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## Schools falling short of goals

### Many Idaho districts don't keep pace with federal improvement standards

By Christopher Smith  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Three out of five Idaho school districts are falling to meet the federal government's minimum improvement goals for math and reading proficiency, according to results released Monday by the state Department of Education.

The 58 percent compliance rate of Idaho school districts achieving "adequate yearly

progress" in standardized test scores for the 2004-05 school year declined from 58 percent in the 2003-04 school year. Of the 118 school districts measured this past school year, 73 are not meeting the minimum federal standards.

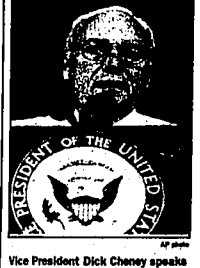
On a school-by-school basis, 261 of the 601 Idaho public schools measured for 2005 did not make the federal grade under the No Child Left Behind Act. That's a jump of 123 more

than last year when 630 schools were tested. The percentage of Idaho schools meeting all of the federal benchmarks dropped to 57 percent from 87 percent the previous year.

State educators said several statistical factors contributed to the decline: an increase in expected proficiency standards for reading and math, factoring in graduation rates for the first time and adding test scores for fifth- and sixth grades that weren't included in last year's calculations.

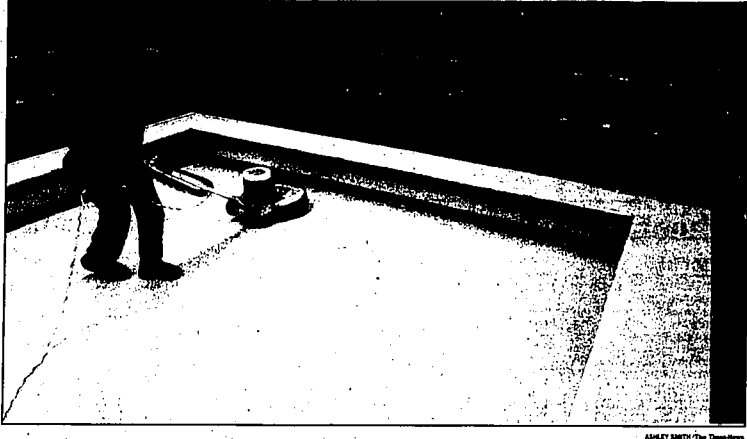
"You can't really say that Idaho schools have gotten worse because we're just now getting the full picture of the situation that we didn't have in previous years," said Idaho Department of Education spokeswoman Allison Westfall.

But that picture is still grim, at least when viewed through the complicated matrix of the Please see **SCHOOLS**, Page A2



Vice President Dick Cheney speaks to a crowd of about 200 guests at the Boise airport Monday.

## SAVED BY THE BELL



Buhl High School custodian Rod Williamson scrubs the floor of the girls' locker room Monday at the new school. Classes districtwide will begin Sept. 6, two weeks later than usual, to allow builders to put the finishing touches on the high school.

## Buhl students get extended summer break

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

### Open house

The unveiling of Buhl's new high school has been postponed until 7 p.m. Sept. 12.

BUHL — The first day of classes in the Buhl School District has been postponed until Sept. 6.

The school year was set to begin Monday, but delays with the new high school's bell and telephone system pushed back the start date.

"We didn't want to be walking through the school with all horns when it was time to change classes," Superintendent Richard Hill said. "We made the decision this morning to wait until the 6th to start school. We want everything running right."

Hill explained that it was decided to postpone the first day

of school until after the end of the Twin Falls County Fair, citing a history of low attendance during that week.

"It just made more sense to wait the long" Hill said.

Principals are making arrangements to contact parents about the change.

"There really isn't a big problem," said Grant Haycock, the district's quality control administrator. "It is a back-ordering situation for the remote-inter-

face of the bell system. It allows the bell system to be controlled from the office and it hasn't come in yet. The system has been installed but can't be operated without the control."

The bell-component should be en route to the school, Haycock said Monday.

However, the bell system works through the phone system, which also isn't finished. According to Hill, the phones should be up and running later this week.

Once all the pieces come together, the school should be ready for students.

High School Principal Gary Moon said of the delay, "It's not one big thing, we just want to make sure that everything is ready and the school is com-

pletely ready for the kids. We didn't want to start the high school without bells."

The change in start dates isn't expected to cause delays elsewhere, including the athletic department.

"Practices and games will continue on schedule," Hill said.

The new high school has been under construction since January 2004 and cost the district roughly \$9 million to build. It can accommodate up to 600 students.

About 400 students are registered for the upcoming school year.

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## Cheney visits Idaho

### VP touts economic gains, progress in war on terrorism

By Christopher Smith  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Vice President Dick Cheney told a crowd at a campaign fund-raiser Monday that there's still hard work ahead in America's military engagements around the world.

"We cannot predict the length or course of the war on terror, but we know for certain with good allies at our side this great nation will persevere and we will prevail," Cheney said to an audience gathered to celebrate the 60th birthday of Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho.

Cheney gave a similar speech earlier in the day during a campaign appearance for Sen. Conrad Burns, R-Mont.

The vice president used the 17-minute speech in Boise to tout the nation's economic recovery under the Bush administration, predict that a new national energy policy would lessen dependence on foreign oil and urge quick confirmation of U.S. Supreme Court nominee John Roberts.

The event was billed as a combination birthday party and campaign fund-raiser for Craig, but Idaho's senior senator is not up for re-election until 2008, has no announced opponent and his 60th birthday is actually July 20. The 560-person event drew about 200 people inside a sweltering airport hangar and raised \$20,000 and bottled water. Some paid \$1,000 to get a photograph taken with Cheney.

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## Iraqi constitution proves elusive

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi leaders failed to meet a key deadline Monday to finish a new constitution, stalling over the same fundamental issues of power-sharing — including federalism, oil wealth and Islam's impact on women — that have bedeviled the country since Saddam Hussein's ouster.

After 20 minutes before midnight, parliament voted to give negotiators another seven days, until Aug. 22, to try to draft the constitution. The delay was a strong rebuff of the Bush administration's insistence that the deadline be met, even if some issues were unresolved, to maintain political momentum and blunt Iraq's deadly insurgency.

"We should not be hasty regarding the issues and the constitution should not be born crippled," said Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari, a Shiite, after the parliament session, which lasted a bare 15 minutes. "We are keen to have an early constitution, but the constitution should be completed in all of its items."

Al-Jaafari's statement came after an apparent deal late Monday on all but two key issues fell apart, according to several Shiite politicians.

The Shites said the unre-



An employee stacks Iraq national flags on shelves in a retail shop Monday in Baghdad, Iraq. The country's leaders were unable to approve a new constitution by Monday's deadline.

solved issues were women's rights, which is inextricably tied to Islam's role, and the rights of Kurds to eventually secede from the country. But al-Jaafari said the key stumbling blocks were distribution of oil wealth and federalism, another, broader way of stating the Kurdish autonomy issue.

The confusion over outstanding issues — as well as negotiators' seeming inability to agree even on what they disagreed on — left unclear whether they will now reopen talks on all issues or just focus on a few.

The last-minute decision to postpone the deadline raised serious questions about the ability of Iraq's varied factions to make the necessary political compromises.

As parliament convened late Monday to consider any final, undecided issues and debate the entire charter, electricity went out for about three minutes. When lights came back on, Khalilzad, al-Jaafari and others were surrounded by their bodyguards — an indication of the persistent threat of violence in Iraq.

## TINY TERRORISTS?

### Infants have been prevented from boarding airliners based on no-fly list

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Infants have been stopped from boarding planes at airports throughout the U.S. because their names are the same as or similar to those of possible terrorists on the government's "no-fly list."

It sounds like a joke, but it's not funny to parents who miss flights while scrambling to have babies' passports and other documents faxed.

Ingrid Sanden's 1-year-old daughter was stopped in Phoenix before boarding a flight home to Washington at Thanksgiving.

"I completely understand the war on terrorism, and I completely understand people wanting to be safe when they fly," Sanden said. "But focusing the target a little bit is probably a better use of resources."

The government's lists of people who are either barred from flying or require extra scrutiny before being allowed to board airplanes grew markedly since the Sept. 11 attacks. Critics including the American Civil Liberties Union

say the government doesn't provide enough information about the people on the lists, so innocent passengers can be caught up in the security sweep if they happen to have the same name as someone on the list.

"That can happen even if the person happens to be an infant like Sanden's daughter. Children under 2 don't need tickets but Sanden purchased one for her daughter to ensure she had a seat."

"It was bizarre," Sanden said. "I was huge pregnant, and I was like, 'We look really threatening.'"

Sarah Zapolsky and her husband had a similar experience last month while departing from Dulles International Airport outside Washington. An airline ticket agent told them they had to go through even if their 11-month-old son was on the government list.

"They were able to board their flight after ticket agents took a lot of time to fax her son's passport and fill out paperwork."

"I understand that security is important," Zapolsky said. "But if they're just guessing, and we have to give up our passport to Please see **NO-FLY**, Page A2

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Near average temperatures with partly cloudy skies and maybe a flurry of thunder. Highs: 80s. Tonight: Scattered clouds to mainly clear skies. Lows: 50s. Tomorrow: A partly cloudy, mid day. Highs: 80s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High 84, Low 56).

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Today: Partly cloudy, an isolated thunderstorm cannot be ruled out. Highs: 80s. Tonight: Clearing out. Lows: 50s. Tomorrow: A sunny, mid day. Highs: 80s.

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IDAHO'S FORECAST

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BOISE Get ready for more sun and heat! We may be able to break the heat wave and Thursday. It will be a little cooler, and if we are lucky we may see a little rain.

NORTHERN UTAH

Thunderstorms will roll through the region over the next few days.

MOON PHASES

Full Moon: August 13, 10:00 PM. Last Quarter: August 14, 10:00 PM.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Moons: 7:43 PM. Moonset: 2:58 AM.

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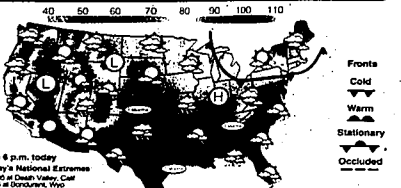
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Schools

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from the Idaho Standards Achievement Tests that were released earlier this summer showed significant improvements in proficiency and they reported the latest figures that progress is being made in Idaho schools.

New Mars orbiter follows the water

From that radically low vantage, MRO will begin its two-year scientific mission — one that scientists expect will teach them a lot about our own planet by providing insights into how Earth was formed, how life may have evolved here and how natural forces can contribute to climate change.

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Continued from A1. Security was modest, and there were no visible protests as people filed into the hangar. Idaho gave the Bush-Cheney ticket 68 percent of the state's presidential vote in 2004.

Correction

Dog clinic is Aug. 20. Due to incorrect information provided in The Times-News Thursday's Outdoors section gave the wrong date for a dog clinic that teaches rattlesnake avoidance. The clinic is Aug. 20. The Times-News regrets the error.

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WORLD



A Jewish settler gestures toward an Israeli officer in the Jewish settlement of Morag in the Gaza Strip on Monday. Jewish settlers locked the gates to their communities, formed human chains and burned tires to block troops from delivering eviction notices as Israel began its historic pullout from the Gaza Strip.

# Tempers flare on first day of Gaza pullout

Knight Ridder News Service

NEVE DEKALIM, Gaza Strip — A day of angry shouts, tearful lamentations and burning tires ended Monday with Prime Minister Ariel Sharon attempting to soothe Israel as it moved toward the climax of its withdrawal from Gaza: forced evictions by soldiers.

"I understand the feelings, the pain and the cries of those who object," Sharon said during a nationally televised address. "However, we are one nation even when fighting and arguing."

His comments followed a scene once considered unimaginable: Israelis delivering to other Israelis eviction notices from a land Israel once hoped to absorb. Sharon, once a key backer of the movement to establish Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip, has promoted the withdrawal from Gaza as a way to entice Israeli settlers to return.

The first day of the nation's withdrawal from the overwhelmingly Palestinian territory unfolded in blistering heat with thousands of soldiers and police making their presence apparent, but bypassing some hotbeds of dissent and avoiding confrontation in others.

Nevertheless, settlers and their supporters protested the long-awaited action, and issued pleas for reprieve and — when those failed — passionate condemnations of the soldiers and police officers.

Any Israeli who's still in Gaza on Wednesday is subject to forced removal by the 55,000 police officers and soldiers who have mustered in the area.

"Remember this, my son: You

are being used, and you will not sleep well for the rest of your days," David Hoffman, 58, of Neve Dekalim, said as he untethered one soldier, part of a force that finally evaded the town's human chains, burning tires and barbed-wire barricades.

The largest of the settlements, with 2,500 residents reinforced by thousands of militant outposts, Neve Dekalim emerged as a center of resistance. Nevertheless, trucks carrying 31 large moving containers rolled into the community late in the day.

One confrontation in Morag, shown repeatedly on Israeli television, climaxed in a tearful embrace between an army commander, Brig. Gen. Erez Zuckerman of the Golani Brigade, and one of his former soldiers, Eilon Zeldin, who joined hundreds of other protesters in blocking the gate.

"Erez, I am not your enemy," Zeldin told Zuckerman. "I was an officer under your command. We are not your enemy."

The commander listened patiently, nodded, then hugged Zeldin.

"We all love you; you are part of us," Zuckerman said.

By the end of the day, the army served eviction notices in Morag, Ebel Sinai, Nissanit and Dugit. Similar notices were delivered in the small West Bank settlements of Ganim and Kadim.

The IDF (Israel Defense Forces, the country's army) and the Israeli police share in the sorrow and pain you are feeling and expressing," the notices said. "Nevertheless, we will see this mission to its end, while providing any possible help

and assistance."

Government officials said they expected about half the estimated 1,700 Israeli families who lived in the 21 Israeli settlements in Gaza to be gone by the 12:01 a.m. Wednesday deadline.

Two of the four West Bank settlements targeted for evacuation — Ganim and Kadim, each with about 170 residents — were empty of settlers by Monday night, Israeli officials said.

"The only way is the way out," said Eyal Giladi, the head of strategic planning for Sharon and a leading architect of the unilateral disengagement plan.

# Japan apologizes for WWII aggression

TOKYO (AP) — Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi apologized Monday for Japan's wartime colonization and invasions on the 60th anniversary of its surrender in World War II, and he stayed away from a shrine criticized for glorifying the aggression that provoked two atomic bombings.

The war's legacy lingers in Asia, where many of Japan's neighbors accuse Tokyo of failing to atone fully for invading them and colonizing the Korean peninsula and Taiwan. The issue has stirred opposition to Japan's bid for a permanent seat on the U.N. Security Council.

China called on Tokyo to face up to its wartime aggression and urged Koizumi not to visit the Yasukuni war shrine, which honors Japan's war dead, including executed war criminals.

In Seoul, South Korea, a joint delegation from the Korea denounced Tokyo after visiting a prison where Korean independence fighters were tortured and executed during Japanese rule.

Protesters in Hong Kong, which Japan occupied in 1941-1945, marched on the Japanese consulate, chanting, "Japan's hands are full of fresh blood." Emperor Akihito, the son of wartime Emperor Hirohito, and other Japanese officials gathered at an assembly hall for a moment of silence.

Koizumi's apology was his second statement of regret for the war to Asian neighbors this year.

"Our country has caused great damages and pain to people in many countries, especially our Asian neighbors, through colonization and invasion," Koizumi said in a statement distributed to reporters at a daily morning briefing.

"We humbly accept these historic facts, and would like to express once again our deep reflections and heartfelt apology, and also express our condolences to all victims of the war, both at home and abroad. We will not forget the terrible lessons of the war, and will contribute to world peace and prosperity."

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## Study: Most chimps are left-handed

WASHINGTON (AP) — When it comes to fishing termites out of their mounds, wild chimpanzees don't have the right stuff. Most are right-handed.

A three-year study of 17 wild chimps in Gombe National Park, Tanzania, found that 12 of them used their left hands when using sticks to probe for termites. Four were right-handed and one was listed as ambiguously handed.

Contrary to previous claims, wild chimpanzees show population-level handedness in tool-use," reported the research team led by William O. Hopkins of the Yerkes National Primate Research Center at Emory University in Atlanta. Population-level handedness indicates a preference for one hand in a large group.

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NATION

Roberts once backed school prayer efforts

National Archives releases records, but withheld more than 5,000 pages

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — As a young government attorney, John Roberts advised the White House to support congressional efforts to limit school prayer, arguing that a Supreme Court ruling striking down the practice "seems indefensible."

