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Quake kills 18,000

Villages razed in Pakistan, India and Afghanistan

The Associated Press

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — A powerful earthquake triggered landslides, battered entire villages of mud-brick homes and toppled a 10-story apartment building on Saturday, killing more than 18,000 people as it devastated a mountainous swath touching Pakistan, India and Afghanistan.

The casualty toll from the 7.6-magnitude tremor rose sharply Sunday as rescuers struggled to dig people from the wreckage, then was made more difficult as rain and hail turned dirt and debris into sticky muck. Maj. Gen.

Shaikat Sultan, Pakistan's chief army spokesman, told Pakistan's Geo-TV network early Sunday that more than 18,000 had been killed — 17,000 of them in Pakistan Kashmir, where the quake was centered. Some 41,000 people were injured, he said.

For hours, aftershocks rattled an area stretching from Afghanistan across northern Pakistan into India's portion of the disputed Himalayan region of Kashmir. Hospitals moved quake victims onto lawns, fearing tremors could cause more damage.

The earthquake, which struck just before 9 a.m. Saturday, caused

buildings to sway for about a minute in the capitals of Afghanistan, Pakistan and India, an area some 625 miles across. Panicked people ran from homes and offices, and communications were cut to many areas.

Most of the devastation occurred in the mountains of northern Pakistan, where the dead included 250 girls crushed at a school and 200 soldiers on duty in the Himalayas.

The U.S. Geological Survey said the quake was centered about 60 miles northeast of the capital, Islamabad.

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Kashmiri women embrace after an earthquake in Baramulla, about 36 miles north of Srinagar, India, on Saturday.



Flight of the bluebird

Volunteers care for state bird

By Karma Metzler Fitzgerald
Times-News writer

ROBERSON — First you see a flash of blue.

Then you see them — two or three small, blue birds looping in and out of the brush-mountain bluebirds. They don't swoop like a hawk's more of a dance — an azure waltz on a sage floor.

John Meyer can spot them at a distance. He knows mountain bluebirds as well as any biologist. As the local leader of the Southern Idaho Mountain Bluebird Association, he's had a major role in taking care of Idaho's state bird.

On Oct. 1, the group was in the Monument Springs area, west of Roberson, where Meyer

checked a handful of the 123 bluebird boxes he's either built, installed or maintained.

"Is it straight? Bluebirds like a plumb box," said Meyer as he and fellow volunteer Larry Norton sink a four-foot pole two feet into the ground.

"Actually, I don't think they care, but it looks more professional," Meyer laughed.

There are dozens of routes in southern Idaho where Meyer, and a dedicated, but dwindling team of volunteers keep track of the bluebirds. They visit the lines of small wooden boxes three times a year, recording how many birds are on the nest and how many fledglings. This spring, his route produced over 300 babies.

Each route has a nickname. This is Beaver Creek. It's running a little low on numbers so Norton and Meyer are adding in a few more nests. It averages out to be one box every 200 feet. After doing this for 15 years, Meyer knows what works.

"Don't face it to the west, it's harder to get in the box," he said.

A retired engineer, Meyer boxes are perfectly marked, measured and cut.

He got involved in the program after woodpeckers started tearing into his Twin Falls home. He went to the Department of Fish and Game for help. A staff member there not only helped him fix his woodpecker problem, but also gave him information on the Mountain Bluebird Trail monitoring program. He started out with 40 or 50 boxes in the South Hills, but wasn't



Above, John Meyer marks the GPS location for a newly installed bluebird box in the South Hills. Meyer has been managing the boxes for 15 years. Top left, John Meyer cleans a bluebird box in the South Hills.



Larry Norton walks through the open sagebrush with his dog, Izzy, while setting new bluebird boxes in the South Hills. Norton has been helping with this project for the past year.

having much success attracting the birds. A bit discouraged, he got in contact with a bluebird volunteer in Boise and discovered the solution.

"He said, 'You're thinking like a human, not a bluebird,'" Meyer said. "You have to think like a bluebird and what a bluebird needs."

The bluebirds like open spaces and don't like to compete with wrens, which like brushy areas, for space. Norton is a retired mail carrier and walks with a steady, purposeful gait. Meyer, 61, can't carry the heavy

poles and posthole digger easily any more. Norton swings them over his shoulder and takes off in search of the best site for the next box.

"It takes a certain amount of intestinal perception to figure out where," Meyer said. "It's got it."

Norton, 61, is one of the younger members of the team. He is a volunteer for Fish and Game and staff members there suggested he help with the bluebird program.

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Could it happen?

U.S. officials work on plan to deal with flu pandemic

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A super-flu could kill up to 1.9 million Americans, according to a draft of the government's plan to fight a worldwide epidemic.

Officials are revising that plan to designate not just who cares for the sick but who will keep the country running and the chaos, said an influenza specialist who is advising the government on those decisions.

"How do you provide food, water ... basic security for the population?" asked Michael Osterholm of the University of Minnesota, a government adviser who has a copy of the draft plan and described it to The Associated Press.

"This is a much more comprehensive view than has previously been detailed," he said in an interview Saturday.

The Bush administration has spent the last year updating its plan for how to fight the next flu pandemic. While it is impossible to say when one will strike, the fear is that the bird flu in Asia could trigger one if it mutates to start spreading easily among people.

A recent draft of the plan, first reported Saturday by the New York Times, models what might happen based on the last century's three pandemics.

In a best-case scenario, about 200,000 people might die.

But if the next pandemic resembles the birdlike 1918 Spanish flu, as many as 1.9 million could die, Osterholm said. Millions more would be ill, overwhelming hospitals.

"You plan for the worst-case scenario," he said. "It's less than that, thank God."

The government has on hand enough of the anti-flu drug, Tamiflu, to treat 4.3 million people. Manufacturing of \$100 million worth of a bird flu vaccine just began.

The draft makes clear that tens of millions more doses of each would be needed. That is far more than the world has the capacity to manufacture quickly.

In a final draft plan, federal health officials for several weeks have been role-playing what would happen if a super-flu struck now — just next year, after more medicines and vaccines have been stockpiled.

The strategy, Osterholm said, is, "Don't emphasize what you can buy, emphasize what you can get your hands on. If it happens tonight, how do you deal with order?"



7 days, 7 reasons to read

Stretching their legs
Meet a few local people who are trying to get more active.

Cabbage Patch Kids
Woman sells doll collection to help children. Tuesday

Local wines
How they stack up against others from Idaho? Wednesday

Silver autumn
Fall fishing alive and well at Idaho's Silver Creek. Thursday

Jazzed
Five thousand people are coming to Sun Valley for jazz jamboree. Friday

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Most Christians in S. Idaho don't go to church regularly. Saturday

Harvest in mourning
When a farm family's key member dies. Sunday

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High/Low).

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, High/Low. Lists various cities and their weather conditions.

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

IDAHO'S FORECAST

Map of Idaho with weather forecasts for various regions: Sun Valley, Surrounding Mts., Boise, Northern Utah, and Mountain Home.

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Table showing moon phases for Oct 10, 17, 24, and Nov 2.

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Table showing moonrise and moonset times for Today, Monday, and Tuesday.

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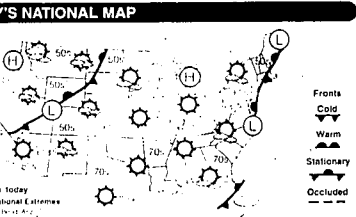
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Quake

Continued from A1. In a forested mountain of Pakistan Kashmir, and was followed by 22 after-shocks, including a 6.2 magnitude temblor.



Kashmiris wait with injured children to be airlifted to Srinagar at an army base in Ural, India, on Saturday, after a powerful earthquake shook the region.

"It is a national tragedy," Sultan said earlier. "This is the worst earthquake in recent times."

In Mansehra, a shopkeeper named Hajj Fazal Babji stood vigil over the body of his 14-year-old daughter, which lay under a sheet on a hospital mattress. He said his wife, another daughter and a brother also died when the family's house fell.

"I could see rocks and homes tumbling down the mountain," said Babji, who was directed to his village of Gantol when the quake struck. "When I reached my village, there was nothing left of my home."

The U.S. military spokesman, Lt. Col. Jerry O'Hara, said the plane was left at Bagram, the main American base in Afghanistan, but he had no reports of damage at bases around the country.

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aid squads at a camp here, Afghan and Pakistan sources told The Associated Press in 2002.

Alghamini appeared to suffer the least damage. In his case, a 14-year-old girl was crushed to death when a wall in her home collapsed, police official Galar Khan said.

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Miers' chances hinge on hearings

The Washington Post. WASHINGTON — In a closed room at the Justice Department this summer, Justice Dept. attorneys listened silently as young lawyers playing serious chess question after question at John G. Roberts Jr. at a secret practice hearing of "munder board," she watched as he tumbled off the Supreme Court cases and, as one participant put it, "athletically dodged" inquiries he did not want to answer.

Bluebird

Continued from A1. Far about a year now, he's checked boxes for volunteers that can get out to check their names anymore. "A lot more goes into it than just putting up the boxes," he said. "It's not just slapping some boards together."

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NATION

Critics question competence of Miers

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — For the first time in more than 35 years, a Supreme Court nominee's competence is about to become a central issue.

Some Republican senators, a wide array of conservatives and a handful of legal scholars have already set the stage by questioning whether Harriet Miers, President Bush's attorney and long-time confidante, has the legal background and skills to serve effectively as an associate justice.

"There are a lot more people — men, women and minorities — that are more qualified in my opinion by their experience than she is," Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., said during a television interview.

Another critic is Manuel Miranda, a conservative strategist and former aide to Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn. "She is not one of the score of brilliant and tested ... potential nominees that the president might have nominated," Miranda said.

The last Supreme Court nominee for whom qualifications became a central issue was Judge G. Tarrold Carswell, nominated in 1970 by President Richard Nixon and rejected by the Senate.

Senate critics chided Carswell's lack of any scholarly or notable experience. Sen. Ben Hanrahan of Nebraska famously defended the nominee by declaring, "Even if he were mediocre, there are a lot of mediocre judges and people and lawyers who are entitled to a little representation, aren't they ...?"

Witnesses also raised questions about the competence of Clarence Thomas when he was nominated, but the Judiciary Committee never addressed that issue.

In Miers' case, senators on the committee have already signaled they will question qualifications to replace Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

Conservatives and liberals alike, who are already opposed to Miers for various reasons, are expected to attack her suitability in three areas:

Soil failure is cited in levee breaches

Los Angeles Times

The levee breaches along two major canals that flooded New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina resulted from massive soil failures under concrete storm walls, not from hurricanes surges that sent water over the tops of the walls as many officials initially said, according to teams of investigators who have examined a m i n d evidence in the last week.

The findings appear to chip away at the simple story that the storm surge was the cause and higher than the walls were designed handle, though investigators caution that it is too early to blame design or construction.

"No question there was soil failures," said Peter G. Nicholson, a University of Hawaii engineering professor who is leading an investigation for the American Society of Civil Engineers. "But we can't speculate whether it was a construction, material or design flaw."

If soil problems are widespread New Orleans' 350 miles of protective levees, then upgrading the system to protect against hurricanes more powerful than Katrina could require major investment.

Immediately after the storm, the Army Corps of Engineers quickly concluded that a surge from Lake Pontchartrain had moved up drainage canals in the city and undermined concrete storm walls, eroding foundations and leading to the breaches.

Investigators have found no evidence of such overflow and additional scouring at the breaches in the London Avenue and 17th Street canals, two main causes of central New Orleans flooding. In fact, in one case, water marks were 2 to 3 feet below the tops of the walls.

Instead, investigators have found clear evidence that the soil structure was too weak for the pressure of the water, wind and waves.



U.S. Supreme Court nominee Harriet Miers, left, waits as President Bush talks about her nomination to replace retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor in the Oval Office at the White House on Monday in Washington.

Cronyism. Bush and Miers have been close since their days in Texas when Bush first took Miers on as legal counsel to his 1994 campaign for governor.

After the election, he made her his personal attorney and later appointed her to head the Texas Lottery Commission. And when he came to Washington, he brought Miers with him, first as deputy chief of staff for policy and later as White House counsel.

"She's in the mold of the president who nominated her," complained Mark Shuler, a senator who followed in constitutional studies at the Cato Institute, a conservative Washington think tank. "She's already told people she thinks the president is the greatest man she's ever met. This is the

biggest problem I have with her.

"It's the question of independence. Is she as a judge going to be the person who will stand up and tell the president no when he's doing something he shouldn't be doing?"

"That's an important job qualification, because the Supreme Court is supposed to be a check on Congress and the president,"

Such a close connection between a president and a nomination is rare, but not unheard of. Warren Burger was a confidante of Nixon when he was nominated, and went on to head the court that forced Nixon to hand over the tapes that led to his downfall.

President Lyndon Johnson nominated his long-time attorney and close friend Earl Warren. Lack of judicial experience.

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Poll: Bush's core supporters grow uneasy over performance

WASHINGTON (AP) — Critical elements in President Bush's political coalition have grown less enthusiastic about the job he is doing, an AP-Ipsos poll found.

"That's a troubling development for a president trying to firm up his base of support. Evangelical voters, Republican men, Southerners and Protestants have lost some intensity in their support for the president since the beginning of this year."

The White House is already struggling to keep the Republican base from eroding because of Supreme Court nominee Harriet Miers, hurricane-recovery spending projects, immigration and other issues.

"Politically, this is very serious for the president," said James Thurber, a political scientist at American University. "If the base of his party has lost faith, that could spell trouble for his policy agenda and for the party generally."

The president's overall job approval is at 39 percent — with 21 percent strongly approving. The number of people who strongly approve of Bush's job performance has eroded over the last year, most notably among key groups like evangelical voters, down from 49 percent who strongly approved in January to 33 percent now; Republican men, down from 57 percent to 42 percent; Protestants, down from 36 percent to 25 percent; and Southerners, down from 32 percent to 22 percent.

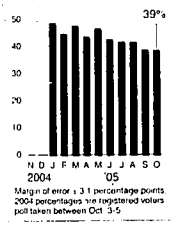
While four of five Republicans say they approve of Bush's performance, enthusiasm in that support has dipped over the last year.

In December 2004, soon after his re-election, nearly 50 percent of Republicans strongly approved of his job performance. The AP-Ipsos survey found that just half in his own party feel that way now.

"I approve of what the president is doing, but it's a mixed decision," said Richard Saullinski, a Republican from Orlando Park, Ill. "We should get out of Iraq or we're like there's no light at the end of the tunnel. I just think we're dealing with a culture we don't really understand."

Presidential approval rating

President Bush's overall job approval rating from a survey of 1,000 adults



SOURCE: Ipsos for AP

Bush's supporters are uneasy about issues such as budget deficits, immigration and his nomination of Miers for the Supreme Court. Social conservatives are concerned about his choice of Miers, a relatively unknown lawyer who has most recently served as White House counsel.

"Bush is trying to get more support generally from the American public by seeming more moderate and showing he's a strong leader at the same time he has a rebellion within his own party," Thurber said. "The far right is starting to be very open about their claim that he's not a real conservative."

Sentiment about the nation's direction has sunk to new depths at a time people are anxious about Iraq, the economy, gasoline prices and the management of billions of dollars being spent for recovery from hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Only 26 percent say the country is headed in the right direction, while two-thirds, 66 percent, say it is on the wrong track, the poll found.

The poll of 1,000 adults was conducted by Ipsos, an international polling company, from Monday to Wednesday and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Bermuda issues storm watch

MIAMI (AP) — A subtropical depression formed Saturday in the open Atlantic, prompting Bermuda to issue a tropical storm watch.

The system could strengthen into Tropical Storm Vince later in the day, according to the National Hurricane Center in Miami. Vince would be the 20th named storm in one of the busiest hurricane seasons on record.

At 3 p.m. EDT, the depression's center was about 325 miles southeast of Bermuda. It was moving west-northwest near 20 mph. The storm had top sustained winds of about 35

mph and was expected to strengthen even if it did not become a tropical storm, forecasters said.

Long-term forecasts showed the system either reaching the United States mainland in about five days, or curving farther out to sea after passing Bermuda. But hurricane specialist Jack Beven said it appears the system might not survive if it gets closer to the U.S. because of other weather in the area.

"It's really too early to say just how much of a threat this will pose to the U.S. But right now, it's not too great of a threat," he said.

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NATION

Greenspan concerned over riskier mortgages

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan is turning up the volume on his warnings about the potential perils of high-risk mortgages as the high-flying housing market loses significant altitude.

There are signs some companies are getting the message. A few have begun scaling back some types of these mortgages or making them less appealing by raising costs.

Greenspan's message is worried about homeowners who took out an interest-only mortgage or option adjustable-rate mortgages to buy property they otherwise could not afford. Borrowers and lenders holding such loans could get clattered if housing prices drop or interest rates rise.

In the event of widespread cooling in house prices, these borrowers, and the institutions that service them, could be exposed to significant losses," Greenspan said recently.

Doug Duncan, chief economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association, said it's "not only Greenspan, but it is also the market that is driving some changes." If you are going to make a loan you either have to be able to hold it in your own portfolio or you have to have someone to sell to," Duncan said. As some investors demand a higher return for the risk they are taking, some companies may boost loan costs. "If you change the pricing, there's going to be fewer borrowers for which the loan will be viable," Duncan said.

Interest-only mortgages require that the homeowner initially pay only the interest on the loan for a set period. Option ARMs gives the homeowner flexibility to decide how much to pay each month. One of the options is a minimum payment that covers only a portion of the monthly interest.

These mortgages are appealing to people who need cash for other expenses. But it also exposes them to far greater risk if housing prices drop, their loan could be worth more than their property. If interest rates rise, their loan will become expensive to pay off.

The Mortgage Bankers Association estimates that interest-only loans accounted for 17 percent of the \$1.225 trillion in home loans originated in the second half of 2004, the most recent period for which this information is available. Previously, the association did not break out these types of loans.

It does not have figures for option ARMs.

Banking regulators are monitoring the flurry of risky mortgages and plan to issue regulatory guidance to banks.

The easier availability of first mortgages has helped many marginal borrowers obtain loans and it has helped banks sustain loan volume and prof-



Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan presides over a meeting of the Board of Governors at the Federal Reserve in Washington on Thursday.

its," said John Dugan, controller of the currency.

"But looser underwriting standards and the more widespread penetration of riskier mortgage products have raised questions about how these loans will fare in the event of a rise in interest rates or a softening in house prices," Dugan said. "I thought there are signs of cooling, home sales still are on pace for a fifth straight record yearly increase, powered by low interest rates. Meanwhile, prices have skyrocketed."

The average home price soared by 13.43 percent during the 12 months ending June, the biggest gain in more than a quarter century, according to the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight.

Nevada had the biggest increase, 20.13 percent, followed by Arizona, 27.92; Hawaii, 25.92; California, 25.16; and Florida, 24.45.

Greenspan has warned homeowners, lenders and investors that they should not count on similar increases. "History has not dealt kindly with that kind of optimism," he said in August.

When the housing boom summers down, prices will not rise nearly as much and could fall in some markets, he said.

New Century Financial Corp. is reducing the number of interest-only mortgages it issues to 25 percent during the second half of this year from 33 percent in the first half. It does not offer option ARMs.

A lessened appetite for these loans among investors in the secondary mortgage market was a driving factor behind the decision. In the secondary market, loans are purchased from banks and other lenders, pooled together, then sold to investors around the world.

HBK Black's Option One Mortgage raised the rates to 5 percent on all its mortgage products, including interest-only loans, by four-tenths of a percentage point. The boost

How some nontraditional mortgages work:

The Associated Press

Interest Only: The homeowner must only pay the interest on the mortgage for a certain number of years. After that, a homeowner either has to pay the loan off completely, or begin paying on principal and interest each month. If the interest rate on the loan goes up, the monthly payment of both principal and interest may be too much for the homeowner to handle. If the value of the house falls, the homeowner may be stuck owing more on the loan than the house is worth.

Generally speaking, interest-only home loans are suited for borrowers who expect their incomes to rise quickly in the future.

Option Adjustable-rate mortgage:

A homeowner can decide how much to pay from month to month. One of the options can be a minimum payment that does not cover the full amount of interest that is due that month. The unpaid interest is added to the loan balance. If too much interest is deferred, it could be overwhelming because the borrower will be paying interest on a higher loan amount. If house prices fall, the homeowner could end up owing more than the value of the house.

Option arms can make sense for sophisticated borrowers who are financially sound but have incomes from month to month, such as people who rely on commissions or bonuses.

was needed in part because profit margins had gotten extremely tight, spokesman David Gamasegar said.

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Man found guilty in cat's death

The Washington Post

Luke was a rotund, sweater-wearing 14-year-old cat and — depending on who was describing him Friday in a Loudoun County, Va., courtroom — was either vicious or gentle. But both sides agreed that last Oct. 15, a series of events involving a trash can, a sandwich and a mace (with Peter), Landrith's foot led to the marmalade tabby's demise.

Landrith said it was self-defense. A prosecutor called it a premeditated slaying.

In the end, the judge found Landrith, 39, guilty of felony animal cruelty, saying that no matter what happened that fateful day, Landrith went too far. Now Landrith faces up to five years in prison.

Luke's death occurred while he was staying at Alyn Cornell's Leesburg, Va., townhouse, which she shared with four of her own cats, one of her sons and Landrith, her boyfriend. Luke belonged to her other son, who was away on his honeymoon.

During a three-hour trial in Loudoun Circuit Court, Cornell testified that she made Landrith a braun-schweiz sandwich for lunch that day. She left for a meeting at 3:45 p.m., leaving Landrith home alone with the cats — animals that Landrith disliked, said her son, Chad Cornell, 31.

Chad Cornell said he arrived about 4:30 p.m. to hear "piercing screams" coming from the basement storage room. There, he said, he found the 6-foot-3 Landrith pumping his foot into a trash can in the center of the room. A pair of latex gloves hung from Landrith's blue-jeans pocket, Chad Cornell said. The trash can, he said, usually sat in the corner.

When he pulled Landrith's leg out of the trash can, he saw Luke lying on the bottom, his hind legs bloody, his chest heaving. Beneath the cat was a plastic garbage bag — the kind usually stored upstairs, Chad Cornell said.

"I knew he was in trouble," Chad Cornell said of the cat, which had been declawed. Landrith, he said, offered no emotion, only an explanation. "He said that Luke tried to eat his sandwich and when he slobbered Luke away, Luke bit him," Chad Cornell said, adding that he saw no sandwich in the storage room. Alyn Cornell said that Landrith's sandwich was still on the kitchen table when she came, from 15 minutes later.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Gigi Lawless argued that the gloves, the moved trash can and the garbage bag added up to one thing: a "carefully planned-out" slaying.

In testimony, Landrith told differently. He said he warned the Cornell family that Luke — who previously bit two people, witnesses agreed — was dangerous.

He said he went to the storage room that day to look through boxes for computer equipment. He said he carried a sandwich — "it happened to be a tuna fish sandwich," defense attorney Clinton L. Pease Jr. who performed an autopsy, testified that blood filled the cat's abdomen. The cause of death: trauma.

Luke's owner, Brent Cornell, 25, acknowledged in court that the cat had bitten before. But he said the 14-pound cat was a passive animal who happily wore sweaters and Christmas hats. By last October, he said, Luke had become so arthritic that he grimaced as he descended stairs. "It would sort of melt in your arms," Brent Cornell said.

As he questioned attorneys, judge J. Howe Brown Jr. noted that Virginia case law on killing animals in self-defense is thin. Anderson tried to refer to the 1943 case of a Virginia farmer who fatally shot dogs that attacked his chickens, in which the court determined the farmer was right to protect his property.

Bus company involved in fire ordered off road

DALLAS (AP) — Federal officials on Friday ordered the immediate shutdown of a company that operated a bus involved in a fire last month that killed 23 elderly hurricane evacuees along a Texas highway.

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration said it ordered Global Limo Inc. off the road because the conditions of its vehicles and drivers "are likely to result in serious injury or death."

Global operated the bus that

caught fire near Dallas on Sept. 23 about 16 hours after leaving Houston with residents of a nursing home who were fleeing Hurricane Rita.

Some passengers and the driver escaped, but flames, fed by 10 oxygen tanks that also caused explosions, trapped many inside.

From the beginning, investigators have focused on the condition of the bus brakes. A motorist told investigators he admonished the driver to pull over shortly after seeing a red glow

in the right rear wheel hub. The Texas Department of Public Safety said this week that the bus' right rear brakes failed because of the loss of bearings, and that the left rear brakes were "not maintained in good working order."

James H. Maples, the operator of the company, declined to comment late Friday on the shutdown order. Earlier in the day, he said the company was still driving people to Dallas Cowboys and New Orleans Saints football games.

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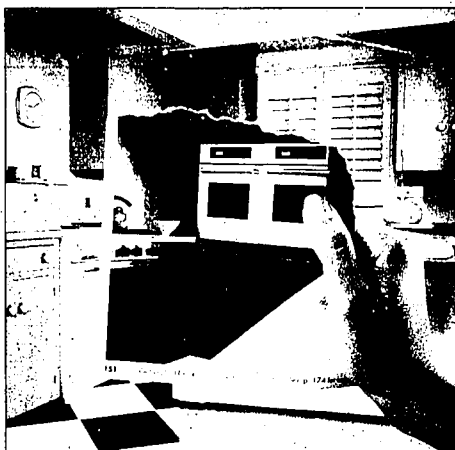
New Orleans considers gambling to aid finances

Los Angeles Times

NEW ORLEANS Discouraged by the city's prospects for a rapid financial recovery after Hurricane Katrina, Mayor C. Ray Nagin proposed Friday to allow large hotels in its central city district to convert into Las Vegas-style gambling casinos.

Nagin said the move would help pumps start the beleaguered local economy and would generate an estimated \$150 million in extra revenues, which the city and the state would split evenly.

In time to enact the proposal, Nagin argued, would mean the city will "lump" toward recovery for the next three to five years. The mayor's proposal follows his decision to lay off 1,800 city employees earlier this week.



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Largest U.S. auto supplier files for bankruptcy

DETROIT (AP) — Delphi Corp., the nation's largest auto supplier, filed for bankruptcy Saturday, sending shock waves through a U.S. auto industry already weakened by high labor costs and falling market share.

Delphi's bankruptcy, which is expected to result in plant closures and layoffs, is one of the largest in U.S. history. The company has 50,000 U.S. employees.

The company filed to reorganize its U.S. operations in federal bankruptcy court in New

York, where a judge Saturday allowed Delphi to continue operating and set more comprehensive hearings for Tuesday.

Delphi's non-U.S. operations were not included in the filing.

Delphi Chairman and CEO Robert S. Miller said the company hopes to emerge from Chapter 11 in early to mid-2007.

"We will make every effort to make this as quick as possible," Miller told The Associated Press on Saturday.

Miller said Delphi will continue

to pay its employees and suppliers and will ship its products on schedule, although the company's former parent, General Motors Corp., said the filing could cause supply problems.

"We are not going to adversely affect our customers," Miller said. "Our people will get their paychecks and will still have their health benefits. Retirees will continue to get their checks. Any changes to that will be dealt with in an orderly way."

Miller, a restructuring expert

who was hired in July, had threatened to take the company into bankruptcy if he failed to reach a restructuring agreement with GM and its largest union, the United Auto Workers. Miller set a deadline of Oct. 17, when U.S. bankruptcy laws are scheduled to change.

Miller said Delphi will continue negotiating with GM and the UAW to lower its labor costs, wages, for many Delphi workers are set by the company's spinoff agreement with GM.

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Defense attorney Richard Thompson enters federal court Wednesday in Harrisburg, Pa. The clash over whether 'intelligent design' should be mentioned alongside evolution is being heard in federal court.

Schools wonder how trial will affect them

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — As a federal judge hears arguments over whether a Pennsylvania school district can include "intelligent design" in its biology curriculum, Dan Barbour fears the New Mexico high school where he works could face a similar showdown.

The school board in Rio Rancho, N.M., voted in August to allow the discussion of alternative theories to evolution in high school science class. Critics say that could mean intelligent design, and some faculty are averse to teaching a concept whose scientific validity has been questioned, said Barbour, the school's science and math director.

"The thing that makes me nervous is that in the classroom a teacher is to be unbiased, but students are allowed to express their opinions. Can a teacher remain unbiased? Can we keep it from becoming a preaching session?" he said.

Science educators around the nation are closely monitoring the trial, which involves eight Pennsylvania families who have sued to have intelligent design removed from the Dover Area School District's biology curriculum. They allege that it is essentially a religious concept akin to creationism and teaching it violates the constitutional separation of church and state.

"If the door is open for non-scientific viewpoints to be addressed... I would imagine it would make some (teachers) rethink their profession," said Cindy Workowski, spokeswoman for the National Science Teachers Association in Arlington, Va.

Intelligent design supporters argue that life on Earth was the product of an unidentified intelligent force, and that natural selection cannot explain the origin of life or the emergence of highly complex life forms.

The school board policy in Dover requires students to hear a statement about intelligent design before classes on evolution. The statement says Charles Darwin's theory is "not a fact" and has inexplicable gaps. The board's lawyers contend that the reading of the statement does not constitute teaching.

"Everything I do in my classroom is teaching," Dover biology teacher Jennifer Miller said when she recently testified in the ongoing federal lawsuit. She has refused to read it.

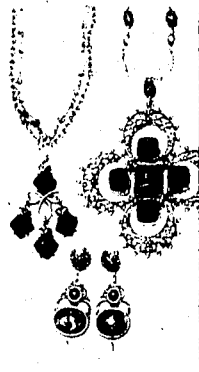
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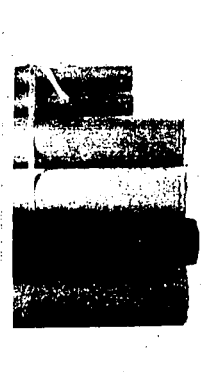
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EDITORIAL

Evolution 'theory' should stay that way in schools

Idaho's Department of Education and State Board of Education are on the road to nowhere if they want to reshape biology curriculum standards based on a case weighing intelligent design in the classroom.

This century's version of the Scopes Monkey Trial is underway in a Lonsburg, Pa., courtroom. The Dover Area School District is defending a new policy informing students about basic principles and alternative life science textbooks explaining intelligent design.

Intelligent design is an evolutionary offspring of creationism. It teaches that life sciences cannot be fully explained by the principles of natural selection. Those complexities, ID supporters say, should include alternative explanations that point to an almighty presence, an intelligent designer, who is intertwined with the growth of plant, animal and human life.

To critics of the movement, that kind of talk is just creationism in nicer robes. They also argue it is illegal since the Supreme Court banned creationism in public schools in 1987.

If the Pennsylvania district's policy is upheld, some advocates — including some here in Idaho — may push further so that intelligent design is taught in public classrooms.

If enlightened minds are the goal of a public education, this entire discourse just might be a grand experiment worth having. When ideas and theories begin to germinate, they fuel a lifelong pursuit for knowledge — of spirit and mind.

The problem of mixing intelligent design with the textbook, however, goes beyond a question of balance.

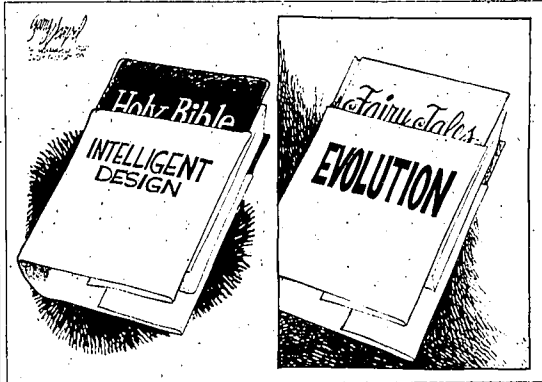
By the time students begin life sciences and biology classes in 9th or 10th grade, many of them have been to Sunday school and listened to the story of the Genesis. And as most teachers suspect, the majority of those kids have their minds made up one way or another on whether we come from a monkey's uncle or the breath of life.

Supporters of intelligent design mean well. But they should honestly ask whether they really want a biology teacher to be the one explaining Adam's rib. The real problem with evolution isn't a mission responsibility from the side of creationism and religion. The actual trap is when defenders of evolution turn Darwin's theory into something of a religion unto itself.

When that happens, the powers of science — not religion — become the entrenched mindset precluding the search for additional truth. The challenge of more enlightenment is frozen under a feeble explanation that says, "This is what scientific data prove." Idaho's biology curriculum standard may not be perfectly balanced, but it wisely dances on the head of a pin by requiring schools to teach "the theory of biological evolution." The operative word being theory.

Webster defines theory as "a formulation of apparent relationships or underlying principles of certain observed phenomena which has been verified to some degree" (emphasis ours).

Under those terms, there's nothing in your kid's evolution textbook that's rock solid. But if the defenders of Darwinism remain clinging to the theory with absolute fervor, the battle will roll on. Don't expect intelligent design proponents to give up so easily.



T.F. asks too much of teachers

Teachers are fair-minded and reasonable people. These things are inherent in us. To work successfully with students, we must be so. These characteristics come out in the professional dealings we undertake. So when we go the bargaining table to negotiate a contract, we take the approach that we deserve a fair settlement within reasonable limits.

We know the Idaho Legislature has repeatedly underfunded our school district in recent years. We know the school district's financial resources are limited. We know the school board finds it difficult to stretch its money to cover all of the district's needs from the federally-mandated but inadequately funded No Child Left Behind Act and transportation costs to cleaning supplies and playground equipment.

We know there are more than 400 employees in the Twin Falls School District who all deserve salary increases. Like the school board, we know that a dollar does not go as far as it used to.

At the bargaining table this year, the school board has asked us to take cuts in both salary and insurance benefits. By freezing our salaries, we are taking on the increased costs of the insurance package will eat into our wages. Raising the deductible for our health insurance policy to help control premiums would cost each of us at least \$200 up front.

Using the school board's own budget figures, we have researched and proposed a fair and reasonable settlement for both the teachers and the district.

Understandably, the school board wants to maintain a

READER COMMENT
Kathy Uhrig

emergency savings account for unexpected costs. For Twin Falls teachers, the emergency has arrived. Here are a few of their stories:

A teacher in a prominent neighborhood school has taken to selling phone contracts as a second job. Another works in a local bookstore. A single teacher raising children of her own has qualified for the CHIPs and Medicaid programs to meet the needs of her family. Many teachers have no insurance coverage for their own children because they simply cannot afford any. Another teacher is selling her home of many years to make ends meet.

We believe it is an emergency situation when professional educators have to stoop to these methods just to support their families. We are not asking the school board to spend their entire savings account. That would be unreasonable. Neither do we expect

well-educated professional educators to accept less than adequate salary just to keep the district's fund balance high. That would not be fair or reasonable.

