con-

tinued to back "borrowing" that money to fund other government functions.

"I don't know of a Republican coalition opposed to spending Social Security on retirement and only retirement. I think we can win that debate," said Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa, a co-sponsor. "But the amount is so small, it's more symbol than substance."

Rep. Ray LaHood, R-Ill., called it "a smoke-and-mirrors thing." "That perception has created new headaches for the GOP leadership. A large bloc of Republicans will not vote for any bill that cuts benefits at least half a dozen Republicans have said they will not vote for a bill that does little or nothing for solvency."

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NATION

Missing friends

Sixty years later, airman laments dwindling number of WWII vets

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Willard "Mac" McLain's story of survival after his bomber was shot down over occupied France is like the plot of a movie, a five-month journey of intrigue and danger, avoiding the murderous Nazi Gestapo while moving secretly through an underground network of French resistance fighters.

As America observes the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II this month, the 83-year-old McLain is among a dwindling number of men and women still around to tell the tales.

When McLain visits the VA hospital in Tampa, veterans of the Korean War, Vietnam War and the Gulf War seem to outnumber the World War II guys now.

"We're disappearing," he says.

Of the 16.1 million Americans who served during the war, fewer than 4 million are still alive. With the youngest of them in their late 70s, they're dying off at a rate of about 1,000 a day.

McLain, then a 21-year-old Colorado ranch worker, was drafted in July 1942 but enlisted in the Army Air Corps hoping to be an airplane mechanic instead of a foot soldier.

He ended up as a ball turret gunner in a B-17 bomber squadron based in central England.

His job involved folding his 5-foot-9 frame into a new fetal position inside the ball turret that rotated in the belly of the aircraft, then blasting away at attacking German fighters with a pair of .50-caliber machine guns.

"We were a bunch of green farm kids, most of us," McLain says of his crew mates on the plane, nicknamed "Black Ghost." "I barely knew where England was."

They flew in daylight bombing raids on Germany and occupied France, terrifying flights depicted in movies such as "Twelve O'Clock High" and "Memphis Belle."

Two out of three young men — their average age was 20 — who flew on those missions did not survive the war.

The "Black Ghost" and its crew survived 13 missions, but anti-aircraft flak and the Luftwaffe's Messerschmitt and Focke-Wulf fighters shot down the airplane on Sept. 6, 1943.

With the damaged bomber kept aloft by just one of its four engines, pilot Ralph Fulphier ordered the crew to bail out. McLain jumped from 10,000 feet. A German fighter circled his parachute, the pilot waving at him before peeling off.

He hid in a forest while Nazi spotter planes circled overhead. The next day, he approached a farmer and, despite the language barrier, learned that the man knew someone in the Underground, the resistance movement.

During the next few months, McLain moved from the home of one family to another in the Underground, dressed as a farmer and getting forged identification papers. He moved among Nazi soldiers who might have shot him if they had known his identity.

From Paris he got a train to the south of France, where in January 1944 he found himself among 62 aviators — American, British, Canadian and Australian — sent to smugglers who were paid to take them across the rugged Pyrenees to neutral Spain.

They traveled only at night in sometimes waist-deep snow. No fires were allowed, food was scarce and their feet were soon blistered and frostbitten.

On the third night, the smugglers disappeared and the airmen trudged into a Spanish town — where they were immediately thrown in prison.

Within days, however, they were taken to Gibraltar and put on a plane back to London. McLain returned to the States, where he trained other men to fly B-17 missions.

All 10 of the "Black Ghost" crewmen survived, although six of them were captured and spent the rest of the war in a German prison camp. They held reunions over the years, but only three are still alive.



Willard 'Mac' McLain displays a 1943 photo of his B-17 crew on Aug. 2 in Tampa, Fla. McLain, in the front row, second from left, and his story of survival after his plane was shot down over occupied France in September 1943 is like a Hollywood adventure movie.

Paint it Black

Cowboy poet plans trip to Twin Falls—
Friday in Week-End



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Bush: 'All options are on the table' in Iran nuclear talks



President Bush

JERUSALEM (AP) — In a stern warning to Iran, President Bush said "all options are on the table" if the Iranians refuse to comply with international demands to halt their nuclear program, pointing out he has already used force to protect U.S. security.

Bush's statement during an interview on Israeli TV late Friday was unusually harsh.

He previously said diplomacy should be used to persuade Iran

to suspend its nuclear program and if that failed then the U.N. Security Council should impose sanctions.

The U.S. government and others fear Iran's nuclear work is secretly designed to produce nuclear weapons.

Iran's leaders deny that, saying it is only for the generation of electricity.

In the interview, Bush said the United States and Israel "are united

in our objective to make sure that Iran does not have a weapon."

But, he said, if diplomacy fails "all options are on the table."

"The use of force is the last option for any president. You know, we've used force in the recent past to secure our country," he said.

Iran's government resumed uranium conversion at its nuclear facility in Isfahan this past week.

The U.N. nuclear watchdog agency, the International Atomic Energy Agency, responded by issuing a warning to Iran on Thursday that expressed "serious concern" about Iran's intentions.

Bush welcomed the warning, which signaled that the West wanted to give diplomacy time to ease the standoff.

In Vienna, Austria, where the IAEA is based, diplomats said Iran

faced a Sept. 3 deadline to stop uranium conversion or face possible referral to the Security Council, which has the power to impose crippling sanctions.

The diplomats spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the IAEA board's proceedings.

Iran, which insists its nuclear program is peaceful, responded with indignation to the IAEA warning.

Drugmakers balk at high rebates for the military

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The nation's leading drug manufacturers are refusing to pay hundreds of millions of dollars in pharmacy rebates that Pentagon officials say they have been counting on to help control soaring medical costs.

The rebate program was designed in late 2002 to ensure that prescription drugs purchased at retail pharmacies by military personnel and their families would be sold at the same discount given to the Department of Defense for use in its hospitals, clinics and mail-order program. Rebates are based on the difference between the retail price and the bulk discount.

Pharmaceutical industry representatives contend it is illegal for the Pentagon to collect the rebates because individual beneficiaries are making the purchases rather than government buyers, who are entitled to bulk discounts. An industry group called the Coalition for Government Procurement has filed suit against the Bush administration, a move some drug company executives acknowledged has escalated tensions between the two sides and dampened hopes for a compromise.

"We had been negotiating with DOD since the beginning of this year to implement a refund both sides would be satisfied with," said Maurizio Capriano, spokeswoman for Pfizer, the top-selling drugmaker in the United States, with nearly \$30 billion in sales for the past 12 months. Although Pfizer is not a member of the coalition, Capriano said, the company is awaiting the outcome of the lawsuit filed in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Like private employers who are buckling under rising health care bills, the Defense Department has instituted several innovative — and somewhat controversial — measures for holding down costs. High on the target list is pharmaceutical spending, a line item that rose from \$1 billion in 2000 to nearly \$2 billion this year.

This year the Pentagon expects to spend \$2 billion on retail drug purchases, which on average are 24 percent more expensive than medications bought in bulk by the departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs, the Coast Guard, and the U.S. Public Health Service — known as the "big four" purchasers.

Higher retail prices do not affect the 6.4 million active members of the military, retirees and their dependents who have prescription drug coverage through the Pentagon's Tricare health insurance plan.

Tricare, which serves 9.2 million beneficiaries, works similar to private health insurance, although the Pentagon covers a larger portion of the cost than most plans in the private market. Lt. James Young, who just retired as director of the Pentagon's pharmacy programs, said two main factors have exacerbated the military's cost crunch: a growing retiree population that tends to take more medications, and more costly medicines and a large shift toward using retail pharmacies as military bases and hospitals around the country have closed.

Average prescription costs for beneficiaries older than 65 almost doubled over the past three years, from \$791 in 2002 to \$1,452 this year, he said.

"Our beneficiaries do not have the same access to a military treatment facility pharmacy as they once did," he added. "Now they have greater access to a retail network. That was the trade-off in the base-closing plan."

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Airline screening may see changes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal agency in charge of aviation security is considering major changes in how it screens airline passengers, including proposals that an official said would lift the ban on carrying razorblades and small knives as well as limit patdown searches.

The Transportation Security Administration will meet later this month to discuss the plan, which is designed to reduce checkpoint hassles for the nation's 2 million passengers. It comes after TSA's new head, Edmund S. "Kip" Hawley, called for a broad review in hopes of making airline screening more passenger-friendly.

An initial set of staff recommendations drafted Aug. 5 also proposes that passengers no longer have to routinely remove their shoes during security checks. Instead, only passengers who set off metal detectors, are flagged by a computer screening system or look "reasonably suspicious" would be asked to do so, a TSA official said Saturday.

Any of the changes proposed by the staff, which also would allow scissors, ice picks and bows and arrows on flights, would require Hawley's approval, this official said, requesting anonymity because there has been no final decision.

"The process is designed to stimulate creative thinking and challenge conventional beliefs," said Mark Hatfield, TSA's spokesman. "In the end, it will allow us to work smarter and better as we secure America's transportation system."

Man who claimed to have played an Oompa Loompa admits lie

RENO, Nev. (AP) — A man who long claimed to have played one of Willy Wonka's Oompa Loompas in the original 1971 motion picture now admits he was lying.

Ezzy Dame, a hairdresser and art enthusiast, confessed Tuesday in an interview with the Reno Gazette-Journal. He said the false claim seemed harmless at the time but grew into a beast

of a deception.

"It was not for fame or glory," said Dame, 57, of Reno. "I never made a profit or earned a financial gain from this."

Dame said he was 23, 4 feet tall and weighed 90 pounds at the time. He was looking for an acting job and said his agent told him to pad his resume with an acting credit from Mel Stuart's film "Willy Wonka & the

Chocolate Factory."

The movie was Dame's favorite. He watched it religiously, partly because it portrayed little actors in a positive way. And he needed to watch so he could embellish his story.

There is something so special when a child looks at a little person and they're not scared or feel that they're looking at a freak. When you say you played

that part, they look at you and smile. They see you as a human being," he told the newspaper.

Two stories were published in Reno newspapers in 2003 with Dame commenting on playing an Oompa Loompa.

The claim came to the attention of Russy Goff, credited in Stuart's film as an original Oompa Loompa.

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Oompa Loompas. Goff of England wrote in an e-mail to the Gazette-Journal.

"Six English guys, one English girl, one Turkish, one Maltese and one German. Unfortunately, six of them are now dead. And the girl is in a retirement home here in England. She is very old and now blind so I do like to keep her privacy. All are in poor health. I hope you understand."

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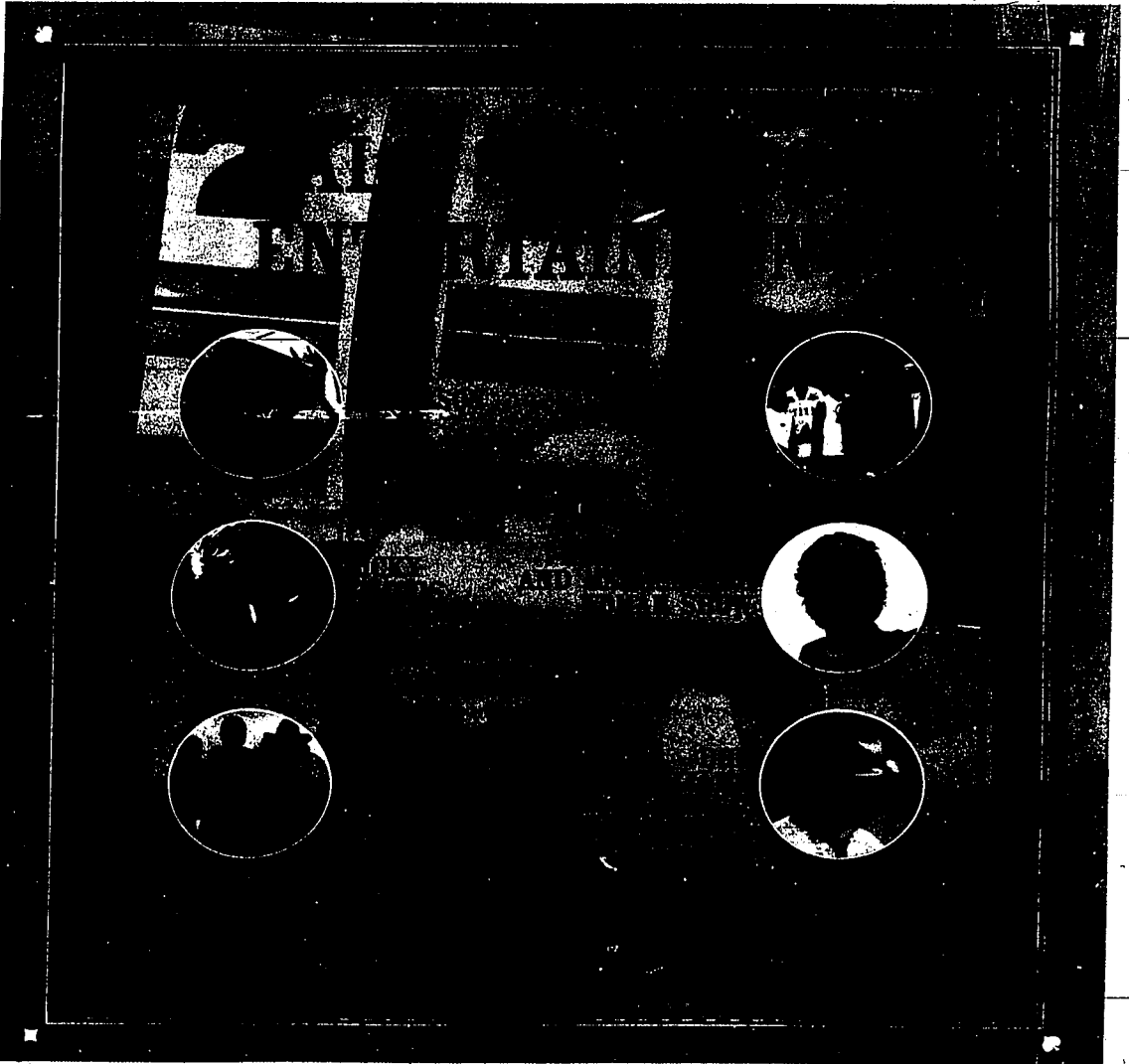


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Mixed feelings on old enemy

Statue captures Asian attitude toward Japan's imperial era

MABALACAT, Philippines (AP) — Even now, 60 years later, it's an arresting sight: a life-size statue of a Japanese kamikaze pilot next to a former U.S. Air Force base. Yet as the Philippines and the rest of east Asia remember the Japanese surrender on Aug. 15, 1945, the statue commemorating the first suicide pilots seems to sum up their ambivalence toward Japan's imperial era of aggression and brutal occupation.

Some have protested about the fiberglass statue since it went up 10 months ago, while others see in it a sign of forgiveness. But it's also a recognition of the power of the yen: Japanese tourists flock to the airfield to see the World War II museum and honor the pilots who took off from here on their one-way missions against the advancing U.S. Navy.

Japan, the world's second biggest economy, has a gigantic economic footprint in the region. Trade with other east Asian countries totaled \$1 trillion for the year ending in March. Last year China replaced the United States as its biggest trading partner.

Japan is the biggest buyer of Philippine exports, and the two states are negotiating a free-trade agreement.

In that context, what happened 60 or more years ago tends to lose relevance. "The Japanese were very brutal, very tough to Filipinos," says Faustino Arceo, the toothless 68-year-old gardener who tends the shrubbery around the statue of the goggled, helmeted flier. "Before, I was angry. But now, I can't do anything. It's the past."

In China and South Korea, which bore the brunt of wartime aggression, anti-Japanese sentiment erupts periodically, stoked by perceptions of Japanese brutality toward its wartime conduct. This year the issue that sent protesting crowds into the streets was the release of school textbooks which they said whitewash atrocities.

At the same time, many Asian countries look to Japan, holder of the main U.S. force in east Asia, to serve as a counterweight to China's rising economic and military might. There in Mahabacat, the former Clark Air Base in the northern Philippines, city tourism chief Edgar Hilbero says there was "a lot of criticism of the statue. But he concedes the decision to put it up was driven by tourists as much as by history.

Every October, hundreds of Japanese tourists, war veterans, students and Buddhist monks travel here to honor the kamikaze with flowers, incense and prayers.

Japan captured the Philippines in 1942, and it was from the airfield at Clark that the first kamikaze squad took off on Oct. 1944 to August 1945, 618 Allied ships were damaged or sunk by 2,526 suicide pilots, according to Japan's Imperial War Base History Museum. Some historians put the number of kamikaze at 5,000.

The Americans recaptured the Philippines in 1945 and gave it full independence a year later, but kept their bases here until 1991. Clark has since been transformed into a tourism zone, with a commercial airport, hotels and golf courses.

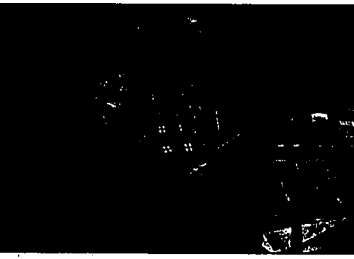
Hilbero said he is also working on putting up a memorial to U.S. Capt. Colin Kelly Jr., who died when his B-17 bomber crashed at Clark three days after the attack on Pearl Harbor. For bombing a Japanese warship, Kelly became the first U.S. serviceman decorated in World War II.

"We are not taking sides," Hilbero said. "We are using war history to promote good will, friendship and closer relationship between nations, not to glorify anybody, not even kamikaze. War is evil. It's not the people who fought the war. That's the message."

A similar message comes from 95-year-old Elizabeth Choy in Singapore, where Japanese troops were as many as 100,000 ethnic Chinese. A national heroine, she features prominently in school textbooks for her 200-day ordeal of imprisonment and



A life-size fiberglass statue of the first kamikaze pilot, who took off from this steep World War II airfield, shown in background, in October 1944 in a desperate attempt to turn the tide against the advancing Americans. Statue stands high, along a highway 50 miles north of Manila, Aug. 3.



Local historian, Daniel Dizon, checks the condition of a Japanese Samurai sword, at Angeles city in Pampanga province in northern Philippines, Aug. 3. Dizon, who spent much of his life studying the Japanese suicide squadrons, is the man behind the building of Japanese Kamikaze markers in this town.

torture by the Japanese secret police for helping to smuggle money, food, medicine and radio parts into the prison that held some 75,000 Allied POWs and civilians.

Choy says she has no hard feelings toward today's Japanese. "They've always been a very hardworking and — ambitious people and they want the best for their nation."

She added, "What I detest is not the Japanese, but war itself." Many of the territories Japan invaded were ruled by Western powers — Singapore and the Malay peninsula by the British, Indonesia by the French, the Philippines by the Americans, Indonesia by the Dutch — and Tokyo presented its invasions as acts of national liberation.

But Singapore, is also cashing in on war tourism, though its travel packages are tailored for veterans and former POWs from Britain, Australia and New Zealand.

In Australia, war veterans in the farming town of Cowra tend the graves of 231 Japanese soldiers in machines-gunned as they launched a suicidal stampede for their camp's barbed wire fences on Aug. 5, 1944. In 1979 a 12-acre memorial garden opened and has become a tourist attraction.

The Filipino behind the kamikaze initiative is a local historian, Daniel Dizon, who spent much of his life studying the suicide squadrons and built a museum in his house with rusty guns, bayonets, old photos and Japanese uniforms.

"It was very agonizing because people hated Japanese so much. Anything that you bring about in public regarding the Japanese was met with intense hostility and anger, and nobody wanted to listen," he said.

Dizon was 15 when Angeles City, which now encompasses Mababacat, was full of kamikaze pilots. He says he was fascinated by their determination and patriotism. In the early 1970s, Dizon tracked down what he says was the house in Mababacat where Japanese Vice Adm. Takijiro Ohnishi and his staff had the meeting on Oct. 20, 1944 that led to the birth of the first 23-man kamikaze squad.

For years, he struggled to persuade the owners to allow

“Why should we have a monument to glorify that war? We were victimized.”

—Rechilda Extremadura, spokeswoman for women enslaved in Japanese military brothels in Asia

spokeswoman for more than 100 women among the thousands enslaved in Japanese military brothels in several Asian countries. She said the women protested to the provincial governor about the kamikaze statue.

"Why should we have a monument to glorify that war? We were victimized," she said. "It's OK for me for Japan, to glorify their troops, but not for a country like us, who were pillaged and destroyed by the Japanese. It's not proper."

In Manila, writer Francisco Solon Jose applauds the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

"I haven't changed my feelings, and I am 80 years old," he said. "If you were here during the Japanese occupation, you would understand how I feel. And this is precisely the problem — that many Filipinos don't have a living experience of that occupation, so they can afford to be very blasé, very forgiving. But not those of us who lived through it."

Other Filipinos are less conciliatory. Rechilda Extremadura is a

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U.S. ambassador blasts Zimbabwe government

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — A U.S. diplomat blasted from meeting victims of President Robert Mugabe's mass evictions campaign, criticized the Zimbabwe government Saturday for interfering with aid efforts and warned of outrage in Congress over the worsening humanitarian crisis.

Tony Hall, the U.S. ambassador to the U.N. World Food Program and Food and Agriculture Organization, said the United States would donate \$510 million worth of food for Zimbabwe and the neighboring drought-stricken countries of Zambia, Malawi, Lesotho and Swaziland.

The 73,500 tons will be sufficient to feed 5 million to 6 million people for a month, he told reporters at Harare airport. "Despite our differences with the government, the United States will stand by the people of Zimbabwe because there is no place for politics, while it comes to feeding hungry peo-

ple," Hall said at the end of a three-day visit.

But he warned that the U.S. donation "only scratched the surface of an essentially political problem."

The World Food Program says up to a third of Zimbabwe's 12 million people may suffer from food shortages, even though Mugabe's government has played down the need for outside help.

Hall said Zimbabwean bureaucracy was keeping 10,000 tons of food aid from U.S. relief groups "bottled up" in the South African port of Durban, over alleged lack of import licenses. He said another group had not been given permission to distribute 15,000 tons already here.

