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Bush arrives Tiny Idaho town greets president

By Christopher Smith
Associated Press writer

DONNELLY — The helicopter carrying George W. Bush landed Monday on a brand-new, bright green golf course at Tamarack Resort as the president began his two-day Idaho vacation. A small crowd waved flags and cheered, but the town's local dignity was not among the welcoming committee.

"We've got people that are actually planning, to move be-

cause of what's happening here," said Donnelly Mayor George Dorris. "The president coming here, now the guy who works as a burger flipper in Denver and who never had any desire to come up here is going to want to see what brought the president here."

Bush speaks to veterans in Utah.

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The arrival of the presidential entourage in the community that Idaho guide book author Cort Conley once described as "quiet as a wooden Indian" was a watershed event for the local

tourism industry, but it's one that Dorris and some other longtime residents say they saw coming when the tiny resort opened last December and began running national ads touting the recreation and real estate opportunities in the town of 132 people.

"We used to be the peace and quiet and this will run it," said Nancy Lovman. She and her husband Larry serve as hosts of the Poison Creek Campground, in front of the resort on the shore of Lake Cascade. "It's nice he's come to visit.

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President Bush, first lady Laura Bush and Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, right, walk down the steps of Air Force One upon their arrival Monday at Gowan Field in Boise.

Suddenly students



Teresa Reiman hugs her daughter Jodi after she finished her first day of kindergarten Monday morning at Harrison Elementary School in Twin Falls.

First day of school elicits smiles from kindergartners

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The children laughed and the parents cried. In Rebecca Peterson's kindergarten class at Harrison Elementary, the school year began Monday with parents scuttling around the classroom saying goodbye to sons and daughters. They would step back to watch from a distance, then return to fix some hair or speak one last word of wisdom.

When the intercom signaled the start of class, most of the parents shuffled out the door like nervous grizzlies eyeing their cubs.

Melissa Campbell lingered a few more minutes to watch her daughter Aubrey begin kindergarten. "She is very excited," Campbell said. "She really wants to

learn how to read." Peterson guided 20 children as they wandered in one by one to a group of tables where name tags, crayons and a coloring project were waiting for them.

Every wall of the room was a rainbow of colored construction paper. The new crayons bore factory-sharpened tips, the art projects lay untouched and nobody's name had been written next to the red freeway face in Peterson's class.

Opening exercises were demanding for the 20 kids who wanted to make friends first and listen later. Nevertheless, they were taught the Ready Sign — folded hands with elbows resting on their desks — and then they gathered into a circle for their first story time.

Peterson slowly made the zip-the-mouth gesture for sil-

ence, and then asked the kids if they knew what it meant.

"Lipstick," one girl said confidently.

The three-hour block went by in the blink of an eye for the kids. Few of them realized their parents left an hour earlier because they were too involved in the class activities.

"They were great," Peterson said. "Not one of them cried and they were all so quiet."

For Kevin and Teresa Reiman, their daughter Jodi is the last of their children to enter school.

"I have mixed feelings," Teresa Reiman said while watching her daughter from a distance. "I'm going to be a little bit lost without her."

Many parents, cameras in hand, arrived more than 10 minutes early to pick up their children.

At 11:25 a.m., the kids stampeded toward their parents to tell them all about that first day. Little arms waved in all directions as the kids did their best to explain everything Peterson had shown them in their tour of the school.

"We played over there," C.J. said to his mother, Dawn Baum. He tried to tell his mom about playing on the teeter-totter, but he was short of breath from the excitement.

Later, Peterson made sure parents picked up all the kids in her class before she sat down to take a little break. In a few minutes the buses would drop off another 19 kids, and she would do it all over again for another three hours.

"I have been teaching kindergartners for four years and I love it," Peterson said. "They make me laugh."

Connecticut challenges No Child Left Behind

The Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn. — Connecticut on Monday became the first state to challenge the No Child Left Behind law in court, arguing that the centerpiece of President Bush's education law amounts to an unfunded mandate from the federal government.

"Our message today is give up the unfunded mandates, or give us the money," said Attorney General Richard Blumenthal.

The lawsuit raises the stakes in a heated fight between states and the Bush administration over the law, and experts say Legislatures around the country will be watching the case carefully. Experts expect that states could vote to join the lawsuit or file their own.

U.S. Education Secretary Margaret Spellings has reportedly denied requests from Connecticut for more flexibility.

"Unfortunately, this lawsuit sends the wrong message to students, educators and parents," said Susan Aspey, a department spokeswoman. "The funds have been provided for testing, but Connecticut apparently wants to keep those funds without using them as intended."

The cornerstone of the law is standardized testing — something that Connecticut currently does not do in grades four, six and eight. But under No Child Left Behind, the state is required to start testing children in grades three, five and seven this school year.

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Iraqis fail to complete constitution by deadline

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Once again, Iraqi leaders came to a dramatic last-minute standoff at midnight over a draft constitution. And once again, they could not get a deal.

The Shiite-Kurdish faction that runs the country said it had come up with a constitution that would work — but fundamentally transform Iraq from the highly centralized state of Saddam Hussein into a loose federation of Kurds, Shiites and Sunni Arabs.

However, the Sunni Arab minority — which had dominated Iraqi society for centuries and whose support is key to stopping the insurgency — flatly refused to go along. They forced another delay in the vote and threw down the gauntlet, saying they won't agree to any con-

stitution they don't like.

The parliament speaker said the sides needed three more days to hammer out a compromise.

U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad said the three major issues blocking a deal were federalism, purging Saddam's Baath Party and whether some of the officers of the assembly should be elected by a majority or two-thirds vote.

But Saleh al-Mutlaq, one of four top Sunni Arab negotiators, said more than 20 issues still divide the sides. Apart from federalism and power-sharing, he cited how the constitution spoke of Iraq's national identity as "part of the Islamic world" rather than the Arab world — a concession to the non-Arab Kurds.

"This constitution is full of

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Page by page: Woman selling pieces of rare LDS scripture angers some

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — Retired bookstore owner Helen Schlie can see a higher purpose in her decision to sell her 1830 first-edition book of Mormon one page at a time.

Schlie said she feels it will be more of a "missionary tool" if broken apart rather than going to a single collector since the framed pages — priced at \$2,500 to \$4,500 each — can be handed down generation to generation.

"This way, it will touch hundreds of lives and span generations of time," said Schlie, who is Mormon. "The book has now started a whole new missionary career."

Her decision has garnered mixed reviews from the church-fellow Mormon book dealers and librarians who think such a rare piece of church history is better left whole.

Some librarians were ap-



Retired bookstore owner Helen Schlie, 82, displays her 1830 first-edition Book of Mormon and a selection of framed individual pages at her home in Gold Canyon, Ariz. Schlie hopes to spread the spirit of her Book of Mormon one page at a time.

Schlie's intentions, said Haybron Adams, a retired librarian who worked in the special collections division at Brigham Young University and who authenticated Schlie's book. "But librarians have a different look at books."

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny skies and warm temperatures. Highs in the middle 80s.
Tonight: Partly cloudy skies. Lows in the middle 50s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny skies and warm temperatures. Highs in the middle 80s.
Tonight: Partly cloudy skies and light breezes. Lows in the lower 50s.

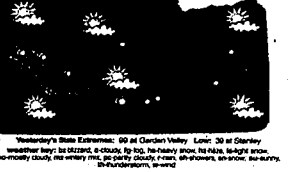
IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS.
A low cloud and cooler temperature band and Wednesday. A stray mountain shower is not out of the question. It will be very cold Thursday night.

BOISE
Partly to mostly sunny and warm today, it will turn a touch cooler on Wednesday but it will remain dry.

NORTHERN UTAH

Today: Partly to mostly sunny and warm. Highs in the middle 80s.
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Weather's Sun Valley Extremes: 90 at Garden Valley, 30 at Starkey.
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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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

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

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Table showing moon phases for Aug 28, Sep 3, Sep 11, Sep 18.

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Table showing moonrise and moonset times for today and tomorrow.

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Table showing UV index for today and tomorrow.

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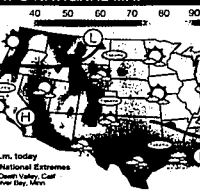
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Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Thursday. Lists various national cities and their weather forecasts.

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Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, Thursday. Lists various world cities and their weather forecasts.

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dealers say hundreds of complete works are likely left, although there is no way to tell for sure.

Schille said she came across her original copy working as a book dealer in Mesa, Ariz., where she owned a book store for 25 years.

Though she can't remember the name of the man she bought it from or exactly when, she had it authenticated by two collectors, including Adams.

Adams said he and other librarians who specialize in rare books looked at Schille's copy about three years ago and had no doubt it was a first-edition.

And, he said, Schille was up front about her intentions to split it apart to sell — something he and the other librarians wished she wouldn't have done.

Schille said she offered it first to the church. "But they said 'No, go ahead and do this project because it will touch more lives over the long run,'" Schille said from her home in Cold Canyon, east of Phoenix. "And the condition was that if it, it could not be used for study. It was too fragile."

She said she shied away from selling her complete copy to a collector because she didn't want it hidden under glass or touched only by scholars with white gloves.

"Hundreds of people have touched and felt the spirit of this book already," Schille said, "I wanted it to continue its usefulness."

Schille has framed each page in a double-sided, purple heartwood frame and affixed a 14-karat gold Moroni angel on each side. The signatures of both authenticators also accompany each page, she said.

Benjamin B. Smith, owner of Benchmark Books in Salt Lake City, which specializes in Mormon literature, said there's a general sentiment among book dealers that breaking up a complete work is "frowned upon."

"I won't pass personal judgment on anybody," he said, "but there was some people that would have a problem with that."

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Lawsuit

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Stem-cell advances aren't enough to end standoff

Senate remains poised to loosen Bush's restrictions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Stem cell science may be advancing, but not fast or far enough to break the standoff between President Bush and Congress over federal funding for research that destroys human embryos.

research, has promised to veto the bill if it reaches his desk. Monday's announcement that Harvard scientists had discovered a way to fuse adult skin cells with embryonic stem cells raised the possibility that someday, all-purpose stem cells could be created without harming human embryos. Someday, but not soon enough to change the outcome of an emotional debate looming after Congress' August recess. "We are right where we always were," Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, a co-sponsor of the bill with Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said by telephone Monday after reading of the advance by the Harvard team. Senate supporters of more

federal funding for embryonic stem cell research claim to have at least 60 votes for overturning Bush's policy. Senate Minority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., added his support last month. Frist's office said Monday a debate and a vote on the bill will still take place in September despite the scientists' announcement and pleas by conservatives to delay the vote. "We should not rush this debate," warned Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan. "If we do not rush to kill innocent human life, we will find ethical, moral ways of solving this issue." The White House and its allies in Congress don't expect advances such as those reported by the Harvard scientists will

erode support in Congress for overturning Bush's restrictions. At most, they hope the announcement might cause some undecided lawmakers — such as Sen. George Allen, R-Va., a possible contender for the 2008 GOP presidential nomination — to give pause before siding against the president on the issue. "I can't imagine that it won't make a difference," White House spokesman Trent Duffy said Monday of the Harvard announcement. Stem cell studies that do not harm human embryos are "something that we all can support," he added. Bush shows no sign of backing down on his promise to veto the bill if it reaches his desk.

"He said he would have to veto the bill," Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said by telephone after talking with Bush. A Monday-morning Air Force One during the ride from the president's ranch in Crawford, Texas, to an event in Salt Lake City. "He feels like he would have to honor that commitment." The Senate bill will be passed by the House in May with support from 50 Republicans, not enough to override a veto. Hatch said the scientists at Harvard and elsewhere are making interesting progress, but he doesn't believe that funding their work should come before passing the Specter-Harkin bill. The Harvard scientists ac-

knowledged that their work is not as far along as human embryonic stem cell research. "I can't stress enough that this technology is not ready for prime time right now," Harvard researcher Kevin Eggan said at a briefing Monday. "It is not a replacement for those techniques that we already have for derivation of embryonic stem cells." Frist said in July that the 22 lines of embryonic stem cells now available for research are deteriorating and don't meet the needs of scientists searching for cures. Stem cells derived from embryos can develop into any kind of tissue in the body. Scientists are looking at ways to manipulate them to replace diseased or injured tissues.

Military: U.S. and Afghani forces kill at least 40 militants in attack

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. Marines killed at least 40 suspected rebels in an offensive targeting militants who ambushed Navy SEAL commandos and shot down a special-forces helicopter in deadliest attacks on American forces in Afghanistan, U.S. officials said Monday.

The military declared the weeklong operation in lawless Kunar province near Pakistan a success, following the spate of public attacks that already has made 2005 the bloodiest year for American forces in the country since the Taliban ouster.

This year alone, 66 American service members have been killed — more than a third of the 117 who have died in and around Afghanistan since 2001. Four were slain Sunday when a massive roadside bomb blew up under an armored Humvee.

The number of U.S. casualties is a fraction of those suffered in Iraq, yet the barrage of near-daily ambushes, bombings and execution-style killings here has raised fears that almost four years of nation-building is under threat.

Most of the recent fatalities have occurred during coalition operations aimed at preventing militants from subverting crucial legislative elections Sept. 18, seen as Afghanistan's next step toward democracy after more than two decades of war and civil strife.

Militant rebels have vowed to disrupt the polls, and U.S. and Afghan officials have warned that the violence is likely to worsen in the approaching weeks.

The offensive, centered on eastern Kunar province's Korenjan Valley, sought rebels suspected of killing three Navy SEAL commandos in an ambush and 16 troops aboard a special-forces helicopter that was shot down June 28. The operation ended over the weekend.

"It was successful," spokesman Lt. Col. Terry Harn told The Associated Press. "We had over 29 separate engagements with enemy forces that resulted in over 40 enemy killed in action and many others wounded."

Before the operation started, hundreds of Afghan rebels, as well as militants from Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Chechnya, were believed to be hiding in the valley, just miles from the Pakistan border, and gearing up for attacks on polling stations.

O'Hara also announced that a separate battle Aug. 7-10 in southern Zabul province's Daychopan district left 65 suspected militants dead. The military initially reported that 16 rebels were killed.

More than 750 suspected insurgents have been killed in clashes over the past six months, according to figures provided by U.S. and Afghan officials and compiled by The Associated Press.

Nearly 200 Americans and about 100 Afghan security



In this photo released by U.S. Army in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Monday, U.S. Marines with First Platoon, Fox Company, provide indirect fire with an 81mm mortar after another platoon was attacked during Operation Whalers in the Chewkay Valley in the Kunar Province, Afghanistan, on Aug. 13.

forces also have died. Afghan and American officials have rejected suggestions that next month's vote be postponed because of the bloodshed. They point to a similar, but smaller, spike in violence ahead of last October's presidential elections, which were carried out peacefully amid a massive security clampdown.

American military commanders say they are making similar preparations for the upcoming polls and have stepped up raids on rebel hideouts in violence-wracked southern and eastern regions.

U.S. military spokesman Lt. Cindy Moore said American-led coalition and Afghan troops were now carrying out about

150 patrols each day. Part of the U.S. military's preparations has been to deploy an extra 700 troops to Afghanistan, boosting the number of forces here to about 20,000.

Some 3,100 soldiers from 19 other nations are part of the U.S.-led coalition. A separate NATO-led peace-keeping force also has brought in reinforcements ahead of the polls, and now numbers about 10,500.

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Flight attendant took control of plane, radioed final mayday

Distress calls went unheard as fuel ran out of plane

Los Angeles Times

ROME — Exhausted and perhaps aware he was about to die, a flight attendant seized control of the doomed Cyprus airliner that crashed near Athens, Greece, this month and repeatedly radioed a final mayday that was never heard, according to a new report released Monday.

Minutes later, the jetliner with 121 people aboard slammed into a wooded hillside near Athens on Aug. 14 after a loss of cabin pressure incapacitated the pilots: The plane wobbled in the air for nearly two hours before running out of fuel and diving to the ground, the report said. The crash of Helios Airways Flight 522 was one of the more mysterious aviation accidents in recent times. It flew silently over Greece, failing to make radio contact, as much of its crew and probably most of its passengers apparently fell unconscious from a lack of oxygen.

