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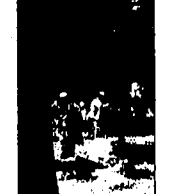
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Baghdad real estate booms

By Matthew Schofield
Knight Ridder News Service

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A five-bedroom river-view house sold three years ago for \$45,000. Two years ago it sold again, this time for \$80,000. It sold a third time in August. The latest price tag? \$300,000.

It's not in Charlotte or Kansas City or Philadelphia; it's in Baghdad. The market here is booming.

As Rime Alfar, an Iraq expert with London-based research center Chadham House noted, it doesn't make sense from the outside. "Who buys houses in Baghdad right now? The place

Sunni group disputes constitution reports.

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As a disaster, and keeps getting worse.

Still, despite steadily increasing levels of violence, a great deal of money flows into Iraq, enough that property values have increased close to 1,000 percent in the past three years in parts of town.

Baghdad's economy is also surprisingly strong. Streets are jammed with traffic. Cell phones are everywhere. The

bare shelves of retail stores from the Saddam Hussein era are now piled high with imported goods.

But it's Baghdad, after all, and the risks of business are more about suicide bombers and execution squads than mundane concerns such as bankruptcy and foreclosure.

Real estate agent Raad Jassim al-Shirayy stepped from his Amirayah office in August to a hall of bullets from an insurgent in a passing car. He was killed by six shots to the chest. Other real estate agents and people on the street are convinced he was killed because he owned a realty office.

"I liked the business more back before the war," says Abu Mohammed, who's been in the business for 15 years in the Amirayah neighborhood. "Maybe there wasn't as much money then, but I know 10 men who owned agencies who have been murdered."

Abu-Mohammed is not his full name, but like every real estate agent contacted by Knight Ridder for this story, he believed that giving his full name would be dangerous.

The murders are political. Iraqis cite a grab bag of reasons for insurgent executions: sold to Iraqis, dealt with American forces.

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Report: Weigh-ins help dieters keep the pounds off

The Associated Press

VANCOUVER, B.C. — If you want to tip the scales in your favor, try stepping on one each day.

Research presented Sunday at an obesity conference suggests that the simple act of regularly weighing in helps prevent people from regaining lost pounds.

That's important because experience shows that most dieters regain a third of what they lost within the first year, and two-thirds of it in the second year.

That's the biggest problem we have. We have lots of ways to help people lose weight. What's the real challenge is getting people to keep their lost weight off over the long term," said Dr. Susan Yanovski, director of the obesity and eating disorders program at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases. She had no role in the study, which was funded by her institute.

The study was led by Rena Wing, a psychologist and director of the weight control center at Brown University Medical School in Providence, R.I.

It involved 291 people, mostly women, who in the previous two years had lost at least 10 percent of their body weight, an average of 44 pounds. They weighed 171 on average when the weight maintenance study began.

They were randomly put into three groups. The Internet and face-to-face groups met through online chat rooms or in person, respectively, with a weight-loss counselor weekly for four weeks and then monthly for 17 months. All submitted weekly weight reports and were counseled if they were in the "red zone," meaning they had regained 5 pounds or more.

The third group received counseling via monthly newsletters. Participants in all three were checked at the outset on diet and exercise, and were given scales and encouraged to use them daily.

A year and a half later, researchers checked on participants, assuming that those who dropped out of the program had regained 5 pounds or more.

They found that 40 percent of the face-to-face and 55 percent of the Internet groups were in the "red zone," compared with 72 percent in the newsletter group. The median weight gain was 2.5 pounds in the face-to-face group, 6 pounds in the Internet group and 10.4 pounds in the newsletter group.

This, like other research, shows that intensive support and contact, whether in person or online, help dieters maintain weight loss. What surprised researchers was how well the results tracked with how often people stepped on the scales.

At the start of the study, about 40 percent of participants in each group were weighing themselves daily. Eighteen months later, that had fallen to 30 percent in the newsletter group, but had increased to 65 percent of the Internet group and 72 percent of the face-to-face group.

OPEN FIELD



Jace McCloskey, 7, races to make a touchdown during a flag football game Saturday at Harmon Park. The flag football teams are made up of first and second graders around Twin Falls. Becky Porvius, one of the team moms, said the teams don't keep score. It's just fun recreation for the kids, she said.

Mission of the heart Local medical team returns from hurricane-torn Louisiana

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

JEROME — Home after two weeks helping victims in hurricane-torn Louisiana, nurse Yoli Cabello was having mixed feelings.

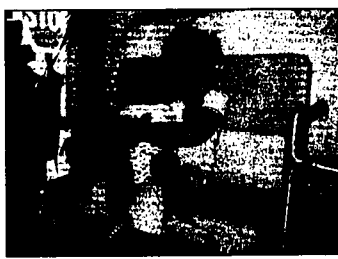
"I was glad to be home, but there was such a need there, it was hard leaving," Cabello said.

Cabello, fellow nurse Blanca Jauregui, Dr. Mike Duffy and driver Bernardo Benitez, all of Family Health Services in Jerome, spent two weeks traveling throughout Louisiana in their mobile medical unit caring for victims of hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

It was an experience they'll never forget. By day, they tended to people's medical needs, and often their emotional ones, too. By night, they slept on the floors of homes that complete strangers had opened to them.

"It was great — the hospitality of the local people," Duffy said. "At the last house we stayed at, there were two couples, and we were joined by another couple — a pregnant Jack Russell (terrier)."

Their first stop was Bo-



The Family Health Services medical team treated patients of all ages during its 12 days in Louisiana. Here are two of their younger patients.

galusa, then up to the small town of Angie, and then off to Shreveport and New Orleans.

They parked their fully equipped medical unit outside arenas turned into shelters and in front of schools, rolled up their sleeves and went to work.

In some areas, the entire medical infrastructure had been wiped out, Duffy said. Hospitals and doctors' offices

were damaged or simply no longer there.

For people who were in dire need of medical care, the sight of the blue mobile medical unit was like an oasis in the desert.

"I don't think it's fair, obviously," said senior Alyssa Johnson of Westbury. "There are problems with the prom, but I don't think their reasons or the actions they took solved anything."

Hoagland began talking about the future of the prom last spring after 46 Kellenberg seniors made a \$10,000 down payment on a \$20,000 rental in the Lamptons for a post-prom party. When school officials found out, they forced the students to cancel the deal, the kids got their money back and

is owned by the Society of Mary (Marianists), a religious order of priests and brothers.

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Long Island principal nixes senior prom at parochial school

The Associated Press

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Brother Kenneth M. Hoagland had heard all the stories about prom-night debauchery at his Long Island high school: Students putting down \$10,000 to rent a party house in the Hamptons. Pre-prom cocktail parties followed by a trip to the dance in a liquor-laden limo. Fathers chartering a boat for their children's late-night "booze cruise."

Enough was enough, Hoagland said. So the principal of Kellenberg Memorial High School canceled the spring prom in a 2,000-word letter to parents this fall.

It is not primarily the sex/booze/drugs that surround

this event, as problematic as they might be; it is rather the flaunting of affluence, assuming exaggerated expenses, a pursuit of vanity for vanity's sake — in a word, financial decadence," Hoagland said, fed up with what he called the "bacchanalian aspects of the affair."

"Each year it gets worse — becomes more exaggerated, more expensive, more emotionally traumatic," he added. "We are withdrawing from the battle and allowing the parents full responsibility. (Kellenberg is willing to sponsor a prom, but not an orgy.)"

The more brought a mixed, albeit passionate, reaction from students and parents at the Roman Catholic school, which



Brother Kenneth M. Hoagland, principal of Kellenberg High School, stands in the school's library in Uniondale, N.Y. Hoagland has canceled the school's spring prom due to the 'flaunting of affluence' that surrounded the event.

WIN FALLS FORECAST Today: Pleasant weather and sunny skies and warm daytime temperatures. Highs in the 70s. Tonight: Clear and cool. Lows in the low 40s. Tomorrow: Mostly sunny skies to start off, a few scattered clouds later in the day. Highs in the low 70s.

SURLEY RUPERT FORECAST Today: Mostly sunny skies and warm daytime temperatures in the 70s. Tonight: A clear and cool night expected. Lows in the low 40s. Tomorrow: Another day of mostly sunny skies, and dry conditions. A few late-day clouds will be hanging in the upper 40s.

DAHO'S FORECAST SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS. Very nice autumn weather will be upon us for the beginning of the week. Skies will be mostly sunny with no rain expected. A few clouds will be hanging in on Tuesday, but dry conditions should persist.

NORTHERN UTAH If you're in a mostly sunny and dry start to the week. However, clouds will move in on Tuesday with rain likely for the middle of the week.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST Today: High 73, Low 42. Tomorrow: High 70, Low 44. Wednesday: High 70, Low 44. Thursday: High 65, Low 38. Friday: High 62, Low 39.

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Wife of prominent lawyer found dead in couple's home

LAJAVETTE, Calif. (AP) — The wife of prominent defense attorney and TV legal analyst Daniel Horowitz was found dead in the entryway of the couple's San Francisco Bay area home at the end of the week. Horowitz, currently leading the defense in a sensational murder trial, called 911 Saturday evening to report that he found his wife dead in their home.

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But some parents went ahead and rented a Hampton's home away, Hoagland said. Many Best, an associate professor of sociology and anthropology at George Mason University in Virginia and the author of "Prom Night: Youth, Schools and Popular Culture," said this is the first time she heard of a school canceling the prom for such reasons. "A lot of people have lamented the growing consumption that surrounds the prom," she said, noting it's not uncommon for students to pay \$1,000 on the dance and surrounding folders, expensive dresses, tuxedo rentals, flowers, limousines, pre- and post-prom parties.

Baghdad Continued from A1

“The neighborhood doesn't matter. People just want to buy property.” — Bilal al-M., real estate agent in Baghdad. Foreign investors, ex-pats looking to help their families, pent-up frustration at 30-year-old Baath Party laws that strictly regulated property ownership in Baghdad, and even the cash made from looting as the capital fell.

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Helping hurricane victims Family Health Services is a private, nonprofit agency that provides medical care to underserved populations. It dispatched some of its medical workers and a mobile medical unit to Louisiana to help victims of hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

NATION/WORLD

Sunni group disputes constitution reports

By Liz Sly
Chicago Tribune

BAGHDAD, Iraq — As the halts in Iraq's landmark referendum on a new constitution were disrupted Sunday by Baghdad for an official tally, disputes erupted over the likely result and the U.S. military reported the deaths of six troops on the day of what was otherwise a relatively peaceful vote.

In London, U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice told reporters that early indications suggested that the constitution had "probably passed," provoking a storm of outrage from Sunni Arab leaders who seized on her words as evidence that the result had been fixed.

"There is no result, and the figures you see reported in the media are wrong," said Farid Ayar, spokesman for the Independent Electoral Commission for Iraq.

The minority Sunni Arabs swarmed to the polls Saturday, sworn to vote against a constitution they believe does not represent their interests. They boycotted of January's election left them with little representation in the National Assembly, which



Iraqi referendum officials handle ballot boxes before counting the votes Sunday in Baquba, Iraq.

democracy since January. While most Sunnis are fiercely opposed to the constitution, Shiites and Kurds largely support it, and they account jointly for about 80 percent of the population.

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President Bush halted the participation of Sunnis in the referendum as "good news" for the future of democracy in Iraq.

"This is a very positive day for Iraqi people and as well for world peace," he told reporters in Washington.

But the disputes that are already emerging over the outcome of the poll underscore the deep sectarian tensions that underlie this second exercise in

democracy since January. While most Sunnis are fiercely opposed to the constitution, Shiites and Kurds largely support it, and they account jointly for about 80 percent of the population.

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Plane crash near Seattle kills two aviation students

EVERETT, Wash. (AP) — A weekend plane crash near Seattle killed two students from a special school for teenagers interested in careers in the aviation industry, school officials said.

A third person also died in the crash, authorities said. Officials did not release the names of the victims or say who was at the controls.

"Everyone affiliated with the high school is devastated by this and we are grieving with the families," said Catherine Carbone-Rogers, spokeswoman for the Highline School District. "We will try to support them and the students of Aviation High School as they deal with this loss."

The two girls, both ninth-graders at Aviation High School,

were participating in the Young Eagles program, which gives students their first light-aircraft flights with volunteer pilots from the Experimental Aircraft Association, the Seattle Times reported Sunday.

The small, single-engine plane crashed Saturday morning near Paine Field airport, about 20 miles north of Seattle. Witnesses said the plane took off quickly after an apparent attempted landing, hit trees and crashed into flames.

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Neighbors say neo-Nazis had no right to march

TOLEDO, Ohio — In the days leading up to a white supremacist march, ministers pleaded with residents to stay calm and community leaders organized peace rallies.

Auditors even delayed releasing the route so protesters wouldn't know where the group planned to march.

It wasn't enough to stop an angry mob that looted a gas station, burned a neighborhood bar, smashed the windows of a gas station and hurled rocks and bottles at police on Saturday.

Two officers were injured, one suffering a concussion when a brick flew through her cruiser window.

Nation in brief

In all, 114 people were arrested on charges including assault, vandalism, failure to disperse and overnight curfew violations.

Storm warning issued for Cayman Islands

GEORGE TOWN, Cayman Islands — A tropical storm warning was in effect Sunday for the Cayman Islands as a tropical depression moved through the Atlantic on a path that could threaten the U.S. Gulf Coast later this week as a hurricane, forecasters said.

The system was expected to

become Tropical Storm Wilma by Monday, which would make it the 21st named storm of the season, tying the record for the most storms in an Atlantic season, the National Hurricane Center in Miami said.

The only other time so many storms have formed since record keeping began 154 years ago was in 1933.

At 5 p.m. EDT the depression was centered about 150 miles southeast of Grand Cayman, forecasters said.

how to obtain human embryonic stem cells without ethical hurdles, a step that could allow federal funding for such research, scientists reported.

Currently, scientists must sacrifice human embryos to harvest such cells, which can form any tissue type and are seen as valuable for studying and treating illnesses like diabetes and Parkinson's disease.

Objections to the embryo destruction have led to a ban on federal funding for such work.

The new methods, detailed Sunday in the online edition of the journal Nature, seek to obtain the cells without destroying embryos — compiled from wire reports

Study: Stem cell research may avoid objections

NEW YORK (AP) — Two new mouse experiments may show

Bus carrying high school band crashes, five dead

OSSEO, Wis. (AP) — A bus carrying high school students home from a band competition crashed into a tractor-trailer that had backed up on the road early Sunday, killing four adults and an 11-year-old girl, officials said.

Twenty-nine others were injured, some seriously, troopers said.

"It's a terrific tragedy and loss to our school and community," said Chippewa Falls schools superintendent Mike Schoch. "Our community is stunned by it."

The semi had gone off the shoulder of Interstate 94 and jackknifed, and was blocking the westbound lane, Wisconsin State Patrol Capt. Douglas Northman said.

"I don't know how much opportunity there was for braking action," he said. The bus slammed into the overturned truck, but it didn't roll or catch fire, patrol spokesman Brent Pickard said.

It was the first of four buses carrying about 200 students and 40 adult chaperones, Schoch said.

Four students and three adults remained hospitalized Sunday night with injuries including broken hips, arms and legs and punctured lungs. Many had undergone surgery, but were expected to recover, he said.

Tania Richter, 17, a clarinet player in the band, said she was sleeping on the floor toward the

back of the bus when it crashed. The impact sent her sliding under a seat.

"It was terrifying," she said, her right arm in the sling because of what she said was a shoulder bruise.

Nearly everyone was sleeping at the time, she said, but at least the bus wasn't full. Most of the windows were knocked out in the crash.

"We had a lot of seats open, which saved a lot of people," she said.

Bus driver Paul Basmus, 78, of Chippewa Falls, was killed. The identities of the other victims — two men, ages 48 and 24, a 51-year-old woman and the girl — were withheld pending notification of their families.

The semi driver, employed by Whole Foods Market Group of Munster, Ind., was en route from Indiana to Minnesota, Northman said. The driver was hospitalized with non-life-threatening injuries.

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Students learn longitude in new way

The Gooding County Leader

GOODING — The Gooding Middle School's sixth grade social studies class has spent the last few weeks learning a hard concept in a non-traditional way.

"We have been learning about longitude and latitude," teacher Sherry Vitek said. In one lesson, all 96 sixth graders participated in shipping the earth by lining up in latitude lines.

"I taught the class a catchy tune to help them remember which lines went in which direction," she said.

During the lesson's grand finale, the students also used hula hoops to help them remember that latitude goes around and longitude is up and down.

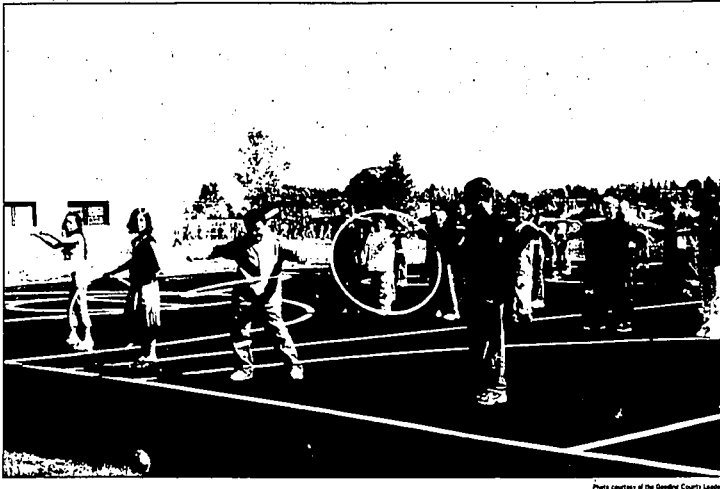
"We had a competition with the hula hoops to see how long someone could hula hoop while we sang the latitude song," Vitek said.

Then, the students jumped up and down or threw the hula hoops up in the air to show longitude.