Instead, we are asking the school board to:

- Provide a salary increase that demonstrates they are willing to stand behind their words, "We care."
- Return to the bargaining table immediately without further attempts to disclose confidential negotiation procedures through the media.
- Start working with us to rebuild the trust between the school board, administration

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We are committed to educating the children of this community. To this end, we are determined to reach a fair and reasonable contract with the school district as soon as possible. By doing so, the district will be taking care of the short-term issue, the long-term problem, inadequate funding for our state's schools, can be solved with teachers, school board members, parents, the public and policy makers all working together. After all, that is the most fair and reasonable thing to do for our students.

Kathy Uhrig is the president of the Twin Falls Education Association and an instructor at Robert Stuart Junior High School.

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Merger would beef up St. Luke's monopoly

Five years ago, there were four hospitals in Blaine County and Twin Falls. Three of which were public hospitals that were owned by Blaine County, the city of San Valley and Twin Falls County. These public-owned hospitals had significant public oversight and control over hospital pricing, quality, access and service issues. This proposed Twin Falls merger will result in St. Luke's having a potential monopoly market position with regard to hospital pricing, quality, access and service decisions with minimal public oversight.

St. Luke's officials told the Blaine County commissioners

last week that owning 100 percent of the hospital beds in Blaine County and Twin Falls is not a health care monopoly and that they had a letter from an attorney to prove it. If owning 100 percent of the hospital beds in Twin Falls and Blaine County is not a monopoly, what is?

Would grocery prices go up or down if Albertsons owned 100 percent of the grocery stores in Twin Falls and Blaine County? St. Luke's is a tax-exempt, not-for-profit hospital, but it is surely not monopoly exempt. St. Luke's should immediately ask the attorney general to start the Certificate of Public Advantage process.

AL STEVENSON
Sun Valley

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Sacrifice evoked 'In God We Trust'

Reply to Jessica Guerra: In light of history when a great event transpires, those who lived through it have desires to erect a monument or leave remembrance for future generations so they will not have to pay the same price over and over again.

For example: Three and a half years during the Civil War, things went entirely wrong for President Lincoln. 600,000 people were to die for a noble cause, and almost all of it went for naught. Lincoln had to be re-elected to finish the war. Democrat George McClellan ran on a platform of sue for peace and split the union. Then slavery would have continued. So miraculously was Lincoln's re-election that he could not explain it — except it was the hand of God. So he directed that "In God We Trust" be put on our coins — a remembrance so we would not forget.

Jessica, if you could only know the hardships and trials my great-grandfather paid during that conflict to preserve our union, maybe you could be more tolerant to those of us who love God — who thrill every time we pick up a U.S. coin and read "In God We Trust."

TOM PETERS
Jerome

Will Rogers' logic can help us now

Those who remember Will Rogers know him as a cowboy, humorist, movie actor and

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columnist who poked fun at the Congress for budgetaries. He died in a plane crash with pilot Sles (Bill) at Baytown, Alaska. He manifested with an ordinary working man struggling to raise a family and make ends meet had the common sense to run the government better.

To save billions, here are some ideas:

1. Don't rebuild the parts of New Orleans below sea level. Disaster could happen again and, even if not, there is no place for rain water to go.
2. Quit looting most of the bill for the United Nations. We get only one vote.
3. Cut the space program except for national defense and communications. If God had put people on the planets, He would have told us.
4. There is lots of oil in Iraq. Use it to support the war.
5. Build more nuclear plants. France has a number of them. Lower the speed limit; save gas and roll-over deaths.
7. Mexico has plenty of oil. Make better trade offers. Work in the oil fields would encourage Mexicans to stay in Mexico.
8. We should quit trying to police the world.
9. Phone companies could save money by getting together and printing a common phone book. I see the books as I have reference numbers written on the covers and elsewhere. I store them on the top of the refrigerator, but it is getting too heavy.

This morning, I stepped outside to pick up *The Times-News* and stumbled over — guess

what? Another new phone book? A LARRY JOHNSON
Twin Falls

Teacher displays wrong attitude for new year

I read with interest the *Tribune* article of Sept. 25. Many of the folks had interesting remarks; however, I took issue with one of your respondents, Matt Larson, a fourth grade teacher at Velje Pine Intermediate School.

Mr. Larson told your correspondent that he "dreaded" connecting papers. He also said that the didn't care for the routine of getting up early and going to bed early. Well, Mr. Larson, perhaps you should seek a job that allows you to work afternoons or evenings.

I taught school and worked as a counselor for 22 years. I always looked forward to starting back to school in the fall. The "tomorrow" Mr. Larson dislikes are things that add structure to our lives and make the world meaningful for ourselves and our children.

Mr. Larson should take a page out Lyette Reeves' book, *First, Love* (Lutes teaching her first-grade students. She appears to understand what needs to be done to assure that these children have a good experience. I doubt that Mr. Larson's class will have a similar experience, and that's a shame.

I'm truly glad that I didn't have a child in his classroom due to his negative attitude.
DIANNE SOMSEN
Rupert

LETTERS

Board ignores the key questions from teachers

I am an elementary teacher in Twin Falls. As an attendee at the last three school board meetings, I am saddened at the way the teachers have been treated.

The school board makes decisions about educators' jobs. It is not the board's responsibility to listen to our concerns in a respectful manner. One board member said she would allow a representative from our group to speak but only if we had something "new" to say. At the last three board meetings, a spokesperson for the teachers has presented the school board with questions and information regarding negotiations. In fact, his questions have been very specific regarding budget and lack of reading and current science textbooks.

The district is mandating the Open Court Reading program yet the second- and third-grade teachers at my school have yet to receive all their materials. The district said they were ordered to buy a "sample" book; however, when I looked at the invoice last week, the materials were not ordered within 16 days after school started. This can stress the budget. I don't see a program when their teachers don't have the necessary materials to effectively teach.

There was a time when our school board was actively involved in our district. It was common to see a board member at a faculty meeting. If they were actively involved, they would be surprised to see so many disappointed teachers attending board meetings.

Negotiations are between the school board and the association, not the fact that the board did not attend a negotiations meeting or even a bargaining training. If they would have, they would see that the issue is not just about the budget. They would be aware of contract language that has yet to be discussed.

The Twin Falls School District has a mission statement. It includes that all teachers have embraced. It states, "Our mission is to provide a quality education necessary for students to be successful in life." However, it does not state that we provide a quality education for our students when the teachers' working conditions and financial needs are not being met.
TWIN FALLS

Fillmore post office should remedy concerns

A simple trip to the Fillmore post office can be dangerous! Two years ago, I mentioned to a clerk there was a dangerous situation in front of the building. After he waited on me, he came from behind the counter and followed me outside, where I pointed to a jagged piece of metal just above the entrance of the concrete island in front of the "drop" mail boxes.

The sign had been knocked down and never replaced. The metal shards are now covered with black tire marks whereby people have had their vehicle end alignment at their wheels knocked out of alignment and/or a tire punctured or a flat tire. An expensive trip to the post office!

Furthermore, the jagged strip can slice the ankle of a child or an adult. Expedite a trip to the hospital emergency ward.

Bottom winter snow, they should cover up the island before someone puts their face in their steering wheel. Also, the sign should be replaced, the island painted and possibly shortened.

Several months ago, I was at the end of a long line. The clerks were weighing many packages for business customers. The long line was not moving and a girl in front of me using a cane left the line and went out without being close to being waited on!

When both clerks get real busy and the line gets long, they should be able to ring a buzzer or get a third clerk to help out.

The clerks at the post office are very congenial and helpful. I hope that someone in charge eliminates and takes care of the hazards out without being close to being waited on!
DON EDISON
Twin Falls

OPINION



'Compassionate conservatism' just a ruse

George W. Bush's use of the White House podium to promote a conservative conversion is a ruse. It is a ruse to leave a hole in the fabric of conservatism. By the definition of that his president's role is to judge the nation's future. It is his responsibility to test the waters of the country's future and to see if it comes of the strands of terrorism and its war in the subtropical. In his time, no man, no ordinary man, for all its administration, calculation, and strategy, the ultimate results could not be more good than bad. For our passionate conservatism, it is not about foreign policy. It is supposed to be a step up from the government's agenda.



R. BUSH

As a political pundit, I am used to create a platform in Republican majority by using the millions of dollars that our conservatives had spent, and that Bush himself was a member of moderate — all the while without lightening the conservative Republican base. As a governing philosophy, it is argued that Bush could put the goals of modern liberalism helping the poor and promoting social justice without forsaking the values of modern conservatism — higher individual responsibility and disciplined government.

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Robot racers

Vehicles finish desert course



Stanford Racing Team's leaders Sebastian Thrun, left, and Mike Montemero celebrate as their unmanned vehicle is the first vehicle to cross the finish line on Saturday.

PRIMM, Nev., AP — Three robotic vehicles finished a Pentagon-sponsored race across the Mojave desert Saturday and achieved a technological milestone by conquering steep drop-offs, obstacles and turn-of-mind as they raced a rugged 142-mile course without a single human command.

The vehicles, guided by sophisticated software, gave scientists hope that robots could one day wage battles without endangering soldiers.

The impossible has been achieved, said Stanford University's Sebastian Thrun, after the university's customized Volkswagen crossed first. Students cheered hoisting Thrun atop their shoulders.

Also finishing was a converted Ford Hummer named Highlander and a Humvee named Sandstorm from Carnegie Mellon University.

The Standard robot overtook the top-seeded Highlander at the 102-mile mark.

"On top of the world," said Carnegie Mellon robotics professor William "Red" Whittaker, who said a mechanical glitch allowed Stanley to pass Highlander.

The Pentagon's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, or DARPA, plans to award \$2 million to the fastest vehicle to cover the race in less than 16 hours. The taxpayer-funded race was intended to

spur development of robots that could be used on the battlefield without remote controls.

The race announcer did not immediately declare a winner because 22 of the 23 robots left the starting line at staggered times at dawn, racing against the clock rather than each other. Stanley finished in less than 7.5 hours, and two robots were still on the course late Saturday afternoon.

The so-called Grand Challenge race is part of the Pentagon's effort to cut the risk of casualties by fulfilling a congressional mandate to have a third of all military ground vehicles unmanned by 2015.

Last year's much-hyped inaugural robot race ended without a winner when all the self-navigating vehicles broke down shortly after leaving the starting gate. Carnegie Mellon's Sandstorm crossed the finish line at 7.5 hours.

Of the 23 robots that competed Saturday, 11 vehicles failed to navigate the entire 142-mile course, but most still managed to beat Sandstorm's mileage last year.

The unmanned vehicles must use their computer brains and sensing devices to follow a programmed route and avoid hitting obstacles, that may doom their chances.

Vehicles have to drive on rough, winding desert roads, and dry lake beds filled with overhanging brush and man-made obstacles. The machines also must traverse a narrow 1.3-mile mountain pass with a steep drop-off and go through three tunnels designed to knock out their GPS signals.

This year's field was more competitive. Even before Saturday's race, many teams tested their vehicles in parts of the Southwest desert under race-like conditions including some that practiced on last year's course from Barstow, Calif., to Primm.

The vehicles were equipped with the latest sensors, lasers, cameras and radar that feed information to several onboard computers. The sophisticated electronics helped vehicles make intelligent decisions such as distinguishing a dangerous Boulder from a nimbly leaved and calculating whether a chasm is too deep to

cross.

Yes, bill stalled last year and again in the spring in the Assembly, but it passed easily this time. Yes said in an interview that many legislators were ready to sign on the heels of the video game industry's worst public relations gaffe: Hidden sex scenes were uncovered this summer in Grand Theft Auto, San Andreas, causing the game's maker to pull the game from stores.

Until now, California stores have had only a voluntary obligation to restrict the sale of games rated for adults, and kids can walk into some stores and buy whatever they want.

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California latest to target video games

Knight Ridder News Service

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NATION

It's user beware for prescription drugs

The Baltimore Sun

WASHINGTON — Even as hundreds of lawsuits over Vioxx focus attention on the integrity of drug manufacturers, former regulators say the public should look more closely at another issue: how medications reach the market.

Doctors and patients, the experts say, should recognize that approval by the Food and Drug Administration doesn't mean anyone should take a drug without concern about the possible effects.

Prescription drugs aren't pieces of candy," said William W. Vavra, who was associate chief counsel for drugs at the FDA from 1974-79. He is a Washington lawyer who represents pharmaceutical companies.

The FDA must certify a drug is "safe and effective" before it can be sold in the United States. The experts note that the designation is relative. It means only that the agency figures the drug's benefits outweigh its risks in treating the specific ailment for which it's been approved. It doesn't mean the drug is risk-free.

In fact, Vavra said, the FDA and key members of Congress in the 1970s discussed replacing the term safe with the more equivocal certification that a drug's benefits outweighed its risks. But he said lawmakers viewed the notion as too confusing and politically charged to pursue.

Taking prescription drugs is riskier when they first hit the market, experts say, because clinical testing is limited.

Before approval, pharmaceutical makers usually test a drug on a few thousand people for a year or less. The experts say that's not a big enough sample or enough time to detect rare but serious adverse effects.

Serious problems frequently don't appear until a drug is used by hundreds of thousands — or even millions — of customers.

That's why many people, myself included, try to be prudent about using a product when it's first approved," said Stephen A. Goldstein, an independent consultant who from 1995 to 1999 was medical director of the FDA's MedWatch program, which collects reports of serious adverse events.

The pharmaceutical industry, along with the regulators who approve drugs for sale, has been under fire over deaths linked to painkillers including Vioxx, as well as to antidepressants prescribed to children that actually might induce suicidal thoughts and behavior.

A jury in Texas recently awarded \$23 million to the widow of a Vioxx user, who died in 2001 after taking the painkiller for eight months. A jury in New Jersey is hearing another liability trial involving a patient who survived a heart attack four years ago, shortly after he began taking the drug.

Congress has held well-publicized hearings on these issues and is considering reforms. And the FDA has tried to increase public awareness of the risks associated with drugs, especially newly approved drugs.

Yet many patients still don't appreciate the risks, experts say.

Dean borrows from Bush to help rebuild party

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Howard Dean is no longer screaming. He's scheming.

The failed presidential candidate whose howling adieu to the Iowa caucus helped seal his fate as a presidential candidate is plotting to overhaul the Democratic Party.

Borrowing ideas from President Bush's re-election campaign, Madison Avenue and his own Internet-driven White House bid, the Democratic chairman hopes to drag the party into the 21st century.

"What I'm trying to do is impose a system and run this place like a business," Dean said during an expansive interview in his office overlooking the Capitol.

That vision would be welcome news to party strategists who have complained that the DNC and its chairman of nine months lag behind Republicans in the political arts of messaging, targeting and organizing.

Some Democrats look back at Dean's rise-and-fall presidential campaign and wonder whether he has the management skills to carry out his plans or the ability to raise the money needed to pay for them.

Among Dean's goals are:

- Making Democrats "the party of values, community and reform. Armed with extensive DNC polling, Dean is combining with party leaders in Congress, mayors and governors to recast the public image of Democrats with a unified message.

- Improving the party's "micro-targeting" the tactic of gathering political information about voters with their consumer habits to figure out how to appeal to them.

- Building a 50-state grassroots organization, using the same Internet and community-building tools that took Dean's presidential bid from obscurity to the front of the pack before Iowa.

This is where Dean and Bush have something in common. Both their campaigns benefited from networks of supporters promoting their candidates person to person — friends, family and associates, many to vote.

Bush plugged into existing organizations such as churches and hunting clubs. Dean nurtured his "word-of-mouth networks through the Internet."

"I tapped into a craving for

Analysis

community in a society where we're becoming increasingly isolated from ourselves," he said.

Message

The DNC is getting outside help from private-sector consultants who specialize in creating and strengthening corporate images — or "brands."

"The last time this party was branded was Lyndon Johnson," Dean said. "We'd been in power so long that we didn't think we needed to do it."

The lack of a message or brand makes it difficult for Democrats to capitalize on Bush's political slump and a series of GOP scandals. While the party is unified in accusing Republicans of creating a "culture of corruption," Democrats still need to give voters a compelling alternative to GOP rule.

A March 23, 2005, memo by DNC pollster Cornell Belcher that most voters view politics through a values-laden prism rather than through the economic framing traditionally used by Democrats.

On a list of issue choices, "moral values" ranked in the middle of the pack and well ahead of abortion and gay rights. That suggested to Belcher that moral values has a broader meaning for voters than do social wedge issues.

"When voters think about moral values, they may in large part be thinking about the strength, leadership and moral fortitude of the candidates — rather than the candidates' positions on specific social wedge issues," Belcher wrote.

Dean's take on the polling is that Democrats must recast the values-and-morals debate. "It's morally wrong that so many children live in poverty. It's morally wrong that we have so many working poor people who can't pull themselves out of it," he said.

He also believes that voters are more interested in a candidate's intangible leadership qualities than his positions on lists of issues.

"We have to appeal to people's hearts and not just their heads," he said.

A Sept. 26 memo by Belcher found that people are placing a greater emphasis on community and sacrifice for the greater good. Dean tries to appeal to this sense of higher purpose when he says, "We can do better."

Micro-targeting

Bush's campaign revolutionized the use of micro-targeting

to find potential GOP voters and tailor messages to their tastes.

Republicans also used niche media — including cable television, radio, the Internet and even internal video feeds at gyms — to push their message in 2004. In an era of iPods, text-messaging and blogs, Dean said new media will grow in influence as the power of traditional network TV advertising wanes.

Can the DNC catch up to Republicans by next year's elections? Or even the 2008 presidential race?

"No," Dean said, "but we can close the gap."

For this, too, Dean is getting help from the private sector.

The Bush campaign worked with consumer data-mining companies to place every battleground state voter into one of 20 to 30 "clusters" of like-minded people. The DNC's current system has eight to 16 clusters.

If the DNC can afford it, Dean's advisers hope to have 40 clusters in time for the next presidential race.

This personalization of politics happens to pre-TV days when ward bosses and precinct captains, acting largely on instinct, tailored campaign messages to their friends and neighbors.

Organizing

Dean is putting four or five DNC staff members in every state with orders to organize every precinct. One of the organizers' first mandates is to conduct four major events a year, one or two of which are mainly social.

Dean learned from his own campaign that it is critical to form relationships that turn into small communities and build into networks of people who are part of a bottom-up operation with a purpose larger than themselves.

It's a long-term investment that runs counter to the political culture in Washington that, in the last years of the 20th century, has valued multimillion-dollar TV buys over grass-roots organizing.

"You've got to recruit people. You've got to ask them to do something," Dean said. "You have to treat them like a community."

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NATION/WORLD

Iraq announces curfew, security measures

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq announced a curfew, weapons ban, border closings and other security measures Saturday to clamp down ahead of next weekend's key constitutional referendum and prevent insurgent attacks. Sunni Arabs geared up their campaign to defeat the measure at the polls.

Two U.S. soldiers were killed in fighting in western Iraq, bringing to eight the number of American casualties in a series of offensives the military has launched to put down militants before the Oct. 15 vote.

In Baghdad, a suicide attacker detonated a car full of explosives at two police vehicles forming a checkpoint, killing at least five policemen and wounding 20 people, including six civilians.

It was the start of attacks Iraq security forces are using to avert with a ban on using vehicles on voting day — a step taken during parliamentary elections in January. Sunni insurgents have vowed to wreck the referendum with a wave of attacks.

"We will protect those who say yes and those who say no," Interior Minister Bayan Jabr told reporters in Baghdad. "We have



An Iraqi Army commander talks to city residents outside a shop and hands out fliers urging residents to provide tips on insurgents during his first tour of Haditha in western Iraq on Saturday.

Friday evening, police will bar travel between provinces. International borders, airports and ports also will be closed, but Jabr did not say when that step would begin.

The acknowledged problems with security in Iraq's western province of Anbar, the heartland of the insurgency. In the provincial capital of Ramadi, only

1,000 of the city's 6,500-member police force were willing to come to work, Jabr said. He said help from powerful local tribes was needed to protect polling stations and the Iraqi military would have to be divided for security.

The referendum has inspired Iraqis, with leaders of the Shiite Muslim majority and Kurds supporting the constitution and Sunni Arabs opposing it, saying it will fragment Iraq. Sunnis can defeat the charter if they garner a two-thirds "no" vote in any three of Iraq's 18 provinces.

A delegation from the Arab League arrived Saturday in Iraq to lay the groundwork for an Iraqi "reconciliation conference" it hopes to hold after the vote. It was the first time the pan-Arab organization has tried to take a direct role in Iraq since the 2003 U.S.-led invasion.

"The situation is so tense there is a threat looming in the air about civil war that could erupt at any moment, although some people would say that it is already there," Arab League Secretary-General Amr Moussa warned in an interview with British Broadcasting Corp. radio on Saturday.

Officials arrest man whose Web site depicts war dead

Knight Ridder News Service

ORLANDO, Fla. — Authorities have arrested a Lakeland, Fla., man on obscenity charges after investigating his graphic Web site, which has gained international attention for allowing U.S. soldiers to post pictures of war dead on the Internet.

The charges against Christopher Michael Wilson, a former police officer, are likely to reignite the debate about obscenity material in the Internet age.

It also raises questions about whether the federal government played a part in motivating the prosecution.

U.S. military death toll in Afghanistan hits 200

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — An American soldier who stepped on a land mine became the 200th U.S. military member to be killed in and around Afghanistan since the Taliban was ousted four years ago, officials reported Saturday.

This year has been the deadliest yet for the 21,000-strong U.S.-led coalition forces, with 114 soldiers killed. The toll comes amid an increase in insurgent violence that has left more than 1,300 people dead since March.

Wilson, all involve sexual content posted on his Web site — and not graphic war-scene images posted by soldiers.

"It is the most horrific, vile, perverted sexual conduct," Judd said. "It is as vile as perverted, as non-normal sexual conduct, which rises to the level of obscenity as we've ever investigated."

Judd, however, said he could not describe the sex acts because the words "would put me in the same arena as the subject." He added, "His really can't be printed in the newspaper."

U.S. Army officials said they could not confirm whether photographs on Wilson's Web site, presumably showing Iraq and Afghan war dead, were actually posted by U.S. soldiers.

The latest American death came Friday while U.S. troops patrolled in a part of Helmand province that has been wracked by violence by Taliban-led forces, a military statement said.

A spokeswoman, Sgt. Marina Evans, said it was not immediately clear whether the mine had been recently laid — and was meant as an attack on the patrol — or whether it was one of thousands around the country left from a quarter-century of war.

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WORLD

Guatemala's death toll surges past 600

SANTIAGO ATITLAN, Guatemala (AP) — Dozens of Mayan Indians used hand tools to dig through hardening mud on Saturday, searching for bodies under a landslide that swallowed a Guatemalan neighborhood and pushed the regionwide death toll from a week of pounding rains to 613.

Hardest hit was the lakeside town of Santiago Atitlan, where the slide of a volcano collapsed, killing at least 208 people.

Officials said the victims were among 508 people killed and another 337 missing in Guatemala.

The rest of the other 105 deaths were scattered throughout El Salvador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Honduras and Costa Rica.

The mud-spattered body of 3-year-old Mari Taxachoy Tzina was pulled Saturday from the mud she had died.

Her father, Gaspar, buried her in a common grave at the local cemetery.

"That's my wife, my two daughters, my son — I'm only missing one more," he said, explaining how he had buried almost his entire family.

"You always think about sav-



A Mayan woman cries in a mudslide area Saturday in Panabaj, Santiago Atitlan, Guatemala. The landslide buried several communities and believed to be the worst single disaster in several days of flooding.

ing your family, but I couldn't," said Gaspar, a laborer who returned from work in Guatemala City to find his house gone, replaced by a blank face of mud.

Guatemala has borne the brunt of heavy rains exacerbated by Hurricane Stan, which made landfall Tuesday on the Mexican Gulf Coast before quickly weakening to a tropical

depression.

Governments in Central America and Mexico were still struggling Saturday to reach isolated areas devastated by flooding and landslides. Many roads had yet to be cleared.

On the banks of Lake Atitlan, a popular tourist destination, dozens of Mayan Indians swarmed over a vast bed of caked mud that covered trees

and houses, looking for those still missing after Wednesday's landslide.

Primitive wooden coffins piled up in the cemetery, waiting for bodies.

Villagers held sprigs of native herbs to ward off odors, as they dug mass graves for bodies that likely would be buried without names.

"Entire families have disappeared," said Diego Sojuel, of the Santiago Atitlan municipal aid committee.

"In some cases, there is no one that can identify the cadavers. And in other cases, it is because of the state of decomposition that we are going to have to bury them without names."

Tourists worked alongside local residents digging trenches 10-foot deep through mud strewn with bits of tin roofing, clothing, papers and bedding.

Chris Needham, 24, of London, paused to wonder aloud whether some arrests might eventually have to be declared a burial ground.

"That's people's families under there," he said. "They're not going to stop digging. I wouldn't stop."

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Helicopters drop photos of suspected bombers over city

BALI, Indonesia (AP) — Police took to the air Saturday to press the search for the suspected masterminds of the Bali terror bombings, using a helicopter to scatter pictures of the fugitives on another island where at least one of the pair was thought to be hiding.

Although they expressed confidence in the first days after the Oct. 1 bombings, Indonesian investigators have not announced any major breakthrough. They have yet to identify the attackers, even after having newspapers publish grisly pictures of the bombers' severed heads.

The manhunt focused on two of Southeast Asia's most-sought fugitives — Noordin Mohammed Top and Azahari bin Husin — who are alleged to be the leaders of Jemaah Islamiyah, a terror group that wants to establish an Islamic state across the region. Authorities say it has links to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

The men are suspected of planning the suicide attack on three packed restaurants on Bali, which killed 23 people, including the bombers, and wounded about 100. They also have been blamed for a bombing that killed 202 in Bali three years ago and other attacks in Indonesia, which is the world's most populous Muslim nation.

Noordin, nicknamed "Moneyman," is believed to be a smooth-talking recruiter and fund-raiser for the terror group. His close aide, Azahari, has been dubbed "Demolition Man" for his reputed expertise in explosives.

Police said they raided one of Noordin's hideouts before sunrise Friday but he had slipped away just hours before they stormed the home in central Java province's Purwanto district.

On Saturday, a helicopter flew low over the nearby city of Solo and released 10,000 fliers with photographs of Noordin and Azahari and a warning that they are "dangerous terrorists."

"We hope this can help people recognize them and be aware of them," said Solo police Maj. Agus Mulyono.

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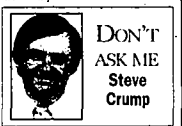
Getting an education in Idaho's backwoods

Years ago when I was a sports writer, I took a phoned-in report of a football game on the first Wednesday night in October.

Twenty seconds after I hung up, I found that I had a question and called the coach back. His wife answered.

"Sorry," she said, "but he's gone hunting."

Throughout most of Idaho, this is the weekend of the first teacher-in-service training session of the academic year, meaning that public school teachers—and coaches—are also teachers in Idaho schools—were out of the classroom Thursday and Friday learning how to do their jobs better.



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

At least most of them were. You see, there's a widespread public perception in the Gem State that the timing of this particular in-service is awfully convenient to the controlled deer-hunting and upland game bird seasons and to the fall steelhead run on central Idaho's rivers.

Now my mother was a teacher, and I could be more sympathetic about the low pay and unpleasant working conditions that Idaho teachers work with.

But Idaho teachers are first and foremost Idahoans, and for the true Idahoan there is no force on earth less resistible than the hunting or steelhead seasons.

It's a predominantly male—and thus mostly a secondary school—phenomenon, and I'm sure the majority of administrators take pains to make sure the teachers they supervise aren't off recreating on the taxpayers' time.

Plus, teachers are professionals, and show up for work when they're supposed to.

But many public school teachers in Idaho have a certain number of days they can take off work. It would be interesting to know how many of those days are used in October.

When I was living in Idaho Falls two decades ago, it was the practice of most small eastern Idaho school districts to dismiss classes for a week in September or October so that students could help out with the potato harvest.

This event almost always coincided with big-game hunting seasons.

One autumn, a particular school district moved spud-harvest vacation up a week. When classes resumed the following week, most of the male faculty was up the highway at Mack's Inn, loaded for bear.

And they're not alone. Given the chance, a sizable plurality of Idaho men will go AWOL in autumn.

My wife, an accountant, works with a number of male accountants. Now accountancy is not a profession exactly brimming with testosterone, but on the opening week of hunting season many of them somehow discovered that they had vacation left.

And interestingly enough, most of them came back empty handed, proclaiming all the same that they had a great time.

Which, of course, suggests that the drinking of beer, the wearing of Day-Glo Orange long-johns, the public scratching of unsocial places and the swapping of tall tales about swapping of such as the stalking of large-horned ungulates.

For the dirty little secret is that successful big-game hunters quickly turn into big-hunters as much fun—which is not nearly as much fun—especially since deer and elk live in vertical neighbor-hoods.

Group: Time for county administrator

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Some say it's time to revisit the idea of hiring a county manager or administrator.

A group of local citizens has been discussing the benefits of bringing a county manager on board to oversee the day-to-day business of running Twin Falls County.

"Since our county has gotten so big, it's even more important to have someone like that," said Doug Vollmer, a real estate appraiser and broker and

member of the group. "We'd like to see someone with expertise. It will take the heat off commissioners."

Today, there are close to 68,000 people living in Twin Falls County, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

That's up from about 54,000 in 1990. And just as the county's population numbers have grown, so has the complexity of its issues, such as environmental concerns, Vollmer said.

The proposal for a possible merger between the county-owned Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and the Boise-

based St. Luke's Regional Medical Center is another complex issue that has taken a great deal of commissioners' time.

So has the discussion about the need for a bigger county jail.

"The things they're involved in require a support staff — a county manager or something like that," said Ken Edmunds, a local developer and member of the group.

Having a county manager of administrator would free commissioners up to focus on policy making, Vollmer said.

So should the commission

become a part-time position? Vollmer doesn't think that's a bad idea.

"I don't think they should be full-time," Vollmer said. "I spent eight years on the City Council and the system worked pretty doggone good and still does. I think it works very well and you don't have to pay them as much."

Commissioners currently make an annual salary of \$52,062.

Vollmer held a seat on the Twin Falls City Council from 1984 through 1991. The city manager operates something

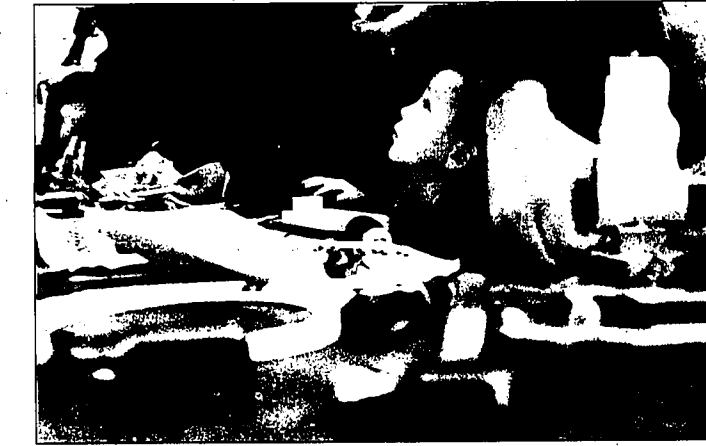
like a chief executive officer under the leadership of an elected, part-time council. Current City Manager Tom Courtney oversees and manages the day-to-day affairs of the city with a population of almost 37,000.

He prepares its budgets, advises the council on policy and planning issues and makes sure policies adopted by the council are carried out. Courtney's annual salary is \$90,508.

County Commissioner Tom Mitchell, who has served as a Twin Falls city councillor

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IF YOU BUILD IT ...



Busy hands surround Rudy Cordova, 3, as parents try to help their children build wooden toys Saturday afternoon at Oktoberfest in downtown Twin Falls. The materials for the workshop were provided by The Home Depot of Twin Falls.

Cheese plant holds grand opening

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

BURLEY — The grand opening was a welcome sight for residents of Burley and Heyburn on Saturday morning as Gossner Foods, Inc. cut the ribbon on its new Swiss cheese plant. Families, friends and local leaders gathered inside the new production facility — formerly the Simplot Industrial Park — beside 50,000 pound stainless steel vats to tour the new plant that will create 50 to 60 new jobs.

"This is a very exciting time," said Dolores Edwards, president of Gossner Foods, Inc., in a speech before the ribbon-cutting. "We look to have a great future here, and with the communities around us."

It was indeed a very exciting time for Burley and Heyburn, which lost 263 jobs when the Simplot potato processing plant shut the doors almost two years ago. The new Gossner processing facility will hire an initial 25 employees, but it will include up to 60 employees when the plant begins operation at full capacity.

Kelly Anderson, committee member for Business Plus — a privately funded economic development organization — said the new jobs are needed to promote economic growth in the small communities. For that reason, Business Plus presented a check for \$51,240 to Gossner from funds donated by local businesses.

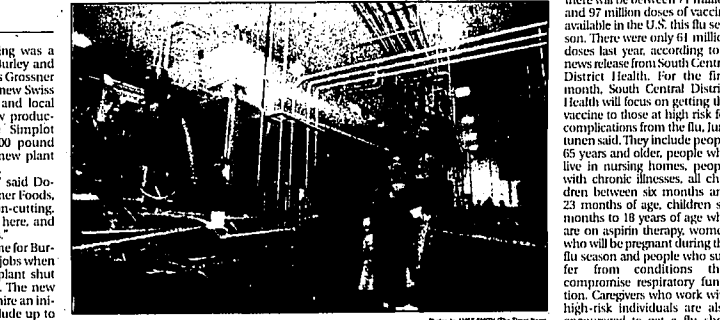
"We think (Gossner) will promote financial recovery while it increases the number of jobs created," Anderson said. "This is something that will provide jobs for the community and their children."

Some of the employees that will begin operating the plant were transferred from the Logan plant to work in technical areas, but most of the workers will be residents from the Mini-Cassia area. The average wage for the positions will be about \$11.50 per hour, and Business Plus estimates that there will be a need for more than 100 additional jobs.

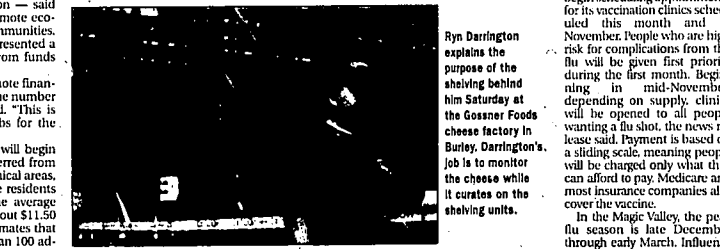
The facility will produce Swiss cheese when it begins operation, but Gossner general manager for Idaho operations, David Thomas, said there are plans to expand production.

"We are looking at adding other processes in the future," Thomas said, "and you can see in the way the building is designed, that there are rooms and areas we can use for expansion."