Late in the flight, Greek F-16 fighter jets were scrambled to determine what was going on. The fighter pilots reported back that they could see a cockpit slumped in his seat, with no pilot in sight, and two flight attendants apparently attempting to save the aircraft.

The first preliminary report into the crash, released Monday by Transport Ministry chief investigator Arkrivos Tsoulas, said a sudden loss of cabin pressure and consequent oxy-

gen starvation appeared to have rendered the pilots incapable of flying the Boeing 737. Sudden decompression leaves only seconds for pilots and others to reach oxygen supplies before falling unconscious.

It remains unknown why warning signals failed to alert the pilots of the oxygen loss, and why at least two flight attendants somehow remained on their feet.

One of them is reported to have been Andreas Prodromou, 25, a flight attendant who had been taking flying lessons. His blood is reported to have been found in the wreckage of the cockpit.

The report said he seized control of the plane and twice tried to issue a mayday distress

call about 10 minutes before the crash and then again two seconds before impact. But, the report said, the radio was apparently set to an incorrect frequency.

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Restraint, muscle smoothes withdrawal

Chicago Tribune

JERUSALEM — Israel's pullout from Gaza was for most observers as dramatic as the invasion and a risk for its most disciplined institution, the army. But this unprecedented episode in Israeli military history unfolded swiftly and with only sporadic violence.

No one can yet call the overall operation a success because Israeli forces still must deal with some West Bank settlements that may prove tougher to occupy. But even Israeli troops deeply involved in the disengagement were struck by how Jewish life slipped from Gaza in less than a week's time.

Historian Michael Oren is a former Israeli paratrooper who chronicled some of his nation's finest military hours in his best-selling book "Six Days of War." Last week, he pulled on army boots again to serve as a reporter in the settlements of B'doliah and Netzer Hazani and "help evict more than 100 people."

Oren said he never imagined a smooth withdrawal from the 21 settlements scattered through Gaza. The end came quickly, he said, because the army and police showed massive force and the people who resisted did so in fits and starts.

As a soldier, he said, the pressure was on to send a message that nothing would stop Israel's progress. Not tanks. Not threats. Not even cutting the soldiers, again and again, Nazis.

"It was important to stand the ground and take it step by step, keep looking them in the eye, keep going and to realize this is part of a mourning process."

Oren, 50, said the events quickly lost their sting. Young soldiers broke into tears at times, but for many, stoic responses came "very naturally," he said.

Maj. Gen. Dan Harel, head of the Southern Command, led by



A family walks toward a bus to take them to their new home after they arrived with one of the last groups of settlers evacuated from the Netzarim settlement, in a staging area in Sadeh Kibbutz, southern Israel, near the border with the Gaza Strip. The last Israeli civilians left the Gaza Strip on Monday, signaling the end of Israel's civilian presence in the coastal strip after 38 years of occupation.

example as he listened, prayed and even danced with some settlers. But Oren said that Israel never "budgeted an inch" about its purpose for leaving there.

The operation in Gaza was stoked with discipline and muscle, with one significant omission: Soldiers did not carry guns. Commanders went in with each unit, on the lookout for trouble among the settlers and within their own ranks.

There had been a fear that some soldiers would break and join the demonstrators. But there were reports of only two soldiers refusing to carry out orders related to the evacuation. Only after the first day passed with emotional but minor confrontations, Oren said, did the Israeli army "realize that this could be done."

"I've been through a couple wars," Oren said, "and I've never seen anything like it... I think it was one of the army's proudest moments... Strange, isn't it? It wasn't a battle with an enemy but one with ourselves."

Army psychologists said Israeli defense forces worked for months to prepare. Some planning sessions were held a year ago.

Training for the soldiers, in intense two-week seminars, began just before the pullout. Soldiers role-played during exercises in a residential area of Ofekim, an Israeli town near Gaza.

Everything that happened in Gaza was anticipated, said army Maj. Yael Ben-Tor, part of a military team who devised the exercises. "We knew the settlers

would try to make them feel guilty... and we advised them: It's all right for officers to feel empathy. This mission can be done with sensitivity and determination."

Tens of psychologists and sociologists known as population officers lived in the settlements and, over time, advised senior commanders on how to approach the end of Gaza occupation.

One of the population officers, Maj. Elhad Chodoff, 49, worked in B'doliah, Ganor and Gaddi and was still mopping up in Gaza on Sunday as he talked by cell phone about reasons behind the quick end to the Gaza settlements. Success, he said, was spawned by respect among Jews who had Israel close to their hearts.

Fuel costs hit schools as kids get back on the bus

WASHINGTON (AP) — The wheels on the bus aren't the only things going round and round.

The dials on the fuel pump are spinning, too, for school districts that face soaring costs just as 25 million children get back on the bus for a new school year. Most buses use diesel fuel, which has jumped about a dollar a gallon since last year. School districts now pay an average of \$2.45 to \$2.10 a gallon, a figure that keeps climbing because of summertime demand for fuel and the price of crude oil.

To offset the costs, districts are stripping money from classrooms, trimming bus routes, cutting field trips and raising cash reserves. Some are considering charging fees for bus service or asking kids to walk longer distances to school.

Ultimately, however, the buses must keep running. School transportation is mandatory in most states, and buses account for more than 8 billion trips to and from school each year.

One bit of good news: Buses are the safest form of school travel, and when gas prices get this high, more teenage students ride the bus to save money, often at the behest of their parents.

"I think our new back-to-school slogan is, 'Fuel prices get you down? Take the school bus, and save your gas for the weekend,'" said Robin Luetsch, an industry specialist for the National School Transportation Association, which represents private school-bus contractors.

Many of these private contractors are absorbing some of the added costs themselves, she said.

Overall, the price of unleaded gasoline stands at roughly \$2.55 a gallon nationally, up 68 cents from last year, the Energy Department says. Diesel fuel is at

\$2.57 a gallon, up 74 cents from a year ago. Those prices recently went up 16 to 18 cents per gallon in a week.

Compared to what the typical motorist pays to fill up, schools get a discount because they buy in such huge quantities and don't have to pay government fuel taxes.

But then again, the average driver isn't filling up a tank of 60 or 90 gallons, driving a vehicle that gets seven miles to the gallon and hauling 65 passengers all over town.

In South Carolina, the Education Department buys more than 12 million gallons of diesel fuel each year for its 5,000 buses. Each time the fuel rate goes up a penny, it costs the state about \$120,000. At the current rate — the department pays \$1.94 a gallon — the agency will bust its budget by \$1.4 million and have to ask the governor and lawmakers for help.

"We're wishful thinkers. We hope the prices will come back down," said Donald Tudor, the department's transportation director.

Prices are expected to ease but only somewhat when overall demand slows after Labor Day. Transportation costs aren't the only energy problem for school districts. Chuck Linderman, the business affairs director for the Great Valley School District in Malvern, Pa., has seen rising oil prices affect everything from paper to school construction.

One school renovation project will cost his district another \$14 million, not \$12 million as expected, in part because of steel production expenses related to fuel. The district is also paying 20 percent more for classroom paper because of higher manufacturing and transportation costs.

Police arrest suspect in Jordan rocket attack

An Iraqi group was involved, government says

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — A Syrian linked to an Iraq-based terrorist group has been arrested as the prime suspect in the rocket attack that barely missed U.S. warships docked in the port of Aqaba, the Jordanian government said Monday.

The government's statement, read on state television, said the suspect, Mohammed Hassan Abdullah al-Sihly, plotted and carried out the attack along with two of his sons and an Iraqi.

The statement said the plotters were part of an Iraq-based terrorist group, which was not named.

Al-Sihly, who lives in Amman, had been surveying sites for the attack in Aqaba since Aug. 6, the statement said. He was aided by his two sons — Abdullah and Abdul-Rahman — and Mohammed Hamid Hussein, the effort's chief financier, in the heinous crime, in which three Katyusha rockets were fired from a hilltop warehouse situated on a hill above the port.

Hussein was the leader of the Iraq-based group, the announcement said.

On Friday, attack assailants fired three rockets from a window at a warehouse in a poor

industrial area of Aqaba, a usually quiet Red Sea resort frequented by Western and Israeli tourists.

One rocket flew across the bow of a U.S. Navy amphibious assault ship and crashed into the warehouse, killing a Jordanian soldier. U.S. Cole in Yemen. It was another direction, toward Israel: one landed near a Jordanian hospital, the other on the grounds of an Israeli airport.

The attack was the most serious threat against the U.S. Navy since the 2000 al-Qaida bombing of the USS Cole in Yemen. It was also the first attack targeting U.S. personnel in Jordan since the October 2002 killing of an American aid worker outside his home in Amman.

The government statement said the four had rented a warehouse in Aqaba, where the rockets were mounted and concealed. The four also involved three al-Sihly's two sons and the Iraqi — who smuggled seven

rockets from Iraq in the modified gasoline tank of their Mercedes — returned to Iraq hours before the timer launched the rockets, the statement added.

"The investigation showed that the terrorist group was in constant touch with its leadership in Iraq during preparation for the attack to keep it abreast on developments," it said.

The government said the four had chosen Aqaba as the site of the attack "considering its touristic significance and in view of the media noise it will create."

Abdullah and Abdul-Rahman al-Sihly entered Jordan through the eastern desert border at al-Karuma on Aug. 6, using forged Iraqi passports. Abdullah had been in Jordan in December 2004, for treatment of a shrapnel wound he suffered in Iraq, according to the statement.

After the announcement, residents went into the streets to celebrate the arrest of the Syrian suspect. The television showed pictures of motorists honking horns, people ululating, dancing, and waving Jordanian flags and pictures of Jordan's ruler, King Abdullah II.

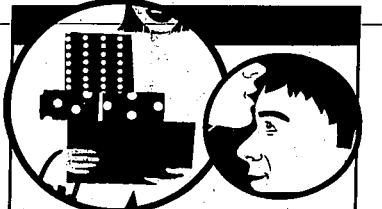
A Jordanian security official said earlier that four rockets the attackers left behind at the warehouse were similar to those used by insurgents against U.S. troops in Iraq.

Authorities believe the unfinished rockets were intended for other Aqaba targets. At least one rocket launcher and other unspecified weapons also were found in the warehouse, whose owner has been detained, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the press.

In recent months, Jordan has received several warnings that Aqaba was a primary al-Qaida target, the official said.

Key sites in the resort city include a beach-front compound of palaces — one a vacation house for Jordan's ruler, King Abdullah II — and a chain of international hotels frequented by American troops and others on leave from Iraq.

Jordan, a key U.S. ally that signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1994, has been the target of several failed al-Qaida plots. Thirteen men — including al-Zarqawi and three other fugitives — are on trial for an alleged al-Qaida-linked plot to attack Jordan with chemicals. The plot was foiled in April 2004.



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About 31 Cubans believed missing after boat capsizes

Knight Rider News Service

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — The U.S. Coast Guard on Monday searched for as many as 31 Cubans thought to have been on a speedboat that capsized while trying to cross the Florida Straits.

The search began after a merchant ship rescued three Cubans about 30 miles north of Matanzas, Cuba, on Sunday and took them to an unidentified Cuban port. There, the survivors told Cuban authorities that the 28-foot speedboat they had been on carried 31 Cuban people aboard, the Coast Guard said.

The Cuban government notified the U.S. Coast Guard, which launched a search and rescue effort early Monday morning. Coast Guard helicopter found a capsized boat about 16 miles from where the merchant ship picked up the three survivors, but it was not clear if it was the boat that the three Cubans were on. Coast Guard crewmembers flipped the boat over, but found no one trapped beneath the boat and did not find life jackets or debris, Petty Officer Dana Warr said.

By Monday afternoon, the Coast Guard had searched more

than 800 square miles and had not located anyone, Warr said. A British navy ship in the area, the HMS Cumberland, assisted with the search. The search and rescue effort also involved three Coast Guard cutters, a C-130 airplane and a Navy H-60 helicopter.

Although the Coast Guard did not have many details on the trip, Coast Guard officials said the fact that a speedboat was involved suggested it was a smuggling operation.

Many Cubans attempt to enter the United States illegally on board speedboats to avoid the federal government's so-called "wet foot, dry foot" policy. Under that policy, Cubans who make it to U.S. soil are generally allowed to remain in the United States under provisions of the Cuban Adjustment Act. Immigration officers interview Cubans who are caught at sea to determine if they have a credible fear of persecution if returned to the island, but the majority of those Cubans are repatriated.

If the survivors' accounts are true, the tragedy would be one of the deadliest immigrant smuggling trips involving Cubans.

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'Piano Man' released from hospital

LONDON (AP) — The mystery surrounding an institutionalized draftee known as the "Piano Man" for his musical performances in a British hospital has been solved, with the German government saying the 20-year-old is from Bavaria, officials said Monday.

The man who loved to play the hospital piano was identified from Bavaria, and he was flown home Saturday, the German government said. His name was not disclosed.

He was found on a beach in southern England on April 7, the German Foreign Ministry said. The government declined to provide any other details about his life. A spokesman for the German Embassy in London said officials had provided the man with replacement travel documents.

"It was someone who had lost his passport and needed to get back to Germany, and we

helped him," the spokesman said. "Under German law on the protection of personal data, I cannot tell you anything more about this man."

West Kent National Health Service and Social Care Trust, which has been caring for the man, said he had been discharged because his condition had improved. Spokesman Adrian Lovther would not comment further, citing patient confidentiality.

The British tabloid Daily Mirror reported Monday that the tall, blond man — who remained steadfastly silent after he was found on the beach — had been released after identifying himself as a German who came to Britain when he lost his job in Paris.

Despite reports that the man performed parts of Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake" and the music of John Lennon on the Medway Maritime Hospi-

tal's piano, the newspaper said the man was only able to tap repeatedly at the same piano key.

Hospital staff have disputed that.

Social workers and staff from the National Missing Persons Helpline spent four months investigating more than 800 potential leads about his identity, including reports he was Czech musician Tomas Strnad or French entertainer Steven Villa Massone. Reports that he was a Canadian eccentric skilled on the piano also proved false.

Interpreters from eastern Europe were summoned when the man was first found, but no one was able to get through to him and break his silence.

Intriguingly, all the labels had been cut out of his clothing.

When the man first was found, he was taken to the hospital in Gillingham. He later was

transferred to the Little Brook Hospital, a mental care unit south of London.

The British press reported that the man was an accomplished pianist and likened the case of the "Piano Man" to the Oscar-winning 1965 movie "Shine," about acclaimed pianist David Helfgott, who suffered a nervous breakdown while playing.

The story also echoed the movie "Ladies in Lavender," about a violinist who washes ashore in Cornwall, England, after a shipwreck, speaking only Polish. He is nursed back to health by sisters played by Dames Maggie Smith and Judi Dench. He goes on to give a triumphant concert.

The Daily Mirror on Monday quoted an unidentified hospital source as saying that the man had told hospital staff Friday that he has two sisters and his father owns a farm in Germany.



The unidentified man known as 'Piano-man' is shown at Medway Maritime Hospital, in Gillingham, England, in this April 29 file photo.

Police release details of arrest in mother's killing

Knight-Ridder News Service

PHILADELPHIA — Stephen Poaches strangled LaToya Figueroa in his West Philadelphia apartment on July 18, but her body in plastic bags ended up in the trunk of his car, and disposed of it in Chester late that night, police said Monday.

Philadelphia police also revealed that the man whose help Poaches allegedly sought in moving the body Friday night was issuing police and that the men were to be investigated.

Meanwhile, Chief Inspector of Detectives Joseph Fox told a news conference Monday that Poaches had given a statement in the case, the contents of which Fox refused to discuss.

"But a top police source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that Poaches had confessed to the killing, in his statement, according to the source. Poaches said that the crime occurred during an argument and that he temporarily hid Figueroa's body under a bed.

Poaches, 25, who was the father of the child Figueroa was carrying, was ordered held without bail pending a preliminary hearing Aug. 31.

The Delaware County Medical Examiner's Office listed asphyxiation as the cause of death of the pregnant 24-year-old woman.

Philadelphia police, who had said little about the case since Poaches' arrest early Saturday, provided the outlines of how they came to arrest him.

Fox said that a man claiming to have information about Figueroa's death contacted Detective Greg Singleton in Southwest Detectives on Wednesday or Thursday. The

man, whom Fox did not name, was brought to Homicide Unit headquarters for questioning.