An aid convoy from the South African Council of Churches has also been held up for nearly a week as the Zimbabwe government insists on certificates to prove it contains no genetically modified food.

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Gaza withdrawal causes pressure

Los Angeles Times

KFAR DAROM, Gaza Strip — Separated by a towering concrete wall, Dan Amiel and Khalil Bashir are neighbors who have never met — and in all likelihood never will.

Amiel, a 20-year-old Israeli living in the heavily fortified Jewish settlement of Kfar Darom in the heart of the Gaza Strip, lost half of his right leg to a Palestinian rocket attack last year.

Bashir, a Palestinian school-teacher, has for years lived under the gun: Israeli soldiers commanded the top floors of his house in the village of Deir el Balah as an observation post, and his family sleeps in a single room downstairs.

Now Israel is poised to extricate Amiel and nearly 9,000 other settlers from Gaza after 38 years of occupation, handing over the dusty seaside strip to the more than 1.3 million Palestinians living there in a historic move that poses enormous tests for both societies.

Israel's withdrawal from all 21 Gaza settlements and four others in the northern West Bank officially starts Monday when troops and police begin knocking on doors, telling residents they must leave their homes within 48 hours.

The planned evacuation, which marks the first time Israel has uprooted established communities from land the Palestinians claim for a future state, has opened deep fissures in Israeli society.

Just as significant, however, are broad questions the handover poses for the struggling new Palestinian leadership and the tentative prospects for eventual peace between the two sides.

Palestinians are preparing to mark the Israeli pullout with street celebrations on a scale not seen in years. "Everything is selling fast," said Gaza City souvenir shopkeeper Tareq Abu Dayeh, whose merchandise includes Palestinian flags emblazoned with the slogan "Free Gaza" and "I Love Palestine" T-shirts.

But the Israeli withdrawal also spotlights the bare-knuckles competition between the governing Palestinian Authority and militant groups such as Hamas and Islamic Jihad, all eager to claim credit for the pullout.



The Bashir family lives on the front line in Deir el Balah, Gaza, where they are under constant watch of the Israeli soldiers. Khalil Bashir and his wife Suad have raised a family in their home and don't want to leave.

Hamas says it will continue fight.

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"We regard it as a total victory for Hamas," said Mahmoud Zahar, a physician who last year became the group's senior leader in Gaza, mainly by dint of surviving multiple assassination attempts by Israel.

The evacuation will sorely test the strength and backing of Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas, a pragmatist who opposes armed struggle and wants to see Israel leave Gaza without an outbreak of attacks by Palestinian militants.

Rocket and mortar fire by groups such as Hamas would undo harsh Israeli reprisals and undercut Abbas' effort to portray the withdrawal as an achievement for his 7-month-old government.

Even an orderly exit will likely amplify Hamas' claim that it chased Israel out, just as the militant group embarks on its inaugural run for seats in Palestinian parliamentary elections,

tentatively set in January. "We are on the verge of achieving a dream of the Palestinian people, a dream we have long been waiting for, and that is to see the occupiers start leaving our land," Abbas told lawmakers in a Gaza City speech last week. While he spoke, musked gunmen strated outside the parliament building, a reminder of the lawlessness that plagues many Palestinian cities, especially those in Gaza.

The Palestinian Authority is doing what it can to signal its readiness to keep order. On a sandy vacant lot in Gaza City, with the sparkling blue Mediterranean as an incongruous backdrop, hundreds of sweating Palestinian troops last week staged field drills for the cameras, marching in parade formation and struggling through a round of calisthenics.

Their commander, Col. Mohammed Ra'ava, appealed to the international community to better arm the Palestinian security forces, acknowledging they are outgunned by Hamas.

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WORLD

25 years later, Poles remember revolution

GDANSK, Poland (AP) — In the Gdansk shipyard, where a humble Polish electrician named Lech Walesa started a revolution 25 years ago, stands a mock food store offering a few pats of lard, some minced meat and vinegar. An old phone booth has an "Out of Order" sign, and a recorded woman's voice warns users that the line is tapped.



Lech Walesa, leader of the former Solidarity Union, reacts to cheers by his fellow workers as he leaves the Lenin Shipyard in Gdansk, Poland, in this June 17, 1983, file photo.

when three sons of Russian diplomats were beaten up in Warsaw last month and robbed of their cell phones. Poland expressed regret but rebuffed Moscow's demand for an official apology saying the attack wasn't political and Moscow was overreacting.

Still, Poland remains heavily dependent on Russian oil and gas. Moscow, Poles jokingly quip, could turn off all the lights in Poland if it so wished.

But while the nation can't entirely escape the Russian shadow, it has worked hard to expunge the legacy. The former Lenin Shipyard of Gdansk is now the Gdansk Shipyard, having long ago dropped the name of the Soviet founding father. Gone are monuments to Soviet heroes. Streets are no longer named after Lenin and Karl Marx, but after Jan Pawel II — John Paul II — the pope whose 1979 pilgrimage to his native Poland was an early harbinger of the rise of Solidarity.

The rancor was also evident in the Kremlin's angry reaction

The exhibit in a shipyard that has become a shrine to communism's victims, is meant to remind Poles — if any need reminding — how miserly and dysfunctional life used to be. That era is fading into history. Nowadays Poles can own cell phones. They can say what they please, travel abroad, and elect whomever they like — be it Walesa or his old communist foes, now back in power but re-fashioned into model democrats. Poland sends troops to help the Americans in Iraq. It belongs to NATO. Membership in the prosperous European Union has anchored the nation of 39 million firmly in the West.

Such is the vast arc of change Poland has experienced since the birth of the Solidarity movement 25 years ago today, when Walesa led a shipyard strike that would last 18 days, plant the seeds for the death of the communist regime nine years later, and foreshadow the collapse of the Soviet Union.

"Those were great days that changed the world," says Walesa. He's 61 now, his face ruddy and his bushy trademark mustache turned and gray. The Nobel Peace Prize winner who went on to be Poland's president has been out of office for 10 years but is once again the center of international attention as Solidarity's anniversary approaches.

He's still a plain-spoken, casually dressed man, occasionally showing traces of the old insensibility that helped turn the voters against him. "Next question please!" He snaps after answering the previous one.

"In this place, in 1980, in a final way, we defeated communism in Poland, Europe and the world," he said in an interview with The Associated Press in his spacious office a few blocks from the shipyard.

"I organized everyone, all professions, and attracted the cameras of the whole world. I told the world: 'We don't want them (the communists). They don't represent us. We don't want communism!'"

The strike he led culminated in a historic accord with the government out of which arose Eastern Europe's first independent workers' movement.

It wasn't the end of the affair, though. The following year Walesa went to jail as communist authorities imposed martial law. But the momentum proved unstoppable. In 1989, the communists were humiliated in Poland's first semi-free election. Then the Berlin Wall fell, and across Eastern Europe, communist regimes collapsed one after another.

The 1980 accord was signed on Aug. 31, and this year on Aug. 29-31, international figures will attend 25th anniversary ceremonies in Gdansk and Warsaw, among them Vaclav Havel, the dissident playwright who led neighboring Czechoslovakia's revolt out of communism and, like Walesa, became president.

As Poles celebrate, they do so in a country that feels it has reached home port after a long and stormy voyage.

Being overwhelmingly Catholic among Slavic Orthodox nations, and using the Latin alphabet rather than Cyrillic, Poles feel they have always belonged with the West and bristle at being called Eastern European.

They harbor old grievances — against the Germans who brutally occupied Poland in World War II, against the Soviets whose proxies ruled them for 45 years, and against the wartime Allies who made the Kremlin's takeover possible. The rift with Russia has worsened lately, after Poland mediated an end to last year's election crisis in Ukraine, clearly taking the side of the pro-Western, anti-Moscow camp of Viktor Yushchenko.

Yushchenko, now president of Ukraine, will be among the guests at the Solidarity anniversary. However, no Russian officials have been invited.

The Ukraine dispute is widely thought to be the underlying motive for recent Russian slights against Poland, including President Vladimir Putin's failure during May ceremonies in Moscow marking the end of World War II, to mention Polish

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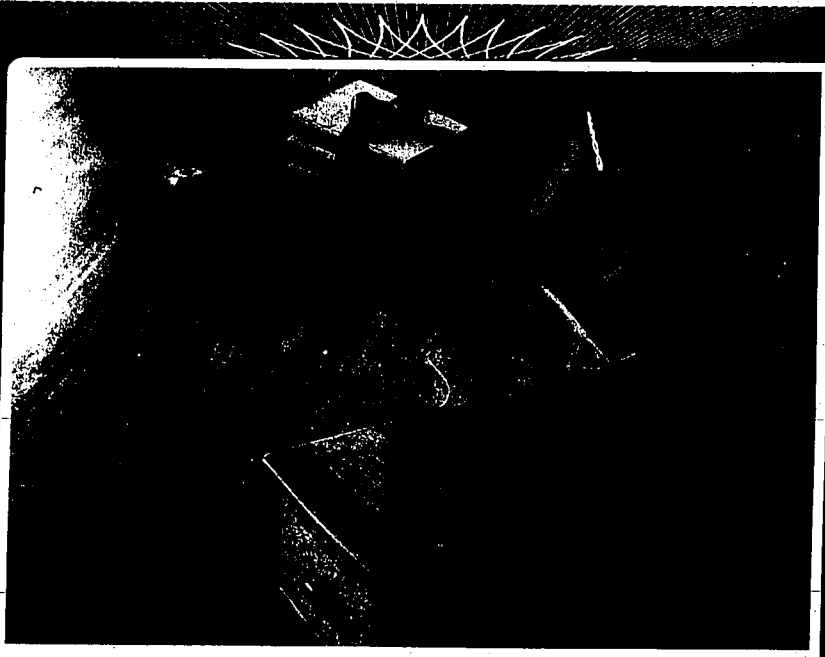
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OPINION

Free speech vs. need for security

So what should countries do about free speech when confronted with mass terrorism, including possibly nuclear terrorism? Some say the freedom of the press in a country must be protected at all costs, even if such protection increases danger to the citizenry. Others suggest that other values, such as national survival, should also be taken into account.



JAMES P. PINKERTON

freedom and liberty? And should we wonder anymore why the Russians fear and mistrust Uncle Sam?

This debate has come to a head in Russia — but it won't be long before it comes here, too. Last month ABC News' "Nightline" aired a secret-location interview with Shamil Basayev, the Chechen rebel leader. In which Basayev defended his terrorist actions against Russia. Indeed, Basayev attempted to turn the tables on the Russians, whom he has been fighting for decades now. He claimed that if he was a terrorist, so was Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Not surprisingly, the Russian government was furious. Moscow yanked ABC News' journalistic accreditation, effectively putting the network out of business in the country. Andrei Babitsky, the reporter who interviewed Basayev, is known to be sympathetic to the Chechen cause, as his own previous questions demonstrated. To add another twist, Babitsky is an employee of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, the U.S.-sponsored radio network. Babitsky says he took a leave of absence to meet with Basayev. Of course, one might wonder how Basayev answered questions to Muslim insurgents really advance the cause of

freedom and liberty? And should we wonder anymore why the Russians fear and mistrust Uncle Sam?

But in the meantime, Big Media in the United States is hugely upset at the Russians. As ABC News President David West declared, his organization will not allow "any government to restrict us from reporting the news fully and accurately." And The Washington Post editorial page added its voice, too. The Post conceded that Basayev "meets any definition of a terrorist," citing incidents that left 817 Russians dead. But then, pointing to ABC's discreditation only as Moscow's most recent civil liberties outrage, the editorial lamented that the "undermining of democratic civil society is lost on the Russian authorities."

That's the Post matted ABC "Nightline" host Ted Koppel on the back for saying, "Freedom of speech ... is of real value only because it guarantees us access to the truth, no matter how unpleasant the unacceptable." All this First Amendment invoking may be great at a journalism-school seminar, but a realistic remains: In the real world, is letting journalists consort with mass murderers any way to run homeland security in Russia or for any other country?

Let's stipulate that Putin is a

neo-Stalinist who would love to squash what remains of freedom in Russia. Let's also stipulate that Putin's country would be better off if it simply evacuated Chechnya. But in the meantime, the Russians have their people to defend.

Indeed, if anything, the Russians under-reacted to the interview. If Moscow were really interested in thwarting Chechen violence, the police would have detained Babitsky, asking him, in no uncertain terms, to provide all the particulars of his rendezvous with Basayev — every little clue helps.

Of course, if the Russians had put the squeeze on Babitsky to get to Basayev, the international uproar would have been even louder — although not as loud, maybe, as the next big explosion in Russia, a land where thousands of "loose end nuclear" are inadequately accounted for.

So let's not hide from the next logical question: What if an American reporter secures an interview with Osama bin Laden, in which, perhaps, the al-Qaida leader threatens to make the United States pay? Should the First Amendment preclude the FBI from taking an interest in the logistics of that encounter?

Freedom of the press might win over homeland security — but only before a Big One goes off. After such a blowup, which seems inevitable, a trade-off between free speech and homeland security will change. And change decisively.

James Pinkerton is a *Newsday* columnist.

LETTERS

T.F. should protect rim property, farm acres

My husband and I are natives of Twin Falls and, early on, we returned to your city to attend my high school reunion. We were pleased to see how Twin Falls is growing and that many stores have opened up to strengthen the economy there. We have even given some thought to returning to Twin Falls now that we are retired. There are, however, two areas of concern that I would like to address.

One is all the housing developments that we saw springing up on the outskirts of town. These were used to be farmland there are now houses. My question is, if we continue to let developers buy the farmland and build on it, who will grow the food?

This is not a problem just in around the country. Will we someday be dependent on foreign countries to grow our food like we are dependent on them to provide us with oil? This is a frightening thought.

Another area of concern for those classmates who remained in Twin Falls after graduation and farmed. I would hope that they and their children continue to tradition far into the future.

The other area of concern became evident when we visited the beautiful Snake River canyon. We were walking on the path that starts at the visitor's center and were thinking what a wonderful idea it was to make a path that goes along the rim when we suddenly came to the end of the trail because a private developer had staked out his property right up to the canyon edge. Later while at Dierkes Lake, we were dismayed to look up along the rim of the canyon and see huge houses right on the edge.

Wake up, Twin Falls, and do something about this before it is too late. The canyon and its rim should belong to all the people and not to a few wealthy home owners. The walking path should run along the canyon edge for miles and not be halted for a few individuals who think they have the right to sit on the very rim of the canyon. That canyon is your greatest natural asset. You are in danger of losing it, and that will be a shame.

LOIS WIDENER ALWORTH
New Orleans, La.

Public Institutions Wound Bureaucrats

Kelly Walton misrepresented both content and context of my letter to the editor, thereby making both "straw men" to be mown with the razor sharpness of sophomoric wit.

Walton's assertion that I advocated "... government services over privatization" is a puerile nonsense. His wrong for two reasons:

1. The definition of the word "privatization" is the economic process of transferring property from public to private ownership, opposite of nationalization.

2. As a nationalist, I believe in big capitalism and public institutions, not one over the other.

However, capitalism has morphed into mega corporations, thus emptying governmental power which infuses money into Third World countries if said countries privatize all public institutions, it's called "nation building," sometimes achieved militarily.

And that's utopian, which I borrow from rightist Plato's leftist Sir Thomas More. Neither do I like a dystopian, writing from the jaws of hell.

The albatross of extremism here belong around Bush's neck, not mine, for his bogus reasons to nation build in Iraq, instead of say Saudi Arabia or Iran, which indeed have connections with Osama's terrorists.

I then called attention to Bush's efforts to privatize Iraq ministries and public institutions, fearing the effort might be a harbinger of neocon plans for the good old U.S.A.

From such hypothesis, I detailed wrongs of privatizing education, police and fire departments, prisons, etc. They threaten quality and accessibility of services, absolve government of responsibility, allow government to evade public scrutiny and continue the perversion of government by mega corporations.

And private enterprises, I mentioned, were not small, local businesses but unregulated mega-corporations, which under the aegis of the North

American Free Trade Agreement and Central American Free Trade Agreement have blown the coop from national obligations, moving their assets to Third World countries and Communist China, where labor is dirt cheap, leaving behind waves of illegals and a shrinking American middle class.

Increasingly, mega corporations bank off shom, pay no taxes and work through government to privatize public institutions such as Social Security.

Moreover, our brave warriors are commanded to pack Iraq for what Sen. John McCain called, "... a huge pot of honey that's attracting a lot of flies," the flies, course being mega corporations, which our warriors must protect.

It is, therefore, imperative to get enough troops there to do the nation-building job properly, or bring the present insufficient forces home.

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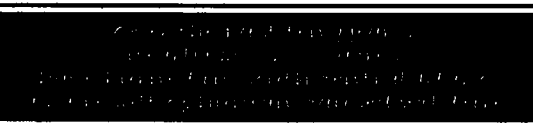
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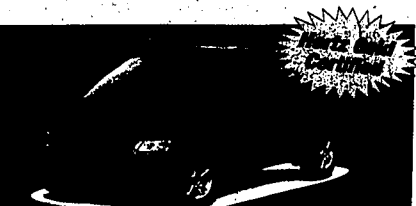
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Mixed feelings on old enemy

Statue captures Asian attitude toward Japan's imperial era

MABALACAT, Philippines (AP) — Even now, 60 years later, it's an arresting sight: a life-size statue of a Japanese kamikaze pilot next to a former U.S. Air Force base.

Yet as the Philippines and the rest of east Asia remember the Japanese surrender on Aug. 15, 1945, the statue commemorating the first suicide pilot seems to sum up their ambivalence toward Japan's imperial era of aggression and brutal occupation.

Some have protested about the fiberglass statue since it went up 10 months ago, while others see it in an act of forgiveness. But it's also a recognition of the pain of the yen: Japanese tourists flock to the airfield to see the World War II museum and honor the pilots who took off from here on their one-way missions against the advancing U.S. Navy.

Japan, the world's second biggest economy, has a giant economic footprint in the region. Trade with other east Asian countries totaled \$1 trillion for the year ending in March. Last year China replaced the United States as its biggest trading partner.

Japan is the biggest buyer of Philippine exports, and the two states are negotiating a free-trade agreement.

In that context, what happened 60 or more years ago tends to lose relevance. "The Japanese were very brutal, very hostile to Filipinos," says Faustino Arco, the toothless 60-year-old guide, who tends the shrubby around the statue of the goggled, helmeted flier. "Before, I was angry. Now, I can't do anything. It's the past."

In China and South Korea, which bore the brunt of wartime aggression, anti-Japanese sentiment erupts periodically, stoked by perceptions that Tokyo has never fully atoned for its wartime conduct. This year, a series of student protesting crowds into the streets was Japanese school textbooks which they said whitewashed atrocities.

At the same time, many Asian countries look to Japan, home of the main U.S. force in the region, as a source of economic weight to China's rising economic and military might. Here in Mabalacat, next to former Clark Air Base in the northern Philippines, city tourism chief Edgar Hilbero says there was "a lot" of criticism of the statue, and that led to the decision to erect it as much as by history.

Every October, hundreds of Japanese tourists, mostly students and Buddhist monks travel here to honor the kamikaze with flowers, incense and prayers. Japan captured the Philippines in 1942, and it was from the airfield at Clark that the first kamikazes took off. From October 1944 to August 1945, 618 Allied ships were damaged or sunk by 2,526 suicide pilots, according to Japan's Kanoya Air Base History Museum. Some historians put the number of kamikaze at 5,000.

The Americans recaptured the Philippines in 1945 and gave it full independence a year later, but kept their bases here until 1991. Clark has since been transformed into a commercial zone, with a commercial airport, hotels and golf courses.

Hilbero said he is also working on putting a memorial to U.S. Capt. Colin Kelly Jr., who died when his B-17 bomber crashed at Clark three days after the attack on Pearl Harbor. For bombing a Japanese warship, Kelly became the first U.S. serviceman decorated in World War II. "We're not taking sides," Hilbero said. "We are using war history to promote good will, friendship and closer relationship between nations, or to glorify anybody, not even kamikaze. War is evil. It's not the people who fought the war. That is our message."

A similar message comes from 95-year-old Elizabeth Choy in Singapore, where Japanese soldiers died in a 1942 attack on 10,000 ethnic Chinese. "A national heroine, she features prominently in school textbooks for her 200-day ordeal of imprisonment and



A life-size fiberglass statue of the first kamikaze pilot, who took off from this sleepy World War II airfield, shown in background, in October 1944 in a desperate attempt to turn the tide against the advancing Americans, stands high, along a highway 50 miles north of Manila, Aug. 3.

Local historian, Daniel Dizon, checks the condition of a Japanese Samurai sword, at Angeles city in Pangasinan province in northern Philippines, Aug. 3. Dizon, who spent much of his life studying the Japanese suicide squadrons, is the man behind the building of Japanese Kamikaze markers in this town.

him to put up a small marker on the fence around the nondescript, single-story house. They rented only after Dizon enlisted the help of a local businessman, who saw a chance to make money in a landlocked province with few other attractions.

When it saw Japanese tourists starting to pour in, he said, the city prodded him to find and mark other kamikaze spots.

Now 75, Dizon believes the suicide pilots should not be equated with Japanese aggression and atrocities, "because the kamikaze acted in self-defense."

Other Filipinos are less conciliatory. "But not those of us who lived through it,"

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U.S. ambassador blasts Zimbabwe government

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — A U.S. diplomat barred from meeting victims of President Robert Mugabe's evictive campaign, criticized the Zimbabwe government Saturday for interfering with aid efforts and warned of outrage in Congress over the "worsening humanitarian crisis."

Tony Hall, the U.S. ambassador to the U.N. World Food Program and Food and Agriculture Organization, said the United States would donate \$51.8 million worth of food for Zimbabwe and the neighboring drought-stricken countries of Zambia, Malawi, Lesotho and Swaziland.

The 73,500 tons will be sufficient to feed 5 million to 6 million people for a month, he told reporters at Harare airport. "Despite our differences with the government, the United States will stand by the people of Zimbabwe because there is no place for politics when it comes to feeding hungry people."