Roberts wrote in a memo to White House counsel Fred Fielding. That material — nearly 50,000 pages of records related to Roberts' office — served in the White House counsel's office. Before their release, the documents were reviewed by the National Archives staff to protect material deemed sensitive for national security, privacy and law enforcement reasons.



John Roberts

withheld another 478 pages, citing privacy concerns. It also did not release one folder involving "affirmative action correspondence," apparently because librarians had misplacled it.

Mother of slain soldier laments 'media circus'

The Dallas Morning News

CRAWFORD, Texas — Bothered by what she laments as mounting "distractions," Cindy Sheehan sought on Monday to refocus her peace vigil near President Bush's ranch on her central anti-war messages.

but also by counter-demonstrators over the weekend — and on Sunday by an angry neighbor who fired a shotgun into the air near her camp.

Officials probe deaths of women who took abortion pill

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Health officials are investigating whether there are any links in the cases of four California women who have died since 2003 of massive internal bleeding after taking the so-called abortion pill, RU-486, and a follow-up drug.

fection after a nonurgical abortion in 2003. The procedure is often called a medical abortion. "We should be just as concerned about women's safety as we are about their rights," said Wendy Wright, senior policy director for Concerned Women for America, which has been working to get the drug prohibited.

for prevention of gastric ulcers. It since has been prescribed for other purposes. Outside California, other deaths have been reported in association with use of Mifeprex, and misoprostol. One occurred in Tennessee and five were reported outside the United States, in Europe and Canada, say doctors familiar with the drugs. But only the Canadian death involved an infection.

FDA on the basis of testing. Cynthia Summers, Danco's director of marketing and public affairs, said that the company's sympathies were with the families of the women who have died but that no direct relationship between the drugs and the deaths has been established. In at least one Los Angeles County case, the coroner noted the use of the drugs but said the cause of death was undetermined.

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That's something we don't have an explanation for right now," said Dr. L. Clifford McDonald, an epidemiologist with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which is investigating the deaths along with the Food and Drug Administration. The California Department of Health Services and the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

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# Congressional forecasters say deficit will be lower

But improvement may be short-lived

WASHINGTON (AP) — Year by year, the deficit numbers have been getting worse for President Bush. A \$127 billion surplus the year he took office turned into \$159 billion in red ink. Then came deficits of \$377 billion and \$412 billion, both records.

The direction seems to be turning, though the numbers are still huge. Congressional forecasters said Monday the federal deficit should be about \$331 billion this year and \$314 billion next year.

That's the good news. The bad news is that the latest report from the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office contains plenty of signs that the fiscal outlook remains troubled for years to come.

In the short term, the White House had predicted in February that this year's deficit would set yet another record, \$427 billion. The projected improvement is attributed to an \$94 billion surge in estimated tax receipts, including a 42 percent increase in revenues from corporate profits.

But unlike a competing White House estimate issued last month, CBO warned that the revenue improvements probably will not be sustained next year. "Although the deficit for 2005 is lower than previously expected, the fiscal outlook for the coming decade remains about the same," said the report.

Still, the White House cheered the news. Until this summer, virtually every budget analysis

issued by either CBO or the White House over the last four years contained bad news for the president, who in 2001 inherited inflated estimates predicting \$5.6 trillion in surpluses over 10 years. He promptly muscled through Congress a \$1.35 trillion tax cut.

But the economy hit a recession, the stock market tumbled and a surge in homeland security spending after the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks combined with the tax cuts to produce a return to deficits. Finally, the dramatic improvement in the 2005 deficit picture that the administration reported last month, said Scott Milburn a spokesman for the White House budget office. "The president is committed to the combination of strong economic growth and spending restraint that will keep us on track to cut the deficit in half by 2009."

But the CBO report calls that premise — to halve a \$521 deficit projected for last year to \$260 billion — into question since it projects a \$321 billion deficit for 2009. That figure may be inflated since it assumes the war in Iraq will continue to require cash infusions like the \$82 billion passed by Congress in May.

Still, even with a phase-out in Iraq and Afghanistan, the deficit would exceed \$300 billion the year CBO estimates the cost of Bush's budget. The White House foresees a \$333 billion deficit for the year that's about to end and a \$341 billion deficit for next year. Democrats on Capitol Hill were quick to warn about the long-term deficit.

"While this year's deficit will be lower than last year's record shortfall, the improvement is likely to be short-lived. Declarations of victory over budget deficits only distract from the

disturbing long-term budget outlook," said Kent Conrad of North Dakota, top Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee. Last year's deficit was a record in dollar terms, though many

previous deficits in the mid-1980s and early 1990s were larger when measured against the size of the economy. The White House and most economists say that the more relevant

measure of the deficit is to weigh it against the size of the economy. Measured that way, the latest estimates for this year are slightly worse than recent historic averages.

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## Study finds link between painkillers, high blood pressure

DALLAS (AP) — Women taking daily amounts of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs — such as an extra-strength Tylenol — are more likely to develop high blood pressure than those who don't, a new study suggests.

While many popular over-the-counter painkillers have been linked before to high blood pressure, acetaminophen, sold as Tylenol, has generally been considered relatively free of such risk.

It is the only one that is not a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug or NSAID, a class of medications that the federal government just required to carry stricter warning labels because of the risk for heart-related problems. Those include ibuprofen (sold as Advil and Motrin) and naproxen (sold as Aleve). Many had turned to these alternatives to solve problems with prescription drugs, such as Vioxx.

However, the new study found that women taking Tylenol were about twice as likely to develop blood pressure problems. Risk also rose for women taking NSAIDs other than aspirin.

"If you're taking these over-the-counter medications at high dosages on a regular basis, make sure that you report it to your doctor and you're checking your blood pressure," said Dr. Christine Ballantyne, a cardiologist at the Methodist DeBakey Heart Center in Houston who had no role in the study.

The research found that aspirin still remains the safest medicine for pain relief. It has long been known to reduce the risk of cardiovascular problems and was included in the government's requirement for stricter labels for NSAIDs.

The study involved 5,123 women participating in the Nurses Health Study at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. None had had high blood pressure when it began.

Results were published online Monday in the American Heart Association journal Hypertension.

"It certainly sets the basis for more studies," said Dr. Stephanie Lavhman, a cardiologist at St. Luke's Mid America Heart Institute in Kansas City. "Most of the time we think that things like acetaminophen are fairly safe drugs."

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WORLD

# Police raid airline offices

Day after crash, man arrested for false text message claim

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Police in Cyprus raided the offices of Helios Airways in the coastal city of Larnaca on Monday, a day after one of the company's passenger jets slammed into a mountainside near Athens, killing all 121 people on board.

Police spokeswoman Christalla Dimirliou said officers "carried out a search" after asking the city's court for a search warrant. No arrests were made and she did not say whether police had confiscated any material from the office.

Chief Athens coroner Filippos Koutsafis, meanwhile, said that tests conducted on the wreckage showed at least six of the 121 victims were alive when the aircraft went down.

"We have performed autopsies on six people. Our conclusion is they had circulation and were breathing at the time of death," Koutsafis said, but he added they could have been unconscious.

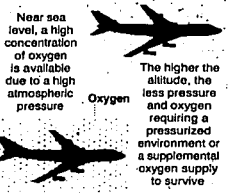
French experts will examine the plane's black-box recorders, officials said.

The cause of Sunday's crash, Greece's deadliest airline disaster, appeared to be technical failure resulting in high-altitude decompression and loss of oxygen. Yet many questions remain, including why the cockpit was unconscious in the cockpit 40 minutes before the crash and why he was alone, with the captain nowhere in sight.

The captain's body has yet to be recovered, and Greek investigators — joined by a U.S. team

## Flying high

Commercial aircraft flying above 10,000 feet must maintain a cabin pressure that contains a sufficient concentration of oxygen to prevent hypoxia — a lack of oxygen in the body leading to impaired judgement, loss of consciousness and possibly death.



SOURCE: Florida International University

— were trying to determine why he was not in his seat while the Boeing 737 was in peril.

Coroners also will examine blood and tissue samples from victims' lungs to determine whether anything they breathed in could have caused their deaths.

"We will seek to determine when they died and how they died," chief Koutsafis said earlier.

Victims' relatives gathered at a central Athens morgue to identify the remains.

There had been 21 children aboard Helios Airways flight ZUS22 from Larnaca, Cyprus, to Athens, "all aged 4 and above," Greek deputy Health Minister Giorgos Antonopoulos said Monday. Initially, Greek and Cypriot officials had said 48 children were on the plane. No one was given for an explanation.

According to the Cypriot government, at least 10 families were among the dead. Passengers and crew included at least 12 Greeks, one German — the pilot — and a four-member family of Armenian origin. The rest were Cypriot.

Police in northern Greece also arrested a man who

claimed to have received a telephone text message from his cousin who was on the plane before it crashed.

The man, who was identified as 32-year-old Nektarios Sotirios Voutas, called Greek television stations shortly after the Helios Airways flight crashed, saying his cousin Nikos Petridis sent him a message that read: "Farwell, cousin, here we're frozen."

Voutas, a resident of the northern port city of Thessaloniki who had identified himself to Greek media as Sotiris Voutas, faced charges of disseminating false information and causing a public disturbance, police said.

The Boeing 737 had been scheduled to continue to Prague, Czech Republic, after Athens. It crashed while on autopilot at 12:05 p.m. Sunday near Grammatiki, a scenic village 25 miles north of the Greek capital, apparently after running out of fuel.

# Tsunami-ravaged area sees peace deal

BANDA ACEH, Indonesia (AP) — Thousands of people huddling around TV sets in a mosque courtyard clapped and cheered Monday while watching leaders huddle around the globe sign an accord to end three decades of war in tsunami-ravaged Aceh province.

But the crowd was subdued for most of the ceremony. Although many held hopes that peace is at hand, others warned that fear and distrust ran deep after the killings of 15,000 people during one of Southeast Asia's longest conflicts.

Rebel leaders immediately voiced concern about the thousands of government soldiers who will remain in the region while separatist fighters are forced to rapidly disarm under the eye of monitors from other Southeast Asian nations and the European Union.

The peace deal, which was propelled by the desire on both sides to smooth the flow of aid

to victims of the Dec. 26 tsunami, was signed in Finland by Indonesian Justice and Human Rights Minister Hamid Awaludin and by Malik Mahmud, an exiled rebel leader who was briefly jailed in Sweden last year after Indonesia accused him of terrorism.

Both sides agreed to end hostilities immediately. "We just signed a commitment for peaceful settlement," Awaludin said. "We aim to end

violence and to begin a new life." The agreement also provides amnesty for members of the Free Aceh Movement and gives the region limited self-government and control over 70 percent of the revenue from the province's mineral wealth, including oil and natural gas.

Among the 3,000 people who watched the live broadcast at Banda Aceh's biggest mosque, some expressed relief, but remained wary.

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# Pope extends invitation to World Youth Day

BERLIN (AP) — Pope Benedict XVI invited all young people to attend the upcoming World Youth Day events in Germany, according to a message published Monday.

In a greeting published in the Vatican tabloid, the pope called the upcoming event in Cologne a "festival of faith, joy and brother- and sisterhood."



Pope Benedict XVI said it was a "loving gesture of providence" that a German would preside over it.

World Youth Day opens Tuesday and runs for a week. Benedict begins his visit — his first foreign trip as pope — Thursday. The event will culminate Sunday in an open-air Mass led by the pope at the 640-hectare Marienberg, a former open-pit coal mine.

The ceremonies were expected to draw hundreds of thousands of young people from across the globe, with additional trains having been scheduled

for the visiting pilgrims. A no-fly zone during the pope's visit will force private planes to make long detours around the airport, causing delays at Cologne-Bonn's airport, air traffic controllers said Monday. The airport also will be closed for 45 minutes on the day Benedict arrives and departs.

Protest groups in Cologne, meanwhile, demanded the Vatican pay closer attention to the needs of younger Catholics, with some urging the church to change its opposition to the use of condoms.

A group of young activists calling themselves "Condoms4Life" insisted the bishops' hardened stance against condoms was contributing to the spread of HIV/AIDS.

"It's both moral and essential that the Catholic Church makes a stand for our lives and our safety by lifting this ban on condoms to prevent the spread of the pandemic," said German activist Tobias Raschke, 26.

Benedict told African bishops in June that abstinence was the only "fail-safe" way to prevent the spread of HIV, which has ravaged that continent.

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The cast of the Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation Burley Centennial melodrama.

## Melodrama features Burley history

BURLEY — The Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation has prepared a one-of-a-kind melodrama for the Burley Centennial.

"The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" or "Ugly is More than Skin Deep" will be presented on the free stage during the Cassia County Fair.

The show is an original production written by Joyce Merrill in honor of the Burley Centennial. The story is based on the eyewitness account by George W. Stedman of the last big hold-up in the Burley area. It takes place at the Palace Saloon, which is located where the Family Dollar store now stands.

What: Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation melodrama "The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly"  
When: 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. Thursday and 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. Saturday.  
Where: Free stage at the Cassia County Fair.  
How much: Free.

Merrill spent many hours researching Burley's history, photos and information to provide as much realism to the story as possible and added her own humorous touch, organizers say.

In this half-hour show, not

everyone is who they seem to be.

The cast of characters includes a villain and card shark, and the plot grows more complex. It takes an unexpected robbery or two, a fight scene and a "happily ever after" to set things right.

The cast includes Brenda Pierce, Ian Heiner, Walt Roberson, Ursula Byington, Karl Merrill, Laura Ward, Dave Jones, Fran Jones, Tom Whipple, Jennifer Smith and Tom Ward.

The show was directed by Merrill and Roberson and is sponsored by the Burley Centennial Committee.



Collin Petersen, left, a Jerome native and University of Idaho student, stands with fellow summer interns, Chris Renner from the Montana Space Grant; Charles Scott from Boise State University; and Adam Lint from the University of Idaho. In front of a 70-meter antenna used to communicate with deep space satellites at the Jet Propulsion Lab's Goldstone facility in the Mojave desert in California.

Photo courtesy of NASA Idaho Space Grant Consortium

## Jerome student helps NASA to communicate with space

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer

PASADENA, Calif. — Collin Petersen of Jerome is putting his love of science to work for NASA this summer.

As an intern at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., he's working on several projects to help people communicate with spacecraft.

Petersen will be a senior this fall at the University of Idaho in Moscow, majoring in mechanical engineering.

"This summer he's part of the laboratory's optical communications group and working on a variety of projects."

Petersen worked to design a frame to hold a square-meter shaped Fresnel lens. Fresnel lenses have concentric rings of glass to focus light. They're often found in lighthouses or overhead projectors.

The lenses are part of a research project to test the viability of using them instead of mirrors to transmit data

using light waves, Petersen said.

The idea is similar to radio transmission, he added. Instead of modifying the amplitude of a radio wave as in AM radio, scientists could change the amplitude of a light wave and transmit data much faster.

Eventually light waves could be used to send data to communicate with objects in space. However, light waves get diffused by the atmosphere, that's why they need lenses or mirrors — to refocus the light.

Petersen said this area of research is really new.

"They've never tried it really," he said.

He's also designing a frame for a 1.5 meter long mirror.

Petersen spent some time at the Palomar Observatory experimenting with filter material to see if it would be practical to use the Hale Telescope for daytime observation.

The college student hasn't really planned what he wants to do next. He'll probably study for a master's degree. He said mechanical engineering and his

interests are so broad that it's hard to narrow things down.

At Jerome High School, he found his science niche in physics, but didn't relish the idea of a career that would only deal with the abstract. Engineering is just physics being applied, he said.

He does like learning about how the universe evolved, so the NASA Idaho Space Grant Consortium internship appealed to him and he applied, for it.

Petersen is one of 12 undergraduate and graduate students from Idaho interning at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Idaho has more interns than any other state. Four other Idaho college students are doing NASA-related internships this summer.

He said the internship has really made him see the value of his education and how things happen in the real world.

"It's really good to design something and see it built," Petersen said.

## STORK REPORT

### Magick Valley Regional Medical Center

Eduardo Arizmendi-Bravo, born to Maria Guadalupe Bravo-Martinez and Emiliano Angel Arizmendi-Mendez of Shoshone, was born Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2005.

Chase Allen Powers, son of Tina Kathleen and Russell Allen Powers of Twin Falls, was born Saturday, Aug. 6, 2005.

Annalyce Nicole Brandell, daughter of Vanessa Ann and Michael Ryan Brandell of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Aug. 8, 2005.