The \$25 million facility is 150,000 square feet, inclusive of the existing buildings that were formerly part of the Simplot processing plant. The plant is capable of handling 1 million pounds of milk per day and processing 50,000 pounds of milk per hour. Two receiving bays will receive 20 loads of milk per day that will be cooked in six



Visitors wait in line Saturday morning to view the top of huge milk containers during a tour of the Gossner Foods cheese factory in Burley. The factory plans on opening for production in two weeks.



Ryn Darrington explains the purpose of the shelving behind him Saturday at the Gossner Foods cheese factory in Burley. Darrington's job is to monitor the cheese while it curates on the shelving units.

was founded in 1966 by Edwin Gossner, and is now one of the largest producers of cheese products in the world, making over 30 varieties. The company says it is an employee-focused business that prides itself on a well-trained and knowledgeable workforce.

Jeff Olsen, an employee at the Logan plant, said he has been impressed with how well Gossner treats its employees.

"I've worked for Gossner for 16 years, and I have no regrets," Olsen said. "They have taken care of me and they have provided for my family."

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Gossner Foods, based in Logan, Utah,

Gearing up for the flu season

District health office schedules vaccinations

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — You have a headache, a fever and every muscle in your body aches. Even your hair hurts.

Yes, it's almost flu season again. And for some people, like the elderly and those with chronic illnesses, the flu can be a lot worse than just a day or two of work. It can be deadly.

South Central District Health is gearing up for flu season. The agency has received its first shipment of influenza vaccine and hopefully it won't run into the shortage problem it ran into last year — when half the country's vaccine supply was pulled from the market due to manufacturing problems. This year should be different, said Cheryl Juntunen, director of South Central District Health.

"They're anticipating a good supply," Juntunen said. "It's looking pretty good."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention anticipates there will be between 71 million and 97 million doses of vaccine available in the U.S. this season. There were only 61 million doses last year, according to a news release from South Central District Health. For the first month, South Central District Health will focus on getting the vaccine to those at high risk for complications from the flu, Juntunen said. They include people 65 years and older, people who live in nursing homes, people with chronic illnesses, all children between six months and 23 months of age, children six months to 18 years of age who are on aspirin therapy, women who will be pregnant during the flu season and people who suffer from conditions that compromise respiratory function. Caregivers who work with high-risk individuals are also encouraged to get a flu shot, Juntunen said.

Beginning Tuesday, South Central District Health will begin scheduling appointments for its vaccination clinics scheduled this month and in November. People who are high risk for complications from the flu will be given first priority during the first month. Beginning in mid-November, depending on supply, clinics will be opened to all people wanting a flu shot. Payment is based on a sliding scale, meaning people will be charged only what they can afford to pay. Medicare and most insurance companies also cover the vaccine.

In the Magic Valley, the peak flu season is late December through early March. Influenza viruses are spread from person to person primarily through coughing and sneezing of infected persons. The best way to prevent flu is to avoid close contact with people who are sick, stay home when you are sick, cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze, wash your hands and avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth, according to the CDC.

Idaho and other states were very fortunate during the 2004-2005 flu season, according to South Central District Health. Even though the nation experienced a shortage of influenza

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

On Alaskan island, legal wrangles leave cattle without a caretaker

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A scrappy herd of cattle is on its own once more, foraging for beach rice and other grasses on a solitary, storm-battered Alaska island, surviving much as it has for more than a century — without a human caretaker.

The latest custodian of the teral animals abandoned plans to sell them as livestock. That led the federal government without someone to carry out its own plans to remove the estimated 800 cows from Chirikof Island and establish a haven there for indigenous seabirds. Officials say the cattle have battered former bird nesting grounds.



Tim Jacobson stands on a hill on Chirikof Island, Sept. 25, 2003, as ranch hands round up some of the herd of wild cattle on remote island near Kodiak Island in the Gulf of Alaska.

But with new ownership of the cattle in dispute, the herd remains trapped on the 28,000-acre island, which falls under the jurisdiction of the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge.

"The cows are alone again, but they've been with us more often than not," said refuge manager Greg Beckman. "A long line of adventurers has laid claim to the descendants of the animals first brought to the treesless island in the late 1800s as a meat stock for whaling ships and a blue fox industry established by Russian fur traders along the Aleutian Islands to the west."

was getting them off an island with no natural harbors and submerged reefs in a region dogged by unpredictable winds and harsh weather.

Jacobson tried to manage to barge out about 40 head of cattle from the island, which lies about 425 miles southwest of Anchorage. But according to a civil lawsuit filed against him, he failed to pay for various services from Kodiak Island 80 miles to the north, such as cattle transport, building fences on the island and supplying supplemental feed. Plaintiffs say the cows then more than \$100,000 and 116 head of cattle.

Numerous attempts to reach Jacobson were unsuccessful. When he was a no-show at his February trial in Kodiak, a Superior Court judge sided with the eight plaintiffs. With Jacobson still being a no-show, no one expects him to pay up, said Tony Lara, a plaintiff who says he was never paid \$24,000 owed for delivering supplies to the island and failed attempt to transport the cattle on his 96-foot landing craft, the Lazy Bay.

"Lack of preparation on his part was why we did not succeed," said Lara, 40, who is now working with some of the plaintiffs to take over the venture.

"The only way I see us getting our money back is if we just go there and get the cows ourselves."

The Lazy Bay is already rigged for transporting animals and Lara said he's well aware of the treacherous conditions that have kept many from succeeding. He said he would find a better landing spot to get the cattle other than the southwest corner of the island, which Jacobson had used as his base of operations.

Chris Hickering, another plaintiff, also wants to recoup his losses, which total more than \$39,000, according to the court award. He spent months on Chirikof, helping Jacobson collect driftwood for building corrals and a beachfront chute for channeling the cattle to boats. He also supplied deer horses from a ranch he partly owns on Kodiak Island, but has only had one returned.

Hickering, 36, a fifth-generation cow rancher from Colorado, said he wants to preserve the lineage of the cattle, preferably by relocating them to another remote island. He also thinks some would make excellent beef stock or rodeo bulls.

Utah outlines strategy for ethnic affairs

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah's Office of Ethnic Affairs has drafted a two-year plan to analyze, develop and support services to the state's ethnic communities and businesses.

Among the 30 specific goals laid out in the 35-page plan are an internship program for minority students interested in human services careers, recruiting minority teachers, seminars for minority and women business owners and a Pacific Islander Chamber of Commerce.

Introduced on Thursday, the plan was created by members of community organizations and various state department leaders, including the state offices of Hispanic, Asian, Black and Native American affairs, said Yvette Domboso Diaz, executive director of the new state office.

"It's important to have the direction and leadership," Diaz said. "Now, we know exactly what we need to do."

Four directors and two staffers at the ethnic office will be accountable for implementing the plan, Diaz adds. She thinks the plan will help the new office, created by Gov. Jon Huntsman when he took office in January, build credibility with the Legislature.

Diaz hopes to work in concert with other state agencies to execute the plan and will solicit private donations to fund some of the programs.

Although not everyone has reviewed the plan, some ethnic community leaders say they hope it will move beyond real efforts at similar idea and to real accountability and results.

Father, son charged in shooting

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A 55-year-old man and his 18-year-old son have been charged with murder in the shooting death of a Catholic charity worker who was driving home on U.S. Highway 40.

Antonio Vasquez-Pelaez and his son, Gummy A. Pelaez, were charged Friday in the shooting death of Aniceto Armentariz, 42, and his wife had attended church in Park City and were driving to their home in Heber City when he

was killed Sept. 25. A minivan pulled into the left lane beside Armentariz's truck and someone fired a 20-gauge shotgun from the minivan, striking him in the head. The truck crashed but his wife wasn't injured.

The minivan also crashed and Vasquez-Pelaez and Pelaez were apprehended near the scene. They admitted to being in the van at the time of the shooting, according to documents filed by the Utah Highway Patrol.

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DEATH NOTICES
Leta Daniels
 TWIN FALLS — Leta Daniels, 100 of Twin Falls, died Friday, Oct. 7, 2005, at SunBridg Care and Rehabilitation Center.
 Arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Vic Allen Sr.
 TWIN FALLS — Emory Victor "Vic" Allen Sr., 59, of Caldwell and formerly of Twin Falls, died Friday, Oct. 7, 2005, in Caldwell.
 Arrangements will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Billy J. Jensen
 RUPERT — Billy J. Jensen, 74, formerly of the Mini-Cassia area, died Saturday, Oct. 8, 2005, of cancer at Countryside Living Center and Rehabilitation in Rupert.
 At his request, a private family service was held under the direction of Jensen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

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Betty Bosh, Hansen, Idaho

"It's a get-together that's enjoyable. I learn about living on my own from the different speakers every month."
Rosalie Graves, Twin Falls, Idaho

SERVICES
 Harold "Pete" Durfee of Almo, funeral at 2 p.m. Monday at the Almo Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home and from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Monday at the church.

Clyde A. "Tobe" Bowers of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Burley United Methodist Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Marlon J. Royer of Polson, Mont., and formerly of Twin Falls and Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Polson Community Church (Grogan Funeral Home and Crematory).

Mary Margaret Moeller of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday, First Presbyterian Church, 262 E. Ave. A.

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Inez 'Snooks' Voeltzel Barber

PAUL, — Inez Irene "Snooks" Voeltzel Barber, a 95-year-old resident of Paul, passed away on Friday, Oct. 7, 2005, at Countryside Care & Rehabilitation Center in Rupert.

She was born in a log cabin with a sod roof on Sept. 21, 1910, in Axial, Colo., the daughter of Claude Louis and Irene Inez Waldron Hart. She spent her childhood on the Ute Indian Reservation in Cisco, Colo., where her father worked as a sheep rancher. She married George W. Voeltzel on Aug. 27, 1937, in Colorado. Together, they raised four children, Darlene, Don, Kirk and Vicki. They resided in Colorado, Wyoming and Nevada, prior to moving to the Gooding/Field area in 1960. During their married life, they owned a trucking company and ranched. Inez worked side-by-side with her husband, nurturing her children and using her hard-work ethics in making their family and ranch successful. George passed away on May 1, 1971. Inez then moved to Paul, and



on Sept. 23, 1974, she married Ole Clarence Barber.

Inez loved her family. She was a loving mother and grandmother and was proud of their accomplishments. No matter where she lived, Inez acquainted many dear friends. She was an outstanding cook and always had a meal prepared when friends and family came to visit.

She was a member of the Paul Methodist Church and

was a former member of the Ute Club in Gooding, Idaho.

She is survived by her children, Darlene Rolando of Hayden, Colo., Don G. (Laverne) Voeltzel of Inkom, Idaho, Kirk "Corley" Voeltzel and Vicki (Dallas) Serf, both of Paul; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, George; and her second husband, Ole; a sister, Janet Hansen; and a son-in-law, George Barber.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2005, at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding, Idaho, where she will be laid to rest next to her loving husband, George. Friends and family may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

The family suggests that memorials be directed to Shriners Hospitals for Children in care of Rasmussen Funeral Home.

William Carroll Sellars Jr. (Bill)

OLYMPIA, Wash. — William Carroll Sellars Jr. (Bill), formerly of Twin Falls, born Dec. 12, 1933, in Boise, Idaho, died on Sept. 29, 2005, in Olympia, Wash.

Bill is survived by his wife of 40 years, Martha (Robertson) Sellars; his son, Michael Sellars, and daughter-in-law, Carol Murphy of Olympia, Wash.; his daughter, Cathy Sellars of Boise, Idaho; his brother, Michael Sellars of Boise, Idaho; and his grand-

children, Megan, Patrick, Daniel, Kathleen and Timothy Sellars.

He was preceded in death by two children; his parents, Carroll and Fran Sellars; and his brother, Nick Sellars.

Bill graduated from Santa Clara University in 1959.

Prior to his retirement, Bill worked in the retail clothing and furniture business, most notably with the family-owned women's specialty store, Carroll's.

Bill will be remembered for his genuine interest in others and his love and enthusiasm for his family, particularly his grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held Oct. 4, 2005, at Sacred Heart Church in Lacey, Wash. A memorial Mass will be held at 1 p.m. Oct. 15, 2005, at St. Mary's Church, 2612 W. State St. in Boise. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Bill's name to your favorite charity.

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 Tuesday: Chicken sandwich
 Wednesday: Pizza
 Thursday: Spaghetti O's
 Friday: Dinosaur nuggets

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 Breakfast Menu
 Milk served daily. Choice of fruit or juice every day.
 Monday: Cereal
 Tuesday: Waffles
 Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy
 Thursday: Pop Tarts
 Friday: Breakfast on a stick
 Lunch Menu
 Salad bar and milk served every day.
 Monday: Peanut butter and jelly
 Tuesday: Spaghetti
 Wednesday: Pepperoni pizza
 Thursday: Beef and cheese nachos
 Friday: Bean and cheese roll ups

BUHL MIDDLE SCHOOL
 Monday: Cereal
 Tuesday: Breakfast pizza
 Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy
 Thursday: Blueberry pancakes
 Friday: Breakfast on a stick
 Lunch Menu
 Salad bar and milk served every day.
 Monday: Little smokies
 Tuesday: Beef and cheese nachos
 Wednesday: Chicken nuggets
 Thursday: Taco burger
 Friday: Corn dogs

BURLEY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
 Breakfast Menu
 Milk served daily. A variety of fruits and vegetables are served with each meal. Burley High School offers a hamburger bar, salad bar or a main dish each day. Breakfast is served starting at 7:30 a.m.
 Monday: Waffles
 Tuesday: Breakfast pocket
 Wednesday: Breakfast pasty
 Thursday: Yogurt
 Friday: Scrambled eggs
 Lunch Menu

Salad bar and milk served every day.
 Monday: Pigs in a blanket or seamburger
 Tuesday: Taco or corn dog
 Wednesday: Baked potato special
 Thursday: Ham or turkey and cheese
 Friday: Hamburger, cheese-burger or burrito.

CASTLEFORD SCHOOL
 Breakfast menu
 Milk and juice served daily.
 Monday: Doughnuts
 Tuesday: Pancakes
 Wednesday: Ginnamon rolls
 Thursday: Biscuits
 Friday: Breakfast muffin
 Lunch Menu
 Salad bar and milk served daily.
 Monday: Burritos
 Tuesday: Hamburger casserole
 Wednesday: Cheesburgers
 Thursday: Baked potato bar
 Friday: Hot dogs

CLOVER TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL
 Milk served daily.
 Lunch Menu
 Monday: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich
 Tuesday: Pizza
 Wednesday: Hot dog on a bun

Thursday: Sweet and sour pork

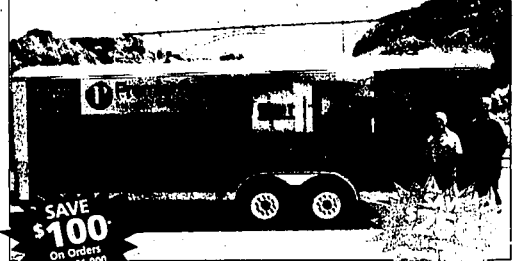
FILEY SCHOOL
 Monday: Chicken patty sandwich
 Tuesday: Tacos
 Wednesday: Pizza
 Thursday: Hot dogs
 Friday: Sandwich wrap

HANSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Breakfast Menu
 Milk served daily.
 Monday: Cereal
 Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy
 Wednesday: Pancakes
 Thursday: Bagels
 Friday: Cereal
 Lunch Menu
 Milk served daily.
 Monday: Rib-b-que sandwich
 Tuesday: Lasagna
 Wednesday: Chicken salad
 Thursday: Hamburger stroganoff
 Friday: Taco soup

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL
 Choice of milk every day.
 Monday: Pigs in a blanket
 Tuesday: Walking taco
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merger matters

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On September 28, the Twin Falls Board of County Commissioners unanimously signed a letter of intent with St. Luke's Regional Medical Center to accept the joint MVRMC/St. Luke's merger proposal and negotiate in good faith toward the development of a definitive agreement.

This action allows for the merger proposal to be placed on the ballot for consideration by Twin Falls County voters, no later than the next primary election in May 2006.

We are pleased and encouraged by the commissioners' decision and support, which is a positive step toward meeting our merger goal of developing an Idaho-based, not-for-profit, health care system.

MVRMC and St. Luke's recognize the efforts of the multitude of people that invested their time, talents, and efforts to the merger development and evaluation process, and we thank them for their commitment and ongoing support.

In the months leading up to the election, we will continue to provide information and updates. We encourage you to stay involved in these discussions.

Visit www.mergermatters.org to learn more about our plan and to share your input regarding the future of health care in the Magic Valley.



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MAGIC VALLEY

Lunches

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Wednesday: Chicken drumsticks
Thursday: Spaghetti
Friday: Build your own sandwich

KIMBERLY

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Milk served daily
Monday: Corn dog
Tuesday: Chicken fillet
Wednesday: Nachos
Thursday: Hamburgers
Friday: Chili

KIMBERLY

HIGH SCHOOL

Milk served daily
Monday: Corn dogs
Tuesday: Chicken fillet
Wednesday: Nachos
Thursday: Cheeseburger
Friday: Chili

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday: Meatballs
Tuesday: Chicken and noodles
Wednesday: Stroganoff
Thursday: Burritos
Friday: Ham sandwiches

MAGIC VALLEY

HIGH SCHOOL

Choice of milk served daily
Monday: Ham and cheese omelette
Tuesday: Bacon cheeseburger
Wednesday: Pizza
Thursday: Turkey and cheese wrap
Friday: Hot dog

MINIDOKA

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Choice of milk served daily
Breakfast menu
Monday: Muffin
Tuesday: Yogurt
Wednesday: Waffle sticks
Thursday: toaster tarts
Friday: Cereal
Lunch menu
Monday: Pizza
Tuesday: Sloppy Joe
Wednesday: Turkey noodle soup
Thursday: Chicken fried steak
Friday: Crisps

MINIDOKA

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Breakfast menu
Monday: Yogurt
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy
Wednesday: Churros
Thursday: Waffle sticks
Friday: Breakfast burrito
Lunch menu
Monday: Crisps
Tuesday: Pizza
Wednesday: Sloppy Joe
Thursday: Chili
Friday: Turkey

MURTAUGH SCHOOL

Milk served daily
Free breakfast served daily. Fruit and salad bar served daily at lunch.
Monday: Tacos
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak
Wednesday: Chicken burgers
Thursday: Pizza pockets
Friday: Chicken noodle soup

ROBERT STUART AND
O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH

Breakfast menu
Milk served daily
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy
Wednesday: Cereal
Thursday: Scramble 1 eggs and ham
Friday: Cereal
Lunch menu
Milk served daily

Monday: Burrito
Tuesday: Chicken tenders
Wednesday: Chicken fried steak
Thursday: Sub sandwich
Friday: Pizza

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CATIPOLIC SCHOOL

Monday: Baked potato bar
Tuesday: Turkey
Wednesday: Soup and sandwich
Thursday: Rainbow treasures
Friday: Cheeseburgers

TWIN FALLS

ELEMENTARY

Milk served daily
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy
Wednesday: Cereal
Thursday: Scrambled eggs and ham
Friday: Cereal
Lunch menu
Monday: Taco taters
Tuesday: Turkey wrap
Wednesday: Spaghetti pie
Thursday: Pizza
Friday: Sandwich

TWIN FALLS

HIGH SCHOOL

Breakfast is served daily.
Lunch: The high school has a choice of main line, hamburger bar and salad bar each day, taco bar on Wednesdays and potato bar on Fridays. Main line menu varies every day.
Monday: Finger steaks
Tuesday: Taco salad
Wednesday: Hamburger or cheeseburger
Thursday: Ham and cheese melt
Friday: Pizza

VALLEY SCHOOLS

Breakfast is served daily
Monday: Finger steaks
Tuesday: Chicken burger
Wednesday: Cheese pizza
Thursday: Nachos
Friday: Baked cheese sandwich

BLISS SCHOOL

Milk served daily
Monday: Nachos
Tuesday: Pizza pockets
Wednesday: Stir fry
Thursday: Beef stroganoff
Friday: Fish

CASSIA SCHOOLS

Milk served daily. A variety of fruits and vegetables are served with each meal.
The high school offers a hamburger bar, salad bar or a main dish. Breakfast is served at 7:30 a.m.

Breakfast menu
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Cinnamon toast
Wednesday: Breakfast burrito
Thursday: Cereal
Friday: Cinnamon roll
Lunch menu
Monday: Sloppy Joe
Tuesday: Chicken burger
Wednesday: Crispito
Thursday: Chili
Friday: Lasagna

GLENN'S FERRY

Monday: Ham and cheese pocket
Tuesday: Soft shell taco
Wednesday: Chili
Thursday: Chicken nuggets
Friday: Taco soup

GOODING SCHOOLS

Choice of milk served daily. The third choice is for junior high and high school students only.
Monday: Taco taters
Tuesday: Turkey on a bagel
Wednesday: Spaghetti
Thursday: Pizza
Friday: Sandwich

HAGERMAN SCHOOLS

Choice of milk offered daily.
Breakfast menu

Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Scrambled eggs
Wednesday: Cereal
Thursday: French toast
Friday: Cereal
Lunch menu
Monday: Chicken patty
Tuesday: Nachos
Wednesday: Peanut butter sandwich
Thursday: Pepperoni pizza
Friday: Mexican chicken

IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE
DEAF AND THE BLIND

Milk served daily
Breakfast menu
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Bagel
Wednesday: Banana bread squares
Thursday: Cereal
Friday: French toast
Lunch menu
Salad bar and choice of milk served daily
Monday: Mexican layered torte
Tuesday: Chicken sandwich
Wednesday: Nachos
Thursday: Hamburgers
Friday: Barbecue beef or seahurper

JEROME SCHOOLS

Milk served daily
Monday: Taco taters
Tuesday: Turkey wrap
Wednesday: Spaghetti pie
Thursday: Potato pizza
Friday: Sandwich

RICHFIELD SCHOOLS

Breakfast
Milk and juice served daily.
Monday: Cereal
Tuesday: Pancakes
Wednesday: Cereal
Thursday: Potatoes and gravy
Friday: Cereal
Lunch
Monday: Chicken nuggets
Tuesday: Hamburger
Wednesday: Nacho supreme
Thursday: Taco
Friday: Chicken patty

SHOSHONE SCHOOLS

Breakfast and choice of milk served daily.
Monday: Chicken patty
Tuesday: Pepperoni pizza
Wednesday: Beef stew
Thursday: Ham

Friday: Hot dog
WENDELL SCHOOLS
Breakfast and choice of milk served daily
Monday: Potato soup
Tuesday: Ham and cheese sandwich
Wednesday: Nachos
Thursday: Chicken patty
Friday: Lasagna

School lunch menus are printed as a public service. To have the lunch menu (breakfast menu if desired) printed with the menus in Sunday's paper, send the menu to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or fax it to 734-5534. Attention: Lunch Menus. Deadline is noon Wednesday for publication Sunday.

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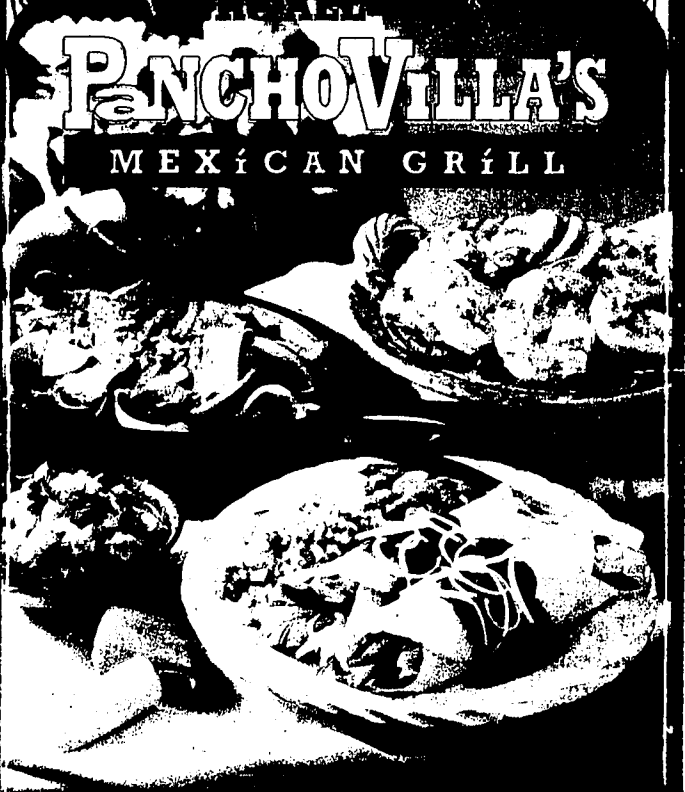
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IDAHO/WEST

Man who raped Boise woman gets life sentence

BOISE (AP) — A 44-year-old man has been sentenced to serve the rest of his life in prison for raping a Boise woman last week.

Frank Nicolai was convicted of kidnapping the victim with Sara Martinez and Erica Contreras. Police said the victim was bound with duct tape. Martinez and Contreras then left Nicolai alone with the victim, and he violently raped her.

Nicolai confessed to the crime during a taped interview with police. Before jury deliberations began, he pleaded guilty to rape by force and second-de-

gree kidnapping. Prosecuting Attorney Shelley Armstrong had recommended Nicolai get a fixed life sentence for the rape and 25 years fixed for the kidnapping. Fourth District Court Judge Mike Wetherell agreed with the recommendation. KTVB-TV reported, sentencing Nicolai on Friday to both.

Wetherell noted that Nicolai had been to prison in California, Wyoming and Arizona before moving to Idaho. He was supporting a wife and two children by manufacturing one

pound of the drug methamphetamine each month. He sold the drug for \$2,000. Nicolai will never be eligible for parole.

Martinez and Contreras previously pleaded guilty to kidnapping and are each serving 20-year prison sentences. Investigators said the three targeted the woman because they thought she had been involved in a failed drug deal. But they had the wrong person, police said.

Police spokeswoman Lynn Hightower said the three led the woman, who is in her 30s, into

the Boise apartment where she was restrained, raped and held hostage for several hours.

The woman escaped the next morning and called police.

Nicolai was also involved in the case of a Grangeville man who was accused of plotting to kill a U.S. District Court judge and three other people. Nicolai's former colleague in the Ada County Jail, David Hinkson, told authorities last year that Nicolai told FBI agents that Hinkson's lawyer, Wesley Hoyt, was providing him with legal assistance — in exchange for Nicolai helping Hinkson kill three officials.

Judge warns Snake River dams could be breached

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — U.S. District Judge James Redden reminded federal agencies Friday that four dams on the Lower Snake River could be breached if all else fails to save salmon.

Redden's warning appeared in his final order on how the federal government should proceed in rewriting its salmon saving plan for the Columbia and Snake rivers. In a detailed follow-up to what he told attorneys last week, Redden gave federal agencies one year to come up with a new plan to keep threatened and endangered salmon from getting killed by the government's hydroelectric dams.

NOAA Fisheries, which has jurisdiction over protected salmon, had asked for two years, but Redden said an extension could only be considered if agencies need to weigh the contributions of environmentalists, tribes and other groups.

The judge, however, said the agencies often "seem offended at the thought of doing more than merely listening to others."

Redden ordered the agencies to report progress to him every 90 days.

Salmon are dwindling in the Columbia Basin because of the combined effects of dams, over-fishing, logging, irrigation and urban development.

Last May, Redden rejected the Bush administration's \$6 billion plan to protect salmon. The plan relied heavily on installing huge fish slides on dams to keep migrating young salmon out of the tribes.

The new plan could call for spilling more water over dams and increasing river flows to help young salmon reach the ocean. But that could mean higher electric rates in the Pacific Northwest.

In Friday's order, Redden raised the possibility of breaching dams if the agencies fail to produce an acceptable plan.

In a 2003 speech, President Bush pledged that the dams would not be breached. Redden seemed to reference that in Friday's order.

Speaking on the dams will not avoid breaching the dams, Redden wrote.

Redden also took issue with NOAA Fisheries' contention that the judge should not inject himself into the deliberative process of the agencies by providing step-by-step instructions to restore fish.

Redden said he has deferred to the agencies in the past, but they have not done the job.

Sheriff gets armored car to patrol border

YUMA, Ariz. (AP) — Yuma County sheriff's deputies will now be patrolling the Arizona-Mexico border in a surplus British military armored personnel carrier.

Authorities say the 18-thousand-dollar, nine-ton, six-wheeled vehicle is needed because of increased attacks against deputies and Border Patrol agents by drug and migrant smugglers.

The Border Patrol's Yuma sector also has a new armored car. This one is four- and a half-ton and is set to go into service in a few months.

Law enforcement officers in the border region are increasingly subject to rock throwing, gunfire and being rammed by fleeing vehicles.

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Bush salutes Hispanics

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Friday honored volunteer efforts by the nation's Hispanics, especially praising those who contributed to Gulf Coast hurricane relief.

"In the wake of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, Hispanic groups around this country provided critical services and much-needed love to people whose lives were affected by those storms," Bush said at an annual White House ceremony marking Hispanic Heritage Month.

He presented presidential Volunteer Service Awards to six Hispanic-American citizens for outstanding acts of generosity in the relief effort: Junior Salazar of Bradenton, Fla.; Marie Arcos of Houston; Manuel Fonseca of Nashville, Tenn.; Hiner Carrero of Silver Spring, Md.; Maria Hines of Albuquerque, N.M.; and John Diaz of Crowley, Colo.

"Their efforts are helping children learn to read, improving fire safety in schools and com-



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munities, and helping more Hispanics achieve the dream of a college education," Bush said.

"They've helped to set up emergency clinics, provided spiritual counseling to the displaced, just simple acts, such as reading stories to children whose families had lost their homes," he said.

Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid of Nevada said Bush was right to recognize Hispanic Heritage Month.

Reid cited Census Bureau figures showing that almost 22 percent of Hispanics live in poverty, 14 million live without health care, and in general have income levels \$15,000 lower than median household incomes for white non-Hispanics.

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Utah flags problems at Army's sorting station

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — An alarm that signals a malfunction wasn't working in the control room of an Army plant that handles materials contaminated by chemical agents, state regulators said in a review of operations at the Chemical Agent Munitions Disposal System.

Regulators cited mislabeling of waste barrels, lapses in tracking the waste, missing malfunctioning, or improperly wired air monitors, and alarms, and log books that failed to record mishaps.

The review prompted the Army on Thursday to shut down the plant for a safety overhaul. The plant shares space at the 19,300-acre Desert Chemical Depot in Bush Valley, about 40 miles southwest of Salt Lake City, where an incinerator is destroying the Army's largest stockpile of chemical warfare agents.

The incinerator wasn't cited in the review of operations at Chemical Agent Munitions Disposal System, a former research and development facility for incineration, monitoring systems and protective gear.

These days, the plant sorts and repacks contaminated

tools, munition shells, protective gear, insulation and other items into barrels according to the type of waste. Those barrels are then put inside the depot's airtight ground bunkers.

The Army hasn't decided yet how to get rid of this waste, now contained in 8,000 barrels.

Late Thursday, the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency announced it was shutting down the plant to improve safety operations. It cited findings of state regulators, but didn't specify the deficiencies.

A three-page letter, obtained by The Associated Press on Friday, shows the Utah Solid and Hazardous Waste Control Board cited the plant for 10 equipment, record-keeping or procedural problems.

The board gave the Army until Oct. 21 to demonstrate how it can correct the problems.

The Army wasn't required to shut down the plant.

"We have initiated this work stoppage on our own because we are absolutely committed to the safety of our workers and the public," said Col. Raymond T. Van Velt, commander of the Desert Chemical Depot. In a statement.

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Report: Natural gas project isn't environmental risk

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A proposed liquefied natural gas terminal at the Port of Long Beach cleared a major hurdle Friday as a federal panel concluded the project would not pose an environmental threat to the area.

The environmental staffs of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the port, along with the U.S. Coast Guard and several other agencies, conducted the yearlong review.

The draft report said the terminal would be within acceptable noise and air pollution limits, and that tanks holding the liquid natural gas and pipelines carrying it could withstand all but the most violent earthquake.

The report also concluded that while the project would be a tempting target for terrorists, an attack was unlikely and several layers of security would

reduce vulnerability.

The draft report is only one of several steps that must be taken before a facility is approved or rejected.

Four public hearings will be held in November and December in Long Beach on the draft. A final report will be issued sometime next year.

FERC has the authority to approve an LNG facility at the port. But the plan must also be approved by the Harbor Commission.

In May 2003, the Port of Long Beach gave Mitsubishi's Sound Energy Solutions exclusive rights to develop the terminal. Also that year, the city's energy department began holding nonbinding talks on a pipeline and supply deal.

The City Council voted 5-4 in June to continue talks with SES for what could become the first West Coast terminal for liquefied natural gas.

The \$450 million project would create 1,000 construction jobs over the estimated four years it would take to build.

Proponents say it would guarantee the Los Angeles area a steady and reliable source of natural gas for years.

Opponents are concerned about putting a facility so close to an urban area, where holding tanks could explode and pose an environmental threat.

The draft environmental study said that SES had prepared an analysis showing it would take a magnitude-9 earthquake along the Palos Verde fault or a magnitude-7.5 on another nearby fault to rupture the two storage tanks.

"These events have estimated return intervals of approximately 15,000 years and, therefore, are extremely

unlikely to occur during the 50-year life of the project," the study concluded.

The report also minimized the dangers posed by a terrorist attack.

"For a new LNG import terminal proposal that would store a large volume of flammable fluid near populated areas, the perceived threat of a terrorist attack is a primary concern of the local population," the report states.

The likelihood of a successful terrorist attack, however, "would be less than seven chances in a million per year," the report said, noting that a multi-tiered security system would help protect the facility.

Public comment on the draft must be received before Dec. 8. A final decision by FERC and the city on the proposed LNG facility is not expected until sometime next year.

Second jury deadlocked in freeway manslaughter trial

CALDWELL (AP) — A second Canyon County jury has declared itself unable to reach a verdict in the case of a Middleton driver accused of causing the death of a 31-year-old Nampa mother last year.

Jurors said they were deadlocked after 4.5 hours of deliberations Friday.

It was the second mistrial for Jose Manuel Aguilu, 27, charged with vehicular manslaughter in the traffic death of Corey Wilson, 31, of Nampa.

Wilson died Aug. 3, 2004, during a chain-reaction collision that investigators said was triggered by Aguilu's failure to pull his disabled truck to the side of the westbound Interstate 84.

Instead he left the vehicle, with his lights out, in a traffic lane of the freeway.

Marco A. Andrade-Prado, 41, of Boise came across the pickup and tried to swerve around it. His vehicle clipped the back of the stalled truck and then rolled into the median.

Debris from that collision struck another passing car, Idaho State Police said.

Wilson, also westbound, saw the accident. She pulled over and parked, and then got out and ran toward Andrade-Prado's truck. At the same time, Liza Marie Ferreira, 20, of Nampa swerved to avoid debris and apparently lost control of her car, which struck and killed Wilson.