But he warned that the U.S. donation "only scratched the surface of an essentially political problem." The World Food Program says up to a third of Zimbabwe's 12 million people may suffer from food shortages, even though Mugabe's government has played down the need for outside help.

The U.S. Zimbabwean bureaucracy was keeping 10,000 tons of food aid in U.S. relief groups "bottled up" in the South African port of Durban, over alleged lack of import licenses. He said another group had not been given permission to distribute 15,000 tons already here.

An aid convoy from the South African Council of Churches has also been held up for nearly a week as the Zimbabwe government insists on certificates to prove it contains no genetically modified food.

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WORLD

Gaza withdrawal causes pressure

Los Angeles Times

KFAR DAROM, Gaza Strip — Separated by a towering concrete wall, Dan Amiel and Khalil Basrah are neighbors who have never met — and in all likelihood never will.

Amiel, a 20-year-old Israeli living in the heavily fortified Jewish settlement of Kfar Darom in the heart of the Gaza Strip, lost half of his right leg to a Palestinian rocket attack last year.

Basrah, a Palestinian school teacher, has for years lived under the gun: Israeli soldiers commandeered the top floors of his house in the village of Deir el Balah as an observation post, and his family sleeps in a single room downstairs.

New Israel is poised to extricate Amiel and nearly 9,000 other settlers from Gaza after 38 years of occupation, handing over the dusty seaside strip to the more than 1.3 million Palestinians living there in a historic move that poses enormous tests for both societies.

Israel's withdrawal from all 21 Gaza settlements and four others in the northern West Bank officially starts Monday, when troops and police begin knocking on doors, telling residents they must leave their homes within 48 hours.

The planned evacuation, which marks the first time Israel has uprooted established communities from land the Palestinians claim as a future state, has opened deep fissures in Israeli society.

Just as significant, however, are broad questions the hand-over poses for the struggling new Palestinian leadership and the tentative prospects for eventual peace between the two sides.

Palestinians are preparing to mark the Israeli pullout with street celebrations on a scale not seen in years. "Everything is selling fast," said Gaza City souvenir shopkeeper Tareq Abu Dayeh, whose merchandise includes Palestinian flags emblazoned with the slogan "Free Gaza" and "I Love Palestine" T-shirts.

But the Israeli withdrawal also spotlights the bare-knuckles competition between the governing Palestinian Authority and Hamas groups, such as Hamas and Islamic Jihad, all eager to claim credit for the pullout.



The Basrah family lives on the front line in Deir el Balah, Gaza, where they are under constant watch of the Israeli soldiers. Khalil Basrah and his wife Soud have raised a family in their home and don't want to leave.

Hamas says it will continue fight.

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"We regard it as a total victory for Hamas," said Mahmoud Zahar, a physician who last year became the group's senior leader in Gaza, mainly by dint of surviving multiple assassination attempts by Israel.

The evacuation will sorely test the strength and backing of Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas, a pragmatist who opposes armed struggle and wants to see Israel leave Gaza without an outbreak of attacks by Palestinian militants.

Rocket and mortar fire by groups such as Hamas would invite harsh Israeli reprisals and undercut Abbas' effort to portray the withdrawal as an achievement for his 7-month-old government.

Even an orderly exit will likely amplify Hamas' claim that it chased Israel out, just as the militant group embarks on its inaugural run for seats in Palestinian parliamentary elections,

tentatively set in January.

"We are on the verge of achieving a dream of the Palestinian people, a dream we have long been waiting for, and that is to see the occupiers start leaving our land," Abbas told lawmakers in a Gaza City speech last week. While he spoke, masked gunmen strutted outside the parliament building, a reminder of the lawlessness that plagues many Palestinian cities, especially those in Gaza.

The Palestinian Authority is doing what it can to signal its readiness to keep order. On a sandy vacant lot in Gaza City, with the sparkling blue Mediterranean as an incongruous backdrop, hundreds of sweating Palestinian troops last week staged field drills for the cameras, marching in parade formation and struggling through a round of calisthenics.

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WORLD

25 years later, Poles remember revolution

GDANSK, Poland (AP) — In the 1980s, when a humble Polish electrician named Lech Walesa started a revolution 25 years ago, stands a rickety food store offering a few pats of lard, some minced meat and vinegar. An old phone booth has an "Out of Order" sign, and a recorded woman's voice warns users that the line is tapped.



Lech Walesa, leader of the former Solidarity Union, reacts to cheers by his fellow workers as he leaves the Lenin Shipyard in Gdansk, Poland, in this June 17, 1983, file photo.

The rancor was also evident in the Kremlin's angry reaction

when three sons of Russian diplomats were beaten up in Warsaw last month and robbed of their cell phones. Poland expressed regret but rebuffed Moscow's demand for an official apology saying the attack wasn't political and Moscow was overreacting.

Still, Poland remains heavily dependent on Russian oil and gas. Moscow, Poles jokingly quip, could turn off all the lights in Poland if it so wished.

But while the nation can't entirely escape the Russian shadow, it has worked hard to expunge the legacy. The former Lenin Shipyard of Gdansk is now the Gdansk Shipyard, having long ago dropped the name of the Soviet founding father. Gone are monuments to Soviet heroes. Streets are no longer named after Lenin and Karl Marx, but after Jan Pawel II — John Paul II — the pope whose 1979 pilgrimage to his native Poland was an early harbinger of the rise of Solidarity.

The exhibit, in a shipyard that has become a shrine to communism's victims, is meant to remind Poles — if any need reminding — how misery and dysfunctional life used to be.

That era is fading into history. Nowadays Poles can own cell phones. They can say what they please, travel abroad, and elect whomever they like — be it Warsaw or his old communist foes, now back in power but re-fashioned into model democrats. Poland sends troops to help the American approach. It belongs to NATO. Membership in the prosperous European Union has anchored the nation of 33 million firmly in the West.

Such is the vast arc of change Poland has experienced since the birth of the Solidarity movement 25 years ago today, when Walesa led a shipyard strike that would last 18 days, plant the seeds for the death of the communist regime nine years later, and foreshadow the collapse of the Soviet Union.

"Those were great days that changed the world," says Walesa. He's 61 now, his face reddish and his busy trademark mustache trimmed and gray. The Nobel Peace Prize winner who went on to be Poland's president has been out of office for 10 years but is once again the center of international attention as Solidarity's anniversary approaches.

He's still a plain-spoken, casually dressed man, occasionally showing traces of the old intractability that helped turn the veterans against him. "Next question please!" He snaps after answering the previous one.

"In this place, in 1980, in a final year, we defeated communism in Poland... Europe... and the world," he said in an interview with The Associated Press in his spacious office a few blocks from the shipyard.

"I organized everyone, all professions, and attracted the currents of the whole world. I told the world: 'We don't want them (the communists). They don't represent us. We don't want communism!'"

The strike he led culminated in a historic accord with the government out of which arose Eastern Europe's first independent workers' movement.

It wasn't the end of the altar, though. The following year Walesa went to jail as communist authorities imposed martial law. But the momentum proved unstoppable. In 1989, the communists were humiliated in Poland's first semi-free election. Then the Berlin Wall fell, and across Eastern Europe, communist regimes collapsed one after another.

The 1980 accord was signed on Aug. 31, and this year on Aug. 29-31, international figures will attend 25th anniversary ceremonies in Gdansk and Warsaw, among them Vaclav Havel, the dissident playwright who led neighboring Czechoslovakia's revolt out of communism and, like Walesa, became president.

As Poles celebrate, they do so in a country that feels it has reached home port after a long and stormy voyage.

Being overwhelmingly Catholic among Slavic Orthodox nations, and using the Latin alphabet rather than Cyrillic, Poles feel they have always belonged with the West and bristled at being called Eastern European.

They harbor old grievances — against the Germans who brutally occupied Poland in World War II, against the Soviets whose proxies ruled them for 45 years, and against the wartime Allies who made the Kremlin's takeover possible.

The rift with Russia has worsened lately, after Poland mediated an end to last year's election crisis in Ukraine, clearly taking the side of the pro-Western, anti-Moscow camp of Viktor Yushchenko.

Yushchenko, now president of Ukraine, will be among the guests at the Solidarity anniversary. However, no Russian officials have been invited.

The Ukraine dispute is widely thought to be the underlying motive for recent Russian slights against Poland, including President Vladimir Putin's failure, during May ceremonies in Moscow marking the end of World War II, to mention Polish

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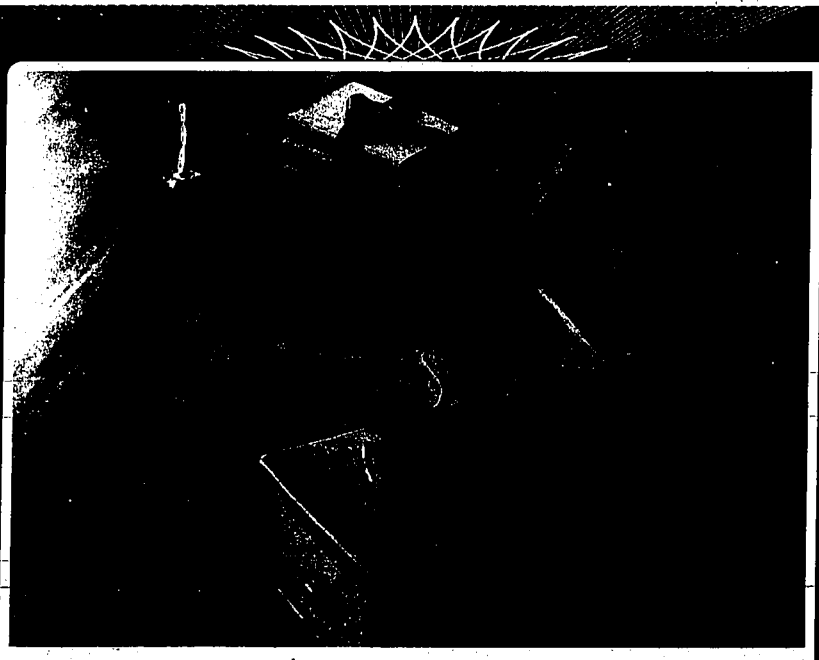
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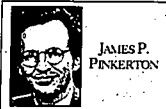
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OPINION

Free speech vs. need for security



JAMES P. PINKERTON

So what should countries do about free speech when confronted with mass terrorism, including possibly nuclear terrorism?

Some say that freedom of the press in a country must be protected at all costs, even if such protection increases danger to the citizenry. Others suggest that other values, such as national survival, should also be taken into account.

This debate has come to a head in Russia — but it won't be long before it comes here, too. Last month ABC News' "Nightline" aired a secret-location interview with Shamil Basayev, the Chechen rebel leader, in which Basayev defended his terrorist actions against Russia. Indeed, Basayev attempted to turn the tables on the Russians, who have been fighting for decades now. He declared that if he was a terrorist, so was Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Not surprisingly, the Russian government was furious. Moscow yanked ABC News' journalistic accreditation, effectively putting the network out of business in the country.

Andrei Babitsky, the reporter who interviewed Basayev, is known to be sympathetic to the Chechen cause, as his sympathetic questions demonstrated. To add another twist, Babitsky is an employee of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, the U.S.-government-run network; Babitsky says he took a leave of absence to interview Basayev.

Of course, one might wonder: Does asking softball questions to Muslim insurgents really advance the cause of

freedom and liberty? And should we wonder anymore why the Russians fear and mistrust Uncle Sam?

But in the meantime, Big Media in the United States is hugely upset at the Russians. As ABC News President David West declared, his organization will not allow "any government to deter us from reporting the news fully and accurately." And The Washington Post editorial page added its voice, too. The Post conceded that Basayev "meets any definition of a terrorist," citing incidents that left 817 Russians dead. But then, pointing to ABC's discreditation only as Moscow's most recent civil-liberties outrage, the editorial lamented that the "unraveling of democratic civil society is lost" on the Russian authorities.

Then The Post patted ABC "Nightline" host Ted Koppel on the back for saying, "Freedom of speech is of real value only because it guarantees us access to the unpopular espousing the unacceptable." All this First Amendment inkling may be great at a journalism-school seminar, but a question remains: In the real world, is letting journalists consort with mass murderers any way to run homeland security, for Russia or for any other country? Let's stipulate that Putin is a

neo-Stalinist who would love to squash what remains of freedom in Russia. Let's also stipulate that Putin's country would be better off if it simply evacuated Chechnya. But in the meantime, the Russians have reacted to the interview. If Moscow were really interested in thwarting Chechen violence, the police would have detained Babitsky, asking him, in no uncertain terms, to provide all the particulars of his rendezvous with Basayev — every little clue helps.

Indeed, if anything, the Russians under-reacted to the interview. If Moscow were really interested in thwarting Chechen violence, the police would have detained Babitsky, asking him, in no uncertain terms, to provide all the particulars of his rendezvous with Basayev — every little clue helps.

Of course, if the Russians had put the squeeze on Babitsky to get to Basayev, the international uproar would have been even louder — although not as loud, maybe, as the next big explosion in Russia, a land where thousands of "loose nukes" are inadequately accounted for.

So let's not hide from the next logical question: What if an American reporter scores an interview with Osama bin Laden. In which, perhaps, the al-Qaida leader threatens to nuke the United States? If so, should the First Amendment preclude the FBI from taking an interest in the logistics of that encounter?

Freedom of the press might win over homeland security — but only before a Big One goes off. After such a blowup, which seems inevitable, the trade-off between free speech and homeland security will change. And change decisively.

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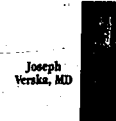
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One is all the housing developments that are being sprung up on the outskirts of town. Where there used to be farmland there are now houses. My question is, if we continue to let developers buy and farm-land and build on it, who will grow the food?

This is not a problem just in Twin Falls, it is happening all over the country. Will we someday be dependent on foreign countries to grow our food like we are dependent on them to provide us with oil? This is a frightening thought.

I have a deep admiration for those classmates who remained in Twin Falls after graduation and farmed. I would hope that they and their children continue that tradition far into the future.

The other area of concern became evident when we visited the beautiful Snake River canyon. We were walking on the path that starts at the visitor's center and were thinking what a wonderful idea it was to make a path that goes along the rim when we suddenly came to the end of the trail because a private developer had staked out his property right up to the canyon edge. Later while at Dierkes Lake, we were dismayed to look up along the rim of the canyon and see huge houses right on the edge.

Wake up, Twin Falls and do something about this before it is too late. The canyon and its rim should belong to all the people and not to a few wealthy homeowners. The walking path should run along the canyon edge for miles and not be halted for a few individuals who think they have the right to sit on the very rim of the canyon. That canyon is your greatest natural asset. You are in danger of losing it, and that will be a shame.

LOIS WIDENER ALWORTH
New Orleans, La.

Public institutions have boundaries

Kelly Walton misrepresents both context and content of my letter to the editor, thereby making both "straw men" to be mowed with the razor sharpness of sophomoric wit. Walton's assertion that I advocated "... government services over privatization" is pure nonsense. It's wrong for two reasons:

1. The definition of the word "privatization" is the economic process of transferring property from public to private ownership, opposite of nationalization.

2. As a nationalist, I believe in both capitalism and public institutions, not one over the other.

However, capitalism has morphed into mega corporations, pre-empting governmental power which infuses money into Third World countries and causes privatize all public institutions. It's called "nation building," sometimes achieved militarily.

And that's utopian, which I abhor from rightist Plato to leftist Sir Thomas More. Neither do I like a dystopian, writing from the jaws of hell.

The absurdness of communism here belongs around Bush's neck, not mine, for his bogus reasons to nation build in Iraq, instead of say Saudi Arabia or Iran, which indeed have connections with Osama's terrorists.

I then called attention to Bush's efforts to privatize Iraq ministries and public institutions, fearing the effort might be a harbinger of neocon plans for the good old U.S. of A.

From such hypothesis, I detailed wrongs of privatizing education, police and fire departments, prisons, etc. They threaten quality and accessibility of services, absolve government of responsibility, allow government to evade public scrutiny and continue the perversion of government by mega corporations.

And private enterprises, I mentioned, were not mere local businesses but unregulated mega-corporations, which under the aegis of the North-

American Free Trade Agreement and Central American Free Trade Agreement have flows and work through national obligations, moving their assets to Third World countries and Communist China, where labor is dirt cheap, leaving behind waves of illegals and a shrinking American middle class.

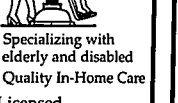
Increasingly, mega corporations bank off shore, pay no taxes and work through government to privatize public institutions such as Social Security.

Moreover, our brave warriors are commanded to pacify Iraq for what Sen. John McCain called, "... a huge pot of honey that's attracting a lot of flies," the flies of course being mega corporations, which our warriors must protect.

It is, therefore, imperative to get enough troops there to do the nation-building job properly, or bring the present insufficient forces home.

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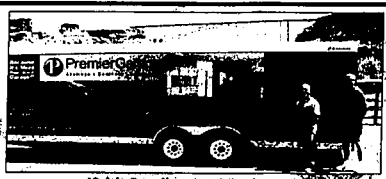
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WORLD

Fight for Gaza control heats up

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — The militant group Hamas came out of hiding Saturday to hold a mass news conference, distributing the phone numbers of 34 multilingual spokesmen in a fight for control of the Gaza Strip ahead of Israel's withdrawal next week.

As the struggle heats up between Hamas and the Palestinian Authority — both of whom claim responsibility for Israel's evacuation of 21 Gaza Strip settlements and four West Bank Jewish enclaves — the weapons of choice are unusually media friendly.

Determined to win the airwaves, Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas on Saturday inaugurated a special Gaza-withdrawal media center, complete with live-feed points for TV crews, a 24-hour text-messaging service for news updates, maps, and free hats and T-shirts. The center will facilitate the media in all they need. A group of Cabinet ministers and officials will be ready at all times to answer your questions," Abbas assured journalists.

Also Saturday, Hamas' founders and top political leaders gathered on the same stage for the first time in a decade, vowing to go on fighting Israel and claiming victory for the impending withdrawal.

The news conference came two days after another Hamas first, inviting TV cameras to film a nighttime training exercise, complete with militants rappelling down high-rise walls and jumping through flaming hoops.

The group decided to hire spokesmen, fluent in Arabic, English and French, "to take on the huge responsibility of educating the world about the importance of the withdrawal," said Mushir Masri, one of the spokesmen.

"The media presence is in high demand especially since the enemy has been defeated and there is no longer a security concern preventing (Hamas) from appearing in public," Masri told The Associated Press.

The Hamas leadership went underground after Israel began targeting the group's highest ranks, including spiritual leader Sheikh Ahmed Yassin and his successor, Abdel Aziz Rantisi, both killed by missile strikes.

But recently Hamas has been openly challenging the Palestinian Authority and even made a strong showing in West Bank and Gaza municipal elections. At the news conference Saturday, its top leaders said Abbas' Fatah movement could not be the sole decision-making body and insisted Hamas has the right to possess arms.

"Hamas remains committed to the choice of resistance as a strategic choice. Hamas remains committed to its military wing and its right to possess weapons," said Ismail Haniyeh. "The Islamic group does not plan to battle the Palestinian Authority but rejects the idea of allowing any single party to monopolize the decision-making process," he added.

The Hamas news conference came just a day after Abbas attended the first official Palestinian Authority celebration of Israel's upcoming withdrawal, promising the people that the Gaza pullout is a first step to independence.

At Friday's Gaza sea-front rally, Cabinet ministers proclaimed Dahlan said all events would take place under the official Palestinian flag — a warning

to Hamas, which is planning its own military-style celebrations.

Meanwhile, Palestinian Interior Minister Nasser Yousef placed his Gaza forces on their highest alert level Saturday to prevent militants from firing on withdrawing Israeli troops and settlers. Israel has promised to retaliate if that happens.

Palestinian security officers took up positions in Gaza and hundreds were sent to the south, especially near Palestinian refugee camps close to

Jewish enclaves.

Within hours, about 200 Palestinian officers made a human chain to prevent some 2,000 demonstrators from marching toward a checkpoint separating the Khan Younis refugee camp from settlements. Israeli soldiers fired in the air to keep the flag-waving demonstrators back. A local Fatah leader told the crowd to save its energy for after the Israeli withdrawal when they can enter their "liberated lands."



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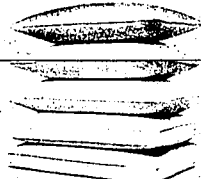
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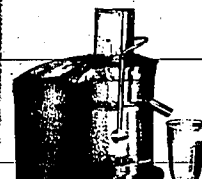
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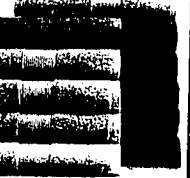
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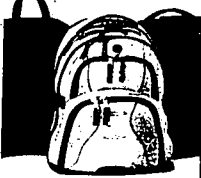
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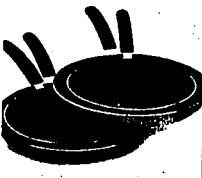
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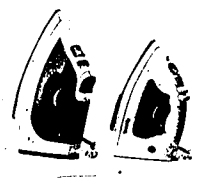
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Plane parts fall on homes, injure two

Knight Rider News Service

FUKUOKA, Japan — Metal fragments found in a residential neighborhood in Fukuoka, Japan, fell from a JALways jet bound for Honolulu from Fukuoka Airport on Friday evening after an engine caught fire, police said.

A boy and a man were injured when they were struck by some fragments, police said.

Authorities continued to search Saturday morning for more fragments in an area around the airport.

JALways Flight 58, a McDonnell Douglas DC-10 aircraft, was carrying 229 passengers and crew. No one aboard was injured.

JALways, a subsidiary of Japan Airlines, flies to overseas destinations from regional airports. At a press conference Saturday, JAL officials ruled out the possibility of birds being sucked into the airplane's jet engines, saying that the accident was probably caused by engine failure.

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TWIN FALLS ARRAIGNMENTS

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

David Lee Snyder, 33, 1625 Maple St., No. 39B, Buhl; battery, injury to a child; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 30; posted bond.