Vitek said she's confident that more than 90 percent of the students now have a clear idea of longitude and latitude.

"It's a tough concept, but I feel the students are now able to find a location on the map using longitude and latitude, and I feel all of them have a good idea how this system works," she said.

"When they are listening to



Sixth graders at Gooding Middle School learned about longitude and latitude in an innovative new way. The curriculum for the project was designed by social studies teacher Sherry Vitek.

the news or weather reports, these students will now be able to visualize where on the map that place is. They have learned that the higher latitude numbers are parts of the world

where colder temperatures exist, and lower numbers are parts of the world where warmer conditions are."

Vitek says the real success to this lesson was the willingness

of the students to participate. This class is a super nice group of children," she said.

"They are a very cooperative bunch."

The class can expect several

more non-traditional projects in the future.

Vitek says her students will soon begin making giant size maps of Canada and the United States.

Hansen student delivers supplies for Hurricane Katrina survivors

Recently, sixth-grader Mickenzie Baxter and her family went to Natchez, Miss., for the purpose of delivering relief supplies to Hurricane Katrina survivors. Mickenzie wrote: "Before I left, my fellow students and faculty donated \$71.82 to give to a displaced family. The money went to a little girl named Emily and her mother, Anna. They lived in Metairie, La. This is a suburb of New Orleans. Emily just lost her father in May from a heart attack and I felt that they deserved the money my school donated. We met many wonderful people on our journey, along with a lot of heartache and wonderment of what tomorrow may bring. We need to keep all of these survivors in our thoughts and prayers as they rebuild and go on with their lives. Thanks to my school for their gracious donation of money and books. Also, I would like to thank the Dollar Family from Natchez and from the Northwest for their Southern Hospitality."

Also, the Hansen Elementary student council has elected their 2005-2006 representatives. They are, from the fifth grade, Jessica Corie and Jake Beckstead. The sixth-grade representatives are Car-



HUSKY NEWS

lie Wilkens and Lance Lugo. These council members organize and manage many activities throughout the school year, some of those include a monthly dress-up day, the BEAD basketball tournament, Halloween activities, as well as reading activities with primary students.

Hansen High School will induct its new National Honor Society members during an evening dinner event on Oct. 24.

Also, the eighth and ninth grade Yellowstone trip students will share their memories and photos with families and school board members at a potluck dinner the evening of Oct. 24.

This column is written by Hansen High School's "Husky Writers."

Gooding Student Council goes truck or treating for good cause

Gooding High School is back in session after a two-day break last week. Teachers were in workshops for two days dealing with "Frameworks of Poverty." Teachers also heard Linda Anderson's presentation on learning.

Students and teachers met in a brief Anderson Group session last week and Tuesday gave juniors and sophomores a chance to take the pre-SAIS test.

Upcoming events at Gooding High School include a Mosquerade Ball sponsored by the student council. The dance will be held from 8 to 11:30 p.m. Saturday.

Thursday will mark the monthly Presidents Luncheon where all club and class presidents meet to discuss news and events of their clubs.

On Oct. 24, the volleyball team will hold a benefit dinner for the team. Student council members are asking the town of Gooding to help with its food drive. On Halloween night, members will be seen throughout town truck or treating. Though they may look like older students trying to grab as much candy as humanly possible, they will be asking for canned food donations. So



SENATOR SCENE Tyler Wines

when deciding on what candy to hand out to the young people on the 13th, please set back a few cans of food for these students.

The position of freshman class secretary has been reassigned. The former position holder moved out of the school district. The council held elections and the position was filled by Stephanie Dixon.

Gooding High School will be holding parent-teacher conferences Nov. 1 and 2. All sports teams are doing well. Teams are starting district tournaments this week with hopes of moving on to the state tournament.

Tyler Wines is Gooding High School student body secretary.

East Minico will hold Math-A-Thon benefit

RUPERT — East Minico Middle School will hold a Math-A-Thon to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The event will begin today and is coordinated by the Builders Club. All proceeds will help the hospital to fight childhood catastrophic diseases.

To make a donation, call the school at 436-3178.

Minidoka preschools will hold Child Find

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

Child Find is a free screening for children ages 3 to 5 years old. Children are screened to identify needs that may result from developmental delay, physical or mental concerns. The screening includes speech and language, physical health, gross and fine motor skills, self-help abilities, social skills and pre-academic skills, vision and hearing.

Anyone who has a child or knows a child within the ages of 3 to 21 who might need some additional help can call the school nearest them for an appointment.

CSI offers 'Young Artist' workshop on Saturdays

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho is offering local 8- to 10-year-olds the

chance to practice their art skills in "Young Artist's Saturday-Workshop."

This class runs from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 5 to Dec. 17, in the Art Lab 123 on the CSI Campus, 315 Falls Ave.

The cost is \$70. Students will spend Saturday afternoons creating drawings and paintings using the basic elements of art. They will also learn about many famous artists of the past and their styles of painting and then will paint like those artists.

For more information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

Kimberly High School FFA holds spaghetti feed

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly High School Future Farmers of America will hold a spaghetti feed from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the elementary school cafeteria, 141 Center St. The cost is \$4 per person.

Proceeds will benefit "Seeds of Hope" to aid Gulf Coast agricultural departments affected by Hurricane Katrina.

For more information, call 423-4170, ext. 4.

O'Leary Junior High holds auditions for Jazz Band

TWIN FALLS — O'Leary Junior High School is holding auditions for this year's Jazz Band.

Piano, guitar, bass or drum players are needed. Information packets are located on top of the plans in the band room in the

"C" Building. The application form must be returned by Tuesday before Mr. Bortz calls to set up an audition time.

Saxophone, trombone or trumpet players will sign up with Mr. Bortz during band class.

T.F.H.S. teacher elected president of Association

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls High art teacher School Camille Johnson has been elected president of the Idaho Art Education Association.

Jerome Middle School will hold fundraiser

JEROME — Jerome Middle School is having a fundraiser to support the School Improvement Committee from 5 to 8 p.m. Oct. 25 at the school, 104 N. Tiger Drive.

A potato bar with chili, drinks and desserts will be served for \$2.50 per person or \$10 per family. Volunteers are needed to provide desserts.

For more information, call Sheri Mitchell at 324-4953.

Shoshone School holds Halloween Carnival

SHOSHONE — Shoshone School is having its annual Halloween Carnival from 1 to 4 p.m. Oct. 29 at the old high school gym, 61 E. Highway 24.

Gravyard golf, pin the bolts on Frankenstein, photos with a ghoul, bowling and more will be held. Tickets, which are five for \$1, 30 for \$5, are available at

the door.

For more information, call Janet Russell at 886-2961.

Oakley band, choir hold pizza, cookie fundraisers

OAKLEY — The Oakley High School Band and Choir will hold a Little Caesars fundraiser to raise money for a trip to Denver, Colo., to attend the Music in the Parks Festival next year.

The fundraiser will be held from now to Oct. 25. Little Caesars Pizza Kits, Pie Kits or Cookie Dough Kits contain all the ingredients to bake pizza, bread, pies and cookies at home in minutes. Items range in price from \$14 to \$18 and the Oakley students will earn \$5 profit for each item sold. Each pizza kit contains the ingredients to make three pizzas or three bread products with many varieties. The cookie dough comes in four varieties and makes 64 cookies. The pie kits contain ingredients to make two nine-inch pies with four varieties available.

All orders will be delivered on Nov. 9 and 10. To order, contact any member of the Oakley High band or choir or call Bob Alverston at 862-3328 between 1 and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

TFHS music, choir groups hold concerts

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls High School music groups will perform.

The choir will perform at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. The orchestra will perform at 7 p.m. Oct. 24

and the band will perform at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 31.

Admission for faculty and students is free.

For more information, call 733-6551.

Deadline nears for December ACT test

College-bound high school students can take the ACT college admission and placement exam on Dec. 10. The deadline for postmark or online registration is Nov. 4.

The late registration deadline is Nov. 17, and an additional \$18 fee is required for late registration.

Students can receive registration materials from their high school counselor or they can register online on ACT's student Web site, www.actstudent.org. Students can also find the testing location closest to them on the site.

The basic ACT exam includes four parts: English, reading, mathematics and science. An optional writing test is also available. Some colleges require or recommend a writing score; visit ACT's Web site for a list or check with colleges directly to see if a writing score is required. ACT scores are accepted by colleges across the nation.

The basic exam takes three hours to complete, 30 minutes is added for those who opt to take the writing test. The registration fee is \$43 for these students. Free sample tests are available from school counselors and on ACT's Web site.

Castleford FFA spreads 'Seeds of Hope'

Campaign will aid ag programs in Gulf Coast

CASTLEFORD — The Castleford FFA Chapter is taking part in "Seeds of Hope," a national campaign to aid agricultural education programs and FFA chapters in the Gulf Coast that were devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

Members from the Castleford chapter are banding together to send much needed supplies to FFA chapters in Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Florida.

The Castleford FFA Chapter will be asking for donations until the National FFA Convention on Oct. 24, when chapter members will personally hand the money over to the National FFA organization.

At the Castleford football game on Friday the FFA chapter will have a booth set up to receive donations.

The National FFA and Castleford FFA officers are also challenging not only FFA members, but also community members from around the Magic Valley to each donate \$5. Donations can also be sent to Castleford FFA, 500 Main Street, Castleford, ID 83224.

Make all checks payable to Castleford FFA.

The National FFA organization, along with the National Association of Agricultural Educators and the National Council for Agricultural Education, will use Seeds of Hope to fund a sustained, long-term rebuilding effort for agricultural education programs. FFA chapters back on their feet in the shortest time possible, chapter representatives report.

Currently, an estimated 120 FFA chapters and schools, 5,000 students and their families, and about 150 agricultural education teachers have experienced severe damage or total destruction to their homes, facilities and school projects, including human and personal property loss.

FFA is a national youth organization with 480,017 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

For more information, call Melissa McCoy, Castleford FFA Chapter student adviser, at 537-6511.

Seminar shows how to teach math to kids

BURLEY — RiggsMath Mathematics Seminar will show parents and teachers how to teach math so children will ask for more.

The presentation will be held from 1 to 7:30 p.m. Friday at the American Heritage Academy, 1226 Parke Ave. A no-host potluck luncheon will be held from noon to 1 p.m.

The cost is \$35 for pre-registration by Wednesday or \$40 at the door.

The seminar will be presented by Kathleen Cotter Lawler of Union College and is based on the work of John A. Cotter.

According to the Academy, Cotter worked as an engineer at Univa (now Unisys), quitting when her children were born. She taught her three children at home before and after school and during summer vacations.

To help them learn their basic arithmetic, she devised card games that became the basis of her first book, "Math Card Games: 300 Games for Learning and Enjoying Math." Cotter started a Montessori school and taught children, ages 3 to 6 years.

She also tutored children with learning problems and taught junior high mathematics.

The basic exam takes three hours to complete, 30 minutes is added for those who opt to take the writing test. The registration fee is \$43 for these students. Free sample tests are available from school counselors and on ACT's Web site.

For more information, call Rebecca at 677-4524.

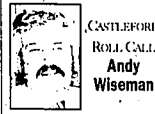
SCHOOL NEWS

Lots going on at Castleford this week

Today begins the last week of the first quarter of school at Castleford, and teachers are urging all students to complete and hand in assignments that are due before we calculate grades for this term.

Dianne Clark, drug-free and safe-school coordinator, invites all parents to a meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the school cafeteria.

Suze Rutherford, a nationally recognized speaker, will present and answer questions dealing with school safety and enhancing the school



CASTLEFORD ROLL CALL
Andy Wiseman

learning environment.

Stacy Kinyon encourages parents and community members to use our Web page, castlefordschools.com.

Stacy states that course sequence and the school cal-

endar and school activities are all available on this Web page.

Friday is the end of the quarter with an early release for students at 4 p.m.

John Kohnopp, music director, encourages attendance at the football tailgate at 5:30 p.m. on Friday just prior to the football game with Halvater at 7 p.m.

The tailgate event is sponsored by FCCLA.

The adviser is Connie Kinyon.

Mrs. Kohnopp also reminds parents that there is a school-

wide music program at 1:45 p.m. Oct. 25 in the gym.

The fall student-led conferences are also on Oct. 25, running from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Finally, I encourage parents, students and patrons to obtain a copy and study the State Board of Education proposal dealing with high school re-

form. The information is available via the Internet, or we have copies available at the school.

Andy Wiseman is Castleford School principal

CITIZENS OF THE WEEK

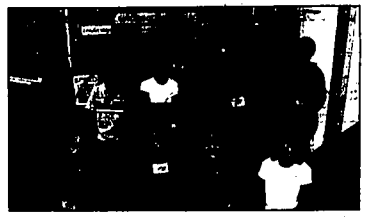


Photo courtesy of Big Valley Elementary School
Citizens of the Week at Big Valley Elementary School for the week of Sept. 14 were, from left, front: Candace Robbins, Israel Torres, Emille Christensen and Chelsea Jones; center: Johnny Wobster, Delanie Bell, Camille Chandler, Eloisa Gonzalez and Terran Dunn; back: Colton Larson, Travis Halverson, Juan Vargas, Kassandra Halbert, Mason Michelson and Nevin Gonzales.



Citizens of the Week at Big Valley Elementary School for the week of Sept. 21 were, from left, front: Gabriel Montoya, Jordyn Hulet, Nicolas Lopez, Jessica Madera and Ariana Vega; center: Jordan Anderson, Bridget Zaragoza, Shanon Burgoine, Blake Golchist, Brooke Williams and Zachary Montoya; back: Tyler Hunsaker, Balise Nye, Juan Arevalo, Elaine Navarrete and Zole Ignac.



Citizens of the Week at Big Valley Elementary School in Rupert for the week of Sept. 4 were, from left, Katalyn Bassira, Shaylee Gilchrist, Dustin Williams, Jesse Castro and Jessica Torres.



Citizens of the Week at Big Valley Elementary School for the week of Sept. 9 were, from left, front: Linds Gonzalez, Justin Gallegos, Jenna Altem, Miguel Martinez and Hillary Vega; center: Leslie Bedolla, Marcelina Leon, Ivy Hernandez, Bridget Sparks and Taylor Cook; back: Calen Richards, Linda Ruiz, Adriana Rocha, Maria Bonabe and Ariana Rocha.

FFA WINNERS



Photo courtesy of FFAA 300400/0 Castleford FFA
The Castleford High School FFA forestry term competed Sept. 29 and placed second. High individuals included Angle Genterman, second; Anna Lopez, sixth; Jessica Elmer, eighth; and Rachel Rogers, 10th. Team members are, from left, Angle Genterman, Jessica Elmer, Anna Lopez, Rachel Rogers and Lauren Kline. The chapter thanked those who attended the work sale fundraiser on Sept. 19. The work services of 77 members were sold and a total of \$6,520 raised for the chapter.



The Castleford High School FFA rolls term competed on Oct. 5 in Jerome and placed third, according to Jessica Bobango, Castleford FFA reporter. High individuals were Angle Genterman, ninth; and Brandon Marks, 10th. Castleford FFA rolls team members are, from left, Jessica Bobango, Brandon Marks and Angle Genterman.

College enrollment tightening in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Fewer young people are showing up at Utah's college campuses, with some of them delaying or skipping post-secondary education for employment.

Six of Utah's nine state-owned colleges and universities are showing a drop in the number of full-time students on campus this fall, according to preliminary figures provided by the schools.

Only three of the schools report modest gains — the University of Utah up 257 students, Southern Utah University up 130 and Snow College up seven full-time students from last year.

The largest enrollment decline appears to be at Utah State University, to 16,590 this fall from 17,213 full-time students in 2004.

In an improving economy, "schooling takes a back seat to work," said Phil Alletto, student services vice president at Dixie State College, told The Salt Lake Tribune. "People don't have time to take many classes."

The total number of students at St. George-based Dixie is up but only because of part-time students. Many students are taking fewer credit hours, so full-time enrollment this fall has declined to 4,495 from 4,518 Alletto said.

Joyce Kinkaid, USU vice provost for undergraduate studies, sees factors other than an improved job market contributing to her school's 823-student enrollment decline.

She cites a drop in the number of graduates from USU's feeder high schools, tougher Utah residency requirements for out-of-state students, increased competition as more state community colleges offer four-year degrees, and a drop in

transfer students from the former two-year triicks College, now the four-year Brigham Young University-Idaho.

The state's larger schools attribute a decline of about 4 percent in international student enrollments to tighter homeland security restrictions and growing competition for students from Canada and the European Union.

"Enrollment fluctuations are normal in higher education, mirroring demographic changes and economic up-and-downings," Kinkaid said.

State funding is tied to a formula based on the strength of full-time equivalent students at each school. Under the formula, one full-time equivalent equals an undergraduate student taking 15 credit hours or three part-time students each taking five credit hours per semester.

In the past, the University of Utah has received about \$3,000 a year in taxpayers' money for every full-time student, according to Paul Brinkman, vice president for planning and budget at the University of Utah.

Final enrollment numbers will be tallied later this month by the state Board of Regents, the governor-appointed body that sets policies and divides up public money among Utah's public colleges and universities. Regents use their tally in budgeting requests to the Legislature.

MVHS geology class learns outside the box

As block two wound down on Friday, many students continued to push forward and excel.

Peter Hurst's geology class continued to learn "outside the box" this week by interacting with Idaho's geology in a meaningful way. The class traveled to several locations, including City of Rocks and Craters of the Moon. Mr. Hurst attended the Great Rift Symposium in Pocatello recently in order to bring these nearby experiences to his students.

MVHS has said farewell to the first graduates of the year on Friday. Ernestina Avalos and Brian Hall both walked down the hallway and thanked their friends and family for supporting them. Good luck to you both.