After a judge declared a mistrial at the first trial, in June, prosecutors immediately refiled their case against Aguilu. Prosecutors have not decided whether to try a third time.

Closing arguments Friday resembled those at the first trial.

Canyon County Deputy Prosecutor Charles Craft argued that Aguilu showed gross negligence when he failed to turn the truck lights on and failed to coast his stalled vehicle off the freeway.

"This was a game of Russian roulette," Craft told the jury. "The pickup was the gun and Mr. Aguilu was the bullet."

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from 1996 to 2000, said he's certain open to discussing the idea of a county manager or administrator.

He said Courtney "is a very effective manager when he has a strong council."

He said commissioners could hire an administrator without voter approval, but they couldn't change county's form of government without the OK from voters.

The report also said commissioners couldn't make county offices appointed instead of elected without voter approval.

"I'm not sure the voters of Twin Falls County would be willing to give up the ability to

talk directly to and elect or un-elect the people who manage the county," Mikeseil said.

A proposed measure to change to a county manager form of government went before voters in 1998 and 75 percent of them voted to stay with the status quo.

Under the current form of county government, commissioners approve the dollar amount of Sheriff Wayne Douglas' budget but "Tousley decides how those dollars will be spent. Mikeseil said a manager or administrator wouldn't have much control under the current elected form of county government.

"For a manager to be effective, he has to be able to control all the departments and manage the budgets," Mikeseil said. "You'd have to eliminate the elected positions because it's the only way a county manager could effectively manage the business of the county. The sheriff would have to be told where, and how, he can spend his money."

According to a document put together by the citizens' group, a county administrator should have sufficient work experience, a minimum of a master's degree in public administration and be familiar with issues in the Magic Valley.

The group estimates a county manager with those

qualifications should be paid between \$60,000 and \$90,000 a year plus benefits.

The group plans to present its plan to the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce in the near future and to informally meet with county commissioners to discuss the idea.

In addition to Volmer and Edmunds, other members of the group include Scott Martin, Bill Crawford, Dave Mead, Rich Stivers, Ron Bellison, Laird Mohr, Terry Kramer, Jeff Herpworth and Steve Hargen.

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Flu

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vaccine, the flu season overall was mild. Eight Idahoans died from flu-related illnesses. There were 29 deaths the previous year, an average year, more than 100,000 Americans are hospitalized with the flu and about 20,000 die from flu-related complications.

There are some people who shouldn't get a flu vaccine, according to the CDC. They include people who are severely allergic to chicken eggs, people who have had a severe reaction to a flu shot in the past, people who develop Guillain-Barre syndrome within six weeks of getting a flu vaccine and children younger than six months of age. People who have a moderate or severe illness with a fever should wait until their symptoms lessen to get vaccinated, according to the CDC.

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Flu vaccination clinics

South Central District Health has scheduled flu shot clinics through October and November. Those at high risk for complications from the flu will be first to get the shots. Beginning in mid-November, depending on supply, clinics will be opened to all people wanting a flu shot. Those who would like to get a flu shot should schedule an appointment by calling their local South Central District office:

- Twin Falls: 734-5900
- Jerome: 324-8838
- Burley: 678-8221
- Rupert: 936-7185
- Gooding: 936-4477
- Bellevue: 788-4335

Here is the schedule for this month's clinics:

- Oct. 17:
 - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Blaine Court
- Oct. 18:
 - 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m., 1020 Washington St. N. in Twin Falls.
 - 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. 1218 Ninth St. N. in Rupert.
- Oct. 20:
 - 8:30 to 11 a.m., 951 E. Ave. H in Jerome.
- 1 to 3 p.m., Carey Senior Center in Carey (Call Bellevue office).
- Oct. 21:
 - 9 a.m. to noon, Hagerman Valley Senior Center (Call Gooding office).
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backwoods stays in the backwoods, even if the closest thing to gunfire is a splited game of lar's poker. It is, you see, a guy thing.

So maybe in the interest of full participation, the public schools ought to reschedule the October in-service for, say,

the second week in April. Fishing season is still weeks away. And no man is going to play hooky to weed-and-feed the back yard.

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Commissioners set no cap on RICO lawsuit

NAMPA (AP) — Canyon County commissioners say they can't predict the cost of the county's illegal-immigration lawsuit, and have set no cap on legal expenses.

"Nobody's ever done this before," said County Commission Chairman Matt Beebe on Friday. "We're still in the early stages of the process."

Beebe said the county has spent \$19,711 so far on the suit. The lawsuit was filed in July in

U.S. District Court against Syn-genia Seeds, Sarrento Lactalis, Swift Beef Co. and Harris Moran Seed Co. The suit contended the four companies violated the federal Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, which was designed to target the Mafia. It alleges that the firms conspired to hire illegal immigrants, and it seeks to recover the costs of illegal immigration.

The suit also states that damages will be determined

through testimony, and it demands a jury trial.

The companies deny the charge and all four have asked the court to dismiss the suit.

Beebe said Friday that when they first discussed suing the companies, commissioners informally discussed spending \$10,000 on legal costs.

"That was back when we first began the process," Beebe said. "Nobody had a clue at that time what it might or might not take."

If the county is successful, it could win monetary damages. But no one yet knows how much that might come to.

"At this point, it's hard to know how long it will go," Commissioner David Ferdinand told the Idaho Press-Tribune newspaper. "I think it depends on the other parties. Do they admit to the action? Do they want to dismiss the case so they don't have to go to court? There's all kinds of things that go into it."

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Utah Board of Education proposes full-day kindergarten

ST. LAKE CITY (AP) — The State Board of Education is considering a move to full-day kindergarten classes — something Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman supports.

The governor is very supportive, board chairman Kim Birmingham said. "We do not know exactly what the governor will be proposing, but I am fully confident, when the governor's budget comes out, there will be something about ... extending full-day kindergarten."

Research in three Utah school districts around the country shows full-day classes help students at all students, including the disadvantaged, improve their skills.

"Performance gaps exist between kids even at school," said Salt Lake Associate Superintendent Charles Huntsman. "Full-day kindergarten is a way to address those fairly efficiently. Prevention is always less expensive than intervention."

School board officials on Friday declined for one month a vote a proposal to support the switch and further explore how the state could transition to full-day school, including a study of costs.

Huntsman has expressed support for the concept, although state education deputy Jim Bridgewater said the governor has not yet set his priorities. Those priorities will be reflected in the state budget proposal Huntsman presents next year.

Historically, the largely conservative Utah Legislature has not supported a move to full-day kindergarten.

Currently 15 state districts have full-day kindergarten in at least one school. The Ogden School District offers it in all schools. Most pay for it with federal dollars reserved for low-income schools.

Nationally about 60 percent of kindergartners attend full-day classes.

Full-day programs could cost the state as much as \$42 million, according to estimates from the State Office of Education data, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst and the governor's Office of Budget and Planning. The amounts would vary per district depending on the school populations served.

Other cost concerns center on the hiring of new teachers.

There are nonfinancial concerns as well. At least two state board members expressed concern that full-day school could deteriorate parent-teacher contact with young children and that alterations in programming should be focused on helping English language learners, who stand to reap the most benefits.

Naked shopper suspect arrested

CLEARFIELD, Utah (AP) — No shirt, no shoes — and no pants — has landed a Utah man in legal trouble.

Last month the 51-year-old Sunset man allegedly entered a local convenience store in the buff on multiple occasions. Clearfield Police say in August he also made a trip through a restaurant drive-thru, unattended.

City prosecutors have charged the man in justice court with misdemeanor lewdness. But now the Davis County District Attorney's office is investigating allegations of witness tampering, which could result in third-degree felony charges.

Police say that over the past week the man has telephoned the same convenience store, asking for permission to enter the business naked.

He was attempting to talk police out of trying against him, said Greg Krusi, assistant police chief for Clearfield.

Clerks called police, who kept watch outside the store. They witnessed the man approach the business, strip down and walk inside, Krusi said.

Krusi said officers arrested the man and booked him into the Davis County jail for allegedly driving under the influence, lewdness and telephone harassment.



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SPORTSQUOTE

Race organizers, not wanting to take any chances, plan to set up an auxiliary finish line in Albuquerque, N.M.

Dwight Perry of The Seattle Times about 'Runaway Bride' Jennifer Wilbanks, who will run again Sunday in the Chicago Marathon

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Has Cleveland ever been home to an NFL team?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

Blue Lakes CC announces aces

TWIN FALLS — There were two holes in one carded recently at the Blue Lakes Country Club.

On Sept. 30, Linda Kaveny scored on Hole No. 15 from 91 yards out using a 7-iron. The witnesses were Rob Ellis and Dave Johnson.

On Oct. 5, Robbie Robertson hit her first-ever ace from 98 yards out on Hole No. 9. The witness was Gail Kemp.

KYA offers girls hoops league

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Youth Association will offer a girls' basketball league for grades 3-6.

Registration is 6:30-8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 10 at the L.A. Thomas Gym (old gymnasium).

The fee is \$25. For more information, call Jamie at 423-6173.

Wendell coach gets apology for ejection

WENDELL — Wendell High School football coach Steve Goodbody received a letter of apology earlier this week from the District V head referee after Goodbody's ejection from last week's Wendell at West Side football game.

Goodbody was ejected with about two minutes left in the first half after the officials crew misapprehended the ejection rule.

"I have accepted the crew chief's gentlemanly and sincere apology," Goodbody said in a press release. "I consider the matter closed."

Burley-Minco Souper Bowl approaches

ROBERT — The annual Burley vs. Minco football game will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14 at Burley High School.

Students and fans from Burley and Minco are holding a friendly competition to see which school can bring in the most canned goods. The food gathered is all donated to the Christmas Council — a group that helps the Mini-Cassia residents in need during the holidays.

Canned goods may be brought to the area schools. Drop-off sites will be available at the game for each school.

The school that gathers the most cans wins. The winning trophy is proudly displayed for the following year. No boxed or bagged items, only, canned items.

The items needed most are peanut butter, canned meats (tuna, chicken, beef) and canned fruits.

For more information, call 436-4146.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Yes, The Cleveland Barons played at the Richfield Coliseum from 1976 to 1978. However, because the Barons were losing so much money, the team merged with the Minnesota North Stars after the 1978 season. The merger was announced on June 14, 1978 during the NHL meetings.

Eagles crush Cardinals

CSI volleyball machine fires on all cylinders in three-game sweep

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A heartless, remorseless machine viciously intent on destroying anything on the other side of a volleyball net.

It's the startling visage the North Idaho College Cardinals must have felt they were up against by Game 3 of Saturday afternoon's Scenic West Athletic Conference volleyball match against the College of Southern Idaho Golden Eagles. Already up two games, the host Eagles continued their merciless onslaught en route to a 30-17, 30-18, 30-13 sweep of the fifth-ranked team in the nation.

"Well, we did talk a little bit about going into that third game that we really wanted to make them feel that they had no hope going into the rest of league play," CSI head coach Brent Stroud said. "That we're going to win league and they have no hope at regionals. You know, they're going to have a hard time getting themselves mentally back from that. You could see it in their faces that they were beat."

Saturday's match was a stunning display of sheer dominance for the 38-1 (3-0 SWAC) Eagles. The seven members that played put together their best collective performance of the season. They served up nine aces, doped 58 Cardinals attacks, and put up an improved block. They pounded down 51 kills and finished with a .467 team attacking percentage, taking advantage of the 22-4 (2-1) SWAC Cardinals' weak block.

"You know, we understand why they're No. 1 in the nation," NIC head coach Bret Taylor said. "Coach Stroud does a nice job with his kids, but they also have a lot of talent. I don't know if a lot of (NCAA) Division I teams could hang with them."

Freshman outside hitter Amanda Kazar led the way with 18 kills, three aces, and two blocks. Follow freshman outside hitter Aneli Cubi-Otineru contributed 16 kills and three aces, while sophomore team captain Maria Siemiatkowska added four kills, three aces, and a block. CSI treated a large and boisterous crowd to a few thrilling rallies, ultimately coming out on the winning end thanks to a scrambling defense. Kazar led the way with 15 digs, while Pahal Nurulhiva added 12 and



College of Southern Idaho outside hitter Aneli Cubi-Otineru of CSI spikes the ball over a North Idaho College player Saturday afternoon.

Cubi-Otineru scooped up 10. "We out-insulted them and we got every ball up," Stroud said. "It seemed like they just could not score on us."

The Cardinals got five kills out of both Collette Dorman and Cintia Alessi, while Melissa Merchant, Kasey Purrell, and Kayla Mainer each contributed four. NIC had an extremely tough time getting a consistent attack going, and hit only .026 for the game.

"Our block was just pitiful," Taylor said. "I thought we defended well, but we have to work on our attack. They shut

down our outside pretty well." Through the entire match, the Eagles fed off the energy of nearly 1,000 fans who came to the CSI Gymnasium for the showdown. With the attendees already in full throat, Cubi-Otineru pounded down the first kill of Game 3 off a NIC defender to an eruption of cheers. The festivities continued after the match, as freshman setter Kaylene "Pudge" Finau and her teammates danced along the sideline in front of a large group of Finau's relatives who reciprocated in the stands.

"Oh man, was that unbelievable or what?" Stroud said. "That was awesome. Nobody in the country, especially at our level can touch that. It was a huge crowd and it was vocal and they got into the match. It was awesome. I think our team responded and played well for them."

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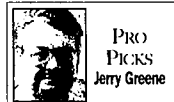
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Packers need more Cheez Wiz

ORLANDO, Fla. — So when does ice-fishing season start in Wisconsin?

Folks around Green Bay should focus on that because there's not much reason to think about football when the mucky Cheezheads went Oh-for-September.

However, we have discovered why we're not there yet. It has nothing to do with effort or even skill. The Packers have a problem beyond their control.



PRO PICKERS Jerry Greene

They're stupid. Don't stand at me. Talk to the Wall Street Journal, which compared each team's average score on the Wanderline intelligence test that's given to every NFL player.

And the Pack has a 19.1 average, which is a good score if your ambition in life is to hand out hot towels in a public restroom. The Arizona Cardinals were just a tick better at 19.2, which figures.

What doesn't figure is that the top four teams, in order, are the Rams, the Raiders, and a tie between Tampa Bay and Tennessee. But we'll ignore that because our sole purpose here is a cheap shot at the dumbheads, formerly known as the Cheezheads.

Of course nobody in Green Bay knows about this because they've never heard of the Wall Street Journal.

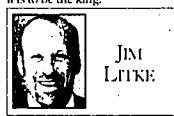
LAST WEEK: Yes! Yes! I gave you San Diego's road dog upset of the stumblin', fumblin' New England Patriots last! That's enough! Well, if you must know I was 9-5 straight up (38-22 for season, still 63 percent) but, uh, 4-10 against the evil spread (25-31-1 for season). And this week it's a tie because we had two games have point spreads of less than 4 points. That's not fair.

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Armstrong reminded it's good to be the king

ROCKVILLE, Md. — He handles the pack pursuing him with soft words and humor instead of threats and his usual icy stare.

Two dozen cyclists surrounding Lance Armstrong will never match his accomplishments, even if they have already matched the one that matters most. But even here, maybe not precisely here, Armstrong is reminded once more how good it is to be the king.



JIM LITKE

"I was in the same position they are," he said at the beginning of a candid, hourlong interview with The Associated Press. "We all heard of those everybody fears most — You have cancer. I've faced well in that regard. It's been nine years and I can't say I wake up most days scared to death."

"But we all need partners and heroes. And the good thing," he added, "is that I'm constantly reminded of that in a setting like this."

On a dreary Sunday morning, Armstrong turned up in a meeting room outside Washington, and just a few miles from where the Tour of Hope ended its nine-day run. He spent nearly an hour swapping stories and signing jerseys, bikes, photos and whatever other mementos were proffered by members of the four relay teams that rode cross-country to raise awareness about the need for more cancer patients to take part in clinical trials.

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Broncos dodge a Viking bullet

By Dustin Lapray Times-News correspondent

BOISE — Lee Marks scored on a 7-yard touchdown run with RB3 remaining as Boise State came from behind in the fourth quarter to best Portland State 21-14 and keep intact the nation's longest home win streak Saturday night.

The Broncos (3-2, 1-0 Western Athletic) have won 27 straight at home, tying to the Griz: Vanderbilt for the 18th longest ever in NCAA Division I-A.

But Boise State struggled much of the night against the smaller Division I-AA Vikings (3-3, 1-1 Big Sky), who led 14-7 at the half. Quarterback junior Jared Zabransky, who threw for 256 yards and rushed for a touchdown, lobbed a pass to junior, Brian James, for 17 yards to set up Marks' game-winning run around the right side that put the Broncos ahead for the first time.

James, who led all receivers with seven catches for 100 yards, also caught a two-point conversion pass from Zabransky after the 15-play, 87-yard



fourth-quarter drive. (James) is huge for us."

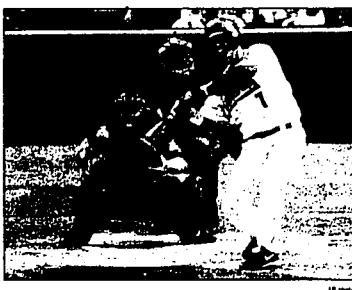
Zabransky said, "I got a lot of trust in that guy. If you put it to me, his going to do something with the ball."

James caught passes for 12, 17 and six yards on the game-winning drive, including a diving grab to convert a fourth and five play.

"It's fun whenever it's clutch time and everyone's looking at the receivers and we know we can make the play," James said. "It's just a question of doing it."

The Vikings scored both touchdowns in the first half. BSU gave up 133 yards on the ground in the first half and trailed.

There were guys who were angry," said linebacker Corey Hall of Glenns Ferry. "That's something we pride ourselves on, stopping the run."



Houston Astros' Craig Biggio (7) doubles off Atlanta Braves pitcher Jorge Sosa as catcher Brian McCann, left, and umpire Jeff Nelson look on during the second inning of Game 3 of the National League Division Series, Saturday, in Houston.

Oswalt picks himself, Astros up in Game 3

The Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — Roy Oswalt stumbled and fell on his rear right in the middle of the field. Then he got up, reached back and put the Houston Astros in control of their first-round playoff series.

Not bad for a No. 3 starter. Oswalt pitched into the eighth inning, striking out seven of the next 12 batters after his awkward slip, and the Astros beat the Atlanta Braves 7-3 Saturday night to take a 2-1 lead in their best-of-five series.

Houston can advance to its second consecutive NL championship series with a victory at home on Sunday. Brandon Beckie will pitch for the Astros — but Atlanta manager Bobby Cox had not announced his starter yet. He said he might bring Tim Lincecum back on three days' rest.

Mike Lamb hit a tiebreaking homer in the third for the Astros, who after seven first-round exits from the playoffs are one victory from eliminating the Braves in the division series for

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SPORTS



Toronto Maple Leafs goalie Ed Belfour is scored on during third period NHL action against the Montreal Canadiens in Toronto Saturday. The Canadiens beat the Maple Leafs 5-4.

Canadiens edge Maple Leafs

TORONTO (AP) — Mike Ribeiro scored with 1:27 left to help the Canadiens beat the Maple Leafs...

Martin St. Louis put the Lightning ahead 2-0 during a five on three power play...

The Thrashers put their home opener out of reach in the third period as Scott Mellanby...

Islanders 3, Hurricanes 2

MIRANDA SATO FINALLY SCORED his goal in an Islanders jersey...

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Kahne wins duel with Biffle

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — If Kasey Kahne tries something like the move that won him Saturday's Busch race in Sunday's Nextel Cup event, Greg Biffle vowed to make him pay for it.

"Biffle elected not to judge Kahne out of contention during their late-side-by-side duel Saturday, and Kahne edged ahead just yards from the finish line...

"Let's get a lot riding on that, racing for points, and I doubt he wants to do that. If he wants to mudge, we can mudge, too."

The margin of victory — .03 seconds — was the fifth-closest since the series implemented electronic timing in 1993.

"We're covered up today, but we got a good car," said Truex, the defending series champion.

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Castillo wins rematch with Corrales

CASTILLO SAID "I TOLD everyone I would knock him out before the seventh round."

The fight was a rematch of one of the most thrilling fights in years, a bruising battle that ended only after Corrales came out of the canvas twice in the dramatic 10th round May 8 stop.

Castillo said "I told everyone I would knock him out before the seventh round."

Both fighters showed the second fight would be even better, and they went after each other from the opening bell like five-month babies who've clapped from the first fight.

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School suits up twice in one Saturday

By Dave Campbell Associated Press writer

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Northwestern College running back Aaron Pennington heads for a touchdown in the second quarter of Saturday's game against Holy Trinity College on Saturday, in Roseville, Minn., bringing the score to 33-0.

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"On his brief retirement: 'Busy so far, but it was always that way after the tour. It's when you're not with sponsors, and lined up with obligations. And obviously, I got engaged. But I used to be gone, training all the time between December and August. Once things settle down, it will be nice to see if I can spread two-three months worth of work over 12 months.'"

"On chances he might reverse course and return to the U.S. in a straight line: 'I don't know. I'd like to see what the French can throw me overboard at.'"

"On his continuing legal headaches and war of words set off by recent doping allegations: 'I lived with a lot for seven years, including them saying, 'The got cancer because he doped.' It's why and what I said on the Champes-Elysees after the race — 'Shame on you.' The cycling union has opened up an independent investigation. Let's hope everybody answers the questions they ask. I know I will.'"

"On his legacy: 'Sportsmen come and go. Somebody will come along someday with a more compelling story.'"

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MANNING JR. Hunter, a Seattle Mariners hitting coach with the single-A affiliate Triunfantes...

Kenseth sets qualifying

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KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Matt Kenseth set a track qualifying record in capturing the pole for the Ringer 400, hoping it will put him in position to win Sunday and get back into the race for the Chase for the NASCAR Cup championship.

Kovalchuk completes

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ATLANTA — The Kovalchuk deal with the Atlanta Thrashers, ending his threat to play this season in his native Russia...

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Alinghi leads U.S.

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BRANDIMONTE, Calif. — American Cup holder Alinghi won both Saturday to move past BMW Oracle after four fast races in the Louis Vuitton Cup...

Singletary earns return

trip to Breeders' Cup
ARCADIA, Calif. (AP) — Singletary won the \$249,000 California Breeders' Cup Mile by 1.5 lengths on Saturday.

Ljubic beats Dayvdenko

to reach final in France
PARIZ, France — Third seed Ivan Ljubic beat top seed Denys Denysenko of Russia 6-1, 6-1 Sunday to reach the final at the Open de Marseille.

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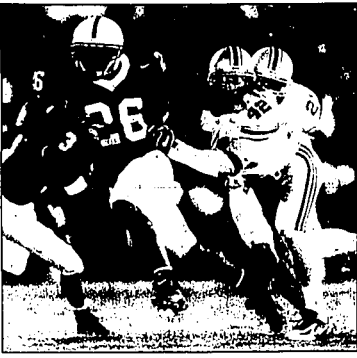
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V-6, Power Windows-LOCKS
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Penn State running back Tony Hunt, left, pushes away Ohio State linebacker Bobby Carpenter, right, during the first quarter Saturday, in State College, Pa.

Penn State enters national title race

SALEM, O.H. (AP) — It's too ahead-and say it: Penn State is back.

Back on top of the Big Ten and back in the hunt for a national title.

Michael Robinson and Derrick Williams ran for touchdowns less than three minutes apart in the second quarter and Paul Poslusny and the Saturday Lions' defense did the rest in a 17-10 victory over No. 6 Ohio State on Saturday night.

With No. 49 for Joe Paterno was the type of victory some thought was only in the past for the 79-year-old coach. The 10th-ranked Nittany Lions (6-0, 3-0) hadn't beaten a team so highly ranked since knocking off No. 4 Arizona to start the 1999 season.

On a hilly and damp night — just perfect for a slugfest between two of the Big Ten's best defenses — Penn State was out to prove that Paterno's once powerful program could again compete with the nation's elite after winning just three conference games the past two seasons.

The Nittany Lions did more than just hold their own against the Buckeyes (3-2, 1-1) and their sound defense, led by linebacker A.J. Hawk, Penn State bested the team considered the class of the league and Jose Bowe contender.

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Defense was theynchpin of that team with linebacker LevAr Arrington and defensive end Courtney Brown providing the big plays.

Now it's Poslusny and Hall leading the way.

The Lions bottled up two-way threat quarterback Troy Smith and took Ohio State's big-play receivers, Ted Ginn II, and Santonio Holmes, out of the game. Not until the final drive did either have a catch over 20 yards.

Poslusny had another double-digit tackle game and he chased down Smith for a 10-yard loss with about five minutes left to help keep the Buckeyes scoreless in the second half.

With the Nittany Lions back in the rankings and a win away from having first place in the Big Ten all to themselves, the student body was re-energized. Some camped out for a week in what was dubbed "Paterno Stadium" around Beaver Stadium for the first consecutive years.

The Nittany Lions rewarded their patience with a performance worthy of Paterno's two championship teams. In return, the booming crowd of 109,000 heralded the stadium rocking up and down after Penn State scored two TDs in a span of 2:33 to take a 14-3 lead in the second quarter.

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Griz defense stifles ISU

By Mark Liptak
Times-News correspondent

RECAFIELD — It appears the death of the Grizzlies was greatly exaggerated.

Despite a lackluster offense for the past three weeks, a back-up quarterback and a hostile location, Montana showed why they are still Montana, convincingly beating Idaho State 32-10 Saturday afternoon.

The win gives the No. 4 Grizzlies (4-1, 2-0 Big Sky) a leg up in the Big Sky Conference.

No. 25 Idaho State (3-3, 1-2) has now dropped two straight but at least has finished the murderous part of their schedule which saw them also play Eastern Washington and Montana State, both ranked, the previous two weeks.

The Grizzlies jumped out to a quick 12-0 lead before the Bengals turned it on in the second quarter.

A Josh Barnett 2-yard touchdown run and a Jaret Johnson field goal cut it to 12-10 at the half.

ISU has had major troubles in the third quarter this season and Saturday was no different. On a 3rd and 23, Lex Hilliard popped through the line of scrimmage and took off on a 69-yard sprint for a score to make it 19-10. Hilliard ended the day with 142 yards rushing.

Redshirt freshman Cole Bergquist, thrown into the starting quarterback spot due to injury, then caught a break



when he fired a deep pass that was tipped by Bengals defender DJ Clark right into the hands of receiver Lee Talmage who hauled in for a 69-yard score. The play covered 48 yards and basically ended the game.

Bergquist finished the afternoon with 136 passing yards and two scores, both to Talmage.

The Griz defense, among the best in the conference, made life miserable for Bengal starter Matt Hagler.

After three turnovers he was pulled in favor of senior transfer Luke Snievicki, who didn't fare much better.

For the game, Montana caught four turnovers and held the top rushing offense in the Big Sky to only 76 yards.

After the game, ISU head coach Larry Lewis explained the reason for the change at quarterback.

"Matt was getting a little frustrated at that point, and we needed to get him out and get him focused a little bit," Lewis said. "Plus, we need to give Luke some opportunities."

ISU gets a much needed by before hitting the road to Sacramento State in two weeks.

Minnesota claims Little Brown Jug

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — The Minnesota Golden Gophers planted their flag in the middle of the field and stormed Michigan's sideline looking for the Little Brown Jug.

They definitely earned it.

Leslie Glanum kicked a 30-yard field goal with a second left, lifting Minnesota to a 23-20 win over the 21st-ranked Wolverines on Saturday for the Gophers' first win in the series since 1996.

On third-and-10 from the Minnesota 26, Gary Russell ran 61 yards to set up the winning kicking play.

College football for the Gophers (5-1, 2-1 Big Ten).

After Michigan was unable to return the final kickoff for a score, the Gophers captured the bulky water jug — which dates back to 1903 and is the oldest trophy in Division IA football — lifted it over their heads and celebrated in front of a stunned crowd of 111,117.

The two-time defending conference champion Wolverines (4-2, 0-2) are 0-1 in their worst start since also having a 4-3 record in 1990.



Minnesota nose tackle Anthony Montgomery (95) drinks from the Little Brown Jug after Minnesota defeated Michigan 23-20 at Michigan Stadium in Ann Arbor, Mich., Saturday. The Little Brown Jug, the oldest trophy in Division IA football, is a bulky water jug, which dates back to 1903.

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No. 3 Virginia Tech 41, Marshall 14

PASADENA, Calif. — Maurice Drew ran for three touchdowns, scored another in a long punt return, and caught a 20-yard pass for the go-ahead touchdown Saturday night as No. 20 UCLA rallied for a wild 47-40 victory over No. 10 California.

Drew caught a swing pass from Drew Olson in the right flat and outran defenders down the sideline to score the decisive touchdown with 1:35 to play.

Olson, who had taken the first 75 yards down to the end zone, was sacked on the try for a two-point conversion.

UCLA (5-0, 2-0 Pac-10) sealed the win when Trey Brown intercepted a Joe Ayonin pass at the Cal 23 with 1:19 remaining. Drew then scored on a 2-yard run as time expired.

No. 2 Texas 45, Oklahoma 22

DALLAS — Vince Young and the Texas Longhorns are headed home from the State Fair for the first time in 110 years, a victory over Oklahoma.

Showing the poise and leadership skills developed since a miserable performance against the Sooners last year, Young threw for three touchdowns in guiding No. 2 Texas to a 45-12 victory Saturday.

No. 1 USC 42, Arizona 21

LOS ANGELES — Le'Veon Bell scored four touchdowns, rushed for 173 yards and USF posted its 27th consecutive victory.

The Trojans (5-0, 3-0 Pac-10) also won their school-record 23rd home game, White and Reggie Bush, who had 110 yards each, ran for 100-plus yards for the third consecutive game. Steve Smith added seven catches for 131 yards.

No. 11 LSU 34, Vanderbilt 6

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — LSU had its first "normal" week in a season disrupted because of hurricane and wound up with a game that was anything but regular until the final quarter.

Malcolm Russell threw for 285 yards and two touchdowns and Joseph Addai ran for 102 yards and a TD, and No. 11 LSU beat Vanderbilt 34-6 Saturday night, keeping the Commodores, from their best start since 1950.

The Tigers (3-1, 2-1 Southeastern Conference) limited the league's second-best offense to 138 yards, sacked Jay Cutler four times, intercepted him twice and knocked him down early and often. Vanderbilt had been averaging 342.6 yards.

The Commodores (4-2, 2-1) had not started 1-1 or 3-0 in the SEC since 1950. A victory would have kept the league's perennial elite dueller in a tie with No. 5 Georgia atop the SEC Eastern Division.

No. 4 Florida State 41, Wake Forest 24

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — Drew Weatherford threw for 351 yards and three touchdowns as the Seminoles blew open a close game with three quick scores in the final quarter.

Florida State (5-0, 3-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) rolled up 585 yards and 27 first downs, but its nationally ranked defense struggled all day against the peeks from Devon Brooks. Wake Forest (2-4, 1-2) closed to 20-17 on a 31-yard touchdown run by Chris Barclay, who finished with 125 yards.

But the Seminoles scored three touchdowns in the next 9 minutes to take a 31-17 lead.

No. 5 Georgia 27, No. 8 Tennessee 14

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Starting for the first time against a top-10 team, DJ Shockley went 16-of-27 for 207 yards and ran for 51 yards as the Bulldogs won for the third straight time in Neyland Stadium.

An erratic season continued for the Volunteers (3-2, 2-2 SEC), and their offense slumped more ineptness with two costly fumbles and an interception.

No. 13 Florida 35, Mississippi State 9

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Dallas Baker had a career-high 123 yards receiving and a touchdown, and Florida rebounded from its first loss of the season.

Chris Leak finished 18-of-33 for 241 yards with a touchdown and two interceptions.

Northwestern 51, No. 14 Wisconsin 48

EVANSTON, Ill. — Freshman Brett Nixton ran for 244 yards and three touchdowns, and Kevin Smith's interception sealed the victory.

No. 9 Miami 52, Duke 7

MAMI — Kyle Wright drove for three touchdowns in a 5-minute span of the second quarter as the Hurricanes rolled for 82 yards and two touchdowns.

Wolfpack rips up Idaho in Reno, 62-14

BEMO, Nev. (AP) — H.J. Mitchell ran for 149 yards and four touchdowns, leading Nevada to a 62-14 victory over Idaho on Saturday.

Jeff Howe passed for 251 yards and three touchdowns for the Wolf Pack (5-2, 2-1 WAC). Mitchell scored on runs of 4 and 7 yards in the first quarter and added 110 runs of 56 and 7 yards in the third quarter.

Idaho scored on a 7-yard pass from Steven Wichman to Daniel Smith with 1:18 left in the first half, cutting Nevada's lead to 28-6. Wichman completed 25 of 49 passes for 275 yards and 14 touchdowns for the Vandals (1-5, 1-2 WAC).

Regional football

The Rams stuffed quarterback Brian Johnson for no gain on the next two plays. After a time out, Gantner again tried to take the ball to the end zone on fourth down, but was tackled by Jesse Nading with 22 seconds remaining.

The Utes (3-3, 1-2 Mountain West Conference) remain winless on the road this season — one year after going undefeated and beating Pittsburgh in the Fiesta Bowl. They also lost two straight for the first time since 2002.

Bell, who rushed for 197 and 183 yards in his previous two games, had 42 yards on 17 carries in the game's first three quarters, and it showed on the scoreboard. Colorado State (3-2, 2-0) trailed 14-3 entering the fourth quarter.

Utah St. 24, San Jose St. 17

LOGAN, Utah — Kevin Robinson tied a Utah State record with his third career punt return touchdown and caught two scoring passes, and the Aggies held off a late rally to beat San Jose State 24-17 Saturday.

The Aggies (2-2, 1-1) clinched their first victory in the Western Athletic Conference when the Spartans (1-4, 0-2) threw an incomplete pass on fourth down from the Utah State 34-yard line with 9 seconds remaining.

Robinson returned a punt 87 yards for a touchdown on the first quarter to tie the school record, which he now shares with John Strycula and Bob Wicks. Robinson also caught two down passes of 39 and 27 yards from Leon Jackson III, who completed 17 of 26 passes for 200 yards.

BYU 27, New Mexico 24

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — John Beck threw for 371 yards and three touchdowns on a 23-yard pass to Matt Allen with 1:40 left Saturday night as Brigham Young rallied for a stirring 27-24 win over New Mexico.

With BYU (2-3, 1-2 Mountain West) down 24-19 with 2:48 left, Beck — the fourth leading pass-

er in the nation — needed just a minute and eight seconds to take the Cougars 80 yards on five plays.

Curtis Brown added a two-point conversion run.

Montana St. 27, Weber St. 24

OGDEN, Utah — Jeff Hastings kicked a 39-yard field goal as the Big Sky's Boise State (2-4, 1-2) beat the Wildcats (2-4, 1-2) for the fifth year in a row and second straight time on a last-second field goal.