James Robert Cisco, 29, 1959 E. 1775 S.; Gooding; first-degree kidnapping; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Aug. 19; \$100,000 bond.

Francisco Flores-Uristegui, 32, 411 Eighth Ave. N., Buhl; domestic battery; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Aug. 19; \$5,000 bond.

James Gary Larsen, 21, 360 Third Ave. W., Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia,

carrying a concealed weapon; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 30; \$500 bond; failure to appear, probation violation—driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Sept. 1; \$10,000 bond.

Barbara Ann Virgo, 49, 530 Blue Lakes Blvd. S., Twin Falls; petit theft; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 30; \$100 bond.

Minor R. Wagon, 28, 591 Washington St., Twin Falls; driving under the influence; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 30; \$500 bond.

domestic battery, violation of no contact order; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 30; \$500 bond.

Kara Ruth Scott, 23, 251 E. 300 S., Jerome; first-degree kidnapping, possession of a controlled substance; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Aug. 19; \$30,000 bond; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Aug. 30; \$100 bond.

Cathy Marie Friel, 24, no street address, Twin Falls; grand theft; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for Aug. 19; \$5,000 bond.

John Robert Wrobel, 41, 424 Main St. N., Twin Falls; probation violation—possession of a

controlled substance; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; evidentiary hearing set for Sept. 14; \$25,000 bond; probation violation—driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; evidentiary hearing set for Sept. 1; \$25,000 bond; failure to appear—driving without privileges, second offense; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Oct. 4; \$5,000 bond; failure to appear—driving without privileges, second offense; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Oct. 4; \$5,000 bond.



Controlled burns cause smoky sky

The Times-News

JEROME — Where there's smoke, there's a controlled burn. That was the case Saturday when smoke filled Jerome skies.

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During the merger evaluation process, MVRMC and St. Luke's will highlight various topics from the merger proposal and respond to community questions.

Weekly Update

A philosophical foundation of the new health system proposed by MVRMC and St. Luke's is that every hospital affiliated with the System will be encouraged to develop to its fullest potential. By merging assets, we will have the available resources to make the needed investment in our local hospital to accomplish this goal. What this means is that MVRMC will not lose essential services through this process — quite the contrary. Through the merger, MVRMC will develop into a state-of-the-art regional medical center with the fullest complement of services supportable by the communities in our area.

As the valley grows, it is imperative that our hospital has both the financial and human resources to respond to the increasing health care needs of the communities we serve. MVRMC's enhanced financial status as the result of a merger with St. Luke's will enable the hospital to offer programs and services previously unavailable in this area and recruit expert staff and physicians to support them.

To learn more...
Visit www.mergermatters.org for additional information about the proposed merger.

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MAGIC VALLEY

JEROME COUNTY COURTS

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

Misdemeanor arraignments

Billy Ray Baker, 32; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license, carrying a concealed weapon without a license; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Timothy A. Baker, 27; driving without privileges; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Aubrey C. Brown, 19; petty theft; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Jill Francine Dean, 38; assault; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Melissa Dominguez, 26; fraud - fraudulent funds check; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Heather Hayes, 28; injury to a child; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Sonia Hernandez, 24; injury to a child; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Michael S. Lesby, 20; driving without privileges; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Ruby Medina, 34; driving without privileges; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Alida Elio Rojas-Arias, 21; driving without privileges; failure to provide proof of insurance; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Juvenile misdemeanor arraignments

Luis Morales, 17; driving under the influence; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pretrial conference Aug. 22; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Misdemeanor sentences

Shayne D. Steggs, 21; exceeding the speed limit; \$20.50 fine, \$32.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Aureliano Juarez Jr., 20; driving under the influence (under age 21) attempted to undergo consumption of alcohol; \$750 fine, \$600 suspended, \$78.50 court costs, \$50 public defender fee; one year supervised probation; 120-day driver's license suspension; driving without privileges; failure to provide proof of insurance; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Amber M. Cramrine, 31; battery - domestic violence attempted to disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee; one year supervised probation; 45 days in jail, 44 suspended, credit for one day served; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Michael Gregory Cramrine, 33; battery - domestic violence attempted to disturbing the peace; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee; one year supervised probation; 45 days in jail, 44 suspended, credit for one day served; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Pedro Aguilar-Hernandez, 22; driving under the influence; \$750 fine, \$750 suspended, \$78.50 court costs; one year unsupervised probation; 180 days in jail, 153 suspended, credit for 27 days served; 180-day driver's license suspension; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; dismissed by the court; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Philip G. Clark, 31; driving without privileges; attempted to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$68.50 fine, \$52.50 court costs; exceeding the speed limit; \$20.50 fine, \$32.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Toasha E. Conklin-Merrill, 25; driving without privileges; \$200 fine, \$400 suspended, \$78.50 court costs, \$50 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail, 88 suspended, two days eligible for work program; 180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

180-day driver's license suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Juvenile misdemeanor sentences

Juan M. Mora-Hernandez, 17; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$150 fine, \$91.50 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee; six months unsupervised probation; failure to provide proof of insurance; dismissed by the court; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Misdemeanor withheld judgments

Jesse S. Cornelison, 19; petty theft; judgment withheld for one year; \$200 fine, \$100 suspended, \$63.50 court costs, \$35 probation fee; \$50 public defender fee; one year unsupervised probation; 90 days in jail, 90 suspended; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Misdemeanor dismissals

Leonard Joe Jimenez, 48; battery; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Jose Martinez-Olivera, 24; driving without privileges; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Felony dismissals

Gerard Fred Carnell, 40; attempted strangulation; enhancement - domestic battery/assault - child present; (misdemeanor); battery (misdemeanor); dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Judge Thomas H. Borresen.

Civil

Lynn H. Coltrin vs. Arnulfo Urena and Sonia Urena, spouse. Plaintiff alleges that defendant, in default of the terms of a lease-conditional agreement.

Franklin Building Supply vs. Lincoln Hoste. Seeking \$3,488.63, plus interest, \$1,500 attorney fees. Plaintiff alleges that defendant owes for building materials, supplies, equipment and labor purchased on an open account.

A funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday Aug. 17, 2005, at the First Church of God with the Rev. Peter Page officiating.

Services are under the direction of the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

DEATH NOTICES

Carvel O. Dutton

RUPERT—Carvel O. Dutton, a 78-year-old resident of Rupert, died Saturday, Aug. 13, 2005, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital's Countryside Care & Rehabilitation Center. Arrangements will be made by Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 18th St. Burley.

Carl Hoernemann

TWIN FALLS—Carl Hoernemann, 95, of Twin Falls, died Thursday evening, Aug. 11,

2005, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, 2005, at the Guadalupe Catholic Church, 630 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls, with Father John Koelsch as celebrant. The graveside inurnment will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, 2005, at Twin Falls Cemetery with Deacon John McKinley officiating.

Services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

Wayne 'Tex' Thorpe

JEROME—Wayne 'Tex' Thorpe, 73, of Jerome, died Friday, Aug. 12, 2005, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

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Moscow mom has no regrets about choosing anonymous sperm donor

MOSCOW (AP) — Most new mothers have a lot of worries, but Sandi Klingler "wouldn't hesitate to do it again."

Five years ago, the Moscow resident decided she was ready to have a baby — on her own. Today, she is mom to 1-year-old Molly, who was conceived through artificial insemination.

"Having a baby is a question-able road to begin with, because you don't know how it's going to turn out," said Joan Klingler, Sandi's mother. "You hope for a healthy baby, and you know you have enough love, but until it actually happens you question."

"She has so much love for the child, and so much love from us — she is surrounded by love, and that's the best of it all," Joan Klingler said. "Because of that I think she is very secure."

During the question phase of the process, Sandi Klingler reviewed handwritten statements from donors explaining why they wanted to donate. She chose her donor based on what he had written. Klingler said his statement made him seem like a "genuine person."

The profile said he was an artist and enjoyed the outdoors, which Klingler enjoys as well. She said the donation center offers a more thorough medical history than you're likely to get just by asking somebody.

"It's hard not knowing anything about him," said Klingler. The profiles include basic information like height and weight, but Klingler still had many unanswered questions. Molly's mom suspects the biological father has a good personality. "I look at her and see wonderful things."

Joan Klingler sees Molly as a "lovable creature." Since she was born she's been exposed to the culture in Moscow — theater, music, gatherings... Joan said she had the chance to be an aunt.

Sandi Klingler describes herself as "very independent. She said once when she was considering having children on their own should look at the community they live in and all resources they can get from. Emotional and financial resources are particularly important. Her parents' support is one of Sandi Klingler's biggest resources. Joan and her husband, George, have Molly visit at least once a week.

"We feel very fortunate to be able to live in the same town, to



Sandi Klingler holds her 1-year-old daughter Molly, on Monday in Moscow. Molly was conceived through artificial insemination because Klingler is not married, but wanted a child.

help out and watch her grow," Joan Klingler said.

More than a fear of being a single mother, Sandi Klingler had a fear of not knowing who the father was. While she considered the idea of artificial insemination, close male friends offered to donate.

"They were serious," said Sandi Klingler. "They knew how important it was to me." Instead of a friend, Sandi Klingler opted to use an anonymous donor from Northwest Andrology and Cryobank, Inc. in Spokane, Wash. Having a friend donate could become too complicated, she said.

Now her male friends are just donating time — as babysitters and eventually father figures. "I thought about what it would be like not knowing your dad at all," Klingler said.

When Molly turns 18, she will have the option to write a letter to her biological father, and send it through contacts at the donation center if she decides she wants to find him.

"I hope she doesn't feel like I cheated her," Sandi Klingler said. She hopes Molly will understand that "I did this because I wanted her so much and this was the way to do it."

She works at the Washington State University Children's Center as the administrative manager. While she works in her

office, she is able to have Molly about 20 feet away. The center is a resource to WSU students, faculty and staff. When she found out she was pregnant, she ran up and down the hallways at work, shouting.

It had taken two tries in two months to become pregnant. "Everybody had been hoping," she said.

One friend, Melinda Huskey, played a special role for Klingler as both her friend and doula — or labor coach. She was "one of the first ones I went to agonizing over whether I should do this or not." Having gone through the process twice herself, Klingler said "she guided me from the beginning."

Having reached her first birthday recently, Molly is officially a toddler. She wobbled along as her mother walked her to Grifman Memorial Hospital in Moscow for her 1-year-old checkup. "I don't feel like I am missing anything at all," Sandi Klingler said. "The first year has been pretty wonderful."

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SLC mayor wants to recognize partnerships

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The mayor of Utah's largest city wants to let domestic partners (gay or heterosexual) document their relationships at City Hall.

Rocky Anderson says the idea would allow "for people to signify... they are partners, that they formed a domestic partnership."

City Attorney Ed Ruttan is trying to determine if a relationship registry is legal.

Last year, Utah passed a ballot initiative that changed the state constitution to say "no other domestic union, however denominated, may be recognized as a marriage or given the same of substantially equivalent legal effect."

State Rep. LaVar Christensen, R-Deer, who backed the initiative, believes Anderson's proposal would run afoul of the state law.

"This attempt to circumvent state law is tantamount to the San Francisco mayor standing on the steps (of City Hall) and performing (gay) marriage," Christensen said.

The law would also prevent Salt Lake City from extending health benefits to partners of gay employees, something Anderson is also considering. Christensen says he's willing to sponsor legislation to stop

the city if the current law isn't clear.

Sen. Scott McCoy, D-Salt Lake, one of two openly-gay state lawmakers said the initiative shouldn't prevent neither a registry nor domestic partner health benefits because it specifically addressed marriages and civil unions.

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Family shows dedication to 911 post

Erichs shunned vacations so they could serve the public

SAIT LAKE CITY (AP) — For more than two decades, one Wyoming family has stayed at home. They haven't gone out to dinner, on vacation, hunting or fishing as a family.

"If anyone made a 911 call, it would go to their home and they would dispatch the appropriate services whether it be fire, police or ambulance," said Daggert County Sheriff Allen Campbell.

The Erich family was honored Tuesday night for serving as the Daggert County 911 team since 1984. Robert Erich said Daggert County officials asked her family to cover 911 calls more than 20 years ago and that it was pretty easy to get used to answering the calls.

"We were just here and we had a business so someone was here all the time, and they asked us if we would and we said we would," she said.

So, while manning the family taxidermy business in nearby Wyoming, the Erichs listened for the phony a ring, waiting to help someone in need from across the state line. During the night, the family would turn the volume up on the ring to hear any calls that came in as they slept.

"One of them had to be home all times for 24 hours a day, seven days a week all year long," Campbell said. "I believe I was told that at Christmas time they would all three get a half a day off. Someone would

go man the radio and phone system while they went out for a few hours."

Campbell said the family has donated 184,000 hours of service during the past 21 years. Someone who works 40 hours a week for 20 years will put in 41,600 hours and someone who works 40 hours a week for 30 years will put in 62,400 hours, he added.

"I think it's unprecedented," Campbell said of the Erichs' service. "I don't think you could find another family in the U.S. that has contributed that kind of hours."

The Erich family refused any monetary payment for their services during the past 21 years. The only compensation they accepted was half of a cow from the county as a Christmas present the past few years.

"We thought it was better to just volunteer it," Tim Erich said.

There are 921 full-time residents in Daggert County, but Campbell said about 80 percent of the calls the Erich family received were from people vacationing in Flaming Gorge, which is within five miles of their home.

When county officials approached the Erich family earlier this year and told them they were thinking of using a consolidated dispatch service, Campbell said they were ready to give up their post.

"This has been a burden on them for a long time because someone has to be there at that house at all times," Campbell said. "So they were very glad to have this happen. They were still willing to do this until something else was arranged, but they were ready for it to end."

The Erichs retired in July after the county switched to a consolidated dispatch service out of Vernal.



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Talks between Qwest, union nears deadline

DENVER (AP) — Formal contract negotiations between Qwest and its largest employees' union were on hold Saturday as union and company representatives met in small groups to work on separate issues that have held up a new contract.

The agreement between Qwest Communications International Inc. and 25,000 members of Communication Workers of America in 13 mostly Western states was due to expire at midnight Saturday. If there is no deal, the workers have authorized the union to declare a strike, though the union hasn't publicly threatened to do so.

Duncan Harrington, president of CWA Local 7777, said formal talks were recessed late Friday after both sides refused to move from their positions.

"It's not uncommon when things get sticky, instead of bargaining with the whole group to break up into two or three different groups to try to resolve separate issues," Harrington said.

Qwest spokesman Bob Tveit declined to discuss details of the talks.

"We continue to bargain in good faith. We remain optimistic that we'll come to an agreement by tonight's deadline," Tveit said.

The Denver-based telephone company's mandatory overtime policy has been a key issue, prompting a few dozen union

members to participate in international picketing Friday outside one of Qwest's downtown Denver buildings. Other issues include health care and wages. CWA representatives said.

Both sides have made plans in case negotiations collapse.

A walkout would affect employees ranging from customer service representatives to technicians.

Qwest also was negotiating separately with a union representing about 300 workers in Montana whose contract also was set to expire.

Some employees and analysts speculated the company might be using its mandatory overtime policy to avoid hiring new employees. In the past several years, Qwest has eliminated thousands of jobs as it struggled with a multibillion-dollar debt and government investigations of its finances. It also has faced increasing competition from cable companies and Internet-based phone services.

Mandatory overtime was a major factor in the CWA's 15-day strike against Qwest in 1998. The current contract calls for a maximum of eight overtime hours a week, which the union and the company wants to double. Workers said managers can order overtime on short notice, even during a shift.

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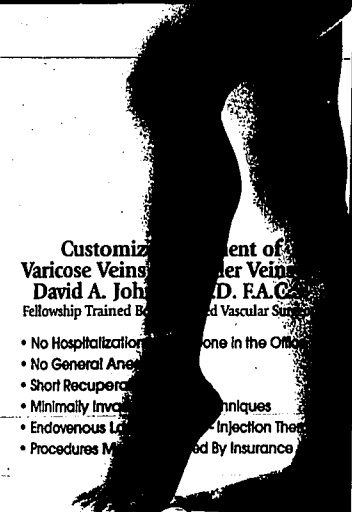
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Dear Friends,

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Where you receive local and regional specialty healthcare may be about to change with little community input. Twin Falls County is currently considering one option for healthcare. **You should have a choice.**

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center and Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, along with several other health care organizations, are anxious to submit ideas to the Commissioners for their consideration. Our vision of health care includes **collaboration with patients and providers** for a common goal – providing all people, regardless of their ability to pay, access to the best and safest ways to heal.

We have an option, one that allows for **greater local control** of your health care future, and one worth considering. Evaluating many options will assure that you get not only the most modern hospital facilities and technology, but **what's best for your** community for generations to come.

The choice should be yours. We want the opportunity to offer you another choice for healthcare services. That's what having options and alternatives is all about. Area residents **expect to have a choice** on the future of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

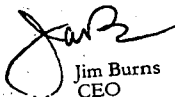
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We invite you to **contact your county commissioners at 736-4068 or write them at P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, ID, 83301.** Let them know you want to see other options, and expect the right to vote for the best plan for this region's future health care. Ask them to **open the process to everyone.**

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- Auto racing: NEXTEL Cup, Sirius Satellite Radio at the Glen, NBC, 11:30 a.m.
Gymnastics: Visa Championships, NBC, 10 a.m.
Horse Racing: NTRA West Virginia Derby, ESPN, 3 p.m.
Baseball: Mexican League, San Luis vs. Chappas, UNLV, 11 a.m.
Tennis: WTA Tour/US Open Series, JPMorgan Chase Open, championship match, ESPN2, 3 p.m.
Golf: PGA Championship, final round, TNT, 9 a.m.
Baseball: Little League World Series, regional finals, ESPN, 1 p.m.
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Joe Mama's car show scheduled for Saturday

Jerome — The NAPA Auto Parts Joe Mama's 7th Annual "Car Show" will be held Saturday, Aug. 20 in both Jerome City Parks on East Main Street from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Highlights of the event will include the starting up of a 300-mph jet Powermax Funny Car.

Contact event producer Joe Skaug for entry and event information at 208-333-3333 or e-mail: joev@nasa.com.

Lundberg passes Widmark in Russia

NAKIABINO, Russia — Mikael Lundberg shot a 3-under 69 Saturday to grab a one-shot lead after the third round of the Russian Open.

Lundberg completed a bogey-free round to lead at 12-under 204.

Freddie Little II of Scotland shared the lead at 11 under after the 17th hole but dropped to fourth place at 10 under after missing a six-foot putt for a bogey on the 18th.

U.S. basketball beats Slovakia, 85-70

ZMIR, Turkey — Boston College's Craig Smith scored 23 points to help the United States beat Slovakia 85-70 in the University Games men's basketball tournament on Saturday.

Phillips blew away all opposition on his first jump, matching his personal best of 29.1 meters.

Ignisius Gaisah of Ghana topped the standings with one gold, one silver and one bronze.

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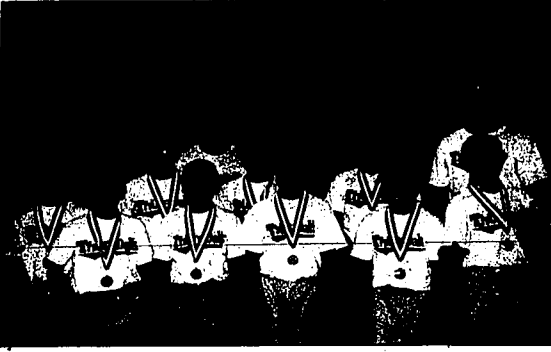
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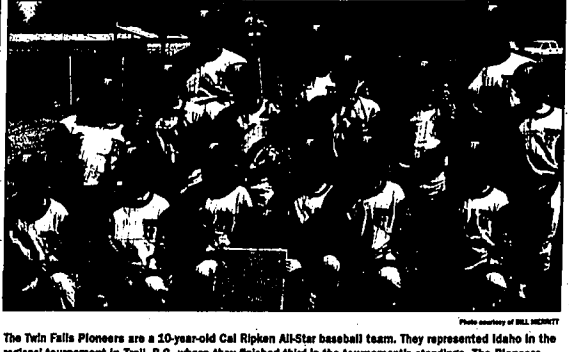
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The Thursday boys baseball team won the Twin Falls Recreational League tournament championship for grades 5-6 recently. They defeated Colby's Angels 7-2. The teams tied for first place during the regular season. Pictured from left to right in the front row are: Jordan LeProwse, Rudy Bowman, Caleb Putsalpher, Delek Thompson and Michael Pierce. In the second row is Marcus Ko, Nick Daley, Mitchell Stewart, Peter Jobs, head coach Jeff LaProwe. Assistant coach Harry Zitterkopf in the back row. Not pictured are Dallin Casperon and Michael Zitterkopf.



The Twin Falls Pioneers are a 10-year-old Cal Ripken All-Star baseball team. They represented Idaho in the regional tournament in Trail, B.C., where they finished third in the tournament's standings. The Pioneers fell one game short of the Cal Ripken Baseball regional tournament championship game, falling in the semifinals to Lynden, Wash., 4-3. Their record this year included first-place finishes in the Jerome and Meridian tournaments and at the Cal Ripken state tournament. They also took second in East Boise and third in Burley. Pictured in the front row from left to right are: Kaleb Price, Drew Hurt, John Hohnhorst, KC Merritt, Jason Dyce, Austin Andresson. In the second row are: Matthew (Tazzy) Frank, Hunter Waters, Trill Dowd, Damien Jones, Thomas Cor, Kyle Riley, Landon Jones is holding the team's plaque. The coaches in the back row are Todd Jones, Marty Hurd, Bill Merritt.



Michele and Dennis Seckel

New Bowladrome owners take over

The new owners of the Bowladrome are Dennis & Michele Seckel of Nampa and majority owner Les Walsh. Dennis is a Buffalo, N.Y. native who lived in Kansas and New York before attending school at the University of Arizona. He worked for Micron in Boise for 15 years and was layed off due to cutbacks, prompting him to study computer software.

They have no children, but do have German shepherds and terriers. They have bowled in mixed leagues since their marriage.