Students receiving a superior rating on their all-school work this block are Brittany Torres, Chantel Maltes, Ernestina Avalos, Amanda Chapa, Randi Dawson, Alicia Dumas, Ashley Everill, Alma Hadziec, Joseph Hutchison, Vesna Kljak, Chad Stewart, Matt Loevner, Sarah Walling and November Sager. These students will be featured on Dianne Davidson's Super-



MVHS MOMENTS
Jennifer Miller

star Board. Also on the board this week are Veronica Banyal, Estefani Salazar, Parisa Seddigh and Robert Parrish for ABAART achievement and Kayla Richardson for academic achievement.

Extra Kudos go to Randi Dawson, who received the top grade in Melanie Hutchinson's U.S. history class.

More than 20 MVHS students attended the public Idaho State Board of Education meeting about the proposed changes. In addition, Logan Cox, Alicia Dumas and Nik Watts all spoke at the meeting, giving their views on the changes. Congratulations, girls, on your courage and poise.

Jennifer Miller is the English and speech teacher at Magic Valley High School in Twin Falls.

Utah's oldest school gets weekend fix-up

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — From classroom paint jobs to a new playground, Utah's oldest continually operating school got a weekend makeover thanks to a private company and some volunteer elbow grease.

Kids first crowded the halls at Logan's Ellis Elementary School in 1883. And today it's home to some of the area's poorest students.

Those facts earned Ellis a spot on a list of seven schools the cable company Comcast selected for a makeover of paint, repairs and upgrades of basic services. This is the third year that the company has completed makeover projects.

"The future of any community is tied to education," Comcast spokesman Ray Child said. "This is our opportunity to help schools that have kids on the poverty level."

Volunteers from Comcast, the school and Utah State University's religious institute descended on the school Saturday to go to work. They painted

classrooms and doorways, installed ceiling lights, repaired school chairs, and added color to the playground. A local Boy Scout joined the effort, completing his Eagle Scout project by repainting the school playground.

"We had an overwhelming response," said Brenda Schneider, Utah's Comcast human resources director. "The sense is that these people really wanted to get involved in the community."

Principal Sue Sorenson said when she was first contacted by the company, she was happy for the help, but had smaller tasks in mind, like recovering books.

"When they said they needed more, I told them what could really be done and said, 'You can really do all that?'" she said. They said, yes, they could do "all that" and re-cover some books.

Comcast will spend more than \$4,000 to help the seven Utah schools they have selected this year, Child said.

R.L. Stine revels in writing about rowdy kids

Detroit Free Press

"Rotten School" by R.L. Stine is a silly new series about a boarding school led by Headmaster Will Upchuck and his silly-sounding class and cast of kids. The first two titles in the series are "The Big Blueberry Barf-off" and "The Great Smelling Bee." The third book, "The Book of Bad," is out now. Vol. 3 will land in schools, libraries and bookstores this fall.

And Stine is leaving his New York City apartment for a 10-day tour to meet fans and talk about his new series. We had a chance to chat with Stine by phone about his writing adventures.

Stine says he's having a lot of

fun writing "Rotten School" and is even working on the seventh book during his vacation.

The books center around the adventures of Bernie Bridges, the most popular guy on campus. He's basically a fourth-grade can con," Stine says. "He's always cooking up schemes, but nothing quite works out for him."

Was Stine anything like Bernie when he was a kid? No way, "It was shy," Stine says. But he had a friend, Norm, who came to his mind when he started creating characters for "Rotten School." You probably know the type because every classroom seems to have a student like Norm. "He was his fast-talking, funny kid ... with lots of energy, who always

seemed to be in trouble," Stine says.

Although Stine wasn't a fast talker in his school days, he could get a fast laugh from his friends. He says he started his writing career when he was about 9 years old, writing little joke books and comic books for friends.

Stine says his teachers never encouraged his early efforts. In fact, they discouraged him. "They begged me to stop writing," Stine says. "They'd tell me, 'Please stop bringing these to school.' It's a good thing Stine didn't listen."

Now he's happy to hit the road and tell kids about his new series and his successful writing life. It's like going back to school

in the fall, something Stine always enjoyed as a kid.

"By August, I was bored," Stine says. When he was a kid growing up in Ohio, he didn't go to camp or have a summer full of scheduled activities. "My brother and I usually slept until noon then got up and read comic books and watched 'Bowling for Dollars' or old movies on television."

Stine says he never knew anyone who went to a boarding school when he was a kid, but he is having fun with this really rotten one as the setting for his stories. "We all went to the public school down the street."

Check out www.rotten-school.com for fun activities and www.stine.com for more about the author.

Parents' attempts to ban books are on the rise

The Washington Post

If you walked into a library or bookstore last week, you might have seen a display of disparate books with one thing in common: Some of them were banned in the United States, wanted them removed from library shelves.

Banned Books Week, sponsored by the American Library Association — the oldest and largest library association in the world — and other organiza-

tions, is held each year to draw attention to books chosen by librarians for children to read that have been criticized.

In 2004, the last year for which statistics are available, the associations received 547 challenges — formal, written complaints filed with a library or school requesting that materials be removed because of content. (A year earlier, 458 formal challenges were made.) Most books were not removed

from shelves.

Here is an interview with Michael Gorman, association president and dean of library services at California State University at Fresno:

Q. How do you account for a rise in the number of challenges in recent years?
A. We have noticed more challenges to gay-themed books in school and public libraries. I wonder if that has to do with the prominence of is-

suers such as same-sex marriage (and) civil unions and a consequent backlash.

Q. Who is trying to remove books from library shelves?
A. Parents who think that your children should not read books of which they disapprove; organized groups with particular religious, moral or social opinions; and individuals or groups who recognize the power of books and reading and are afraid of it.

COMICS

B.C. By Johnny Hart

WHO CAN TELL ME WHAT AN ABACUS IS?
JOHNNY?
A CALCULATOR USED BY THE EARLY GEEKS.

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

I'VE WITNESSED EVERY BABY SMILE HICCUP AND WHAOPER THIS BABY HAS EVER MADE AT THE EXPENSE OF MY PERSONAL INTERESTS, CAREER AND SOCIAL LIFE.
GOOD TRADE!

Baldo By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos

"A SHENANIGAN FOR YOUR EYES ONLY IN THE MOUNTAINS OF MEXICO."
OK, WISE NOT EXACTLY A W.C.
NO, MISS CARMEN, W-A-S-S-U-P?
BEEP BEEP

Bevity By Guy & Rodd

"SO, WE MEET AGAIN..."

Dilbert By Scott Adams

OUR SHAREHOLDERS ARE SUING US FOR MISLEADING THEM ABOUT OUR FINANCIAL PROBLEMS.
SINCE WHEN IS IT ILLEGAL TO SHAFT INNOCENT PEOPLE FOR PERSONAL GAIN?
DON'T PUT THAT IN THE MINUTES.
I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO.

Doonesbury By Garry Trudeau

LAST LEG, SIR, THESE ARE THE ONLY TWO STUFF AND STAYVILLE WE IMPORT!
DON'T TAKE A PROBLEM, HENRY.
WE'RE ESCAPING A MANDATORY QUOTA WITH ONLY TWO CLOTHES OVER SEAS.
THAT ENTITLES US TO SOMETHING BETTER FOR OURS AND GOLD FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD!
GARY!
WELCOME AROUND TO US!

The Elderberries By Phi Frank and Joe Toise

I'd love to see you wanted to eat?
We need help at the old town Elderberries CD Professor.
This market's big! There are 36 million of us over 65 in the US right now!
Really?
Our last rap album did real well, too! Didn't go gold, but it did go aluminum.
Old and In, Your Force.
Kinda catchy huh?

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

(PATRICK!) WOULD YOU TALK TO YOUR NEIGHBOUR!
THE ARTICLE YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT IS IN THE GAZETTE... IT'S ABOUT US, RIGHT?
WHY WOULD YOU THINK THAT?
RIGHT HERE! IT'S OUR DISHES BATTLED IN THE CABINETS AS OUR DOWN STAIRS NEIGHBOUR FOUND ON THEIR CEILING WITH A BROOM.
THE SCENT OF SPICES COULD WANDER UNDER THE DOOR...
"PEOPLE LIKE ANIMALS MUST MARK THEIR TERRITORY," I SAID TO MY WIFE... "AND SOME PEOPLE ARE MORE PRIMITIVE THAN OTHERS."

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

DON'T WORRY, WE HAVE A DISASTER PLAN.

Luann By Greg Evans

SO HOW YA BEEN, BRO?
DIRK! GEEZ! YOU SCARED THE HELL OUT OF ME!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?
JUST VISITING A PAL.
BUST! YOU GOT BUSTED FOR HITTING WE DIDN'T THE JUDGE ORDER YOU TO STAY LIKE A MILLION MILES AWAY FROM ME?
LET ME WORRY ABOUT THE JUDGE.
SO HOW'S YOUR LOVE LIFE, BRO?
KNOW WHAT? VISITING THIS IS OVER.

Mallard Filmore By Bruce Tinsley

SO IT'S ALL SET... IN EARLY 2006, ANNA NICOLE SMITH'S CASE WILL BE HEARD BY THE SUPREME COURT.
"NINE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN THE NATION."
SADLY, SHE'LL BE THE ONLY ONE IN THE ROOM WHOM MOST AMERICANS CAN IDENTIFY..."

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

WHERE YOU GOING, WEE BEAR?
I'M TAKING THE BUS TO CALIFORNIA.
WHY YOU DRIVING THAT?
BECAUSE THIS COUNTRY'S TOO EXPENSIVE TO FAID THE ONE PERSON WHO I THINK CAN SAVE US.
I'M THINKING CHEER.

Pickles By Brian Crane

THOSE TWO OLD DOGS ARE SO CUTE.
YOU THINK SO?
OH, YES, THEY'RE ADORABLE, I JUST WANT TO HOLD THEM IN MY LAP AND SNUBBLE THEM!
WELL, BY ALL MEANS, THEN, BE MY GUEST!
I'M TALKING ABOUT THOSE TWO DOGS, YOU OLD COOT!

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

THIRTY-EIGHT TO THE RIGHT... SEVENTEEN TO THE LEFT... TWENTY-SEVEN TO THE RIGHT.
COULD THAT BE HER HIGH SCHOOL LOCKER COMPANION?
OR THE LOCATION OF THE HIDEAWAY KITTEN TREATS!

Non Sequitur By Wiley

WHAT ARE YOU TWO ARGUING?
ONE OF THOSE "DUAL MAKEOVER" DEALS.
UCCHKI! THOSE PLASTIC SURGERY SUCTIONS ARE NOTHING BUT WIPED WARD PLASTIC FRYE!
...WITH IMPLANTS...
SIGH!

Strange Brew By John Deering

REQUIRE MINE... MAKING A BLIND MOVIE
THE "ALPHA COUPLE"
HEER GOOFY SUNDUCK WANTED "ALPHA" OR "X"
POINTS USED AS COMIC RELIEF TO BLUE SCREEN WARRIORS GO AWAY!
A HEAD WHO REALLY CHALLENGES MILE OF ALPHI COUPLE TO WHO ROCK!
SHEDDING GUITAR (LIBERTY CAN ACTUALLY FRY)
GARY'S STOKK PRIDGE OF COBEN TO BLUE SCREEN BOUND ALL THE SHENANIGANS AND GOING ON!
GUY WHO PARES A BIG ORGON ON STRONG BREW, THROUGHT ATTRACTING HER LIFE!
BONDS? (NOBODY CAN ACTUALLY PLAY)

Non Sequitur By Wiley

ACTUALLY, YEA... THIS IS THE PROPER TIME AND PLACE TO PLAY THE BLAME GAME.

Know your limits, Libra

IF OCT. 17 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: The world is enjoying a lunar eclipse and full moon for your birthday party! You may be more reflective than usual and clearly see what is most essential to your happiness. In the next several months, necessary changes may be implemented successfully that free your life of deadwood and launch you in a new direction. A fresh focus on material success may be yours in December and again next May — and throughout the rest of 2006 when you can buckle down to pursuit of an important passion.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Today's full moon may bring relationship issues to the surface. You could lose ground if you give in and make promises you are unable to keep. A few surprises keep things from being dull.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Counting sheep to get some sleep is not productive. Following your creative cycle may peak and you are likely to be optimistic about results. Get necessary paperwork and tiny minor details.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Secrets are like snowflakes and hard to keep for long. But you seem to have a celestial freezer at your disposal. Store away a few facts and figures until when needed and remain cool.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Pretty is as pretty does. Recognize areas where you may, have been depending upon friends and wishes rather than following through. If things aren't going your way, you can fix them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Today's full moon could bring business problems to light if you have exaggerated your abilities. But if you have been working hard and honoring commitments, things can shift for the better.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Keep your own counsel. The more things are different, the same they seem to stay the same. Be self-reliant and don't take others at face value until they have proved their worth.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Be objective. As the emotional tenor of the month peaks you may become aware of how others are frittering away resources or not following through on promises. Put the brakes on spending.

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Jeraldine Saunders

details completed. Those close together exaggerate their ability to help you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The full moon today can mark the culmination of a cycle where your career and home is concerned. New routines may seem entirely possible, but don't bite off more than you can chew.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You don't need to be outrageous to prove you are gifted. Stand back and remain aloof when insincere compliments are handed out. Emotional issues could cloud your thinking today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Ignore the itch to go to extremes. Don't beat yourself up if you realize that you have been wasting pennies on something not worthwhile. Polish up paperwork and detail work while you are sharp.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Know your limits. Optimism might not have been grounded in reality. The full moon could emphasize agreements that have not panned out or plans that have been upset by

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

IT'S SO NICE AND QUIET UP HERE IN THE MOUNTAINS.

YEAH... YOU CAN HEAR YOURSELF THINK.

FUNNY... I DON'T HEAR ANYTHING.

10-17

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WELCOME TO BESEL'S PLUMBING SERVICE AND SUPPLY SHOP.

PLEASE CHOOSE FROM THE FOLLOWING 143 MENU OPTIONS.

PRESS #1 FOR BOY, I'M SURE I'LL BE GLAD I'M MAKING THIS CALL ON COMPANY TIME.

10-17

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

I HAD TO WAIT SO LONG FOR MY DINNER ORDER TO ARRIVE, THE RESTAURANT OFFERED ME A FREE DESSERT!

SIGH...

NOW I'M WAITING FOR THE DESSERT!

10-17

Garfield By Jim Davis

PILLOW PLEASE.

10-17

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

THEY'RE RUN OUT OF ARROWS AND SPEARS, BUT THEY JUST WON'T SURRENDER THE CASTLE!

WE HAVE TO BE PATIENT...

BEFORE LONG THEY'LL RUN OUT OF FEEL!

10-17

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

DOT IS FLIRTING WITH MY FRIEND!

SIBLING RIVALRY JUST ENTERED A WHOLE NEW PHASE.

10-17

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

IF THE TREES ARE BARE, IF THE SKIES ARE GRAY.

IF THE ZAMBONI IS RUNNING, CAN WINTER BE FAR BEHIND?

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"I could've made it look more like you but you moved."

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Twenty-one shots of booze is risky 'Rite of Passage'

DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of four children, ages 18 to 25. A "practice" they discuss among their friends is the "rite of turning 21," which is to drink 21 shots of hard alcohol.

I'd like to think my children are intelligent and informed enough to know how dangerous this could be, but when I mention it, I get the standby, "Everyone does it" or "It's fine."

I worry myself sick over this, not only for my own kids, but for all young adults. Please shed some light on this practice. Perhaps they will listen to you.

I'm not naive enough to think they won't drink, but 21 shots is not the best birthday gift to themselves.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

—WORRIED MOM
DEAR WORRIED MOM: Your children are mistaken. Binge drinking "rite" is not every body does it. Rapid consumption of alcohol, particularly in large amounts, is extremely dangerous. It has been known to cause severe illness, coma and even death.

This appeared in my column before. In the form of letters from concerned members of the health-care profession and from grieving parents. The rite of passage that your children are discussing can be a "passage" right out of this life and into the next. Only a fool or someone very

immature would take that kind of risk.

DEAR ABBY: I am married to the most wonderful man in the world. He is also a dwarf. My problem concerns how to deal with the public.

When we are out, people make comments and faces. I am aware of it, but I'm not sure my husband is. When I catch people staring I give them a dirty look. How should I handle this? I am considered attractive, and people who don't know us well ask why I am with this wonderful man.

—OFFENDED IN ORLANDO
DEAR OFFENDED: Your husband is probably aware of the stares, but has grown used to them by now. If someone is so rude as to question you about why you married him, be truthful. Say "I don't measure my men from the top down; I measure them from the eyebrows up. And when you get to know my

husband, I'm sure you'll also appreciate what a wonderful person he is."

DEAR ABBY: I have been living with "Angelo" for six years. His dog passed away in May. Frankly, I was relieved because the dog had been the main focus of my life and the cause of many problems and fights. I had considered leaving him over it, but didn't want to give up on the relationship.

After the dog's death, things got much better. Angelo and I started going places without the constant "...have to get home to the dog."

He started talking about getting another dog, but I told him I was against it. Well, some members of Angelo's family and some of his friends urged him to get another. They said I'd grow to love it. Last month he took them up on it. It is now entirely focused on the new dog, and I feel betrayed. I told Angelo it was either me or the dog, but the dog is still here. What should I do?

—BETRAYED
DEAR BETRAYED: Now that you know how little Angelo respects your feelings, you should move. When you told him it was you or the dog, and he got one anyway; he gave you your answer.

Americans prefer blue crayons

After a pell, a major crayon manufacturer announced that America's favorite color is blue.

This day in history: Huey, Dewey and Louie first bedeviled their "Uncle Donald." Duck in a newspaper comic strip on Oct. 17, 1937. Donald became their "temporary" guardian after they severely injured their father in a firecracker-and-her-hair piece. Their parents were never heard from again, and Donald adopted them in 1942.