Montana State trailed 24-10 — entering the fourth quarter, but rallied behind Travis Lulay, who rushed 18 times for 142 yards and two touchdowns and threw for 283 yards. Trammie Murray caught seven passes for 119 yards, including a catch with four seconds remaining to set up Hastings' winning kick.

Last year it was E.J. Cochrane kicking the game-winning 44-yard punt for Montana State's 20-17 victory over Weber State.

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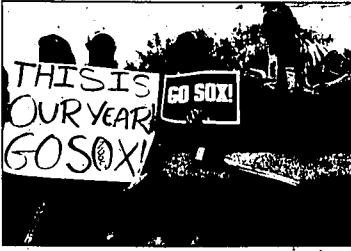
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Chicago White Sox fans Joe Fernandez, second from left, Kevin Kwiatkowski, center, and Dwayne Richter wait for White Sox players to arrive at Midway Airport, Saturday, in Chicago. The White Sox were returning from Boston after sweeping the Boston Red Sox in the American League Division Series.

White Sox ready to make their own history

CHICAGO (AP) — Their second celebration in a little more than a week behind them, the White Sox came home Saturday to await their first trip to the AL Championship Series since 1993. Two years before wild cards were added.

They've been hearing a lot about history lately. The subject popped up when they climbed the AL Central with a league-best 99 wins and again when they swept the defending champion Boston Red Sox.

They've heard how the franchise hasn't won a World Series since 1918, hasn't won a title since 1917 — the last time until Friday the White Sox had even captured a playoff series — and even about the 1919 World Series when eight players were charged with conspiring to fix the outcome.

Enough, already.

"This team is the 2005 White Sox. It's not trying to change what's happened in the past and all that," said first baseman Paul Konerko, whose homer Friday propelled the White Sox to a 5-3 victory. "We're just trying to be this team, play our best and see what happens."

After staggering through September and nearly losing a 15-game lead that dwindled to two, the White Sox have more than regrouped. They won their final five regular-season games and will take an eight-game winning streak over all against the Yankees or Angels.

Surviving the shaky stretch, when the words "collapse" and "chuck" were being mentioned daily, seems to have been a boost.

"This team's real loose, and that starts with Ozzie," said Konerko, referring to manager Ozzie Guillen.

And the city that has been baseball hungry for decades is caught up in Sox mania with skyscrapers near Lake Michigan lit up with team lettering.

A sign-waving crowd estimated at 1,000 jammed a street next

to a terminal near Midway Airport on Saturday to welcome the White Sox from Boston.

The White Sox will work out Sunday and Monday and wait to start who they'll play in the next round beginning Tuesday at U.S. Cellular Field.

Game 4 of the Angels-Yankees series was postponed because of rain Saturday in New York with Los Angeles leading two games to one. It will be played Sunday and a fifth game, if necessary, would be in Anaheim on Monday.

The White Sox were 3-3 against the Yankees this season and 4-6 against the Angels. They should, at least, be more rested than either team.

"I haven't analyzed those series very thoroughly because of the work that we have in front of us," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said from New York.

But we'll look at them and we'll break it down a few more times enough to get past these guys and get to Chicago, we'll look at those games and see what is happening."

White Sox manager Jerry Reinhardt wants his team to avert its accomplishment for at least another day and then worry about the next round. He has no preference on the opponent, adding that matchups often go askew in the postseason.

The White Sox have been able to win with a variety of approaches — 50 called small ball by moving runners and stealing bases, with power they hit seven homers in the series against Boston) and with pitching and defense.

They get a stellar performance and an emotional lift Friday from Orlando Hernandez, who was almost left off the playoff roster. But the veteran of numerous playoffs appearances with the Yankees — a 9-3 record in 17 postseason games with New York — pitched out of a bases-loaded, no-out predicament Friday.

Game 4 postponed by rain

NEW YORK (AP) — Even Chone Figgins couldn't have splashed his way through this.

The white tarpaulin over the Yankee Stadium infield billowed in the wind Saturday and a steady rain fell. More than 3.5 hours before it was scheduled to start, Game 4 of the AL playoff series between the Los Angeles Angels and the New York Yankees was postponed.

Major League Baseball and the Fox network reset the game for Sunday night. If the Yankees win and force Game 5, that one would be Monday afternoon or evening in Anaheim, Calif., a quick turnaround for teams fighting to gain a berth against the Chicago White Sox in the AL Championship Series.

It's out of our control," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "We'll play at midnight if they tell us to play at midnight. We'll be ready."

A New York victory would tie the best-of-five series 2-2, forcing the teams to fly across the country in the middle of the night.

Players would not get to sleep until 5 a.m. PDT or so, about 12-14 hours before they would have to play a fifth game. A day game Sunday would have eased the travel, but television more than makes up for any games between large-market teams in prime time.

"Is it unfair? In a sense, yes," Yankees bench coach Joe Girardi said. "But I think it's the way who's doing it that way, and that's part of what makes this game tick. It's what keeps salaries up."

Baseball officials spoke with Fox on Game 4, at first rescheduled for 8:15 p.m., was moved up to 7:55 p.m. Commis-

Angels at Yankees

Los Angeles (Washburn 8-8) at New York (Faxon 7-3) TV: 5:35 p.m., Fox

sioner Bud Selig declined comment.

"I've got my hands full here," he said, but any questions could be asked.

Los Angeles took a 2-1 series lead with an 11-7 victory in the rain Friday night, beating up on Randy Johnson and getting another great defensive play from Figgins, whose diving catch of Gary Sheffield's liner to center saved one or two runs and blunted New York's comeback from a 5-0 deficit. After the Yankees went ahead 6-5, Anaheim rallied for two runs in the next inning, with Figgins hitting a go-ahead single.

Selig also declined to stick with Jarrod Washburn as his Game 4 starter and leave 21-game winner Bartolo Colon for Game 5 if it's needed. Colon planned to return to California later Saturday to get rest.

"Our confidence in Jarrod is high," Scioscia said. "Bar can use an extra day. It's been a long season for a lot of guys. We're going to have Colon start and back him up with John Lackey if we need him in Game 5."

The Yankees will start Shawn Chacon in Game 4. Mike Mussina, who bats Colon in Tuesday's opener, remained in California and would start Game 5.

A day off probably benefits the Angels more than the Yankees. Relievers Brendan Donnelly (14 pitches), Scot Shields (36), Kelvin Escobar (26) and Francisco Rodriguez (18) all were used in Game 3.

Daly pulls ahead of Monty

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — John Daly relied on the long ball to get back into contention, then to take the lead away from Colin Montgomerie on Saturday in an American Express Championship that kept a chilled gallery in suspense.

Daly hit a 378-yard drive that set up an eagle on the par-5 18th, then a 292-yard drive into the stiff wind for a chip-and-putt birdie on the par-4 19th, and finished with a 3-under 67 on the Harding Park course for a one-shot lead over Montgomerie.

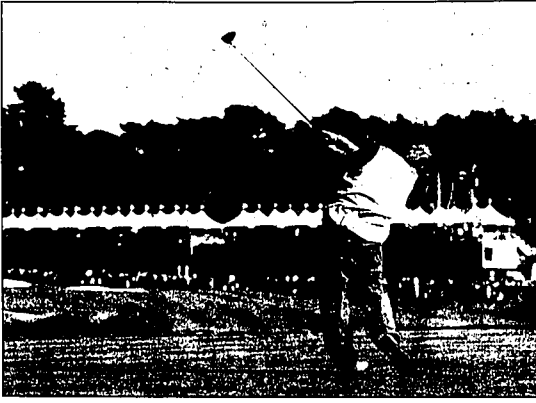
Tiger Woods somehow finished with two shots better. His scorecard showed a 68, but didn't include sketches of where some of his shots landed — one of them under an SUV parked in the woods, another that went off the cart path, and a 25-foot hospitality tent and was headed for the parking lot until it grazed someone's leg and stopped on the stairs.

Daly, who started with a bogey and a double bogey on his first three holes, was at 9-under 201 and poised to capture his first victory in 19 months.

Montgomerie, who only last week held his 49-month victory drought, closed with 10 straight pars for a 69, giving him another tie time with Daly on Sunday. They will be joined by Sergio Garcia, who shot a 67 to join Woods at 7 under.

Perot leads by three at Longs Drugs Challenge

ALBUQUEN, Calif. — Chile's Nicole Perot moved into position for her first LPGA tour victory, shooting a 7-under 64 to take a three-stroke lead after the third round of the Longs



John Daly tees off on the 18th hole during the third round of the American Express World Golf Championships at Harding Park in San Francisco, Saturday.

Drugs Challenge.

The 21-year-old Perot, the 2001 U.S. Girls champion, had a 4-under 67 on The Ridge Golf Course. She had eight birdies — four in a row on Nos. 3-6 — and a bogey in the best round of her first full season on the tour.

Sweden's Liselotte Neumann (64) and South Korea's Lee-Won Han (66) were 11 under, and Sherr Turner (69), Jennifer Rossales (67) and Sherri Steinhilber (69) followed at 9 under. Han won the Office Depot Championship on Monday in Rancho Palos Verdes.

Hall of Famers Juli Inkster

(67) and Beth Daniel (70) were in a group at 8 under, and Annika Sorenstam was nine strokes back at 5 under after a 71.

Whitney surge ahead at Greater Hickory Classic

CONOVER, N.C. — Dana Quigley shot a season-best 64 to take a one-stroke lead over Loren Roberts in the Greater Hickory Classic.

The 58-year-old Quigley, a two-time winner this year who leads the Champions Tour money list with \$1,812,298, had a 12-under 132 total on the track Barn Golf & Spa's Jones Course.

Roberts, the left-hander (70) was in a group at 8 under, and Annika Sorenstam was nine strokes back at 5 under after a 71.

Little stumbles at Abama Open de Canarias

TENERIFE, Canary Islands — England's John Bickerton shot a 2-under 69 to take a one-stroke lead over compatriot Stuart Little in the Abama Open de Canarias.

Bickerton had a 7-under 206 total. Little shot a 72.

Webber attempts successful rebound with 76ers

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Chris Webber spent the end of last season with Philadelphia looking for another timeout he didn't have.

Damaging Michigan's 1993 national championship bid with a gaffe that still earns him taunts in visiting NBA arenas caused great personal anguish, but he says playing the final 21 games with the 76ers last season hurt much worse.

It was the worst situation I've ever been in in basketball," Webber said. "What I mean by that is, it was the worst feeling I had. Timeout times 50, basically."

Webber's case of amnesia went terribly awry after he was traded from Sacramento in a stunning trade-deadline deal. The smooth forward with the easygoing personality went from earning Western Conference player of the month honors in January to being labeled an unhappy, injury-prone player whose skills were in decline and who could not coexist with Allen Iverson.

When you hear things about yourself that are laughable, it can make you jaded or bitter and make you upset and get you out of your personality and who you are," Webber said.



Philadelphia 76ers' Chris Webbers is pressured during training camp at Cameron Indoor Stadium at Duke University in Durham, N.C., Thursday.

Webber returned to training camp healthy and with a glued-on size 13 shoulder, determined to show he's still an All-Star, still capable of 20-10 games and able to get along just fine with Iverson, Philadelphia's controversial franchise player.

He wants to go out and get on the court because he knows that's not the Chris Webber that came from Sacramento," 76ers president Billy King said during training camp at Duke University.

Yes, he's laughable, he's been the man. He starred at Michigan and with three NBA teams, most notably with the Kings — where he enjoyed the greatest personal success and led them to his conference finals.

In Philadelphia last season, Webber was no longer the centerpiece of the offense. That role always was filled by Iverson, and former coach Jim O'Brien was content to let his point guard rim wild and take the bulk — 77 to be exact — of the shots.

Having his many questions and decisions, O'Brien never appeared willing to adjust the offense and make Webber a formidable presence in the post. Iverson was always encouraged to run and shoot on the loose, even in half-court sets where Webber is at his best.

"I definitely need the ball in my hands to shoot it, or to make decisions or to pass," Webber said.

Perhaps the low point came in early

No one really knows if Webber and Iverson can be coaxed into playing and producing like All-Stars while leading the Sixers back among the Eastern Conference elite. But Iverson believes the duo, with a combined 11 All-Star selections and no championships, can succeed together.

"I'm honestly tired of it and I can't wait for the season to get on just so we can't people down a little bit," he said. "It can happen. He's the type of player I've always wanted on my team. He's the type of big man I always felt I needed to be successful in this league."

Well, Glenn Robinson also was supposed to be the sidekick that Iverson needed to win a championship. Ditto for Jerry Stackhouse, Tim Thomas and Ima Fuxi. Each was touted as the perfect scoring complement to Iverson. None panned out as Philadelphia's second scorer.

"I don't see there is a problem with Allen integrating a No. 2 guy," Checks said. "Chris is a star within his own self. He can pass, shoot, rebound. He has to pass. When you have a guy like that, he's going to make Allen's life easier on the court."

Iverson and Webber clogged during training camp, an encouraging sign that the superstars with super egos might be able to mesh during the regular season.

"It's a great environment, man. It's a great atmosphere," said Webber, with his beaming smile back. "I could not be happier right now."

Checks said he saw signs that Webber can be the scoring threat he was in Sacramento. Webber credits Checks for running plays through him and making him an integral part of the offense.

"Just being here with the guys and working with Mike, we've not felt comfortable, and comfortable is half the battle," Webber said.

Webber said he couldn't stomach another experience like he had last year, and has prayed this year will be better. He insists his knees are fine, and used the summer to heal his psyche.

As for doubts that he can play with Iverson, Webber says he has none. And he scoffs at those who wonder whether he can still be the player he was during his heyday with the Kings, when he twice averaged 24.5 points in a season.

Webber never got a second chance in college to make up for the timeout fiasco. In Philly, he says all he needs for redemption is the ball in his hands and an offense that tries to get him more involved.

"I'll do the same things I did the month before I got traded here and I think I'll be a hell of a player," Webber said.

Astros

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the second year in a row.

Craig Biggio, in the 39-year-old second baseman who has spent his entire career in Houston and last week agreed to a contract for 2006, hit three doubles and scored twice. Morgan Ensberg, who had four RBIs on three singles in his first postseason appearance, after joining the Braves' rotation in mid-June, he went 7-0 in 12 road starts.

Braves at Astros

Atlanta (Thomson 4-6) at Houston (Backe 10-8) TV: 11:09 a.m., ESPN

Oswalt had already vusted a two-run lead when he fell on the mound in the middle of his windup for an 0-2 pitch to Marcus Giles in the third. After getting up and shaking his head, Oswalt threw a 96 mph fastball that Giles swung at and struck.

That was Oswalt's first miss, and it got him back on track after a strange sequence in the

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Lidge closed it out in the ninth.

There wasn't much time until Game 4, which is Sunday at 12:30 p.m. local time.

Atlanta has won 14 straight division titles, but hasn't made it past the first round of the playoffs since 2001. The Braves could go to Houston, the loser in Game 1, in the hopes of sending the series back to Atlanta for a deciding game Monday night.

Oswalt might have been third in the Braves' playoff rotation, but the right-hander was the opening-day starter ahead of Andy Pettitte and Roger Clemens in their hometown.

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Area junior high cross country runners start off strong during their 3.5-mile race last Wednesday.

Ward, Jones win jr. high meet

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TWIN FALLS — Amanda Ward led the Twin Falls girls with a new course record of 9:50 for the 1.5-mile course last Wednesday at O'Leary Junior High School.

Jerome's Mackenzie Chopacky in 10:14, Vanessa Sanchez, Twin Falls, 10:16; Nicole Chmurny, Jerome, 10:44; Lacey Knapp, Shoshone, 10:45; Shelby Allen, Jerome, 10:51; Sarah Dodds, Twin Falls, 10:56; Sarah Marbry, Twin Falls, 10:58; McKenzie Johnson, Twin Falls, 11:05 and Janessa Miller, Twin Falls, 11:05.

Other top finishers included: Eric Johnson, Jerome, 9:20; Clint Metcalf, Declo, 9:22; Austin Cruz, Wood River, 9:25; Zach Webb, Declo, 9:31; Pedro Santos, Twin Falls, 9:31; Tyler Davis, Wood River, 9:34; Travis Jones, Declo, 9:35 and Blake Fischer, Twin Falls, 9:35.

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Rupert Rangers perform well

The Times-News

RUPERT — The Rupert Rangers 11-12 year old travel All-Star baseball team finished the 2005 season with an impressive 34-10 record.

The Rangers competed in seven tournaments throughout Idaho, winning three and placing second in two.

The Rangers were able to win the Madison Grand Slam Tournament in Rexburg by defeating the Twin Falls Nationals in the championship game.

This tournament features about 30 teams from throughout the northwest including teams from Montana, Washington and Utah.

Rupert also won the Rupert Invitational Tournament and the Payette County Yearend Bash.

The Rangers are coached by Trent Ferrin, Jay Miller, Jeff



Pictured from left are, back row: Coach Jeff Miller, Coach Brock Wilmill, Casey Christiansen, Coach Trent Ferrin, Tyler Gamber, Coach Jay Miller, Bronson Miller, Kade Miller, Coach Johnny Miller, and Nate Hanks; front row: Kody Miller, Andrew Layton, Joe Ferrin, Jordan Nessen, Jorie Winmill, and Nick Salvit.

Miller, Brock Winmill and Johnny Miller, who have taught these boys the importance of baseball fundamentals, hard work, teamwork, the love of the game and friendship.

Two M.V. gymnasts complete TOPS national testing

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — McKenzie Martinez and Champie Shelton from Magic Valley Gymnastics in Twin Falls, Idaho, completed the 2005 USA Gymnastics National TOPS Testing, last month in Houston, Texas at the Women's Team Training Center located at the Bela Karolyi Gymnastics Camp.

TOPS is a Talent Opportunity Program for female gymnasts ages 7-11 and their coaches. During the summer, gymnasts are evaluated on physical abilities at the state and regional levels.

From more than 3,400 participants nationwide, 300 gymnasts qualify to participate in the National TOPS Testing. From there, approximately 60 gymnasts will make the TOPS



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for TOPS. Champie Shelton is 9 years old. This is Champie's first year. Those who qualify to the TOPS National team will once again, be invited to attend a training camp this December in Houston, Texas at Karolyi's Gymnastics, home of well-known gymnastics coaches Bela and Marta Karolyi.

The Karolyis coached Nadia Comaneci, Mary Lou Retton, Kim Zmeskal, Kerri Strang and many other world and Olympic champions.

Martinez and Shelton tested with five other teammates in June at Magic Valley Gymnastics. In the 8 year old division, Courtney Ellis earned silver level status, and in the 10 year old division Samantha Lo Drolinger making her debut earned bronze level status.

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Losing playoff teams, coaching egos

When the NFL realigned to create four-team divisions in the 2002 season, one potential negative jumped out. With fewer division games, in some seasons there was a good chance a team could win a title with a sub-500 record.

This might be the year. In fact, it seems likely in the NFC North, where Detroit and Chicago currently lead by 1-2 and none of the four teams is likely to improve much. The Lions, Bears, Vikings and Packers are a combined 1-3 against teams outside the division, the lone victory being Minnesota's 33-16 home win over New Orleans on Sept. 25, when the Saints were totally exhausted from all their trips.

Some people might be inclined to say they're just starting badly.

Other than the under-achieving Vikings, these appear to be mediocre to bad teams beset by injuries, such as the broken ankle that knocked out the Bears' quarterback Rex Grossman and led to the installation of raw rookie Kyle Orton. It's a shame, really, because there's enough defensive talent on the Bears to muddle through against this group.

So maybe the presence of Daunte Culpepper makes the Bears the favorite for the division at all, he's less generous and say 7-9.

But are they really average? Yes, they were the clear division favorites entering the season and some people had them getting pretty far in the playoffs.

They also have yet to play an NFC North team in Cleveland words, "the teams were supposed to beat."

But Culpepper has been horri-



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ble so far, perhaps because Randy Moss is gone to Oakland and offensive coordinator Scott Linehan to Miami. Overall, he is rated 29th among NFL passers and has just four touchdowns and 10 interceptions, one less than he threw all of last season, when he was rated second behind Peyton Manning and threw for 39 TDs.

The best answer would be to change the rules and give the division to Tampa Bay, which played with those four teams in the old NFC Central. The Bucs, in the much tougher South, already have beaten the Vikings, Lions and Packers.

The ripple effect

The weakness of the NFC North could have an impact on playoff races in both conferences.

Under the schedule formula, each division plays a division in each conference on a rotating basis. This year, NFC North teams play opponents from the NFC South and the AFC North.

Thus, Tampa Bay (4-0) has beaten three NFC North teams and Cincinnati (4-0) has wins over the Bears and Vikings. Are they true contenders or are they simply decent teams beating up bad ones?

That won't help the Bucs or Bengals in the division races. Atlanta, which is the best team in Tampa Bay's division, has four games left against NFC North

teams. So does Pittsburgh, which probably is not that far from the AFC North. Three of the Steelers' last four games are against Chicago, Minnesota and Detroit.

But if Pittsburgh and Atlanta win their divisions, beating up the North could help the Bucs and Bengals secure wild-card playoff spots.

Cincinnati, for example, could finish 11-5 or 10-6, taking a spot from an AFC West team that has to play the stronger NFC East. And Tampa Bay could beat out a team like the Giants or Redskins, a combined 6-1, because that East-West cross-conference matchup gives New York and Washington a tougher schedule than the Bucs.

Obviously injuries and other factors could make all that moot. And, in truth, the NFC West, which faces the NFC East in the rotating schedule, isn't much better than the North — the Giants have beaten the Cardinals and Rams by a combined 43 points.

Not is this totally new. Imbalanced schedules in the past have resulted in scary outcomes.

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Redskins and Broncos meet in referendum on blockbuster trade

DENVER (AP) — In the salary-cap era, the blockbuster trade is pretty much a thing of the past. The Washington Redskins and Denver Broncos were an exception, though, when they got together for a swap of Pro Bowl players Clinton Portis and Champ Bailey.

Over the ensuing 19 months, hardly a week has passed during which one or the other hasn't been asked the question: Who won and who lost?

And now, a month into their second season with their new teams, maybe it's safe to say that both teams came out ahead. Each has three wins coming into the second week-end of October.

Of course, only one team can push the total to four on Sunday, when the surprising Redskins, 3-0 for the first time in 15 years, play the Broncos (3-1) — and Bailey and Portis take to the same field for the first time since the deal.

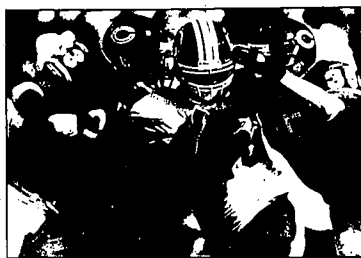
"I think both teams turned out pretty well," Portis said. "Champ is a great guy and a well-proven player. They knew that when they got him. He's gone to four or five Pro Bowls. And with me coming off my first Pro Bowl, they knew what they were getting."

While political correctness reigns this week among all who played a role in this trade, there certainly are some issues that have bugged under the surface for both players.

Bailey had reason to think his talents were being wasted by a Redskins franchise that lacked stability and sense of direction. Portis had reason to think his talents weren't being fully appreciated by a Broncos organization that preferred a more buttoned-down approach.

Some of Portis' angst may have come from Broncos arrogance — the long-held belief in the organization that pretty much any runner can gain big yards behind the Denver line and in the Denver system.

After all, journeyman Leaven Droughs, a fullback through most of his career, gained 1,240 yards as the every-down back who succeeded Portis last season. Meanwhile, in his first year with the Redskins, Portis gained 1,315 yards and his average per carry went down from 5.5 to his



Chicago Bears cornerback Charles Tillman (33), left, and safety Todd Johnson (35), right, try to take down Washington Redskins running back Clinton Portis after a 43-yard gain during the third quarter, Sept. 11, in Landover, Md.



Game of the Week

Redskins at Broncos
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final year with the Broncos to 3.8.

Many times, Denver coach Mike Shanahan has brought up such stats. This week, he's being careful to avoid them. Portis, meanwhile, bristles at the notion that he was just an interchangeable part with the Broncos.

"I think people recognize the talent level," said Portis, who joined Droughs, Terrell Davis, Olandis Gary and Mike Anderson as Denver's 1,000-yard rushers of the past decade.

"People recognize the difference," Portis said. "Those guys are really good guys, and they're really good friends of mine. At the same time, I think I brought more than just my athletic ability. I brought laughs. I brought joy. I brought a sense, an attitude and a swagger that is hard to find."

Indeed, Portis had the flashy clothes, the outrageous quotes and, of course, the famous championship belt proclaiming him the "heavyweight running back of the world" that he paraded around Invesco Field after scoring five touchdowns against the Chiefs in 2003.

Some think his attitude took its toll in his relationship with

Shanahan and triggered the trade, which also netted the Broncos a second-round pick they used to take Tatum Bell.

Bailey, meanwhile, isn't as flashy, but he brought a sense of confidence and stability to the Broncos' secondary. Last season, he parlayed that into his fifth Pro Bowl and was named an Associated Press All-Pro for the first time.

He had interceptions in the first two games of this season and some say he saved the game — maybe the season — on the first day of the second half against San Diego when he left his coverage area to step in front of a Drew Brees pass, intercept it and return it for a touchdown that started a big Broncos rally.

So who won in the trade?

"One thing people don't understand is we play different positions," said Bailey, who is nursing a hamstring injury and will have his status determined at game time. "I can't do what he does, and he can't do what I do. That's kind of irrelevant. Who cares? All I know is that we've got to stop the run, and he's their running back."

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Picks

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• Miami (2-1) at Buffalo (1-3) — Bills favored by 2.5. After the Bills lost to the Saints, Buffalo's resident QB Matt Ryan and Donahue wanted to be perfectly clear: "Everybody on this team is on this ice" fight, Tom, and, uh, me, too. If the Fish win, I might have to admit I was wrong. I don't want to say it. Bills by 6 — please.

• Tampa Bay (4-0) at East Rutherford Jets (1-3) — Buccaneers favored by 3.5. He's aaaaaa. The Jets' defense is a quarter back will be Arnold Schwarzenegger. Kidding. The QB will be older than the Terminator. It's Vinny "De-Terminator" Testaverde, who figures it's payback time for all those awful years wearing Creamsicle orange, in a The-Bucs-Stop-Here Upset Special. Vinny & the Jets by 1.

• New England (2-2) at Atlanta (3-1) — Falcons favored by 3. Told you, but would you listen? No. And now it's going to happen again. The Falcons beat Philadelphia at home and are taking out the other Super Bowl team in a show of strength. Falcons by 11.

• Chicago (1-2) at Cleveland (1-2) — Browns favored by 3. You think this game looks awful, wait 'til you see the next one. In a Nobody-Really-Cares Upset Special, defensive Bears by 2.

• Baltimore (1-2) at Detroit (1-2) — Lions favored by 1.5. This game stinks! List the worst odors you can imagine — cesspool, steel mills, Brit or that green thing that's been on the back of the fridge for six months and is starting to move on its own. None is as bad as this game. They really shouldn't play it. But if they do, in a Throw-In-Out-When-It's-Over Upset Special, Ravens by 1-to-nil.

• New Orleans (2-2) at Green Bay (0-4) — Dumbbells favored by 3. Let's listen to Dumbbell LB Nick Barnett: "It's so hard being 0-4. I've never been 0-4 in my life." I guess that means, Nick, that you've never been 0-5 before, either. In a Wondette-Duesn't-Lie Upset Special, Saints by 1.

• Tennessee (1-3) at Houston (0-3) — Texans favored by 3. Where did they find their games? In a Man-We-Should-Watch-Ticket Upset Special, Titans by 2.

(Note: I've just picked four consecutive Upset Specials. Will someone slap my wrist?)

• Seattle (2-2) at St. Louis (2-2) — Rams favored by 3. The Seahawks lost to the Rams 3 times last season and we told you earlier the Rams are the you-earliest team in the NFL, possibly because the coach doesn't have to take the test. Scholarly Rams by 6.

• Indianapolis (4-0) at San Francisco (1-3) — Colts favored by 14.5. They must be kidding, right? Niners (interim) Coach Mike Nolan is throwing rookie QB Alex Smith to the Colts, saying: "I feel Alex gives us the best

chance to win." Right, Mike, that would be the choice between "slim" and "none" — although "slim" just let Arizona Colts by a modest 31.

• Carolina (2-2) at Arizona (1-3) — Panthers favored by 3. To everyone's surprise, they let the Cards back into the country. But now here, but it's not likely the crowd will match last Sunday's announced "home" attendance of 103,467. But Carolina may shoot for that as a point total. Panthers by 103,467 or at least 13.

• Philadelphia (3-1) at Dallas (2-2) — Eagles favored by 3. So I've got this young friend that just got engaged to a European girl who's not particularly interested in American football. And he says to me: "I laid down the law. I'll always watch the Eagles games." Saying that this may be the last Eagles game he ever sees, let's hope he enjoys it. Eagles by 6 for Jeff.

• Washington (3-0) at Denver (3-1) — Broncos favored by 7. How bullish Washington deserves to be undefeated, you

also believe gas will return to a buck a gallon, Social Security will be all the security any of us needs, and the only one we will lose on East. Broncos by 10.

• Cincinnati (4-0) at Jacksonville (2-2) — Jaguars favored by 2.5 on Sunday night. All four undefeated teams must lose something and this could be it for the Bengals. But it won't be because their pass defense will shut down the Bucs' weak attack. You think I'm Fred Taylor can win this one with his fragile legs? Right. In a Fred-Cant-Run-That-Far-Or-That-Fast Upset Special, Bengals by 9.

• Pittsburgh (2-1) at San Diego (2-1) — Chargers favored by 3 on Monday night. Big game. The Steelers' last game was a 3-point loss to New England at home while the Chargers' last game was a 24-point win over New England on the road. Who do you like? Chargers by 11.

• Watching baseball — East Rutherford Giants — Kansas City, Oakland, Minnesota.

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Fewer passes, more points preferable for Bulger

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Last week, Marc Bulger set franchise records with 62 passes and 40 completions, and the St. Louis Rams lost by 20 points. He'd rather not play catch-up this week against the Seattle Seahawks in a matchup of NFC West leaders.

"You want it to be more balanced," Bulger said. "You're not going to win many games in the NFL throwing it 60 or 70 times. It might work in high school and sometimes in college, but in the NFL, you've got to have a running game."

Betrayed by a defense that allowed the Giants to build a 27-7 lead in the first half of a 41-24 final, the Rams (2-2) abandoned the run. Steven Jackson and Marshall Faulk combined for only 43 yards on 13 carries.

And Bulger's 412-yard passing day didn't mean much. So this week he wants to diversify.

"We need to have Steven in this game, a whole lot more," Bulger said. "When the D-line can't break it, it makes it awfully tough on our linemen, and they're dropping eight guys and it's tough for our guys to get open."

At least he didn't get a sore arm for his trouble, Bulger said any day in training camp is much worse than last week's game. "If you see guys would let me then during camp, how my arm feels," Bulger told reporters. "I throw 1,000 times in the morning and 1,000 in the afternoon."

The Rams will be trying to win their fifth straight over the Seahawks (2-2), including a victory in the first round of the playoffs last season. Both of Seattle's losses have come on the road, although the Seahawks are a missed field goal at the end of regulation last week away from being 3-1.

There's a lot of reasons this is an important game," coach Mike Holmgren said. "You don't want to have a losing streak against anybody."

As for the Seahawks, there are troubles in the passing game with starting wide receivers Robby Ingram (ribs) and Darrell Jackson (knee) both doubtful. That'll put more pressure on Shaun Alexander, who has averaged 151 yards the last three



St. Louis Rams quarterbacks Marc Bulger, left, and Jamie Martin are seen during the teams' practice in St. Louis Friday.

meetings against the Rams. They're not the only team struggling to contain Alexander, who's working on a one-year contract after being designated as the Seahawks' franchise player.

Bulger has been a work in progress for the Seahawks, who have seven new starters. That includes former Rams Grant

Wistrom and Bryce Fisher at the ends.

"We had a step back last week," Wistrom said. "It's no different than the situation when I was in St. Louis when we blew up the defense and we went to a Super Bowl."

"I like this defense more than the one we had last year."

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Business seminars slated for Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — The Microsoft Across America Team will deliver two seminars specially designed for the business community Tuesday at the Red Lion Hotel Canyon Springs, 1327 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Seminars begin at 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. The event features the Microsoft Across America Mobile Event Experience, a 40-foot bus loaded with hardware and software designed for businesses. Through demonstrations, face-to-face interaction with Microsoft Technology Experts and testing the applications, participating firms will learn how to save time while driving efficiency and profitability.

A 125 seminar features product demos designed to help technology providers grow their business. TSE will demonstrate the soon-to-be-released Small Business Accounting, the new Microsoft Software Update Service, Small Biz Specialist Community and Competitive Resources.

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Foundation seeks grant applicants

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Barley Commission plans meetings

BOISE — The Idaho Barley Commission will hold a quarterly commission meeting Oct. 17 and 18 at the barley commission office, 821 W. State St. Meetings begin at 8:30 a.m.

All barley growers and other interested individuals are invited. Assistance for the hearing-impaired and handicapped will be provided upon request before the meeting. For more information, call (208) 334-2590.

Idaho sponsors annual conference for women

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho State Treasurer's office is hosting the sixth annual "Smart Women, Smart Money" conference from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 15 in the Rick Allen Community Room of the Hermon Center at the College of Southern Idaho. Admission is free, but registration is required.

Women interested in learning more about budgeting, managing debt and credit, retirement and more are invited. Registration includes breakfast, lunch, speakers, break-out sessions and onsite financial support services. A simultaneous conference in Boise will provide a satellite feed of the featured national speakers, which include "conference coach" Debra Centner and keynote speaker Robin Roberts.

Workshops covering budgeting, investments and retirement plans will be provided by local experts. Terry Hosman, chief business manager at Lithia Chevrolet Cadillac of Twin Falls, was instrumental in bringing the event to the Magic Valley this year. She also attended the conference in Boise and said the learning experience was so positive she felt it was important to offer it in the Twin Falls area. For more information, or to register, call (208) 467-8495 in Boise, or visit www.smart-women-state.id.us.

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Shale's comeback

Amid soaring oil prices, Western shale is getting a new look from the energy industry

By Sandy Shore
Associated Press writer

PARACHUTE, Colo. — The brush-covered landscape of buttes and desert just west of the Rockies, already dotted with oil and gas rigs, could be in store for another resource boom as the energy industry turns a fresh eye toward developing oil shale.

A reserve estimated at 1 trillion barrels of oil — enough in theory to meet U.S. energy needs for a century — is buried deep in rock formations stretching from western Colorado into northeastern Utah and southwestern Wyoming may be a way to ease U.S. dependence on shrinking foreign oil supplies.

The newly enacted energy bill was written to help open the way for research programs and commercial leasing of federal land containing oil shale. Yet shale isn't a quick panacea to the nation's energy woes. This is oil that is locked up in rock, not deposits of liquid crude that are relatively easy to tap.