They considered buying one of six bowling centers around the country before deciding on the Bowladrome. The transaction was completed Aug. 5.

"Owning and running a bowling center, I know will not be an easy job," Dennis said. "Everyone is looking for changes and upgrades that a new owner puts into place when they take over. (I) hope all will bear with us in the next few years as I know we can make Team Bowladrome a fun center to come and play."

An open house is scheduled for 7-9 p.m., Aug. 19 to honor the past owners. A grand opening celebration is planned for mid-September. Don't forget to go to your local bowling center and get signed up for the 2005-06 bowling season. The Ladies Classic league has announced their organizational meeting will be on Aug. 17.

Thelma writes a column for the Times-News. You can contact



The former high school bowler is a former men's league secretary from the old days when everything was done longhand.

Michele was born in Spokane, graduating from Valluave High School in Caldwell. She has worked in an Import Market, UPFE Railroad and Selkirk Metalbestos.

Dennis and Michele met in 1987 in Boise, marrying in 1992.

Spudman results released

The Times-News
BURLEY — The 29th annual Spudman Triathlon featured 1,262 teams and individuals, mostly from Utah and Idaho.

The top individual area men's finisher was Jeff Giest of Twin Falls in 54th place overall with a time of 2 hours, 12 minutes. The top women's area finisher was Heather Ramsdell of Twin Falls with 20th place overall in a time of 2:24.23.

Monte Sill of Salt Lake City won the overall title with a time of 1:50.31. Debbie Perry of Ogden won the women's overall title with a time of 2:06.03.1.

Results
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Clear Lakes ladies announce winners

The Times-News

YourSports in brief

BUHL — On Aug. 11, 19 ladies turned out for a round of golf. Balls were awarded to the gross winners; Teddy Frey with an 87 and Rita Bates with an 88. Net winners receiving a ball were Tamara Yost, 67 and Denise Millhorn, 68.

Tees went to Teddy Frey and Deb Richards. For having the fewest putts.

On Aug. 4, 15 ladies turned out for a round of golf. First net went to Dona Pierce with a 70. Tied for second with 71 were Deb Richards and Denise Millhorn. Marilyn Butler had the fewest putts with 29 and Edie Whitney came in second with 30. Cobles were made by Oleta Roberts, Phyllis Taylor and Denise Millhorn.

Muni ladies announce monthly winners

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Muni Ladies' golf Association played for the August Gopher of the Month Aug. 11. Kathy Janson took gross with a 92 and Nalean Detry was the net Gopher of the month with a

68. In the first flight Virginia Urdhjem shot a 75 for first gross and Patty Lee shot a 90 to take second gross. A tie for first net went to Charlotte Brunelli and Kathy Janson with a net 67. In the second flight, Jan Beeks took first gross with a 95 and Colleen Thiel shot a 96 for second gross. First net went to Nalean Detry and JoAnn Anderson took second net with a 70.

M.V. ladies announces inter-city league results

GOODING — The Gooding Country Club hosted the Magic Valley Ladies Inter-Golf on Aug. 9. Rosemary Anderson was the gross medalist winner with a 74 followed by Sally Leye in second with a 77, Robbie Robertson in third with 79, Stacy Kalm in fourth with 81, and Janet Cantor and Dusty VanWinkle tying for fifth with 85.

Joyce Grindaal was first in net with a 65. Kathleen Hawkins

and America Brodine tied for second with 66, and Maria Delis, Varsha Nelson, and Barb Carney tied for fourth with a 67. Club standings: Blue Lakes, 50; TF Muni, 56; Rupert, 49.4; Burley, 47; Clear Lakes, 45; Canyon Springs, 45; Jerome, 44.5; Gooding, 36.3.

The next meet will be hosted by Rupert Country Club on Aug. 31.

Rally for a Cure results released

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Muni Ladies' Rally for a Cure Breast Cancer Awareness tournament was held Aug. 4. Virginia Urdhjem took first gross with a 75. Mary Schmidt won second gross with a 90. Carolyn Beaver was third with a 91 and Jan Hall, Jackie Gasser, and Mary Ann Lancaster tied for fourth with 92.

On the net side, Jan Beeks took first with a 64, Carole Kasel and Rose Schoen tied for second with a 65 and Barbara Short finished fourth with a 66. Charlotte Brunelli got closest to the Pin and received a pair of Eton-le golf shoes.

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NATION

Slaves who built Capitol recognized

Knight-Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — In George Washington's day, slaves were recruited by Maryland and Virginia farmers for \$5 a month fee, many of the federal construction jobs in the new capital. Visitors 200 years ago wrote of the irony of slaves building the first temples of freedom, the Capitol and what was then called "President's House."

But that history had nearly died until recently, when leaders in the House of Representatives and Senate, in a bipartisan moment, approved a task force to recognize the slaves role.

"I'm proud that this country has finally stepped up to admit to the awful history that we have defined for so long, even in our textbooks," Currie Ballard, a historian of the African-American past at Langston University in Tusla, Okla., and a member of the new panel, said in an interview last week. He said that the panel will recommend or when, but historical research is under way.

It's a story both infamous and remarkable, in which slaves worked not only as laborers but also as operators and managers of the quarry and lumber mill that provided the main construction materials. A slave, Phillip Reid, run the foundry and the slanted the massive monument atop the Capitol's dome, which celebrates America's freedom.

A free black man from Baltimore County, Md., Benjamin Banneker, did much of the government's surveying in 1791-1792 around the 10 swampy farms that make up what's now downtown Washington. None of the farms "has any floor except the earth," Banneker's boss, Maj. Andrew Ellicott, noted at the time, and their inhabitants suffered "the flux" in winter and "ague" in spring and summer.

According to author and historian Ed Hotelling, slave labor wasn't what President Washington wanted to mind when he signed for the capital's construction got under way in 1791.

The government and its contractors initially sought white craftsmen and laborers from Baltimore, Norfolk, Va., and elsewhere. Hotelling discovered. The prevalence of slaves in the capital area suppressed prevailing wages, however, and made

recruiting difficult. Roughly half the slaves in the United States lived in Virginia and Maryland at that time, and farmers often rented them out in the off-season.

Thomas Jefferson, whom Washington named a contractor in the city's construction, favored slave labor because it was cheaper, according to Hotelling. In any event, Jefferson's three-member commission authorized hiring up to 100 slaves a year to work on the capital's first two big construction projects.

Typical of many of the slaves who worked on the Capitol and White House grounds and, according to Walter Hill, the National Archives' specialist in African-American history, were fed pork and corn bread. A dispensary run by a nurse named Chloe LeClair saw to their health, according to Hill, who studied the archives' seven bins of expense records from the Capitol's construction.

Typical of many of the slaves is a handwritten 1795 receipt that reads: "For the hire of Negro Peter from 1st of July to 1st of October ... Received ... fifteen Dollars."

By 1798, 90 slaves made up most of the work force building the Capitol. Congressmen wrote in a book titled "Washington: A History of the Capital." In addition, the projects employed an unknown number of free blacks. There were 75 in the city by 1800, according to the census.

The total number of slaves who worked on the Capitol and the White House is unknown. Hill's records include about 400 payments to slave masters from 1795 to 1801, but the figures are likely to miss many of the multiple workers. In addition, Hill said, they include deductions for the government's outlays for shoes, clothing and inoculations.

The records confirm that slaves did much of the brick-making, hauling, foundation-digging, masonry, nail-making and carpentry. Slaves rough-cut the sandstone and managed the quarry at the top of Croft's 40 miles east of Washington, from which the stone was shipped up the Potomac River on shallow-draft flatboats. Slaves also worked on construction projects and cut it at a slave-managed mill on the edge of the Oak Dam near Richmond, Va.

"It was not unusual for slaves

PETA reconsiders campaign after complaints of racism

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals is reconsidering a campaign comparing images of animal abuse with those of slavery after complaints from civil rights groups and others.

The animal rights group's "Animal Liberation" campaign included 12 panels juxtaposing pictures of black people in chains with shackled elephants and other provocative images.

The Norfolk-based group wrapped up the first leg of the tour in Washington on Thursday, visiting 17 cities before deciding to put the tour on hold.

"We're not continuing right now while we evaluate," said Dawn Carr, a PETA spokeswoman. "We're reviewing feedback we've received — most of it overwhelmingly positive and some of it quite negative."

One panel showed a black civil rights protester being beaten at a lunch counter beside a photo of a seal being bludgeoned. Another panel, titled "Hanging," showed a graphic photo of a white mob surrounding two lynched blacks, their bodies hanging from tree limbs, while a man

helped rebuild the Capitol and the White House after British troops burned both to shells in 1814.

Of that second generation of Capitol-building slaves, Reid, the quarry operator, was the best known. He's credited with slicing the massive monument into five cross-sections to permit their hoisting and with reconstructing the statue on the Capitol's dome in 1863. From the early slaves' work on the Capitol, both the original foundation and exterior survived. The same is true of the White House.

Hotelling's findings on the Capitol's slave work force aired in 2000 on WRC-TV in Washington, where he was then a producer. The Emmy-winning report sparked Congress' interest in commemorating the slave labor that built its home.

by picture showed a cow hanging in a slaughterhouse. Controversy erupted Aug. 8, when the display was in New Haven, Conn.

"There was one man who began shouting that the exhibit was racist," Carr said. "Then, there was a lot of shouting."

Carr said PETA used the shocking images to prove a point: Whether it's humans or harming animals or each other, all point to an oppressive mind-set.

However, officials with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People aren't buying it. "PETA operates by getting publicity any way they can," said John White, an NAACP spokesman. "They're comparing chickens to black people."

Mark Petrol, director of the Intelligence Project with the Southern Poverty Law Center, in Montgomery, Ala., called the exhibit "disgusting."

"Black people in America have had quite enough of being compared to animals without PETA joining in," he said. "PETA officials apologized earlier this year for a campaign that compared the suffering of Jews during the Holocaust with that of factory animals."

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Experts study remains, clothing of 1850s D.C. boy

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The mysterious boy on the Smithsonian laboratory table had probably died of pneumonia about 1850 — a mix of clothing experts and forensic anthropologists and researchers began their work.

The boy had been dressed in a pleated shirt, finely tailored waistcoat and white breeches and trousers and buried in an elegant iron coffin along Columbia Road NW in the District of Columbia. The boy's clothing experts said they preserved: He was 5 feet 10 inches tall and looked about 13. Beyond that, almost nothing was known. Who was he? Where had he lived? Why was he buried near a college in what was then the farm country well outside town?

This month, a team of experts at the National Museum of Natural History peered into his coffin for the first time in 150 years to try to unravel his story, perhaps learn more about his death and maybe something of his life.

The mystery began April 1 when his coffin was discovered by construction workers digging beneath a gas line in Washington's Columbia Heights neighborhood.

The workers, unsure what to do, locked the coffin in an empty building where, on April 4, vandals broke in and smashed the coffin's glass faceplate and metal cover.

It was, subsequently, turned over to the Museum of Natural History, where a team of forensic anthropologists, pathologists, historical archaeologists and clothing experts and researchers began their work.

The coffin, which had been stored in a cooler, was opened Aug. 3. The boy's skeleton was moved. An autopsy on the body was performed, and samples from his organs and strands of his hair were taken for further analysis.

Carrtman, an Oklahoma pathologist and expert in ancient diseases who helped perform the autopsy, "I don't think we have that mystery solved yet."

Arthur Aufderheide, a clinical pathologist and museum expert at the University of Minnesota who also helped with the autopsy, said the boy's right lung tissue bore a peculiar texture and firmness often seen in cases of lobar pneumonia.

With modern antibiotics, such pneumonia now is unusual. Aufderheide said Tuesday. But it was common in the 1800s and was lethal among the very young and very old. He said the illness usually kills in about a week, before the immune system can counterattack.

He said the boy's empty stomach indicated he probably had not eaten for 24 to 36 hours.

"He may have been simply too sick," Aufderheide said. "Or he may become profoundly ill with lobar pneumonia. The temperature rises progressively, frequently up to 105 ... If you're that sick, you're not interested in eating. In fact, you're probably delirious part of the time."

Carrtman said that the boy also had a cyst and other damage on the lung. Such damage suggested the pneumonia might have stemmed from a chronic respiratory ailment, such as tuberculosis. "It's had more or less chronic lung problems," Carrtman said.

Museum curators, meanwhile, studied the coffin, whose lid was shaped like that of an Egyptian mummy, molded in the shape of a flowing gown and marked on a raised area at the feet with the imprint of a mysterious flower.

"Isn't it nice?" lead anthropologist Douglas Owsley said in showing it.

This brand of coffin, which was expensive and advanced for its time, was first manufactured in 1849, historical archaeologist Deb Hill-Walski said.

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Panel: No evidence Pentagon knew of Atta

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Investigators for the Sept. 11 commission have found no evidence to support allegations by a House Republican that lead hijacker Mohamed Atta was identified by a classified Pentagon program before the 2001 attacks, according to a commission statement issued Friday night.

Commission leaders Thomas H. Kean (R) and Lee H. Hamilton (D) said in the joint statement that panel staff members have found no documents or other witnesses to back up claims made by a U.S. Navy officer, who told the commission staff in July 2004 that he recalled seeing Atta's name and photograph on a chart prepared by another officer. Panel officials also said they have found no evidence to support similar claims made to re-



Mohamed Atta

porters by a second person, a former defense intelligence official.

"None of the documents turned over to the commission mention Atta or any of the other future hijackers," the commission statement said. "Nor do any of the staff notes on documents reviewed in the (Defense Department) reading room indicate that Mohamed Atta or any of the other future hijackers were mentioned in any of those documents."

The statement marks the latest development in several days of public skirmishing between the commission and Rep. Curt Weldon, R-Pa., who accused the panel of ignoring allega-

tions that Atta and other hijackers had been identified by Pentagon analysts before the Sept. 11 attacks but that the information had not been shared with other agencies.

Weldon said in a statement Friday night that the commission's findings still leave key questions unanswered and complained that the Sept. 11 panel had given varied responses to the allegations over the last week.

"I will continue to push for a full accounting of the historical record so that we may preclude these types of failures from happening again," Weldon said.

The dispute centers on a now-defunct Pentagon effort called "Able Danger," which the commission statement describes as a "link analysis" program that mapped connections among terrorist suspects and produced diagrams of terrorist networks. Weldon said

the program was a planning effort assigned to the Special Operations Command by the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to help the military "manipulate, degrade or destroy the global al-Qaida infrastructure."

The commission statement raises significant doubts about the likelihood that Able Danger could have identified Atta or other Sept. 11 hijackers as al-Qaida operatives and placed them in Brooklyn in 1999 or early 2000. Atta never lived in New York and did not enter the United States until June 2000, and two other key hijackers mentioned by the intelligence officer in media interviews were not in the country until 2001, the statement said.

But Weldon said Able Danger was "not about dates and times" but "was about linkages and associations of individuals and produced diagrams of terrorist networks. Weldon said

Group: CD-burning bigger problem than file-sharing

The Associated Press

"Burned" CDs accounted for 29 percent of all recorded music obtained by fans in 2004, compared to 16 percent attributed to downloads from online file-sharing networks, said Mitch Balinow, chief executive for the Recording Industry Association of America.

The data, compiled by the market research firm NPD Group, suggested that about half of all recordings obtained by music fans in 2004 were due to authorized CD sales and about 4 percent from paid

music downloads.

"CD burning is a problem that is really undermining sales," Balinow said in an interview prior to speaking before about 750 members of the National Association of Recording Merchandisers in San Diego Friday.

"Copy protection technology is an answer to the problem that clearly the marketplace is going to see more of," he added.

Album sales in the North America are down about 7 percent this year compared with a year ago, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

Yet the recording industry has seen a lift from online music sales, which when factored in with album and sales of CD singles increased overall music sales through July to 21 percent over last year.

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CSI courses hone job-hunting skills

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho's Community Education Center is offering online courses to hone job-searching skills. Classes begin Sept. 21, Oct. 9 or Nov. 5. Each instructor-facilitated class runs six weeks and costs \$89.

In "12 Steps to a Successful Job Search," students will learn from author and career advisor Todd Bernmont how to get the jobs they want quickly and easily in any economy, class organizers said. They will learn how to determine and market their core strengths and decide what jobs they really want. Topics include resume creation, networking, interviewing, communicating, post-interview follow-up and accepting, rejecting and negotiating job offers.

Students in "Hidden Market Job Search Strategies" will learn how most jobs are never advertised and then how to become the solution to the employer's staffing problem before the public posting of a job, class organizers said. They will learn how to bypass the personnel department and get the job they want by learning how to interview directly with a company's decision makers.

"Resume Writing Workshop" will cover how to create an effective resume or improve an existing one. Students will learn how to transform their resumes into tools that will get job interviews, class organizers said. They will be led through a self-assessment, "how to find and learn to market themselves. Topics include resume formats, writing an employment objective and writing persuasive cover letters. The course covers the use of online resumes.

To register, visit www.csledu.com/learned or call 732-6230 or 732-6286.

Program assists first-time homebuyers

TWIN FALLS — A "Finally Home" course will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. Aug. 23 and 30, in Room 276 of the College of Southern Idaho.

The program, funded by state and federal grants, is aimed at helping homebuyers who are looking at getting into their first homes.

Speakers include lender Jeff Harris of Washington Federal, Glenna Theberge of Eagle Eye Home Inspection, appraiser Shane Black from Mayer and Associates, closing officer Jared Bost from Twin Falls Title and Escrow and Escrow, mortgage program coordinator and a Realtor with Gate City Realty in Pocatello.

The course, which completes the two-evening course may qualify for reduced mortgage insurance premiums, down payment and closing cost assistance, and other special lender programs.

Cost is \$10 per person, which includes the mandatory registration fee. Contact Johnson at 732-6287 or pjohnson@csledu.

Real estate licensees get services online

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Real Estate Commission added the Commission's list of services available online to real estate licensees.

Commission Core is a continuing education requirement for all real estate licensees to renew their licenses. The commission updates and tapes the class annually, but licensees must take it only once during a two-year license period. The class is an update of state law changes, recent court cases and "hot topics" which could affect the way a licensee does business, the commission said.

In addition, licensees can fulfill the mandatory license requirement at home or at the office. When the course is completed, they contact their local real estate school or the Real Estate Commission to arrange for a proctored test to receive the continuing education credit.

The online course is meant to allow licensees in rural and remote areas of Idaho to fulfill education requirements without travel and lodging expenses. For information, visit www.irec.idaho.gov.

— compiled from staff reports



MIRA DELIC/PHOTO BY THE TIMES-NEWS

Giving a fresh start Nonprofit offers refugees business advice, loans

By Julie Pence Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — After a trip to visit relatives in her home country last year, Bosnian refugee Mira Delic isn't looking back.

"Life in America is a lot easier," she said, in an accent that reverberates with the soft sounds of her native Romance language.

But there was nothing soft about the life that Delic escaped six years ago. The constant fear of ethnic cleansing — in other words, murder — in an ongoing civil war in the eastern European country prompted the Delic family to apply for refugee status in order to come to the United States, she said.

In Idaho since 1999, the wife and mother of two teenagers lives in Twin Falls and runs her own hair salon on Blue Lakes Boulevard North. Money she had saved as a dishwasher in a restaurant and as a hair cutter in someone else's salon enabled her to open her own business, exSALONce, last year.

Before she opened the doors, however, Delic — who had already practiced hair care in Bosnia for 14 years — got advice from a nonprofit that specializes in counseling refugees on business startups as well as providing loans to refugees who have just come to America. To qualify for either, foreigners must prove their lives are threatened if they continue living where they are.

The nonprofit is META, an acronym for MicroEnterprise Training & Assistance. Funded with federal dollars, META has operated in Idaho for 2 1/2 years.

META has helped about 75 refugees in the Treasure Valley area, with about 30 of those taking out loans, program coordinator Ron Berning said. The nonprofit just recently entered Magic Valley. It's a natural expansion because Idaho has three refugee centers, with two in Treasure Valley and one at Magic Valley's College of Southern Idaho. During the past five years about 500 refugees have settled in Magic Valley, Berning said.

So far about 20 refugees in Magic

Bosnian refugee Mira Delic cuts client Jack Webster's hair in exSALONce, the salon that she started about a year ago on Twin Falls' Blue Lakes Boulevard North. Delic got advice on how to run a business in the United States from a nonprofit group called META, or MicroEnterprise Training & Assistance. The group also offers loans to refugees who want to start businesses.

Refugees running businesses

Read about refugees who are running businesses in Idaho by buying a META (MicroEnterprise Training & Assistance) directory. The spiral-bound business directory features a separate business on each page, listing its contact information, description of its products and services and a brief biography of the owners and the countries from

which they came. To get one, e-mail Ron Berning, program coordinator for META, at rberning@mnstatesgroup.org or call him at (208) 338-5533, ext. 230. The directories are also available at the businesses of refugees who are living in western or south-central Idaho. Directories cost \$10 each. Proceeds benefit META and its clients.

Valley have used instructions from META on how to structure and maintain a business in the United States, he said. But no Magic Valley refugees have taken loans. META has \$50,000 available at any one time for loans up to \$15,000.

The loan aspect of META exists because "banks aren't willing or able to lend to refugees," Berning said. "We fill that gap."

Berning wants refugees — who are often professionals such as doctors, engineers and lawyers who are forced to turn to service-sector businesses to make a living in the United States — to know they can rely on META soon after they arrive in the United States to help them start new lives.

The stipulation for getting a META loan is that the refugee can't be a U.S. citizen.

Delic said she didn't want a loan. For one thing, it's not part of the Bosnian culture to borrow money, she said. For another, she was afraid of paying a lot of money over the principal in interest payments.

However, she said she took Berning's advice on bumping up

advertising and raising her prices a bit. She also said she'll turn to him if she needs help with taxes.

Not all Bosnians are afraid of borrowing money. Euro Food Store owner Narcis Kurbergovic, a veterinarian who came from Bosnia 10 years ago, said he saved money from a wedding job and added that to a loan from a local bank to start his business. It would have been easier to get his European-style cafe and ethnic food store going if META had been available when he was ready to start, he said.