Christopher Michael Yaplas, son of Ronda Lynn and Juan Paulino Yaplas of Buhl, was born Monday, Aug. 8, 2005.

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Isela Angelina Farfan, daughter of Mirna Elena and Gustavo Farfan of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2005.

Ava Victoria Leslie, daughter of Susan Emily and Brent Douglas Leslie of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2005.

Riley Burl Miller, son of Amanda Lee and Jeremy Wade Miller of Buhl, was born Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2005.

Tryston Virgil Prael, son of Erin Quinn Prael of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2005.

Quentin Ray Whitby, son of Amy Mariah and Carl Layne Whitby of Jerome, was born Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2005.

## Boy receives recognition for helping Gooding police

The Gooding County Leader

GOODING — He may only be 9 years old, but that didn't stop Brinden Cheney from solving a local crime.

On May 19, Brinden provided information to the Gooding City Police regarding a spate of vandalism, police say.

The vandalism occurred behind the Gooding County Fairgrounds, with estimated damages of more than \$5,000.

Police Chief Jeff Perry presented Brinden with a USMC-Gooding City Good Conduct medal, and a meritorious conduct citation.

"With his sense of teamwork and compassion to serve others, Cheney put the core mission of the Gooding Police

Department first," the citation stated. "His expeditious and thoughtful timing in reporting these crimes distinguishes his integrity and honor."

Perry said Brinden's willingness to serve his community by reporting these crimes separates him from the crowd, police say.

"That's an admirable trait that all young men his age should demonstrate," Perry said. "He has made a major contribution toward defining true leadership and teamwork."

Perry added several juveniles were arrested in connection with the vandalism.

"His efforts will have a deep and lasting impact on the officers of the Gooding-Police Department."

## HELPING OUT HELPING HANDS



Steve Barrus of Rupert Showkase, left, and Dave Cooper, president of Helping Hands/Freedom Trails, right, present a 62-inch color television to Walt Fisher, who was the grand prize winner of the Helping Hands/Freedom Trails fund-raising raffle. Arrangements for the prize were made with the help of Dennis Curtis and Clay Handy.



Gooding Police Chief Jeff Perry and Officer Trent Lykins award Brinden Cheney with the USMC-Gooding City Good Conduct medal.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Hansen schools register students this week

HANSEN — The Hansen School District is registering students.

All new students, preschool through sixth grade, may register between 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. now through Aug. 25.

Parents or guardians must bring a certified copy of the child's birth certificate and current immunization record. Children must be age 5 by Sept. 1 to attend kindergarten.

New students in grades seven through 12 may register and pay fees from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday or with regular registration.

Monday: Seniors can register from 8:30 a.m. to noon and juniors from 1 to 4 p.m.

Aug. 22: Sophomores from 8 a.m. to noon and freshmen from 1 to 4 p.m.

Aug. 24: Eighth-graders from 9 a.m. to noon and seventh-

graders from 1 to 4 p.m. Late registration will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Aug. 25 and 26.

For more information, call the school district at 423-6387.

### Child Find screening takes place in Richfield

RICHFIELD — The Richfield School District will host a Child Find for anyone ages 3 to 21.

Child Find will screen children for disabilities and developmental delays.

For more information or to make an appointment, call Kay Taylor or Lana Fuchs at 487-2790.

### Minidoka Co. preschools hold Child Find program

RUPERT — Minidoka County preschools will hold a Child Find from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at Memorial Elementary School, 310 10th St.

Child Find is a free screening for children from ages 3 to 5 to identify needs that may result from developmental delay.

The screening includes speech and language, physical health, gross and fine motor skills, self-help abilities, social and pre-academic skills, vision and hearing. Anyone with a child or who knows a child between ages 3 to 21 who might need some additional help, can call the school nearest them for an appointment.

For more information, call the school at 436-4240.

### CSI offers enrichment class on self hypnosis

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho, 315 Falls Ave., is offering a class in self hypnosis from 7 to 9 p.m. on Mondays, Aug. 22 to Oct. 3, in the Shields Building, room 105, on the CSI Campus.

The cost is \$125. Students will learn to build self-confidence and increase motivation to solve issues in their lives. They can learn to overcome smoking, overeating and procrastinating, while creating new habits such as eating healthy foods, reducing stress and being more patient with others.

For more information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6289.

### Desert Sun Dancers group hosts camp out

KETCHUM — The Desert Sun Dancers family camp out will be held on Saturday and Sunday at Prairie Creek, 15 miles north of Ketchum.

A potluck meal with Dutch oven cooking will be served with lots of dancing and visiting.

Donations to cover the cost of sanitary facilities will be appreciated.

There is no charge for the camp out.

### M.V. Parkinson's Support Group meets today

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. today at the KAVT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd.

Pharmacist David Glenn will give a medication update.

A summer potluck will also be held. Participants should bring their own table service and drinks.

Meat and rolls will be provided. For food assignment, call Bette Clark at 324-5013.

For more information, call Don Arrington at 733-8868 or Ray Clark at 324-5013.

### CSI-M-C Center offers computer courses

BURLEY — The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Casita

Center is offering "Computers for Beginners" from 7 to 9 p.m. Aug. 23 to 31.

Students will experiment with the keyboard and mouse on common computer programs. The class includes setting up programs, creating and managing files, customizing windows, changing displays and shortcuts.

The cost is \$40. Other fall computer classes on the calendar are "Microsoft Word," "Quickbooks," "Access for Beginners," "Desktop Publishing" and "Digital Camera Computer Skills."

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## EDITORIAL

### PUC takes wise route to analyze wind projects

Skim the surface of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's decision to reduce wind-power projects that qualify for special rates, and you may think the state's punishing small wind farms.

Look a little closer, however, and you may see it differently.

The PUC's new policy is a careful attempt to consider ratepayers, as well as a growing industry. The PUC's wind-power announcement, issued earlier this month, is a compromise to limit the size of wind projects qualifying for special rates under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act.

PURPA requires regulated power companies to buy renewable electricity from qualifying smaller-scale production facilities. The act was created during the energy crisis of the 1970s to create diverse renewable energy sources.

Each state has the authority to set the rate under PURPA, which is \$61 per megawatt-hour in Idaho, as well as the size of the specific project. The PUC decision lowers the qualifying standard from 10 megawatt projects to 100 kilowatts. The proposed moratorium would not apply to existing wind contracts.

The PUC's lower standard has been criticized for not including many smaller, non-firm wind projects. A non-firm plant is a plant that has no backup alternative energy source. The power generated by this case in Idaho Power — says that lack of backup power creates problems.

When wind isn't abundant, the utility must go elsewhere to maintain peak power efficiency. The company says that creates an unreliable transmission grid.

But Idaho Power's other concern, and probably its biggest, was that a higher PURPA rate guaranteed to many of the emerging, smaller, wind-power producers, could have enormous costs

to the company. And since the utility can legally recoup its expenses from ratepayers, that means you would be the one paying those costs.

The PUC's decision is not a permanent fixture of the PURPA rate, or the wind-power projects that qualify for it. The commissioners will take six months and possibly longer, to study those costs as well as the reliability factor.

Commissioners will also investigate Idaho Power's claims that the higher PURPA rate for small projects was inflating the utility sought for larger, non-PURPA wind projects.

So far, the PUC has yet to find evidence proving those claims.

Many smaller developers will argue the decision's impact is not an emerging power resource that could reap economic benefits. But again, the laws of supply and demand come into play with this issue.

Just a few years ago, wind power was still a costly alternative for the electricity grid. But the recent increases in many traditional energy resources (oil, natural gas, hydro) have equalized the playing field and fueled an increase in the supply of proposed wind projects.

But if this power supply expands, why should the utilities that buy it (and their ratepayers) be under an obligation to pay a higher price for it?

Idaho Power's electricity portfolio isn't exactly brimming with wind-power electricity. The utility has PURPA contracts totaling 61.5 megawatts, pending applications for 21.5 megawatts and another 193 megawatts in proposals after that. The utility also has a 10-year plan to have its wind-generation supply "jump" to 350 megawatts by 2013.

With that increase, the company and the state PUC have valid reasons to study the PURPA rate and size of projects. What may be good for some wind-power producers, may be extremely hard for power customers to absorb.

## The back-to-burqa Bush reforms

President Bush has done so much for women. Not to mention, of course, Women in Jeans in America may have their rights eroded by an administration where faith trumps science, but women in burqas? The president can't talk enough about how important their rights are.

And in the administration's diplomacy-free foreign policy, five of its top spokesmen on the Muslim world are women: Condoleezza Rice; Laura Bush; Liz Cheney; Nina in the Near East Bureau of the State Department and head of the Middle East democracy project; Karen Hughes, the new undersecretary of state for public diplomacy; and her deputy, Dina Powell.

I think so highly of Hughes, his long-time Texas political nanny, spinner, speechwriter and ghostwriter, that he put his Linn Green beard, as he called her when she prodded him about the environment, in charge of the crucial effort to salvage America's horrendous name in the Islamic world—even though what she knows about Islam could fit in a lima green-bean. Why get any Muslims involved in reaching out to Muslims? That would be so macho.

The real role for the newly minted ambassador hasn't been decided yet, but so far it looks as if Hughes' first priority will be to take her spinning skills, honed for W, in 2000 and 2004, to improve his image, and his policies' image, on a global scale.

Just as she retooled Bush as "a reformer with results" and a "compassionate conservative," Hughes plans to inundate Muslims with the four E's: "engagement, exchanges, education and empowerment."

On Thursday when Bush came out of his Crawford ranch with Rice — it was odd, if refreshing, to see a secretary of state wearing lilac — he once again justified the war in Iraq by talking about the treatment of women.

The way to defeat our enemies' "hateful ideology" he



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said, is to offer an ideology "that says to young girls, you can succeed in your society, and you should have a chance to do so." He also said, "Hopefully the officers of the constitution understand our strong belief that women ought to be treated equally in the Iraq society."

Ideally? Is that the best we can do for a country that we broke, own and are sacrificing young men and women every day to keep?

Americans like it when the president talks up women's rights in Iraq and Afghanistan, so he does it often. It helped him sell the invasions of those two countries. But W should stop listening to "My Shariha" on his bed and start listening to his bed Shariha.

The fundamentalist Taliban are recrudescing in Afghanistan, young girls in Iraq

are afraid to leave the house because there are so many kidnappings and rapes, and women's groups in Iraq are terrified that the new constitution will cut women's rights to a Paulsiesque level.

Some Shiite politicians are pushing to supplant the civil courts that have long governed marriage, divorce, child custody and inheritance with religious courts operating on Sharia, or Islamic law. The New York Times reported that one of the crucial articles in various parts of the constitution is "The followers of any sect or religion have the right to abide by their religion or sect in their personal affairs, and a law should organize this."

That little provision could jeopardize any chance for women's equality. Clerics running religious courts based on the Quran could legitimize polygamy, honor killings, stonings and public beatings of women charged with adultery, and divorce by "talaq" — where all a husband has to do is declare, "I divorce thee," three times.

Saddam reprised Islamic politics, so under him, Iraq was one of the most secular coun-

tries in the Middle East. It has become, far more fundamentalist since the U.S. took over. The back-to-burqa trend has been widely reported throughout Shiite-dominated southern Iraq, and young women activists told The Los Angeles Times that their mothers had more freedom in the '60s. Najla Ubaidi, a lawyer in the Iraq Women's League, agreed. "During the 1960s, there was a real belief in improving women's conditions. We could wear what we liked, go out when we liked, return home when we liked, and people would judge us by the way we behaved."

If W liked exercising his mind as much as his body, he could see that his mission to modernize Muslim countries is backfiring on women. The most painless way for Muslim men to prove that they have not abandoned Arab culture and adopted Western ways is to tighten the burqa.

To us, the "liberty" but repressive Iraq is a paradox. To the women, it's a prison.

Maureen Dowd, a columnist for The New York Times, takes e-mail at [liberties@nytimes.com](mailto:liberties@nytimes.com).

## Meet with her again, Mr. President

There are many valid reasons why President Bush should meet with Cindy Sheehan, the mother of Casey Sheehan, who was killed in Iraq. There is one reason he should not meet again: the others.

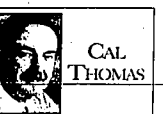
Yes, such a meeting would set a bad precedent, because it would say that all one has to do to get time with the president is to stage a protest in August during the slow news cycle and one can enjoy a privilege available to few Americans.

Yes, Cindy Sheehan has become a tool — and a willing one — of the far left which is unending in its criticism of the president and his policies. She dominates the Michael Moore Web page, which urges more people to show up at the president's ranch in Crawford, Texas, so they can be on TV and have their pictures in newspapers. The Moore Web site carries her daily rants, most of which are about her own "feelings" and the "insane war." She calls herself a "progressive liberal."

Yes, the president can wait her out. She has said she is staying until he either sees her or he returns to Washington.

Yes, the media would love to have her meet with the president in private. It would duly record her predictable statements, she was insensitive and uncaring and that he did not respond to her concerns or complaints. It would be a well-circumvented attack on the president.

Here's the reason he should meet with her, but not alone. Other relatives of dead and



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wounded soldiers and some of the soldiers, themselves, should be included. He might also invite a few Iraqis who support the effort to free a people long held in bondage by Saddam Hussein and who face new bondage under the totalitarian dictatorship of Islamofascism. If this effort fails the meeting in a public place. Let the criticism flow, but let Iraqi women tell their stories about rape and torture at the hands of Saddam's now-dead sons.

Allow Iraqi men to tell about life under Saddam and how grateful they are that he is gone. Wounded soldiers and families of the dead would speak in support of the war effort. Members of Sheehan's own family could come. They posted a letter on the Dudge Web site in support of the president. President Bush is hearing Cindy Sheehan from behind a protective wall of security at his Crawford ranch. He addressed reporters last week, saying he sympathizes with her loss and knows she feels strongly about her position and "she has every right in the world to say what she believes. This is America."

The president passed her in a motorcade on the way to a political fundraiser, prompting

Sheehan to hold up a sign that read "Why do you make time for donors and not for me?"

A meeting with her among many would help dilute her political objective and allow others voices to be heard —

would also reinforce the president's position that withdrawal before Iraq is stabilized would do irreparable harm to American interests. Middle East stability and ultimately cost many more American lives

to establish a more theocratic state after another. This isn't Vietnam, as Sheehan claims. While Vietnam is communist, Vietnamese did not attack America on Sept. 11, nor are they infiltrating our country in an attempt to destroy it. To those who say Saddam didn't attack us on Sept. 11, the answer the president can give is that terror is all part of the same fanatical package.

Let Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld preside at the gathering. He is the most articulate member of the administration when it comes to defending the reasons we are in Iraq: Let us answer respectful, even challenging questions. Americans would appreciate a president who would risk putting himself in harm's way when our soldiers are in far greater danger. The case for creating peace and stability in Iraq is a good one, but it needs to be made repeatedly because of short attention spans, the president's bad memory and the boldness of the left, which thinks it has found the president vulnerable.

Go and meet again with Cindy Sheehan, Mr. President, but this time not in private and not alone.

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# Afghanistan clashes leave 28 suspected Taliban dead

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Afghan security forces killed at least 28 suspected insurgents in a nationwide offensive against Taliban rebels and other militants intent on subverting crucial legislative elections next month, officials said Monday.

Meanwhile, U.S. Marines and Afghan Special Forces in eastern Kunar province Monday pushed deeper into Korengal Valley, which is controlled by militants suspected of ambushing a team of U.S. commandos and shooting down a special forces helicopter on June 28.

U.S. military spokesman Col. James Yonts said the operation into the area near Afghanistan's eastern border with Pakistan was going well but may take a

long time.

Taliban rebels and other militants have stepped up attacks ahead of the Sept. 18 elections — the next major step toward democracy for Afghanistan — after more than two decades of war and civil strife.

U.S. and Afghan officials have warned that the bloodiest battle with insurgents, Afghan forces attacked 1,000 people dead in less than

six months, may threaten the poll.

But Afghan and American officials say they are scoring significant successes.

"We are taking the fight to the enemy. It is not the enemy taking the fight to us," Yonts told reporters in Kabul.

In the bloodiest battle with insurgents, Afghan forces attacked a group of suspected militants

Sunday in southern Zabul province, killing 16 of them and arresting one, a Defense Ministry statement said. It said the dead included a local Taliban commander, Mullah Nader.

In neighboring Uruzgan province's Dehrawud district, a gunbattle between Afghan soldiers and insurgents on Sunday left five militants dead, the ministry said.