Duck delinquents Huey, Dewey and Louie were named after Louisiana politician Huey Long. New York politician Thomas Dewey, and Disney animator Louis Schmitz. In Russia, they're known as Billy, Villy and Dilly. In Croatia, Hinko, Dinko and Vinko. In Holland, Kwak Kwak and Kwak. And in Spain, Jorgito, Juanito and Jaimito.

Unlike Alfred Hitchcock's movie of the same name, in American films, 414 Huey, Dewey and Louie films, flamings played a pre-



RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

major role.

The musical style "ragtime" was short for "ragged time." To the waltz-accompanied ears of the early 1900s, the syncopated beats of ragtime were jarring and "ragged."

The smallest fish and shortest known vertebrate is the dwarf goby (*Tritmatom nanus*). Found in the Indo-Pacific region, the goby measures about one-third of an inch.

Desiderius Erasmus (1466-1536) was the author of one of the earliest etiquette books which included this advice about breaking wind: "Let a cough hide the explosive

sound." Not like now, when you can just blame it on the dog.

The molded chocolate bar machine was invented in 1840, but caramel manufacturer Milton Tosten didn't know they existed until he saw one in Germany in the 1890s. He immediately bought it and brought it back to America. By 1911, he was making \$5 million a year for his chocolate sweets.

"Go fast and go far" away from cities. That was the only advice that doctors could give the bubonic plague in 18th century Europe. Long before the age of penicillin, there was no cure.

Giants means can't squat. So giraffe babies get a nuke awakening at birth; they drop 6 feet to the ground.

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Horror fans lift 'The Fog' to box-office lead with \$12.2 million

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The crowds were not quite as thick as sea peap, but the horror remake "The Fog" pulled in enough fans to win a box office at the weekend box office with a \$12.2 million debut.

Finishing second was the previous weekend's No. 1 movie, the animated adventure "Huey, Dewey and Louie: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit," which took in \$11.7 million to lift its total to \$33.3 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

Cameron Crowe's quirky romance "Elizabethtown," starring Orlando Bloom and Kirsten Dunst, overcame poor reviews to open at No. 3 with \$9.1 million.

The weekend's other new wide release — Tony Scott's action thriller "Domino," with Keira Knightley — flopped with \$4.7 million, coming in sixth.

Hollywood's business continued to slump, with the top 12 movies taking in \$72.2 million, down 18 percent from the same weekend in 2004. Theater revenues are running about 7 percent behind last year's, even with higher ticket prices. Admissions are down 10 percent.

The Major League Baseball playoffs probably undermined movie business as fans stayed home to watch the games, said Paul Dergarabedian, president

- At the box office**
- Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures will be released Monday.
1. "The Fog," \$12.2 million.
 2. "Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit," \$11.7 million.
 3. "Elizabethtown," \$11 million.
 4. "Rip-titan," \$8.5 million.
 5. "In Her Shoes," \$6.1 million.
 6. "Domino," \$4.7 million.
 7. "Two for the Money," \$4.6 million.
 8. "A History of Violence," \$3.6 million.
 9. "Tim Burton's Corpse Bride," \$3.5 million.
 10. "The Gospel," \$3.2 million.

will get bad reviews. Yet the movie, a remake of John Carpenter's 1970s ghost story of dead sailors terrorizing a town, drew a crowd that generally flock to fright flicks over opening weekend.

An attractive young cast led by Tom Welling, who plays Clark Kent on "Smallville," and "Supernatural" Grace of "Lost" also helped lift "The Fog." Viewers 25 and younger accounted for 61 percent of the movie's audience, according to Nielsen's ScanLife.

"I think 'The Fog' had a lot of really cool elements in the sense it's a remake of a classic film of John Carpenter's and had a hot cast," said Rory Bruer, head of distribution at Sony.

"Elizabethtown" is writer-director Crowe's tale of a shoe designer (Bloom) at the center of a colossal business failure who stumbles in on an unlikely romance with a flight attendant after he returns to his family's old haunts in Kentucky to retrieve the body of his dad, who died suddenly. Critics generally disliked "Elizabethtown," some calling it meandering and unfocused.

Director Scott's "Domino" fared worse among critics, who found it loud, frenetic and out-of-control. The movie stars Knightley as the daughter of actor Laurence Harvey, who left her career in modeling to become a bounty hunter.

of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations.

"This was not a weekend destined to be a blockbuster weekend. Really, really slow," Dergarabedian said. "Audiences seemed somewhat indifferent again. That's the scary part for the industry. It really takes a lot to get them out there to see a movie. It seems like any competition is like baseball, really cuts in big-time."

"The Fog" did not screen in advance for critics, generally a sign the studio knows the movie

Fats Domino returns home after hurricane

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Visiting his home for the first time since he was rescued from rising floodwaters in a boat, Fats Domino found his piano overturned among mud and debris and bowed into the ruins.

Despite the destruction, the 77-year-old legendary musician found a few bright spots during last week's tour, arranged by WWL-TV, a favorite shirt that survived unblemished and a bust that made it through the storm unbroken.

Those were the exceptions. His electric keyboard sat against a wall covered in dried mud, mildew and mold, and his white grand piano was overturned, broken and stained with the filth that flowed into the Lower Ninth Ward along with the floodwaters.

The water reached well over 8 feet, brushing the bottoms of chandeliers inside the home, WWL-TV reported.

Domino's fate was not publicly known for several days after the Hurricane Katrina-spawned

floods hit the low-lying neighborhoods. He was rescued in a boat along with other family members from an upper-floor balcony.

The side of the balcony was spray-painted with a premature funeral notice when a friend named Domino had not survived. "R.I.P. Fats. You will be missed."

Domino's house was a mansion of pink, yellow and lavender paint, with such touches as his "Caddillac couch," resembling the car of a 1950s car. The room was left in shambles.

OTHER VIEWS

Plant siting should go beyond local authority

The Idaho State Journal (Pocatello)

In Idaho, we like to think local government is best. But wind and water have no sense of county lines.

Right now Southeast Idaho would do well to look hard at the idea that a state body could decide where power plants may be located.

The Democrat-led proposal, discussed by the Idaho Legislature's interim energy committee, would designate a group of officials from state wildlife, health and environmental agencies, along with local community leaders to study proposed projects, and make recommendations.

Republican legislators have said that the committee would only add to the bureaucracy confronting those

who want to build generating plants.

But looking at the proposal to locate a coal gasification plant in Power County, it seems that under the present system, Rannock County has much less say about it than our upwind neighbors. That despite the fact that air quality, employment and water quality issues would have a huge impact on our communities as well.

Establishing a plant siting authority could enable all communities which stand to be affected to have concerns addressed. Air and water quality, along with the economic benefits of power plants, are everyone's concern - not just those who see mainly the property tax and employment advantages.

Cleaning up the ESA

Rocky Mountain News (Denver, Colo.)

The Endangered Species Act, passed in 1973, has been getting crackier and crackier as the years pass. Earlier this month, though, the U.S. House of Representatives finally approved a significant modification of the act.

The margin in the House was comfortable, 222-193, but the Senate is likely to be a tougher sell, and the final bill, if indeed there ever is one, will likely look very different. So we're not going to fret over any details at this point, but the general principles of the bill are sound.

One of the problems with the current law is that species can be listed, often for years, without any plan for helping them to recover and no criteria for when they have recovered.

That means that property owners whose land is designated "critical habitat" may lose most productive uses for it, sometimes at major financial sacrifice. If land really is needed for a recovery plan, owners should be compensated.

Some potential sacrifices are more than just financial. California Republican Rep. David Dreier said that people living in Riverside County, Calif., where wild fires are a major risk, were told they couldn't clear brush to create firebreaks, because it might harm the habitat for the Stephens kangaroo rat.

The act is obviously well intentioned, but it has done more to promote lawsuits than to save species. Only about a dozen species have ever recovered enough to be taken off the list. It's time for an overhaul.

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LETTERS

U.S. should stop giving to foreign countries

Ah, nice. I want you to know more people than you think are with you. You say it like it's. Thank you.

Sen. Craig announced in The Times-News on Oct. 12 that the Congress is going to cut "entitlements" (Social Security, military pay, etc.) and "discretionary" (pork) funding. The Congress will never cut the salaries, for which it approves an increase every year.

I suggest they don't send any money to Iraq, bring our troops home and stop giving money to foreign countries. Bush has made us a debtor nation; he has borrowed money from China or Japan and then gives money to the United Nations and so many other countries around the world, and where has it gotten this country? Also, stop illegal at the border and send the ones here back to the country they came from. Illegal cost this country an unbelievable amount of money, and taxpayers here have to pay for them. I hope Idaho doesn't result in a copy of California, or Arizona as they dream.

Bush and cronies have so many officials in question right now (Rove, Libby, DeLay, Frist, QC) with no accountability ever given. Michael Brown of the Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster in Katrina should have been fired for his incompetence. That Brown, a crony of the president is not qualified for Supreme Court Justice (lifetime position), having never been a judge, just an attorney in Texas and working as Bush's counsel in

Write to us

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Washington, D.C., or does Bush have an ulterior motive again? PAUL WILLIAMS Jerome

The best time to stop Sempra is at the start

The best time for the people of Jerome to contact their county commissioners on the Sempra weather station permit is right now! It is easier to stop the coal-fired generation plan at the beginning, not after money has been spent on seeing whether the existing conditions will give them leeway to add more pollutants to the air.

Pollutants involved in burning coal are a much greater risk to our health than having a nuclear plant in the same area. This is a Web site that bears looking at to see if we are being told the truth about what pollutants will be added to our air. Quality for the next 40 years: Google: Coal Combustion, Go to Coal Combustion, http://www.oel.gov/info/oml-review/rac26-3412/column.htm This is the Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

JIM SCRUGGS Jerome

When Harriet met George

"You are the best governor ever - deserving of great respect." Harriet Miers wrote to George W. Bush days after his 51st birthday in July 1997. ... Ms. Miers, President Bush's selection for a Supreme Court seat, emerges as an unabashed fan in more than 2,000 pages of official correspondence." The New York Times

DECEMBER 29, 1997

I'm so great seeing you and Laura at the Christmas party. Christmas is my favorite holiday. What's yours? Because if it's something else that will be my new favorite too! Ha-ha. But really, it will. I love you. As a friend.

Harriet (but I'm a girl)

JOHN KENNEY

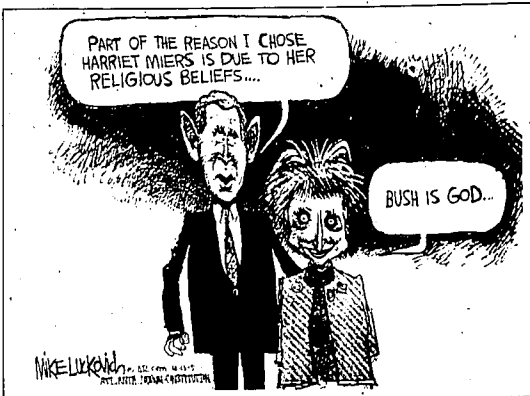
JANUARY 30, 1998

Hello again George and Laura. Just a quick note as I make my way to the supermarket (groceries great!). And also to say that I'm still thinking about how I saw you both at Christmas and how great that was for me (and yours).

Your biggest fan, for George, I mean, less so for Laura!

JULY 9, 1999

I was reading a biography of Winston Churchill and was fascinated to learn that he was born to a father of privilege and power and wealth and that he wrote "A History of the English-Speaking Peoples" before he was 30 and traveled the world and was a decorated soldier and a painter and an architect and an orator, and I immediately thought of you and also of how fun it would be to have a cookout! Texas and the world is (are)? lucky to have you at the helm! Wouldn't it be neat to be on the Supreme Court? Me, I mean.



I'm working out more and hope you find me attractive. Most very fondly.

Harriet (which is how I'm signing my name now)

OCTOBER 9, 2000

Hi G. and L. It's Thursday (again). I just wanted to say what great fun it was seeing both of you from outside your home with a high-powered Army Ranger-issue telescopic sight. You both look marvelous now! Also, I heard that an appointment to the Supreme Court includes lifelong medical and dental. I wonder if parking is included (twice) - too much to ask? I like the Internet. It's a fun way to meet new friends. Without you my life would be meaningless and I would commit suicide. Good times ahead!

Your "Supreme" pal, Harriet (NOT Belafonte!)

MARCH 24, 2002

Just a quick note to say hi and to tell you that you're at the office. I walked to the sup-

ply closet because I needed pens and a pad of paper and I got them and then I stood there and snatched the smells of papers and pens and erasers and markers and it smelled clean and like grade school and I started to cry and I wanted you to know. Also, I love wearing a robe. How are you?

Hello to your lovely wife, Laura, who I wish I was!

Harriet (trying a new spelling! What do you think?)

NOVEMBER 30, 2002

Let us give thanks to the Indians and the Pilgrims (SO brave) and to the turkey for giving his life and for giving. Do you know that you amazed me? Why are people so negative? Take Columbus. Yes, there was death. But on the bright side, these boys were EXCELLENT! marksmen! I would KILL for a photo of you in a jumpsuit! Seriously? People say that I am a good judge in disputes. Isn't that interesting?

Hugs in a friend kind of way. Harriet

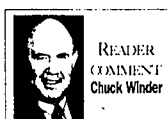
DECEMBER 29, 2004

Why would it be wrong to carve Jesus into Mt. Rushmore? Sometimes when I listen to music by the Rolling Stones it makes me feel dirty, but not in a bad way. Do you know what I mean? I play air drums sometimes. Do you ever air it, say, I was a Supreme Court justice would I daydream during a lawyer's arguments and then, after he or she finished, say something like, "That was really interesting. But did you know that I'm naked under this robe?" bet he or she would be surprised and thrown off. I wouldn't do that though. I just thought it would be funny to write to you and say that. If I knew that tomorrow were the end of the world I would want to spend it with you and Laura, but mostly you, because it's amazing. Wasn't that a great trick? Most fondly, Harriet

John Kenney is a humorist who has just finished his first novel.

Driving down Idaho's road fatalities

As I travel the highways of Idaho, I'm always reminded how beautiful and great our state is. Then I see small memorials along the side of the road and it reminds me how many people die or are injured in automobile crashes. There have been too many crashes, too many injuries, too many deaths.



READER COMMENT Chuck Winder

It's time to reduce the number of injuries and fatalities in Idaho. It is time to act decisively. It is time that highway safety becomes more than our highest priority - that it becomes our greatest achievement.

That's why Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, the Idaho Transportation Department, Idaho State Police and the Idaho Highway Administration will be joining with 125 representatives of other agencies and citizens groups to reduce the number of our friends, families and colleagues who die or who

are injured each year on Idaho's highways.

On Oct. 19 and 20, Idaho will hold its first "Governor's Highway Safety Summit" toward "Zero Deaths" workshop on the campus of Boise State University. Local, state and federal government safety professionals, law enforcement officers and private-sector experts will spend two days working together to prepare a comprehensive plan to reduce these losses. The partnerships and ideas generated during this workshop will produce a comprehensive strategy for improving the safety on our highways.

At the conference, we will explore how using the combination of innovative engineering, advanced technology, improving driving behavior and emergency response can drive down the number of injuries and fatalities. We will discuss the best practices and identify ways that national, state and local organizations work collaboratively to promote and improve highway safety.

Last year, 246 people were killed and 14,734 people injured in crashes on Idaho's highways. The economic and personal costs of these deaths and injuries, along with the more than 20,000 collisions that occurred throughout the state, amount to more than \$1.7 billion.

Nationally, 42,800 individuals lost their lives on America's highways in 2004. That is roughly equivalent to the population of Coeur d'Alene. More

important, those figures represent a husband, a wife, a son or a daughter - each individual death a tragic and unacceptable loss.

"We are in the midst of a national epidemic," U.S. Secretary of Transportation Norm Mineta, said. "If we don't take action, more than one in five Americans will die from any one disease in a single year. Americans would demand a vaccine."

Achieving substantial reductions in the number of lives lost to traffic crashes in Idaho is more than a goal or priority. It is a necessity. We have the ability; we have the expertise; we have the desire. Now we must have results.

I look forward to working with you to help to achieve our goal of moving "toward zero deaths" on Idaho's highways.

Chuck Winder is the chairman of the Idaho Transportation Board.

LETTERS

Columnist has long been a Bush yes man

In a recent column, Cal Fitzmaurice tells President Bush to fire the yes men in his cabinet. Be careful, Cal. You have been a yes man for President Bush ever since he became president.

WILLIAM HORNADAY Hagerman

Scientific knowledge shows Darwinism lacking

It has been interesting to read the recent publicity involving the different viewpoints between Darwinism and Intelligent Design. This was discussed in the Oct. 9 Times-News editorial, which asked for readers' viewpoints.

My belief has radically changed with the progress of science, including the electron microscope and DNA studies. These developments have illustrated things in nature that were not available in Darwin's time.

I was taught Darwinism and evolution in school and college, so my belief goes back

many years.

I now believe there must be an intelligent design to explain the tremendous complexity of nature. A recent DVD titled "Unlocking the Mystery of Life" showed this belief to be valid. It basically took a number of prominent scientists and private-sector experts to produce a comprehensive strategy for improving the safety on our highways.

I guest lectured and taught teachers of students and conservation camps. I would be the first one to point out that teaching these two theories in a classroom would be difficult for the instructor. However, I think the students should be exposed to the two viewpoints and have them make up their own minds. It appears there is "adapta-

tion" taking place in individual species on a short-term basis. I taught this during my tenure with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. There are too many big gaps in the evolutionary period to explain Darwinism with our current scientific knowledge.

STU MURRELL Jerome

Clow still shows spirit to be a great leader

It is with shock and awe that I am able to write an endorsement of Lance Clow, who is up for re-election to the city council.