Companies have spent years researching how to melt oil out of rock, but it could be 2010 before any decide whether shale mining is commercially and environmentally feasible. It takes a large amount of water to recover the oil and the process can take months.

Many also worry about the cost of a large-scale operation — particularly coupled with robust natural gas, coal and oil production already under way — would have on the environment, wildlife and the people who spent years recovering from the last shale bust in the early 1980s.

Amy Beasley, whose grandparents homesteaded on Parachute Creek near here, was just a child when major shale production began in the late 1970s. She has lived with the effects of the boom and the bust and, now, a surging interest in domestic natural resources driven off late by high crude oil prices and the effects of hurricanes Rita and Katrina.

At her Old Mountain gift shop just off Interstate 70, she welcomes economic development but worries about her family's water supply. "I just wish they would have more compassion," Beasley said of energy companies.

Pete Kollenschlag, a director of the Colorado Environmental Coalition, said government leaders and residents recognize energy development is part of the landscape. The concern, he says, is in balancing that with environmental protections and a move toward renewable energy resources.

"We know we cannot drill out way to energy independence," he said. As the United States and other countries search for stable, reliable energy sources, the need for using new domestic natural gas, coal, uranium and oil — even if it's locked up in rock.

"There certainly has been a resurgence in mining, a resurgence almost unprecedented in modern times," said Luke Popovich, a spokesman for the National Mining Association. "We're in this sort of perfect storm where it seems all the factors of both domestic and offshore are suddenly in alignment."

The West's love-hate affair with oil shale has been waning and waning for centuries. Legends are told of American Indians and pioneers who used the rock to light campfires, and a visitor information site in Parachute showcases the tale of a homesteader who built a fireplace out of shale only to burn down his house when he lit a fire for a house-warming party.



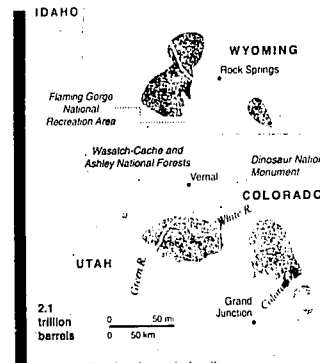
Oil shale rock burns on its own once lit with a blow torch. Oil shale is rock containing deposits of oil. Companies have spent years researching how to melt oil from the rock.

Oil shale deposits could provide relief

An estimated one trillion barrels of oil — in the form of oil shale — buried deep in the western United States may be a key to easing dependence on shrinking foreign oil supplies.

Oil shale deposits

Low yield or unappraised deposit
High yield — 25 gallons of oil or more per ton of shale



"Data is measured in U.S. barrels which contain 42 gallons per barrel"

to leave their doors unlocked at night. Roads were dirt, there was no police department and government was overseen by a part-time town administrator. With the companies came thousands of workers who parked trailers where they could or slept in the streets, under bridges and even in root cellars, Parachute Mayor John Loschke recalled.

"This poor little community got slammed," he said. Every day streams of cars would head up a narrow, two-lane road carrying workers to shale mining operations in the buttes just west of town. Speculators bought up farm and ranchland in the surrounding valley.

There was suddenly new money for new schools, paved roads, a wastewater housing and Exon's worker system development, which later became a retirement community called Battlement Mesa.

But when oil prices began to fall and government subsidies dried up, shale went south. Exxon shut down its \$5 billion project on May 2, 1982, locking the gates and putting 2,200 people out of work. Nicknamed "Black Sunday," it is a

double in 10 years, to produce oil for the Navy. Operational problems and costs force the shutdown, leaving a pile of oil shale 1,000 feet long and 350 feet high contaminated with heavy metals, including arsenic. Other energy companies try to improve oil shale recovery methods during this time, but get little from the effort.

In July, a manager of another oil company walked up to the counter in a Vernal McDonald's with an offer for jobs. Live rocks were fired on the spot for roughneck wages of \$18 an hour, plus a \$1,000 signing bonus.

It happens to us on a regular basis," complained McDonald's supervisor Sandra Richins as she took a break from the breakfast grill. She raised wages to \$7 from \$6 an hour and offers health insurance, but still can't compete.

"I lose about five people a month to the oil fields — and that's been going on for the last three months," Richins said. Analysts and industry observers say it isn't a question of whether shale oil can be produced — it can — but whether it is economically and commercially viable in large quantities.

There are two basic retrieval methods used in several countries including the United States, Estonia, Australia, Brazil and China.

One involves mining the rock and heating it to a high temperature in an above-ground facility called a retort. It leaves a lot of leftover shale for disposal and requires huge amounts of water for processing.

The other is an underground process in which the rock is heated beneath the surface. Although it would not require as much water, pollution of underground water supplies and the air remain possibilities.

Shell Exploration & Production Co. has been testing this method with buried heaters in a remote stretch of Colorado, about an hour's drive north of here.

Terry O'Connor, a Shell vice president, said the company believes the process will be economical as long as crude oil stays above \$30 a barrel, but the company is at least five years away from deciding whether to build a commercial-scale operation.

Shell Vernal Oil-Tech Inc. is using a retort to melt oil from shale. The privately held company has applied for a permit to mine on state land and is asking the federal government to let it use 30,000 tons of oil shale from a nearby mine.

Oil shale recovery timeline

Oil shale recovery has had a long and frustrated history in the American West. Some of the highlights:

1909 — U.S. government sets aside rich oil shale lands in western Colorado, creating the U.S. Naval Oil Shale Reserve.

1917 — First oil shale retort kiln built by ranchers in De Beque, Colo.

1918-1925 — More than 20,000 mining claims staked, marking oil shale's first boom.

1929 — U.S. Bureau of Mines extracts 3,600 barrels of oil from experimental retort at Rulison, Colo. Producers stop when liquid oil fields are discovered in California, Texas and Oklahoma.

1981 — Unocal Corp. shuts down retort in Parachute, Colo., after 18 months because of operational problems and price uncertainties.

Early 1970s — Royal Dutch Shell experiments with, then abandons, a steam injection process in Rio Blanco County, Colo.

1964-1977 — A partnership of 17 companies and U.S. government operates Secret Anvil Points retort near Grand Junction, Colo., to produce oil for the Navy.

1976-1978 — The price of crude oil reaches \$41 a barrel.

1980 — Congress appropriates \$14 billion for development of synthetic fuels, giving OSHA a boost.

1982 — Oil demand and price drops. Exxon shuts down Colono successor project before it can become full operations.

1985 — Congress abandons Synthetic Liquid Fuels program after spending \$8 billion.

1986-1987 — U.S. government sells some oil shale lands, with Shell picking up 17,300 acres in Rio Blanco County.

1987 — Energy Department hands over control of most of Naval Oil Shale Reserve in Colorado to Bureau of Land Management. Shell experiments with mining on its property in Rio Blanco County.

1991 — Unocal abandons the last domestic effort to produce oil shale on a commercial scale, near Parachute.

2000 — Shell reverts its Maahogany oil shale project to the U.S. government.

2005 — Crude oil tops \$60 a barrel, new energy legislation gives OSHA at least 5,200-acre tracts for oil shale development within three years.

Source: Shell Exploration & Production Co., U.S. Department of Production, Associated Press and others.

oil out of the rock," he said. "We know how to heat it up to 900 degrees but in no case have we ever shown that that may be a good idea." Still, many observers believe the West can handle an oil shale boom — and that — if development is properly controlled. Communities have become more sophisticated with more diversified economies and the mix of people is broader.

"There isn't going to be any boom or bust," said Russell George, a native of nearby Rifle and head of the state Department of Natural Resources. "Nothing is going to happen very fast and frankly shouldn't."

"We've been building plants for years, ever since at least 1920. Each one of them can get

Associated Press writer Paul Foy contributed to this report.

YOUR BUSINESS

Theresa Robinette

After the Flit branch of US Bank has a new general manager, Twin Falls resident Theresa Robinette took over the helm from Mary Ann Stokesberry, who stepped into the position of assistant manager in August.

"I was manager for seven years, and this will allow me to spend more time with my husband, Stokesberry."

Robinette has collected 19 years of hands-on experience in the banking industry and taken advantage of accounting and financial training opportunities offered through the Idaho Bankers Association and the College of Southern Idaho.

"I just always thought I'd be involved in finance," Robinette said.

Her career path started as a commercial loan secretary at the Shoshone Street branch of US Bank in Twin Falls. In the last six years, she served as executive assistant to the bank's regional president, who is responsible for overseeing the operation of 12 branch offices across southern Idaho.

Truck drivers

TWIN FALLS — Top Gun Truck Driving Academy announced recent graduates from the academy.

Rodney Tranks of Latah graduated Aug. 31. George Callous of Twin Falls and Heather Durlless of Burley graduated Sept. 23.

Richard Bauer of Twin Falls and Christian Daulton, a student of Burley graduated Sept. 29.

All five received their Class A commercial driver's licenses with endorsements.

Michael Gavrilin received his Class A commercial license Sept. 30.

All six graduates are gainfully employed.

Dustin Van Engelen

TWIN FALLS — Dustin Van Engelen joined Westerra Real Estate Group as a new sales associate.

Van Engelen was born and raised in Twin Falls and is a graduate of Southern Oregon University with a bachelor's degree in environmental sciences. He has worked with ConAgra Foods-Lamb Weston for the past five years as a shift superintendent and also worked at the facility in American Falls. He brings a very solid work ethic to the Westerra team.

Van Engelen can be reached at 401-2774, 734-7653 or 324-2236.

Westerra Real Estate Group is a full-service Real Estate Agency with offices in Twin Falls and Jerome.

Trudy Barnes

Jerome — Trudy Barnes passed the American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA) Certification-Recertification Examination for medical assistants on June 25, thereby earning the certified medical assistant credential.

Barnes is a graduate of the medical assistant program at CSI. She is employed at Magic Valley Foot and Ankle specialists in Twin Falls.

Realty associates

Jerome — Cityside Realty announced four new employees.

Lance Paul and Dianna Hayden are new sales associates.

Paul was born and raised in the Magic Valley, graduated from Twin Falls high school and attended the College of Southern Idaho, where he studied business manage-

Accounting

ment and accounting. He and his wife, Lottie, live in Twin Falls. He can be reached at 401-8253 or kpaton@msn.com.

Hayden was born and raised in southeastern Nevada, and attended college in Reno, Nev., where she studied business administration and marketing. She has been in the housing industry since 1987. She can be reached at 420-8253 or dianacayon@hotmail.com.

Rose Fisher and Jeanne Robertson are new staff accountants.

Fisher has more than 13 years of experience in real estate sales, residential, commercial and property management. She brings extensive managerial

and office training experience to the Jerome office. She plans to be involved in community activities and charity work. She can be reached at 324-3354 or 358-1221.

Robertson has been a licensed Realtor since 1993 and also has a Graduate Realtor Institute designation. She previously worked in a large community where the real estate market was constantly booming. She developed a system for helping people sell and buy property successfully while minimizing stress during the transaction.

Dairymen — The Idaho Dairymen's Association held elections for board members to represent their districts on the United Dairymen of Idaho Board of Directors and members to serve on the Resolutions Committee.

In District 2, Bill Stouder of Wendell is the board member, and Tony Vanderhulst of Twin Falls is the Resolutions Committee member.

District 2 includes Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jeanne, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls counties.

Elections are conducted each year in the three districts covering the state. Those elected serve a three-year term on the board of directors for United Dairymen of Idaho.

T.F. stores celebrate Chester the Chicken

TWIN FALLS — Three Magic Valley-area stores will join a nationwide celebration to help Chester the Chicken celebrate his 40th birthday and anniversary of serving great-tasting chicken to satisfied customers.

13-year-old ICA in Twin Falls, owned by Gary Chappel; Sawtooth Foodstore in Shoshone, owned by Robert Hineson; and Cook's Foodstore in Gooding, owned by Jeff Holland, are local sales locations for Chester Chicken. The stores generally use equipment provided by the company and follow its recipe in preparing the chicken.

Company founder S.M. Giles named Chester the Chicken as the emerging food service company's mascot in October 1965.

"We are delighted to celebrate Chester's 40th anniversary," said Jeff Lakes, chief executive officer of Chester's International and son of the company's founder. "This celebration is a way for all of us at Chester's to express our thanks."

The 40th anniversary comes as Chester's International implements an aggressive expansion program, in which the company is seeking to launch 500 new Chester's franchises in the next five years. More information on Chester's franchise program can be found at www.chestersinternational.com.

Your business is a weekly feature

that highlights commercial activity in the Magic Valley. If you have information about any of the following, The Times-News wants to hear about it:

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- New certifications
- Seminars and workshops
- Awards and achievements
- Charitable business activities
- Other business news

Please e-mail items to news clerk Ellen Thomson at ellen@magvalley.com

Or contact Thomson at: The Times-News, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83403, 734-9321, Ext. 226, Fax: 677-4543 or 734-5538.

Tranquility Massage is offering

the firefighters of the Twin Falls Fire Department free hand and foot or chair massages this week.

Firefighters will be given half-hour hand and foot mas-

sages or a half-hour chair massage in a specially designed chair from Monday through Friday. Appointments are necessary and can be made by calling 410-2841.

Tranquility Massage is located inside the New Image Hair Salon, 434 Falls Ave., Suite 1130. Store hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday by appointment.

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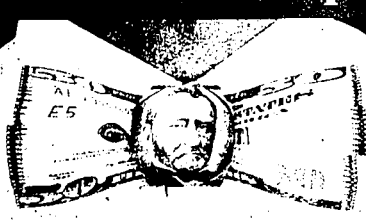


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Idaho Development Center hosts conference



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Jim McLaughlin, Twin Falls County FSA executive director, said he worries that USDA's plan to better serve farmers by closing county offices will harm delivery of farm program services.

FSA to close offices

Jerome, Lincoln, Cassia county offices on list

TWIN FALLS — In a consolidation plan that would close 713 of 2,135 FSA offices nationwide, the U.S. Department of Agriculture is calling for the closure of 12 of Idaho's 35 county offices.

Stipulating only closure numbers, Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns is leaving the particulars as to which get axed to each state.

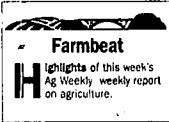
Wayne Hammon, Idaho ESA state director, is the one who ultimately give USDA his picks, and he's already on the job.

On Thursday, Hammon released a list of proposed closures — including offices in Magic Valley's Jerome, Lincoln and Cassia counties. Also on the list are offices in Coeur d'Alene, Lemhi, Blaine, Jefferson, Fremont, Ada, Clearwater, Payette, and Kootenai counties.

"It's a real pain in the neck," Hammon says, "but we have to do it. We're making a lot of sense." He said adding that some offices only house one or two employees. "The others will be tough."

Hammon echoes Johanns' justification that the proposed cuts will "modernize" FSA and bring better service to farmers through improved equipment and technology, fully-staffed offices and better training for staffers.

"By reducing some of our resources to the state's agricultural centers, FSA will be much better positioned to help all our farmers and ranchers on a more consistent basis," Hammon said.



Highlights of this week's Ag Weekly weekly report on agriculture.

Hot Farmer's North American Preview: Last fall, Congress delayed action on the legislation for six weeks after MPI expired. It was then extended for one year.

Expiration of the reporting requirement information provided by price-reporting entities — including the Agriculture Marketing Service — responsible for gathering and disseminating livestock economic data.

Bush proposes feed ban to prevent spread of BSE

WASHINGTON — Seeking to close gaps in the nation's BSE defense, the Bush administration on Tuesday proposed to eliminate cow brains and spinal cords from feed for all animals, including chickens, pigs and pets.

Consumer groups say the Food and Drug Administration's proposed rule to ban ruminant to ruminant doesn't do enough to keep BSE out of the U.S. food supply.

Bovine spongiform encephalopathy is thought to be spread in cows and other ruminants (sheep, goats) when the animals eat high-protein feeds made from other animals.

Though not proven, scientific theory has it that BSE is spread to humans if they eat infected meat. People can then develop the human form of the disease known as variant Creutzfeldt-Jakobs Disease.

Panel orders end to tariffs on Canadian wheat

BISMARCK, N.D. — U.S. tariffs on Canadian hard red spring wheat imports should be lifted, a federal trade panel has ruled in a decision that may lower wheat prices for American farmers.

The International Trade Commission ruled Wednesday that trading practices of the Canadian Wheat Board, which controls wheat and barley exports from Canada's western provinces, were not causing harm to U.S. farmers.

"Finally, it looks like justice will prevail," said Ken Ritter, chairman of the Canadian Wheat Board. "The prospect of selling wheat into the U.S. market... is welcome indeed."

The board expects to be able to resume exporting wheat to the United States late this year or early next year.

The tariff, which was first imposed in October 2003, was initially 14.15 percent, and was subsequently lowered to 11.4 percent. At \$3.75 a bushel for hard red spring wheat, the current tariff adds about 43 cents to the cost of a bushel.

Congress allows price reporting to expire

WASHINGTON — The Mandatory Price Reporting Act turned voluntary this week due to the U.S. Congress failing to re-instate the law when it expired last Friday.

Passed in 1959, MPR required most packers, processors and importers to report prices, contracts, and supply and demand information to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. In turn, the USDA formulates price reports for public use, thus allowing greater market transparency to achieve a "fair market" for producers.

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BOISE — The Idaho Nonprofit Development Center is hosting a conference from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Oct. 21 at the Boise Center on the Grove, 850 W. Front St.

Nonprofit staff, board members and volunteers and other interested individuals will gather to share best practices, learn from experts and get necessary training. Participants will hear from keynote speaker Paul G. Light, professor of public service at New York University, speaking on "Facing into the Future: Strategies for Improving Nonprofit Performance in Uncertain Times." More than a dozen workshops will cover topics including fundraising in times of crises, maintaining donor confidence, business planning in uncertain times and communicating with sensitivity.

The fee is \$95, or \$45 for rural participants from taxes of 20,000 or less. For more information or to register, contact Debbie at (208) 424-2229 or www.idahononprofits.org.

Guest is the presenting sponsor of the event.

Class for ag entrepreneurs will start Oct. 18

TWIN FALLS — A 10-session course for agriculture operators, "Tilling the Soil of Opportunity: Next Level for Agriculture Entrepreneurs," will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 18 through Dec. 20, in the Evergreen Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

The course, offered by the Idaho Small Business Development Center, was developed to help producers test and market their ideas, create and stay within their budgets, and cultivate money resources. Steven Hines, extension educator for the University of Idaho, is the instructor.

The fee is \$120 per person. A

Briefly in money

Business partner or spouse can sign up for \$50.

For more information or to sign-up, contact Sherry Rust at 732-6455 or at srust@csi.edu.

Business Development Center holds boot camps

TWIN FALLS — Free monthly "Business Boot Camps" are being held by the Idaho Small Business Development Center in Twin Falls and Burley.

Two-hour sessions are designed to help individuals plan their business properly and be aware of the regulations and details of their business before looking for financing. Personal business "survival kits" will be provided to each participant.

The next class in Burley is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday.

In Twin Falls, the next class is set for 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Oct. 25. An evening class, with a fee of \$30 per person, will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 19 in Twin Falls.

Pre-registration is required for both the free and fee-based boot camps to ensure adequate seating.

For more information or to register, contact Sherry Rust at 732-6455 or at srust@csi.edu in advance.

Learn basics of e-Bay business with course

TWIN FALLS — The basics on starting an e-bay business will be taught by the Idaho Small Business Development Center from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Oct. 20, and will be repeated from 1 to 3 p.m. Dec. 17.

Sherry Rust, course developer and business consultant for the ISBDC, will share the basics that start-up operators need to

know and discuss how to maximize profits and run a smart business.

Cost is \$49 per person. Pre-registration and pre-payment are necessary.

For more information, contact Rust at 732-6455 or at srust@csi.edu.

Housing workshop is slated for Oct. 25 at CSI

TWIN FALLS — An Idaho Fair Housing Workshop for landlords and tenants will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 25 in Room 276 of the Taylor Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

Sponsored by the Idaho Housing Council and the Idaho Small Business Development Center at CSI, the workshop will feature presentations by Karen McCarthy of Idaho Legal Aid and Connie Housh of Housing and Urban Development. Their presentations will deal with the specifics of fair housing and Idaho tenant law.

Landlords and tenants in Idaho can learn the myriad of things they need to know to make informed decisions and how to avoid risky business. The workshop will consist of formal presentations, and a question and answer session.

Anyone interested in learning the rights, responsibilities and remedies concerning rental housing in Idaho is encouraged to attend.

The fee is \$20 for landlords, Realtors, and property managers. Spouses or business partners can sign up for an additional \$10.

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Patents, copyrights and trademark class planned

TWIN FALLS — Boise patent attorney Ken J. Pederson will

conduct a one-evening workshop on "Patents, Copyrights and Trademarks: Intellectual Properties for Small Business" from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday in Room 276 of the Taylor Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

Sponsored by the Idaho Small Business Development Center, the workshop takes business people through the process of applying for patents and offers information regarding the protection of rights.

Cost is \$29 per person, which must be paid in advance.

For more information, contact Rust at 732-6455 or at srust@csi.edu.

Quick Books classes will start on Oct. 20

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho will hold three sessions of Quick Books classes for those who would like to learn more about the program.

Quick Books Pro 2004 is specifically designed for Quick Books Pro novices who need to be more proficient with the program. The workshops will teach how to track inventory, set up a company, handle accounts receivable and payable, track and age merchandise, do payroll, reconciling and reporting. Students need to be computer literate and be familiar with accounting principles.

Each class will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. in Room C13 of the CSI Evergreen building on three consecutive Thursdays, Oct. 20 and 27 and Nov. 3. The fee is \$75 per person.

Space is limited to 15 students, so pre-registration is advised.

For more information or to register, contact Sherry Rust at 732-6455 or at srust@csi.edu.

— compiled from staff reports

Water year in Idaho ends on dry note

BOISE — April and May through showers to save the 2005 irrigation season, but weren't enough to make headway against a five-year drought.

"We got through one year, but the drought is still on," said Ron Abramovich, a hydrologist with the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service in Boise. "As we see streamflows drop below average again, we know we are very dependent on the snowpack again this winter."

"Even with abundant spring moisture, the seeps are still dry and can't sustain streamflow once it gets hot and dry," Abramovich said. "There's a hurdle we have to get over to fill the soil moisture deficit."

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All laws, ordinances and resolutions of the local government are published in public notices. They are part of the public record and it is to be informed of what the government is doing. As self-government, the public has a right to be informed. This newspaper prints every citizen to read and study these notices. We advise those citizens who wish further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

IMPORTANT
Please address all legal advertising to:
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PO Box 548
Twin Falls, Idaho
83303-0548
e-mail: legal@magicvalley.com
Deadlines for legal ads: 3 days prior to publication on Wednesdays; on Sunday, prior to the 2:00 p.m. deadline on Friday for Tuesdays and Wednesdays; on Monday for Thursday and noon on Friday and Saturday. Monday deadlines may vary if you have any questions, call Ruby, social clerk, at 734-3524.

Notice of Trustee's Sale
The Trustee, **25044 Loan** #566129 (03-11-2004) at 10:00 a.m. on organized local time at the following location in the City of Twin Falls, State of Idaho: in the City of First American Title Company, 20 Third Avenue, Suite 100, Twin Falls, ID 83401. First American Title Company, as Trustee will sell by public auction to the highest bidder, 2 cash in full, subject to the United States, all property at the time of sale the following real property: located in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows: Lot 14, Block 718, Twin Falls, Bounded: Twin Falls County, Idaho, and to the City of Twin Falls, Bounded: The Trustee has no knowledge of any other part or description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code, Title 11, Chapter 1, Section 1101, it is hereby announced that the address of **720 3rd Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho 83401**, is the address of the real property and that property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to be solely the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust executed by **Jacob R. Henry and Felicia T. Henry, wife and husband**, as members of the Borrower Title Company, as Trustee for the benefit and security of **Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Inc.**, as Beneficiary dated 02-21-2004, and recorded on 02-23-2004, as Instrument No. 2001-002290 of Official Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. Place Price: The above Guarantees are named to comply with section 45-156(a)(4), Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are not already presently encumbered for the purpose of this advertisement. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due under Deed of Trust and to pay delinquent 02/24/2004. The monthly payments for principal interest and insurance of application of 454.69 due per month for the months of 5-1-2005 through 9-7-2005, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale of redemption. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$43,359.02, plus accrued and unpaid 2005 and 2004 interest amounts, are now due on this date. All other amounts, are now due on this date, including but not limited to, late charges, penalties and accrued taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with the foreclosure and that beneficiary elects to sell or convey the best property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder, defers, vote and exclusive remedy shall be the return of money paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall be liable for all costs and attorney's fees. This notice is published in accordance with course: **Melmont Debit Services, Inc.** 1820 E. First Street, Suite 410, Santa Ana, CA 92706-0863. Sale Information Line: (714) 480-5626. Sale Information Website: www.rscout.com/website/Restatementand_Pay-Off_Receipts. TO CANCEL A DEBIT, INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: 9-7-2005. First American Title Insurance Company, By: Laura M. Scott, Assistant Sec. ASAP72905

101 Lost and Found

FOUND Purple-Tanor Cross, male, 15 lbs. Found at Police Health & Welfare Clinic, 734-5928.

LOST BIGHORN FRISE dog, female, spayed, approx. 2 1/2 years old, grey and white. Found at Murrain Sun, 734-8068 or 731-4624.

LOST Dog Black, Pug Spotted, in vicinity of 1001 1602 W. Oakley. Woman called owners, to Kofu, Call 734-8425, day at 537-6954 evenings.

LOST Lab/Pit Bull X black male, neutered, dog, name, Tan, collar, no tag, lost, seven 10/03 from 3:00 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Call 208-734-8341.

LOST Bottle, named "Duke", 12oz. Kool-Aid, 100% Orange Juice, 12 oz. Call 626-0913.

107 Pregnancy Alternatives

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Free, Fast, Always Confidential, 734-7472

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200 Employment

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Twin Falls, Veterinary Clinic & Hospital is looking for FT or PT **Veterinary Technician & Assistant**. Drop off resume in person. Application closing date is Oct 18. Excellent pay and benefits. *****

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Linda Vee, Fostizer is looking for a full-time AR person in our Minidoka office. Successful candidate must have an oriented computer oriented diploma, minimum 500 hrs. accounting background. Send resume to: Linda Vee, HR PO Box 86, Minidoka, ID 83443. Attn: HR.

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Contact public information jobs over the telephone. Absolutely NO COST! Strictly research \$7.00 to \$9.00/hour. Casual work. Flexible scheduling and evening hours. Great part-time job or second job. Call 734-3831 for more information. Call 208-734-2853 *****

200 Employment

DRIVERS
Taylor Trucking Inc. Bush ID. Full-time local meat haulers. Class A CDL. Call 208-543-8044. Please leave message.

AUTOMOTIVE
The Person must be able to handle the work for some of our customers. Please Call D & D Transportation - Service. Call 208-934-4451 ext 421.

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Requires pre-payment prior to publication. Credit card purchases and cash accepted. A processing charge will be the phone.

733-0931
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Puzzles by Pappocorn

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V EASY #1

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for todays puzzle on page D-12.

101 People for Pets

**401 Veterinary Ave
Twin Falls, Idaho
736-2299**

110 HOME/HEALTH CARE

Independent Living
Call for weekly. Curly Robertson, Executive. Call 208-734-0626.

113 Child Care Services

AMIE'S CHILD CARE
on home 3 1/2 hrs daily. ICCP Men's Day, Mon/Org. Fall. 735-1603.

FOUND:

1 Adult, mottled male black Lab in Jerome County.
2 Border Collie, mottled, tan & white, adult, Twin Falls County.
3 Heeler Collie X, red with white speckle, 300 lb, black, 11 lb, female, spud, big pup, in male, spud.

ADOPTIONS
1 2 Hound Sheep, mixed X pups.
2 Lab Collie X, spayed female pup.
3 Heeler-Tipper X, male pupper.
4 Red Merle Aussie, male adult.
5 Gold Weimager X, female adult.
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2 opening, full-time days. Licensed CHC, ICF, ICF license. Phone: 734-0500, 324-8550 or 348-2622.

Many cats/fellows for adoption!

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Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00 am-5:30 pm
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Close Sunday and Holidays
We can only keep animals 48 hours. They are then sold or DESTROYED. So please check daily!

200 Employment

ACCOUNTANT
GC MH
Staff Accountant needed for rural hospital to provide payroll services and AP/Prof services/medical expenditure with two years of payroll/AP or equivalent experience. Competitive salary & great benefits. Please send resume to: **Jane Zimmerman, Director of HR, GCNH, 1120 Montana St, Gooding, ID 83330, 208-934-4433 x109, Fax 208-934-3389**

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CONSTRUCTION
All-Star Concrete & Construction Inc. is looking for a concrete finisher, equipment operators. We will train qualified individuals. Drivers, license req. Call 208-324-4046.

CONSTRUCTION
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CONSTRUCTION
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CONSTRUCTION
Concrete Laborers needed for permanent position. Call 736-8413 for appl.

CONSTRUCTION
Experienced Vinyl and Steel Siders needed. Call Mitch at 826-1200 or 734-4116.

CONSTRUCTION
Experienced & full truck mechanic, concrete form setters, & laborers. CDE preferred to start. Annual \$93 pay plan. Apply in person. 609 East-Lane Dr. S.F.

CONSTRUCTION
Framer needed. One year experience required. Wage DOE. Call 208-731-9113.

CONSTRUCTION
Framers with 6 months experience. KO Construction. 308-1783.

CONSTRUCTION
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CONSTRUCTION
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Outpatient Alcohol Drug Counselor. Bachelor's or above degree in Psychology, social work, or a related field. Full or part time. Send resume to: Walker Center • 762 Falls Avenue • Twin Falls, ID 83401.

CONSELER
Simon, the licensed Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facility, is looking for qualified Drug and Alcohol Counselors in Twin Falls. AADG preferred, toward CAC, must be CAS plus. Excellent pay/benefits, & working environment. Send resume to: www.walker.com or fax 732-6116.

CONSTRUCTION
Part-time legal secretary/receptionist to work full-time by January 2006. Looking for 25-30 year professional in Word, Excel, Outlook & time management skills. necessary Salary DOE. Send resume to: **Box 97212, c/o The Times-News, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83403**

CLERICAL
Administrative Assistant needed for field project. Job requires 1-2 years experience in clerical, phone skills, problem solving, client interaction. Good benefits. Call 208-734-3831.

P.O. Box 79
Rupert, Idaho 83350

CLERICAL
Bookkeeper/Customer Service Representative. Excellent opportunity & excellent benefits. Wages, competitive DOE. Mail resumes to: 1982 First St., Jerome, ID 83301 or fax 208-734-3771.

CLERICAL
The City of Jerome is seeking a Deputy Clerk. The salary for the position will be \$32,622 to \$36,176 annually, depending on experience and qualifications. This is a competitive benefit package. Interested applicants should contact the City Clerk at (208)324-8189. For a complete application packet visit www.ci.jerome.id.us or pick up the packet on Friday, October 21, 2005.

CLERK
Jerome County Assessor's Office is now taking applications for a Full-time Licensed Clerk. Applications and job descriptions are available at www.jerome.com or by picking up at Jerome County Courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln, Suite 205, Jerome. Application deadline Oct. 12, 2005.

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Child's Rocker
Here's a comfortable do your own rocking chair project that's just for kids. Made from oak it is designed to be safe and durable. The backrest, which also can just as well become a new family heirloom. It makes a nice gift too.

Scaled for little people, the completed chair measures 25 inches tall at the back, with legs that are 21 inches long. The seat is 15 inches wide and sits 11 inches off the floor.

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Money Back Guarantee

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CONSTRUCTION
Framers, no experience necessary
Wage DOE 280-0619

DRIVER
Wanted Driver for Sugar beet harvest. No CDL required Call, 731-4175/326-4175

DRIVERS
*TOP GUN TRUCK DRIVING ACADEMY Class A CDL Training

Your Road to Success Starts Here!

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Local Drivers with Minimum Class B CDL required. Able to lift 70 lbs. repetitively. Minimum \$100 per day to start plus excellent benefits.

Apply at PSI Waste System 222 Elm St. Twin Falls, or call 733-4441

EDUCATION
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Roulet/Neary States, Working Floors, under states Mortgage. \$1.25 per hour per diem, incentive Bonus Medical Insurance. Paid Vacation 108-734-9982

EDUCATION
University of Idaho
Daily Center Manager.
Animal and Veterinary Science
The manager is responsible for all operations at the Dairy Center. B.S. degree in Dairy or Animal Science and 4 yrs work experience on a dairy farm is required.

FACTORY
Longview Fiber Co. is accepting applications for Full-time Factory employment. An aptitude test and drug test will be required.

FARM
Ranch foreman needed in N Nevada. Exp necessary. Call Randy, 208-316-2334

GENERAL
Cottages Brick Oven Cookery now looking for positive, outgoing people to fill the following positions:

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DAIRY
Horizon Organic Dairy is now hiring for Truck Drivers, \$7.20 Tractor Operators, \$7.23/hr. Exp. Maternity, \$8.50 Milkmen, \$8.67/hr Pick Up applications at 2569 E. 500 S., Pocatello Idaho 83247

DRIVERS
Route Driver/Dock worker Class A CDL. Must be flexible, self-starter, shift Starting wage \$12.53 per hour. Pick up applications at Idaho Commerce & Labor, 677 College Dr., Twin Falls, Idaho

FARM
Farm Labor Livestock Manure spreading equipment. 3 months exp. Req must complete current drivers' record, acceptable driving record, local equipment, no DUI. Transportation expense to work site provided/pr paid upon completion of 50% of work contract, or winter and return transportation to the place of recruitment upon completion of work period. \$8.20/hr. I/O work period guarantee from 11/05/05 to 02/06/06. Workers interested in the job should contact the local State Workforce Agency Job Order No 1176162

GENERAL
DISCOVERY RESEARCH GROUP
Immediate Availability for Both Day and Swing Shift Positions!
No Sales Involved, Survey Research Calls Only
*Base Pay Up To \$7.25
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Please apply at our NEW LOCATION across from the Co-Op Store at 840 Meadows Drive, Suite 1, Twin Falls, Idaho (208) 735-6601

FARM
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FARM
Laborer for ranch in Battle Mountain, Nevada. Must move to ranch housing plus \$1000-\$1400 DOE 775-001-0128 rnar@grytailco.com

GENERAL
Growth company needs to fill the following seasonal positions:
•Chopper Operators
•Pallet Packers
•Scale Operators
•Driver
•Class A (B)
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Apply at J&C Custom 1987 Highland E. Twin Falls, ID 83401
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DAIRY
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DRIVERS
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Route Driver/Dock worker Class A CDL. Must be flexible, self-starter, shift Starting wage \$12.53 per hour. Pick up applications at Idaho Commerce & Labor, 677 College Dr., Twin Falls, Idaho

DRIVERS
Season Bobtail driver, CDL Class B required with all brakes, Hazmat and tanker endorsements. 40+ hours per week. OTR 15 hrs April 1. Apply at Person Suburban Propane, 139 Locust St S 208-733-4608

DRIVER
Professional Bus Operator. Local comm route & charter. FT, PT, & on-call available. Great pay, bonus & benefits. Strong safety record. Knowledge of DOT regs. & customer service skills a must! Call 208-735-0687 for interview.