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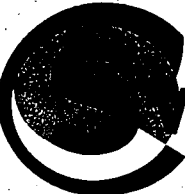
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Lamp ignites fire; family escapes

BOISE — A lamp in a child's bedroom caused a fire that damaged a Burley woman's home late last week. All five people in the house escaped safely.

Governor asks for award nominations

BOISE — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne made a final call Monday for Brightest Stars and Community of Promise Best Wagon award nominations. All nominations must be submitted to mayors' offices by Aug. 31.

Workshop for music teachers starts today

TWIN FALLS — A workshop for music teachers, featuring composer and clinician Melody Bohrer will be held at 9:30 a.m. today at Welch Music, 837 Pole Line Road.

Oregon trail school hosts open house

TWIN FALLS — Oregon Trail Elementary School will hold an open house from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday.

Creepy Crawly Day will come to Herrett

TWIN FALLS — The Herrett Center for Arts and Sciences and the Idaho Herpetological Society will host their annual Creepy Crawly Day from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Herrett Center.

Idaho wildfires continue to burn

By John Miller Associated Press writer BOISE — Fire crews continued to make progress Monday toward containing two large wildfires in north-central Idaho after cooler weekend temperatures and higher humidity helped slow the flames' advance.

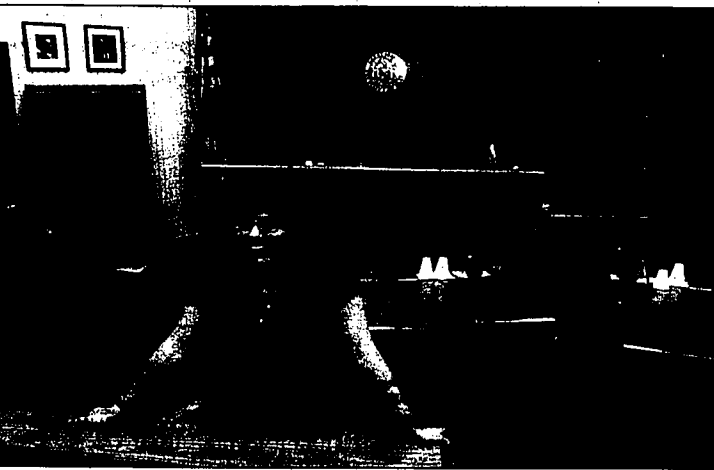
digging fire lines to protect six ranch homes booked containment to 30 percent. "Things are looking a lot better," said Steve Segin, a fire information officer at the command post erected near where 284 firefighters — and groups of local cowboys — were fighting the Long-Juggles blaze.

most of them lightning-caused, were burning in Idaho than anywhere else in America, though the state has been spared large-scale destruction of private property or homes.

Service said. In the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness to the southwest, fire crews were evaluating and managing 13 wildland fires, digging fire lines in some cases on the wilderness boundary to keep the flames inside the 2.4-million-acre preserve.

In the Salmon-Challis National Forest near the Idaho-Montana border, about a dozen fires burned. The Caden Complex Fire, 14 miles west of North Fork, remained at 2,400 acres and was about 50 percent contained.

HOMETOWN 101



University of Montana student Kattalina Berriochoa poses for a portrait at a Twin Falls County courtroom. Berriochoa, a Twin Falls native, spent the summer as an intern with various county agencies.

College intern sees Twin Falls from a new angle

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer TWIN FALLS — The University of Montana political science major doesn't want to be a senator or president of the United States. It's not in her future plans right now, anyway.

Sound like fun? College Juniors or seniors interested in an internship with Twin Falls County should send their resumes to Twin Falls County Commissioners, P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0126.

proven guilty." "It helped me to build a better respect for Berriochoa said. "It was slightly disturbing, but I got to see a different side. It totally changed my perspective."

sell agreed. "I will make it harder for these people-to-do-business," Maughan said.

Jerome council awards bids for library project

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent JEROME — The City Council plans to award bids for the library renovation project at today's council meeting.

the butte east of the city to the College of Southern Idaho. The Idaho Transportation Department is rebuilding Pole Line Road in Twin Falls. Jerome needs to get this portion of the fiber project done while the trench is open, if the city fails to do so now, it could increase the cost considerably — the city would then have to create another trench in another area because it would be able to enter the route once it had been completed.

Weeds choke life out of Idaho land

By Renee Wells For The Times-News BURLEY — Idaho plays host to 800 of the nation's 2,000 noxious weeds and needs more money and inter-agency cooperation to fight them, a Cassia County weed expert said last week.

“We have to have the federal funding for agencies to help us fight invasive species of weeds.”

“Scotch thistle has just exploded in the county. Now we are concentrating on the annuals, like Canadian thistle.”

— compiled from staff reports

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Flora 'Rachelle' Richmond Hahn

**BURHL** — Flora "Rachelle" Richmond Hahn passed away of a heart attack on Aug. 14, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Flora was born Oct. 29, 1915, in Downey, Idaho, the daughter of George B. Stoddard and Grace Van Leuven Stoddard. She married Roy R. Richmond in April of 1932. Flora and Roy farmed together in the Filer/Buhl area for many years. She worked as a sales clerk at the Filer Variety Store for approximately 20 years. After the store closed, she worked various other jobs until her retirement in 1980. Flora and Roy enjoyed dancing and they taught both square and round dancing to others in their community for a number of years. Roy passed away Jan. 3, 1973. She married Arvid Hahn



In 1976, she and Arvid enjoyed their retirement by going camping and visiting their children.

Flora enjoyed singing and playing the piano. She had a great sense of humor and was never one to complain.

Surviving Flora is her husband, Arvid Hahn of Buhl, Idaho; her three children, Elaine (Dorl) Mason of Twin Falls, Clyde (Darlene) Richmond of Filer, Idaho, and Juanita (Barry) Thompson of Boise, Idaho; two stepchildren, Kim Hahn of Salmon, Idaho, and Shawna Hahn of Boise, Idaho; nine grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, 11 great-great-grandchildren; and her sister, Dorothy Tanner of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Her parents, eight brothers and sisters, her husband, Arvid and one grandchild preceded her in death.

Cremation and private inurnment are under the direction of the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho. Private family graveside services will be held at a later date.

Sharlott Mothina MacGowan

**BELLEVUE** — Sharlott Mothina MacGowan, age 63, died on Thursday, Aug. 11, 2005, at her home in Bellevue after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born Sept. 1, 1941, in Westwood, Calif., the child of Clifford and Frances Sharlott. She grew up in Vallejo, Calif., where she attended elementary school through High School. She married Robert MacGowan in 1962. They lived in Reno, Nev. In the 1980s, they lived in Vallejo, Calif., and spent as much time as they could in the Wood River Valley. Sharlott worked at the Blaine Manor in Halley and she was a psychiatric technician for the State of California in Sonoma and Napa State Hospitals until her retirement in 1994 after 25 years of service. Sharlott and Bob decided to settle down in Bellevue—and have been living in their beautiful home since 2000.

Sharlott truly enjoyed shopping, yard sales and frequent trips to Jackpot. Her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren.



Mom, your warmth and kindness touched so many people. Your spirit of generosity blessed so many lives. You will always be remembered for your compassion, day or night, you were always there for us. Your passing has left a void in our hearts, as well as our lives. We will miss you always and remember you forever.

Survivors include her husband, Bob of Bellevue; her son, Charles (Zoe) Nicolai and their

children, Shar and Nicholas of Vallejo, Calif.; her daughter, Tina Kintz and her son, Jesse of Pleasant Hill, Calif.; her three step-daughters, Cindy Chismon and Cheryl (Farlon) Salzman and their son, Tyler of Santa Rosa, Calif.; her stepson, Robert (Marlanite) MacGowan and their son, Clint of Sebastopol, Calif.; her two brothers, Howard (Janice) Dees and their sons, Bob and Bill of Gall, Calif., and Clifford Dees and his children, Kathy and John of Vallejo, Calif., and her sister-in-law, Marilyn (Peter) Lohmes of Henderson, Nev.

Those preceding her in death were her parents.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society. Private family services will be held. Cremation took place under the care of Wood River Chapel of Halley, Idaho.

Trel James Fredrickson

**CLAYTON** — Trel James Fredrickson became a part of our family when a life's presence was announced on Christmas morning 2004.

Our beautiful son and little brother was born on July 17, 2005, weighing 6 pounds 6 ounces and was 19 inches long.

He blessed us with his living presence, but due to complications with his lungs he left this time later that same morning. Trel was so loved as part of the Fredrickson family and truly missed by all.

Trel James Fredrickson will be remembered and often thought of by many family members and friends, his loving parents, Phillip and Katie Fredrickson; his older sister, Aryelle; and his two big brothers, Phillip Jr. and Dawson; grandparents, Ken (Marlene) Fredrickson; Linda (Bob) Meuleman and Ernest and Mary McDowall; uncle, Darrin (Heldi and Chris) Fredrickson; aunt, Mandi; Fredrickson; uncle, Han Fredrickson; aunt, Nellie (Mike, Mikey, Anna and Kelli) Miske; aunt, Molly (Ed) Rex; uncle, Billy (Julie, Jordan

and William) McDowall; and a very special family friend, Darla (Todd, T.J. Zachary, Daria and Justin) Page.

There are so many supporting family members, great-grandparents, great-uncles, great-aunts and several friends, the list could keep going on and on. Trel would have loved each and every one just as we do.

A memorial gathering will be held at 11 a.m. Aug. 20, 2005, at the home of Phillip and Katie Fredrickson for Trel James Fredrickson.

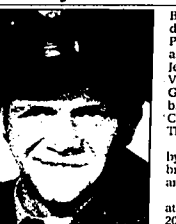
Wayne Leroy 'Tex' Thorpe

**JEROME** — Wayne Leroy "Tex" Thorpe, 79, Jerome, died Friday, Aug. 12, 2005, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

He was born on April 13, 1932, to Mont Roy and Eunice Arelene Thorpe in St. Charles, S.D. Tex moved to Idaho in 1926 into the Magic Valley area and later moved back to South Dakota to work for his grandfather on the farm.

In 1953, Tex joined the United States Army during his time with the army he was stationed in Germany where he received the National Defense Service Medal. Upon his discharge from the service he became a truck driver. Tex's second home has been his truck.

In 1964, he married the love



of his life, Barbara Jean Wheeler, in Elko, Nev. They have made their home in the Jerome area ever since. Tex is survived by his wife,

Barbara of Jerome; three children, Jennie Disney of Pocatello, Janet (John) Shum and Duane Thorpe both of Jerome; six grandchildren, Vicki, Jay, Edward, Kenneth, George and Janette; and three brothers, Don (Norma) Thorpe, Clifford Thorpe and Gerald Thorpe.

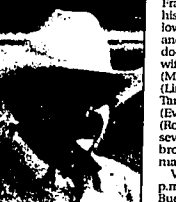
He was preceded in death by his mother and father, two brothers, three sisters, one son and one granddaughter.

A funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2005, at the First Church of God with Pastor Peter Page officiating. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday evening, Aug. 16, 2005, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Frank Eugene Bolen

**CHANDLER** — Frank Eugene Bolen, 80, of Chandler, passed away Friday, Aug. 12, 2005.

Born in Chandler to Ord and Ann Bolen, he attended Chandler schools and was a sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II, where he participated in the first wave attack in the battle of Iwo Jima. A 30-year golden member of the Professional Photo Packing Club in Twin Falls, Idaho, for many years with first wife, Berenice Dossey. As a widower, he returned to Arizona in 1981 and married Donna Elsworth. They lived in



Prescott for several years before returning to Chandler to live the rest of his life as a caring husband, father, brother, grandpa, uncle and friend.

Frank will be remembered for his kindness, friendliness, his love for children and horses and all animals and the outdoors. Frank is survived by his wife, Donna; children, Cy (Mike) Barbelmess and Eddie (Linda) Dossey; stepchildren, Tam (Jim) Barnhardt, Bryan (Evelyn) Elsworth and Tere (Rod) Riggs; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a brother, Orval Bolen; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, at Bueller Mortuary, 14 W. Hulet Drive, Chandler. Burial is planned for 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, at the Grove Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3770 S. Cooper Road, Chandler.

Rose Lavina Josephine Eliason Hutchison, 84, passed away Aug. 11, 2005.

Born July 3, 1921, in Cache County Hospital, Utah, to Richard Basil and Kate Rose Eliason. Married Leon Willes Hutchison, later divorced; Joe Escallado, special friend for many years.

She attended Wellsville schools. She left home and worked at the Hotel Utah. She also worked as a manicurist and had ownership in an ice cream parlor. She then moved to Jerome and worked at the crematory, became a seamstress, and worked at Jerome's first indoor theater.

She occasionally worked at China Village and retired from Tupperware after working there



for about 20 years. She loved to golf and even got a hole in one. She also enjoyed bowling, aerobics and making her own crafts.

Survived by her son, Terry K. (T-Bird) and Chelynn; three grandchildren, Skyler, Crystal Rose and Merial also Mychelle, Josh, Sabrina and Nicole; one sister and five brothers; daughter-in-law, Chris Falls.

Preceded in death by her son, Dennis (Dowdy) whom she has a tree time with.

A funeral will be held at noon Wednesday, Aug. 17th, at the Jerome, Idaho, LDS Church, 26 N. Tigue Drive (by the high school). A graveside service will be held at noon Thursday, Aug. 18th, in the Hyrum, Utah, Cemetery. Funeral Directors, Broadhead Funeral Home Riverton, Utah.

We'll miss our loving and dedicated mother, grandma and sister!

Carl Hoernemann



leading to the formation of many grateful new friends. He was an avid lifetime golfer, playing regularly until he was nearly 90. Carl was a lifetime member of the Barbours (Wisconsin) Elk Club, Lodge #688, and a longtime member of the St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Community.

Carl is survived by his eldest son, Michael Hoernemann Sr. of San Diego County, Calif.; a sis-

ter, Eva Rogers of Menominee, Wis.; two grandsons, Timothy and Michael Hoernemann Jr.; a great-granddaughter, Cassidy Anne Hoernemann; and his two surviving sisters-in-law, Lorraine Murphy Bohne and Betty Murphy Bever, who both reside in Boise.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a younger brother, Edmund; his wife, Joyce; his younger son, William; and a granddaughter, Kelly Jean Hoernemann.

A memorial Mass for Carl will be celebrated at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, 2005, at Our Lady of the Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 630 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, Idaho, with Father John Koelsch celebrating. The graveside inurnment service will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, 2005, alongside his wife and son in a family plot at Twin Falls Cemetery with Deacon John McKinley officiating. Services and cremation are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Francis Frayne Gunning

**TWIN FALLS** — Francis Frayne Gunning, 93, of Twin Falls, and former Wendell resident, passed away Sunday, Aug. 14, 2005, at Alterra Wymwood.

Fran was born May 15, 1912. He attended Mora School. In 1920, he moved with his parents, Charles Edward and Anna Gunning to Eden and then attended high school in Eden. At age 9, he carved rifles and began hunting rabbits and crows. He enjoyed hunting up until 1988 (age 76). One of his highlights of his hunting expeditions was the big brown bear in 1952. Fran married Irene Schaffer in 1934. He spent 71 years with his wife. In 1950 they went to California and raised sheep and cattle.

They moved back to Idaho in 1967, with his son Gall and his family. Fran farmed most of his life with his son Gall. He enjoyed clearing brush and rocks and put sprinklers on 1,800 acres of desert outside of Wendell.

He loved the desert bloom and raising crops. He also farmed in Nebraska several years. Fran loved to fish and his son, Gall, was a working trout and these were some of the happiest years of his life.

Fran also spent many summers at Smiley Creek and enjoyed taking his grandchildren fishing and the simple beauty of the mountains. Fran also enjoyed traveling to Apache Junction, Ariz., starting in 1980. He loved the warmer climate and the views of the Superstition Mountain he had from his home. In 2000, Fran moved with his wife to Alterra Vista care center, where he spent the remaining years of his life.

Fran is survived by his wife, Irene; three grandchildren, Katy Diaz, Amy Ballagan and Andy Gunning; and four great-grandchildren, Emily Diaz, Elizabeth Diaz, Abigail Ballagan, Austin Gunning, Andrew Gunning, Aaron Gunning and Adam Gunning.

He was preceded in death by his son, Gall (1940-1999) and daughter, Ellen Kay.

A funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2005, at White Mortuary, Chapel of the Park, with burial to follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the mortuary. Immediately following the graveside services there will be a celebration of life gathering at Alterra Wymwood, 1367 Locust Drive N., Twin Falls, Idaho.