The shock and awe comes from the fact that although Lance has served on the City Council and as mayor during many previous years, he still possesses the dynamic spirit of a true leader. His only agenda in prior years and to this date has been to assure the people of Twin Falls that they are truly represented by a councilman who has their interests at heart. Lance is able to thoroughly analyze any item on the city

agenda, using the knowledge gained through personal experience or to research the question at hand using his access to traffic crashes in the area. Lance not only seems to be able to always arrive at a solution to a problem which is acceptable to those concerned but that also serves to protect the interests of those who have elected him to office.

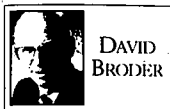
Lance is a true leader, one who goes out of his way to find solutions to problems others have overlooked. He is able to anticipate the future effects of proposed solutions and to redirect those that may have detrimental, unintended effects years from now.

Those of us living in Twin Falls should be thankful we have an individual with Lance Clow's experience, integrity, knowledge and willingness to work hard for us on the City Council. We deserve to be represented by a person of his caliber, and Lance Clow deserves to be re-elected to the City Council. JAMES N. SACCIO Twin Falls

OPINION

Ex-Pentagon man pushes for results

Mel Laird has a unique perspective on the U.S. engagement in Iraq. Not surprisingly, the man who was secretary of defense in the Nixon administration and the architect of the policy that managed the extraction of American forces from the seemingly endless war in Vietnam has his own view of the current struggle.



DAVID BRODER

In a lengthy essay in the forthcoming issue of Foreign Affairs magazine, Laird offers an analysis of the parallels—and differences—between Iraq and Vietnam that challenges the thinking of both President Bush and the critics of administration policy.

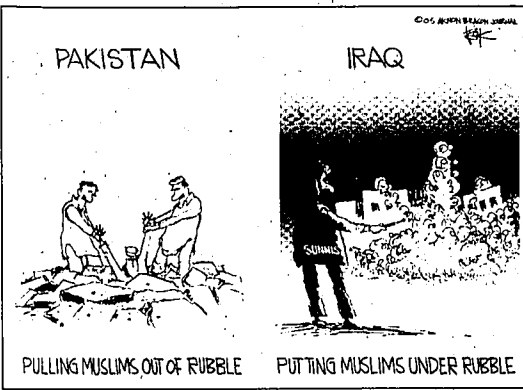
By speaking out publicly for the first time on the subject, the long-time Republican leader—who served 16 years in Congress before going to the Pentagon for four years in 1969 and to the White House staff for the final year of Nixon's presidency—has done another service to his country.

Laird does not concede, even now, that Vietnam had to fall to the communists, blaming the loss directly on the Democratic Congress and indirectly on the Ford administration for acquiescing in the cutoff of aid to the Saigon regime.

Nor does he consider democracy in Iraq a lost cause. Far from it. However false the original premise of the war, the fight against terrorism is one that must be won, he says. But speaking from experience, he argues two points that call for a change in emphasis. If not direction, in American policy, and a third that would require Bush to execute a complete about-face.

Noting that the U.S. effort in Vietnam was undercut by its eagerness to install "a real puppet government" in Saigon, made up of "selfish men who were no more than dictators in the garb of statesmen," he argues that in Iraq, "a legitimate government, not window-dressing, must be the primary goal." To the extent that the United States is seen as manipulating both the writing and the ratification of the new Iraqi constitution, that advice has been ignored.

Second, Laird argues that the United States should "not let too many more weeks pass" before beginning to withdraw troops from Iraq and turning over the security of the country to Iraqi forces.



PULLING MUSLIMS OUT OF RUBBLE PUTTING MUSLIMS UNDER RUBBLE

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best to establish a legitimate government in Iraq and to boost the fighting capacity of Iraqi forces.

When he took over the Pentagon, Laird said, he changed the mission statement "from one of applying maximum pressure against the enemy to one of giving maximum assistance to South Vietnam to fight its own battles."

"That should have been U.S. policy in Iraq even before the first shot was fired." It ought to begin now and continue indefinitely, with the pace to be restrained only by the judgment of American military commanders on the capabilities of Iraqis to fill the security role.

"We owe it to the restive people back home to let them know there is an exit strategy and, more important, we owe it to the Iraqi people," Laird says. "Our presence is what feeds the insurgency, and our gradual withdrawal would feed the confidence and the ability of average Iraqis to stand up to the insurgency."

White House officials would maintain they are doing their

as horrific as they were at the 'Hanoi Hilton,' but that is no reason to put ourselves on the back. The minutes we begin to deport prisoners to other nations where they can be legally tortured, when we hold people without charges or trial, when we move prisoners around to avoid the prying inspections of the Red Cross, when prisoners die inexplicably on our watch, we are on a slippery slope toward the inhumanity that we deplore."

Those are powerful words from a powerful source. One can only hope they are heeded.

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Gripping granite

Sawtooth alpine peaks welcome October's climbers.

Read Thursday's Outdoor section

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WORLD

Pakistani officials sharply raise estimates of death toll

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani officials predicted Sunday that many more thousands of dead bodies would be found in earthquake-ravaged Kashmir as heavy rains in the Himalayan region drenched homeless survivors in mud and misery.

The latest estimate of at least 40,000 deaths in Pakistan's portion of Kashmir alone would mean more than 51,000 people were killed when the magnitude-7.6 quake hit the mountains of northern Pakistan and India.

That represents a jump of 13,000 from the official count of known dead.

A spokesman for the prime minister of the region warned that the cold and wet could cause further deaths among the 2 million or so people believed to be homeless.

About a fifth of the villages in the quake zone remained cut off eight days after the tremor turned villages scattered across lush mountains into death traps, and the bad weather over Kashmir halted aid flights



Two boys look out of a tent at a relief camp Sunday in the border village of Salamabad, India. The Oct. 8 quake killed more than 1,350 people in Indian Kashmir.

Central government officials in Islamabad said early in the day that confirmed casualties totaled 39,422 dead and 65,038 injured for all of Pakistan, including more than 13,000 killed in North West Frontier Province. Some 1,350 deaths were reported in India's part of Kashmir, for a total of just under 41,000.

But a spokesman for the state government chief in the Pakistani portion of Kashmir, which suffered the worst quake damage, said later that officials believed the death toll would rise rapidly as teams search more debris.

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He said about 50 people had been fired for suspected cheating, but did not elaborate.

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U.S., Japan reach deal on port facilities

The Yomluri Shimbun

TOKYO — The Japanese and U.S. governments have reached a broad agreement under which the United States will return port facilities at Naha Naval Port in Naha and the Makimino Service Area in Unsoo, Okinawa Prefecture, to Japan, according to Japanese government sources.

The functions of the two facilities would be integrated with those at Camp Courtney in Uruma. In the prefecture, they added.

According to the sources, the United States told Japan that the facilities' return must be complemented by a resolution

to the long-running dispute over the relocation of the functions of the U.S. Marine Corps Futenma Air Station.

To ensure the early return of the two facilities, the Japanese government has begun studying the costs of relocating the U.S. Marine Corps headquarters from Camp Courtney to Guam.

The Naha port is in the west of the Okinawa prefectural capital and is used for unloading and storing military supplies.

The Makimino supply base is used for storing and controlling military goods.

Both facilities are rarely used, but are seen as important logistical bases in the event of war.

The Okinawa prefectural government called for their return because they are located in the most economically active areas of the prefecture's main island.

In previous talks, the two governments tentatively agreed to move the 3rd Marine Expeditionary Force's headquarters and some other functions from Camp Courtney to Guam. The U.S. side basically agreed to move the functions of the Naha port and the Makimino base to an area in Camp Courtney during a meeting of high-ranking officials.

Some logistical units now stationed in the Makimino district will be moved to Guam, the sources said.

Fifty Afghan employees dismissed for alleged fraud in legislative balloting

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Election authorities said Sunday they have fired about 50 employees for suspected fraud in last month's legislative polls, while human rights advocates warned that about half of the winning candidates are believed to have links to armed groups.

The latest fighting, meanwhile, left eight insurgents dead and two British warplanes damaged.

The suspected election fraud cast a shadow on Afghanistan's latest step toward democracy. About 600 ballot boxes, or 3 percent of the vote, were taken out of the counting process because of suspicions they were stuffed, said Richard Atwood, chief of operations for the joint U.S.-Afghan election commission.

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BSU to unveil expansion plan

BOISE (AP) — Boise State University plans to unveil an ambitious expansion plan today at a meeting of the State Board of Education.

BSU, which started out in 1932 as a tiny, church-backed junior college, wants to enter a top ranks of the nation's research universities.

The university's master plan calls for about 25 new buildings or complexes to be built over the next two decades.

It involves both academics and athletics and includes adding a new science and engineering complex to encourage more joint research; building more classrooms; expanding Bronco Stadium and constructing five new parking garages.

Nobody has yet calculated how much it would cost to fulfill the plan.

"A ton of money," Brian Yeargan, BSU's alumni president, said when asked about the possible price tag. "I do think it's a worthy investment."

University officials have said they want to increase state and regional economic development by furnishing a better-educated work force, more doctoral degrees and research that helps area businesses.

"It's pretty hard to disagree with a lot of their thinking," said Fred Fritchman, Southeast Neighborhood Association president.

Another part of the expansion plan calls for construction of a gateway that would give BSU a recognizable entrance.

Officials also want to close off part of University Drive, which runs along the campus, to create a walking space through much of the 12-block area. And they want to build a 900-seat theater that could be used by BSU's theater programs and the community.

Bob Lewis, president of the State Board of Education, declined to discuss the master plan before the board's meeting Monday. He said board member BSU President Bob Kastra at his fall interview almost two years ago that he was expected to strengthen academics and research at the university.

"We didn't have the opportunity to discuss in great detail what steps we expected to be taken," Lewis said. "So far we have been pleased with Bob's articulation of that vision."

Idaho churches offer aid to Katrina victims

NAMPA (AP) — A group of church and business groups is offering cars, housing, and jobs to families who lost their homes to Hurricane Katrina and want to rebuild their lives in Idaho.

"Most people who are in temporary housing are going to be sent there," said Kara Murphy, a Nampa mother of two who co-founded the "Katrina Sunshine Project." "They need to make some long-term choices."

The project plans to distribute brochures in Louisiana and Texas next week that offer a car, an employer, housing, clothing and furniture.

Murphy, 33, said the churches involved are in Nampa, Eagle, and Boise. She helped start the project after watching her father, who lives in Louisiana, work in fund-raising for years.

"It seems like when there are big funds, a lot of people fall through the cracks," she said.

Murphy is trying to raise \$100,000 from local businesses to get the project underway.

The churches have lined up apartments that will be free for the first month. The project will pay for the second month's rent, and the families will be responsible for their rent after that when they are employed, she said. There's no limit on how many people can take the group up on the offer, Murphy said.

"It's just going to be the matter of finding the right families," she said. "We're advertising to extended families so they can bring up their entire extended family so they wouldn't have to leave their support system."

Schools struggle with cost of field trips

By Marie Mischel
For The Times-News

BURLEY — Student travel is the focus of both Mini-Cassia school districts as trustees consider shrinking budgets and skyrocketing fuel costs.

Members of the Cassia Joint School District board have approved paying for all but one requested trip for students this year, but said they will probably impose changes for next year's budget. "We need to make people be more serious about where they go," Trustee Rex Daley said.

Field trips and travel for

extra-curricular activities and athletics cost the Cassia district \$202,922 last year, of which \$23,948 was reimbursed by individual school activity funds, such as PTO-sponsored ski trips, said Pam Wade, the district's business manager.

Trustees said they are concerned that some clubs and schools receive more transportation money from the district than others. They plan to discuss the matter during next year's budget hearings.

For the Minidoka County School District board, which considers travel issues at almost

every monthly meeting, the matter is an exercise in frustration for a variety of reasons, Board Chairman Brian Duncan said.

Among those reasons are the district's six travel policies with differing requirements, cost considerations and the myriad forms that must be completed.

Board members also have expressed concern about the effect extended trips could have on students' academic performance.

Duncan said one possibility is to limit each club to one extended trip per year. Another suggestion is to have student groups pay for substitute teachers needed when their advisor accompanies them out of town.

School administrators agree the travel policies need tweaking, but defended the benefits of student trips. "When we send a group of students to Carnegie Hall, it's an experience they will never forget," said Dan Rogers, principal of Minico High School.

They are still talking about Minico going to the Gator Bowl," said Tim Perriotto, Minico's

activities director. "School is not just about ISATs. It's about great experiences."

The chance to go on trips also is an incentive for students to join clubs, and the travel itself exposes them to new social and educational situations, administrators said.

The high school is considering requiring students to have a C average before being allowed to take extra-curricular trips, Rogers said. He added that students, already making arrangements to complete classwork.

From scorched to green



MQ Reforestation crews from Horseshoe Bend, apply straw to the forest floor during a \$1.7 million emergency rehabilitation project in the White Cloud Mountains southeast of Stanley.

Crews work to finish fire rehab before winter

The Times-News

STANLEY — Progress is being made on rehabilitating critical areas of the 40,838-acre Valley Road Fire in the White Cloud Mountains southeast of here, according to the U.S. Forest Service.

"We are very pleased with the amount and quality of the rehabilitation work being accomplished on the Valley Road Fire," T.I. Clifford, team leader for the Forest Service rehab project, said in a statement. "The credit goes to the professionalism of the many private contractors and Forest Service personnel who are working extremely hard to complete the work before major winter storms hit this area."

Completion of the \$1.7 million project is expected by the end of the week if the weather and equipment cooperate.

"We have three treatments underway," Clifford said. "Our land treatment consists

of applying straw mulch to 1,892 acres for the purpose of minimizing raindrop impact, reducing erosion and accelerating vegetation regrowth in critical areas of Champion Creek, 4th of July Creek and Warm Springs Meadow.

He said maintenance and drainage improvements are being done on 26 miles of trails and 10 miles of roads, as well as the removal of hazardous trees around trailheads. Crews are also installing one mile of fence on a grazing allotment, one-tenth of a mile of fence at the Aztec Mine/Fisher Creek Trailhead and installing road and trail hazard warning signs.

Helicopters from Mountain West Helicopters of Orem, Utah, are under contract to aerially apply straw.

"Three of our helicopters are capable of hauling 2,500 to 3,100 pounds of straw per load," said Bryan Burr, Mountain West president.

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Two tons of straw were lifted last week by a helicopter departing for the Valley Road Fire rehab project area southeast of Stanley. The helicopters have been used to apply an average of 280 tons of straw per day.

Gooding Basque dinner draws record crowd

By Rick Beasley
For The Times-News

GOODING — "More lettuce!" yelled a frantic voice from the kitchen of the spacious Basque Cultural Center here as 40 servers, cooks and assorted volunteers struggled Saturday night to keep up with a record crowd at the 48th Annual Basque Dinner.

Ladies in red from the St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church stood shoulder-to-shoulder to stack more than a hundred plates per hour with a traditional meal of roast beef and rice that has its appetizing culinary roots in Gooding's century-old Basque heritage.

One of the town's landmark events, the dinner is a key fundraiser that bankrolls a wide array of church activities, including scholarships, a food bank, building improvements and funeral dinners. Moreover,

the annual event brings the community together after the backbreaking harvest season.

"We're a small town but everybody gets so busy in the summer," said Melba Simmons, one of the more than 500 people who bought \$10 meal tickets. "It's just nice to visit with folks you know but haven't seen for a while. Everybody's got a smile on their face."

Retired farmer Dale Eden of Gooding has attended every Basque dinner since 1957, when crowds that would line up around the block sorely tested the old IOOF Hall and its tiny kitchen. At Saturday's dinner, Eden hoisted a glass jar jam-packed with bills of all denominations and did a brisk business selling chances to guess the amount inside.

"We'd always hold the dinner on the first day of hunting season to bring in the hunters and give



Dale Eden, left, found plenty of takers including Johnny Pavkov, 8, for a raffle to guess the amount of money in a jar packed with bills at the annual Knights of Columbus Basque Dinner in Gooding. Eden, a retired custom farmer, has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for more than 80 years.

A TIME TO GIVE BACK Councilman fought for greater good

By Jami Whited
Times-News writer

BUHL — For Chuck Geska, it wasn't enough to simply voice his opinions about how the city of Buhl developed; he wanted to make a difference.

As a 14-year Buhl city councilman and concerned citizen, Geska played an active role in Buhl and did everything he could to support the community he loved so much.

a life remembered

Charles "Chuck" Robert Geska

Born: Aug. 13, 1940.
Died: Oct. 8, 2005.

Survivors: Wife, Lucy Ann, 5 children, 10 grandchildren, Tammy Rene Thompson of Bellingham, Wash., son, Charles Michael Geska of Perrdale, Wash., son, David Patrick Moe of Bellevue, Wash., daughter, Ginger Lynn Sorenson of Idaho Falls and daughter, Tandra Deen Geska (Thompson) of Moscow; sister, Stephanie Jane (Geska) Vasquez and husband, Richard John of Buhl; and his grandchildren, Tyler and Natavia Thompson, Jonathan Michael Geska, Michael David, Nicole Ann, Mary Lucille and John Patrick Moe, Jayd Michal, Chynese Maximiano, McChelle Tandra Lynn and McKette Uliann Sorenson.

Memorial: The Boys and Girls Club of Buhl in Chuck Geska's name.

"Everybody knew everybody," said Lucy, describing her husband's commitment to Buhl. "It's a tight community that works together and pulls together."

He enjoyed a career as a mechanic, built and raced his own race cars, drove Harley Davidson with his wife and ran Geska's Broadway Automotive in Buhl.

About 14 years ago though, he decided it was time to give something back. He ran and won several consecutive terms as Buhl councilman.

He had strong feelings about things concerning the small town, and while his views weren't always the most popular, he wholeheartedly believed that issues needed to be looked at in more ways than one.

"He was a teaser and joker and he didn't like boring meetings," said Lucy, laughing as she described the way her husband, "stirred the pot."

Buhl Mayor Barbara Gletzen says that while she didn't always see eye to eye with Geska, they were friends and respected each other.

"He was a very dedicated person to his community and his heart was always in the right place," she said. "You were always able to sit down and talk with Chuck."