So how is business for these new Americans? "It's OK, it could be better," the former animal doctor said.

Still, Kurbergovic said just being in the United States makes him optimistic.

Delic, with only a year's experience, upon which to judge her new business, said: "It's getting better and better every day."

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250 MPG?!?!?!? Engineers modify hybrid cars to get great gas mileage

The Associated Press

CORTE MADERA, Calif. — Politicians and automakers say a car that can both reduce greenhouse gases and free America from its reliance on foreign oil is years or even decades away. Ron Gremban says such a car is parked in his garage. It looks like a typical Toyota Prius hybrid, but in the trunk sits an 80-miles-per-gallon secret — a stack of 18 brick-sized batteries that boosts the car's high mileage with an extra electrical charge so it can burn even less fuel.

Gremban, an electrical engineer and committed environmentalist, spent several months and \$3,000 tinkering with his car.

Like all hybrids, his Prius increases fuel efficiency by

harnessing small amounts of electricity generated during braking and coasting. The extra batteries let him store extra power by plugging the car into a wall outlet at his home in this San Francisco suburb — all for about a quarter.

His part of a small but growing movement. "Plug-in" hybrids aren't yet cost-efficient, but some of the dozen known experimental models have gotten up to 250 mpg. They have support not only from environmentalists but also from conservative foreign policy hawks who insist Americans fuel terrorism through their gas guzzling.

And while the technology has existed for three decades, automakers are beginning to take notice, too.

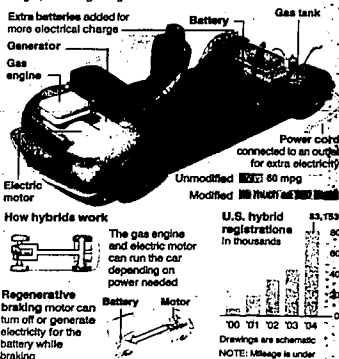
So far, DaimlerChrysler AG is the only company that has

committed to building its own plug-in hybrids, quickly pledging to make up to 40 vans for U.S. companies. But Toyota Motor Corp. officials who initially frowned on people altering their cars now say they may be able to learn from them. "They're like the hot rodders of yesterday who did everything to soup up their cars. It was all about horsepower and bling-bling bits of chrome and accessories," said Cindy Knight, a Toyota spokeswoman. "Maybe the hot rodders of tomorrow are the people who want to get in there and see what they can do about increasing fuel economy."

The extra batteries let Gremban drive for 20 miles with 50-50 mix of gas and electricity. Even after the car runs out of

Modified Prius' can save more money

Some Toyota Prius owners are modifying their cars with extra batteries to boost fuel efficiency. The batteries, which cost as little as a quarter to charge, allow the electric motor to power the car longer, reducing the gas used.



SOURCES: Department of Energy; R.L. Polk & Co.; Toyota. Modified Prius can save up to \$3,753 in fuel costs over 100,000 miles. Modified Prius can run on electricity for 20 miles. Drawings are schematic. NOTE: Mileage is under ideal conditions. Merrill Sherman • AP

YOUR BUSINESS

CAREER MOVES

Matt Christensen

TWIN FALLS — Matt Christensen joined *The Times-News* last week as a features writer. Christensen holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from Iowa State University and has written for Garden Ideas & Outdoor Living magazine; Garden, Deck & Landscape magazine; Elbos magazine; and the Iowa State Daily. Originally from East Moline, Ill., he moved to Twin Falls from Ames, Iowa. Christensen will write for all of *The Times-News*'s feature sections and contribute to the local news report.

Mark Jones

TWIN FALLS — Mark E. Jones of Robert Jones Realty was named 2005 Realtor of the Year by the Greater Twin Falls Association of Realtors, based on his professional conduct and contributions to community life. Jones has been a director for the local association and is currently its president and director for the Idaho Association of Realtors. He has been involved in Conns for Kids, Johnny Horizon Day highway cleanup and Every 15 Minutes. For the Realtors association, he has served on Budget and Finance, Bylaws and Professional Standards committees and as public relations chairman. He is a public policy trustee for the Idaho Association of Realtors. The Realtor of the Year Award is sponsored by the Idaho Association of Realtors and local Boards of Realtors that are affiliated with the National Association of Realtors. Each local board submits its Realtor of the Year for consideration for a statewide award. The recipient of the state Realtor of the Year Award will be named at the Idaho-Montana convention in September and honored at the annual convention of the National Association of Realtors in November.

Eric Larson

BURLEY — Eric Larson joined Kim Hansen Chevrolet as a sales consultant. Larson was the first to complete a three-year class at Cassia Regional Technical Center on automotive technology. He competed at Weber State University's Top Automotive Competition and placed in the top 10 in Idaho in the Ford AAA competition. He was previously employed with Larson Hooping and Construction. He and his wife, Linzie, live in Burley. Larson can be reached at 678-2526 or at the dealership, 1221 W. Main St.

Darren Funk

BURLEY — Darren Funk joined D.R. Curtis Co. as a new real estate agent. Funk has lived in Mini-Cassia all his life. He recently stopped farming after farming on his own for the past 10 years. He has served on the Cassia County Beet Growers Board for six years.

Michael Legg

TWIN FALLS — Michael Legg joined Century 21 Greater Value Properties on Aug. 4. Legg graduated from Twin Falls High School in 2001, then joined the U.S. Army, where he served in Europe for three years and was deployed to the Middle East in 2003. After a year in the combat zone, he was honorably discharged from the 32nd Signal Battalion. He returned to Twin Falls and received an education in real estate at the College of Southern Idaho.

Stan Quan

TWIN FALLS — Stan Quan is the new manager at the Ashley Furniture Home Store, 1708 Kimberly Road. Quan was store manager at the Wilson-Bates store in Burley from January 2000 to June 2005. Ashley Furniture recently opened its 200th store.

Mark Lambert

TWIN FALLS — The Academy of General Dentistry gave Dr. Mark C. Lambert its Gold Award at the academy's annual meeting July 18 in Washington, D.C. He is the only dentist from Idaho to receive the award this year.

To receive the honor, Lambert completed 500 hours of continuing dental education, passed a comprehensive written exam and fulfilled three years of membership with the Academy of General Dentistry. The award recognizes commitment to exceptional patient care. Lambert graduated from Oregon Health Sciences University in 1999. He practices dentistry in Twin Falls and Gooding and works with the Twin Falls County coroners' office to assist with forensic dental identification. He also is a member of the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry, American Dental Association, Idaho State Dental Association and the South Cen-

tral Idaho Dental Society. He is a former member of the U.S. Army Reserves and U.S. Army Dental Corps.

Terry Downs

TWIN FALLS — Modern Woodmen of America representative Terry R. Downs attained the Fraternal Insurance Counselor designation. The education designation can be earned by career life insurance representatives associated with fraternal insurance societies. Representatives devote more than a year to meet the examination and career development criteria set by the Fraternal Field Managers Association.

Sabahudin Fehratovic

TWIN FALLS — Professional Truck Driving School announced a new instructor Sabahudin Fehratovic graduated Aug. 3 and obtained a Class A commercial driver's license with tanker, doubles-triples and hazardous materials endorsements.

Account managers

GOODING — Brent Owen of Trinity Transport's Regional Service Center in Gooding was promoted to account manager. He'll add to Trinity's existing nationwide network of customers. Also, Janice Hronesh joined Trinity's Gooding center as an account manager assistant. Her duties will include data entry, scheduling and customer relations. Hronesh comes from Independence, Calif., and Yerington, Nev., and has a degree in general education/earth science from Columbia College in Sonoma, Calif. She lives in Gooding. Owen or Hronesh can be reached at 934-9333, ext. 0.

Jacquelyn Gorton

GOODING — Jacquelyn Gorton, an independent consultant with Arbonne International, earned the level of regional vice president and received a white Mercedes-Benz. Gorton joined Arbonne in February 1997 to purchase products at a discount. In May 2002, after moving from Rexburg to Burley, she began pursuing Arbonne as a career. She has taught classes on skin care, health and nutrition, and leadership development. She has developed a team of consultants across Idaho and the West. Arbonne International sells Swiss botanical skin care, formulated in Switzerland and made in the United States.

MILESTONES

Couple opens video rental store in Hagerman

HAGERMAN — Dixie and Curt Kancaster opened a new movie rental store, MovieLand Video, on June 30 at 218 S. State St. MovieLand Video has DVDs and VHS tapes featuring new releases and a variety of classic comedy, action, drama and children's movies. It offers reserved movie selections, gift certificates and pre-pay accounts. Store hours are 2 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 2 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and closed Sunday. MovieLand Video can be reached at 837-6065. The Kancasters and their children are long-time residents of the Hagerman area. They also own Kancaster Construction.

New business helps organize garages

TWIN FALLS — Local entrepreneurs Keith Carroll and Calvin Connell opened PremierGarage of Southern Idaho on July 1 at 151 Trade St. Based in Twin Falls, PremierGarage of Southern Idaho is a franchise of PremierGarage of Mohave County in Phoenix. It provides storage-finishing services to customers across southern Idaho. Products carry a guarantee, and features include organizers, wall-mounted cabinets that stand 6 inches above the floor and patented flooring that cures in 24 hours. Custom designs are available, and computer-aided drawings

allow customers to view 3-D renderings of potential plans and receive on-site quotations. Carroll and Connell will work with home builders, remodelers, interior designers and homeowners. Carroll also owns Superior Door Co. and is associated with the Magic Valley Builders Association. Connell has been in upper management for 19 years and currently is commander of the Snake River Search & Rescue volunteers. An open house will be held from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday. A grand opening and ribbon cutting will held later. For information, visit the corporate Web site at www.premiergarage.com. Potential customers can schedule an appointment by clicking on "Idaho" on the home page. PremierGarage of Southern Idaho can be reached at 737-4657.

'People's Choice Awards' go to homes, builders

TWIN FALLS — This year's People's Choice Awards' "People's Choice Awards" to four homes represented by Western Real Estate Group. The following homes and builders won in these categories:

- Up to \$189,999: Mayner Homes, 631 Grace Drive W., Twin Falls.
- \$240,000 to \$309,999: Paul Lloyd Builders & Developers, No. 41 Northridge Way, Twin Falls.
- \$310,000 to \$381,999: Milestone Builders & Developers, 2574 Suddler, Twin Falls.
- \$382,000 and up: Eclipse

Homes LLC, 2777 Sun Meadow Drive, Twin Falls. Western Real Estate Group is a full-service real estate agency with offices in Twin Falls and Jerome. It can be reached at 324-2236 in Jerome and 733-7653 in Twin Falls.

Company assists in forming ThinkBIG College

MERIDIAN — Western States Equipment Co., Caterpillar and its dealers collaborated with Portland Community College to start the 14th ThinkBIG College. The first students will begin in fall 2005 and graduate with an associate of applied science degree in June 2008. Western States, Halton Co., Peterson Machinery Co., NC Machinery Co., and Tractor and Equipment Co. will select 24 students to enter the program each year. Caterpillar curriculum is taught by dealer-trained instructors. Caterpillar and the dealers donate components to the program. Caterpillar helps dealers supply the program with three new machines rotated on a six-month basis, allowing students to learn advanced technology. Current CAT technology and system tools are integrated in the program. Students must meet Portland Community College admission and dealer-specific selection requirements. For information, call Dennis Munningham at (208) 884-2251. Western States Equipment has represented Caterpillar since 1956 and is the authorized Caterpillar dealer for Idaho, eastern Oregon and Washington, western Montana and part of Wyoming.

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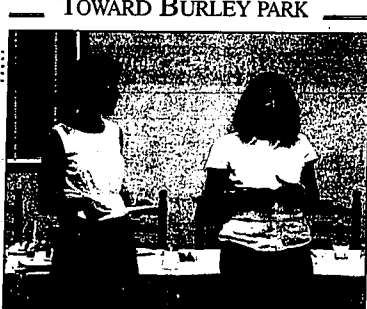
Your business is a weekly feature that highlights commercial activity in the Magic Valley. If you have information about any of the following, *The Times-News* wants to hear about it:

- Promotions and staff changes.
- New certifications.
- Seminars and workshops.
- Awards and achievements.
- Charitable business activities.
- Other business news.

Please email items to news clerk Ellen Thomson at ellen@magvalley.com

Or contact Business Editor
Viviana S. Hutchins at:
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P.O. Box 548
Twin Falls, Idaho 83403
733-0931, Ext. 242
Fax: 733-0943 or 345-5538

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Sheila Adams, left, representing the Mini-Cassia Realtor's Association, presents a \$500 check to Bev Stone of the Burley Centennial Committee, to be used in construction of Burley Centennial Park.

Realtors group meets on Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — The Women's Council of Realtors will meet at 11:30 Tuesday at the Aztlan Medical Restaurant. Midge Fischer will speak on "How to Take Time for Yourself and Not Feel Guilty."

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SALMON TRACT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROPOSED 2005-2006 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET OCTOBER 1, 2005 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE
Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in this public notice. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twin Falls County Ambulance District will meet on Wednesday, August 24, 2005, at 10:00 AM in the Twin Falls County Commissioners' Office, 425 Shoshone St. North, 4th Floor, Twin Falls, Idaho, for the purpose of considering and making a final budget at which time any person may be heard upon any part or parts of the said budget, and the following tables set forth:

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The estimated revenue for Twin Falls County Ambulance District, for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006, is as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Cash on Hand, Other Taxes, Ad Valorem, Totals. Values: 49,000, 15,000, 482,950, 545,950

NOTIFICACION PUBLICA
La Comisión conjunta de Acreditación de las organizaciones del cuidado de la salud (CAHO) conducirá una inspección de acreditación en MAGIC VALLEY REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center on September 19-23, 2005.

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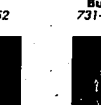
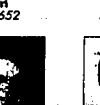





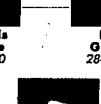

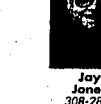



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Immediate opening at independent shop for experienced auto body and frame technician. ICR - qualified - preferred and must be willing to participate in future ICR classes. Must have your own tools. References required. Drug free work place. Benefits. Call Rick, 734-5790.

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Contact Richard or Mary at 650 W. Addison Ave. (Hospital East Service Area) between 2 & 4 pm. No phone calls please.

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The City of Jerome is seeking a Management Assistant. The salary for the position will be \$32,822 to \$38,170, annually. DOE and qualifications, plus a competitive benefit package. Interested applicants should contact the City Administrator at (208) 324-8189. For a complete application package, please visit the City's website www.ci.jerome.id.us. The last day to submit completed application packet will be Fri., Sept. 2, 03.

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DRIVERS Farm Bed Drivers for traveling the Northwest. CDL A required.

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Interested parties are to contact: Idaho Commerce and Labor Center Office, Attn: Chris Ramo or ALC Unit 317 W. Main Street, Boise, Idaho 83735
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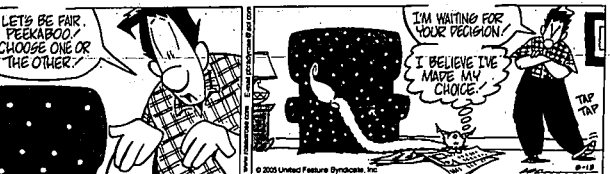
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BACK TO SCHOOL 2005

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The Web is a research paper writer's dream — and worst nightmare

By Lorita Burkhardt
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — For students writing research papers, it's hard to resist the allure of the World Wide Web.

Billions of facts — and an equal amount of fiction — can be found at the click of a mouse. It's possible to cobble a credible paper out of what can be found in Cyberspace.

"Though facts are plentiful, there's still the 'garbage,' says MaryLu Barry, an English teacher at Twin Falls High School.

And with so much junk, it becomes difficult for students to know whether what he or she is taking from the Web is accurate.

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This is the second in a valuable tool, and with the right kind of guidance, students become better prepared for higher education, said John Miller, who is the newly appointed instructional dean at the College of Southern Idaho.

One primary step in that direction is the use of search engines to learn how to use search engines to their capacity "and passing it along."

"This is the key," said Miller who is the former chief of information technology for the Twin Falls School District, "making the teacher's role a pivotal role," he said.

"And there's no substitute for the teacher," he added.

American literature teacher Verlie Stanger puts the leadership role into play every year. She gives her junior class their required Persuasive Research Paper assignment.

But with that, she's careful to remind her students that just because the Internet has "the most current information" doesn't (necessarily) mean it's always reliable.

Fler rule of thumb: If there's no source date, "be suspicious."

Among vital lessons that include using facts, examples and statistics to support a position of opinion, students also learn that before submitting a final draft, parenthetical citations must be used "every time" an idea or information is used from an outside source.

And unless the information is considered "common knowledge," a works cited entry is required.



Fifteen-year-old Will Wu works online in his bedroom in Orinda, Calif. For students such as Wu, the Internet is a ready source of information for research.



School children cross a street on their way to North Lauderdale Elementary in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., on the first day of school on Aug. 8. The high temperature in Fort Lauderdale that day was 99 degrees, with 72 percent humidity.

Parents resist change to longer school year

New York Times News Service

As far as its public schools are concerned, Early County in rural southwest Georgia is suitably named. School started on July 22. In Chandler, Ariz., a booming suburb of Phoenix, schools opened that same week. In Florida, the last county to open schools is Putnam, east of Gainesville, where classes started Tuesday.

"It's crazy," said Vivian Jackson, a mother of two school-aged children in Marietta, Ga., where schools open in mid-August. "There's no reason for it. I spent yesterday in the allergist's office to get a note from the doctor because my child cannot ride in a school bus when the temperature is 90 degrees, and there's not a day in August here when the temperature does not reach 90 degrees."

"We don't want to start school in August and get out in May," she added. "We want our summers back."

Like thousands of other parents, Jackson is not only complaining. Through grass-roots groups like *Our Summers in North Carolina*, *Save Georgia Summers*, which she helped organize, and *Texas for a Traditional School Year*, angry parents are barging into state legislatures, demanding change. In some cases, they are prevailing. Last year in North Carolina, a petition and e-mail drive led to a new law that says public schools cannot start before Aug. 25. Wisconsin recently set its start date as any time after Sept. 1. Beginning next year in Minnesota, public schools cannot open before Labor Day.

A bill this year in the Georgia legislature that would have pushed the starting date to late August, but supporters moved to fight on. "Our voices are growing louder and louder, and we're going back to the legislature next year and asking this an election issue," Jackson said. "We've made it clear we'll

When does school start?

- Twin Falls: Aug. 22
- Castro County: Aug. 24
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- Blaine County: Aug. 29
- Jerome: Aug. 22
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endorse anyone who supports our position."

A major impetus for the early start of the school year is standardized testing. In many states, school district officials contend that shifting starting dates to July or August allows for semester exams before the Christmas break, and for added instruction ahead of statewide tests that are used to measure progress for the federal No Child Left Behind program.

Some have added a few days of instruction, but most have shifted the academic year, traditionally from September to June, to July or August to May. Other districts have stretched the academic year to adopt what is known in some places as a year-round school year, which rotates periods of instruction in 9-to-12-week blocks with vacation breaks of three to four weeks.

"Districts are feeling such pressure," said Barbara Hunter, a spokeswoman for the National School Boards Association. "As stakes for accountability rise, schools need flexibility to get the most out of the academic year. The calendar is one more variable to work with."

Want to learn more?

- **At the College of Southern Idaho** In Twin Falls, a three-credit online course in Information Literacy is offered, and many faculty members incorporate information literacy elements into their courses.
- **The American Association of School Librarians** also provides Information Literacy Standards for Student Learning. The nine AASL information literacy standards help students become skilful at accessing and managing information. <http://www.ala.org/ala/aasl/astl-profiles/informationpower/informationLiteracyStandards.html> In order to evaluate online re-

sources, students should carefully consider at least the following:

- Authority
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 - Objectivity
 - Currency
 - Coverage
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 - Penn State University Libraries: "Information Literacy & You."

- <http://www.libraries.osu.edu/instruction/infoil/andou/infopu.htm>
- University of California at Berkeley — Teaching Library Internet Workshops: <http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingByGuides/interney/Evaluate.html>
- Susan Beck, "Evaluation Criteria: The Good, The Bad & The Ugly; or Why It's a Good Idea to Evaluate Web Sources" <http://lib.mnsu.edu/instruction/evalcrit.html>
- University of Louisville Libraries, Web Research Evaluation Checklist. <http://www.louisville.edu/information/edu>

Source: Edit Szanto

How come most guys don't want to become school teachers?

The Washington Post

When she interviews teaching candidates, principal Laurel Teller favors the ones who show they have a heart for children, not just solid instructional skills.

And if the best applicant happens to be a man?

That's the question that Teller says she does a "little happy dance."

Only two of the 35 teachers at her school, Rossmore Elementary in Los Alamitos, Calif., are men.

"If you're looking at what's best for the students, it's important for them to interact with the two sexes," Teller said. "The way men work with kids, there's a difference in style and approach. I think students really benefit from having that mix, because as they get to middle school, they're going to have a whole variety of classes. Men help bridge that."

As a new academic year approaches, school districts are encouraging groups and universities are exploring ways to get more men into a field long dominated by women. Their goal is to provide more male role models in class and to diversify the labor pool of dedicated teachers.



Educator Stacey DeSalvo, a 44-year-old fifth-grade teacher at Rossmore Elementary School, introduces his students to the Family Life ground rules at his class in Los Alamitos, Calif. He's one of only two men who teach the school.

The proportion of men in teaching is at its lowest level in 40 years, according to the National Education Association, the country's largest teachers union.

Only 21 percent of teachers in U.S. public schools are men. In early grades, the gender ratio is even more imbalanced — just 9 percent of elementary school teachers are men.

"It's not just that it would be nice to have more guys. It goes deeper than that," said Bryan Nelson, founding director of MenTeach, a nonprofit that recruits men into teaching.

Getting more men into classrooms, Nelson said, would help show children that society as a whole places a deep value on education and would add balance to their school life.

His group aims to provide prospective male teachers with mentors, training and stipends. Men often must overcome concerns about their salaries, a perception that teaching isn't masculine, and even public fears that they pose a danger to kids, Nelson said.