By Friday, police had become sufficiently convinced of the value of what the man was telling them that they contacted the Citizens Crime Commission of Delaware Valley on his behalf to make him eligible for the \$100,000 reward being offered in the Figueroa case.

Police said the informant had been unaware of the existence of a reward.

Not knowing that the man was cooperating with police, Poaches asked him to try to find a body bag and a van for \$300 so that they could move Figueroa's remains, police said. The informant relayed the request to police, who supplied both the bag and the van, equipped with a global positioning system for easy tracking.

According to police, the informant brought the van to Poaches, who put some shovels in the back.

With the informant following in the van, Poaches then drove his car to a wooded area along railroad tracks near Fourth and Palmer Streets in Chester — and to the body, police said.

Police, who had been following both vehicles, arrested Poaches, who wore a bulletproof vest and was carrying a .45-caliber semiautomatic pistol.

John Apeldorn, the president of the Citizens Crime Commission, said Monday that the informant would receive \$10,000 immediately "for locating the body." Whether he gets the remaining portion of the reward, Apeldorn said, "is contingent on...conviction and we look into the circumstances on that.

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This day in history: Aug. 23, 1926, saw the death of silent movie heart-throb Rudolph Valentino, leading to worldwide hysteria and even some suicides.

About one in four of the fiction books sold in the United States is a mystery or suspense novel.

The humpback whale's scientific name is *Megaptera novaeangliae*, which translates to "big-winged New Englander."

Who was Mother Goose? Nobody really knows, but the legendary storyteller's name was known in France during the 1600s and first appeared in print in 1697, thanks to a book



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTINESS
Erin Barrett
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by folklorist Charles Perrault. Aspiring writers take heart: The Brones sisters' first book was a collection of their poetry that they self-published in 1947. Despite their combined literary efforts, they managed to sell only two copies.

The Brones did better the next year, though. In 1948, publishers released Charlotte's "Jane Eyre," Emily's "Wuthering Heights" and Ann's "Agnes Grey."

You probably already know that the South was called

"Dixie" after the Mason-Dixon Line, but do you know why it's called that? Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon were English astronomers hired to settle a boundary dispute between Pennsylvania and Maryland in the 1760s. Years later, the border they drew ended up becoming the boundary between free and slave states.

Britain has 4 million surveillance cameras mounted in various public places. In an average day, a British commuter on public transportation has his or her photo taken about 300 times.

Golfers buy more than 500 million new balls every year. Makes us wonder where all the old ones go.

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Co-workers' crude comments should be brought to attention of supervisor

DEAR ABBY: Most of our co-workers agree with you, but the one you gave to "Hurt and Offended" who was with her fiancé in a restaurant when a man she works with approached and asked, "What's your bra size?" was somewhat "off." You told her to report it at work.

Abby, it happened in a public place — not at work, I agree, the question was rude and out of line. (Maybe the guy is a jerk and thought he was being funny.) But it can't be sexual harassment if it happened outside the workplace. Rather than report him, I think she should drop it unless it happens again.

DEAR JAMES S. IN WISCONSIN: DEAR JAMES S.: You didn't read the woman's letter closely enough. In the second paragraph she went on to say, "I have seen these men every day and had work-related discussions with them. Two of them have made reference to the incident, but neither has apologized." By referring to the incident at work, the men HAVE brought it into the workplace. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Hurt and Offended" has done all that she needed to do. She said she had talked to her co-worker, who is the men's supervisor. As a supervisor myself, even if I'm told something in confidence and



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

asked to take no action, I must take action — even if I don't supervise the offenders. Their actions were intolerable.

The supervisor she spoke to had better learn the law and take appropriate action immediately, or the company could be held responsible.

MALE SUPERVISOR, SEBASTOPOL, CALIF.
DEAR MALE SUPERVISOR: Thank you for pointing it out. She should also make a habit of documenting any further references made by those co-workers.

DEAR ABBY: If "Hurt" allows those co-workers of hers to get away with what they said to her, she can be sure they'll do it again to some other woman! Although the writer feels she would have "nothing to gain" by confronting them, I do not agree. I was raped at 15, and finally — at age 50 — I was able to say to the person who I needed to say, I have felt a whole lot better ever since that day.

In my opinion, she should go to her supervisor and have a meeting with everyone who was involved. She should ask that the supervisor be present. The following issues should be presented:

- (1) The question she was asked was rude, and embarrassing both her and her fiancé that night.
 - (2) How would they have felt if she had made a comment concerning their anatomy in public and in such a manner?
 - (3) If they were in her situation, how would they have felt if their wives, mothers or sisters were treated in the same way?
- They need to be told that what was said was not cute or clever, not a joke, and above all, will not be tolerated by her, again. In reality, it was sexual harassment, and will be handled as such if it recurs.
- There are courts of law that take care of such situations, and those courts need to know that she will go to one if they pull that stunt again.

— FREE AT LAST, AUSTIN, TEXAS
DEAR FREE AT LAST: I applaud you for having the courage to confront the person who raped you. I hope that "Hurt and Offended" will understand the parallel between your experience and hers, and have the courage to stand up for herself as you did.

Watch out for the love bug, Aquarius

IF AUG. 23 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Make important moves before the end of 2005 to have a prosperous 2006. Opportunities in November carry a huge difference in your future, so if new doors open don't hesitate to walk on through and take advantage of whatever is offered. You have superior quality in December and can impress everyone you meet with your charm and brilliance. Consider others when you give and your best foot is forward, that is an excellent time to meet a new romantic partner for a permanent relationship or to advance your career by taking a new job or asking for a promotion.

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Jeraline Saunders

19): Shared goals mean shared successes. This is one of those weeks when it will pay off to have every moment scheduled. Don't let outside influences disrupt your carefully laid plans.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): If the love bug has bitten you,

there may be an urge to spend a few dollars to look more attractive for the object of your affection. What's appropriate for play might not please the boss.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Maintain the status quo. Avoid making important decisions or stirring up controversy for the next few days. Look your best, but sidestep meetings and deals where you might lose your cool.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Wear blinders and avoid interruptions and concentrate on the task at hand. You have the willpower to work hard to reach a goal and the dedication to see major projects through to the end.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Special affairs might grab your attention and distract you from the work at hand. The very odd, very new might appeal to you, and new acquaintances are likely to widen your horizons.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Intimate objects do what they are told to do. It's a good day to balance the checkbook and install software on your computer — but discussing important matters with humans might backfire.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It isn't always a case of what you know but who you know that guarantees success. Follow the example of well-to-do peers to secure your own fair share of applause and recognition.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): It is OK to set limits and structure your time. Networking with business contacts might give you an opportunity to let your hair down after hours or meet people from vastly different backgrounds.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The greatest instructors use a metaphor to teach a lesson. Look for stories from history or science to express your opinions in a gentle way. Being overly blunt and to the point can cause friction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keep all your balls in the air. A sudden infatuation could mean you must juggle pleasing the boss with pleasing your self. Imminent deadlines are the most important matter to pursue.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Others you deal with might be unpredictable in a way that creates smiles instead of frowns. To please the boss be sure to cross your "I's and dot your "i's, even if your network of friends are less exacting.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Lie low and put your best foot forward on the job, as supervisors could be in a critical mood for a few days. Some pleasant surprises might be in store for you on the coming year.

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WEEKLY HIGHLIGHT

Pam Yore and Marilyn Yore

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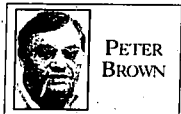
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Weekly polls taken by ABC News/Washington Post, for example, show about 20 percent more Americans than their personal finances are good or excellent than rate the nation's economy that way. That's why we see the disconnect between the economic statistics and the polling numbers. People's views about the economy are based on what they hear, mostly through the news media, but also from word of mouth.

However, they know about their own lives, and their confidence in their own situation is why they are spending and keeping the economy strong. Polls are fun to read, and they are sometimes useful tools. This is just not one of those times. Peter A. Brown is an editorial page columnist for the Orlando Sentinel. Readers may write to him at the Orlando Sentinel, 633 N. Orange Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32801, or by e-mail at pbrown@orlandosentinel.com.

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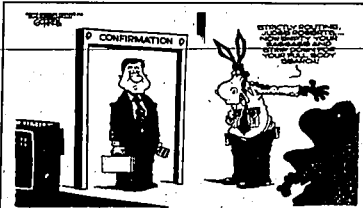
The \$500,000 TV ad, paid for by an abortion-rights group, so viciously distorted Roberts' record that nonpartisan watchdogs and even some liberals called for the ad to be withdrawn. Missing from the

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voices of reason was any Democratic official or party leader. New York's senators were conspicuously silent. Sen. Hillary Clinton's earlier call for "common ground" on abortion would have more credibility had she condemned the ad's false claims.

Sen. Chuck Schumer would have proved himself more than a partisan had he done more than brush off Roberts' ads from both left and right as "just trying to stir the pot."

Neither Clinton nor Schumer even mildly rebuked a report that is part of their party's base. It took Pennsylvania's Sen. Arlen Specter, the pro-choice GOP chairman of the Judiciary Committee, to blow the whistle. He called the ad "blatantly untrue and unfair" and said it was hurting the pro-choice cause. It was then withdrawn.



But the damage remains to the sponsor, NARAL Pro-Choice America, and, more important, to the quiescent Dems. Their silence puts them in lockstep with the demagogues driving the party over the ideological cliff. Instead of speaking up for decency and integrity, they chose appeasement, if not agreement. Shame.

If anything is out of bounds in politics, it's anti-Roberts ads like it. The ad showed a woman who had been injured in a 1998 abortion clinic bombing, then showed Roberts and a brief he had filed seven years earlier in a separate case. The narrator says Roberts "filed court briefs supporting violent fringe groups and a convicted clinic bomber" and that his "ideology lends him to excuse violence against other Americans."

None of that is remotely true. What Roberts did, as a lawyer in the first Bush administration, was argue that an 1871 Ku Klux Klan law being used to protect clinics did not apply. That was hardly a radical legal position, and Congress later passed a law specifically to protect clinics.

But facts don't matter to radicals. Under the logic of the smear linking Roberts to clinic bombers, any lawyer representing a murder suspect is guilty of murder. Dems should try that one at the Legal Aid Society.

For those who support abortion rights — myself included — it is distressing to see NARAL sink to such a level. But it's not the first time. Its Web site has been a molder-worm nest of Roberts distortions since his nomination. Each twist includes a call for contributions. Nothing fires

up the donor base like scare rhetoric about "radical right groups." In fact, as the whole episode shows, it's Democratic advocacy groups that have become the real radicals. From Michael Moore to Moveon.org and now to NARAL, the left has taken a turn toward the extreme that is as vicious as anything on the right.

It was a phenomenon I saw in last year's presidential race. When a host on Air America radio advocated violence against Bush, I was shocked that some liberals applauded. One call from a 78-year-old Connecticut woman still gives me chills: Speaking of Bush, she said: "Osama bin Laden had it right: His throat should be slit."

A New York Times reporter who dared write something nice about Bush got an e-mail from a California man who said he hoped the reporter's child would be killed by a terrorist bomb.

Such ugly views are hardly typical of every Democrat or liberal. But there is no denying that the fringe is starting to dominate the party. Leaders who have the courage to say "enough" need to come forward. Where are they?

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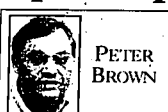
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This isn't chopped liver for a president when more Americans view negatively than positively, according to many polls. Many predecessors with his poll numbers would have pulled in their horns long ago.

Both Bush's economic job approval and Americans' views of the economy are just as meaningless. Virtually every economic statistic, except the price of oil, is cause for optimism.

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Useful to interpret data that show skepticism about the economy's health overall, yet also show consumers who are in good shape and continue to spend freely?

These days, those trying to make a buck figuring out the economy's future are taking a page from the rebellious children who watch what their parents (in this case, consumers) do, not what they say.

Weekly polls run by ABC News/Washington Post, for example, show about 20 percent more Americans think their personal finances are good or excellent than rate the nation's economy that way.

That's why we see the disconnect between the economic statistics and the polling numbers. People's views about the economy are based on what they hear, mostly through the news media, but also from word of mouth.

However, they know about their own lives, and their confidence in their own situation is why they are spending and keeping the economy strong. Polls are fun to read, and there are sometimes useful tools.

This is just not one of those times.

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Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley

By Garry Trudeau

Dems' silence on Roberts is deafening

LETTER

The recent attack ad against Supreme Court nominee John Roberts shows, in a nutshell, what's wrong with the Democratic Party. Emphasis on nu.

The \$500,000 TV ad, paid for by an abortion-rights group, so viciously distorted Roberts' record that nonpartisan watchdogs and even some liberals

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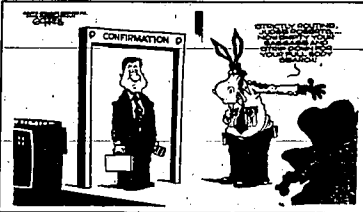
called for the ad to be withdrawn. Missing from the

voices of reason was any Democratic official or party leader. New York's senators were conspicuously silent.

Sen. Hillary Clinton's earlier call for "common ground" on abortion would have more credibility had she condemned the ad's false claims.

Sen. Chuck Schumer would have proved himself more than a partisan had he done more than brush off Roberts' ads from both left and right as "just trying to stir the pot."

Neither Clinton nor Schumer even mildly rebuked a group that is part of their party's base. It took Pennsylvania's Sen. Arlen Specter, the pro-choice GOP chairman of the Judiciary Committee, to blow the whistle. He called the ad "blatantly untrue and unfair" and said it was hurting the pro-choice cause. It was then withdrawn.



But the damage remains to the sponsor, NARAL Pro-Choice America, and, more important, to the quiescent Dems. Their silence puts them in lockstep with the demagogues driving the party over the ideological cliff. Instead of speaking up for decency and integrity, they chose appeasement, if not agreement. Shame.

If anything is out of bounds in politics, the anti-Roberts ad was it. The ad showed a woman who had been injured in a 1998 abortion clinic bombing, then showed Roberts and a brief he had filed seven years earlier in a separate case. The narrator says Roberts "filed court briefs supporting violent fringe groups and a convicted clinic bomber" and that his "ideology leads him to excuse violence against other Americans."

None of that is remotely true. What Roberts did, as a lawyer in the first Bush administration, was argue that an 1871 Ku Klux Klan law being used to protect clinics did not apply. That was hardly a radical legal position, and Congress later passed a law specifically to protect clinics.

But facts don't matter to radicals. Under the logic of the smear linking Roberts to clinic bombers, any lawyer representing a murder suspect is guilty of murder. Dems should try that one at the Legal Aid Society.

For those who support abortion rights — myself included — it is distressing to see NARAL sink to such a level. But it's not the first time. Its Web site has been boiling with anti-Roberts distortions since his nomination. Each twist includes a call for contributions. Nothing fires

up the donor base like scare rhetoric about "radical right groups." In fact, as the whole episode shows, it's Democratic advocacy groups that have become the real radicals. From Michael Moore to Moveon.org, and now to NARAL, the left has taken a turn toward the extreme that is as virtuous as anything on the right.

It was a phenomenon I saw in last year's presidential race. When a host on Air America radio advocated violence against Bush, I was shocked that some liberals applauded. One call from a 78-year-old Connecticut woman still gives me chills: Speaking of Bush, she said: "Osama bin Laden had it right: His throat should be slit."

A New York Times reporter who dared write something nice about Bush got an e-mail from a California man who said he hoped the reporter's child would be killed by a terrorist bomb.

Such ugly views are hardly typical of every Democrat or liberal. But there is no denying that the fringe is starting to dominate the party. Leaders who have the courage to say "enough" need to come forward. Where are they?

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Energy, road bills will boost Idaho economy

On behalf of Idaho employers, employees and their families, I want to thank and acknowledge our congressional delegation for its support of the federal transportation and energy bills.

Over the next five years, both will have a significant impact on Idaho's economy.

Increased funding for federal highway construction and improvement assures the financial viability of Gov. Kempthorne's far-reaching GARVEE program, approved this year by the Idaho Legislature. The federal bill also provides \$40 million to \$50 million more in highway aid for Idaho each year than was contemplated when the GARVEE financing plan was originally developed.