He made a strong impact at the city and state levels in various ways.

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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

Crime lab chief offers new theory on Hofmann bombings

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mark Hoffmann feared for his life before setting off a series of bombs as a distraction, the head of this city's crime lab says in a new book.

Hoffmann set off two bombs on Oct. 15, 1985, a few days before he was assaulted by an Idaho farmer who had paid thousands of dollars for a supposed one-of-a-kind document from Hoffmann that hadn't been delivered. The farmer had discovered there was another copy of his promised document, which would have rendered his version less valuable.

Hoffmann had never been beaten before and the assault "shook him up badly," George Throckmorton writes in a new book, "Motive for Murder: The Bombs, The Mormons and The Salamander."

Throckmorton discussed his conclusions Saturday at a conference of the Southwestern Association of Forensic Document Examiners in Salt Lake City.

The Idaho farmer is one of the re-examiners. Throckmorton makes in a book referred to coincide with the 20th anniversary of the Hofmann bombings.

For years Hoffmann had been selling fake Mormons and Anglican documents, and he hoped to make his biggest score with a forged "Oath of a Freeman," supposedly the oldest printed document in the United States.

Hoffmann offered the forged

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"Oath" to the Library of Congress for more than \$1 million and had another potential buyer in the American Antiquarian Society, which was set to vote on the purchase the same day two bombs went off in Salt Lake City. Killed were document collector Steve Christensen and Kathleen Sheets, wife of Christensen's former business associate.

Throckmorton theorizes in the book that Hoffmann was in debt and not just to the farmer, whom he would not name. The "Oath" forgery could have paid off his debts.

The farmer promised to return for his money or document in a few days, when a personal tragedy would provide Hoffmann some time. The author says Hoffmann, who refuses to be interviewed in person, settled on killing Steve Christensen, an acquaintance to whom he had sold bogus documents.

Hoffmann, however, found himself needing another excuse

to not pay the farmer and decided to kill the collector and then go into hiding as he himself went a target, Throckmorton said.

As it happened, the bomb went off in Hoffmann's car, injuring him. He was arrested soon afterward.

David Biggs, a former prosecutor in the Salt Lake County Attorney's Office, said the unidentified farmer had purchased — but never received — the supposed papers of William E. McTellin, a 19th century Mormon church apostle who became embittered and led the church.

Biggs said Hoffmann had been experimenting with bombs in remote areas before the farmer confronted him.

The farmer may have been the trigger, but the gun had already been loaded by Mark Hoffmann, Biggs said.

Hoffmann pleaded guilty to two counts of second-degree murder in 1987 and is likely to serve the rest of his life in the Utah State Prison.

THIS WEEK AT CSI

- Today**
 Partial lunar eclipse; free telescope viewing (weather permitting), 5 a.m., Herrett Center Centennial Observatory.
 CSI Golden Eagle Boosters luncheon, noon, Outback Steakhouse.
 CSI Student Senate weekly meeting, 4 p.m., Student Union 232.
 CSI Board of Trustees monthly meeting, 5:30 p.m., Taylor 258.
 CSI Equestrian Team meeting, 6:30 p.m., Student Union 248.
- Tuesday**
 CSI Adult Basic Education Alumni Association meeting, 9 a.m., Taylor 209.
 Clinical aromatherapy research meeting, 12:15 p.m., Student Union 248.
 CSI Ski Club weekly meeting, 1 p.m., Shields 106.
 Latinos Unidos weekly meeting, 2 p.m., Taylor 247.
 CSI Ambassadors weekly meeting, 2 p.m., Student Union 232.
 CSI Math and Engineering Clubs weekly guest speaker collocation, 4 p.m., Shields 203.
 "Mingle in the jungle," free reptile revue, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest.
 "Hubble Vision," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
 CSI Chi Alpha Club weekly meeting, 8 p.m., Student Union north cafeteria.
- Wednesday**
 Advanced Regional Technical Education Coalition annual board meeting, 6:45 a.m., Taylor 278.
 CSI Human Services Club

- weekly meeting, 10 a.m., Student Union 247.
 CSI Planning and Development Mini-Grant workshop, 3 p.m., Taylor 258.
 Sixx Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.
 Idaho Native Plant Society monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 277.
 "Open Mic" night, 8 p.m., Student Union.
- Thursday**
 CSI and Twin Falls School District math and science grant meeting, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Taylor 277.
 St. Luke's Regional Medical Center Magic Valley Board meeting, noon, Taylor 277.
 CSI Phi Theta Kappa weekly meeting, noon, Student Union 232.
 CSI Renaissance Club weekly meeting, 2 p.m., Shields 106.
 Students Accessing Abilities weekly meeting, 3:30 p.m., Student Union 245.
 University of Idaho financial planning training meeting, 6:30 p.m., Shields 118.
 Centennial Dance Band weekly rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts 121.
- Friday**
 Certified Nursing Assistants written testing, 10 a.m., Aspen 144.
 CSI Multicultural Student weekly meeting, 1 p.m., Student Union 248.
 CSI and Idaho Department of Health and Welfare training for foster and adoptive parents, 6 p.m., Student Union 248.
 "Hubble Vision," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

SERVICES

June D. Holloway of Bellingham, Wash., and formerly of Jerome, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at Farmwork Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome.

Leta Marie Daniels of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at the mortuary.

Johnny C. McGill of Rupert, funeral at 2 p.m.

SERVICES

Tuesday at Hansen Mortuary (Rupert Chapel); friends may call one hour before the service Tuesday at the funeral chapel.

James W. "Jim" Poulton, of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the View 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 550 S. 500 E., Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Knutson Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley,

SERVICES

and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Gwendolyn (Green) Krepick of Twin Falls, memorial service at 4 p.m. Saturday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Donald L. McGhee, of Wendell, celebration of life from 10 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the American Legion Hall in Wendell (White Mortuary - and Crematory).

ON THE AGENDA

- Today**
 Bliss School Board, 7:30 p.m., school library, 601 E. Highway 30.
 College of Southern Idaho Board, 8:30 p.m., Room 258, Taylor Administration Building, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls.
 Gooding City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W.
 Halley Planning and Zoning Commission, 6:30 p.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S.
 Hansen School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 550 Main.
 Jerome City commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
 Ketchum City Council, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 400 E. Ave. N.
 Minidoka County School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 633 Fremont, Rupert.
 Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
- Tuesday**
 Blaine County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Halley.

- Thursday**
 Bellevue Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar.
 Kimberly School Board, 7 p.m., intermediate school library, 241 Center St. W.
 Minidoka County Planning and Zoning Commission, 4 p.m., courthouse, 715 G St., Rupert.
 Sun Valley City Council, 4 p.m., City Hall, 81 Elkhorn Road.
 Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
 Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St.
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BURLEY — James W. "Jim" Poulton, an 89-year-old resident of the Willow Creek area of Burley, died Friday, Oct. 14, 2005, at Portneuf Medical Center West in Pocatello.

He was born April 30, 1925, in Burley, Idaho, the son of Thomas Arthur and Martha Ellen Thomas Poulton. He attended grade school at Willow Creek and graduated from Burley High School. He married Lavara Green of Almo, on April 21, 1949, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

In his early years, Jim worked for Holmes Construction, the building the Pillsbury Dam. He also worked for Roy Rose Outfitting and was a livestock truck driver.

He helped many local ranchers with cattle, sheep and branding.

Jim was a lifelong resident of Burley. Following marriage, he worked in Magic Valley stocks and Amalgamated Sawn Lumber Factory for 30 years, as well as being a local farmer and rancher.

Jim served for two years in the Oakley Vigilantes and was



a Deputy Sheriff in the Cassia County Mounted posse for 50 years. He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints having served in a Sunday School Presidency, and he was a home teacher.

Anything he could do with his horses — he was there ready to go. He loved chariot racing, pen penning, team sorting, roping and was an official starter of the State of Idaho Sanctioned Horse Races.

He will be missed by his family and many friends.

Jim is survived by his wife, Lavara Green Poulton of Burley; his children, Della (Jimmy) Harmon of Richfield, Idaho, Ellen (Don) Gibson of 29 Palms, California, Bill (Margaret) Poulton of Burley, Helen (Ray) Helms of Burley, Polly Hatch of Arras, British Columbia, Canada, and Chris (Sandy) Poulton of Oakley; two sisters, Louise Jones and Norma Edgar both of Burley; 20 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and three sisters.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2005, at the View First and Second Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 550 S. 500 E., Burley, with Bishop LaVel Stoker officiating.

Friends may call from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. Tuesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

TWIN FALLS — Marjorie L. Turner Strickling, 84, of Twin Falls died Saturday, Oct. 15, 2005, surrounded by her family.

Marjorie was born on May 10, 1921, to Albert and Goldie Irish in Dallas, S. D., the fourth child of 10. Her siblings included: Isabelle Galbraith, Leonard Irish, Alma Watson Russell, Doris Irons, Ben Irish, Delmar Irish, Darrell Irish, Albert Irish, Jr. and Wanda Turner Cunningham. Her family lived in Brockburg, Neb., until 1941. Because of the Depression and severe drought, the family moved west to Idaho.

Marge worked at the Idaho Department Store and Safeway before marrying Noble Turner in 1943. They farmed in Gooding, Wendell, Hazelton, Hunt and Jerome. Their children were Monte (Barbara) Turner, Gayle Anderson and



Chris (Orlan) Stearns.

Noble died in 1969 and Marjorie married Wayne Strickling in 1974. Stepchildren are Julie (Walter) Went, Linda Leitner, Mike (Rachel) Strickling and Doug (Carolyn) Strickling.

They lived in Wendell until their retirement when they moved to Twin Falls.

Marge is survived by her children, her step-children; 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, two husbands and four brothers and one sister.

A celebration of Marge's life will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2005, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 265 Addison Ave. East, Twin Falls. Burial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery. At the family's request there will be no public viewing.

The family suggests memorials be given in Marge's name to the Rebekah Lodge. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

Elderly couple made pact to die, say police

SMITHFIELD, Utah (AP) — An elderly man shot his wife and then killed himself in an apparent pact to end their lives, police said.

Police found a note at the home of Robert and Ernestine Stoutenburg in Cache valley.

"The writer of the note, and we haven't determined who the writer is, indicated that there was some medical issues and they were just tired," Smithfield Police Chief Johnny McCoy said. "It was just an open note found right near where the bodies were lying."

Robert Stoutenburg, 88, called police dispatchers before 2 p.m. Saturday saying he'd just shot his 83-year-old wife and was planning to take his own life. Dispatchers kept Stoutenburg on the phone for about five minutes before he hung up, but he shot himself moments before Smithfield police could arrive.

Officers found a revolver near the couple's bodies, which were turned over to the state medical examiner. De-

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Hunting season also prime time for auto-deer collisions

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — More deer-vehicle collisions occur during the fall than at any other time of year.

Deer are on the move in the autumn, and many enter highways and suburban neighborhoods at that time, sometimes with lethal results.

"We get lots of deer hits," said Ward Hart at Norm's Downroad Auto Body. "People run around with a cell phone in one hand and a coffee cup in the other. It's a wonder they can go through town."

According to the National Safety Council, there were 325 deer-related collisions and accidents in the nation in 2003, and these collisions resulted in 100 deaths and 10,000 injuries.

In Idaho in 2004, there were 825 deer-vehicle collisions resulting in property damage,

with 86 causing injuries, said Steve Rich, a research analyst for the Transportation Department. Rich said Idaho had 268 property damage incidents, 33 with injuries, in that period.

The average cost of the collisions that caused damage was \$2,800. For the collisions that included injury, the average cost was \$10,000, according to the nonprofit insurance information service.

Judith Sarbon, an agent at Harris-Doran Insurance in Coeur d'Alene, said she and her husband hit a deer that caused \$2,000 damage to their car.

"You just have to be very alert," she said. "Just slow down. You don't know what they're going to do."

Idaho's main deer hunting season began this month. Some stretches of Idaho Highway

often have deer on them, whatever the season. One is Highway 41, Rich Swanson of Blanchford said, deer hit his car on that road recently.

"The critter just kept dashing out of the woods," he said. "Suddenly I was looking at eyeballs in the window."

Jim Hayden, wildlife manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, said the state has tried to keep animals out of roads with devices such as reflectors that shine cars' lights to the roadside.

"They don't seem to work well," he said.

The state has no indication that deer whistles are effective, said Paul Salomito, owner of Lake City Auto Body.

"We've had deer whistle jobs, where they come in with deer hair in the whistles," he said.

Beams from Lucin Cutoff trestle salvaged

BLACKFOOT (AP) — A lumber company is still selling off relics of the Southern Pacific Railroad's "Lucin Cutoff" — a 12-mile wooden trestle across Great Salt Lake.

Trestlewood Division has been selling salvaged beams treasured for their strength, beauty and salt-encrusted fire resistance since the last of the trestle was dismantled and replaced by a solid-fill causeway for rail traffic.

Cannon Structures Inc. obtained salvage rights in 1993 to the trestle from T.C. Taylor Co. Ltd., which had previously acquired the rights from Southern Pacific. Cannon established its Trestlewood Division in Blackfoot, Idaho, to salvage the wood for resale.

After reclaiming about 30 million board feet, Trestlewood still has 7 million board feet of Douglas fir and redwood to sell.

The beams and planks come with a certificate verifying their origin, "a big part of our marketing," said Bob Cannon, Trestlewood's vice president of sales. "A lot of people like to know where their material comes from."

Trestlewood didn't return a call Sunday from The Associated Press asking about prices for the salvaged lumber.

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"Our fourth helicopter can haul between 4,800 and 5,300 pounds per load."

Burr said his helicopters are applying an average of 280 tons of straw a day. The straw is loaded into sling nets suspended below the helicopters. The loads are dropped from 100 to 200 feet above the ground at a speed of 80 mph. The goal is to blanket the target areas with 2,000 pounds of straw per acre.

MQ Restoration is horse-shoe Bend, Idaho, is under contract to the Forest Service to spread straw over approximately 642 acres in the 4th of July

Creek drainage. "We have three 20-person crews applying straw by hand," said Mark Quijas of MQ Restoration. "On a good day we can apply straw to 50 acres."

More than 1,560 tons of certified, weed-free straw were purchased for this project. Straw Specialties of Caldwell and Revegetation Services of Hiley, Ariz., provided the straw.

Crews from the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management are installing fences, falling hazard trees and doing the maintenance and drainage work on roads and trails within the burned area.

"We have had excellent support from everyone involved, especially the hand crews, contractors, and the (Forest Service) zone contracting office in Boise," said Ed Waldmajer, a spokesman at the Sawtooth National Forest office in Twin Falls.

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ous capacities.

He has served as president of the Association of Idaho Cities and was currently on its board of directors. He served on the citizens advisory board for the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, was a commissioner of airports, parks and recreation and worked with library planning and zoning. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 2nd Ward in Buhl and was High Council at the Elder Stake for 14 years. He was also active in the Boys and Girls Club, a member and past president of Kiwanis and member of the Buhl Chamber of Commerce.

Some of the things he was well-known to have fought for included the Buhl Wellhead Pro-

tection Committee. Enough is Enough, and he was instrumental in getting high school students involved with city operations.

In 2002, Geska received the Harold Hurst Award for his contribution to the AIC and in 2003 he was named an Asset Builder of the Month through the Healthcare Coalition.

"I had a very strong personality, but a very caring one, too," said Sharon Sheets, Buhl city clerk treasurer. "He definitely cared about Buhl, about what happened to Buhl and the community and the citizens. He was a very good person and a very well-respected individual."

When he wasn't traveling to the Sawtooth mountains and Oregon coast to fish with Lucy, he could be found experimenting in his vast vegetable garden

or being with his family, but Buhl was always with him and he constantly thought about ways to help the community or about problems that arose.

"He was consumed all the time," Lucy said. "He would get up in the middle of the night and worry about it. He never left anything out of his mind."

With his upbeat, energetic personality, he fought for what he thought was right for Buhl and its citizens. And, even though he "sifted the pot" once or twice, he made people think in a way they may not have before and became well-respected for his commitment to the community he loved.

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Idaho seniors face confusing array of prescription drug plans

BOISE (AP) — Idaho seniors will start enrolling in new Medicare prescription drug coverage soon, but with 40 plans to choose from, many are still confused about how to sign up.

"There just hasn't been enough information out there," said Merle Burgener, 69, of Boise, who volunteers at the Boise Senior Activities Center. "We have several seniors here who absolutely don't understand at all."

Burgener has drug coverage for the two prescriptions she takes with a plan she bought through AARP, formerly the American Association of Retired Persons. But she discovered Wednesday that her coverage will expire when a new Medicare plan goes into effect on Jan. 1. If Burgener wants continued drug coverage, she must choose a Medicare prescription drug plan.

There is no single Medicare drug plan. Instead, under the new program, private insurers

will offer an array of coverage options. Customers will pay some of the costs through premiums and co-payments. The government also subsidizes some of the costs.

Finding the plan with the most coverage for the lowest cost is difficult for some seniors. Only some health insurance companies have released detailed information about their plans, and much of the information is on the Internet, which many older people don't use.

"They just don't explain it in a layperson's language," said Leslie Adolphsen, a Boise Medicare beneficiary who has diabetes. "You have to do a lot of investigating on your own, and I don't think that's right."

For seniors who use the Internet, the easiest way to find the right plan will be to visit Medicare's Web site on Monday, when the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, is due to launch a new feature

that allows users to compare the drug plans.

The insurance program that goes into effect Jan. 1 was designed to help seniors 65 and older pay for their prescription drugs. Passed by Congress in 2003, it is the newest addition to Medicare. The program is voluntary. But CMS will penalize seniors who don't sign up for a plan during the first enrollment period — from Nov. 15 to May 15 — by adding a charge to their premiums when they do sign up.

CMS approved each private insurer's plan before it was made available to make sure it met certain basic criteria, including a limit of \$250 on the annual deductible.