"So he applies to our program. 'I'll tell them, 'Can you imagine what you're doing for these kids? You're a pioneer. You're teaching kids how to read. You're setting up their future.'"

In most cases, however, school districts are limited in how they can recruit men because federal anti-discrimination law prevents them from hiring based on gender.

"That applicant pool is going to be limited by your recruiting techniques if there's a gender bias," said Lisa Soromen, a staff attorney for the National School Boards Association. "The real way to get teaching to be a more attractive profession is to change the societal norms and structure of the profession. But no individual principal can do that."

Teller tries, though. She takes steps to make men feel more comfortable, such as asking female teachers to join in their lunchroom chatter about intimate matters. And she lets male teachers serve on the committees that interest them, she said.

One of Teller's two male teachers, fifth-grade instructor Stacey De Salvo, got into the field because he enjoys working with children and discovering knowledge along with them. In some years, he's been the only male teacher in his school, which took an adjustment.

"I really feel like things are out of balance when you're the only guy," De Salvo said. "You get a solitary feeling... Elementary school is seen as a woman's domain, and when I came in, I felt kind of isolated."

There are signs of change. Teaching has re-emerged as one of the top careers for teen boys, as it has long been for girls, according to Gallup Tuesday Briefing, the polling firm's news service.

The Gallup analysis noted that male teachers remain scarce in poor, urban areas where children often have no father at home or male role model.

FAMILY LIFE

STAPLES-KRIEGER

TWIN FALLS — Brett and Cindy Staples of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Ashley Rose Staples, to Kacy Eugene Krieger, son of Terry and Pam Krieger of Kimberly.

Staples is a 2001 graduate of Twin Falls High School and has attended Boise State University and the College of Southern Idaho, receiving an associate in respiratory therapy.

Krieger is a 2001 honors graduate of Kimberly High School and served two years in the New York New York North LDS mission. He is attending CSI majoring in civil engineering.

The wedding is planned for Tuesday, Aug. 16, in the Logan



Kacy Krieger and Ashley Staples LDS Temple. A garden reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, at the Kimberly LDS Church, 222 Birch S. St.

BAILEY-OLIVerson

RUPERT — Calvin and DeAnn Bailey of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Bailey, to Patrick Oliverson, son of Kris and Ruth Oliverson of St. Albans.

Bailey is a graduate of Minico High School and is attending Brigham Young University-Idaho where she will be receiving her associate's degree in accounting. She is employed at Metalaeca Inc. in Rexburg.

Oliverson also attends BYU-Idaho and is employed at Metalaeca Inc. in Rexburg. The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 19, in the Salt Lake



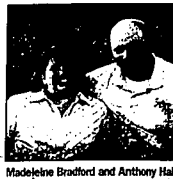
Jessica Bailey and Patrick Oliverson City LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held Friday, Aug. 26, at the home of Steve and Abby Whitesides.

BRADFORD-HALL

NAMPA — Mike and Joanne Bradford of Nampa announce the engagement of their daughter, Madeline Bradford, to Anthony Hall, son of Tom and Pat Hall of Harman.

Bradford is a graduate of Valloueville High School and The American Institute of Health Technology. She is employed by Dr. William Binigar at Pain Care Boise in Boise.

Hall attended the College of Southern Idaho. He is employed at Franklin Building Supply in Caldwell.



Madeline Bradford and Anthony Hall The wedding is planned for Saturday, Sept. 3, at the First Baptist Church in Glenns Ferry.

ENGAGEMENTS

PARISH-HARTWELL

BURLEY — Warren and Patrice Parish of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Deldra Parish, to Christopher Hartwell, son of Jim and Jan Hartwell of Declo.

Parish is a 2003 graduate of Burley High School and will graduate in 2007 from Utah State University in Logan, Utah.

Hartwell is a 1995 graduate of Declo High School and a 2001 graduate of George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He is employed at the office of Sen. Larry Craig in Washington, D.C.

The wedding is planned for 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, in the



Christopher Hartwell and Deldra Parish Logan LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, at the Parish residence, 578 S. 50 E., Burley.

SWAN-FRANK

TWIN FALLS — Rebecca Swan Prescott and Shane Prescott of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Swan, to Justin Ross Frank, son of Stan and Val Frank of Sterling, Colo. Swan is also the daughter of the late George I.L. Swan.

Swan is a graduate of the College of Southern Idaho. She is owner/director of Dance Dynamics in Johnstown, Colo.

Frank is a graduate of CSI and Westwood College of Technology in Denver, Colo., with a bachelor of science degree. He is working on his master's of business administration at the University of Phoenix and is employed at IBM in Boulder, Colo.



Justin Frank and Jennifer Swan The wedding is planned for Saturday, Aug. 27, at The Westminster Westminister in Westminster, Colo. A reception will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 3, at the Prescott residence in Twin Falls.

CAMERON-LITTLEFORD

RUPERT — Dean and Linda Cameron of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Carissa Lin Cameron, to Ryan Joel Littleford, son of Linda Littleford of Sandy, Utah, and Joel and Christy Littleford of Calabasas, Calif.

Cameron is a graduate of Minico High School and is currently attending Brigham Young University-Idaho.

Littleford is a graduate of Alta High School in Sandy, Utah, and is also attending BYU-Idaho.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 19, in the Mount



Carissa Cameron and Ryan Littleford Timpanogus LDS Temple. A reception to honor the couple will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, at the West Western Burley Inn, 800 N. Overland Ave., Burley.

FREDERIKSEN-HARVEY

RUPERT — Leslie Kim Frederiksen and Nicholas Jeremy Harvey announce their engagement.

Fredrikksen is the daughter of JoAnne Frederiksen of Rupert and Kevin Frederiksen of Dubois.

Harvey is the son of Dee and Terry Harvey of Meridian.

Fredrikksen is a graduate of Minico High School and is currently attending the College of Southern Idaho and Boise State University. She is employed by Bonneville Blueprints in Boise.

Harvey is a graduate of Middleton High School and has attended CSI. He is employed by



Nicholas Harvey and Leslie Frederiksen Milt Sparks Inc. in Boise. The wedding is planned for Thursday, Aug. 18, in the garden of their home in Nampa.

WEDDING

LONGEY-PETERSON

HEYBURN — Kristi Lou Longey and C. Robert (Robb) Peterson were married May 15 at the Bishop's House in Boise. A reception and dance followed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Suzanne Krutzfeldt of Boise and Riley Wooten of Woodville, Mo. Parents of the bride/groom are Clair and Kristine Peterson of Heyburn.

Attendees to the bride were Mary Meredith, sister of the bride; Kim Wooten, sister-in-law to the bride; and Deanna Peterson, sister of the groom.

Guests included Blake Mason, Wade Eberhardt and Dennis Jacobsen, friends of the groom.

The bride was the nephew of Adam Meredith, ringbearer, Julie Meredith, niece of the bride, was the flower girl.

Rev. Meri Moore presided over the ceremony. Special guests of the groom



Kristi and Robb Peterson were his paternal grandmother, Alice Peterson of Paul, and great uncle and aunt, Jim and Naomi Lynch of Burley.

The bride is a graduate of SHLOPE High School (Indiana state naval base) in Mons, Belgium. She is a senior accounts payable clerk at WinCo.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Minico High School and is a meat department manager for Albertsons.

After a honeymoon in San Diego, the couple resides in Boise.

LEE-BRIGGS

JEROME — Kent and Nancy Lee of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Ann Lee, to Aaron Paul Briggs, son of Paul and Kaye Briggs of Albuquerque, N.M.

Lee is a graduate of Jerome High School and Brigham Young University-Idaho. She is currently attending the Marriott School of Business at BYU in Provo, Utah, and working on her bachelor of business finance degree. She is employed by Air Task Inc. in Orem, Utah.

Briggs is a graduate of BYU in Provo with a bachelor degree in business science and two minor degrees in business and Spanish. He served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Santiago, Chile. He is



Aaron Briggs and Kristan Lee engaged at 24-Hour Fitness in Orem. The wedding is planned for Thursday, Aug. 18, in the Mount Timpanogus Temple. A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Aug. 18 at the White House, 365 Blue Lake Blvd. N., Twin Falls. The couple will reside in Provo.

THOMPSON-CONTRERAS

TWIN FALLS — Mike and Wanda Thompson of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Shyla Michelle Thompson, to William Contreras, son of Phillip and Paul Contreras of Castle Rock, Colo., and Jeanne Contreras of Lakewood, Colo.

Thompson is a 2000 graduate of Twin Falls High School. She is currently employed as a commercial property manager at Interstate Equities in Englewood, Colo.

Contreras is a graduate of Douglas County High School in Castle Rock and Westminster College. He is currently employed as an HVAC technician at Trane



Shyla Thompson and William Contreras Company in Denver, Colo. The wedding is planned for Saturday, Aug. 20, in Golden, Colo. A reception will be held immediately following the ceremony to honor the couple at the Mount Vernon Event Center.

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The highly designed dorm room

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Patrick Baglino, a designer here, works on multimillion-dollar budgets. He's decorated mansions in Washington, New York lofts in SoHo, and waterfront condos in Miami. He also does dorm rooms.

A recent makeover for two friends at Georgetown University included Ralph Lauren bed-linens, window treatments from Anthropologie and a \$1,200 Angela Adams carpet. Total price: about \$5,000, not including Baglino's fees.

College students who can't quite manage a personal designer can still customize their dorm decor by registering for exactly what they want at Bed, Bath & Beyond, Linens-N-Things or Wal-Mart. College registries, which have evolved from wedding registries, offer convenience for students and parents, especially those traveling long distances. Some retailers will take your wish list and have everything ready at the store nearest your campus.

Bed, Bath & Beyond even delivers to college dorms near its stores. At American and George Washington universities here, students' push to have a best-dressed room prompted student associations to arrange bus rides to and from the Alexandria (Va.) Target during the first week of school. Never mind Washington's monuments and museums. "When students get to school, they want to go to two places," says Julie Weber, executive vice president of housing and dining.

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programs at A.J. "Best Buy and Target."

Moving via past carpet remnants, milk crates and hand-one-down refrigerators, style-conscious students these days aspire to roman shades, featherbeds and micro-fridges (a combination of refrigerator, freezer and microwave) to adorn their cinderblock cubicles.

Danielle Feuerberg of Centerville, Va., is heading to Tulane University in New Orleans next month. She has not met her freshman roommate, Ashlee Riden of Kansas City, also 18, but the two already have shopped together, via e-mail. "I think we were a little overzealous about it," said Feuerberg, "because the day after we became roommates, we started talking about our room—after getting the formalities out of the way, definitely the first thing we talked about was decorating."

The girls have picked a color scheme for their room (pink and orange) and purchased coordinating bedsprads. "We send hyper-links and pictures of things we've found on the Internet, and e-mail everyday with messages like, 'Do you like this?'"

and "What do you think of this?" With gift cards and money saved, Feuerberg has spent \$200. By the time she's finished, she expects the cost to be about \$300.

That's well below the approximately \$1,200 the average freshmen spends on back-to-school items according to 2004 National Retail Federation survey, which estimates that college students and their parents will spend about \$25.7 billion. The breakdown: \$7.5 billion on electronics, \$8.8 billion on textbooks, \$3.2 billion on clothing and accessories, \$2.6 billion on dorm or apartment furnishings, \$2.1 billion on school supplies, and \$1.5 billion on shoes.

"It's a sterile dorm room often means as much to parents as to their college-bound kids," Baglino says the parents of the Georgetown students he helped seemed more distraught than the children who were about to leave. His help in creating a comfy new nest provided the assurances the parents needed. "My impression was they were letting go of their child and it was a difficult process for them."

Designer Dana Tydings of Laytonville, Md., has been designing dorm rooms for years. She says families certainly can outfit a room without a pro's help but that advice can be a cost-saver in the long run. "Left to their own devices, parents will overdo it," says Tydings. "They're dealing with their own separation anxiety."

Retailers are keenly aware that many students don't want the same look and color scheme as everyone else on campus. In response, large chains give over a big percentage of their top-floor space—and high-visibility promotions online—to dorm gear.

Other stores catering to college-age shoppers, such as Urban outfitters and Anthropologie, carry a smaller selection, but their items tend to be edgier and more eclectic. Trends so far this summer, according to Linens-N-Things spokeswoman Anne Evans, include anything bright or colorful, and extra seating. "Kids have laptops. They don't have to sit at their desks anymore."

Stores also are poised to advise first-time dorm shoppers. Bed, Bath & Beyond even has a registry consultant available at every store. From Evans at Linens-N-Things, we gleaned these tips:

- Most resident halls provide a closet for each student, but extra seating is a must. Collapsible styles save space and are easy to transport and put away.
- Find multi-purpose items, such as tapestry, which can be used as a wall hanging, bedspread, window treatment or privacy screen.
- Take advantage of vertical space: tall CD holders, behind-the-door towel or shoe racks, extra closet rods and bed risers, which will lift the bed inches, adding storage space underneath.

- Before parents start spending, Tydings suggests getting a copy of the dorm floor plan: "Space limitations will be the best tool against overbuying."
- Some last-minute items she suggests: electrical power strips and double-sided Velcro tape. And remember that in most college dorms, halogen lamps are not allowed.

Caroline Vandenberg, 17, of Alexandria, Va., is heading off to Columbia University this fall. She says spending the massive amount of money on dorm stuff is "illogical," but she has definite thoughts about how she wants her room. "Like home. Nothing about the stark, white, cinderblocks you see when you get there remind you of home."

Her mother, Anne Vandenberg, agrees. "My baby is going away... You want to believe that a comfortable room will alleviate the homesickness a little. Caroline is going off to New York. I'm worried enough already."



Principal Faye Banton, conferring with teacher Humberto Figueroa of Edison Middle School in South Los Angeles, says, "There's a real need for change. She feels firing bad teachers takes far too long."

When teachers don't make the grade

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Principal Faye Banton can walk through the classrooms of Edison Middle School in south Los Angeles and quickly identify her weakest teachers. But Banton knows she can't dismiss them without a drawn-out fight.

"It takes much too long to get rid of them," she said. "There is a real need for change." California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger believes he has the solution: a voter initiative that would extend the probationary period for new teachers and change the rules for firing veterans who perform poorly.

But critics, including the state's association of school boards, say the governor has missed the mark. The initiative would not achieve his popular goal and might make removing problem teachers more difficult, they say.

Schwarzenegger, whose initiative will appear on the state ballot in a Nov. 8 special election, says the issue is simple. "If you have someone who does not perform well in any job... you are able to get rid of that person. And we cannot do that with teachers," he said.

permanent-status teacher. District officials meticulously must document poor performance over time, formally declare the intention to dismiss the teacher and then give the instructor 90 days to improve.

Schwarzenegger's measure — known as the Put the Kids First Act — would authorize school districts to dismiss teachers summarily during the first five years.

The initiative also would simply the process for dismissing teachers with permanent status, allowing district officials to fire a teacher after two consecutive unsatisfactory evaluations without declaring their intentions in advance or waiting 90 days.

Dismissed teachers would still be entitled to a hearing before an administrative judge and two credentialed teachers from outside their district. State law empowers such panels to uphold or overturn teacher dismissals.

The struggle to remove underperforming teachers is a familiar frustration in California school systems. Schools often provide extra training and mentoring for teachers who struggle, but district evaluations in an effort to help them improve and stay on the job.

But rather than hassle with dismissing a teacher, which can consume hundreds of hours, some administrators shuffle problem instructors from school to school in a practice known to school officials as the "dance-of-the-lemons."

The Los Angeles Unified School District has attempted to dismiss just 112 permanent teachers — or about one-quarter of 1 percent of the district's 45,000 instructors — over the past decade. Some were fired, but most resigned or retired.

"It takes two to three years to effectively remove someone who is not helpful to children in the classroom," Los Angeles Schools Supt. Roy Romer said. "That's too long."

Elementary schools begin to ban cell phones

Night Rider News Service

LEXINGTON, Ky. — When the kids at Garth Elementary School in Lexington, Ky., return to the classroom this fall, there is something that won't be found in all those Fantastic Four or Hello Kitty backpacks: cell phones.

Fifth-grade teachers complained last winter that cell-phone use was interfering in the classroom, so the site-based council banned the devices.

But if cell-phone marketers have their way, more elementary schools — where children generally are ages 5 to 11 — might be facing the same problem.

Garth's policy states "there is no reason students should have cell phones at school. Parents may call the office and/or teacher to get a message to their child during the regular school day."

No evidence of health danger

Opponents of cell phone use by children worry about the potential health consequences, but the U.S. Food and Drug Administration says there is no scientific evidence that cell phone use is dangerous.

National governments have advised that children be discouraged from using wireless phones. For example, the British government made such a recommendation in 2000. That recommendation, however, was precautionary and not based on scientific evidence that a health threat exists.

The concern evolves around whether exposure to radio-frequency energy could lead to disease, such as cancer. Some groups sponsored by other

population getting cell phones, according to a market research company in Framingham, Mass. In that age

group, 5.8 million children carry cell phones, and that number is expected to grow 22 percent next year. Children over 10 younger are getting wired, as well. About 400,000 kids ages 5 to 9 carry cell phones, and 20 percent more are expected to have them next year.

"More and more elementary schools are considering a ban," said Cary Juskiw, executive director of the non-profit Commercial Alert, an advocacy group based in Portland, Ore., that is concerned about commercialism and children.

"Real Estate Corner"
PICKING A GOOD LOCATION
by Laura Fitzgerald
Re/Max American Dream Realty

Few decisions are as important as location in choosing a home. It ranks alongside the price and size of the house. So if you're buying a house, first check the community. Determine how the new location will affect the lives of you and your family.

Questions to ask when choosing a location include:

- Is it convenient for your personal needs, close to schools, shopping, transportation routes?
- What are the plans of the community, such as parks, highway construction, shopping areas, etc?
- Are properties in the neighborhood increasing or declining in value, relative to the rate of inflation?

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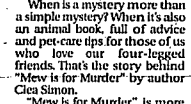
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'Mew is for murder' - a feline mystery



THE BOND MARY BECKER

When is a mystery more than a simple mystery? When it's also an animal book full of advice and pet-care tips for those of us who love our four-legged friends. That's the story behind 'Mew is for Murder' by author Clea Simon. 'Mew is for Murder' is more than a 'cozy,' as classic whodunits are called. Because Simon knows something about cats. Her 2002 nonfiction book, 'The Feline Mystique: On the Mysterious Connection Between Warming Cats,' chronicled the history and mythology that have long linked the feline and the female. She also writes for Boston Globe and New York Times, but her feline research is good use in her first fictional novel. 'The people who read cat mysteries are first and foremost cat lovers,' says Simon from her Massachusetts home. 'I know because I'm on an internet list I don't like cutesy cat books, where the cats don't act like real felines. I wanted to give readers a book that shows cats the actual 'cattitude' of our favorite pets — the real-life traits that make them so adorable — as well as a murder mystery and a little romance.'

...ance writer named Theda Krakow, thinks she's got a cat hoarder — a "crazy cat lady" — in her neighborhood. But when she sets out to interview the old woman, she finds her dead. The neighbors are glad that "the cat lady" is gone, and the police are only too willing to believe that the death of a solitary old lady was accidental. Therefore, it falls to Theda to find out who would want an innocent person dead in a mystery she must solve in time to save all the cats and kittens the old lady had been sheltering in her tumble-down house. To meet both of her goals, Theda must navigate the harsh realities of pet overpopulation and shelter overcrowding. Along the way, she also learns something about herself, particularly when she ends up fostering a black-and-white kitten named Musetta. On Simon's Web site, www.CleaSimon.com, you'll find photos of the real-life Theda who inspired the book, complete with the off-center white star on her nose. Musetta, said Simon, was also a shelter cat. On the site, you'll also find links to stories on real-life animal hoarders, stories that don't have quite such happy endings as the one in "Mew is for Murder." But Simon says, "The chance to share such knowledge in a fun and entertaining format outweighed the need to focus on the dark side."

Animal hoarding, as Simon explains, is a strange phenomenon that scientists are only beginning to understand. Although the classic hoarders (and people do hoard other animals, although cats are most common) can't realize it, they take in too many animals. They end up not being able to care for the animals (which often become ill or starve) or themselves. But because of their condition, which may be a mental illness related to obsessive-compulsive disorder, the hoarders don't see how their homes have become or how sick their animals are. "We all know that we should have our animals spayed or neutered," Simon said. "But we need to remember why." In "Mew is for Murder," she makes the case for real-world animal mystery and mayhem thrown in.

Former Twin Falls veterinarian Mary Becker is the coauthor of the book 'Chicken Soup For The Horse Lover's Soul' and a popular veterinary contributor for ABC's 'Good Morning America.' She is also the author of 'Knight Rider/Tribune News Service.' 700 12th St. NW, Suite 1000, Washington DC 20005.

Toilet training early - points and counterpoints

As some of my readers already know, I have declared all-out war on the absurd, destructive idea — promoted by a healthy number of veterinarians and mental health professionals — that it is perfectly all right to allow an intelligent human being to continue soiling and wetting himself through his or her fourth, even fifth, year of life. I say, if a puppy can be house-trained within a week, then surely an intelligent child can be toilet trained within a month! The beneficiaries of the fact that the average age of successful toilet training has been steadily increasing over the past 30 years are the manufacturers of disposable diapers.



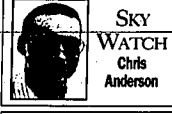
PARENTING John Rosemond

Here is a short list of some of the more nefarious contentions made by promoters of late training — including pediatrician Dr. Barry Brazelton, America's toilet-training-expert-in-residence — along with my responses: • Contention: The typical child is not ready either physically or mentally to begin toilet training before his or her second birthday. Therefore, whereas toilet training can be successful if begun in infancy, it is generally stressful for both parent and child and can result in later problems. • Response: Hogwash! In 1957, researchers at Harvard University found that more than 80 percent of American children were successfully trained by age 24 months. There is absolutely no evidence, anecdotal or otherwise, to suggest this was generally stressful, much less traumatic.