DRIVER
Owner/Operator needed for auto parts linehaul and route in Twin Falls, from Salt Lake City at night Mon-Fri. 24 in regional with gate req. \$7,500 per month plus fuel incentive \$500-\$1,000 per month. Please leave detailed message 801-908-6569 or fax resume 801-938-6559

DRIVER
Sinc local company looking for qualified employees to drive trucks long haul and local working positions available. Western States, driving floors and benefits. Call 877-324-5192.

DRIVERS
Local & OTR Milk Haulers needed. OTR & tanker endorsements required. Sign on bonus for experienced milk haulers. Benefits available for full-time driver. Apply at Rich Thompson Trucking 23 W. 100 S. Jerome Idaho. Or call 324-3511



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To listen and respond, call 1-900-726-2814
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Calls cost \$2.09/minute, plus a \$.99 connection fee. Must be 18+.

Save up to 25% on prepaid blocks of time!
Blocks of time can be purchased in increments of 15 minutes
30 minutes - 15% off
45 minutes - 20% off
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Join Heart 2 Heart and place an ad, call: 1-800-335-6125

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Local Drivers with Minimum Class B CDL required. Able to lift 70 lbs. repetitively. Minimum \$100 per day to start plus excellent benefits.

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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

STARTING NEW LIFE
SF, 23, looking for a friend, a companion someone to build a solid friendship with. Seeking SM 21-26, NS. Holister #7664780 # sweet pe 667

CANT WAN 2B WITHOUT U
SWF, 38, very active lifestyle but appreciate quiet times, love kids of all ages, snowmobiling, canoeing, fishing, heartline heart balls. I'm a caregiver to a baby, I'd love to be loved! Holister #7953513 #skidooyahoo

MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE
SWF, 55, NS, new to the area. Likes to ride bikes, road swim, wants to meet kind, considerate, honest SWM, 58-70, NS. Holister #773734

HEY COWBOY
Country girl here looking for prince charming to share laughter, happiness, satisfaction and maybe more. Appleton #704854 #minniedaho

LOOKING FOR LOVE IN...
all the wrong places. SF, 24, likes to hang out with friends, the outdoors, watching dvds, living life. Would love to settle down and have a family. ISO kind hearted, understanding man. Holister #7460661 #chanbar

HOPE 2 FIND YOU
Lonely, affectionate, nice, someone to help me get to know life again. It's been a very long time since I had a life. Appleton #749526 #candemmon

REAL FUN
DWF, 29, NS, new to area, loves road trips, camping, dirt adventures. Looking to meet a motivated man, 30-45, for friendship, maybe more. Holister #7607034 #drea

COMPASSIONATE WOMAN
SWF, 49, honest, loves movies, dining out, bowling, hangout with friends. Looking to meet a man, 44-55, who's sincere, honest, for nice moments, possible LTR. Holister #766095 #dondie

WORED IN TWIN FALLS
SWF, 48, looking for someone who knows how to treat a baby. I like camping, walking, fishing, gardening, movies, romance, BBQ, hot tubing, county fairs, TV, cuddling, seeking SWHM, 37-55. Holister #777998 #ScorpioBumh

SEEKING GOOD FRIEND
Attractive SF, 49, 5'4", 130lbs, Cancer. Likes dancing, seeking open, honest SM, 45-55, to befriend and develop a relationship #85807

INTERESTING & INTERESTED
SWF, 50, well read, adore gardening, like dry hives, hot springs, ponies, movies, joy cooking and connecting with people. SM, 47-55, non-smoker. Burley #782256 #katy543

OVER HERE!
I'm looking for someone who can appreciate a great catch, I'm an independent, strong sweet girl. I love romance, music and hanging with friends. I'd love to hear from you. Holister #7887060 #larrahandkylaromom

NOTHING BUT NICE
SWF, 21, enjoys reading and books, just about any kind. Seeking the "right" SWM, 21-28, for friendship first, possible LTR. Holister #721063 # always_in_life

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU
SWM, 40, 6'1", 180lbs enjoys the outdoors, snowmobiling, camping, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, kite night walks, leaving Seeking level headed built tall, into guys who share life and all others. Hargerman #764849

HOW ABOUT ME?
SWM, 62, hard-working, loves the outdoors, horseback riding, 4-wheeling, snowmobiling occasional nights out. Seeking happy, sincere lady who loves animals and the great outdoors. Friendship/relationship. Murtough #743399

WORTH A CALL
SWM, 29, 5'6", 160lb/170, muscular, attractive, low-key for compatible, easygoing, adventurous female confident and independent, who loves life and knows how to live it the fullest. Seeking #826213

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Call 1-800-335-6125 for an easier way to meet great people!

Employment

GENERAL

BTL
Bonneville TransLoaders of Wells

needs (4) Drivers
A new 200500 sq ft shop addition and commercial building is presently being built.

Interested parties please contact building firm from Monday to Friday at 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in person or by e-mail. Good pay and benefits offered.

Direct hiring only.
Call Todd at
775-752-2052

Employment

GENERAL

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GENERAL

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GENERAL

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Meat Cutter
Full time
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Full time
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Driver
Full time
2005 Dodge
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EDUCATION

Substitutes Needed in all areas.
The Board of Education for the District of Twin Falls is seeking substitutes to fill for the following positions:
Custodial Department
Maintenance
Cottage Life Program
Bus Attendants
Administrative Assistants and Educator
Classroom and safety adult substitute
Temporary Part-time
Applications should be submitted to:
Twin Falls Board of Education
107205 Central Ave
Twin Falls, Idaho 83445
or visit the Board of Education at:
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Twin Falls, Idaho 83445
The Board of Education is an Equal Opportunity Employer. AA
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Warehouse Laborer
Full time
2005 Dodge
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Heavy Vehicle
Mechanic
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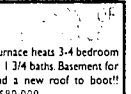
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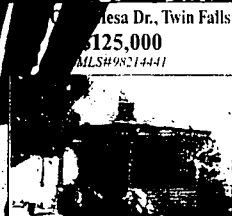
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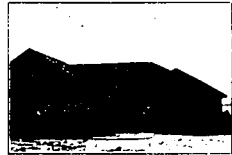
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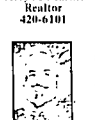
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By Henry Arnold and Mike Ziegen

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Sunday Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE By Alan P. Otachwang, Huntington Beach, California

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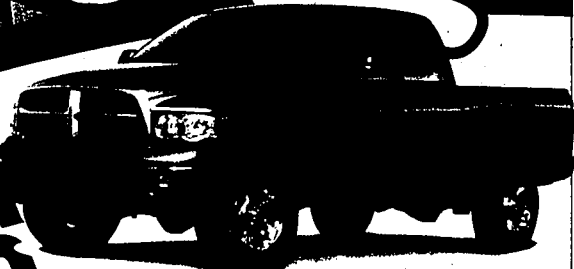
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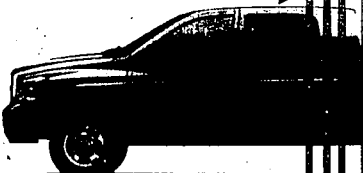
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Taking good care of that kidlet

Doctors, moms and even people on the street sure have a lot of advice for pregnant women. Some look down their noses at me for drinking an occasional Dr. Pepper. Others try to give me wine, telling me, "Oh, just a little is OK." Everyone seems to want the best for this baby, but no one can agree on what that might be.



MAMA TALK
Suzanne DeSelms

Some people believe that the more crunchy you are, the better off your baby will be.

(I, earthy-crunchy: An adjective describing persons or things relating to vegetarianism, health, all-natural and organic products — such as food, skin and hair care products — recycling, protecting the environment, natural medicine etc. Source: www.buddhismdictionary.com)

I do try to buy organic food, even though it's kinda hard to find and pretty expensive. But I'm nowhere near some of the other moms out there.

On one side, you've got those who breast-feed their children until they are 4 or 5 years old. They have the right to do what they think is best, and I've no doubt that human milk is better for a child than cows' milk. In fact, it's probably better for adults than cows' milk.

This is not a choice I personally will make, because of the implications it can have in our culture and society. I don't believe in most anything Freud ever taught but still am uncomfortable with the idea of my son remembering breast-feeding.

So there's definitely another extreme when it comes to caring for a child. Once, I saw a mother pour Coke in a bottle for her baby. This was not California Diet Coke, or even diluted with anything. We're talking 100 percent pure Coca-Cola Classic. I don't know how old the baby was, but she looked very tiny.

Why would anyone do this? I have no idea. To me, it almost seems worse than smoking while pregnant. I know, but try to get me out.

I tend to think of myself as a nice person, and try to give others the benefit of the doubt unless they give me a reason not to. But I see a pregnant woman smoking. I assume she is trying to quit. I assume she has cut back considerably. I assume she feels terrible with every puff of smoke, and that she honestly believes she has to have that cigarette.

Maybe I'm too generous. Maybe not everyone's eaten alive with guilt from smoking while pregnant. But I would imagine that most women do feel badly about it. And that they're doing whatever they can to stop.

But what reason can there be for a mother to give Coke to a baby? Certainly not because she was trying her hardest not to and just couldn't help herself. The kindest thing I can come up with is ignorance, but even that is hardly an excuse. It doesn't take a lot to learn how to properly care for a child. Information is free and everywhere. I am forced to conclude that she just didn't care about the health of her child. To me, that is very sad. So what kind of permission do I get? Somewhere between these examples, I guess. But I honestly hate to say her.

In fact, I've already made some promises that I'm starting to worry about, including swearing to my husband that I would not, under any circumstances, scream. "This is all your fault!" in the delivery room.

I wish I could commit to things like, "Natural childbirth with no pain medication" or "I will exclusively breast-feed my baby for one full year." But honestly, I just don't know.

Life tends to get in the way of plans you make, and I'd hate to publicly embarrass myself if things don't work out exactly how I'd hoped.

But if you ever see my son drinking Coke from a bottle, you hereby have my permission to snatch it away from him. That's one promise I'm willing to put in writing.

Times-News copy editor Suzanne DeSelms is expecting her first child on New Year's. She can be reached at 735-3232 or sdeselms@magvalley.com.



Thelma Nantz talks with her sister Veda Parran, left, Tuesday morning at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls. The two reunited this summer after not seeing each other for some 40 years.

After all these years

IN NEARLY EIGHT DECADES, THEY'VE LOST HUSBANDS, FRIENDS, A SISTER AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, EACH OTHER. THEY'VE LIVED ENTIRE LIFETIMES MORE THAN 2,000 MILES APART.

Sisters reunite after more than 40 years

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — 1921. As the sun sets over Jerome, children play in the street a block west of Lincoln School. A street lamp sheds enough light for one last game.

"Run, sheep, run!" shouts a child. The Robinson sisters scatter and race back to base — the street lamp. Safe. The sheep have won again.

Then the game is over and it's time for bed. Thelma, Veda and Blanche huddle inside past the hand crank wall phone and up the stairs. School tomorrow, then washing dishes at home during the lunch break. Mother always makes the girls do the dishes at lunch. With any luck, they'll finish before Thelma sees her classmates running through the yard back to school. The Robinson girls are sometimes late getting back from the noon break.

Maybe after classes the girls will play checkers on their wooden game board. Or help Father at his Ford dealership, the first one in Jerome. And after supper, of course, more games under the street lamp.

1928. Veda waves goodbye to the house — and Thelma — one last time. The sisters have already been apart for some time. A newlywed, Veda has lived in a sheep wagon near Halley with her husband for nearly a year. At 19, she's on her way to her husband's Virginia tobacco farm. Seventy-seven years will pass before Veda will call the Magic Valley home once again.

2005. It's a cold and cloudy day. In a

lunchroom at Bridgeview Estates nursing home, two elderly women chat like schoolgirls. They're sitting close enough to hold hands — partly out of affection, partly because neither hears well. They have lots to talk about. It's been about 40 years, to their recollection, since their last meeting — some time in the early 1960s when Thelma made the plane trip east to visit Veda.

In nearly eight decades, they've lost husbands, friends, Blanche and, most importantly, each other. They've lived entire lifetimes more than 2,000 miles apart.

So now, it's bittersweet that they're back together. Tragic that it didn't happen sooner.

Veda Parran's memory isn't what it used to be. At 96, she's pre-Alzheimer's. And Thelma Nantz, 90, has a bad time seeing and hearing. But somehow, perhaps through a bond that only sisters can know, the women relate as though they were washing dishes between lessons only yesterday.

Thelma leans in, takes Veda's hand, and asks: "Do you remember playing rump rump run?"

"Oh, yes," says Veda in a soft and raspy voice. "Under the street lamp."

When they're together, the afflictions of old age melt away. Veda remembers details from childhood. Thelma hears the faintest whisper. They have a lifetime of stories to tell.

"The winters were so severe," says Veda. "I had to bring my chickens into the house. I moved them to the basement to save their lives."

But it's never long before the sisters begin recalling the old memories of their shared childhood.

"Can you remember the first telephone we had?" asks Thelma.

"Yes it was on the wall."
"And you had to crank it," Thelma chuckles and turns an invisible crank. "Times have changed since then."

They certainly have.
Magic Valley pioneers, the Robinsons moved to Jerome from Kansas when the Snake River was dammed just after the turn of the century. The sisters' father started the first livery stable — and later the first Ford dealership — in Jerome. Both sisters recall being close as children.

But after Veda's marriage to a Virginia tobacco farmer, the sisters said goodbye. Over the years, they exchanged letters and sometimes phone calls. Veda's daughter, Jean, moved back to the Magic Valley, traveling cross-country by train at 14. Jean married here, and Veda returned a handful of times to nurse Jean through childbirths.

But eventually, Jean stopped having children. Veda didn't come to visit anymore — tickets were too expensive for a farmer's budget. The letters between the sisters were exchanged with less frequency, then stopped altogether. The sisters had simply grown apart.

Veda explains: "My husband had more than he could take care of. He worked so hard." And so did Veda, raising livestock and nurturing crops. "I think sometimes I don't ever want to see corn again."

And Thelma was busy, too, raising

her own family. However, Thelma struggles now to find a reason the sisters didn't keep in contact more with letters or telephone calls.

"I don't know why we didn't," she says with a furrowed brow.

No matter. It's not something the sisters give much thought now. They're just happy to be reunited. So are the sisters' families.

Jim Egbert, a nephew, reunited the women about six weeks ago, just after Jean moved Veda back to the Magic Valley for better care. Now, he shuttles Thelma from her nursing home to Veda's about every 10 days.

"When I found out Veda was coming back, I thought, 'We've got to do something about it,'" says Egbert. "They both look forward to the visits very much."

Sometimes Veda plays old hymns on a small keyboard for her sister. But most of the time, they tell stories from the few years they shared so long ago.

Today's luncheon visit is bringing its end.

"Next time, I'm going to bring my photograph album out for you to look at," says Thelma. "How's your vision?"
"Do you know how old I am?" Veda asks.

Suddenly, the sun breaks through the clouds and a bright beam cuts through the room and across the sisters' faces.

"Oh, how nice it is to have the sun out," says Thelma.
"How nice it is."

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Times-News consolidates announcements

Take note of this deadline

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — We know it's popular: The engagement, wedding and 50th-anniversary news inside this section is a favorite with Magic Valley readers.

So we want to put it all in one place so it's all easier to find. Engagement and anniversary announcements aren't a natural fit in the entertainment section we publish on Fridays, for instance, or in the health, fitness and fashion section that's in our Times-News on Monday. But until now, last-minute announcements that arrived in our office too late for the Family Life deadline have been published in other feature sections.

The result was strange content pairings and, perhaps, some confusion for readers. We want to change that. But brides, we need your help. You, too, organizers of anniversary parties.

Starting this week, we're asking everyone with announcements of upcoming weddings or anniversary observances (50 years and over) to bring us their news far enough in advance that we can publish it in Family Life. The deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday for publication the following Sunday. We need your help in meeting that deadline, so that your news can be published in advance of your event.

The details

The Times-News welcomes engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements and photos. (Anniversaries of 50 years or more, that is.) To submit an announcement, stop by the office at 132 Fairfield St. W. in Twin Falls and fill out a form. The announcement also can be sent by e-mail to ramona@magval-

ley.com. If e-mailed, the photo needs to be sent in jpeg format as an attachment. The deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday for publication the following Sunday. If you miss that deadline, your news might not be published in advance of the event. With questions, call Ramona Jones at 735-3262.

FAMILY LIFE

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Center

530 Shoshone St. W.
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. Cost is \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Pool room open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Menu:
Monday: Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, corn, fruit salad, bread, cake.
Tuesday: Sweet and sour chicken with rice, Chinese vegetables, Chinese salad, cream puff.
Wednesday: Beef goulash, green beans, bread, green salad, pudding.
Thursday: Lasagna, french garlic bread, Italian vegetables, tossed green salad, fruit pie.
Friday: Fish or lamb, no grain potatoes, squash, salad, muffin, fruit.

Activities:
Sunday: Duplicate Bridge Club.
Monday: Quilting, No exercise Bridge.
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday. Blood pressure. Wednesday: Hks cards. Foot clinic.
Exercise: Jackpot trip.
Thursday: Center pinocle. Public hearing. Friday: Blood pressure. Lunch bingo.
Exercise: Good Neighbor Cards.

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl

Menu:
Today: Baked chicken dinner, 1 p.m.
Monday: Closed.
Tuesday: Sloppy fries, pork and beans, cole-slau, fruit, dessert.
Wednesday: Cook's choice.
Thursday: Salmon steak, rice pilaf, vegetables, fruit, dessert.

Activities:
Today: Buffet.
Monday: Evening cards, 6 to 9 p.m.
Exercise, 10 a.m.
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Crafts, 1 to 4 p.m.
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Foot clinic.
Blood pressure check, 11:45 a.m.
Saturday: Community breakfast, 8 to 10 a.m.

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St.

Dinners served at noon Tuesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each mealtime.
Menu:
Tuesday: Sheed ham, apple-sauce, oven potatoes, broccoli, peanut butter in celery sticks, hot biscuits, rice and raisin pudding.
Wednesday: Chicken, round potatoes, Pinto beans, juice, bread, dessert.
Thursday: Beef stew, corn-bread, relish tray, cookies.

Activities:
Tuesday: Board meeting, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Puzzles, 1 p.m. Jackpot trip, 3:30 p.m.
Thursday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.
Speaker, noon.
Hearing aid clinic, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 1:30 p.m.
Friday: Arby's night fund-raiser.

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.
All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.

Menu:
Monday: Biscuits and sausage gravy, vegetables, fruit, cookies.
Tuesday: Sloppy Joe on a bun, winter mix, Jell-O with fruit, peach crisp.
Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, fruit salad, lemon bars, garlic bread.
Thursday: Ham, raisin sauce, heels, scalloped potatoes, green salad, fruit, pumpkin bars.
Friday: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, peas and pearl onions, fruit muddley, custard.

Activities:
Tuesday: Pinocle, 1 p.m. Snack bar, 6 p.m.
Early bird bingo, 6:45 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Pinocle, 7 p.m. Thursday: Foot clinic. Blood pressure.
Friday: Gem State Fiddlers, 11:30 a.m. Pinocle, 1 p.m.

Agless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly

Milk, coffee, juice and tea served. Note: new hours 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday and Thursday.
Menu:
Monday: Manwich, scalloped potatoes, green beans, salad, lemon pudding, cookies.
Wednesday: Cook's choice.
Friday: Beef stroganoff over noodles, mixed vegetables, Jell-O, carrots, apricot, cookie.

Activities:
Monday: AA meeting, 7 p.m. Tuesday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 7 p.m. Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m. Friday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Bingo, 1:15 p.m. Pinocle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Senior Ave.

All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.
Menu:
Monday: Closed.
Tuesday: Sweet and sour pork, rice, stir fry vegetables, salad, butter-soaked pudding, bread sticks.
Wednesday: Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, carrots, salad, Jell-O, bread.
Thursday: Meatloaf with mushroom gravy, baked potatoes with sour cream, vegetables, tossed salad, peas, rolls.
Friday: Leftovers.

Activities:
Monday: Pinocle, 12:30 p.m. Putlock in Glens Ferry, 6 p.m. Pool, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pool, 1 p.m. Community forum with Jim Fields.
Hand and foot, 6 p.m. Bridge, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m. Board meeting, 1 p.m. Shuffleboard, 6 p.m. Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m. Pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinocle, 7 p.m. Friday: Leftover smorgasbord, noon. Bridge, 1 p.m. Bowling, 1:30 p.m. Bingo, 6 p.m.

Hagerman Senior Center

140 E. Lake

Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; lunch is served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors; \$4 for other adults; and \$2 for children under 12.

Menu:
Monday: Pork roast, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salad, fruit, bread, dessert.
Wednesday: Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes, salad, fruit, peas, rolls, dessert.
Friday: Salad day, ham and beans, cottage cheese, fruit, bread, dessert.

Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden

Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.
Menu:
Tuesday: Hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, gravy. California salad, fruit, cookies.
Thursday: Italian sausage, macaroni and cheese, green beans, fruit salad, spinach salad.

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley

Menu:
Tuesday: Chicken carciolate with noodles, broccoli, biscuits, green salad with mandarin oranges, bread pudding, sauce.
Wednesday: Veggie bean quiche, hash browns, morning glory muffins, green salad, peaches, brownies.
Friday: Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, hot rolls, frozen fruit salad, coconut cream pie.

Activities:
Monday: Twin Falls Shopping, 8:30 a.m. Tuesday: Foot clinic, 10 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m. Exercise, 1:15 p.m. Wednesday: Red hatters, 11 a.m. Thursday: Exercise, 1:15 p.m. Bingo, 5:30 p.m. Friday: Medicare program, 1 p.m.

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave.

Glens Ferry

Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals, drinks available by phoning the center at 366-2051. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors, \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Menu:
Monday: Holiday.
Tuesday: Hot roast beef sandwich, potatoes and gravy, Italian mix, vegetables, tossed salad, bread.
Thursday: Oven fried chicken, cheese potatoes, beans, carrot, raisin and pineapple salad, bread.

Camas County Senior Center

127 E. Willow, Fairfield

Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on meal days. Cost of the meal is \$3.50; children under 10 pay \$2. The suggested donation for these 60 years and older is \$2.50.
Menu:
Tuesday: Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, beans, fruit, dessert.
Wednesday: Chee-chungers, Jell-O salad, dessert.
Friday: Chicken, mashed potatoes, veggies, salad, fruit.

Activities:
Monday: Foot clinic by appointment.
Center closed for holiday.
Tuesday: Quilt, 1 p.m. Wednesday: Birthday party, 2 p.m. Thursday: Business meeting, 12:30 p.m. Friday: Cops, 9 a.m. Carlo, 1 p.m.

Golden Years Senior Citizen Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Menu:
Tuesday: Chicken a la king over baking powder biscuits, buttered peas, Jell-O with fruit salad, apple empanadas.
Wednesday: Split pea soup, tuna fish sandwich, apricot pie.
Friday: Lasagna, green salad with dressing, garlic sticks, brownie, fruit cocktail.

Richfield Senior Center

Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Menu:
Monday: Baked potato bar, green onions, dinner rolls, fruit cocktail, cookies.
Thursday: Potato soup, hamburgers, peach pie.

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley

Menu:
Monday: Fish burgers, french fries, hot-eye salad, vegetables, spice cake.
Tuesday: Pizza, tater tots, tossed salad, raspberry fruit Jell-O, brownies.
Wednesday: Birthday/anniversary dinner.
Thursday: Meatballs, cheddar sauce pasta, Mexican corn, apple crisp.
Friday: Barbecue, french fries, carrots, salad, pistachio pudding.

Activities:
Monday: Pool.
Pinocle, 1 p.m. Eye/gaze adjustment.
Board meeting, 1 p.m. Blood pressure.
Tuesday: All play pool. Woodcarving class, 8:30 a.m. Bingo, 7 p.m. Wednesday: All play pool. Pinocle, 1 p.m. Sen. Craig representative speaks.
Thursday: Pool. Pinocle, 5 p.m. Woodcarving, 5 p.m. Friday: Pool. Pinocle, 1 p.m. Bingo, 1 p.m.

Social Security disability switches to retirement

Knight Ridder News Service

Question: I get Social Security disability benefits and will be 62 years old this year. Will my Social Security benefits change when I reach retirement age?
Answer: Yes and no. When you "retire" from disability benefits, so to speak, the amount of

your monthly Social Security benefit will not change. It will, however, be changed from disability to retirement benefits in the agency's records. But this doesn't happen until you reach full retirement age.
For more information, visit Social Security's Web site at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call

toll-free 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0779).
Or, if you're applying for Social Security disability benefits, if I'm approved, when can I expect my payments to start?
As if Social Security determines that you are disabled and eligible to receive Social Security disability benefits, your monthly

payments will begin the sixth full month of your disability.
For more information about Social Security disability benefits, see Social Security's online publication, Disability Benefits, at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs10 029.html. You also can call 1-800-772-1213 to ask for a printed copy.



At the kitchen table, Marly Brandwin gets a little anxious and sometimes loses sleep thinking about the coming week.

Starting week on high note can banish the Sunday blues

By Stacey Hirsch
The Baltimore Sun

When Sunday night creeps in, Paul Zanger starts to get antsy, realizing that for the next five days there will be no sleeping in and no kids playing in the yard until dark.
He wants the floors vacuumed, the trash out, the beds made. He wants the kids helping with chores, and the house ready for the coming workweek.
"It's something that just comes on," Zanger said. "It happens around the dinner hour, and whether that dinner hour is 4 o'clock or 8 o'clock, that's when it happens. I just get irritated."

If the classic case of the Sunday night blues, a phenomenon where thoughts of the coming work week can cause anxiety, dread, sleepless nights and a host of other symptoms. Sometimes, experts say, it happens to workers who are unhappy in their jobs. At other times it can be the sign of an overwhelmed employee, faced with a work-life climate of increasing pressure and limited resources. The blues also can be associated with childhood memories of the weekend being over and the school week beginning, experts said.

Zanger, for instance, says he is happy with his job selling copiers, printers and other office technology for the Phillips Group in Hunt Valley, Md. Sure, there are bad days, like when sales are low and the end of the month is nearing. But he likes his work and his boss.
What Zanger doesn't like, though, is waking up at 5 a.m. to beat the morning traffic on his commute from Pennsylvania. And shifting from his weekend practices of relaxing and watching NASCAR to working from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. During the week, he often grabs a quick dinner and rushes off to coach Little League.

"I think it's just the change of the routine from the weekend to the week," said Zanger, who said he has suffered with Sunday night blues since he was a kid in school.
Kevin A. Siegel's blues come in the form of stage fright. Despite being a "training ace" and president of Irongate Inc., a Riva, Md.-based art and consulting company, the class he teaches often prompt Sunday night butterflies and a knot in his stomach.
"Every Sunday night my stress level hits the roof as I worry about the upcoming class," Siegel wrote in an e-mail. "I spend Friday nights coming down from the high of being in the classroom, Saturday forgetting what I do for a living, and Sunday worrying I'm in the class Monday. Mind you, I've taught these classes for nearly 11 years. I've got it all memorized. But I worry I'm going to forget it all Monday morning and the learners will know what a fraud and horrible instructor I really am."

The class starts, I'm racking. What was all the stress about? "Then, before you know it, it's Sunday again. The blues, again."
There are ways to manage the

Sunday night blues. Experts suggest making a list of things to do during the coming week or planning something to look forward to on Monday, such as lunch with a friend.
"All is not lost if you have the Sunday night blues," said Fard M. Myers, president of Career Potential, a Haverford, Pa., career consulting firm. "You can still make adjustments."
Glenda LeGendre has taught her daughter to battle the blues with a method she learned in college.
Back then, as her now-husband and his roommates would be finishing dinner and starting the dishes after a busy weekend, one of the roommates would ask: "Well, what are we doing next weekend?" recalled LeGendre, who is now vice president of marketing and public relations for Villa P-Jee College.
Another way is to keep Monday's schedule light.
As principal and chief executive of Entimex Inc., a Silver Spring, Md., technology strategy company, Ithell Glazer avoids stacking his Monday schedules with tasks that could cause pressure on Sundays. It is a strategy he developed when he was a federal government employee with a compressed workweek and the option of taking every other Friday or Monday off. At first, he opted for Friday.

"Sunday night, I was coming home early from places. I was not able to really enjoy my weekend to the fullest extent," Glazer recalled.
He felt anxious on Sunday nights and had trouble sleeping. "I kind of made Sunday night into any other night of the week," he said.
Barthelme said that they are supposed to feel stressed, depressed or anxious on Sunday nights.

Last Sunday, Mary Brandwin sat at the round kitchen table of his Owings Mills, Md., home and began preparing a report for his boss detailing what was on his plate for the coming week. It's a weekly ritual for the vice president of marketing for AVCode Inc., a start-up technology company in the business incubator at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.
As he typed on his laptop, Brandwin began to think about tasks for the week. Follow up on leads from last week's trade show. Meet with the new vice president of sales. Prepare for the launch of a new Google advertising campaign.
He began feeling anxious.
"I'm realizing I've got a lot to do," he said.

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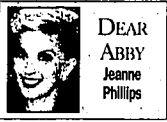
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Harassment makes woman fearful

DEAR ABBY: I moved away from my ex-boyfriend, "David," seven months ago. Since then, our "perfect" relationship has changed drastically. He has been using a horrible language toward me and saying he hates me. David also said I was new that he would beat me. Now that I have told him it is over and have begun dating someone else, he has decided he wants a second chance.

First, David begged me to go back to him. Then, when I refused, he threatened to ruin my life. He knows some things about me that are very confidential and has threatened to call my mom and tell her everything. He claims to love me but then he tells me he hates me.

I don't understand. I have always treated David with respect and tried to be a good girlfriend. But I can't do it anymore, and I'm afraid of how things will turn out. I can't take David harassing me. I don't know if I am



DEAR ABBY
Jeane Phillips

in danger or if this is something to worry about.

— **SCARED IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

DEAR SCARED: People who love each other do not treat each other the way you are being treated. Your ex-boyfriend has become obsessed, and is trying to force you to capitulate through intimidation and blackmail. Tell him once more that it is over and you want him out of your life. Then screen your calls, block his e-mails, and if he approaches you, tell him that if he persists you will inform the police. And if you must, beat him to the punch and tell your mother what he's

holding over you. It may not be your proudest moment, but it will loosen his hold over you.

PS. Under no circumstances should you reconcile with him. This is just a taste of what you'll get if you do. If the harassment continues, go to the police and file a report.

DEAR ABBY: I have always been an animal lover. I have had a peek-a-poo, "Flopsy," for 12 years. She's the last of my pets, and loves me as much as I love her.

Flopsy was hit by a car and her hip was fractured. Now I must confine her to our house until she's well. My fiancee, "Lenny," complains I have spent too much money at the vet on her. Lenny says he can put a 20-cent bullet in her and solve the problem.

Of course, I would never permit it, nor will I do anything like that. Flopsy doesn't bother him. She always stays in the same room as me no matter where I

go. He has demanding chores in my life, so I don't see the harm.

Do you think I should put her out of her misery? Am I being selfish?

— **ANIMAL LOVER IN GEORGIA**

DEAR ANIMAL LOVER: Why are you asking me something that should be discussed with Flopsy's veterinarian. If at her age, she can regain her health and mobility and frolic again, I see no reason to euthanize her. If she can't, then it might be the kindest thing to do.

Something else in your letter concerns me, however. The relationship you have with Flopsy apparently does "hurt" your fiancee. I suspect that he resents the love you have for her and the time and attention you lavish on her. To have suggested "putting a bullet" in her shows he has a cruel streak. If you are hard, you will bring long and bad before marrying someone like that.

Experience moon gazing in a canyon

Most observatories are on mountain tops for a very good reason: The higher you are, the thinner and calmer the air. Stars shine brighter and steadier, making for better science. But lover elevations have their own value for stargazing.



SKY WATCH
Chris Anderson

Sky calendar through Saturday

- Planets:
 - One hour before sunrise: Saturn, ESE, high stars; Venus, mid sky
 - One hour after sunset: Moon, SW, very low
 - Venus: First quarter Monday, 1:01 p.m.

until a target is high enough to look good in the eyepiece.

I got a taste of "bottom up" stargazing last month, during a three-day Grand Canyon hike. I slept under the stars. But the full moon was the main attraction, so bright that I was able to barely discern color by moonlight, and I could have easily read by it.

Why did the moon appear so bright? After all, the canyons lower elevation put a quarter-mile more air above me compared with the Magic Valley. I attribute it to three factors. First, being farther south put the moon higher in the sky, shortening the moonlight's path through the air by about 10 percent. Second, three months' full moon fell within 30 days of lunar perigee, when the moon is at the closest point in its orbit, increasing its apparent size. Finally, without being exposed to the bright lights of civilization, my pupils were wide open to let the moonlight in.

Herret Center founder Norman Herret appreciated this fact. His second-story backyard observatory was designed to get above the glare of his neighbors' outdoor lighting. Later, after donating his museum to the College of Southern Idaho, Norm recommended that the college's new observatory be located in the canyon.

At first glance, a canyon would seem to be the worst place for stargazing. Lower elevation means you're looking through more atmosphere. And the canyon walls obscure objects near the horizon, limiting the views. But many telescopes can point near the horizon anyway, and doing so usually delivers terribly distorted views because of the long path the starlight must travel through the atmosphere. Canyon walls force you to wait

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Next week: Watch a pre-dawn lunar eclipse.

Chris Anderson is the production specialist and observatory manager at the Faulkner Planetarium at the Herret Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

Aries: Be mindful of workload, duties

IF OCT. 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, YOU MAY attain spiritual heights in December and January when the inspiring rays of Neptune point in your cosmic direction. Compassion and sympathy may make you more willing to defend the underdog and champion the needy. Because you are more romantically minded, you may meet someone who fulfills your amorous needs. Aim for permanence in whatever you do, especially if you can improve your health or purchase tangible goods. In May, June and July you may be forced to cope with changes that will eventually free you from burdens.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't bite off more than you can chew. A temporary hub of insincerity or misdeeds on your part can cause trouble within relationships so avoid wheedling and dealing or signing agreements now.

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Jeraline Saunders

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Hammering down those nails requires big strokes. While those who love you understand and appreciate your ambition, others may take offense if you push too far. Sidelap agreements.