Plans with higher premiums will offer lower deductibles and more drug coverage. The most expensive plan in Idaho, Prescription Pathways' Manette National Enhanced, costs \$68.88 a month but has no deductible and covers more brand-name drugs.

Nampa looks to restrict cold remedies

NAMPA (AP) — Nampa will join the county and other local cities Monday when council members explore a new law to restrict the sale of certain cold remedies.

At issue are products containing pseudoephedrine, a decongestant that has been common in over-the-counter

medications but has generated close scrutiny because it can be used to make methamphetamine.

The city is proposing to block retailers from selling more than three packages of products that contain pseudoephedrine in a single transaction; to prohibit stores from selling products that

contain pseudoephedrine to anyone under the age of 18; to require businesses to place these products for sale only behind a checkout counter where the public is not permitted or inside a locked display case; and require that pseudoephedrine sales be through an employee and not by a self-service system.

Gooding

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them a big meal," said Elen, a member of the Knights of Columbus. "We don't see a lot of hunters anymore, but now we get people and families from all over."

At another sweepstakes table, MaryAnn Bator, Rosa Cole and Louise Ervin sold tickets for a quilt designed and made by Julia Ravenscroft, 15 months, included a cupcake still warm from the oven. Ryan

was in the care of his aunt, Lenorah Tsetsakis of Gooding.

Another first-timer, lawyer Jay Kilha, said the meal took him by surprise. "It was delicious. Really off the chart," said Kilha, who lived in Chicago and Salt Lake City before moving to Gooding. "I guess this is what small towns are all about. It sort of reminded me of a scene from 'The Deer Hunter,' that communal feeling of everyone coming together. I expected to see Robert DeNiro walk into the room."

Hard work is no surprise to the people behind the annual event. Lou Stevens and Chris

Airkosh worked in the kitchen for two days to prepare the meal, which included roast beef simmered in red wine sauce and spicy Basque rice and chicken. While the 3-year-old, 6,400-square-foot cultural center and its state-of-the-art kitchen have made the job easier for volunteers, the growing popularity of the event leaves no room to relax.

Whisking a vat of salad dressing with one hand and directing kitchen traffic with another, chairwoman Carmen Stevens said, "I don't really run the dinner. It runs me."

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Heart and sole

WHY BUY ISN'T ENTIRELY IN CONTROL



Marie Reese — a 28-year-old classroom assistant, college student and mother of five — is surrounded by an array of her shoes in her Twin Falls home.

By Virginia Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Fresh leather, unscuffed heels. And that crinkle as the salesclerk nestles a new pair back into the folds of shoe box tissue.

That rattle as the box slides into a crisp bag with handles.

There's nothing like buying shoes to lift the spirits of those afflicted with footfall folly.

It's an act that saves agitation and promises agreeable times to come. A little too addictive, for many. Downright disease-like, for a few.

To keep the shoe-buying urge under control, ponder these risk factors that

contribute to frequent footwear purchasing:

- **Budget indifference.** "If I really like the style or the color, I'll buy it. And I don't really care for the price," says Maria Aguilar of Jerome. "Price is pretty much not a limit for me."
- **Two X chromosomes.** A recipe for plentiful purchasing, for sure.

Sure, like most generalizations, this one has plenty of exceptions. Not all men are like Alex Castaneda. But his example is instructive.

Castaneda, a 32-year-old Twin Falls Realtor, owns just three pairs of shoes.

"I'm pretty simple," he says. "I'm particular about what I wear, though."

His running/walking shoes have to be Nikes. The dress pair and their casual coun-

terparts are both Dr. Martens. That's all he asks.

But find an American woman with just three pairs, and you've found a notable phenomenon.

Given her job as a Twin Falls shoe store's assistant manager, Mackenzie Gemar's two chaotic closets of shoes aren't terribly surprising.

"I see a lot of new shoes come into the store — it kind of intrigues me a little bit more to buy more shoes," the 23-year-old says during a shift at the shop. "It's a fetish: Half the time I don't even know why I buy them. ... It's a hobby, I guess, buying shoes."

But Gemar insists she still has a little self control left.

"There's many shoes in here that I've passed up."

• **Shoe-devoted family members.** Kathy Jones, a Twin Falls banker, passed her shoe obsession to both her daughters. Her 13-year-old daughter won't start the day without an extended discussion with Mom on what shoes, exactly, suit the combination of shirt and belt.

"She'll ask my advice, then take her own," Jones says.

New generation, new views. Same old preoccupation.

• **An overdeveloped fashion sense.** Agular, for instance, consumes entire mornings shopping for shoes. Sometimes three times a month.

"I'll pretty much buy a pair of shoes for

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Quiz: Match the woman with her dearest pair of shoes



Beth Jacobson

26, Twin Falls, food service worker and part-time student

- **Size of shoe collection:** 10 pairs. She concedes that's fewer than "normal people" have.
- **Pair she wears:** Five. The practical pairs. The other five pairs are dress shoes that Jacobson bought while working at a wedding rental shop. "Now that I'm in the food business, it's pointless to dress up."
- **Today's version of dress-up:** Plain black flip-flops. She wears them to church.



Maria Aguilar

20, Jerome, insurance adjuster and full-time college student

- **Size of shoe collection:** 28 pairs. Almost half of them black. And all stored on a peat rack hanging from the closet door. "I know some people just throw them around. I don't."
- **Worn in the past month:** Eight pairs.
- **Never worn:** Six pairs.
- **Currently fit:** 21 pairs.
- **Most unusual pair:** Glossy black retro platforms which Aguilar bought for a party.

"The shoes she loves but her friends hate: Thick-soled black ones that look like they have teeth at the bottom."



Jennifer Lee

19, Jerome, car wash employee, college student and softball player

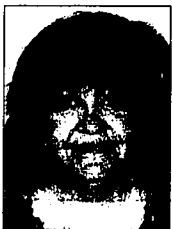
- **Size of shoe collection:** Something between 25 and 30 pairs — but too disorganized to count with certainty. And only five pairs have had a wearing in the past month.
- **Predominant color:** Black. Only three or four of her pairs aren't this most basic of footwear colors.
- **High heels?** Only on boots. "I like boots — big old hunkin' boots." She wears sneakers for sports, and boots for everything else. "It just fits with my personality, I guess. So no body thinks anything of it. It's just when I start wearing heels that they give me a hard time."
- **Unforgettable:** The strappy sandals with stiletto heels that Lee wore to her senior prom. "A miserable choice. And the subject of much teasing."



Marie Reese

28, Twin Falls, Head Start classroom assistant and college student

- **Size of shoe collection:** 24 pairs. "I love shoes, and most of them have heels on them."
- **Worn in the past month:** Maybe four pairs.
- **Organization:** In their original boxes — a fact which impresses Reese's sister-in-law. And some of the boxes are in storage, for lack of sufficient closet space in her current home.
- **Misleadingly its mate:** A certain love Sneaker used to be a favorite for work and home. Until its mate lamed up raising after Reese cleaned "the bedroom."
- **The problematic pair:** Her super bright-pink, slide-on sandals don't match anything in her closet. But Reese wore them to work once with denim shorts and a white shirt. Never again. "Because they're too bright."



Daniel Boone

41, Twin Falls, hair stylist

- **Size of shoe collection:** 23 pairs. They're unorganized, but they all fit, and they've all been worn.
- **Most common type:** Boots. A January move from Las Vegas to Twin Falls prompted Gutierrez to get rid of lots of her fancy summer styles and buy warmer shoes. "I have to wear socks now!"
- **Predominant color:** 17 pairs are black. Perhaps it's a cold-climate thing.
- **The shoes she loves but her friends hate:** White sandals.
- **Strangest pair:** Furly boots. "They look like something Daniel Boone would wear. They were a gift."



Kathy Jones

36, Twin Falls, personal banker

- **Size of shoe collection:** 26 pairs (not counting six boots and snow boots).
- **The organization:** They're perfectly lined up, two pairs deep, in her closet. "I could almost list where they are — including the Crocs that are at the bottom of the stairs, so I can take the trash out."
- **The surprise:** The Crocs. Jones swore she'd never own a pair of those bright, perforated-rubber shoes. Much too ugly, she thought. But their comfort converted her.
- **Oldest pair:** 6-year-old Teva sandals.



IMAGE

Hospital offers Parkinson's exercise program

Magie Valley Regional Medical Center is offering an exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive S., Twin Falls. The program places emphasis on increasing flexibility, strength, balance and coordination, improving communication by developing vocal strength and clarity of speech, helping individuals meet daily challenges, and improving symptoms of tremors, rigidity, poor balance and reduced range of motion. Tammy Diamond, certified occupational therapy assistant, will instruct the class. Organizers encourage spouses and caregivers of those with Parkinson's disease to attend. The class is free. To register, call 737-2126.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center offers "Baby and Me" classes from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 14th Ave. W., Jerome. This week's topic will be "Toys for Learning and Play." The session is for parents of children in an infancy through toddler years. The class is free. For information, call 324-7262.

Senior matters

Senior Matters Seminars will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 25 at the Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls. On Tuesday, speakers will include Dr. John Baker of Magie Valley Regional Medical Center with "Is It Dementia?"; Dave Peterson of Twin Falls Care Center with "The Doctor Says Skilled Nursing, Now What?"; and Jim Scoville of the Assisted Living with "What is Assisted Living?"

On Oct. 25, speakers will include Dennis Vorhies of the Idaho Department of Assisted Protection; Andrew Vix of Twin Falls Physical Therapy with "Benefits of Physical Therapy"; and Cindy Collins of Prudential Idaho Homes and Property with "Real Estate Issues of Retirement." The seminars are free for senior citizens and their families (no children please). For information, call Jim at 735-0700.

Breathers Club support

The Magie Breathers Club will meet from noon to 1:15 p.m. Tuesday at the Office on Aging Annex, 598 Washington St. N., on the College of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls. The club is a local support group for people coping with asthma, emphysema or other chronic breathing problems. Those attending can bring

Laugh to look younger

Knight Ridder News Service

Free radicals are the free-wheeling particles in the body said to cause aging, inflammation and cancer. To battle them, you are encouraged to consume vegetables and fruits. A recent study points to an additional defense. Allure magazine says humor and happy thoughts also may help deflect the damage. At the Meikai University in Japan, researchers measured free radical scavenging capacity, or FRSC, in the saliva of 27 volunteers. The testing was done before, after and during the viewing of a half-hour television comedy. As they watched, the FRSC, or defense mechanism, rose by about 30 percent. In short, Allure says, the pleasure boosted the protection.

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their lunch to the meeting. The meeting is free. For information, call Marlene at 734-6500 or Lisa at 539-9615.

Alzheimer's support

Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation Center will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Sunbridge, 610 Elder Ave. W., Twin Falls. The support group is open to Twin Falls-area residents who have family members with Alzheimer's. For information, call Steve Jones of Dawn McCoy at 734-8645.

About C-sections

A Cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the lobby at Magie Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 600 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls. The class will include information on Cesarean deliveries, pain management, hospital procedures and nonconforming mothers. Cost is \$20. Pre-registration is required; call 737-4140.

Brain injury support

The Brain Injury Support Group will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Magie Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Building, 500 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls. Leah Gage, speech therapist, and Gay Yaman, occupational therapist, both of Magie Valley Regional, will discuss "Organizational and Memory Skills for Work and Home." The support groups for people who have had a brain injury, or for their families, friends and caregivers. The meeting is free. For information, call 737-2126.

Breast-feeding 101

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer a "Breast-feeding 101" class from 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 25 at the St. Benedict's Family Education Center, 115 14th Ave. W., Jerome. The class is for expectant mothers, fathers, grandparents and other support people. The class will be taught by a registered lactation consultant. Organizers encourage parents to attend the class within two months of the baby's due date. The class is free. In register, call 424-4301, ext. 391.

About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 25 through Nov. 22, in the lobby at Magie Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 600

Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The class will include classroom instruction on wellness of the mother, labor and delivery process with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the postpartum mother, care of the newborn including breast feeding and bottle feeding, and a visit to one of the Women's and Infant Center.

Cost is \$30. Pre-registration is required; call 737-4140 for information at www.mvrmc.org.

Stroke prevention

Late Line Screening will offer ultrasound tests to help people identify their risk of stroke, vascular diseases or osteoporosis. The screenings will begin at 11 a.m. Oct. 27 at the Kimberly Public Library, 120 Madison St. W.

The screenings scan for potential health problems related to blocked arteries which can lead to a stroke, aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta and hardening of the arteries in the legs which causes the risk of heart disease. A high-density screening to assess the risk of osteoporosis also will be offered for men and women.

Cost is \$109 for a complete vascular screening package, including the stroke/carotid artery, abdominal aortic aneurysm and ankle brachial index screenings, and \$129 for a complete case of heart disease plus osteoporosis screening. Pre-registration is required. To schedule an appointment, call 400-047-9221.

Parenting class for fathers

South Central Head Start will offer "Nurturing Fathers" classes at Twin Falls and Burley. In Twin Falls, the class will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 25 through Dec. 6 at Head Start's Administrative Office, 321 Hansen St. E. In Burley, the class will be held for Spanish-speaking fathers from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, Oct. 26 through Dec. 7, at Head Start's Cassia Center, 4001 14th St.

The program includes information on the roots of fathering, discipline without violence, cultural influences, playing with children and managing anger. The classes are free. Dinner will be provided. To register, call Ronda at 736-0741.

Learn CPR

A Heartsaver cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6 to 10 p.m. Oct. 26 in the Sage Room at Magie Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center, 500 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls. The class is offered under the guidelines of the American Heart Association and includes

emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking for adults and infants. The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice. Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required; call 737-2007.

Breast screenings

A breast screening program, including a breast examination by a certified nurse specialist and information on breast self-exam, is available at Magie Valley Regional Medical Center's Women's Health and Imaging Services, 600 Shoshone St. E., Suite 2-22, Twin Falls. The program is offered free to all women. To make an appointment, call 737-3250.

Mammogram awareness

Breast Cancer Awareness Month is October. It's time for women to think about scheduling their annual mammograms and Pap tests. South Central District Health, in conjunction with the Women's Health Center program, is encouraging women, especially those who have the ages of 50 and 60 with limited income, to call for information about free screenings.

The Women's Health Center program offers mammograms and Pap tests at no cost to women who are age 50 or older with limited income and no health insurance to cover these procedures. Services are also available to a limited number of women under the age of 50 who have significant risk factors for breast or cervical cancer as well as meeting the income and insurance guidelines. Women who have insurance with a high deductible may be eligible for the free screenings. For information about qualifying for the Women's Health Center program, call 1-800-926-2300 or call South Central District Health in Twin Falls at 737-5935 or 737-5938. A Spanish-speaking interpreter is also available for these services.

To do for you is a section listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's Image section. Mail notices to the Times-News, P.O. Box 530, Twin Falls, ID 83403, or deliver to our office at 132 Fairfield St. W.

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Employment listings for various roles including Drivers, Tractor Operators, and Warehouse Workers. Includes details like 'Hiring Local Delivery Drivers' and 'Driver Helper'.

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“And thank God for this, honestly, ladies and gentlemen, because I am now no longer the most overpaid disappointment in the city.”

— David Letterman after Alex Rodriguez's postseason struggles

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Against which team did Walter Payton become the first NFL player to accumulate 20,000 all-purpose yards?

...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High School Postseason

Boys soccer
4A Great Basin West tournament Jerome at Minico, 4 p.m.
Wood River at Burley championship, 4 p.m.
3A SCIC Tournament Declo at Bliss, 4 p.m.
Buhl at Community School, 4 p.m.

Girls soccer
4A Great Basin West tournament Jerome at Minico, 4 p.m.
Burl at Wood River, 4 p.m.

Volleyball
4A Great Basin West tournament, Jerome No. 4 Minico vs. No. 1 Jerome, 5 p.m.
No. 3 Burley vs. No. 2 Wood River, 5 p.m.
5 p.m. losers, 7 p.m.
Northside tournament, ISDB, Gooding, 2 p.m.
Southside tournament, Hansen
Loser-out matches
Magle Valley (Christian vs. Murtagh, 5:30 p.m.)
Castelford vs. Oakley, 7 p.m.
Hansen vs. 5:30 p.m. winner

IN BRIEF

CSI booster luncheon is today

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho booster luncheon will be held Monday at noon at the Outback Steakhouse in Twin Falls. Golden Eagles coaches and athletes will be in attendance to give updates on their respective programs. Anyone interested is invited to the event.

O'Leary JHS boosters meet next Monday

TWIN FALLS — The O'Leary Junior High School booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24 in the B building gymnasium.

CSI offers winter baseball camp

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho is holding its 23rd annual Southern Idaho Baseball Camp, Dec. 27-29. The camp will be held inside the 70,000 square foot Expo Center located on the CSI campus in Twin Falls.

Instruction covers hitting, pitching, catching, infield/outfield skills and base running. CSI's staff combined with present and former professional players will provide a great learning experience to the participants.

To receive an application or more information, visit the website at http://www.csi.edu/StudentAthletics/baseball_camp.htm or call Skip Walker at 732-6650 or 734-6255.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Houston on Oct. 12, 1986. He had 76 yards rushing and 90 yards receiving against the Oilers, raising his total to 20,045.

MLB Playoffs Sox headed to World Series

Chicago downs Angels 6-3, books first ticket to series since 1959

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Not since Shoeless Joe Jackson have the Chicago White Sox caused this much of a commotion. World Series, here they come.

After nearly a half-century of ho-hum baseball, the White Sox finally made it back Sunday night. A.J. Pierzynski came out on the right side of yet another umpiring ruckus. Jose Contreras pitched Chicago's fourth straight complete game and the White Sox beat the Los Angeles Angels 6-3 to win the AL championship series in five games.

The White Sox will take to either Houston or St. Louis, starting at home Saturday night. It will be Chicago's first World Series since 1959, and the White Sox will get a chance at their first title since 1917.