University found that more than 80 percent of American children were successfully trained by age 24 months. There is absolutely no evidence, anecdotal or otherwise, to suggest this was generally stressful, much less traumatic. • Contention: Letting the child determine when he/she will begin using the toilet results in fewer problems. • Response: Balderdash! This is as ridiculous as saying that one should let a child determine when to begin using proper table manners. Research has demonstrated that when parents fail to properly train by 30 months, the likelihood of resistance to learning to use the toilet begins to increase. Also, both pediatricians and psychologists generally report seeing an increase in toilet-training problems in children 3 and older since the trend toward later training became popular in the early '70s. • Contentions: Later training is less stressful on parent and child because the child is not only more psychologically ready, but more physically able to use the toilet properly. • Response: Frog-feathers! Again, waiting beyond 30 months greatly increases the chances of what researchers call "resistance to toilet training refusal," thus making parental frustration and (consequently) unfortunate acts of parental impatience and anger more, not less, likely. As the age at which training is started has increased, so has child abuse triggered, by toilet-training problems. The best time to train — between 18 and 24 months — is also the easiest. • Contentions: When he is ready, a child will train himself. • Response: Rubbish! The accounts of children training themselves are few, and pale in comparison to reports of 4-year-olds who show absolutely no interest whatsoever in using the toilet. • Contentions: When he is ready, a child will train himself. • Response: Rubbish! The accounts of children training themselves are few, and pale in comparison to reports of 4-year-olds who show absolutely no interest whatsoever in using the toilet. • Contentions: When he is ready, a child will train himself. • Response: Rubbish! The accounts of children training themselves are few, and pale in comparison to reports of 4-year-olds who show absolutely no interest whatsoever in using the toilet. • Contentions: When he is ready, a child will train himself. • Response: Rubbish! The accounts of children training themselves are few, and pale in comparison to reports of 4-year-olds who show absolutely no interest whatsoever in using the toilet. • Contentions: When he is ready, a child will train himself. • Response: Rubbish! The accounts of children training themselves are few, and pale in comparison to reports of 4-year-olds who show absolutely no interest whatsoever in using the toilet.

Has Planet X been discovered?

On July 29, astronomers announced that an object larger than Pluto — catalogued as 2003 UB316 — has been found orbiting the sun. So now we must ask: Is it a planet, and if so, is it the elusive Planet X?



SKY WATCH Chris Anderson

It is too small to be doing it, and so is 2003 UB316. A bigger controversy is looming. It's a new claim that Pluto is a member of a family of objects distinct from the planets. They move beyond Neptune in non-circular, tilted orbits. They're made mostly of ice. Astronomers call them Kuiper Belt objects or KBOs. So on the risk of ruffling traditional feathers, I think it's time to acknowledge that Pluto is a KBO, and that our solar system has eight planets, not nine or 10. Sentimentally aside, science is a self-correcting process, and the evidence suggests that calling Pluto a planet was a mistake resulting from the fact that no one knew there was such a thing as a KBO back in 1930. Perhaps we should call KBOs "minor planets" (like the asteroids) so Pluto's reclassification seems like less of a demotion.

Seek a win-win situation, Gemini

IF AUG. 14 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Whether it is a job or a hobby or a love interest you are probably enmeshed in an important, obsessive, and gripping waking moment. You can accomplish great things if you apply your passions to building a solid future. Cosmic signals that you are on the right track should come your way in September when a door opens or help appears. In January others will value your trustworthiness. While the decade of searching produced nothing, Planet X became firmly embedded in our collective psyche. But astronomically, Planet X essentially vanished in 1993 when E. Myles Standish, using an improved measurement of Neptune's mass from the Voyager measurements, declared that Neptune... was right on track. Standish concluded that if Neptune was not being tugged on, Planet X need not exist. Even if you think something is disturbing Neptune (and a few astronomers still do), Pluto are. Remove the clutter from your life. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): If you want to be successful you must be passionate about success. Get financial plans in motion. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take command of situation. Minor irritants should be blocked communications, but you might learn something. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Instead of gambling with resources, look for the sure thing. Hobbies and entertainments could distract you. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Set some new goals. It is time to exercise both the mind and the body. Friends might help behind the scenes. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You're a rebel without a valid cause. Prodding from others could be a source of aggravation. Go with the flow and don't fight city hall.

Next week: Shades of gray in astronomy.

Horoscope by Jerالدine Saunders

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Center

330 Shoshone St. W.
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. The cost is \$5 for non to seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Pool room open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading.
Bargain Center will be open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Or Mondays until October, meals will only be served to the homebound. Meals in the center will only be served Tuesday through Friday until October. There will also be no activities on Mondays until October. The center will be closed.

Menues:
Monday: HDM only. Sloppy Joe's, fried potatoes, green beans, bread, tossed salad, brownie, bowl of peaches
Tuesday: Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, California vegetables, apple salad, bread, cake
Wednesday: Beef enchilada, Mexican rice, corn, fruit salad, dessert
Thursday: Hawaiian luncheon, Hawaiian chicken, six different salads, chips, pie
Friday: Beef goulash, broccoli, bread, three-bean salad, cream puff, bowl of fruit

Activities:
Today: M.M. Bridge Club
Monday: Center closed
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday
Blood pressure
Music by Hank
Wednesday: Elks Card Club
Exercise class
Quilting
Board meeting
Gem State Fiddlers
Thursday: Center pinochle, 1 p.m.
Friday: Quilting
Lunch bingo
Blood pressure

West End Senior Citizens Inc.
1010 Main St., Buhl
Menues:
Today: Swiss steak dinner, 1 p.m.
Monday: Potato bar, fruit, dessert
Tuesday: Chicken enchiladas, salad, fruit, Jell-O dessert
Wednesday: Cook's choice, indoor picnic
Thursday: Lemon pepper cod, cornbread, salad, fruit, birthday cake
Friday: Buffet
Monday: Evening cards, 6 to 9 p.m.
Exercise, 10 a.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Crafts, 1 to 4 p.m.
Bingo, 7 to 9 p.m.
Regular board meeting, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Farmer's Market, 5 to 7 p.m.
Jackpot trip, 3:30 to 10 p.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Blood pressure, 10:45 a.m.
Birthday dinner, noon
Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Saturday: Community breakfast, 8 to 10 a.m.

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.
All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.
Menues:
Monday: Finger steaks, au-gratin potatoes, country mix green salad, fruit, cookies
Tuesday: Pork elbow mien over rice, mixed vegetables, fruit medley, lemon bars
Wednesday: Fish bruyan, casserole with ham, creamed corn, Jell-O with fruit, French bread, zucchini bread
Thursday: Turkey, potatoes and gravy, broccoli, three-bean salad, tapioca pudding
Friday: Polish sausage, sauerkraut, scalloped potatoes, green salad, doughnuts
Activities:
Monday: Gem State Fiddlers, noon
Pinochle, 1 p.m.
No bingo
Food service meeting
Wednesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Thursday: Commission for the blind, 1 p.m.
Friday: Acrobatics, 11 a.m.
Pinochle, 7 p.m.

Agelless Senior Citizens Inc.
310 Main St. N., Kimberly
Milk, coffee, juice and tea served.
Menues:
Monday: Beef stroganoff with noodles, mixed vegetables, green salad, pears
Wednesday: Hot turkey sandwich, potato salad, sliced tomatoes, lime Jell-O with pineapple, berry cookies
Friday: Meatloaf, potatoes and gravy, bean salad, corn, ice cream, cake
Activities:
Monday: AA meeting, 7 p.m.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.
Friday: Bingo, 11:50 a.m.
Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Filer Senior Haven
222 Main St.
Dinners served at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home to delivered meals are available each mealtime.
Menues:
Tuesday: Pork chops, apple sauce, mashed potatoes, fresh carrots, tossed salad, trail mix, chocolate pudding
Thursday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, green peas, cauliflower, roll, butter, fruit, Jell-O cream
Activities:
Monday: Walking Club, 8 a.m.
Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Puzzles/cards, 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Fund-raising committee, 10 a.m.
Wednesday: Walking Club, 8 a.m.
Exercise, 1:30 p.m.
Puzzles/cards, 3 p.m.
Jackpot, 3:30 p.m.
Thursday: Blood pressure
Bingo, 1 p.m.
Friday: Walking Club, 8 a.m.
Exercise, 1:30 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizens
308 Senior Ave.
All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.
Menues:
Monday: Baked chicken, potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, peas, bread, dessert
Tuesday: Fish and chips, broccoli, carrot salad, corn muffins, brownies
Wednesday: Sloppy Joes on a bun, potato wedges, green beans, beet salad, Jell-O with fruit
Thursday: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, winter vegetables, cranberry Jell-O, roll, pumpkin squares
Monday: Pinochle, 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.
Private party, 5 p.m.
Bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Shuffleboard, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m.
Bridge, 1 p.m.
Bowling, 1:30 p.m.
Bingo, 6 p.m.
Saturday: Potluck dinner dance, music by Carly Muck

Hagerman Senior Center
140 E. Lake
Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch is served at noon and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested donation is \$3, non to seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.
Menues:
Monday: pizza, fajita salad, fruit salad, dessert
Wednesday: Meatloaf, potatoes and gravy, vegetable, salad, fruit, bread, dessert
Friday: Chicken and noodles, vegetables, salad, fruit, bread, dessert
Activities:
Monday: Chicken cordon bleu, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, Jell-O with fruit, coleslaw
Thursday: Fish, macaroni and cheese, spinach salad, peach pudding
Wednesday: Bake Day Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Years Senior Citizen, Inc.
210 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone
Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Menues:
Tuesday: Chicken pot pie with mixed vegetables, green salad, hot dinner rolls, peanut butter cookies, applesauce
Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, lime Jell-O vegetable salad with cabbage and carrots, banana cream pie
Friday: Baked ham, green beans, scalloped potatoes, dinner rolls, green salad, vanilla ice cream
Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Snack bar, 6 p.m.
Early to bird bingo, 6:30 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.
Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center
Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Menues:
Monday: Sausage gravy and biscuits, mashed potatoes, peas, carrots, chocolate cake
Thursday: Tuna or egg salad sandwich, fruit Jell-O salad, peach cobbler

You'll find more senior events in Monday's edition of The Times-News.

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Crews dig in against Idaho blaze

Officials investigate origins of wildfire

By Anne Kline
Associated Press writer

GRANGEVILLE — Crews were digging in and improving fire lines on the western flank of a fire that had burned more than 3,800 acres by 9 a.m. Saturday afternoon, threatening 80 homes.

Containment of the Blackberry Fire is estimated at 5 percent, and fire officials are still investigating the origins of the human-caused blaze in north-central Idaho.

The goal was to hold the fire lines and defend homes, spokesman Pat McKelvey said of the more than 500 firefighters who battled the blaze following the arrival of five additional crews Friday evening.

In all, six helicopters, 31 engines, three dozers and 12 water trucks worked near the South Fork Clearwater River, where flames have caused some families to temporarily evacuate.

Cox, Dick Kempthorne declared a disaster emergency for Idaho County, where the Blackberry Fire and three additional fires are burning.

Elsewhere in Idaho, about a dozen large lightning-caused wildfires continued to burn Saturday, though the Laddlaw Butte range fire was reported fully contained after it raced through about 29,000 acres of grass and sage about 14 miles southeast of Coeur d'Alene.

The disaster declaration makes Idaho County eligible for at least \$5,000 in state assistance. It will be in effect for 30 days.

"There is peril to public safety and property which is likely to be beyond the control of the services of Idaho County," Kempthorne said.

In Grangeville on Saturday, Gay Conley returned with her husband and son to the home



Montana firefighter Martin Pettler, a member of the Missoula Indian Center fire fighting crew, uses a pick axe to dig out a hot spot Saturday on the Blackberry Fire burning near Grangeville.

they had fled earlier in the week. The family left after watching flames helicopter with buckets and ditches were taking advantage of small alpine lakes to drop thousands of gallons of water on torches at the bottom of the ridge in just 10 minutes.

About 250 yards behind her home, the fire had scorched a portion of her property, turning four-foot shrubs to ash.

"I couldn't believe the heat from here," Conley said. "Residents of the steep rugged area talked of almost nothing but the fire."

"I hope I never see fire again," said Sandra Nelson, while eating a breakfast of biscuits and gravy in Grangeville's Camas Cafe with her husband, Jeff.

Like the Conleys, the Nelsons temporarily left behind the home they built together to seek out safer quarters.

"I wasn't asleep since (Tuesday)," Sandra Nelson said. On the southwest part of the fire, Joe Wetzel, a crew boss from Missoula, Mont., said steep terrain made it difficult to see the edge of the flames.

Smoke rose as if from a chimney around a steep hill where Wetzel and his crew of 19 were working to mop up the charred landscape.

Still, there was good news: humidity in the region had increased to about 38 percent on

Saturday afternoon, helping slow the advance of the flames.

In addition, temperatures hovered at 69 degrees at 4:30 p.m. — down from the 90-degree heat of a day earlier.

"It's been a little bit breezy, but the humidity is up," said Vance Persing, a fire information officer on the Blackberry Fire. "It's definitely a little bit cooler than yesterday. If nothing else, I'll keep the firefighters out on the lines a little fresher."

About 100 miles to the south, near the resort town of Cascade, a fire caused by a Friday plane crash that killed three people grew to 18 acres. Boise National Forest officials hoped to have 100 firefighters shuttled by helicopter to the site by Saturday evening.

Three helicopters were dropping water scooped from nearby alpine lakes on the blaze, officials said.

"Today is a key day, because the fire is still relatively small," said David Olson, a Boise National Forest spokesman. "It grew mainly last night because of the wind. The winds have been relatively favorable today. They're lighter in velocity."

At least five fires are burning in the 2,812-square-mile Nez Perce National Forest, including the Elk Complex.

That fire remained at about 280 acres just east of Lowell in north-central Idaho. Crews had finished wrapping the 1898 Selway Lodge hunting and fishing retreat in fire-retardant covering.

The West Fork Fire, first reported Friday in the Nez Perce National Forest, quadrupled in size overnight to about 400 acres, with no part of the fire considered contained. The fire is about eight miles northeast of Riggs.

And in the Salmon-Challis National Forest, in sparsely populated central Idaho, the Sadagan Complex grew by about a third to about 1,900 acres.

Woman dies in first skydive

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — A 30-year-old woman making her first skydive died in a Saturday accident witnessed by her family, officials said.

There were conflicting eyewitness accounts of the tandem dive accident involving the Evanston, Wyo., woman and her instructor, Ogden Fire Department Battalion Chief Steve Splinter said.

Some witnesses said a gust of wind caught the pair was they were coming down, and pushed them into a building at

the north end of the Ogden Airport, Splinter said. Others said the pair missed the building, but the wind caused the parachute to collapse and they dropped about 20 feet.

The Federal Aviation Administration will investigate. The woman was flown by medical helicopter to McKay-Dee Hospital Center in Ogden with severe head trauma and chest injuries, and was pronounced dead about an hour after the 3 p.m. accident, Splinter said.

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Plane crash kills 3, starts wildfire

BOISE (AP) — Three people were reported dead in a plane crash in the central Idaho mountains, a fast-growing fire that expanded to about 18 acres as an overnight wind fanned the flames in this remote region of south-central Idaho, U.S. Forest Service officials said.

The agency was hoping to have at least 100 firefighters including a crew from New Mexico on the Sheep Peak Fire, burning about 5 miles west of the town of Cascade. A white plume of smoke from burning brush and trees was visible in Cascade, and helicopters had ferried most of the crews to the site.

Valley County Sheriff Paul Bolen on Saturday declined to release the name of the people aboard the plane or where the flight originated, pending notification of family members of those who died in the crash Friday. A dispatcher said it was an in-state flight.

Following the crew transports that included four people who

rappelled from helicopters on ropes, and eight smoke jumpers who leaped from planes, helicopters with buckets and ditches were taking advantage of small alpine lakes to drop thousands of gallons of water on torches at the bottom of the ridge in just 10 minutes.

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said emergency crews struggled to reach the crash site due to the fire and an air ambulance was sent to the scene but returned after it was unable to land.

Olson said officials didn't immediately know whether there were more than three people on the plane, but there were no reports of survivors.

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Death Valley sizzles in summer

By John Delner
The Washington Post

A few miles down the desolate strip that leads into California's Death Valley National Park, visitors can drive up to an automated kiosk, dash from the car and buy a \$10 park pass.

Insert cash or a credit card into the machine and out pops your receipt, with the request that it be prominently displayed on the dashboard.

But two weeks ago, when the words "Excessive Heat Warning" are headlining the park's daily report, prominently displaying anything on your dashboard proves futility. Within 30 minutes, the pass has been rendered useless. It is fides charr'd, its text blackened beyond recognition.

"Your pass burned up? Well, that's how I know you paid," says park ranger Vicki Wolfe, fidgeting as she hands over a map. "The only ones who complain about that are the ones who actually stuck it in their windshield."

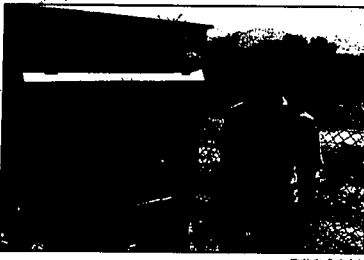
Lessons like that come quickly in this outpost of Hell, the hottest, driest, and spiciest spot in North America. Maybe the cruelest, too, but certainly not the loneliest.

Even during the height of the July and August scorchfest, when temperatures regularly top 143 degrees, tourists stream into the park, about 120 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

The majority come to simply experience the effects of triple digits on the psyche and to drive around snapping photos rather than strenuously hiking the arid canyons, mountains and dunes that make up the 3.3-million-acre park.

"We get a lot of Europeans this time of year," notes Wolfe, explaining that while February through mid-April is Death Valley's peak season, most foreign visitors enjoy the thrill of being in the desert Southwest at its harshest.

Nasty it is, though in an exhilarating what-the-heck-am-I-doing-here-kind of way. Yeah, it's a dry heat, but who cares?



Park ranger Athena Siqueiros monitors the Furnace Creek weather station in Death Valley on July 17, when the temperature hit a near-record 128 degrees.



A thermometer at Furnace Creek Ranch in Death Valley on July 17 shows the midday temperature, which topped out at 128.

The continent's hottest temperature over 134 degrees was recorded July 10, 1913, at what is now Furnace Creek Ranch—a series of covering motel buildings and cottages where most summer visitors are sequestered.

The Tony Furnace Creek Inn, about a mile up the road, wisely closes for the summer. On this day, the temperature hits 128, one degree off the record for the date. Two days later, the mercury will stretch to 129, a high for the year. Evidently, there's not much difference.

"After 120 degrees, it's all the same to me," says park ranger Athena Siqueiros, who pro-



claims she's used to weather extremes. "That's when I feel it in my eyelids, which quiver in the heat."

Eyelid-quivering heat indeed. If you've ever wondered what a Cornish game hen goes through in a convection oven, this is it.

Waves of stultifying air bombard from every angle, with skin, hair and clothes hot to the touch in seconds. Mouths reflectively open at the shock (ravens—or are they buzzards?)—at Furnace Creek Ranch routinely circle the parking lot with beaks aflutter.

Walking at such sites as the Harmony Bonax Works, a once-thriving mining operation, grows tiresome after a few minutes. Appetites wane.

The heat of Death Valley is an unwelcome byproduct of its otherworldly geography, a low, narrow basin framed by moun-

tain ranges.

The sun blasts the desert floor, and the hot air rises. After it becomes trapped by the valley walls, it descends, only to be heated to an even greater extent.

The effects are far ranging, and the learning curve can be painful. Besides the general discomfort of sucking in superheated air, taking a picture leaves a welt if you touch the exposed metal on your camera.

You can swim at the low-key (and entirely too sunny) pool at the ranch, but you sometimes must take your shoes off at water's edge to avoid burning your feet. Want something out of your car? Grab the wrong handle and you'll realize you're being wheeled around in the equivalent of a solar flare on Firestones.

Nighttime brings little comfort to the Death Valley summer. Daily lows in July and August are 85 and above, though the high-90s are more common when the thermometer strains to its upper limits.

The window AC units in the Furnace Creek Ranch cottages—standard national park fare, with double beds, coffeemakers, TVs and small fridges—are working hard to keep rooms cool, but not hard enough. Fortunately, ceiling fans keep the warm air moving.

At 8:30 p.m., it's still 111. About a dozen heads are poking out of the ranch pool, but the crowd is weirdly muted. It's been a long, hot day, leading into a long, hot night.

Furnace Creek's two restaurants, a steakhouse and a cafe serving diner-style food, are packed with the Euro-crowd, accustomed to eating later than the early-bird-special brigade.

Back at Badwater Basin, a nearly full moon is casting a surreal glow on the encroaching flats. The silence is complete. There are no coyotes howling into the night sky, no tourists pattering about. Soon the Death Valley air is alive, gushing fiercely as the desert floor begins to cool.

But it's time to go. The eyelids have started to quiver.

Tornado hits Wyoming town

WRIGHT, Wyo. (AP) — A tornado struck a mobile home park with little warning Friday, killing two people and injuring about a dozen others, authorities said. Three people remained missing early Saturday.

The twister touched down just before 5 p.m. Friday in the coal-mining town of about 1,400 people, about 40 miles south of Gillette, said Campbell County Sheriff Bill Pownall.

"The warning was going off just as it hit from what I understand," Pownall said. "They didn't have a lot of time to seek shelter."

Jeff Reach, assistant chief of the Campbell County Fire Department, said residents had about five minutes warning of the approaching storm and were alerted by a siren system.

"It was one of those freak

deals," he said.

Some 30 to 40 homes in the Cottonwood Mobile Home Park on the northern side of town were either damaged or destroyed, and a nearby elementary school also was damaged, Pownall said.

One person was found dead at the scene, while a second died at Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, he said.

Dianna Riley, Gillette nursing supervisor, confirmed that an elderly man had died there.

Two others were admitted in fair condition, one with a back injury, and five others were treated and released, she said.

"I talked to one couple and they can remember flying through the air and screaming at each other," Riley said. "And then they woke up. They weren't admitted. They were treated, and went home with friends."

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