The transportation bill provides funding for several large and much-needed projects including \$27.4 million for widening of U.S. Highway 95 from Worley to Mica Creek, \$22.8 million for improvements to State Highway 75 from Tim-

merman to Ketchum and nearly \$20 million for an interchange on Interstate 84 at Ten Mile Road that will help ease traffic congestion in Meridian. Idaho's fastest growing community.

The energy bill also bodes well for Idaho. The Idaho National Laboratory stands to benefit from the \$2 billion allocated for nuclear power plants. The bill also opens the door for our state to compete for facilities that will host next generation energy technologies like wind power, biofuels and the hydrogen fuel cell.

Both bills reflect a major economic development boost for Idaho.

Our highways will be safer and our citizens will have access to good-paying jobs with benefits. In the process, we'll lessen our country's dependence on foreign oil, strengthen our state's economy and unify Idaho from north to south.

ROGER B. MADSEN
(Editor's note: Roger Madsen is the director of Idaho Commerce and Labor.)

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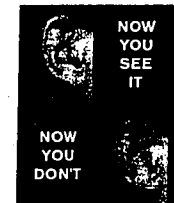
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Police find five bodies in California home after standoff

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — Police stormed a home Monday where an armed man was holed up inside and found five people dead, including two children. Authorities believe they were victims of a murder-suicide. The dead included the suspect, his sister-in-law, her

husband and their two children, said Lt. Mike McBride of the Inglewood Police Department. No further details on the suspect or the victims were immediately released. The standoff began early Monday when the wife of a man from nearby Lennox called to report him missing

and told authorities he was distraught over financial problems, McBride said. The man was tracked to his nearby sister-in-law's home, a yellow, single-family house in the Los Angeles suburb of Inglewood. The man's car was parked nearby, and the door to the home was found slightly ajar.

Authorities knew the man had a handgun so they monitored the house until about 3 p.m., when SWAT and other officers rushed inside and found the man and the others dead. The quiet Inglewood neighborhood where the killings occurred was abuzz Monday afternoon as families

knocked out on their doorsteps trying to get information on what had happened. McBride described the area as a middle-class neighborhood of single-family homes. He said it is rarely the target of gang violence or other violent crime.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Waiting list offered for Bush tickets

TWIN FALLS — Tickets for President George W. Bush's speech Wednesday at the Idaho Center in Nampa have been committed, said Susan Wheeler, U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo's communication director.

Burley man arrested after scuffle with gun BURLEY — A Burley man has been accused of attempted murder after his gun went off Saturday during a scuffle over custody of his child.

National alert issued for missing dairy worker

JEROME — The Jerome County Sheriff's Department has issued a nationwide alert in hopes of finding a local dairy worker missing since early July.

Local woman ushers residents along their errands

for the College of Southern Idaho Office Aging and decided to volunteer. She usually drives about five people a day and has developed a special bond with many of them.

Jerome School Board to discuss bond issue JEROME — The Jerome School Board will meet at 6 p.m. today. Items listed for action are bond levy resolutions for the proposed school bond election, a policy revision, athletic program evaluation and school busing.

Immanuel Lutheran announces lunch menu TWIN FALLS — Immanuel Lutheran School, 2055 Filer Ave. E., offers a choice of milk every day to its students. This week's menu is: Today, crisp taco; Wednesday, build your own sandwich; Friday, cheesy roast turkey; and Thursday, cheese pizza.

compiled from staff reports

Teachers face their own report cards

No Child Left Behind puts pressure on districts to hire qualified teachers

By Joshua Palmer Times-News writer TWIN FALLS — The federal government will be asking to see report cards this year, and they won't be from Magic Valley students.

say experts who have analyzed how states are responding. As the centerpiece of his domestic agenda, the No Child Left Behind Act aims to dramatically improve learning by ensuring that all students have highly qualified teachers.

Under the law, states have until the end of the 2005-06 school year to make sure teachers in every core class, from math and science to arts and languages, have a bachelor's degree, a state license or certificate, and are competent in every subject they teach.

Teachers can prove they know their content by passing a test or having a major in each subject they handle. Idaho defines highly qualified teachers as those who have a valid Idaho teaching certificate, which requires the completion of a teacher preparation program within an accredited college or university and meeting or exceeding scores on the Idaho state assessment.

strike a balance, following the law while being fair to veteran instructors. "I think states are making valiant efforts," said Raymond Simon, deputy education secretary.

DRIVING FOR SENIORS



Wanda Traugber, left, helps Maryrose Bush into the car before driving her to an appointment at the hospital. Traugber volunteers at least 40 hours a week helping senior citizens with rides.

Local woman ushers residents along their errands

By Jami Whitel Times-News writer TWIN FALLS — Most people wouldn't jump at the chance to drive down the busy streets of Twin Falls to help someone else go grocery shopping.

Edith Ward, the west end coordinator for RSVP, said all of the volunteers are special and work hard for others. Traugber is a testament to that.

for the College of Southern Idaho Office Aging and decided to volunteer. She usually drives about five people a day and has developed a special bond with many of them.

and pleasant person to be around," Ward said. "She has a great attitude about everything and is willing to go the extra mile."

Camp gives children with cancer a reason to smile

By Karen Bossick For The Times-News CATHALAN PINES — Michael Corlian is only 6. But the brown-haired kid from Boise can spit out words like "nabomyosarcoma" as effortlessly as other children say "Supersize that."

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Cactus Pines Resort Casino presented a check for \$32,037, which it raised by incorporating the camp into its workplace-giving campaign.

Council weighs housing density

By Terry Smith Times-News writer TWIN FALLS — Everyone needs space, but just how much was a contentious matter at Monday's City Council meeting.

At issue was once again the proposed annexation and rezoning of 18 acres on the south side of Filer Avenue West between the 500 and 1400 blocks.

Don Acheson, engineer for the development, told the council that many single-family dwellings would be built. He said development would enhance the neighborhood and is consistent with the area growth plan.

Erik Andersén, real estate agent for the development, said new housing would help prevent further deterioration of the area. He showed photographs of some properties in the area that are littered with junk vehicles and farm equipment.

The photographs raised the ire of several residents, who said they were not representative of the many nice homes and well-kept properties in the area.

Residents also questioned the motives of those who spoke in favor of the proposal. "I also want to point out that everyone that's spoke in support of this change stands to benefit financially," said Andrew Jones, who lives on Grandview Drive North.

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OBITUARIES

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William A. 'Bill' Yurkevicius



IBEROME — William A. "Bill" Yurkevicius, a 74-year-old Jerome resident, passed away Aug. 20, 2005, at his home. Bill was born May 6, 1931, in Oakham, Mass., the ninth of 10 children born to Paul and Mary Yurkevicius. Bill attended school in Dudley and was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1953 where he served in the Korean War and was honored with the Purple Heart. He married Maria Provost on June 11, 1955, in Webster, Mass. He joined the Webster Lodge of Elks in 1963. In 1958, he moved to Falls, Wis., with "Tupperware" and in 1972 moved to Jerome with the company. When the plant closed, Bill took an early retirement. He joined the Jerome Elks in 1979 and became exalted ruler in 1980. He transferred to the Twin Falls Elks and was exalted ruler there in 1987. He also served as the secretary in both Lodges for 10 years. Bill was the district deputy G.E.R. of Idaho Central in 1984-85

and again in 1988-89. He was past-president of the Twin Falls P.E.R. Club and served as their secretary for three years. In 1989, he became vice-president of the Idaho State Elks Association and was elected president in 1994. He also served as state trustee in 1996-2000. Bill was currently serving on the hospital board of directors

for the Elks Rehabilitation Hospital in Boise and as secretary of Snake River Lodge #2807. Bill was also a member of American Legion Post #46. Bill is survived by his wife, Maria of Jerome; their children, Diane Wright of Webster, Mass., Sharon (Wayne) Scruggs of Twin Falls and Alan (Donna) Yurkevicius of Seattle. He is also survived by five grandchildren: Brett Roddeck, Kelsey Ashley and Kin Scruggs and Karolena Maria Yurkevicius. He was preceded in death by his parents, four sisters and five brothers. A celebration of Bill's life will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005, at the Snake River Elks Lodge, 412 E. 200 S., Jerome. The family suggests that memorials be made in Bill's name to: Elks Rehab. Hospital, P.O. Box 1100, Boise, ID 83701. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln. Jerome, ID 83358.

Jon Byron Strolberg



BUIH — Jon Byron Strolberg, age 65, of Buhl, found eternal heavenly peace Aug. 17, 2005, from complications of a stroke in June this year. Jon was born July 18, 1940, to Paul and Louise Strolberg of Buhl, Idaho. Jon had a love for Christ since childhood and became an ordained minister after graduating from Northwest Christian College in Eugene, Ore., and Phillips University in Enid, Okla. He served a mission in Panama and served congregations in many cities in the United States. During his extensive career, Jon worked with "troubled" teens, elderly people, prisoners and others in spiritual need. Even after retirement, Jon volunteered as an interdenominational faith minister for Magic Valley Regional Hospital. In short, whenever Jon was needed, he would serve regardless of the one in need, religious affiliation or situation. Jon would never judge or

lecture, he would patiently listen and consult following Christian beliefs and teachings. Jon took an interest to music in his early years starting with the French horn in school band. His love of music continued thru his entire life and was actively involved with Barber Shop Quartet and Gospel singing as tenor including na-

tional events. He was a modest person and winning or placing in competitions to Jon wasn't as important to him as the actual performing, making new friends and meeting with old acquaintances from every corner of the country. Jon is survived by three brothers, Mike (Theresa) Strolberg, Idaho, Steven (Revela) Strolberg, Boise, Idaho, and Gary Strolberg, Twin Falls, Idaho; sons, Shawn Strolberg, Illinois, Paul Strolberg (U.S. Marine Corp) California; grandchildren, Brenda Jean Strolberg and Briana Leigh Strolberg. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Bill Strolberg. Memorial service will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005, at Valley Christian Church, 1700 Auburn Ave. E., Twin Falls, Idaho. Services are under the direction of Farnsworth Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

John T. Thain



RUPERT — John T. Thain, an 85-year-old resident of Rupert, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 21, 2005, at Cassia Regional Medical Center. John was born on June 14, 1920, in Logan, Utah, to the proud parents "Auntie" Emma Beutler and "Daddy" Marvin Paul Thain. He attended schools in the Cache Valley from kindergarten to North Cache High in 1941. John attended Utah State University. He served as master sergeant in the United States Air Force. He met Mildred Ann Merrill, a beautiful nurse, and fell hopelessly in love with her. They were married on Dec. 10, 1946, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. John and Millie moved to Idaho, in 1955. "Papa John" loved sports almost as much as his family. He was a spectator and a participant in a wide variety

of sports. He was liked by everyone he came in contact with. He was the favorite grandpa of nine grandkids. John is survived by his loving wife, Mildred of Rupert; four sons, Larry Smith of Orange County, Calif., John (Sherie) Thain of Boise, Greg

(Dianne) Thain of Rupert and Alan (Libby) Thain of Sumner, Alaska, a sister, Charolene Dopp of Logan, Utah; nine grandkids and five great-grandkids. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother. A service to celebrate his life will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005, at the Ascension First and Second Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with Bishop Tim Eames officiating. Burial will follow at Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 11:30 a.m. until 1:45 p.m. Thursday at the church. The family would like to thank Dr. Spackman, Trenea Dudley, Pauline Chavez, Idaho Home Health, the staff at Veterans Regional Medical Center, St. Luke's of Boise, Parke View Care Center and to all of John's friends.

Anna Mae Torson Cisco



GOODING — Anna Mae Torson Cisco, 63, a resident of Gooding, Idaho, died Friday, Aug. 19, 2005, at her home in Gooding. She was born Dec. 11, 1941, at Gooding, Idaho, the daughter of her and Betty Torson. She attended school in Gooding. She married Ron Yeates in 1972 and moved to Tremonton, Utah. They divorced in 1989. She then married Lawrence Cisco in 1981, and moved to McDermitt, Nev. They were divorced in 2003. In her preschool years, Anna Mae lived with her parents at various cow camps in the Fairfield, Gooding and Clever Creeks areas. During her school years, the family lived and worked at several Gooding area cattle ranches. Besides Gooding, she has resided in Shoshone and Fairfield, Idaho, as well as Texas, California, Utah, Nevada and Oregon. Anna Mae worked as a ranch hand, homemaker and bartender at many locations throughout Southern Idaho,

Nevada and Oregon. She was known to many as "Annie" during the years that she bartended in Shoshone. Most recently, she was a caregiver at Aspen Grove Assisted Living Center in Gooding. Anna Mae loved the outdoors and the cowboy way of life. She enjoyed horseshoe riding, fishing and wildlife. Her hobbies consisted of gardening, bowling, arts and crafts and socializing with her

many friends. She especially enjoyed volunteering her time at the Fairfield American Legion Auxiliary. She helped collect food and clothing and was a part of the caravan that carried the donations to the Veterans Home in Boise. Anna Mae is survived by three sisters, Joy Hostetler of Nebraska, Glenda Roy Loewenhahn of Washington and Jennie (Loyal) Egbert of Albion; her daughter, Brenda (Michael) Sloman of Gooding; three grandchildren, Duke, Becca and Lesley Cisco; three stepchildren and four step grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents. Cremation is under the direction of Demary's Gooding Chapel. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2005, at Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. No viewing is planned. Donations may be made in Anna Mae's memory to American Legion Post #19, P.O. Box 252, Fairfield, ID 83327.

OBITUARIES

Judith (Judy) Maureen Squire

BUIH — Judith (Judy) Maureen Squire, of Buhl, Idaho, died Aug. 20, 2005, after a hard fought battle with cancer. Judy was born Nov. 21, 1942, to James and Virginia Power in Hollywood, Calif. She graduated from Van Nuys High School in Van Nuys, Calif., and attended college in the Los Angeles area. After college, she worked at Dow Jones Co. and later as a paralegal for a law firm. She married Robert G. Squire who was a sergeant on the Los Angeles Police Department. When Bob retired in 1979, they moved to Ennis, Mont., where she worked for Ben Johnson's Montana Properties. In 1988, she and Bob moved to Buhl, Idaho, where they operated a repair and maintenance business for small aircraft at the Buhl Airport.

Judy was active in the General Federation of Women's Clubs for many years at the local, state, regional and national levels. At the time of her death, she was president of the GFWC Magic Valley Women's Club and Photography Contest Chairman for the International GFWC. Judy is survived by her husband and four step-children, Russell (Irene) Squires, Alton Squire, Alice Squire and Laura Kahl; four step grandchildren and one step grandchild. She was preceded in death by both of her parents.

It was her request that there be no funeral services, that she be cremated and her ashes scattered over the mountains of Southern Idaho. Cremation is under the direction of Farnsworth Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Thomas LaMar Thompson

Thomas LaMar Thompson, 51, passed away at his home on Aug. 21, 2005, surrounded by his family. LaMar was born Oct. 21, 1953, in Hawthorne, Nev. He is the first of 10 children born to Thomas and Luanna Bingham Thompson, of Buhl, Idaho. He was 14, where he graduated from Jerome High School. He received his bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Idaho.

In 1975, he married Crist Mechum in the Idaho Falls Temple. They were blessed with two beautiful children, Eli and Dyan. From the time of their marriage they lived in Nash, Idaho, Moscow, Lewiston, Bonners Ferry and Pullman, Wash. LaMar was employed for many years with Safeway Stores. With his wife he served for two years in the Arizona Mesa Mission among the Native Americans of the Papago Ward.