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# Boise does not tell low-income housing residents of sex offenders

BOISE (AP) — Some residents of city-owned affordable housing are complaining that officials didn't explicitly warn them that some of their neighbors on the council blocks are registered sex offenders.

Joe Moiza and his 6-year-old daughter moved from Boise's Community House shelter into low-income city housing south of downtown, but no one told him three people living in the complex were registered sex offenders.

The sex offenders are on an Ada County's registry, which is posted on the Internet. Moiza and some members of the Boise City Council are concerned that the city should be doing more to inform residents of city-sponsored housing of potentially dangerous neighbors, especially after several highly publicized crimes allegedly committed by registered sex offenders.

"The city should have told me they were moving me next to a sex offender," Moiza said to Idaho Stateman. With his daughter, he lives upstairs from a man once convicted of lewd conduct with a minor under the age of 16.

City Councilman Alan Shealy said what happened to Moiza is unacceptable. "That's a surprise to me, and frankly it disturbs me," Shealy said.

Of the 280 housing units the city owns and rents out, 211 are in former motels converted to apartments.

Joseph E. Duncan III, a convicted sex offender from Fargo, N.D., is accused of killing three members of a Coeur d'Alene family in May. Two young children were kidnapped from the

home. One of the children was slain, while the second, 8-year-old Shasta Greene, was returned to her remaining family after Duncan was arrested July 1.

Last month, John R. Tuggle, a convicted sex offender living in Colorado, was accused of taking his 12-year-old daughter to a remote location in northern Idaho, raping her, stabbing her and leaving her for dead. He's also in jail facing multiple charges.

Sex offenders are four times more likely to re-offend than people who commit other crimes, according to the U.S. Department of Justice, making neighbors of those who have been found guilty of such offenses fearful of what might happen to their own children.

Still, sex offenders often struggle to get jobs and support themselves after their release from prison, making affordable housing such as the kind Boise offers one option to less-than-ideal alternatives.

"When you talk about sex offenders, it just brings up such visceral feelings that it's hard to discuss it in a calm, objective way," said Paul Solomon, director of men's services for Sponsors, an Oregon-based nonprofit group that helps find transitional housing for people getting out of prison. Still, he said, "when you release someone from prison without the benefit of housing, you're really asking for trouble."

Funding for the apartments comes from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, so the city must follow federal housing rules. The city has sent a list of 13 questions to the federal agency

asking about its options for housing sex offenders.

City officials are uncertain if they can evict sex offenders based on their crimes. The opinions from HUD could come as soon as this week, said Pam Negri, HUD's regional spokeswoman.

"You basically have public safety versus civil rights," said Michael Zuzel, spokesman for Mayor Dave Bleher.

Dawn Sanchez, property manager for the city of Boise Housing and Community Development Division, said there are 115 registered sex offenders in the city code that includes the apartments where Moiza lives with his daughter. A person living in any Boise neighborhood could be just as likely to live near a sex offender as someone in city housing she said.

A convicted sex offender might avoid low-income housing, and some studies show stable housing means they are less likely to repeat their crimes, she said.

The city also doesn't tell people moving into traditional neighborhoods that their neighbors may be low-income evicted sex-related crimes, leaving it up to individuals to check the Ada County sex offender registry.

When Moiza found out there were three sex offenders in his apartment complex, he changed his parenting methods. His daughter no longer goes out to play — unless he can watch her.

"She's totally under my supervision," he said. "It irritates me because she sees the other kids playing and wants to go with them, but I've got her under house arrest."

# Boy saves father after car crash

POCATELLO (AP) — After a car crash left Joe Taylor pinned in the passenger seat, he just wanted to close his eyes and let the pain drift away.

But Taylor's 11-year-old son, Bobby Joe Taylor, kept slapping his father and shouting at him. Taylor said he credits the boy with saving his life.

"If I would have lost consciousness, I honestly don't

think I'd be here now," Joe Taylor said. "He was the one who pretty much saved me."

The accident happened as Taylor, his son and a friend were driving down a gravel road. Taylor's friend, the driver, apparently lost control, and the car rolled three times.

By the time it came to a stop, Taylor's prosthetic leg — which he had since losing his leg a few months earlier in a grain

auger accident — was pinned beneath the dashboard, and his head was bleeding profusely.

The driver left to get help, leaving Bobby Joe with his dad. "You've got to stay awake. Dad! You can't go to sleep on me!" the boy kept yelling, keeping his father awake until emergency workers arrived.

Bobby's mom, Marie Reilly, had a trophy made for her son to commemorate his heroics.

## Council

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Several areas of the budget are directly related to meeting the goals of the city's strategic plan. The city plans to spend \$5.2 million out of its waterworks fund in 2005-06, part of which will update the city's water system and develop four additional pressure irrigation pump stations, said City Manager Tom Courtney.

The budget also reflects the city's efforts to reduce the level of arsenic in city water. The city plans to spend \$4.9 million out of its wastewater fund, some of that will be used to bring arsenic within state standards.

"We are negotiating a compliance schedule with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality," Courtney said. "We hope they will give us enough time so we can resolve our supply issues before we have to comply with arsenic regulations."

The current arsenic standard is 10 parts per billion.

"We're between 14 and 18," Courtney said.

Recognizing that a growing city has increased crime and traffic safety issues, the city plans to add four more police officers to its force.

"It will allow us to increase our shift strength by one person per shift," Courtney said.

Whether city employees see bigger numbers on their paychecks will depend on the outcome of their performance evaluations.

"The performance system is set up so those who achieve high levels of performance get higher pay raises, and those who aren't performing in an acceptable manner don't get pay raises," Courtney said.

Other City Council business:

The city of Twin Falls will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2006-2008 budget at 6 p.m. Aug. 29 in council chambers. Here's a look at the city's proposed expenditures and how they compare to the previous year.

Tax-supported funds	2005-06	2004-05	Pct. change
General	\$14,087,840	\$12,866,843	9.5%
Street	\$2,427,948	\$2,156,922	12.6%
Street light	\$288,023	\$234,308	22.9%
Library	\$1,079,582	\$1,056,946	2.1%
Operating	\$865,539	\$843,508	2.6%
Insurance	\$343,110	\$328,320	4.5%
Capital improvement	\$2,148,820	\$1,541,263	39.4%
Total T&S funds	\$21,302,362	\$19,089,610	11.6%
Less adjustments:			
Interfund transfers	(\$654,454)	(\$690,251)	5.2%
Reserves-deficit funded	(\$457,000)	(\$262,895)	74%
Library bond	\$7,000	\$20,000	-65%
Override levy-Senior Center	—	\$250,000	-100%
Net Tax Supported Funds	\$20,197,908	\$18,406,664	9.7%
Other Funds			
Airport construction	\$2,203,372	\$3,498,109	-37%
Waterworks	\$5,198,278	\$4,590,730	13.2%
Wastewater	\$4,942,439	\$4,426,532	11.4%
Sanitation	\$1,788,433	\$1,510,759	18.4%
Golf	\$367,762	\$373,037	-1.4%
Pool	\$182,700	\$187,500	-3.8%
Dierkes/Shoshone Falls	\$138,076	\$126,863	8.8%
Parking	—	\$66,300	-100%
Shop	\$210,788	\$203,077	3.8%
Historic downtown	\$183,600	\$98,100	87.2%
Old Towne	—	\$24,000	-100%
Seizures/Restitution	\$21,960	—	—
Fireworks	\$15,000	\$15,000	—
LD guarantee fund	—	—	—
Total other funds	\$15,252,408	\$15,100,007	1%
Less adjustments:			
Interfund transfers	(\$1,087,843)	(\$979,169)	763.00%
Reserves-deficit funded	\$63,000	—	—
Net other funds	\$14,103,865	\$14,120,841	—
Net budget	\$34,301,473	\$32,827,808	5.5%

• Approved the first step of a process that could allow Project Mutual Telephone to establish a cable television franchise in Twin Falls.

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# Some Notus residents seek recall for mayor

NOTUS (AP) — Some Notus residents are asking to recall Mayor Charlie Ellmaker, claiming she abused her office and neglected some duties.

The qualifying petition, submitted with 20 signatures, claims Ellmaker should be recalled because of abuse of trust, abuse of office, failure to provide protection, failure to oversee city employees and failure to fence a sewer system.

Ellmaker said some residents got upset after the city put up two new stop signs without doing a study first, though the city was within its right to do so.

The mayor has sent a letter to residents responding to issues listed in the petition.

"I addressed each of the items that they put in there," she said. "It was a little bit of a fiasco type of thing. I've gotten quite a lot of responses from people who say they appreciate

the things I've done."

City Clerk Linda Landis said last Friday that the qualifying petition had been certified. Now the recall seekers must gather signatures from at least 20 percent of the city's voting population to force a recall ballot.

"I don't think a politician ever likes to be in this position," Landis said of the recall effort. "You roll with the punches with this kind of job."

# Ag Department hands out mad-cow citations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Inspectors have found more than 1,000 violations of rules aimed at preventing mad cow disease from reaching humans, the Agriculture Department said Monday.

No contaminated meat reached consumers, the agency said.

The rules were created in response to the nation's first case of mad cow disease in December 2003.

They require that brains, spinal cords and other nerve tissue — which can carry mad cow disease — be removed when older cows are slaughtered. The at-risk tissues are removed from cows older than 30 months because infection levels are believed to rise with age.

The Agriculture Department said Monday it had cited beef slaughterhouses or processing plants 1,036 times for failing to comply with rules on removing those tissues, which are commonly called specified risk materials or SRMs. The violations occurred over 17 months, ending in May.

The number of violations amounts to less than 1 percent of all citations at those plants, said USDA spokeswoman Lisa Wallenda Picard.

"At no point in time did SRMs get to consumers," Picard said. "There was not one example of that."

The department released the information in response to requests made by several groups under the federal Freedom of Information Act. The records were from January 2004, when the rules went into effect, through May of this year.

One of the groups Public Citizen, said the records showed serious problems in enforcing the rules. For example, there were mistakes in identifying animals' ages, which affected whether at-risk tissues were removed.

"Time and time again, they've said we have an SRM ban that is the ultimate public health measure they can take," said Patty Lovera, deputy director of Public Citizen's food program. "There are problems at a couple of levels in that whole policy that they keep bringing about."

Removal of nerve tissues is important but doesn't guarantee the safety of the food supply, said Jean Halloran, director of food policy initiatives at Consumers Union.

"We've always had a dispute with the bright line USDA seems to draw between dan-

gerous parts of the animal and safe parts of the animal," Halloran said. "There's a lot we don't know. There's nothing absolute about 30 months. It's not a magic number."

A meatpacking industry official said the violations were minuscule and should not be worrisome.

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— Browns linebacker Kenard Lang on the first preseason game

### TRIVIA

**QUESTION:** Which two New York Yankees homered, in the same game, from both sides of the plate in 2000, the first teammates to do so?

Answer below

### IN BRIEF

#### Buhl holds youth football camp

**BUHL** — The Jerome High School football program will hold a youth football camp for kids grades K-8 this Wednesday and Thursday. The event will start at 6 p.m. each night at the Buhl Elementary School field. The registration cost, which includes a camp T-shirt, is \$20 to be paid on-site Wednesday.

#### Jerome volleyball holds car wash

**Jerome** — The Jerome ninth grade girls volleyball team will hold a fund-raiser car wash at D.L. Evans Bank in Jerome on Thursday, Aug. 18 from 10a.m.-3:30 p.m. Proceeds from the event will go toward the team's 2005 expenses.

#### T.F. Muni hosts member/guest

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course member/guest tournament presented by Gold's Gym will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 20-21. The entry fee is \$200 per team and includes green fees, a cart, tee prize, range balls, and short-putting contests. Dinner and other special events. The event will follow a St. Louis Scramble format on Day 1 with a 130 p.m. shotgun start, followed by a 6 p.m. dinner and 7 p.m. derby.

Day 2 will be a standard best ball tournament with an 8 a.m. shotgun start. Tees are \$150 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, or when a full field of 50 teams is completed. For more information, call the pro shop at 733-3326.

#### Wakeboard clinic held in Burley today

**BURLEY** — Idaho Watersports will present the Mountain Northwest Riders Aug. 16 at the Burley Golf Course Marina. Professional Riders Brett Starn, Danny Benner, and Dave Jackson will be in attendance. Clinics with Pro Riders cost \$85 for a half day or \$150 for a full day. The clinic includes T-shirt and lunch. Clinics are limited so sign up early at Idaho Watersports. Pros will perform, hang out and sign autographs from noon to 1:30 p.m.

#### Burley Boosters hold golf scramble

**BURLEY** — The Burley Boosters Club's annual Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, Aug. 27 at the Burley Municipal Golf Course. Golf Scramble funds provide support for Burley High School student athletic activities. Businesses can make donations or sponsor a team. Teams or individuals can register and participate at Donnelly Sports or by contacting Danny Hondo at 431-3903, Don Knopp at 431-3589, Dennis Claunch at 578-2111.

Compiled from staff reports

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

Bernie Williams and Jorge Posada.

# Lefty gets another major

## Mickelson wins PGA Championship

By Doug Ferguson Associated Press writer

SPRINGFIELD, N.J. — Phil Mickelson delivered another dramatic finish in a major on Monday, capturing a chip out of deep rough to peg for a birdie on the final hole and a one-shot victory in the PGA Championship.

The putt wasn't nearly as long as his 18-footer to win the Masters last year, and there was no need to jump for joy this time. Still, it was a sweet conclusion to a major championship season that had gone sour until he put together his best golf of the summer stretched over five days at Baltusrol by a storm-delayed final round.

It was the first Monday finish at the PGA Championship in 19 years. And not since 1986 at Inverness had a player from the last group won with a birdie on the 72nd hole at the final major. Bob Tway got to his by holing a bunker shot to deny Greg Norman. The flop came out perfect, and Mickelson raised his arms and lightly pumped his fist twice. The final putt was merely a tap-in, giving Lefty another year with a major trophy.

"It was a shot that I struggled with out of the rough this week," Mickelson said. "I tried to remember some of the shots I hit as a kid in my backyard. I hit it aggressively, and the ball popped up nicely, and it rolled smoothly."

Mickelson closed with a 2-over 72, playing the final four holes Monday morning at even par.

He joined Tiger Woods, Nick Faldo and Curtis Strange as the only players in the last 20 years to win majors in consecutive



Phil Mickelson celebrates his chip onto 39 during the final round of the lightning delayed 87th PGA Championship at the Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield, N.J. Monday.

years.

"If there's anybody you'd back to get up-and-down from there, it's Phil Mickelson," Bjorn said. "It's not a one-major guy, he's a 10-major guy. And it's going to be easier and easier for him to win them now."

Mickelson finished at 4-under 276 and earned \$1.17 million for his fourth victory of the year, matching Woods and Vijay Singh for the most on the PGA Tour this year.

He also moved ahead of Ernie Els to No. 3 in the world rankings.

Ekington shot 71 and Bjorn had a 72, both leaving Baltusrol haunted by missed chances.

"There's a lot to be said to be the last guy out there, having the final say," Ekington said. "Thomas and I both had good

chances to birdie 18 and couldn't do it."

His par to finish at 3-under 277 meant Woods was free to leave.

Woods finished birdie-birdie Sunday afternoon before thunderstorms arrived and had to wait to make sure the half-dozen guys still on the course and in contention didn't falter.

He wound up tied with Davis Love III for fourth, two shots behind. Woods has to settle for winning the Masters and British Open this year, missing out on the calendar Grand Slam by a combined four strokes.

"Bjorn dropped a shot when I was supposed to miss a 6-footer on the 15th, got it back with a clutch birdie on the par-5."

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# Mourning, Christie among NBA amnesty day victims

By Chris Sheridan Associated Press writer

**NEW YORK** — The so-called "Alton Houston Rule" failed to claim its namesake Monday.

Houston announced, being cut by the New York Knicks on the final day for NBA teams to take advantage of a one-time chance to escape luxury tax obligations for any contracts on their books.

Rather than saving almost \$40 million, New York opted instead to release forward Jerome Williams to avoid \$21.3 million in luxury tax. Knicks have been due over the next three seasons.

Dallas was working into the night trying to find a trade for Michael Finley, who owed \$5.8 million over the next three seasons. If a taker could be found, the Mavericks were expected to release the 10-year veteran.