GEMINI (May-June 20): Tomorrow is another day. Those in the immediate vicinity might be abrasive and step on sensitive toes. Wait to make deals or sign agreements as counterfactual promises may flourish.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Avoid conflict over "isms" and beliefs. Opinions are something based on personal preferences and often based on family upbringing rather than facts. Find a good hook to curl up with.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be the

champion of the underdog and defender of the weak. Follow your spiritual urges and stick to the tried and true. Risky sports or games and speedy decisions can trip you up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Mind your own business and let others mind theirs. Concentrate on maintaining harmony within your closest relationships. This isn't the time to challenge the way with the big mouth.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Embrace the big picture and remember we are all brothers under the skin. Associating with those of a different background or culture or religious belief can trigger temporary squabbles.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't get sidetracked by others who challenge your beliefs or push your buttons. Your best attribute this week is a downcast attitude that gets essential jobs done, so stick to the agenda.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Ignore the thrown gauntlet. Competition can hurt your skin and cause you to take foolishly risks. Avoid making assurances or promises that you don't intend to fulfill.

PICES (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't jump from the frying pan into the fire. Entering a controversial new job can reflect badly on you later or put you in a compromising position. Pay attention to your appearance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A battle of the wits can create enmity. Don't be a showoff even if you are sure you know best. Use your mental energy to do something constructive and promote business or career.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Soothe rattled feathers by being sympathetic to the problems of those you run into today. Remember, compassion doesn't require that you put your money on the line or dip into savings.

Pregnant women may notice new beauty marks

By Suzanne Perez Tobias
Knight Ridder News Service

Family in brief

If you're pregnant, you may notice your beauty marks growing along with your belly.

The pigment melanin is stimulated by increasing levels of progesterone and estrogen during pregnancy, which causes moles to grow darker and larger, reports Parents magazine.

If you're concerned, ask your ob-gyn, or have the mole checked by a dermatologist.

Label it — Write your child's name on his backpack, lunch box and clothing makes them easier to retrieve from the lost-and-found. But if you're not careful, it could make your child an easier target for predators.

Sadly, calling a child by his or her name can make a predator seem "known" to a child and could make the child a target.

For this reason, experts suggest never personalizing kids' belongings anywhere that a stranger might see it. Instead, write names on the inside of items.

Too much computer use may not be healthy

If too much computer time is eroding your health, personal relationships or quality of life, it's time to cut back. Some tips: Make a priority list. Keep a running to-do list by your computer to make sure you are reaching your goals and checking them off.

Can't back on how often you check e-mail. Don't check it five times a day. Stick to three and no more than that.

Ask for help from others to get working from scratch. For example, ask a friend to help you learn to bid on online auction items if that friend already knows the ropes.

• **Card** — not limited computer luxury time. You might, for example, allow yourself to play computer poker one hour per week. Don't let this expand to one hour per day.

• **Ask someone** to hold you accountable. For instance, explain to your spouse why you desire to change your computer habits, and ask him or her to nudge you to stick to your guns.

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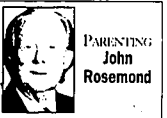
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Today's parenting produces children, not adults

A fellow who is unhappy with my point of view recently wrote a letter to The Charlotte Observer which closed with "After all, it takes 18 to 20 years to 'grow a child.'"

Yep, he put his finger right on the problem, albeit unwittingly. These days, many American parents, after peering at their 20 years, still have children on their hands. To make matters worse, these parents often continue to enable these children for a number of years to come, thus assuring that their children's transition to adulthood, if it ever truly occurs, will be accompanied by much otherwise unnecessary pain.

In the course of my travels as a public speaker, I have frequent opportunity to talk to managers in the business world. Their uniform lament is that young people are entering the job pool expecting the employer to tolerate what their parents tolerated: sloppy work habits, disrespect toward authority, a casual attitude toward deadlines, and reluctance to accept full responsibility for the tasks they are assigned. Not once have I heard a manager or employer describe a typical young adult employee in glowing terms. Relatively



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few young people seem to have acquired a traditional work ethic. Instead, they bring to the workplace an entitlement attitude. What they want, they believe they deserve to have, and the employer who does not so provide is being "unfair."

The employer's expectations, however — as in, show up on time, follow your job description, abide by the policies manual, don't leave early, be courteous to each and every customer — are only acceptable until such time as they become inconvenient to the employee or inconsistent with how he or she feels at the moment. And just taking the walk was tolerated in promoting a more healthy lifestyle.

You can benefit as well. Spending time biking, hiking, inline skating or just taking long walks can initiate great conversation. We all know how difficult it is to engage our children in meaningful conversation when their brains are being bombarded by video games.

Sadly, only 32 percent of children between the ages of 6 and 17 meet the minimum standards for cardiovascular fitness, flexibility and upper body strength.

But you can change that. Getting a handle on your child's health now can prevent low handies later. A chubby child could be careening toward childhood obesity. Establishing a healthy dining and exercise program for yourself and your child will encourage your child to become a fit and healthy adult.

to call to complain about a grade dispenser to his or her child. One professor at a prestigious Eastern university related the story of parents who flew from California — both of them — to challenge the semester grade earned by their son, a junior. They were furious, he said, that the grade in question would prevent their son from becoming accepted by the medical school of his choice. They were seemingly unable to grasp that the grade merely reflected their son's unwillingness to do the work required; therefore, if their child was refused entry to medical school, it was not a professor's fault, but their child's.

At least a dozen college professors have told me similar tales. One actually told me that a student's parents demanded that he ignore plagiarism and essentially award an outstanding albeit posthumous grade to Henry David Thoreau. The trend toward delayed adulthood was reflected in the lament of a University of Oklahoma sorority house mother who told me that most of the young ladies under her supervision were graduating, to go back home and live with

their parents until they get married. This has since been echoed by two other sorority house mothers in North Carolina and Georgia.

Forty years ago, the typical young adult was fully emancipated, economically and otherwise, by age 20. The average age of full emancipation has since climbed above 25.

My wife recently remarked that the oversize clothes worn by many of today's young people cause them to look like toddlers. "That's" I told her, and she laughed at the pun, but it is no laughing matter. The ubiquity of delayed adulthood doesn't bode well for children, families, schools, American business and industry, the economy, the national defense or the culture.

Yes indeed, it would seem that noivent American parenting is producing children, not adults. The problem is, these children can vote. We can only be thankful that most of them do not exercise the privilege.

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Set an example for kids by exercising, eating right

By Nancy Cole
Knight Ridder News Service

The best way to make sure your children make good choices in life is to make good choices yourself. This aptly applies to fitness and nutrition. Poor diet choices and inactivity breed overweight children. Moreover, if you and your spouse are overweight, your child has an 80 percent chance of being overweight, too.

If your child sees you exercising, he or she will know that you care about yourself and your health. Exercise reaps an important message of self-discipline, self-motivation and goal setting. If your children see you eating whole foods, they'll be inclined to eat whole foods, too.

When it comes to activity, individual and team sports are great, but don't forget the old-fashioned fun of unstructured playtime. Hide and seek, hula hoops, hop scotch and climbing trees can help your children provide cardiovascular activity, improve coordination, and stimulate brain development.

Pick tag over TV and cardio over computer games. Then, trade juice for water, sugary snacks for whole fruits and fast food for home-cooked meals. You can make large strides in promoting a more healthy lifestyle.

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Harvest in morning

When a farm family's key member dies.

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Remodeling your current home may seem like a good idea...adding an extra bath or bedroom or modernizing the kitchen. But how can you tell if it's better to move than remodel?

One rule of thumb is to think that if your home is already at the high end of the price range for neighborhood, moving makes more sense.

Estimate the cost of planned improvements. Add fifty percent of that cost to the appraised value of your home. If the new value will put the price over the top, it's a sign that you should think twice before remodeling. It is unlikely that you will recoup your investment when you sell.

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COMMUNITY

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STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

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Madison Lynn Shetter, daughter of Annie Nicole and Zachary Robert Shetter of Shoshone, was born Thursday, Sept. 29, 2005. **Hayden Victor Dennis**, son of Lori Lynn and Richard Steven Dennis of Jerome, was born Thursday, Sept. 29, 2005. **Wyett Robert Lancaster**, son of Stacie Marie and Lynn Robert Lancaster of Wendell, was born Thursday, Sept. 29, 2005.

Mariah Elizabeth Flores, daughter of Isabel Hore and Matthew Paul Hore of Twin Falls, was born Thursday, Sept. 29, 2005. **Daniel Robb**, son of Jessica Rae and Lorn Curtis Robb of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Sept. 30, 2005.

Jasmin Stephanie Gorbelen, daughter of Iona Galbenko and Stephan Peter Kutzmann of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Sept. 30, 2005.

To announce a birth send a copy of the birth certificate to: **Jami Whitte**, The Community Page, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303. **Or fax to 734-5538**. **Deadline Noon Tuesday** for Friday's paper and noon Friday for Tuesday's paper. **More Information?** Call Jami at 735-3278

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Pennies campaign launches locally

BELEVEUE — Local residents are again leading the Pennies by the Inches campaign to raise money for the Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Very familiar with the hospital is Krista Kuhlank of Bellevue, whose son, Ethan, received care there.

The hospital cares for children from Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Nevada and Montana, regardless of their ability to pay, reports Pennies by Inches local campaign leader, Gwen Jones.

While it is "not a pleasant experience to be in the ICU at a children's hospital with someone that you love, the place to be is Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah," said Kuhlank, who with husband, Doug, found themselves in that position last year.

Their son, Ethan, then 2 years old, was picked up by the hospital's pediatricology team and flown there after tests at a local hospital revealed a serious problem. The left side of his heart was closing to function.

Krista Kuhlank called the hospital a place where parents and grandparents feel like they are part of the medical team.

"Knowledge" removes fear, said Kuhlank, who with husband, Doug, found themselves in that position last year. When the doctors included us as part of their team, sharing with us what they were going to do to find out why Ethan had been so sick, it removed a lot of the fear for us," said his grand-

mother, Bob Hanchey of Twin Falls. She also described it as "kid friendly." For example, every time a nurse or a technician would do something to Ethan, they would do the same thing to Ethan's favorite stuffed animal, Simba, she reported. Social workers at the hospital even hooked a doll up to all the monitors and tubes that Ethan was hooked to and took older, brother Tristan, then 7, into a special room to tell him what was happening to his little brother.

"He can tell you to this day about Ethan's illness because the staff was so sensitive to how children react to their siblings," Kuhlank said.

In the end, Ethan's heart condition was blamed on a common childhood illness that attacked his heart, lungs reported. He spent two weeks at the Primary Children's Medical Center. But before he was released, his family went through naming and had to pass some tests before they could take him home so that they wouldn't be afraid of what was to happen and they could take care of him without heading to a hospital over "every sneeze."

Last year when the Pennies by the Inches drive was at the Magic Valley Mall, Kuhlank drove from Bellevue one day to help make money for other children in need, Jones reported. Her mother, Sue Hanchey, also joined in the effort.

Pennies by the Inch

During the week of Oct. 10 to 15, the Pennies by the Inch campaign to raise money for the Primary Children's Medical Center will be headquartered at the Magic Valley Mall in Twin Falls.

The phrase: "Pennies by the Inch" suggests that people donate a penny, nickel or dollar for every inch of their height. All the funds go to charity care.

Volunteers will be canvassing neighborhoods to collect funds during this time, as well. There also will be quilting frames at the mall and volunteers making quilts for the Desert Sage Community Quilt charity.

Some quilts will be donated to the Primary Children's and most go to local families in need and other causes the hurricane relief.

For more information, call local campaign chairman Gwen Jones at 734-3421 or log on to www.penniesbytheinch.org, or call Susan Stairs, at 734-4386, the chairman of the Desert Sage Community Quilt charity. "It is reassuring to know that even small donations will go directly to help children in need," Jones said.



Members who have had 30 or more years of membership in Delta Kappa Gamma are Karlee Annis, Mary Anne Sweet, Rea Jones, Joan Carr, Marjorie Jackson and Ella Hilverda. Not pictured was Carolyn Erickson.

Delta Kappa honors old, new members

TWIN FALLS — Old and new members of the Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority International were honored at the Sept. 10 meeting at the College of Southern Idaho.

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a society of women educators.

Initiation was held for new members Marilyn Bright and Khrista Buschhorn. Those with at least 30 years of membership were also honored and presented with a "Time on You." They were Karlee Annis, Mary Anne Sweet, Rea Jones, Joan Carr, Marjorie Jackson, Ella Hilverda and Carolyn Erickson. Hilverda has been a member for 36 years.

Members who participated in the Cancer Walk in May also were honored.

Beverly Lihn, the recipient of the Xi Chapter Recruitment



New Initiates in the chapter are Marilyn Bright and Khrista Buschhorn.

Grant for three years, spoke about how this grant helped make it possible for her to complete her education and how she was very appreciative of this help.

The joint meeting of Theta Gamma and Xi Chapters will be held on Oct. 15 at the Burley High School.

Methodist Church hosts diabetes dinner

DIABETISM — The Food and Fellowship Committee of the Gooding United Methodist Church is hosting a Dinner for Diabetes Demonstration at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Snake River Grill Restaurant, on State and Higginson streets.

Tickets are \$15 per person. Early registration is recommended because seating is limited. This program will be one that any person struggling to cook delicious meals while following the rigors of a diabetic lifestyle will not want to miss, organizers say.

A demonstration on how to prepare healthy and cost saving meals, as well as learning about cooking with herbs, spices and olive oil will be included. Mariea, a medical dietitian of the Elberta

Program at Gooding County Memorial Hospital, and Sue Orndorf, coordinator of Diabetes Education will speak.

Registration must be received with payment by Oct. 23. Checks may be made payable to GUMC Wellness Program. For more information or to register, call Joyce Baker at 934-5588 or write to her at P.O. Box 314, Gooding, ID 83330, or call Beverly Heuston at 934-6227 or write to her at 616 Pine St., Gooding, ID 83330.

Halley Public Library holds book, bake sale

HAILEY — The Friends of the Halley Public Library is holding its 10th annual book and bake sale.

The sale will be held all day Oct. 13, 14 and 15 at the Halley Armory. Donations of books, CDs, and educational

material are welcome and can be dropped off anytime at the library, 735 Crox.

For more information, call Brandy at 798-4726 or Geecie at 798-3286.

Boys, Guys Club holds after-school program

TWIN FALLS — The Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley is having an after-school program for children ages 6 to 16.

The program will be held from 3 to 7 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. There is a \$20 membership fee and bus fees. The cost is \$10 per day for 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. care on Christmas break, spring break and school in-service days.

Activities include arts crafts, cooking, computer classes, recreation activities, chess, homework help, science project, daily sustained silent

CONCERT WINNERS



Judy Barnes of Rupert and Tammy Jones of Alto receive a pair of Mini-Casella Community Concerts memberships from the drawing held after the Casella County Fair. Not pictured were Burley winners, Bill and Maria Jensen. The membership drive is now going on for the 2005-06 season. For more information, call 678-7378.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Moms, kids work together on clay projects

TWIN FALLS — The City of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department and Hands On is offering Mommy and Me sessions where moms can take their children and work on a different project from 10:15 a.m. to noon the third Wednesday and Saturday of every month from Oct. 15 through March 18 at Hands On, 147 Shoshone St. N.

The cost is \$20 per session and \$10 for each additional child.

Children can also learn the basics of ceramic painting, mosaics and glass fusing in the Friday Fun Club for Kids. Children ages 7 to 14 will create one project per week from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month from Oct. 14 through March 10 at Hands On. The cost is \$16 per day.

CROP Walk benefits service organizations

TWIN FALLS — The 17th annual CROP Walk will be held on Oct. 15.

The 4-mile walk will begin at 10 a.m. at the Twin Falls City Park band shell.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

The walk raises money to fight hunger. Most funds are distributed abroad by the Church World Service with 25 percent of the funds shared between Safe Harbor Coalition and St. Edward's Kitchen, which are local nonprofit feeding programs for the needy.

Safe Harbor hosts a Saturday lunch program and St. Edward's provides evening meals on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the parish hall. Donations from the community sustain the program.

CROP Walk is an ecumenical ministry of several denominations providing sustainable self-help in the form of social and economic development, emergency response and more. For more information, call Our Savior Lutheran Church at 733-3774.

FAMILY LIFE

Get the equation right and get lucky

By Michael Precker
The Dallas Morning News

All those years you slog through math class, struggling with cosines and quadratic equations and such, wondering what possible use this could have in real life.

Finally, a couple of British guys with calculators and what must be a really big blackboard have the answer: Math can help you get rich.

It's all right there in the latest Proceedings of the Royal Society of London, a biological sciences journal — eight pages in print and a 56-page electronic appendage. There are lots of terms, such as "evolutionary strategies" and "derivation of the equilibria," as well as complex formulas.

Captchie? Yes, Dr. Peter Sozou and Dr. Robert Seymour of University College London have crunched the numbers and deduced that the best way to woo women is to buy them expensive dinners.

"The whole thing took us four years, off and on," Sozou says. "It turned out to be more com-

plex than we thought, but the basic result was in line with intuition."

Sozou is kind enough to try to explain this to a liberal arts graduate, though he surely knows that most of his wisdom is whizzing through the trans-Atlantic phone line and right over my head. Hey, at least I can calculate percentages, which vaults me ahead of many colleagues. I can also tell you the temperature in Celsius almost immediately, except when it's below zero.

But he notes that higher math is being used more and more in tandem with economics and biology, and this work fits right in.

He got the idea reading a story in the local paper about a fellow who paid for a woman's rent with anonymous intentions that she did not share.

"He eventually found out she had a real boyfriend, and it all ended in tears," Sozou reports.

The theory was that she started saving for the sake of the rent. Had the sugar daddy just bought her fancy dinners, "She might not have wanted it to go on so long and spend so

much time with a guy she was not keen on."

What's the difference? No matter how great the meal, the next day you'd be hungry again. Rent on the other hand is a bill that keeps on giving, which might persuade an ill-intentioned recipient to hang around.

Now get out your chalk.

"If you start with a biological question and look for an equation," Sozou explains, "It's really quantitative common sense."

He and Seymour built mathematical models representing gifts, attractiveness and mating decisions. Then they applied game theory, potential outcomes and the Nash equilibrium (named for John Nash, the schizophrenic Nobel Prize winner in "A Beautiful Mind"), among other things.

The winner: costly but worthwhile (in terms of residual value) romantic gifts. If the fellow keeps popping up for dinner, and the gifts are expensive, the numbers say they're headed for a successful relationship.

"Of course, the complications

arise in what kind of gift is costly and what kind is worthless," Sozou says.

Jewelry, he notes, falls somewhere in the middle: It has some residual value at the pawnshop but usually not nearly what the buyer shelled out.

There are some potential flaws, of course: The annual-wedding pattern of males bearing gifts to mate with females doesn't always apply to Homo sapiens. Humans don't always do what mathematical models dictate. ("It's called the 'trembling hand' in game theory," Sozou says.)

It also must be pointed out that Sozou is single (the math geeks haven't been looking to me just yet).

Nonetheless, you can't argue with numbers, can you?

"The economic analysis would say if a man takes a wad of \$50 bills and burns them in front of the woman, that would be the perfect gift," the mathematician concludes. "Of course, there is a dimension that when you're trying to impress females, you impress them that you're sane as well."

WEDDINGS

GREER-BOWEN

PAUL — Lacy Greer and Reid Bowen were married Oct. 8 in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

The bride is the daughter of Ray and Candace Greer of Paul. She attended LDS Business College in Salt Lake City.

The bridegroom is the son of David and Nedra Bowen of Burley. He graduated from Burley High School and served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Birmingham, Ala.

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m.



Reid and Lacy Bowen
Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Paul LDS Stake Center.

LEONARD-TIERNEY

TWIN FALLS — Anne Elizabeth Leonard and Michael Thomas Tierney were married July 16 at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Twin Falls.

The bride is the daughter of Steven H. Leonard and Marlon H. Leonard of Twin Falls.

The bridegroom is the son of Tom and Mary Tierney of Richland, Wash.

The ceremony was officiated by Father Matur Medline. Ian Olsen was the pianist, Brother Selby Coffman was the harpist, and Sam Leonard was the guitarist.

Amber Diehl, friend of the bride, was the bride's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Jo Armandez, Sanja Prutina, Margaret Jackson and Lisa Potter, friends of the bride, who served as the flower girl.

Madison Claire Hodge, niece of the bride, was the flower girl.

William Tierney, brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsman were John Tierney, brother of the groom; Austin Leonard, brother of the bride; and Pete Nicasio and Will Telling, friends of the groom.

Ushers were William Patrick Roach, friend of the groom, and William Leonard, brother of the bride.



Michael and Anne Tierney

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Robert and Donna Leonard of Idaho Falls and Edward Hurd of Richland, and grandparents of the groom, Barry and MaryAnn Tierney of Coeur d'Alene and William Cahill of Helena, Mont.

A reception was held July 16 at the Leonard residence.

The bride is a graduate of Carroll College in Helena. She is employed at Leonard Petroleum Equipment in Twin Falls.

The bridegroom is also a graduate of Carroll College. He is employed at Leonard Petroleum Equipment in Twin Falls.

The couple resides in Twin Falls.

Bullying shouldn't be tolerated by adults

By Gregory Ramey
Cox News Service

Question: My 12-year-old son is the target of a bully on the school bus. This other boy constantly taunts and teases my son, and has pushed him around and punched him. I spoke to the bus supervisor and the physical abuse has stopped, but the taunting, swearing and ridicule continue. What should I do?

Answer: Your son deserves to be able to ride to school without being emotionally abused. Since the busing supervisor isn't solving the problem, contact the school principal, then

the school superintendent if necessary.

Bullying is a serious problem, particularly among junior high students. Unfortunately, many schools tolerate this misbehavior, and thus it continues.

Makes it clear to school officials that you take this matter seriously, and that you will pursue other actions including court actions if they cannot enforce some reasonable rules about acceptable behavior.

Q: My 7-month-old grandson passed away a few weeks ago from SIDS. How can I explain his death to his 4-year-old sister?

A: Sudden Infant Death Syn-

drome is one of the most tragic of illnesses, a heartbreaking disease that usually strikes without any warning. Approximately 3,000 infants die each year from SIDS, usually affecting babies younger than 6 months of age.

Your grandson's parents will experience a difficult time, but will certainly affect their daughter. The parents should be open, communicative and reassuring. Make sure the 4-year-old knows that this cannot happen to her. They may also consider joining a support group to help them deal with this tragedy.

Many parents rely on their religious faith and guidance of a chaplain to get through this

most difficult time. Clergy can be very helpful in explaining death to children.

As the parents work through their own grief, it is important that they try to maintain as normal a routine as possible with the 4-year-old. It's fine for the daughter to see her parents cry, as long as they explain why they are upset. Young children see themselves as the center of the world, and your granddaughter may blame herself for her parents' sadness or her brother's death.

Be sure the parents and your granddaughter will benefit greatly from your support, as well as that of friends and family.

ANNIVERSARIES

THE KNIGHTS

HUBERT — George and Julia Knight of Rupert celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their children Aug. 27 on the Thousand Springs dinner cruise tours in Eggenman. The occasion also was celebrated Aug. 28 with a family dinner at Emerald Lake in Heyburn.

George Knight and Julia Cole were married Aug. 30, 1940, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. They have lived in the Rupert area since that time.

He worked for the Rupert Irrigation District for 30 years as a ditch rider and water master, and as Annaglamater Sugar with Paul for about 13 assignments. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. His hobbies include gardening, fishing, traveling and taking care of his cats, chickens and horse.

She worked as a bookkeeper for United Co-op in Rupert for 25

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A.J. Denham and Wynne Larson were married Oct. 14, 1955, in Salt Lake City.

They have lived in Gooding, Murray, Utah; Salt Lake City; Pocatello; and Fort Collins, Calif. He worked for Union Pacific Railroad. She worked as a secretary at various companies.

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YOUNG-HIGLEY

HEYBURN — Kevin J. and Christine Young of Heyburn announce the engagement of their daughter, Crystal Anne Young, to Jonathan Michael Higley, son of Michael and Christine Higley of Paul.

Young is a 2005 graduate of Burley High School.

Higley is employed by Valley Air Service.

The wedding is planned for Sunday, Oct. 16, at the First Ward LDS Ward building, 127 S. 950 E.

Jonathan Higley and Crystal Young Paul. A reception and dance to honor the couple will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at the church.

SCOTT-QUIGLEY

TWIN FALLS — Dave and Martha Scott of Las Vegas, formerly of Twin Falls, announce the engagement of their daughter, Bethany Dove Scott, to E. Morgan Quigley, son of Dale and Betty Quigley of Twin Falls.

Bethany is a 2002 graduate of Twin Falls High School. She is attending the College of Southern Idaho in the registered nursing program and will graduate in the spring. She is employed at Canyon Springs Chiropractic in Twin Falls.

Quigley is a 2002 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is attending CSI. He has served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Louisville, Ky. He is employed at the Department of Environmen-



Bethany Scott and Morgan Quigley

RATTO-LEE

HANSEN — Joseph and Julie Ratto of Hansen announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica A. Ratto, to Michael Lee, son of Randall and Janelle Lee of Richland, Wash., and Katie Curtis of Logan, Utah.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Oct. 14, in the Logan LDS Temple. A reception will be held in their honor from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at the Bluebird, 19 N. Main, Logan. An open house will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Hansen Ward chapel, 222 Birch St.,



Jessica Ratto and Michael Lee

COLE-SANDY

SHOSHONE — Dr. Gene and Louise Cole of Chapel Hill, N.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Louise Cole, to Clayton Donald Sandy, son of Edward and Janet Sandy of Shoshone.

Cole was raised in North Carolina and served a mission in Belgium for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She graduated from Brigham Young University and recently completed a graduate program in social work at the University of Utah. She is employed at the Idaho Kidney Institute in Pocatello.

Sandy graduated from Shoshone High School and served an LDS mission in Fortaleza, Brazil. He graduated from BYU in 2004 with a bachelor's de-



Amanda Cole and Clayton Sandy

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FAMILY LIFE

Nutrigenomics: Unlocking the natural power of nutrition

Medical experts and nutritionists encourage people to eat more of certain food types to promote general well-being and overall health. For example, broccoli, green tea and tomatoes are recognized for providing health benefits to humans. Emerging scientific evidence shows that some foods can help to prevent and even prevent certain disease conditions — not only for humans but for our pets as well.



THE BOND
Marty Becker

Professor John Limes, from the University of Liverpool's Department of Veterinary Clinical Science, believes the application of nutrigenomics through genetic research marks the beginning of a new way forward in the treatment of many chronic conditions, without the need for invasive surgery or the side effects of drug therapy.

"The science of nutrigenomics gives us great insight into understanding how and why certain canine breeds are predisposed to particular conditions and gives us one more tool in our ongoing quest to treat and prevent illness," said Limes.

"We know that the progression from a healthy state to a disease state occurs through changes in gene expression, which can be affected through ingestion of dietary factors, and the introduction of pet foods based on those findings is an important step in helping to prevent or treat disease. It's not only the concept of nutritional therapy in the treatment of debilitating human and canine diseases," he added.

As an example of the interplay between genetics and nutrition, Dr. Jeff Sampson, senior geneticist of the Kennel Club of the UK, said that hip dysplasia results from imperfect hip joints, 10 percent of which is inherited and 60 percent which comes from the environment factors such as nutrition.

Hills Pet Nutrition utilized the theory of nutrigenomics combined with clinical studies on the product to develop a new food for dogs, Prescription Diet Canine I/d. This unique food contains eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA), an omega-3 fatty acid found in high concentrations in fish oil that has been demonstrated to alter the action of a degenerative enzyme that causes cartilage degradation. A number of clinical studies provide evidence to support the role of EPA as a nutrigenomic tool for the management of canine joint problems.

"The actions of the EPA in Canine I/d help dogs run better, play better and live more easily. In addition, dogs experience less stiffness and more ease of movement," said Dr. Forester, scientific spokesperson at Hills Pet Nutrition Inc.

Purina Veterinary Diets launched a competing product called JM for Joint Mobility. According to Dottie Laflamme, Purina Veterinary nutritionist, "Feeding a diet rich in specific long-chain omega-3 fatty acids positively affects joint health."

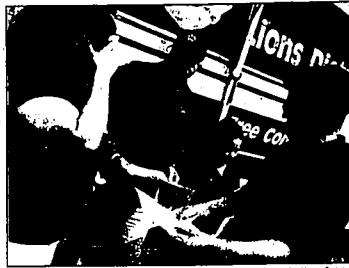
"Anyone who has a choice of preventing or treating an illness or condition, go with the recommendation of your veterinarian as to which food is best for your athletic dog. Understanding the relationship between genes and nutrients holds the potential to change the way we treat disease in dogs. It is hoped that further exploration may one day lead to the cessation of certain genetic diseases in both the human and pet populations."

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IMMIGRANT TWIST ON AN AMERICAN TRADITION

Service clubs adapt to changing demographics

By Phuong Ly
The Washington Post



Ernesto Diaz, center, president of the Montgomery County (Md.) Latino Lions, reviews hearing and vision test results with Milma Colindre, left, and her daughter, Marjory Hernandez, 8. Lion Susale Carpio-Diaz is at right.

WASHINGTON — In suburban Gaithersburg, Md., on a recent weekend, members of the venerable Lions Club, in bright yellow aprons, offered up free vision screening and popcorn fresh from an old-fashioned machine.

Just one thing was out of synch with this scene of 1930s Americana: The Lions were all Latino.

As a large immigrant middle class emerges in the United States, its members are joining mainstream civic groups that until recent years had nearly all white rosters. Across the nation, Latinos and Asian Americans are being courted by the 80-year-old Lions organization and other civic clubs.

Ernesto Diaz, 55, president of the Montgomery County (Md.) Latino Lions, considers being a civic volunteer a sign that he has made it in this country.

"When you come to the States, you come with the mentality of making money and succeeding. You don't think about society," said Diaz, 55, once a waiter and now director of logistics for Balducci's, a gourmet food chain. "After you are here for years, you start to think about those things."

The immigrants, in turn, may be key to the service clubs' future. The Lions organization has lost 100,000 U.S. members in the past decade, bringing its total membership down to 420,000. Nationally, fewer than 10 percent of Lions clubs are predominantly immigrants, but their groups are among the fastest. Members of the ethnic Lions clubs tend to be younger than their counterparts under 60.

"We need them," said Edward "Woody" Woodard, 70, governor of the Lions' suburban Northern Virginia district. "Us old folks are going to be passing on."

Once a staple of white, middle-class life, civic groups such as the Lions, Kiwanis and Rotary have become better known

as home of the ROMEO — Really Old Men Eating Out. The average age, some members joke, is deceased.

As people have become more pressed for time, fewer can commit to a monthly civic group meeting. And as a far wider array of social and professional groups has become available, Lions or Rotary membership is no longer needed to burnish a resume or forge business connections.

Many immigrants have a different view. In their home countries, groups such as the Lions and Rotary — which have international chapters — still symbolize middle-class society.

"I never thought I would be a Lion again," Diaz said.

Carlos Davis, originally from Colombia, said joining the Lions network gives immigrants more credibility and resources when doing volunteer work. "If we go in as Latino parents of the Colombian association, they don't know us," said Davis, 51, a consultant to Montgomery County schools. "If we go in as Lions, they know."

Social scientists say immi-

grant families typically have taken two generations to join such mainstream groups as the Lions. First-generation immigrants may be assimilating quicker now because U.S. society is more inclusive.

Although such civic groups never had a policy against admitting minorities, membership is by invitation. Club leaders say the organizations have reflected the segregation of the times. Women were barred from membership until the late 1960s, when the Supreme Court stepped in. The court, in a case filed against the Rotary, ruled in 1987 that because of its size and ties to the business community, the civic club could not bar women.

South Potomac (Md.) Lions President Jose Maracae said he joined because of fellow Filipino immigrants, but the club has been an entree for meeting people beyond that community. The Lions club is "a lot of volunteer work — the eye bank, blood drives," said Maracae, 66. "You get to be a part of the community, to get to know other people."

Significant advances in veterinary medicine and companion animal nutrition have been made over the last 50 years, and, as a result, dogs are living longer than ever before. In fact, many dogs are now living long enough to suffer from several of the same diseases that affect the human population.

"Nutrigenomics is a relatively new science that explores the interplay between genes and diet to make-up and how the nutrients found in certain foods could assist in the prevention of specific diseases. The mapping of the canine genome in 2001, combined with the knowledge that the onset of disease may occur through changes in gene expression, has led to a new field of veterinary medicine."

In date, approximately 450 canine genetic diseases have been identified, which vary according to breed. Certain breeds are more susceptible to particular conditions. For example, Dalmatians are at risk for bladder stones, and poodles and Akitas are predisposed to a skin disease called alopecia areata, which results in hair loss, toughening of the skin and greasy coat.

Nutrigenomics has great potential to improve the health of our pets from disease prevention to, in some cases,

possible problems, and you may have to consider keeping the dogs out of the crib, as yet to be started, as possible. Another thing to do right now is make sure the dogs' shots are current and that they're flea-free. When preparing your dogs, but the baby will in advance. You might want to download some baby crying sounds from the Internet and play them every few hours to get the dogs used to the sound. If you've got friends or relatives with infants, invite them over in the last month or so of the pregnancy so the dogs can check out what a baby looks like, gets used to the sounds like, etc. During the last few weeks of the pregnancy,

start leaving baby toys around, set up the baby's room and let the dogs check out the crib, changing table, diapers, wipes, etc. After the baby is born but before you bring him/her home from the hospital, bring the dogs, something that the baby has been in contact with, a receiving blanket, diaper, etc. — that will give them a little bit of time to get used to the smell of the real thing.

When you do come home, have someone other than you or your wife bring the baby into the house. The dogs will probably have missed you and may greet you with a quality time with you before they're ready to meet their new sibling.

Dogs and a baby — making it work

By Armin Brott
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Family in brief

Parents magazine offers tips on how to coax your shy child out of his shell.

With play dates, have the first get-together on your home turf. Once your child gets comfortable, try a change of scenery such as the park. After a few get-togethers, suggest a play date at the other child's home, and take along one of your child's toys, which will give her a little security and comfort.

When you visit someone's house, talk beforehand about who will be there and whether

your child has met them before. Show photos if you have them.

Review the basics of good manners with your child, and practice them yourself. Encourage your child to accept receipts from cashiers and say "thank you" as you're leaving stores. At the library, encourage him to ask the librarian to help him find a book. Even small encounters like these can boost your child's confidence.

nutritional all-stars, but you can make them healthier. Try this recipe from Parenting magazine: Dip chunks of chicken breast into a bowl of one egg white, slightly beaten. In a plastic bag, mix 1/2 cup plain bread crumbs, 1/4 tsp onion salt, 1/8 tsp onion pepper and 3 tablespoons Parmesan cheese. Put chicken pieces in bag and shake to coat. Bake at 400 degrees for 15 to 20 minutes.

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