Throughout his life he loved being outdoors in the mountains, hunting, fishing, golfing and being with family and friends. He is survived by his wife, Crist; son, Eli (Nycolie) and granddaughter, Jazzmine; daughter, Dyan; Mother Luanna Thompson (Jerome); brothers and sisters, Coleen (Randy) Hutchison of Nampa, Ronald Thompson of Idaho Falls, Rhonda (Dale) Jones of Twin Falls, Paul (Kathy) Thompson of Rexburg, Randy (Donna) Troy, Megan, Tami (Dave) Hill, Manassas, Va., and Todd (Amy) of Gunnison, Colo.; and many nephews and nieces. He is preceded in death by his father, Thomas William Thompson; and sister, Larene. A family conducted the memorial service will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005, at the Hagerman Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

ISU finds toxin in cow manure

POCATELLO (AP) — Researchers at Idaho State University have found a toxin in cattle manure from feedlots and dairies between Twin Falls and Boise that is associated with food-borne illnesses. Shiga toxin can be produced by two types of bacteria that cause dangerous intestinal infections — a type of E. Coli and Shigella bacteria. Still, university officials said Monday that the discovery does not mean an outbreak of illness is imminent. The toxin's presence, however, does signal the need for more research, microbiology professor Larry Farrell said. Shiga toxin-producing E. coli and related bacteria cause an average of 50 deaths a year in the United States, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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Drug Court hosts graduation ceremony

TWIN FALLS.—The 5th Judicial District Drug Court Team will hold a graduation ceremony at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at Centennial Park.

The Drug Court Team will recognize the accomplish-

ments of participants who have demonstrated a commitment to sobriety and recovery and who have completed the Drug Court program. These participants have taken part in a rigorous, yearlong program that includes residential or

outpatient substance abuse treatment, frequent random drug testing and mandatory attendance at support meetings.

The public is encouraged to attend. For more information, call 736-4122.

Rainbow

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 a fish" he said. "And I found out I'm not the only kid with cancer. These kids all have cancer, too. I don't feel so weird anymore. I just want to have fun."

Camp Rainbow Gold threw open its doors Aug. 10 for a couple of hours to let the outside world get a glimpse of walking miracles like Cronin.

Dr. M. C. McCoy, a Twin Falls doctor, beamed as he watched guests parade past the bandanas the kids had made in the open-air Art Shack.

"This all started because some kid came into my office and couldn't go to Scout camp because he had cancer," he said. "Science is important, but science doesn't have feelings. We have to take what we need from science and add feelings. And I think we do that here at camp. The kids get to see older kids

who have survived what they're going through. And they get an emotional and spiritual boost to help them fight their disease."

When Camp Rainbow Gold started 23 years ago, a third of the campers did not survive from one year to the next. "And back then we just had about 15 campers," McClusky said.

But a couple of years ago campers celebrated a year when they lost no one, even though the number of campers had multiplied five-fold.

Kris Cronin, a Halley restaurant owner who has worked at the camp for five years, gazed at the campers who were lining up at the barbecue to sample the trout they'd caught earlier in the day.

Some looked the picture of health. Others sported bald heads. A few were so weak that they needed assistance to get around.

But accommodations are made to include even the sickest in camp activities. "Beverly Bliss 90210" star Jason Priestley signed autographs for sick campers at the Med Shack. And "Lost" heartthrob Jan Somerhaider danced with those who were too sick to attend the Camp Ball.

"They got giddy and giggly and all of a sudden they were feeling better," Cronin said.

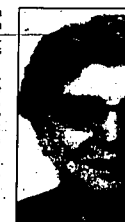
She sighed and then forced a smile through teary eyes.

"Every one of these kids, has fought a brave battle. Some are still fighting it. But all these kids are here because they just want to be kids and have fun. And the people who help us out with donations and building ramps have made that possible."

Karen Busick writes for The Wood River journal.

OBITUARIES

Shirley Ruth Blaha



TWIN FALLS — Shirley Ruth Blaha, 79, went to dance with her husband in Heaven on Aug. 20, 2005, after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was born in Glendale, Calif., on Nov. 2, 1925. She spent her childhood in Ely, Nev., until age 16. She moved to Oakland, Calif., where she met and married Edward Allen Blaha on Nov. 7, 1943. They returned to Ely, Nev., in 1947 where they raised their four children until moving to Pomona, Calif., in 1962. They moved to Fairfield, Calif., in 1978 to care for her mother-in-law. After losing her husband, she retired in Twin Falls, Idaho, in 1997.

She worked as a bookkeeper and accountant for her life, but most important to her was her family. She devoted much of her time to her sisters in Beta Sigma Phi sorority. She was a very loving lady who always had a helping word and a helping hand for anyone in need.

She will be missed by all who

knew and loved her.

Surviving Shirley are her two sisters, Lillian McNay of Ely, Nev., and Treima White of Seattle, Wash.; three children, Charles E. Blaha of Gardnerville, Nev., Ruth Ann House of Hagerman, Idaho, and David A. Blaha of Napa, Calif.; seven grandchildren, including James E. Gunkel of Twin Falls, Idaho, and 16 great-grandchildren.

Her parents: her husband of

53 years, Edward Allen Blaha; her daughter Kayleen Clair Blaha; and her brother, David Folsom preceded her in death.

A memorial service for Shirley will be held at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2005, in the great room at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Don Carlos Tolman



JEROME — Don Carlos Tolman, 86, passed away Aug. 20, 2005, at his home in Jerome, Idaho, where he resided for 46 years.

Don was born Feb. 16, 1921, in Thatcher, Utah. He was the fourth child born to Benjamin Hewitt Tolman III and Emily Louise Knowles. He was educated in Thatcher, Utah, and the U.S. Army. Don was part of the 88th Army Corps of Engineers, Heavy Battalion during World War II. He was on the front lines where part of his job was building bridges and purifying the water for the troops.

After the war he returned and married his sweetheart, Hazel Ann Forsgren on Jan. 22, 1946, in the Logan LDS Temple. They farmed in Salmon, Idaho, and Corinne, Utah.

In 1959 they moved to Jerome, where they have a dairy farm and raised seven children. Don was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Don's passion was his draft horses — he used them to work various aspects of farming throughout his life. Don and his horses were regulars at many parades throughout Idaho. Many times his horses pulled the JB Perrine Stage Coach and gave many children the chance to ride in a horse-drawn carriage.

Don was a founding member

of the Southern Idaho Draft Horse and Mule Association. He served as past president of Jerome County Farm Bureau.

Don is survived by his loving wife, Hazel; and five children, Dale of Jerome, Zora (Glenn) Johnson of Salt Lake City, John (Lorene) of Jerome, Sally (Stephen) Orchard of Jerome and Martin (Martha) of Jerome.

son-in-law Jerald Carney of Johnson of Salt Lake City, John (Lorene) of Jerome, Sally (Stephen) Orchard of Jerome and Martin (Martha) of Jerome. Don is also survived by his daughter, Rosemary Carney; and a granddaughter, Vicki Lynn Tolman.

A service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005, at the Jerome LDS Third Ward Chapel, 825 E. Ave. B, Jerome. Friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2005, at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, and again one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the church.

Interment to follow in the Jerome Cemetery.

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 Baird said.

"We are very fortunate that we have a very qualified applicant pool," she said. "And we only have a few unique individuals who are an alternate certification program."

Laverne Moore, a 36-year

teacher in Honolulu, helped design her state's standard. Teachers must get 100 points to receive a teaching certificate, either by taking or having taken college courses in their content area.

The Education Department is increasing enforcement of the law, asking states to justify their

definitions of highly qualified. The agency may withhold money if states do not accurately report on the quality of its teachers, said Simon, the deputy secretary.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

SERVICES

Robertae Mae Davis of Eden, funeral at 10 a.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

William Lyle "Bill" Hadlock of Jerome, service at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome LDS Stake Center, 26 N. Tiger Drive. Visitation for family and friends will be held one hour before the service today at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary).

Dylan Daine Scott, infant son of MESSA, died Aug. 22, 2005, at Jerome, memorial service at 3 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

William Albert Malone Sr. of Kimberly, celebration of life at 1

p.m. Wednesday at the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road. Friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Ruth Lilly Miller of Gooding, memorial service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the United Methodist Church, 605 Main in Gooding (DeMurray Funeral Service, Gooding).

Dudley Longfellow Shroud of Arco, memorial service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Jerome United Methodist Church (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel).

Helen Evelyn Piper of Twin Falls, graveside memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Richfield Cemetery in Richfield (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, Twin Falls).

Fern Edith Nielsen of Coeur d'Alene, graveside service at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Twin Falls Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Coeur d'Alene (Votaw Funeral Home, Coeur d'Alene).

Elsie R. Kalm of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1301 N. Davis, Jerome. Family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, and one hour before the service at the church.

DEATH NOTICES

JD Griggs
 MESSA, Ariz. — JD Griggs, of Mesa, Ariz., died Aug. 20, 2005, in Mesa, Ariz.
 Arrangements will be made by Farmer Funeral Chapel, Buhl.

Gene H. Crane
 GLENNIS FERRY — Gene H. Crane, 89, of Glennis Ferry, died Monday, Aug. 22, 2005, at local care facility in Mountain Home. Arrangements will be made by Rust Funeral Home.

Harry Joseph Eden
 SHOSHONE — Harry Joseph Eden, 80, of Shoshone, died Aug. 8, 2005, at the Shoshone Rehab and Living Center. A memorial graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, 2005, at the Shoshone Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of DeMurray's Shoshone Chapel.

Genevieve H. Crawford
 WALLA WALLA, Wash. — Genevieve H. Crawford, 89, of Walla Walla, Wash., and a former Twin Falls resident, died Monday, Aug. 22, 2005. A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, 2005, at the Filer Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary.

Juan Bernardo Lopez-Villa
 GOODING — Juan Bernardo Lopez-Villa—19—a resident of Gooding, died Friday, Aug. 19, 2005. Injuries in an auto accident near Gooding.

A viewing for family and friends will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. today, Aug. 23, 2005, in DeMurray's Gooding Chapel, 727 Main St. Rosary services will be recited at 7 p.m. today at the funeral chapel. Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2005, at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Gooding by Father Carlos Perez. Burial will follow at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Raven A. Romero
 BURLEY — Raven A. Romero, a 53-year-old Burley resident, died Aug. 20, 2005, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

Arrangements will be made by the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Jim Guerry
 TWIN FALLS — Jim Guerry, 63, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Aug. 21, 2005, at his home.

A private family service will be held at a later date. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory.

Martha Ann Day
 BUHL — Martha Ann Day, 92, of Buhl, died Aug. 22, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be made by Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

Gary Lee Payne
 JEROME — Gary Lee Payne, 65, of Jerome, died Aug. 22, 2005, at his home.

Arrangements will be made by Farnsworth Mortuary and Crematory, Jerome.

Ronald Woodrow 'Woody' Pierce Sr.
 TWIN FALLS — Ronald Woodrow "Woody" Pierce Sr., died Aug. 21, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center TCU following an extended illness.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, 2005, at White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls, Idaho, with the Rev. Brian Thon officiating. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary.

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Bush urges staying the course in Iraq

The president speaks in Utah before boarding plane to Idaho

SALT LAKE CITY — President Bush compared the fight against terrorism to both world wars and other great conflicts of the 20th century as he tried to reassure an increasingly skeptical public on Monday to support U.S. military involvement in Iraq.

With the anti-war movement finding new momentum behind grieving mother Cindy Sheehan, Bush acknowledged the fighting in Iraq is difficult and dangerous. But he told the Veterans of Foreign Wars national convention the fight is necessary to keep terrorists out of the United States.

As he did in last year's election campaign and more recently as war opposition has risen, Bush reminded his listeners of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 — reciting the date five times in a 30-minute speech.

"We're not yet safe," Bush said. "Terrorists in foreign lands still hope to attack our country. They still hope to kill our citizens. The lesson of Sept. 11, 2001, is that we must confront threats before they fully materialize."

Besides his references to Sept. 11 and the war on terror, Bush also spoke of earlier global fights.

"In a single lifetime, many of you have seen liberty spread from Germany and Japan to Eastern Europe to Latin America and beyond," Bush told the largely gray-haired crowd.

The generation of men and women who defend our freedom today is taking its rightful



President Bush addresses the Veterans of Foreign Wars during their annual convention Monday in Salt Lake City. Bush asserted that "a policy of retreat and isolation will not bring us safety" from terrorism, such a document.

"We know this from our own history," he said. "The Constitutional Convention was home to political rivalries and regional disagreements."

Bush's arguments for war were not new, but they were his first public statements on the war since his national security and defense advisers visited his Texas ranch on Aug. 11. Since then, the limelight had shifted to protesters camping at a neighbor's ranch, asking that he bring the troops home immediately.

Bush had not left the ranch since Aug. 13, when he attended a Little League regional championship game in nearby Waco. He chose two Republican-friendly states in Utah and Idaho

to re-emerge and make his case for continued war. People lined the streets of his motorcade route in Salt Lake City, many cheering and holding up signs such as one that said, "Honor the dead." Support President Bush.

But there also were anti-war signs and a few unfriendly gestures along the way. Hundreds of people gathered at an anti-war rally in Pioneer Park, about three blocks from the Salt Palace where Bush spoke.

Among them was retired Air Force Lt. Col. George Muller of Salt Lake City, who said he believed there has been a shift in the country's attitude toward the war.

"That's what it's going to take — veterans groups, veterans and mothers who love lost kids speaking out," Muller said.

Salt Lake City Mayor Rocky Anderson, an anti-war Democrat, was briefly booed when he was introduced to the veterans groups two hours before Bush spoke. He later addressed the protesters.

Bush has refused to meet this month with Sheehan, who lost her son last year in Iraq and left the camp near his ranch last week to tend to her hospitalized mother. She and family members of several other soldiers killed in Iraq met with the president in June of last year.

Bush didn't mention Crawford protesters in his speech, but at both the beginning and the end of his remarks he spoke of the grief carried by the families of fallen soldiers. He said Americans owe it to the war dead to finish the task they gave their lives for.

More than 1,800 U.S. troops have died since the beginning of the Iraq war, and about 30,000 deaths have taken a toll on national support for Bush, with an AP/Ipsos poll taken earlier this month showing only 38 percent approve of his handling of Iraq.

Protesters hold anti-war rally in Salt Lake City

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — With the message that people can protest a war while supporting troops and veterans, a handful of speakers, including a Gold Star mom — addressed an anti-war rally in Salt Lake City on Monday, the same day President Bush was in town.

Bush spoke to more than 6,000 people at the annual convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, while three blocks away about 2,000 people gathered to protest Bush administration policies and the war in Iraq.

Barbara Wright, 56, drove five hours from her home in St. George to attend the rally at Pioneer Park.

"There's a lot of reasons I'm unhappy. Predominantly due to the war but also about the economy, Social Security," Wright said.

Her father, a World War II veteran, was unable to come with her, but she said he would have come along for the same reasons.

"So I'm here for him too," she said.

Several people attending the protest boasted that they were from military families or had served in the armed forces.

Salt Lake resident Hugh Musser, 74, said he was a Korean War veteran who came to the protest because of "the lies about this war and the reasons we went into it."

"I'm so opposed to our administration, I'm not politicized, motivated, I'm an independent. I think we have really lost our democracy," Musser said.

The featured speaker was Celeste Zappala, a co-founder of Gold Star Mothers for Peace with Cindy Sheehan, who made news camping outside Bush's Crawford, Texas, ranch

in hopes of meeting with the president.

Zappala's son, Spc. Sherwood Baker, 29, was killed in Baghdad on April 26, 2004. He was a member of the Pennsylvania National Guard, which was deployed to help provide security for a surge group looking for evidence of weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, she said.

Zappala said she was overwhelmed by the number of people who showed up at Pioneer Park.

"I expected and hoped that 100 people would come out. This place is overflowing with patriotic Americans," she said.

She said she has traveled over the past 16 months speaking out about the war because of a promise she made at her son's funeral.

"My sweet and noble son was the 720th American soldier to die in the hideous miscalculation called the war in Iraq," Zappala said. "I vowed to him I will not be quiet."

Salt Lake City Mayor Rocky Anderson, who called for a strong showing from Utahans at the protest in an e-mail he sent last week to local activists, addressed both the VFW convention and the protest.

Anderson was booed in his speech to the veterans at the Salt Palace Convention Center about two hours before Bush's speech. After, he said challenging political leaders is being supportive of the troops.

The message we want to send is that we are behind our troops, we care very much about our troops. That if their lives are going to be put on the line, they are going to be put in harm's way, that we're told the truth and our nation hasn't been told the truth," Anderson said.

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Notes on the economy

Help wanted

Employers in July placed slightly more local newspaper ads looking for workers than they did a year earlier. Last month, employers in the Times-News classified advertising section bought 2,033 employment ads. That's up 2 percent from the 1,997 placed in July 2004. It also beats the 1,989 ad total of July 2003.