In all, teams saved \$154.5 million in future tax payments by waiving 116 players. Among

## NBA players waived under amnesty rule

The amount of luxury tax savings realized by NBA teams who opted to waive players under the one-time amnesty rule:

**Los Angeles Lakers:** \$29.7 million (Brian Grant)  
**New York Knicks:** \$23.1 million (Jerome Williams)  
**Philadelphia 76ers:** \$19.5 million (Aaron McKie)  
**Portland Trail Blazers:** \$18.8 million (Derek Anderson)  
**Milwaukee Bucks:** \$13.2 million (Calvin Booth)  
**Phoenix Suns:** \$8.4 million (Howard Eisley)  
**Orlando Magic:** \$8.2 million (Doug Christie)

**Toronto Raptors:** \$8.1 million (Alton Houston)  
**Indiana Pacers:** \$6 million (Reggie Miller)  
**Chicago Bulls:** \$5.4 million (Eddie Robinson)  
**Boston Celtics:** \$5.2 million (Vin Baker)  
**Detroit Pistons:** \$2 million (Derrick Coleman)  
**New Jersey Nets:** \$1.8 million (Ron Mercer)  
**Minnesota Timberwolves:** \$1.8 million (Fred Holberg)  
**Wash. Wizards:** \$1.8 million (Westley Person)  
**Memphis Grizzlies:** \$1.5 million (Troy Bell)

those let go Monday were Fred Holberg of Minnesota, Ron Mercer of New Jersey, Calvin Booth of Milwaukee and Troy Bell of Memphis.

Several teams made moves to clear tax obligations for players

who left their rosters long ago. They included Alton Houston (Toronto), Vin Baker (Boston), Derrick Coleman (Detroit), Westley Person (Miami), Eddie Robinson (Chicago) and Howard Eisley (Phoenix).

Players previously released under the amnesty program included Doug Christie (Orlando), Aaron McKie (Philadelphia), Brian Grant (Los Angeles Lakers) and Derek Anderson (Portland).

Teams whose payrolls exceed \$61.7 million for the upcoming season will have to pay a dollar-for-dollar tax on the average. Among them are the Indiana Pacers, who waived retired guard Reggie Miller to save \$6 million in luxury tax costs.

"In my conversations with Reggie, it is clear he will not play next year, and therefore to take advantage of the amnesty rule, we designated Reggie our amnesty player," Pacers president Donnie Walsh said. "I've spoken with Reggie, and he is fine with it. This will go down as his final act."

The Knicks had been expected to waive Houston, who played only 20 games last season due to chronic knee soreness.

# First he was a legend in his own backyard

SPRINGFIELD, N.J. — He was a legend in his own backyard. That was before Phil Mickelson became a top-flight junior, an ascendant amateur, the next Nicklaus, a husband, father, the best player never to win a major, and, at long last, a Masters champion.



JIM LITKE

Back then, he was a toddler, dragging a cut-down golf club behind him instead of a blazer. From morning until night, Mickelson would scatter golf balls around the 35-year hole his father, Phil, built in the backyard of their split-level home in the Del Cerro neighborhood east of downtown San Diego, and try to hole every one. On his Monday morning, the elder Mickelson made his way toward the 18th green at Baltusrol Golf Club to hug the just-crowned PGA Championship winner, somebody stopped him and asked how many times he'd seen the flop shot from 50 feet out of deep rough that had scalded his sons' second major championship.

"The father looked away nervously for a moment, as though he might actually be counting. Then he stopped and turned back, breaking into a wide grin."

"It's just leave it that," said, finally. "Let's just leave it that."

Quite a few. Phil used to give the boy nicknames and dimes, occasionally a quarter, for each hole-in-one. After a while it got too expensive. But this up-and-down? —

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# New course record set in Mt. Harrison race

By Chip Thompson South Idaho Press

**ALBION** — A series of chills went through Cody Peterson's sweat-soaked body as he discussed the Mt. Harrison Hill Climb from the finish line.

Chills were likely caused by the cold wind sweeping across the barren mountain top but they could have been a product of the thrill of victory, as Peterson had just broken the event record by completing the 17-mile race in just over 1 hour and 13 minutes — 5 minutes faster than last year's winner.

Peterson, who lives in Halley, is no stranger to winning. He's a six-year veteran of the professional mountain bike circuit, riding for the 3D Racing team. He is one of the top 10 racers in the nation, placed 22nd at nationals in Aspen, Colo., N.M., and was the first alternate for the U.S. team for the world championship.

While he's ridden plenty of hill climbs in his career, including the infamous Mt. Evans climb in Colorado, Peterson said the Mt. Harrison climb surprised him. "It's bigger than I thought it

was," he said after the race, adding that the climb was as tough as Mt. Evans, but about 10 miles shorter.

Peterson made a break from the pack just after the course — which started at Albion City Park and finished at the lookout tower on Mt. Harrison — turned off of Idaho 77.

From there he never looked back, keeping the lead all the way to the finish line, where he crossed nearly three minutes ahead of Matt Weyen, of Nampa, who took second in the A division.

Peterson said it was a good race, explaining that the group stayed together during the beginning, but didn't race together, meaning riders weren't helping each other by forming a pace line to block the wind.

Because of this, he said, he decided to make an early break and try to win on his own. The top non-pro rider was Rick Greenwald, of Twin Falls. During the week Greenwald manages the planetarium at College of Southern Idaho's Herat Center, but he got into bike racing this year and has done very well — taking first place

the Burley Century and second in the Twin Falls Century.

He's ridden more than 4,600 miles this year between training and racing.

"It's the first time I've raced it, second time riding it," Greenwald said of the Mt. Harrison climb. "He said he owes much of his success to his riding buddies, who formed a club two years ago to encourage others to race."

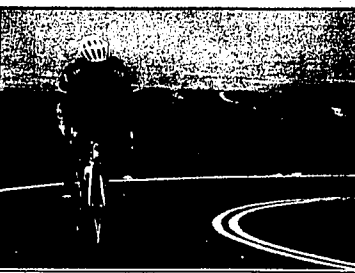
"If you ride with people stronger than you, it's going to make you stronger," Greenwald said.

Bret Campbell, of Burley, finished the race in 1 hour 56 minutes in his first attempt at it.

"It was tough. There's no rest at all. It's just 17 miles straight up," he said at the finish line.

Campbell is used to doing well, placing seventh in the Burley Century and taking the top local time in the 2005 Spudman Triathlon.

He said it's hard to compare the three events. "This one definitely hurts the most," he said. Despite the pain, Campbell said he's likely to enter the race



Jerome resident Damon Madson powers to the finish line stop Mt. Harrison Saturday during the Mt. Harrison Hill Climb race.

again in 2006.

The race began as a non-competitive ride three years ago and became a sanctioned U.S. Cycling Federation race in 2004, attracting about 20 riders. Saturday's event drew 30 racers from all over Idaho and other western states.

Organizers say they hope the

race will continue to grow in popularity as word gets out about the challenging climb and scenic beauty.

Top finishers in the Mt. Harrison Hill Climb race:  
1. Cody Peterson, 1:03:15  
2. Matt Weyen, 1:05:00  
3. Damon Madson, 1:06:00  
4. Rick Greenwald, 1:07:00  
5. Brett Campbell, 1:56:00

SPORTS

Nationals extend win streak to four games

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Washington is rolling to wins and rising in the standings on the coast. Preston Wilson homered twice, Livan Hernandez pitched eight strong innings and the Nationals won again on the road, beating the Philadelphia Phillies 6-3 Monday night.

The Nationals, knocked out of first place during a second-half slump, have turned things around away from home and put themselves in contention for the NL wildcard. Coming off a three-game sweep in Colorado, Washington won its fourth in a row overall.

I'm not going to jump on the wagon now and say indeed here we are, manager Frank Robinson said. Certainly, it has been a nice mixture of good pitching and the offense has come to life.

Giants 7, Reds 3
CINCINNATI — Randy Winn hit for the cycle in his first four at-bats, sending the San Francisco Giants to a 7-3 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Monday night.

Todd Linden also homered and drove in two runs for the Giants, who overcame solo shots by Ken Griffey Jr., Adam Dunn and Austin Keane.

Winn, who scored twice, led off his first inning with a single and the third with a home run, homer this season — his third in 13 games since being acquired from Seattle on July 30.

Winn's speed coming off the bench doubled with one out in the fourth and opened the sixth

with a triple to right-center, making him the 21st player in Giants history to hit for the cycle and the first since left fielder Kent Hrbek at Pittsburgh on May 3, 1999.

It was the first time Winn hit for the cycle in his eight-year major league career. He is the third player to accomplish the feat this season, joining St. Louis' Mark Grudzielanek on April 27 against Milwaukee and Washington's Brad Wilkerson on April 6 in Philadelphia.

Astros 12, Cubs 4
HOUSTON — Morgan Ensberg hit a long home run and finished 4-for-4 with three RBIs, and Chris Burke, Adam Everett and Humberto Quintero also homered in the second half of a 12-4 victory over the Chicago Cubs on Monday night.

Ensberg homered in the seventh inning, a solo shot that landed on the trunk track well above the left-field stands. He helped the Astros follow consecutive shutouts with their second-highest scoring game of the season.

Burke hit a three-run homer in the third inning, and Everett hit a solo homer and Quintero hit a two-run shot in a six-run fifth. Astros rookie Willy Taveras had his fourth four-hit game, finishing 4-for-6 with two runs.

Rockies 11, Brewers 2
DENVER — Aaron Cook pitched six solid innings for the Rockies, going 7-3 with a 4.00 ERA in more than a year. Garrett Atkins homered and drove in four runs, and the Col-

orado Rockies ended a four-game losing streak Monday night with an 11-2 victory over the slumping Milwaukee Brewers.

Cook (1-1) returned to Colorado's rotation on July 30 after missing nearly a year with blood clots in his lungs that nearly killed him. After being tagged for seven runs in 4 1/3 innings his first start but Cook pitched well enough to win his next two outings, only to walk away with no decisions in both games.

American League Tigers 7, Red Sox 6
DETROIT — Pinch-hitter John Mickelson's two-out single in the ninth capped a comeback against Curt Schilling, lifting the Detroit Tigers to a 7-6 victory over the Boston Red Sox on Monday night.

Schilling (4-5) entered the game with a two-run lead with two outs in the eighth and struck out Curtis Granderson to end the inning. In the ninth, Schilling gave up three runs on four hits and a walk.

The six-time All-Star, moved from starter to closer when he returned from an ankle injury, had converted nine saves in 10 opportunities, but had given up four runs on four hits — including three homers — in his last two appearances.

Placido Polanco started the rally with a leadoff single in the ninth. Dmitri Young followed with a one-out RBI triple and Magglio Ordonez tied the game with a single. After a walk and a strikeout, McDonald singled

to left. Yankees 5, Devil Rays 2
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Jaret Wright won his first start in nearly four months and Alex Rodriguez and Gary Sheffield homered to help New York win its fifth straight.

Rodriguez homered for the third straight game, hitting a two-run, fourth-inning shot off Casey Fossum (6-9) to boost his American League leading total to 36. Sheffield hit No. 25, a solo blast off reliever Travis Harper, for a 5-2 lead in the seventh.

But Wright (3-2) was the story of the night for the Yankees, whose starting rotation has been in shambles because of injuries.

The right-hander, pitching for the first time since leaving an April 23 loss against Texas because of shoulder pain, allowed two runs and four hits in 6 1/3 innings.

He struck out two, walked one and hit three batters, including Jonny Gomes twice. In between the plunkings, Gomes hit a solo homer in the fourth. Mariano Rivera, who also hit Gomes with a pitch, got the last three outs for his 32nd save, moving ahead of Jeff Beaton for fifth place on the career list with 368.

Twins 4, White Sox 2
CHICAGO — Lew Ford and Brent Abernathy hit two-run singles in the fourth inning and Nick Punto had three hits and three stolen bases for Minnesota.

Kyle Lohse (8-11) hung



Washington Nationals outfielder Preston Wilson hits his second two-run homer against the Philadelphia Phillies during the third inning Monday in Philadelphia, scoring Jose Guillen.

around long enough to earn his first victory since July 2, allowing two runs and seven hits in 5 1/3 innings.

The White Sox, with the best record in the majors, are looking

to take the AL Central title from the Twins, who have won the division the last three seasons. Chicago leads by 12 games over Cleveland, while the Twins are 1 1/2 games behind.

Steelers score early and often on Eagles

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Hard to blame this on Terrell Owens. The Philadelphia Eagles got off to a terrible start following a disruptive week of camp that led to Owens' one-week banishment for bad behavior, letting the Steelers score the first two touchdowns on the ball Monday night in Pittsburgh's 38-31 exhibition victory.

The Steelers scored on an interception return on a 10-play drive. Down McNabb's first pass of the preseason — a punt return and a kickoff return, a trifecta of return touchdowns no NFL player has accomplished in a game that counted. Luckily for the NFC champion Eagles this one didn't, as they fell behind 14-0 at the 28-10 before rallying to make it close in the second half with reserves on the field for both teams.

The Eagles' first-team offense outplayed Pittsburgh's, except for Willie Williams' 10-yard interception return touchdown with 12 seconds gone, but that was a fluke. Pittsburgh's offense elapsed was too much to overcome with the starters playing just over a quarter. Ricardo Colson returned the Eagles' first point 66 yards to score with a characteristic mistake for John Harbaugh-coached special teams — unit — that is usually against the NFL best.

To prove it was a fluke, he Taylor ran back a kickoff 100 yards early in the second quarter, but it was the Steelers twice as many kick re-



Pittsburgh Steeler like Taylor, left, is followed by teammate Ricardo Colclough as he returns a second quarter kick 100 yards for a touchdown in preseason action against the Philadelphia Eagles in Pittsburgh Monday. Earlier in the game Colclough returned a first quarter kick for a touchdown.

The Steelers' offense figured to get an emotional lift from wide receiver Hines Ward's decision to end his 15-day holdout and report just two hours before kickoff, though he didn't play. Ward, who reported without getting the reworked contract he is seeking, was among the first players of the bench to celebrate Taylor's return score.

McNabb's numbers — 14-of-19 for 132 yards, a touchdown and an interception — were acceptable given he was working before either of his starting wide receivers, the absent Owens and Todd Pinkston, who is out for the season with a ruptured Achilles' tendon. Owens is due back in camp Wednesday after being sent home by Reid.

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Amnesty

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paid by their former teams and cannot re-sign with them until their current contracts have expired.

Grant, for example, will receive \$14.3 million from the Lakers in 2005-06, \$17.5 million in 2006-07 in addition

to the money he receives from the Phoenix Suns, who were planning to sign him Tuesday.

Under the "tax certainty" provisions of the new labor deal, the luxury tax will be assessed each season against a dozen players meeting a certain payroll threshold.

Under the old rules, teams did not know until a luxury tax was added whether a season tax would be applied for the previous season.

The teams reaping the most savings under the amnesty rule include the Lakers (\$237 million), Knicks (\$231 million),

76ers (\$19.5 million), Trail Blazers (\$18.8 million) and Bucks (\$13.2 million).

The team with the smallest savings will be the Memphis Grizzlies, who relieved themselves of tax obligations for Bell's 2005-06 salary of \$1.5 million.

Lutz takes Jerome CC club championship

JEROME — Bob Lutz carded rounds of 68 and 70 to breeze to the Jerome County Club championship after the weekend.

Lutz captured the 138-year-old title, while Brian Robinson was the reserve winner. Results follow.

Stetson Jorgensen and Shelby Frestud were the all-around boys and girls juniors winners, while Jared Parke and Amanda Coats took reserve honors. Kenzie Kumb took the Pee Wee all-around title, while Haley Robinson was the reserve winner. Results follow.

Rodeo High Desert Rodeo results announced

FILED — Results from the second annual High Desert Rodeo, held at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds in Falls this weekend, were released Monday.

Some 190 youth competed for \$12,000 in prizes including all-around saddles for different age groups.

Nathan Thompson and Breanna Sheidan took away the respective senior boys and girls all-around titles, while Marc Morrison and Lacey England took reserve honors.

Senior All-around — Breanna Sheidan. Reserve — Lacey England. Junior All-around — Lacey England. Reserve — Lacey England. Boys All-around — Nathan Thompson. Reserve — Lacey England. Girls All-around — Lacey England. Reserve — Lacey England.