"Employment advertising for the month of July was placed even though the number of ads taken was still slightly higher. Construction again topped the list with concrete finishers, welding, framers, carpenters, backhoe operators and general labor," said "The Times-News" classified and online manager, Dely Johnson.

"Local and out-of-area companies are still searching for drivers, offering better benefits and sign-on bonuses. The rig sector is still trying to fill positions with daily workers, mechanics and drivers," she said.

Year-to-date 2005 employment ads are running 10 percent above the total ads placed in the first seven months of 2004. Idaho Commerce and Labor will release August unemployment rates next week.

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

New radio station begins broadcast

TWIN FALLS — KITY, a new Magic Valley radio signal at 88.1 FM, will begin broadcasting at noon Friday.

From a Jerome transmitter site, the 60,000-watt signal will cover all of the Magic Valley and beyond, KITY said.

KITY is a sister station to 89.5 FM, KIBS, based in Boise. KITY is a Christian music station which garnered Gospel Music Association Station of the Year Award in 2000 and 2002, owners said.

Initially, KITY will simulcast the Boise signal, but long-term plans call for setting up a local studio and a local broadcast office in Twin Falls.

"We call ourselves 'the family-friendly music station,' and we think that's what will resonate well in the Magic Valley," KITY General Manager Michael Agee said.

Delta Air Lines stock continues to slide

ATLANTA — Shares of Delta Air Lines continued to slide Monday after a memo from the company to pilots late Friday warned cash reserves have fallen and last year's agreement seeking to avoid bankruptcy may have to be revisited.

Delta's stock fell 9 cents, or 6 percent, to close at \$141 Monday on the New York Stock Exchange. The stock's price sits at its lowest level since analysts began tracking such data in 1962.

In an agreement with pilots last year, the third largest U.S. carrier said it would not seek more concessions from the pilots union unless its cash level fell below a certain point. Friday's memo said cash reserves had fallen below that point.

H.J. Heinz Q1 profit drops by 19 percent

PITTSBURGH — H.J. Heinz Co., maker of the nation's largest food products, reported Monday that its first-quarter profit fell 19 percent as higher expense offset sales gains. But its results excluding items beat Wall Street expectations.

Heinz said its profit declined to \$157.3 million, or 45 cents per share, for the three months ended July 27 from \$194.8 million, or 55 cents per share, a year earlier. Excluding \$24.5 million, or 7 cents per share, in reorganization charges and costs from strategic reviews for the potential sale of noncore assets, the company earned 52 cents per share, down from 55 cents per share a year ago.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

SNUG AS A BUG



James McFarlane, owner of Alliance Pest Management in Twin Falls, treats the outside perimeter of the Twin Falls airport with a spray-on insecticide. He said the application kills bugs on contact and has a residual effect that lasts up to 35 days, creating a barrier around the building that keeps crawlers where they need to be — outside.

Pest control industry enjoys abundant year

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

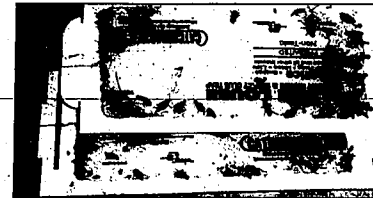
TWIN FALLS — Creepy crawlers like earwigs and ants have been quite the nuisance for home and business owners this year, thanks to aspring fall of moisture.

"But you won't find businesses that depend on terminating ants, earwigs, spiders, beetles and other pests complaining. Spiders, lobos in particular, are really out. It is their mating season so they are very active right now," said James McFarlane, owner of Alliance Pest Management in Twin Falls company. "Business is good."

He declined to state the company's annual revenue but said its heavy season has pushed it up about 10 percent. "Folks don't like to be bothered. People seem to be less tolerant of bugs. They don't want to see anything anymore," McFarlane said.

Bob Chauvin, team manager for Terminix International in Meridian, said: "It has been extremely busy, more than usual due to the mild winters and the building that is taking place in the natural habitat for pests. They are still in need of food and shelter and are going to build their homes in buildings."

"Terminix has one employee who lives and works in Magic Valley. The company also sends other workers to the area two or three times a month.



Various pests are caught on glue traps. The traps are conspicuously placed in buildings and catch all sorts of things. McFarlane has even opened up the traps and found snakes stuck.

Louis Lopez, owner of Local Lawn, started his business just this year and the extra bugs have boosted his year.

"My revenue has been better than I was hoping for, especially for my first year," Lopez said. "If the calls keep coming like they have I should bring in about \$65,000, maybe more."

Lopez currently runs one vehicle for business, and his wife, Renee, is his "right-hand man." Since business is growing, he is already looking at adding two trucks and two employees for next year's season, which runs from about February through November.

"The pay might be pretty good, probably \$500 to \$700 a week," Lopez said.

Even with the costs of doing business — such as gasoline, in-

surance and supplies — continually on the rise, the pest control industry is staying ahead.

"Costs eat up about 25 percent of my revenue," McFarlane said. "They go up a little every year and adds up."

Alliance's customers have probably seen that reflected in the bills, which have risen "by about 5 percent" in the past year, he said.

Larger companies like Terminix haven't had to pass on rising costs to the customer, Chauvin said.

"We are the largest pest-control company in the world," he said. "We are able to absorb those costs easier than the little ones."

Ten or so pest-control companies compete for market

No buggin' around

Due to hazards on the job and the chemical used, those in the pest control industry must be licensed with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture.

They must also keep the licenses current, and are required to continue their education with seminars, workshops and other education tools. For more information, visit www.agsi.state.id.us/online.

share in Magic Valley, and the industry is changing some. With the demand for pest control services increasing, customers are demanding the use of environmentally friendly materials rather than just chemical sprays. More products like glue traps and acar-friendly insecticides are being used.

"A lot of people are asking about organic products," Lopez said. However, more environmentally friendly materials aren't necessarily effective at removing pests. That's why companies are touting "integrated pest management" which includes a variety of anti-pest measures as well as customer education.

"Educating the customer is important," McFarlane said. "We work hand in glove. In order for success the customer needs to be just as involved in the end result."

Google's new 'Sidebar' sidesteps Web browsers

Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — Re-inventing its intent to expand beyond the Internet search that made it a household name, Google Inc. announced plans Monday to launch software that pulls news stories, photographs, weather updates, stock quotes and other features onto a user's computer without opening a Web browser.

The new application, Sidebar, highlights Google's efforts to become an information gateway for online information. It also puts Google more squarely into competition with Microsoft Corp., which is trying to integrate similar features into the next version of its flagship Windows operating system, and with Yahoo!, the Internet's most popular portal.

Sidebar is "not an operating system, it's not a browser," said Greg Stierling, an analyst with Kellogg Group. "But it has elements of both in a certain way." Sidebar comes bundled with an updated version of Google Desktop, the search tool for finding information on PC hard drives.

It sits on the side of the computer screen and frequently queries the Web to update folders displaying news stories and other information. A search box also lets users find files stored

on their computers, e-mail they've received and Web pages they've visited.

"We want them to sit back and let the Web come to them," said Nikhil Bhattacha, product manager for Google Desktop. However, the program called Google is the latest Internet company trying to shorten the connection between consumers and the content that interests them. OS X, the latest version of Apple Computer Inc.'s operating system, includes a program called Dashboard, composed of little files, known as "widgets," that automatically update with information from Sunmyle.com, a California-based Internet agency. Yahoo! recently acquired Phoenix, a start-up whose Konfabulator platform allowed developers to create similar widgets.

Yahoo, Apple and Google each encourage developers to create new widgets for consumers to install.

Bhattacha, the Google executive, touted Sidebar's ability to learn from a user's Web-stuffing habits. The program will also visited sites to its toolbar and receive automatic updates of postings or photos, so the user doesn't have to visit the site for fresh content. In displaying news stories, the program over time will favor categories that the user reads most often.

Firms fail to guard data, but charge you to see it

Los Angeles Times

Elizabeth Rosen was plenty angry when ChoicePoint Inc. sent her a form letter admitting that crooks perused some of her most sensitive personal and financial data.

But the Los Angeles nurse was flabbergasted when the company, one of the nation's largest collectors of consumer records, also offered to sell her some of the same information so she could see what might have been compromised.

Rosen was among the 150,000 people whose records were scanned by identity thieves who scammed their way into ChoicePoint's databases, which the company says comprise the largest private collection of credit records. Social Security numbers and other public and personal data in the country.

Insurance companies, banks, law enforcement agencies and many arms of federal and local governments buy information from ChoicePoint to perform background checks on potential clients, tenants or employees. Now the Georgia-based company is finding a lucrative new business charging consumers worried about identity theft for access to their own criminal, education and employment histories.

"They sold information on

How to get a free credit report

Consumers have the right to get a free credit report on themselves from each of the big three credit bureaus — Equifax, Experian and TransUnion — once a year by visiting www.annualcreditreport.com or calling (877) 822-8228. Individuals have a better chance of catching abuse quickly if they ask for a report from a different bureau every four months.

Rosen's experience highlights a paradox in the recent string of thefts of personal information: Many of the same companies responsible for safeguarding reams of sensitive data that have fallen into the hands of scammers are now trying to cash in by pledging to protect consumers' privacy.

Information brokers infiltrated by con artists, banks that lost unreported financial data and peddlers of online background checks are pitching fraud-detection plans that range in price from \$25 a year to more than \$150 a year.

The companies offering these

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COURT FILINGS

The Times-News

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

Chapter 7, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Kelli Elizabeth Baker, 210 Blue Lakes Blvd. S., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41183.

Steven K. Bunn, 949 Ash St., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41185.

Donald L. Adams and Teri A. Adams, 274 South 6th Ave., individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41186.

Yvonne Deann Giles and Megan Rea-Beane, 650 Oriental Ave., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41187.

John O. Martindale and Eise Martindale, 726 Miller, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41188.

Angela H. Xiong, 111 Fourth Ave. N., 2002, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41189.

Diane G. Ostia, also known as Diane G. Garza, Diane G. Kramon and Diane G. Huh, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41190.

Carol C. Marshall and Shauna L. Jacobsen, also known as Shauna L. Holsley, 674 N. 650 W., Shoshone, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities under \$50,000. Case no. 05-41191.

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

Rigoberto Zavala, also known as Rigoberto Zavala Ferrares, 600 S. Hill, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$100,000, liabilities under \$100,000. Case no. 05-41192.

Bonnie Anne Cripp, 763 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$100,000, liabilities under \$100,000. Case no. 05-41193.

David Chaffield, also known as David Chaffield, and Lynda M. Chaffield, also known as Lynda M. DeLorenzo, doing business as Action Windigo, 354 Blake St., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$4,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 05-41194.

Larry Pulliner Jr., also known as Larry Pulliner, 353 Almas Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 05-41195.

Larry Pulliner Jr., also known as Larry Pulliner, 353 Almas Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 05-41196.

John J. Hancock, 603 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 05-41197.

Lefly D. McNeil and Mary E. McNeil, 1231 South Ave. E., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 05-41198.

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

George Wayne Spencer and Jamie Lee Spencer, 581 Cedarholm Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 05-41199.

John Sharp, also known as Justin Sharp, 621 Greenway Way, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 05-41200.

Nica Montgomery, 1115 Doran Drive, Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets \$100,000 to \$500,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 05-41201.

Manuel Caldera and Christina Caldera, 636 Malta Ave., Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$50,000 to \$100,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 05-41202.

John Edward O'Connor and Dawn Michelle O'Connor, 50 S. Eden Road, Burley, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 05-41203.

Steven C. Scott, 396 S. 362 Lane W., Heyburn, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 05-41204.

Parviz H. Huseini, 625 E. 105th N., individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 7, 16-49 creditors, assets \$100,000.

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MONEY

Credit

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services say they provide value, but victims of identity theft and consumer advocates complain...

charges rung up in their names are held financially responsible. Federal law entitles consumers to a free credit report every year...

authentication" and a check of their own criminal records. The company Web site says...

cause of identity theft. "A lot of it could be eliminated if creditors were more careful about establishing the identity of the applicant," she said.

thieves because they indicate where targets have bank accounts and what their credit-identifying numbers are.

sells credit reports for \$9.95 and a combination of the three reports in its own format for \$29.95.

"It's certainly wrong to be only selling protection for a problem you helped create without also working to solve that problem," Hillebrand said.

Billions of records about virtually every adult in the country are maintained by an army of companies. Among the most familiar are the credit bureaus that have long tracked debts and payment histories.

Other firms targeting those concerned about being victimized include Wells Fargo & Co., the San Francisco-based bank.

Since June 2004, Wells Fargo has offered what it calls Select Identity Protection for \$12.99 a month. That fee gets the customer daily credit monitoring, quarterly reports and alerts.

When Equifax Mutual Inc., a Washington, D.C., company that specializes in identity thefts targeting its poorly encrypted ATM cards — since March 2004 has changed \$10 a month for a package including credit monitoring and \$15,000 in insurance.

The banks' role in paid protection services ranks Hillebrand because, she said, their industry's eagerness to avoid credit has been a major

work hard to authenticate people before they help. While ChoicePoint and other credit brokers are cutting back on the types of data they offer, and during the high-profile breaches that followed ChoicePoint's disclosures, state and federal lawmakers have begun drafting laws aimed at forcing the companies to clamp down further.

Among those benefiting from heightened worry is ChoicePoint, the Georgia-based company that admitted in February that scam artists used its system to access credit reports and other records for packages including credit monitoring and \$15,000 in insurance.

ChoicePoint said it would stop offering Social-Security and drivers' license numbers for \$25 a month unless consumers approve it. Yet since last year, ChoicePoint also charged consumers even if they are among the 150,000 victims — \$24.95 for "Identity

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Wall Street seesaws before finishing higher

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street wobbled through an indecisive session Monday, rallying late in the day and after the price of oil fell back from a six-barrel peak.

News of several large acquisitions carried some stocks higher. Monday's spate of merger announcements was supported by the market, which has been searching for signs of confidence in the economy.

Higher oil prices, interest rates that put downward pressure on price-to-earnings ratios, said Charles H. Blood, senior financial markets analyst for Brown Brothers Harriman & Co.

Bankruptcies

Continued from C-2 to \$500,000 in liabilities \$100,000 to \$500,000. Case no. 05-41870.

Chapter 12, business, \$500,000 to \$1 million

Backhurst Farms LLC, formerly known as Orchard Farms Inc., 584 W. Adams St., Boise, Idaho, Chapter 12, 16-49 creditors, assets \$500,000 to \$1 million, liabilities \$500,000 to \$1 million. Case no. 05-41861.

Chapter 13, nonbusiness, under \$50,000

Cedric C. Unbaugh, 430 33rd Ave. N., Twin Falls, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 1-15 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 05-41862.

Chapter 13, nonbusiness, \$50,000 to \$100,000

John Ray Russell and Amy Jill Russell, 308 W. 15th St., Jerome, individual, nonbusiness, Chapter 13, 16-49 creditors, assets under \$50,000, liabilities \$50,000 to \$100,000. Case no. 05-41863.

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NOTICE OF HIGHWAY DISTRICT BUDGET HEARING

The following budget is proposed for the Hillsdale Highway District for the year October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006.