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I'm not going to jump on the wagon now and say indeed here we are, manager Frank Robinson said. Certainly, it has been a nice mixture of good pitching and the offense has come to life.

back to play in a 3-footer for par at No. 14, made another at 15, but bogged the 16th hole into a three-way tie with Steve Elkington and Thomas Bjorn. It wasn't until the hole after that, when he stood in the 18th fairly, with 247 yards left to the flag, that he learned both of them had made par up ahead.

have on-course TV reporter David Feherly, a former player himself, do some scouting. Feherly located the ball, but it was so deep down in the thick knick bluegrass that by the time Mickelson headed back from surveying the putting surface, he'd lost it a second time. Mackerly gingerly made his way to the back of the knob, pointed it out one more time and handed his boss a 60-degree wedge.

majors, how Mickelson, swing coach Rick Smith and short-gamer guru Dave Pezdek helped him get ready for the event. They mapped the layout and drew up a blueprint to attack it. But for all that extensive preparation, this one came down to something so ingrained in his memory that Mickelson could have done it with a blindfold on.

Lefty

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17th from 12 feet, and was stunned when his birdie putt on the last refused to fall.

fire up the crowd in the 56 minutes of golf. Lefty quickly rolled in a 3-footer to clean up his par on the 14th, but he still had one in the three groups ahead could make a move, Mickelson came back to them by catching a plugged lie in the bunker on the par 3. He could only blast out to 20 feet and made bogey. He was in the fairway on the 650-yard 17th — no longer reachable because of rain-soaked conditions — but his 10-foot birdie putt caught the right lip.

Once he realized Elkington and Bjorn failed to birdie the final hole, it came down to Mickelson. "I knew that I needed to make birdie, I thought maybe to take the lead," Mickelson said. "I walked out and saw par for Bjorn. When I hit the second shot, I knew I needed birdie to win. That was a nice feeling."

# SCORES AND STATS

## WHAT'S ON T.V.

### Baseball

Cubs at Astros, WGN, 6 p.m.
Royals at Mariners, FSNW, 8 p.m.

### Softball

Little League World Series, semifinals, ESPN2, 6 p.m.
Little League World Series, semifinals, ESPN2, 7:30 p.m.

### Tennis

ATP Tour/US Open Series, Western & Southern Final Group Masters, early round, ESPN2, 1 p.m.
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## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### Top pick Brown ends holdout with Dolphins

DAVIE, Fla. — Top Miami Dolphins draft pick Landon Brown ended a three-week holdout and joined the team's training camp practice Monday.

The former Auburn running back, the No. 2 overall pick in the April draft, flew home Sunday from his Georgia home to South Florida to join the Dolphins' first two exhibition games. His contract was expected to include about \$20 million in guaranteed money.

Brown practiced with the team Monday afternoon and will compete for playing time with 2002 NFL All-Pro running back Ricky Williams, who is coming back from a one-year retirement and must sit out the first three games of the season for violating the league's drug policy. Running back was a revolving door for Miami last season after Williams quit before training camp.

Brown is the Dolphins' highest draft selection since 1996, and the first rusher in the draft to be taken higher than the 913 yards and eight scores last season.

### Driver killed in rollover at Salt Flats

WENDOVER, Utah — John Beckett was killed when his car rolled at more than 200 mph during time trials at the Bonneville Salt Flats.

The 58-year-old North Carolina driver crashed at the 5-mile mark of the 7-mile track as he was reaching top speed Sunday during Bonneville National Speedweek, race officials said.

Beckett was alive when his car rolled, but died of his injuries shortly after, said sheriff's Lt. Tom Hays.

In 1930s Crosby competition coupe was taken from the track and will be examined to see if a cause of the crash, since official Roy Crut led the Salt Lake Tribune.

The accident happened on the 25th day of the time trials, which annually draw as many as 20,000 people to the Salt Flats, about 100 miles from Salt Lake City.

### U.S. women beat Poland to reach quarterfinals

IZMIR, Turkey — The undefeated U.S. women's basketball team advanced to the quarterfinals of the University Games against Turkey Monday.

Megan Duffy scored 13 points and Seimone Augustus added 12 for the Americans (40-28) in a first-half start to halftime and trailed in the third quarter before rallying.

Natalia Walorka's "put back" in the third quarter but the Polans failed to keep the momentum going and the Americans outscored them 23-11 in the last quarter.

In a game played before about 400 fans at Ege University, Poland made 80 percent of its three-point attempts in the first half but missed 2-of-14 in the second. Poland managed 34 percent of its field goal attempts (52-152) for the U.S. women.

The U.S. women beat Turkey on Tuesday.

### Agassi withdraws from Cincinnati Masters

MASON, Ohio — Andre Agassi's sore back is bothering him again, forcing him to skip a couple of weeks of so he can play in the U.S. Open.

The 35-year-old Agassi fell out after a three-set loss to Rafael Nadal in Monday's first round.

He decided to pull out of the Cincinnati Masters, which he won last year, rather than aggravate the problem.

Agassi was reluctant to skip Cincinnati, where he is the fans' favorite and has enjoyed a lot of success. He plans to use the next couple of weeks to get his back ready for the U.S. Open.

The alternative is not being at my best, me being out there in the situation where I can do more damage to myself and not be part of more tournaments.

Agassi said he is not trying to negotiate a career, how I'm going to go about my profession. Making the wrong choice is going to have ramifications for me at this stage.

Agassi beat Lleyton Hewitt 6-3, 6-2 in the final at the Cincinnati last year, his third win at the tournament. He notified tournament organizers late Sunday that he wouldn't be playing this year, but he came to the tournament anyway.

### Matt Walsh formally signs his Heat deal

MIAMI — Matt Walsh signed a three-year contract with the Miami Heat on Monday, completing a deal that was essentially agreed to in principle more than a month ago.

The former Florida forward, an undrafted free agent, could make \$12 million in the deal, which is partially guaranteed for the first year.

Walsh averaged 14.1 points in three seasons at Florida. He left after his junior season and rolled out of the draft, but wasn't selected.

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MORNING BREAK

Kids suffer from parents' selfish choices

DEAR ABBY: I read your column regularly, and I am sometimes saddened by how much heartache people bring on themselves...



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

Second Thoughts in New York asked if she should move in with her boyfriend who has made it clear he doesn't want children...

future children, not regrets. GRANDMA IN MICHIGAN DEAR GRANDMA: I agree with you that the greatest gift a child can have is two parents who are willing to put their children's needs at least on a par with their own.

all themselves? Well, then, when she eventually realizes this guy really doesn't want children...

That girl needs the equivalent of a pre-nup and she needs it in writing... JEANETTE G. MILWAUKEE

Concentrate on things of lasting value, Sagittarius

IF AUG. 16 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: A chance for true love and commitment might fill in the blank on your dance card between now and mid-January...

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

Your sign ruler, Mercury, is now headed in a forward direction. You can make important decisions...

Alektorophobics are really chicken of chickens

If you've got the fear of, of all birds, it's called ornithophobia. But if you're specifically chicken about chickens, it's alektorophobia.



RANDOM KINDS OF FACINNESS Jack Mingo Erin Barrett

son added that gender equality under the law is "a socialist, anti-fundamentalist movement that encourages women to leave their husbands, kill their children, practice witchcraft, destroy capitalism and become lesbians."

Jobs and their co-workers. Another survey of 800,000 workers worldwide discovered that employees said they had too little to do at work rated their job satisfaction at 49 out of 100...

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The celestial night sky is great for both love and money. Ask for the sale, get down on your knee and propose...

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Plan on seeing now to reap an abundant harvest later. Powerful stars make today and tomorrow especially good times to start important projects...

High bidder for students' services is one of their moms

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. (AP)—First, they auctioned off a week of their time online for a fraction of what they had hoped to make.

seems like such a no-brainer that it's hard to imagine the idea being controversial just a quarter century ago.

Mary Davis used a screen name the two would not recognize and checked the faculty's computer in secret to make sure she had the winning bid.

Erin Barrett and Jack Mingo can be reached at facinnews@erin-jack.com

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The celestial night sky has turned direct — so some things you may have had on hold are ready for action.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It is an excellent time to open a bank account, retirement fund or to make major purchases such as a home or a car.

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200 Employment

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Experienced backhoe operator. Class A CDL required. Must be 25 years old or older.

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Experienced backhoe operator with Class-A CDL. Must be 25 years old or older.

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Siders needed, must be experienced. Tools, transportation, insurance required.

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The Times-News is seeking for a Circulation Customer Service Representative.

DRIVER

Franklin Building Supply is currently seeking FT. Drivers with Class A CDL.

DRIVER

Full-time Delivery Driver. Must have CDL, or ability to obtain one.

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Local Truck Driver needed. Limited opening. Please call 208-731-3368 for more information.

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Redi-Mix Drivers Wanted. CDL required. Pay DOE. Full benefits. Apply at 1234 Fullerton Ave.

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NOW HIRING TWIN FALLS APVAL. Local positions available. Leaders Operators.

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DRIVERS Come join our team! Enjoy benefits such as: Home time, good pay, vacation, pay health insurance...

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Glennor Milk Transportation is looking for 10 Drivers Starting September 15th for our NEW OTR truck...

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GENERAL MANAGER Magic Valley Truck factoring is seeking an experienced Shop Manager.

GENERAL

Now hiring for local companies! We are seeking individuals for production and General Labor.

GENERAL

Full-time Yard/Workshop position. Responsibilities include: Receiving, packing, and shipping.

GENERAL

Pump installer, some experience req. Wage DOE. Call 733-5002.

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Current Opening for Stylist in busy salon. Hourly wage \$7-12. Bonuses available.

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Looking for experienced insulation installers. Buy into program, moving into the area.

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(2) Full-time positions for Janitorial. Wages DOE. Drug Free Workplace. Background check.

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MANUFACTURING

Gooding, Idaho: Has several openings for experienced: Welders, Press Operators, Fabrication Machine Operator, Laser Cutter Operator, Drafter/Assembler.

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Seeking highly motivated Diesel Mechanic. Experience all types of work.

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Now Hiring Delivery Drivers Days & Nights. Apply to: Jerome Pizza Hut

RETAIL

Karnation Intimate Apparel is now accepting applications. This Friday Aug 19th. You must be at least 18 years old.

RETAIL

Management position available. Salary ranging \$7-\$10 per hour & benefits available.

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Send your resume, cover letter, best-clipshear sheets and a list of references by August 26 to:

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Bobby Wolff

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Sometimes you have to work hard to cherish your partner, and that means allowing for his mistakes in advance. On this hand North-South, playing five-card majors, had a two-bid auction to three hearts, and West made the right choice when he selected the spade jack as his opening salvo. East took his spade king and spade ace, and hopefully led the spade four as a suit-preference signal. However, West had not been keeping an eye on the spot cards and thought the spade four was the lowest outstanding spade. So he played a club, and the second spade ruff went away.

East apologized sarcastically for not having been dealt a higher spade spot, but in fact a totally conscientious player would have accepted a little of the blame himself. It should have occurred to him that his cards might be unreadable. After all, from West's viewpoint, declarer could have been false-carding, and East might indeed have been signaling for clubs. But East did have a chance to clarify the suit-preference position for his partner, albeit in a rather unusual fashion. If he had won the first trick with the spade ace and followed up with the spade king, the unusual order of the cards played might have suggested interest in the higher suit, and perhaps West would have gotten the message.

- NORTH** 08-16-A  
 ♥ 10 7 5  
 ♦ A K J  
 ♣ 10 8 5  
 ♠ K 8 3
- EAST**  
 ♥ A K 4 2  
 ♦ 8 6  
 ♣ A J 4  
 ♠ 7 5 4 2
- SOUTH**  
 ♥ Q 9 8 6  
 ♦ Q 10 9 7 4  
 ♣ K 9  
 ♠ A Q

Vulnerable: Neither  
 Dealer: South  
 The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 1♥ Pass 3♥ All pass

**BID WITH THE ACES**  
 08-16-B

South holds:  
 ♥ A K 4 2  
 ♦ 8 6  
 ♣ A J 4  
 ♠ 7 5 4 2

South West North East  
 Pass Pass

**ANSWER:** Open one spade, although bidding one club could not be faulted on technical grounds. Here your target is to make life hard for your opponents if you can, so bid your best suit — pretending you have five of them — and simultaneously make it harder for them to reach hearts.

If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at bobbyvolff@midwestp.org.  
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Delta will offer new SLC flights

SALT LAKE CITY — Delta Air Lines is planning to offer new flights between Salt Lake City and Detroit, Indianapolis and Columbus, Ohio.

Delta's Salt Lake hub is air travelers' only nonstop destination from the Twin Falls airport, by way of SkyWest Airlines.

Joe Esposito, director of Delta's U.S. Network, said the airline on Sept. 1 will offer three daily nonstop flights from Salt Lake City to Detroit.

Starting Oct. 15, the airline will offer two daily flights between the Salt Lake hub and Columbus, and also will offer a pair of daily flights between Salt Lake and Indianapolis.

The new service in October will be accompanied by introductory ticket prices of \$189 round trip to Columbus and \$238 round trip to Indianapolis.

Delta's new regional carrier, Shuttle America, will operate the flights in a 70-seat Embraer 170 jets, Esposito said.

The planes, which have first-class and coach cabins, are new to Delta and new to Salt Lake City, he said.

The additional flights are not likely to add jobs to Delta's 4,000-member work force in Utah.

Low's profit rises 20 percent on good sales

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Lowe's Cos., the second-largest U.S. home improvement retailer, said Monday its second-quarter profit was 20 percent higher than a year ago, surpassing Wall Street's forecasts by 3 cents per share.

The results were fueled by gains in installed items, special orders and sales to commercial business customers, the company said.

Lowe's, which opened a Twin Falls store in June, said its quarterly net income grew to \$838 million, or \$1.05 per share, from \$780 million, or 87 cents per share, a year ago.

Revenue rose 17 percent to \$11.33 billion from \$10.17 billion last year as sales at stores open at least a year increased 6.5 percent in the quarter that ended July 29.

A new building on the strong sales trends was reported Monday, as stores delivered solid comparable store sales across all three months of the quarter.

Chief executive officer and president Robert Niblock said.

Lowe's said its earnings per share would be up from 76 cents and 78 cents for the third quarter and \$3.31 to \$3.37 for the year.

Panel clears former Kmart CEO in suit

TROY, Mich. — An arbitration panel cleared former Kmart chairman and CEO Charles Conway of any wrongdoing in the suit.

The panel unanimously voted to deny damages to Kmart Creditor Trust, an organization formed to pay billions of dollars the retailer owed creditors when it filed for bankruptcy protection in January 2002.

A copy of the panel's 23-page opinion, signed July 25 and expected to be made public soon, was obtained by The Detroit News.

By Terry Smith Times-News Correspondent

BURLEIGH — As grain harvest winds down, Magic Valley farmers are reporting yields ranging from excellent to disappointing.

Heavy rains in May offered the prospect of a bumper crop, but frost, disease and insects took their toll.

"Prices aren't great either, with wheat selling at 30-40 cents less per bushel than a year ago and mid July more than \$1 per hundredweight below average.

Concerning yields, "it just depends on which field you're talking," said Matt Darrington, a commissioner with the Idaho Wheat Commission.

Darrington, who farms near Declo and Malta, said he has wheat fields that yielded more than 130 bushels per acre and others that yielded less than 100.

According to AgriSource Inc., yields on irrigated fields in Magic Valley average about 110 bushels per acre.

Darrington said some of his fields near Malta were damaged by frost, but overall he's pleased with this year's crop.

"I'm going to be above my five-year average," he said. "Overall I will have had an excellent wheat harvest and an excellent barley average."

Other growers aren't as happy with their yields.

Bill Mendenhall, president of AgriSource in Burley, said Magic Valley barley production overall should be about average and wheat production will be down about 10-15 bushels per acre.

Mendenhall said some wheat fields were affected by stripe rust disease and others by infestations of cereal leaf beetles.

This spring's abundant rain brought grain farmers mixed blessings: It saved farmers irrigation costs but also provided excellent conditions for stripe rust, a fungus that thrives in excessive moisture.

Some farmers were able to recognize the disease and spray fungicide to minimize damage, but others weren't as fortunate.

"It came at a pretty vulnerable time, and by the time many farmers recognized it, it was too late to spray," Mendenhall said.

"While this year's grain yields have varied widely, Darrington said it would be a good year for Idaho growers.

"I believe overall when it's all said and done, Idaho is going to have a good year and a good barley year," he said.

"Prices are awful, when you're looking at \$2.70 a bushel, it's not good," he said, referring to the price of soft white winter wheat.

Mendenhall said wheat prices are down 30-40 cents per bushel because of worldwide oversupply.

According to AgriSource, average prices on Monday in the Magic Valley per bushel of wheat were \$2.50 for soft white winter, \$3.10 for hard winter and \$3.45 for hard red spring.

The open market price for mid barley was about \$5 per hundredweight, well below the average \$6.25 to \$6.50 for contracted grain.

"The low barley price shouldn't affect Magic Valley farmers much this year because 'most all mid barley is contracted in this area,'" Mendenhall said.

Times-News correspondent Terry Smith covers the Burley-Rupert area. He can be reached at dms104@cyahoo.com.

Qwest talks stalled, workers still on job

The Associated Press

DENVER — Union officials representing nearly 25,000 Qwest Communications employees said the expected contract negotiations remain in recess Monday, characterizing the discussions as "stalled" after a weekend of intense negotiations.

The workers remained on the job without a contract.

The bargaining teams suspended talks late Sunday leaving unresolved key issues such as health care, wages and mandatory overtime for employees of a 13-state region — which includes Idaho — and for many Qwest retirees.

"We're still very far apart on the big issues," Communications Workers of America spokeswoman Candice Johnson said. "Stalled is a good word."

"We were seeing some real progress over the weekend," she said. "For whatever reason, that forward movement isn't there now."

The two teams could return to the bargaining table quickly if a solution surfaces, she said.

Qwest spokesman Bob Toews declined to comment on the specifics of negotiations. "We are continuing to work toward a new agreement," he said.

Employees were growing impatient, Dale Heller, CWA Local 7777 said. "They want a fair contract," he said.

The union's contract with Qwest — Magic Valley's dominant provider of local phone service — expired at midnight Saturday, but the two sides agreed to continue to talk.

The union's executive board authorized the president to set a strike date if merited, which could happen at any time, Johnson said.

The teams negotiated for at least 20 hours through Saturday and returned, for several additional hours, on Sunday before recessing.

Although the company has declined to comment on specifics in the contract proposal, union officials say several issues remain open, including what it said was a proposal from Qwest Communications International Inc. to increase mandatory overtime from eight hours a week to 13 hours a week.

The phone company also has proposed a two-tiered pension system where new employees would not have access to a defined pension plan, according to the union.

The union has requested to add an extra nonpaid personal day.



Technician Paul Husted, a 25-year Qwest employee, replaces backup battery packs in a terminal box tower in Westminster, Colo. Qwest employees are working without a contract as union negotiators work to agree on a new contract.

Union officials said Saturday that Qwest offered a wage proposal that increases in health-care deductibles and copayments and said retirees and active employees could retain their current health care plan if they agreed to start paying a monthly premium.

"Qwest is adamant that they need changes in benefits, not only from the aspect of actual costs but also from the outstanding liabilities that are an inherent part of any benefit program," the union bargaining team wrote in an e-mail Sunday afternoon.

Both Qwest and the union have made contingency preparations if there is a walkout. The company has set up a schedule to deploy managers across its region for such duties as installation and customer service.

Toews has said operations would remain normal if there is a strike.

The company is working to reduce its current overall debt

of about \$17 billion after losing out this year to Verizon Communications Inc. in a bidding war for MCI Inc.

The 13 states are Colorado, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, South Dakota, North Dakota, New Mexico, Arizona, Wyoming, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa and Utah. Qwest is negotiating separately with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, which represents about 300 workers in Montana.

Chamber's picnic heats up park

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — One of the Twin Falls business community's largest annual gatherings will heat up City Park this week.

The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce plans its annual Hot August Night picnic and auction from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday at City Park.

The event is a primary fundraiser for the nonprofit chamber, which participates in local community development efforts, provides information to tourists and potential residents and leads various initiatives of Twin Falls' business community.

But the annual picnic is also a great chance to celebrate summer," said Shawn Bariga, the chamber's president and chief executive. "The food is great, the company is fun, and the prizes and auction items are something you won't want to miss."

A dinner of trout and beef begins at 5 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children over 5 years old. Silent auction items will be available from 5 to 9 p.m.

The event's headline attraction is the large-prize raffle drawing, which this year took on a get-out-and-go theme. Tickets cost \$10 each and the first prize is a 2005 Jayflight 27-foot Bunkhouse Travel Trailer, sponsored by Jayco Inc.

Second prize is a weekend getaway for two people to Lake Tahoe, including airfare, hotel accommodations, meals, entertainment and \$400 in spending money.

Third prize is \$1,000 worth of Shell gasoline, sponsored by Oasis Stop 'N' Go convenience stores.

Large-prize raffle tickets are available at the chamber office, at 858 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls, and will be sold at the event.

Worker reimbursement dips, scholarships up, survey says

MarketWatch

SAN FRANCISCO — While the number of companies offering financial assistance to employees keen on improving their knowledge remains high, the number is dwindling, a survey shows.

The portion of employers offering undergraduate assistance dipped 67 percent in 2005 from 71 percent in 2004 and 72 percent in 2003, according to a survey of 366 human-resource professionals from the Society for Human Resource Management.

Companies rate of reimbursing for graduate school also declined in that time, falling to 61 percent this year from 67 percent last year and

69 percent in 2003, the first year SHRM began tracking the data. Those working for large companies fare better. Figures from a 2004 survey by Hewitt Associates show a steeper decline, though they don't count small and medium-size employers.

In a 2005 survey, 73 percent of 536 large employers with more than 10,000 workers said they offer reimbursement for education, a percentage that's virtually unchanged in five years.

The annual dollar maximums employees will cover range from \$400 to \$15,000, with a median annual maximum of \$5,000, Hewitt said.

Given the escalating expense of providing such benefits, Please see WORKER, Page D3

COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

BOISE — Recent activity in U.S. Bankruptcy Court included these Magic Valley filings:

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Ryan Douglas Wilson and Nicole Diane Wilson, formerly known as Nicole Diane Garrett, 924 N. Hansen, No. D. Kimberly, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41773.

Terrie L. Ford, 221 E. 10th St., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41776.

Victor E. Chittock, formerly doing business as Victor Chittock Handyman, 1065 S. 1400 E. Eden, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41778.

Patrick Arin Crowley and Michelle Lynn Crowley, 2913 S. 3600 N. No. 136, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41779.

Leo E. Krusec, also known as Leo Ervin Jensen, and Toni K. Jensen, also known as Toni Krusec, 3754 S. 500 W. Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41780.

Dale R. Hayden and Killeen Hayden, 325 S. 150 E. Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41781.

Keith Matthews and Nakala Matthews, 1710 Grandview Lane, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41782.

Cassey Lee Barnett, 871 N. 450 W. Shoshone, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41784.

Alisha Ann Davis, 4154 N. 1000 E. Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41785.

Veronica Simon, 611 N. 650 W. Shoshone, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41815.

Gregory Haggan, also known as Greg Haggan, 221 Carriage Lane, No. 406, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41820.

Marie E. Curry, 874 Eastwind Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41827.

Michael Scott, 1005 N. Buchanan St., No. 22, Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41828.

For more information, call the chamber at 733-3974.



MONEY

College students scramble for grants, scholarships

Knight Rider News Service

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Sept. 27 is the Day of the Ventriloquist... College junior will either come up with enough money to begin his studies at the University of California at San Diego or have to figure out another path to earning a degree that he would like to attend...

Arvizov, 23, thought it was all going to work out after he received \$5,500 in government-subsidized Stafford loans and a \$500 scholarship from Golden Gate College... "I'll do some juggling and try to make it, but I'm still worried about the possibility of it not working out," Arvizov said.

Numerous students like Arvizov and their parents are finding themselves in a last-minute scramble to meet tuition deadlines. For others, unexpected increases in tuition or fees could prove too much to bear.

Don't panic, college financial advisers tell them. Even at this late date, with classes beginning in just a few weeks, there's still time to come up with just student loans. Government grants and even some scholarships can be found with some effort.

"It's not too late to apply for grants or loans," said Jessica Schutte, assistant director of office of financial aid at California State University at Fullerton, who was still pro-

College is in the cards for creative students

Why slog through lengthy financial applications or spend time competing for scholarships when a little creativity and entrepreneurship can score you some college funds, Steve Clark says.

The fifth-year religious studies and public administration major at California State University at Fullerton and his buddies used these inventive ways to meet their last-minute financial needs:

- Clear out your closets or buy used clothes at thrift stores and sell them on eBay. Total raised: \$1,200.
Umpire summer softball games. Total raised: \$600-\$700 over a two-month period.
Find a theme, print up some T-shirts and sell them. Total raised: \$700.
Host a poker tournament with a \$50 buy-in. Total raised: \$1,200.

cessing financial-aid applications for the 2009-10 school year as late as July.

She said a surprising number of people think incorrectly that they are ineligible for grants and don't even apply. Schutte and others recommend that every college-bound student fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid, better known as a FAFSA form. It can be filled out quickly online at www.fafsa.ed.gov and is the key to getting government financial aid, counseling at Santa Ana Unified School Dis-

trict, said some students may qualify for enough to cover tuition. But some students can still make a difference.

"Five hundred dollars may not sound like a lot of money," she said. "But when one student can easily cost \$80 to \$90, it adds up."

Besides government-financed student aid, dozens of other ways are available from donors ranging from the Daughters of the American Revolution to Coca-Cola. Local clubs and community groups, unions and business also can be a source of scholarship funds.

Several companies offer to do a scholarship search for students needing aid—often for a fee of \$50 to more than \$1,000. The Federal Trade Commission, however, cautions people to be wary of possible scams. A

aid. (Note: Make sure you use exactly this Internet address. A similar site charges a fee for completing the FAFSA form.)

www.studentaid.gov: The U.S. Department of Education site for federal student-aid programs. It includes information in English and Spanish on preparing loan applications, places to get funding and procedures for loan repayment.

www.frc.gov/scholarship: Federal Trade Commission site, which offers information in English and Spanish on looking for student aid and how to avoid and/or report scholarship scams.

www.finaid.org: A site with a variety of information on scholarships to loans to "Ask the Aid Advisor."

Source: Federal Student Aid and The Orange County Register

tip-off to a less-than-legitimate service would be one that guarantees a scholarship in exchange for an advance fee or one that requires a credit card or bank account number to check the scholarship.

Before starting a search, the sites usually ask a series of questions: name, age, class and major of study at your college. Some sites also request "optional" information such as religion, ethnicity and disabilities.

One free search site, for ex-

Stocks close up, boosted by lower oil prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks gained slightly Monday as crude-oil prices slid and technology stocks rose.

Wall Street crept forward as oil prices wilted from last week's record highs, falling more than \$1 a barrel in mid-noon trading. A barrel of light crude settled at \$66.28, down 59 cents, on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Technology was one of the stock market's strongest sectors. Agilent Technologies Inc. rose 3.92, or 15 percent, to \$30.33 after it said it will sell its mobile phone software arms for \$2.66 billion. Apple Computer Inc., Texas Instruments Inc. and Qualcomm Inc. also boosted their gains.

"The market sawed last week to the barest of gains, the August doldrums descended on Wall Street Monday. With earnings season winding down and no dramatic economic releases for the day, traders had little to motivate them."

"As long as the price of oil remains above \$65 a barrel, investors are going to be very guarded and volume low," said Howard Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer of Johnson Hillington Advisors.

"The other potentially exciting event is housing prices... Sales of new homes are being watched very carefully for any sign that the housing bubble is breaking."

Monthly data on existing home sales rose Tuesday and data on new home sales is due next Wednesday.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 34.07, or 0.32 percent, to 10,634.59.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, %Chg, 52-Week High, 52-Week Low, Volume, Bid, Ask. Includes sub-sections for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and DAILY VOLUME.

MARKET SUMMARY

Table with columns: NYSE, NYMEX, NASDAQ. Includes sub-sections for Most Active, Gainers, Losers, and DAILY VOLUME.

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STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 225 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and the 100 most active on the OTC Bulletin Board. Annual returns are in 11% larger. Stocks in bold changed 5 percent or more in the year.

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CLOSING FUTURES

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BEANS

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Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Open, Change. Lists various grain types like Wheat, Corn, Soybeans, etc.

SUGAR

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LIVESTOCK

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MARKETS

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METALS/MONEY

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CHEESE

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POTATOES

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LIVESTOCK

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NEW YORK (AP) - Key currency prices

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Open, Change. Lists various currency prices.

FOSSIL FUELS

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Open, Change. Lists various fossil fuel prices like Oil, Gas, etc.

Bankruptcies

Continued from D1. Lists various bankruptcy cases with names and amounts.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$50,700 to \$100,000

Acio Nonbusiness 259 Pleasant Road... Lists bankruptcy details for Acio.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$100,000 to \$500,000

Alan Neil Cox and Cynthia Inre... Lists bankruptcy details for Alan Neil Cox.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$500,000 to \$1,000,000

Beverly T. Maas, 432 Second Ave. N... Lists bankruptcy details for Beverly T. Maas.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000

Larry Rex Gery and Cheryl Gery... Lists bankruptcy details for Larry Rex Gery.

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000

Erna Ine Moora, also known as Janie... Lists bankruptcy details for Erna Ine Moora.

Worker

Continued from D1. Discusses worker benefits and education.

Education benefits are notterly high on the list... Discusses education benefits.

Workers who could take advantage of education benefits... Discusses education benefits for workers.

Especially if we're looking at the sandwich generation taking care of kids and parents... Discusses sandwich generation.

Some of it may be due to the fact that it is an undesired benefit... Discusses undesired benefits.

The declining support for academic coursework may also reflect the fact that... Discusses academic coursework.

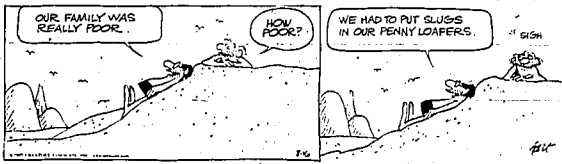
In 2004, about 32 percent of workers will graduate from a college degree... Discusses college degrees.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table listing various mutual funds with columns: Name, Bal. Chg., and other details.

# COMICS

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Baldo By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos



Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake



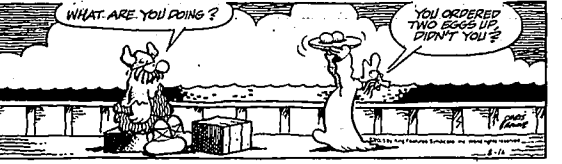
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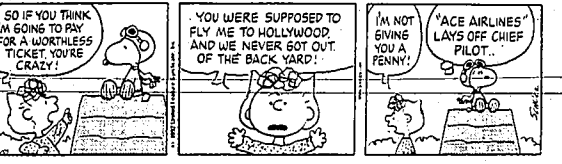
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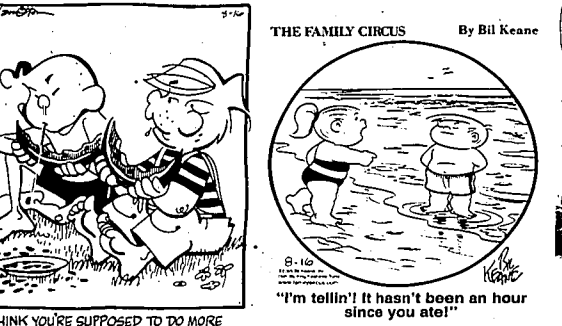
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Pickles By Brian Crane



Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum



"I THINK YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO DO MORE EATIN' AN' LESS SPITTIN', JOEY."

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



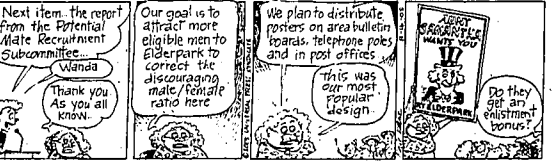
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The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chin



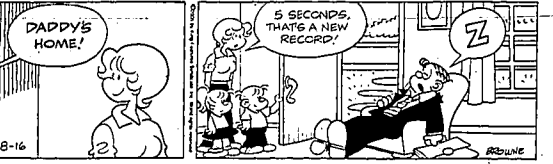
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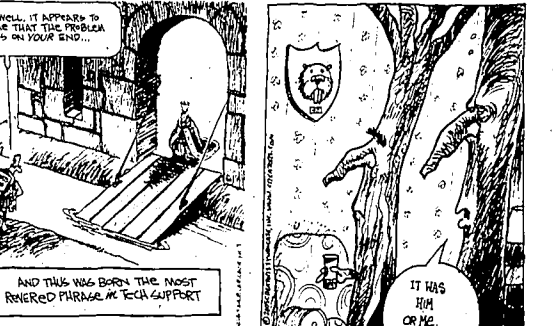
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