PROPOSED EXPENSES

Romittance to Cities	7,500
Miscellaneous	6,500
Telephone	128,000
Office Supplies	300
Drug Testing	500
Publishing and printing	2,100
Auditing	1,000
Commissioners allowance	3,850
Travel	5,500
Utilities	3,700
Insurance	32,000
Election expense	1,500
Payroll taxes	17,500
Legal	300
Group health insurance	10,500
Employee retirement	23,000
Gravel	55,000
Gas, oil and diesel	1,500
Labor	218,000
Repairs	50,000
Equipment rental	1,500
Salary of Clerk	8,300
Engineering	500
Weld control	4,400
Snow removal	4,500
Road oil	173,500
Bridges and culverts	4,000
Salon	12,000
Major equipment	1,500
Equipment purchase	50,000
Equipment lease	49,778
Mail	2,000
Road construction	1,001,668

ANTICIPATED REVENUE

Property taxes	332,194
Interest & penalty-property taxes	1,500
Highway users	475,000
Sales tax	35,000
Agriculture equipment tax	27,000
Interest on savings	4,500
Total revenue	877,031
Cash carryover	1,001,668

A public hearing is scheduled for 7:00 P.M. Tuesday, August 30, 2005 at the office of the District at the highway yard in Hazelton, Idaho, at which time the budget will be explained and any objections heard. The budget may be examined at the District's yard prior to the hearing.
Katherine T. Fife, Secretary

PUBLISH: August 23 and 24, 2005

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TFS No. F-41753-D-I. Deed No. 204206 ON 12/28/2005 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time), at the main entrance to Alliance Title & Escrow, 1424 Falls Avenue East, Suite 115, Twin Falls, ID 83401. In the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho. Fidelity National Title Company, as Successor Trustee, on behalf of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, lawful money of the United States, all payables at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: ***DOT re-recorded 11/8/2002-2003-2003-424*** and 10 to Block 11 of Hansen's Addition, Twin Falls County, Idaho, according to the Official Plat thereof, recorded in Book 1 of Plans, Page 83, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County. And the adjacent vacated 10 of First Street East. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 (Idaho Code), the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 372 1st Street East, Hansen, Idaho 83334, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale is made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by: Daniel Max Bartlett (aka), Idaho Code 55-215, American Title Insurance Co., for the benefit and security of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS) as grantor, The First Mortgage, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, as Beneficiary, dated 10/30/2002, recorded 11/7/2002, as instrument No. 2002-029284, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named on the deed, but any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiaries elects to sue or cause the title Company to sue for recovery of the loan. Dated: August 09, 2005 By: Fidelity National Title Company, Successor Trustee. By: Susan Queen, Loan Servicing Corp., as agent for successor Trustee 319 Elm Street, 2nd Floor, San Diego, CA 92101-3000. Tel: 619-577-7728. For Sale Information call: 916-387-7728 or login to: www.colpact.com. Carmen Herrera, Asst. Trustee Sale Officer. ASMP7716048

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the Board of County Commissioners of Elmore County, Idaho, invites proposals to enter into an annual services contract with Elmore County for the provision of Public Defender Services (criminal and juvenile defense services) for persons determined by the court to be indigent. This Request for Proposals process serves as a way to formulate and enter into a contract with a chosen provider, if any.

The Request for Proposals and other related documentation is available upon request in Mail Box, Elmore County Clerk, Elmore County Courthouse, 150 South 4th East, Suite #3, Mountain Home, Idaho 83847. Office hours are 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday, except legal holidays. For more information, contact the clerk of telephone number: (208) 587-2129, Ext. 202.

All proposals must be delivered to Elmore County Clerk, Elmore County Courthouse, 150 South 4th East, Suite #3, Mountain Home, Idaho 83847, by 5:00 PM on September 16, 2005. The sealed proposals shall be opened on September 19, 2005, at the Commissioners' meeting room, Elmore County Courthouse, and will be accepted by the Board of County Commissioners.

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals or portions thereof and to waive any formalities or irregularities of the proposals received if this is to the advantage of the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. **ELMORE COUNTY, IDAHO**
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FOUND dog, looks like a German Shorthair, brown. Female. Found by mile marker.

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LOST PIT BULL, reddish brown, white chest, neutered male, scar on back, green collar, lost around Big Little Ranch in Jerome, BA. Call 736-2289 Humano Society in Twin or 433-252452.

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 SOME PHOTOS TO PROVE IT?

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

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 300-800 E. Avenue B
RT. 524
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 4 tached garage, brick
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304 Homes For Sale
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CRAFT RARER SET
AERIE AROSE ALI
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TREETOPS ORATE
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RETREADS
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SORABB
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“I can’t let one bad pitch affect me for the rest of the season. I’ll think about all the positives and learn from the negatives.”

—Joey Devine, the Atlanta Braves rookie pitcher who had his major league debut spoiled by Xavier Nady’s 13th-inning grand slam Saturday in the San Diego Padres’ 7-2 victory. Devine gave up three hits, two walks and four runs in 1 2/3 innings. He took the loss, and his ERA was 21.60

TRIVIA

QUESTION: Who said: “We gave the interior decorator an unlimited budget and he exceeded it.”

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IN BRIEF

Baseball tourney offered in Utah

PROVO, Utah — The Rocky Mountain School of Baseball will be having its annual Labor Day Tournament in the Provo area Sept. 2, 3 and 5. The tournament will include the following age divisions: 8u, 9u, 10u, 12u, 13u, 14u, 15/16u, & 17/18u. Registration deadline is Aug. 24. For more information or to register, visit www.rmsb.com or call toll free, 866-542-6576.

Burley boosters host golf tourney

BURLEY — The Burley Booster Club’s annual Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, Aug. 27 at the Burley Municipal Golf Course. Sign-up for the golf scramble will begin at 8:30 a.m. and there will be a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. Golf Scramble funds provide support for Burley High School student athletic activities. Community support and participation is needed to help the Burley High School Booster Club continue its efforts in encouraging youth sports activities that develop physical, mental, social, and emotional growth, organizers say. Businesses can make donations or sponsor a team. Teams or individuals can register to participate at Donnelly Sports or by contacting Cynthia Honda at 431-3903, Don Knopp at 431-3589, or Dennis Claunch at 678-2411.

T.F. Parks extends youth soccer deadline

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks & Recreation department has extended the registration date for the fall soccer league. Those registering after Monday, Aug. 1 must pay a \$10 late fee, along with the \$12-20 participation fee (depending on jersey needs). The league is for boys and girls in kindergarten through 7th grade. Teams usually play two times per week for five weeks, with game times at 5:45 and 7 p.m. Also, volunteer coaches are needed. Parks & Rec is also starting a “Preschool Practice” soccer program for 4- and 5-year-olds. The program will meet on Saturdays, from Sept. 10 through Oct. 1 at 10 or 11 a.m. The fee is \$12-15 and includes a T-shirt. Registration for either program will be accepted at the Park & Rec office located at 136 Maxwell Ave. or online at <http://www.tffs.org>. Call 736-2265 with any questions.

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TRIVIA ANSWER:

Kansas City Chiefs owner Lamar Hunt, when speaking about his plush new office.

Old-school runnings

Thrill-seeking Hawaiians sliding into ancient, dangerous sport

By Alexandre Da Silva
Associated Press writer

HONOLULU — As a boy growing up in a poor family on Hawaii’s big island, Tom “Pohaku” Stone found entertainment barrelling down grassy slopes amid li leaves and banana stumps.

What began as childhood fun on a natural roller coaster has evolved into an academic and cultural journey aimed at reviving the 2,000-year-old Hawaiian tradition of he’e hoola, or Hawaiian lava sledging.

And Stone has the scars to show for it. Wearing just a tank top and shorts and reaching speeds of up to 70 mph on a sled standing only 4 inches above the ground, Stone once ran into a steel post sticking up from the grass during a demonstration on a slope on Maui, tearing an 18-inch gash in his left thigh.

In another crash, Stone broke his neck. It hasn’t stopped him. “You can’t even imagine what it’s like to be heeled 4 inches off the ground, doing 30, 40, 50 miles an hour on rock,” Stone said. “It looks like you are riding just fluid lava. It’s death-defying ... but it’s a lot of fun.” It wasn’t quite as dangerous when Stone was a kid.

“You would break off a bunch of li leaves, sit down on it and skid down the mountain all covered in mud,” said Stone, now a 54-year-old community college professor who teaches the ancient Hawaiian sport and gives classes on sled building and riding. “That just became my cultural passion because of the similarities with surfing, but it also became my academic passion.”

Li plants, or cordylines, are members of the agave family. The leaves usually are used for hair, cloth or livestock fodder. Traditionally, he’e hoola served both as a sport and as a vehicle for Hawaiians to honor their gods, especially Pele, the goddess of fire.

After reaching the top of a slope, Hawaiians would stand up, lie down or kneel atop hardwood sleds — often carved from kaula or oak trees and measuring 12 feet long by 4 feet wide — and speed down the mountain made courses of hardened lava rocks sprinkled with grass.

But missionaries who brought Christian-



Tom “Pohaku” Stone, positions himself aboard a new Hawaiian sled, which he has just finished making in Honolulu recently. For Stone, what began as childhood fun on a natural roller coaster, has evolved into a journey aimed at reviving the 2,000-year-old Hawaiian tradition of he’e hoola, or Hawaiian lava sledging.

ity to Hawaii saw the sport as “a frivolous waste of time,” Stone said, and its practice ended in 1825, when the last he’e hoola racing event was documented. They wanted us to work, stop being happy,” Stone said. Stone first heard about the practice, which also took place on other Pacific islands such as Tahiti and New Zealand, through stories told by his grandfather.

His interest in reviving the sport came in 1993, when he wrote a term paper on the tradition for a college class.

A year later, he built his first sled and soon began teaching people how to ride and craft the sleds, which are hand lashed with coconut fiber and weigh 40 pounds to 60 pounds. Please see SLED, Page D2

Vargas looks to get back on track

The Associated Press

ROSEMONT, Ill. — It was a surprise 175 before this fight. He looked like this would be a quick bout when Vargas (26-2, 22 knockouts) staggered Castillo (58-5, 39 KO’s) with a right to the head and knocked him down with two short lefts in the closing seconds of the third round. But the bell rang and Castillo stayed in it.

“If he didn’t ring, I would have gotten him,” Vargas said. Trainer Danny Smith rated Vargas’ performance a five on a scale of one to 10, saying, “He let the guy touch him with too many punches.” Castillo, who had won his previous seven fights, landed 119 of 552 punches, compared to 192 of 478 for Vargas. Castillo was originally scheduled to defend the WBC super welterweight title, but the governing body stripped him of the belt on May 31 for refusing to fight Ricardo Mayorga, making this a 10-round fight. Vargas’ promoters filed a lawsuit against the WBC in New York, saying the decision cost them money. Mayorga won the vacant championship with an unanimous decision over Michele Piccirilli last Saturday at the United Center in Chicago.

In the days leading up to that fight, Mayorga called Vargas a coward and made it clear he wanted to win. This week, Vargas’ co-manager seemed more interested in a rematch with Oscar De La Hoya, who took the WBA junior middleweight from Vargas with an 11th-round TKO in September 2002. Vargas saw this fight as an opportunity to re-establish himself as the top 154-pounder and repair a reputation that was stained by a positive test for steroids after the De La Hoya fight.

That led to a nine-month suspension and \$100,000 fine. Vargas, who said he did not knowingly use any banned substances, fired his strength coach and nutritionist.

When Vikings All-Pro lineman Kevin Stryker died four years ago of complications from heart stroke, it forced the NFL to rethink the strategy of brutal practices in brutal weather. But left unexamined were the underlying dangers — how a heart set up to support someone who should weigh 220 pounds would hold up in someone at 320. “Pick any of the body’s systems — skeletal, muscular, circulatory — the same is true across the board,” Bob Goldman, a premier steroids researcher and sports medicine expert, said at the time. A few years earlier, Goldman informed the NFL of the evolution of linemen’s weight from 1950 through 1990. Over that time, he added, on average, 50 pounds of bulk. Goldman does not “consider steroid use, other than to say he suspected it was higher than what drug tests turned up. But he also believed most of the new generation came by their bulk honestly. “Money is a powerful incentive. You can develop a lineman who’s 6-foot-4 and 310 with the same speed and agility of guy who’s 250, who’s more dangerous.” The NFL began answering the question with a rule change.

Woods has another record on the horizon

By Doug Feigelson
Associated Press writer

AKRON, Ohio — Tiger Woods has been chasing Jack Nicklaus’ record of 18 professional majors ever since he won his first Masters, a pursuit that has defined his career. But that isn’t his only target. Six weeks ago in the parking lot at Doral, he was asked what records meant the most to him. “The same ones as always,” Woods said. “Majors. And total wins.”

He rarely mentions any other record than the majors, although it was clear he had done his homework. Woods was asked if he knew the career victory record held by Sam Snead, and he quickly replied 81. Then he stopped himself. “Wait a minute, it’s now 82,” he said. The PGA Tour did not count the British Open as an official victory until 1995, but changed its bookkeeping in 2002 to accept all previous Open victories, such as Snead’s at St. Andrews in 1946.

Woods still has a long road ahead of him, but each victory makes it more plausible. The latest came Sunday afternoon, the NEC Invitational, where Woods found the one he needed late in the final round to win by one shot over Chris DiMarco. That gave him five victories this year, and 45 for his career. Sunday also marked the end of nine full years on the PGA Tour, meaning the 29-year-old Woods has averaged five victories a year. Whether he can keep up the pace depends on his health (already one knee surgery), the level of competition and how many more times he decides to revamp his swing. But he isn’t giving up. Under the guidance of Hank Haney, it’s clearly starting to take form. Woods still will never be mistaken for Scott Verplank when it comes to accuracy off the tee, but his confidence has reached a point that he is not afraid to hit driver. He hit just over half the fairways at Firestone — 29 of 56 — but only a couple of them were way off line. Some believe that big hitters now can bush away because it’s just as easy to reach the green with a wedge out of thick grass than with a 7-iron from the fairway. That’s not always the case. Woods was in serious trouble just off the 11th fairway Saturday and eventually had to get up-and-down and through a tree to save par. He took a double-bogey from the trees on the 18th hole Friday that cost him the lead, and had

to make the same trees Sunday to dodge par and avoid a playoff. But he’s not backing down. “I have so much more confidence now in my driving ability



Tiger Woods hits from the rough on the 14th hole at Firestone Country Club in Akron, Ohio, during the second round of the NEC Invitational, Friday, Aug. 20.

than I ever have in my career,” he said. “I pull out driver on every hole because I know I can put the ball in the fairway.” Please see TIGER, Page D2

Exceeding the limits

Common sense and science have been warning for some time that we’re pushing athletes toward the limits of size, speed and toughness without regard for how they get there, or stay there. Even so, there remains no shortage of kids willing to risk everything for the opportunity. By most accounts, 23-year-old Thomas Herrion was one of those.

He hung out with the Dallas Cowboys until the final cuts at training camp last fall, played in NFL Europe’s league this year, spent much of the summer working out in the sweltering East Texas heat and was wasting a spot on San Francisco’s roster when he collapsed and died just a few minutes after walking off the field after a preseason game in Denver late Saturday night. The reason Herrion worked so hard to stick with the 49ers, he told pals, was so he could buy a house for his mother.



The cause of Herrion’s death won’t be determined until toxicology tests are completed, usually about three to six weeks. He was listed as a 6-foot-3, 310-pound guard, but estimates of his playing weight by teammates and coaches at some of Herrion’s stops often added between 10 and 30 pounds. That sounds big — too big to be honest, according to some medical experts — but it’s just about average for NFL linemen these days. The “story” of how that came to be could haunt the league for years to come.

Twenty years ago, some of those same experts were warning that super-sizing pro football was a recipe for disaster, and explaining how so many NFL players got so big was easier. Before baseball was ousted by Jose Canseco, football had Lyle Alzado. He played a different sport in an earlier era, but Alzado, who similarly admitted steroid use after his death, was as provocative and just as certain that players on every side of him played juiced, too. “There are freaks of nature,” he liked to say, “but not enough to fill an NFL roster.” It’s even more true today. By every measure, steroid use is down, there still are enough “freaks of nature” to go around and yet players are bigger than ever.

When Alzado ran riot with the Broncos, Browns and Raiders in the late 1970s and early 1980s, the NFL didn’t test for steroids until 1999, more than two dozen seasons ago. “Two seasons ago, the offensive linemen on all but three teams averaged 300 pounds. According to this season’s rosters, as many as 350 players have already tipped the scale at that weight or more.”

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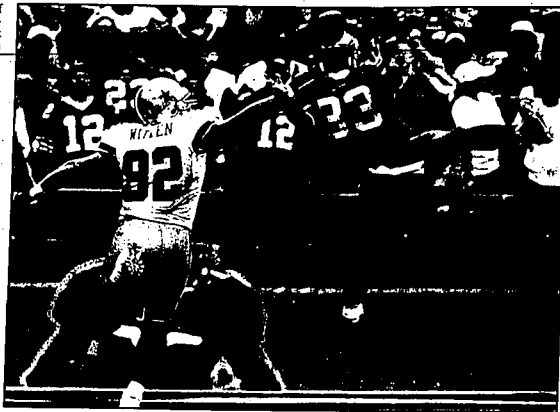
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SPORTS

Ware leads Cowboys past Seahawks



Seattle's Marquand Manuel breaks up a pass intended for Dallas tight end Jason Witten during the first half of Monday's game.

SEATTLE (AP) — Dallas Cowboys rookie Demaryius Lewis looks ready to be an NFL line-backer.

In one half, Ware forced two fumbles, recovered one, had an interception, a sack and three tackles in Dallas' 18-10 preseason victory over the Seattle Seahawks on Monday night.

Jose Cortez was 3-for-3 on field goals, connecting from 44, 37 and 46 yards for Dallas (1-1). Defensive end Troy Ware was the 11th pick in the draft and is making the switch to the outside linebacker with the Cowboys, who are moving from a 4-3 to 4-2 defense.

He had two tackles last week against Arizona, but made an impact in just two minutes against Seattle (1-1).

On Seattle's first possession, Ware beat Pro Bowl guard Steve Hutchinson, stripped quarterback Matt Hasselbeck and fell on the fumble at the Seattle 33. Cortez then made his first field goal.

Ware in the first quarter. Ware showed his ability in pass coverage. After Hasselbeck had connected with tight end Jeremy Stevens on consecutive downs, Ware dived in front of Stevens, corralling

the interception.

The interception broke a string of 10 straight completions by Hasselbeck to start the game. Hasselbeck was 12-of-15 for 135 yards, but coach Mike Holmgren found fault with the first half.

"We did some good things, but we were way too sloppy," Holmgren said at halftime.

"Give Dallas credit, they are playing fast on defense, and we're not doing a great job on pass protection."

Late in the first half, Ware made perhaps his most athletic play.

With reserve quarterback Seneca Wallace scrambling out of the pocket toward open field, Ware dived and jared the ball from Wallace's right hand, knocking the fumble out of bounds.

Hasselbeck led one, scoring drive for Seattle, completing six passes on the 80-yard march. He found second-year receiver DJ Hackett in the back of the end zone for a 7-yard TD that gave Seattle a 7-3 lead.

Dallas quarterback Drew Bledsoe was 7-of-11 for 56 yards, playing into the second quarter for the first time since he carried for 58 yards, 44 coming on

Dallas' lone touchdown drive of the half. Bledsoe threw an 11-yard TD pass to fullback Louisa Polite with 5:45 left in the second quarter.

Dallas played without defensive end Jason Ferguson (ankle) and guard Marco Rivera (ham string), both free agent signings.

Seattle's sloppy play continued into the second half.

The Cowboys added a safety with 5:40 left, after Seattle rookie quarterback David Greene of Georgia was pressured by safety Justin Borjaitis and linebacker Eric Ogburn, and ran past the end line at the back of the end zone.

Seattle also had a fumble return for a touchdown by cornerback Jordan Babineaux called back on a penalty.

A week after shining against New Orleans in a 34-15 win, Wallace was constantly pressured by Dallas and was 8-of-20 for 69 yards. Last week, he was 12-of-20, for 137 yards and a touchdown.

Dallas backup Drew Henson didn't fare better, finishing 4-of-10 for 38 yards and an interception.

Rookie running back Marion Barber had 62 yards on 18 carries for Dallas.

Willis nets streaking Marlins another win

MIAMI (AP) — Dontrelle Willis gave up two runs but stranded four runners in scoring position and drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly, helping Florida beat Los Angeles 5-2 on Monday.

Willis (17-9) earned a share of the major-league lead in victories with St. Louis' Chris Carpenter (17-4). Carlos Delgado went 3-for-4 with two RBIs, and Danion Escobar reached base five times for the Marlins.

Florida won its fourth straight series, taking three of four games from Los Angeles, and have won five of six games.

Willis, who allowed five hits and a season-high five walks, left with a 3-2 lead after five innings.

Florida relievers allowed one hit in four innings to complete a six-hitter.

Todd Jones pitched the ninth for two hits.

Edwin Jackson (0-1), making his first appearance after the season, gave up five walks and five hits in 4.2 innings.

Braves 4, Cubs 2

CHICAGO — Tim Hudson pitched his first complete game of the season and Chipper Jones hit two two-run homers, the second in the ninth off reliever Kerry Wood, to lead Atlanta.

It was Jones' first multihomer game since Aug. 25, 2004, against Colorado, and the 31st of his career.

Marcus Giles singled with one out in the ninth, Jones then connected on a 2-2 pitch from Wood (3-4), ending his 13th homer over the wall in right-center.

Hudson (10-7) allowed seven hits, struck out five and walked one in his first complete game since Aug. 17, 2004.

Catcher Carlos Zambrano allowed two runs and three hits, struck out 10 and did not walk a batter before being lifted for a pinch hitter in the eighth.

John Lackey (1-0) pitched the fourth but broke a scoreless tie.

Chicago's Derrek Lee led off the seventh with his 37th homer, tying the game at 2-2.

Federer the favorite to win U.S. Open

MASON, Ohio (AP) — Roger Federer reckons that it wouldn't take much to prevent him from winning his second straight U.S. Open title.

A virus. An injury. A windy day that makes everything go awry.

"A little thing needs to go wrong and you lose," he said.

For everyone else, maybe. It's going to take a whole lot more to keep the Swiss star from extending one of the most dominant runs in ATP history.

Federer won his 22nd consecutive tournament final on Sunday by dispatching Andy Roddick and any thought that he was vulnerable after a long summer layoff. His two-set victory over the Cincinnati Masters title made him the prohibitive favorite for the tournament at Flushing Meadows, which begins on Monday.

Federer is in a class of his own," said Australia's Lleyton Hewitt, who lost the Open final to Federer last year.

And few players have marks like Federer, who turned 24 this month and has only recently come into his prime. He's been No. 1 for 82 consecutive weeks, one of the longest stays in ATP rankings history.

That's only the beginning. Federer is 130-9 over the last two years, including 57-3 this season. He has won his last 28 matches on hard courts. He and Rafael Nadal are tied with nine titles in 2005.

Travis Lofgren broke a 4-4 tie in the seventh with a sacrifice fly off reliever Travis Miller (1-1). Martinez followed with his two-run shot.

Broussard hit a two-run drive off Jesus Colome before Sizemore and Crisp added RBI singles to make it 11-4.

Willis nets streaking Marlins another win

MIAMI (AP) — Dontrelle Willis gave up two runs but stranded four runners in scoring position and drove in the winning run with a sacrifice fly, helping Florida beat Los Angeles 5-2 on Monday.

Willis (17-9) earned a share of the major-league lead in victories with St. Louis' Chris Carpenter (17-4). Carlos Delgado went 3-for-4 with two RBIs, and Danion Escobar reached base five times for the Marlins.

Florida won its fourth straight series, taking three of four games from Los Angeles, and have won five of six games.

Willis, who allowed five hits and a season-high five walks, left with a 3-2 lead after five innings.

Florida relievers allowed one hit in four innings to complete a six-hitter.

Todd Jones pitched the ninth for two hits.

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Tiger

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never had that ability before. If you look at my days when I had some good years, I was always hitting 2-rens off the tee, and 3-woods, and trying to get the ball in play. Now, I know I can drive the ball.

"I hit some bad shots, yes, but they're not like they used to be."

Statistics don't support him, but Woods at least has proved he can hit fairways. He now has adopted the strategy that Vijay Singh has employed the last two years by hitting driver on holes when most others play for position.

Another advantage for Woods, again illustrated at Firestone, is his record as a closer. He's won 23 of 33-3 on the PGA Tour — and 38-5 world-wide — when he has at least a share of the 54-hole lead.

The short list of players who

have beaten him in the last year are: Ben Cason, Phil Mickelson, Thomas Bjorn, Lee Westwood and Ed Fiori at the 96 Quail City Classic, Woods' third event as a pro.

He probably shouldn't have won at Firestone, not with the number of punts he was missing inside 8 feet. And he probably shouldn't have won the Masters, except that DIMarco couldn't make anything in the final round.

Woods got a break when no one wanted to want to win the NEC Invitational.

Kenny Perry was sailing along until a high hook off the 10th tee that landed behind trees, one of five bogeys he made in the state, and spent three slides with a crew of seven to make a 200-foot repair on a 700-foot course.

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"It's great, unbelievable," said Ah Mow, a fishguard who patrols Oahu's east and south shores and has sustained "lute bumps and bruises" while sledging. "You get the chills."

"He seems to be able to have a shot every time he hits it in the green," said James Blake, one of those great escapes from trees. He's such a skillful player, that no shot is impossible for him."

Woods has four tournaments left this year — next week at the Deutsche Bank Championship outside Boston, the American Express Championship in San Francisco, Disney and the Tour Championship — to try to pad his total.

His pursuit of Snead's record might help if the PGA Tour were to have a season event where he has won seven times on two courses — four at Firestone, three at Muirfield Village (Bridgestone).

(Bridgestone) a new title sponsor held that a merit list World Golf Championship would stay at Firestone through at least 2010, Woods said.

"Sweet," he smiled.

Clintnau to get ready.

By the time he got to the final, it looked like Wimbledon all over.

"Everything comes very automatic now," he said. "I don't need to think anymore when I'm going to hit the balls. They just go automatically. That's very important in my game, because I need to play with the flow."

That's the best way to describe his game. There's nothing dominant — no overpowering serve like Roddick, no incredible quickness like Nadal — but no weakness, either. Plus, the biggest points in a match bring out his best.

Once he gets ahead, it's usually over.

"That's what I have been doing very well over the last few years," he said. "That's what I've been able to do against the best — get the first break, usually, and lead from there. Because once I'm in the lead, I'm obviously the best front-runner."

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Nadal has clinched the pain. Nadal has clinched Federer in tournament titles this year, but the 19-year-old Spaniard had demonstrated that he can win consistently on hard courts.

The New York crowds will try to coax an upset out of one of the Americans, but will likely end up applauding a player whose fame hasn't caught up with his accomplishments on this side of the ocean.

"It took a while for the fans to warm to Pete Sampras," Blake said. "I think he's comparable to what he's done in his tennis business. He doesn't throw term par tantrums, he doesn't do anything like that. He goes about it as a very honorable way, which I really appreciate."

"And I think the fans, as he gets closer and closer to history, they appreciate it more and more."

Sled

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It takes Stone about two weeks, or 24 hours of nonstop work to finish a sled, and his prices start at \$3,000. He currently is carving a sled for an exposit, and another for a restaurant in Kona.

Stone said his solid wood sleds "last forever," unlike today's snowboards. Snowboards built on more high-tech, yet less durable, materials such as fiberglass and foam. For example, the Bishop Museum, the

state's largest museum, has an 800-year-old sled on display, he said.

A retired lifeguard and champion surfer, Stone has discovered 57 rock slides of various lengths across the state, and spent three days with a crew of seven to make a 200-foot repair on a 700-foot course.

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By the end of this year, Stone wants to complete a mile-long rock slide on the Big Island and hold the first tie hole event there in more than 100 years.

He said the biggest challenge is to find a sponsor willing to back the dangerous event, whose judging criteria will include "style, length of ride and survival ability."

"The people across the world that want to ride," he said. "Once you do it, you never look back. You want to do it all the time."

Litke

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In the mid-1970s. Stuck with a spate of low-scoring games, the league's competition committee decided to allow offensive lineman to extend their arms, block, and stopped cornerbacks from jamming receivers at the line of scrimmage. Those changes resulted in smaller, quicker, even lighter cornerbacks and receivers. Lineman, on the other hand, just got bigger and bigger.

All those warnings from experts like Goldman went largely unheeded. Lineman didn't grow to 300-plus pounds in the NFL, they began arriving that way. Not only that; many of them were not just big, they were agile — despite having 25 to 30 percent body fat, meaning they were carrying as much as 90 extra pounds.

But agility was not the only thing that increased with size.

So did the risk factor. Strokes, high blood pressure, traumatic joint injuries and cardiovascular problems. As unsexy as it sounds, it's what happened to Herrion — "a sad thing," Cowboys coach Bill Parcells called it. "He kind of came in as one of those underdog kind of kids and hung in there" — it's a little late in the game to be surprised.

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Hawaii dominates Florida at LLWS. SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Dante Bichette Jr. is certainly making a name for himself at the Little League World Series.

McNabb wants Owens. PHILADELPHIA — Donovan McNabb acknowledges that he needs pressuring playing time with Terrell Owens even if it doesn't talk him off the field.

Both teams have clinched berths into the next round of the 10-day tournament. Bichette was one of the few bright spots on the day for Maitland, getting two of the four hits off West Oahu ace Akinai Agipay and continuing his stellar performance in the tournament.

On Friday, Bichette struck out 11 batters and hit a three-run homer in a 7-0 victory over Davenport, Iowa. On Saturday, he started a two-run first-inning rally and added an insurance run in the fifth on a solo homer to defeat Newton, Penn.

Johnson not up to Yankees' expectations. NEW YORK — A day after Randy Johnson gave up four home runs in one inning during a loss at Chicago, the Yankees' ace pitcher has struggled during his first season in New York.

Ex NFL player allegedly runs car into teens. LOS ANGELES — Former NFL running back Lawrence Phillips, who was wanted by police for domestic violence, was arrested Sunday after allegedly running his car into three teenagers who argued with him on a Los Angeles street, police said.

Phillips was charged with suspicion of attempted murder and domestic violence and held without bail, according to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Web site.

Phillips had been seeking the 30-year-old Phillips since he attacked his girlfriend twice, once choking her into unconsciousness.

Phillips joined a group of 16- and 17-year-olds in a pickup football game in Exposition Park on Sunday and got into an argument with several of the teens, said Los Angeles police officer Sandra Escalante. He left the park, but returned and drove a black Honda Civic pickup ball, allegedly running into three teenage boys, she said.

The teenagers were taken to a local hospital with minor, non-threatening injuries, police said.

Phillips was arrested and held on the domestic violence felony warrant. Charges are pending in the Sunday incident, she said.

Sun Diego Police had offered a \$1,000 reward for information leading to Phillips' whereabouts, and said he had indicated he wouldn't surrender peacefully.

The first domestic assault, in which police say Phillips, 27, year-old girlfriend was choked, occurred Aug. 22 in San Diego. The second assault allegedly took place 11 days later when Phillips confronted the woman at a party.

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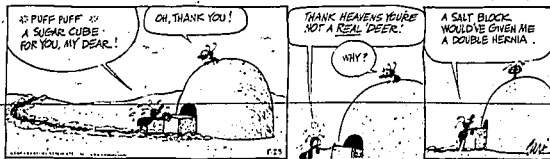
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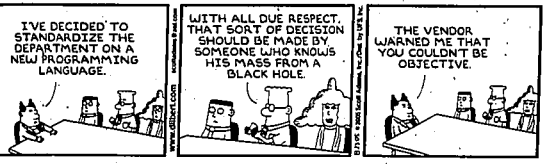
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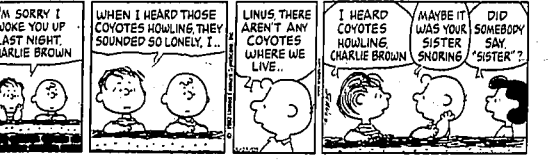
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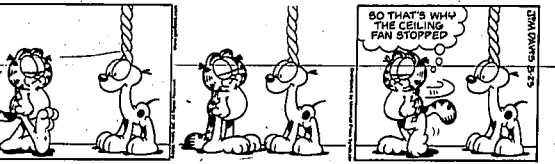
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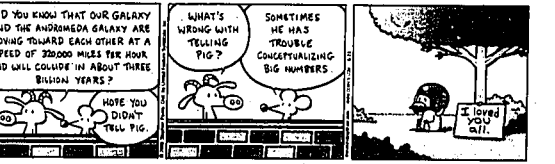
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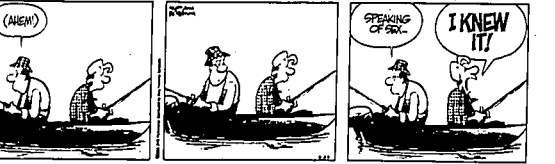
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