And it will also give them a shot at some long overdue redemption — they lost the most numerous World Series ever, when Shoeless Joe and his "Black Sox" threw games against Cincinnati in 1919 and gave baseball a black eye.

The 46-year gap between Series appearances is the longest in major league history. Whoa Nellie!

The last time Chicago's South Side team made it this far, it was all about Nellie Fox and his Go-Go Sox.

"We're in the World Series," White Sox owner Jerry Reinsdorf hollered in his suite after the final out.

Reinsdorf once said he would trade all six NBA titles won by his Chicago Bulls for one World Series championship, and his opportunity is coming.

"I still can't believe it," he said, heading to the clubhouse to celebrate with his team. "I'm numb right now. I honest to God, it hasn't sunk in. I think something really good is happening, but I'm not sure what it is."

It's pitching, that what it is.

The White Sox became the first team to pitch four complete games in a single post-season series since the 1956 New York Yankees got them from Whitey Ford, Tom Sturdivant, Don Larsen (this perfect game) and Bob Turley against the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Contreras retired his final 15 batters and pitched a five-hitter, following Matt Buehrler's five-hitter in Game 2, Jon Garland's four-hitter in Game 3 and Freddy Garcia's five-hitter in Game 4.

It was complete domination — Chicago's climb if it wants to win its second consecutive pennant. The Cardinals must face Pettitte, Roy Oswalt and Roger Clemens in the next three games — if they can push it that far.

Once again in this postseason, the umpires were in the middle of all the action.

The Cardinals were angry about Phil Cuzzi's liberal strike zone all afternoon, and La Russa and Edmonds were ejected in the late innings for arguing balls and strikes.

After Morgan Ensberg's tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the seventh, Lidge entered with a 2-1 lead in the ninth.

The Cardinals managed a run against him Saturday for the first time in 31 innings, and they got something going again right away.

Albert Pujols hit a leadoff single and Jencarlos Pineda hit a single to right by aiding Larry Walker.

Reggie Sanders, who missed Game 3 with a sore neck and back, hit a bounce to third, and Ensberg made a nice play to cut down Pujols at the plate.

But with nobody covering, Walker darted dashed to third, putting runners at the corners crowd and, even in losing, he managed to restore the glory that's been missing from Notre Dame for 13 years.

"They're going to be a real problem for everybody," USC coach Pete Carroll said. "I don't see any way that they're not going to be a really good program."

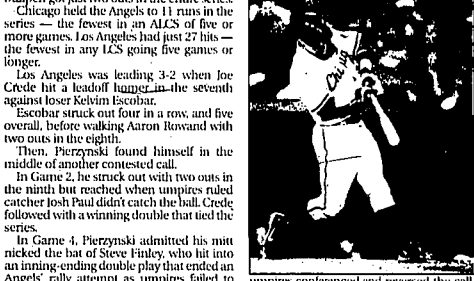
The Irish (4-2) shined as brightly on a Saturday afternoon as the school's Golden Doodle, freshly gilded with 23.9-karat gold left this summer for the first time since 1989 — the school's last national championship season.

The tarnish of recent years suddenly disappeared. Two



ABOVE: The Chicago White Sox celebrate after beating the Los Angeles Angels 6-3 in Game 5 to win the American League Championship Series in Anaheim, Calif., on Sunday.

BELOW: Chicago White Sox third baseman Joe Crede hits a solo home run in the seventh inning.



umpires conferred and reversed the call, bringing Angels manager Mike Scioscia for a dispute.

Los Angeles then brought in second Francisco Rodriguez to face Crede. K-Rod threw a 1-2 breaking ball that the crowd thought was strike three but was called a ball by plate umpire Ed Rapano. Rodriguez threw another ball and Crede hit a grounder up the middle.

Astros take 3-1 lead in NLCS

By Mike Fitzpatrick
Associated Press writer

HOUSTON — Boised as can be no matter how tough the task, Brad Lidge pulled off another great escape against St. Louis.

Now it's the steaming-hot Cardinals who are in a serious jam in the NL championship series.

Defensive replacement Eric Bruntz started a game-ending double play. Lidge wriggled out of a major mess in the 11th inning and the Houston Astros scratched out a 2-1 victory Sunday in Game 4 to move within one win of their first trip to the World Series.

Jason Lane homered, Willy Taveras made a saving catch on the center-field hill and Houston took advantage of a critical error by pitcher Jason Marquis — plus the ejections of Tony La Russa and Ed Edmonds — to build a commanding 3-1 lead in the best-of-seven series.

The Astros can close it out at home Monday night, with Andy Pettite on the mound against Cardinals ace Chris Carpenter.

St. Louis has quite an uphill



Houston Astros pinch runner Willy Taveras (1) touches the plate to score as St. Louis Cardinals catcher Yadier Molina waits for the throw in the seventh inning of Game 4 of the National League Championship Series, Sunday in Houston.

again, this time with one out.

The Astros argued that they had called time out, but the umpires let Walker remain at third.

No matter to Lidge.

Lidge got John Mabry to hit a slow grounder to Bruntzlett at second base, and shortstop Adam Everett turned a difficult

double play that ended the game.

Stretching as far as he could, first baseman Lance Berkman gloved the ball just in time to get Mabry. First-base ump Larry Poncinio punched him out — and replays showed the close call was correct.

More importantly, Weiss is making believers of people. Irish players always say they expect to win. But heading into the game against USC, it was clear they believed it. Tailback Darius Walker talked about hoping for a blowout — this from a team that lost three straight to USC by 31. Tight end Anthony Fasano talked about "when the Irish beat USC."

Weiss also has made believers out of fans. Five years ago, when Nebraska came to town, about a third of the stadium appeared to be wearing red and the Nebraska fans chanted "Husker home game!" It was easy to spot the Trojans fans in the stands Saturday, but the raucous crowd was clearly behind the Irish and

Wes. Hooding the field at the end when they thought the Irish had won.

Weiss worked the crowd into a frenzy all week. He encouraged fans, many so-soberly, to be at Notre Dame Stadium on Friday to harass the Trojans at their walk-through, and hundreds of them obliged. He moved the pep talk to the stadium so 45,000 people could attend then brought Joe Montana, Tim Brown, Chris Zorich and Daniel "Rudy" Ruetzger back to star

Then he pulled out the famed green jerseys, the same way Dan Devine did in inspiring the Irish to a 49-19 victory over USC on Notre Dame's field in 1977.

About the only thing Weiss Please see IRISH, Page D4

BCS standings sure to draw fire

Let the complaining begin. The season's first Bowl Championship Series standings come out Monday, and it looks like Southern California and Texas have a call to find out how to handle being the BCS's odd team out.

And here's the really bad news for fans of Virginia Tech, Georgia and Alabama: Unless the Trojans or Longhorns stumble on enough ways to lose the Bowl, everybody else is probably fighting for third.

RALPH D. RUSSO

Maybe Frank Beamer, Mark Richt and Mike Shula should give Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville a call to find out how to handle being the BCS's odd team out.

With seven weeks left in the regular season, there's more than enough time for these things to sort themselves out. Or become immensely muddled. If a wild Saturday of college football taught us anything, it's to expect the unexpected.

For those who need a reminder, the BCS's formula is the same as last season, but with a new component. Teams are ranked by computer rankings. Each component counts for one-third of a team's grade.

To project what the BCS numbers crunchers will churn out on Monday, first we have to sort through a memorable weekend of great games that started with nine perfect teams and ended with seven.

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The Seminoles were upset 26-21 at Virginia. 10 years after the Cavaliers handed Florida State its first Atlantic Coast Conference loss.

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The Trojans' wild 34-31 victory at Notre Dame put USC's guts and moxie on display. Heisman Trophy winner Matt Leinart went for the win and got it by sneaking into the end zone with seconds to spare.

Texas' easy 42-17 victory over Colorado probably had some poll voters rethinking their first-place votes this week, but BCS and Heisman voters expect USC to be in first and Texas to be a solid second in the BCS standings.

Texas playing an opponent that is now 1-2? Pulla, pulla! So that's going to help what has been a pretty weak strength of schedule so far.

Virginia Tech, idle on Saturday, is looking at third place at best in the BCS standings, Palm projected.

Georgia should benefit from the losses by Florida State and Penn State and Alabama's 13-10 squeaker at Mississippi.

Coming off a convincing 34-17 win at Vanderbilt, the

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National Football League

Week 6

AFC

Team	W	L	T	P	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Dv
Akron	3	3	0	0	50	95	150	310	0.50	0.30	200
Buffalo	3	3	0	0	50	138	164	270	210	0.50	0.60
New England	3	3	0	0	40	96	106	260	150	0.10	0.20
San Diego	2	4	0	0	33	78	112	210	0.30	0.40	100
Wash.	2	4	0	0	33	78	112	210	0.30	0.40	100

NFC

Team	W	L	T	P	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Dv
Atlanta	2	4	0	0	100	200	200	400	4.00	0.10	200
Jacksonville	2	4	0	0	167	100	210	210	3.00	0.10	0.10
Tennessee	2	4	0	0	100	129	150	230	3.00	0.10	0.10
Indianapolis	2	4	0	0	100	122	80	200	2.00	0.10	0.10
Cleveland	2	3	0	0	40	68	110	120	0.30	0.30	0.20

South

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Carolina	2	4	0	0	100	150	210	210	3.00	0.10	0.10
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Denver	3	1	0	0	83	125	110	110	1.40	1.00	200
Kansas City	3	2	0	0	100	112	210	210	1.10	1.10	110
Oakland	3	2	0	0	100	126	120	110	1.10	1.10	110
Cincinnati	1	4	0	0	200	90	110	120	0.20	0.20	0.10

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Cincinnati	1	4	0	0	200	90	110	120	0.20	0.20	0.10

Buffalo Bills

Game	W	L	T	P	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Dv
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
9	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
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15	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
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25	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
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32	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
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36	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
37	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
38	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
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56	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
57	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
58	1	0	0	0	14	7	7	7	1.00	0.00	0.00
59	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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NHLCS, Game 5, St. Louis at Houston, FOX, 8 p.m.

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SPORTS

Cowboys nip Giants in OT

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Despite four turnovers and two missed field goals, the Cowboys overcame it all with a 45-yard field goal by Jose Cortez on the opening drive of overtime to win 16-11.

El Manning, who struggled all game, led the Giants on two long fourth-quarter drives. The first was killed when rookie Brandon Jacobs fumbled at the Dallas 1. But New York (3-2) got the ball back and drove the Giants 52 yards to a tying 17-17 on a 24-yard drive to Jeremy Shockey with 19 seconds left in regulation.

Dallas' Drew Bledsoe and Manning came in as the top-rated passers in the NFL. But instead of a nice early season test between two NFC East rivals, the Cowboys (4-2) gave the ball away on three of their first four drives.

Chargers 27, Raiders 14

OAKLAND, Calif. — LaDainian Tomlinson and San Diego are dominating the Oakland Raiders in a way they haven't since Al Davis was on the Chargers' side of this rivalry.

Tomlinson became the first player since 2001 to run, catch and throw for a touchdown as the Chargers shut down an Oakland defense by an injury to Randy Moss, winning their fourth straight over the Raiders, 27-14. His feat Sunday was only the seventh in NFL history.

The margin, 14-0, hadn't won four straight in a rivalry dominated by the Raiders (1-4) since taking the first six meetings from 1960-62, when Al Davis was their defensive end coach.

Tomlinson showed off his all-around skills as never before in his career, with his three first-half touchdowns, 140 yards rushing and 89 yards receiving. The Raiders (1-4) were less competitive than in their first three losses, Oakland committed penalties to extend San Diego's first two touchdown drives. Kerry Collins was just 24-for-48 for 292 yards and threw his first interception of the season, and the Raiders had only 39 yards rushing.

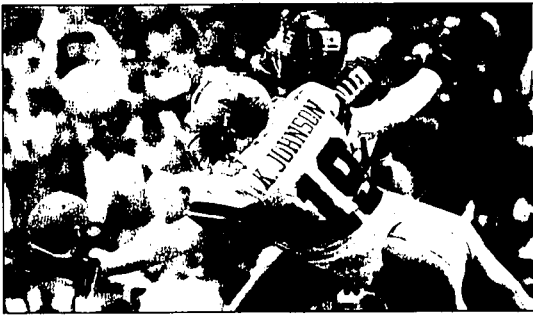
Jaguars 23, Steelers 17 (OT)

PITTSBURGH — If the Pittsburgh Steelers didn't realize the value of Ben Roethlisberger before, they do now.

Rashawn Matusz scored on a 14-yard return of a Tommy Maddox interception in overtime and Jacksonville took advantage of four Maddox turnovers against the injury-thinned Steelers.

The Steelers (3-2) lost their second straight at home. They looked to be in position to win following Quincy Morgan's 71-yard kickoff return to start the game. But Maddox fumbled the ball away at the 27 with Jeff Reed readying to attempt a game-winning field goal on the next play.

After the Jaguars punted, Maddox looked to his left, then went back to his right to try to find Morgan on a second-and-10 play from the Steelers' 35, but



Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Kayswhan Johnson (19) reaches and grabs the 45-yard reception after it was deflected by New York Giants cornerback Will Allen (25) in the third quarter in Irving, Texas on Sunday.

Matusz cut in front and scored without being touched.

The Jaguars (4-2) were without running back Fred Taylor (knee), but the Steelers were without Roethlisberger (knee) and star wide receiver Hines Ward (hamstring).

Chiefs 28, Redskins 21

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Maybe age isn't catching up with Priest Holmes as quickly as everyone thought. Nine days after his 32nd birthday, Holmes ran for a touchdown and caught five passes for 100 yards, including a 60-yard catch-and-run for the 100-yarder.

Santana Moss caught two touchdowns for the Redskins, who lost their second in a row after a 3-0 start.

Safety Sammy Knight, who had an 80-yard fumble return for a touchdown, got a fingertip on a potential game-tying pass from Mark Brunell to Santana Moss to clinch it for Kansas City (3-2).

Falcons 34, Saints 31

SAN ANTONIO — The itinerant New Orleans Saints still can't get a break.

Jason Peters' 36-yard field goal won it for Atlanta in the final seconds. But only after a miss from 41 yards was negated by a holding penalty on Saints defensive end Tony Bryant, a play that had no effect on the miss.

New Orleans (2-4), embarrassed at Green Bay 52-3 a week earlier, had tied at 31-31 when Aaron Brooks hit Devery Henderson in the back of the end zone for a 15-yard TD with under a minute left.

Then the Falcons' Michael Vick, hauled up most of the afternoon in his first game back from a sprained knee, completed four passes and ran for a first down that quickly moved the ball down the field.

That eventually led to the penalty and the winning kick.

Buccaneers 27, Dolphins 13

TAMPA, Fla. — Ricky Williams is back, but it could be some time before the Miami Dolphins can boast the same about their offense.

Michael Pittman ran for 127 yards and a touchdown Sunday.

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Ravens 16, Browns 3

BAITIMORE — The Baltimore Ravens forced three turnovers and sacked former teammate Trent Dilfer four times in a 16-3 win over the Cleveland Browns.

Todd Heap scored the only touchdown for the Browns (2-3), who bounced back from their worst start in franchise history after being penalized 21 times last week in a defeat at Detroit.

Dilfer had led the Ravens to a win in the 2001 Super Bowl, but was released after the season when Baltimore opted to sign Elvis Grbac. He was obtained this year from Seattle by the Browns (2-3).

Bears 28, Vikings 3

CHICAGO — While the Minnesota Vikings' season continued to spiral out of control, the Chicago Bears might have saved theirs on Sunday.

Brian Urlacher had two sacks to lead the Bears over a Vikings team reeling after allegations of drunkenness and social misbehavior on a charter cruise last week. It was the fourth loss in five games for Minnesota.

Thomas Jones rushed for 89 yards and two touchdowns on 23 carries for the Bears (2-3).

Bengals 31, Titans 23

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — With a game they needed to win on the line, the Cincinnati Bengals found a way to get the ball to their top receiver.

Carson Palmer tossed a 15-yard touchdown pass to Chad Johnson with 4:19 left that gave Cincinnati the lead for good, and the Bengals bounced back from their first loss of the season.

The Titans (2-4) had won nine of the last 10 in this series between old AFC Central rivals, but Cincinnati (6-1) won for the first time since the 2001 season finale. It now leads the AFC North by 1.5 games following Pittsburgh's loss. The Bengals play host to the Steelers next week.

Palmer's second touchdown pass put the Bengals up 24-20, and the Bengals ended the Titans' hopes of winning consecutive games for the first time since the end of the 2003 season by forcing two turnovers in the final 3:09.



Annika Sorenstam, of Sweden, tees off on the fifth tee during the final round of the Samsung World Championship at Bighorn Golf Club in Palm Desert, Calif., on Sunday.

Sorenstam runs away

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam cares more about winning than sending emphatic statements about her place in women's golf. She managed to do both Sunday in the Samsung World Championship.

Lost amid the hype of 16-year-old Michelle Wie making her professional debut, Sorenstam showed her star quality at Bighorn by closing with a 3-under 69 on a rainy afternoon in the desert to win by eight shots. It was the third time this year, and ninth time in her Hall of Fame career, that Sorenstam has won by at least eight.

Wie, who started the final round five shots behind, lost hope quickly with three bogeys on the first five holes. She finished with 11 consecutive pars for a 2-over 74, leaving her in fourth place, 10 shots behind Sorenstam.

The only consolation was her first paycheck — \$53,126. Sorenstam, who finished at 18-under 270, won for the eighth time this season and earned \$212,500 to go over \$2 million for the fifth consecutive season.

Short, Jr. takes Michelin Championship

LAS VEGAS — Wes Short Jr. hit

his bunker shot within a foot of the pin, then tapped in for a par on the second hole of a playoff with Jim Furyk to win the Michelin Championship for his first PGA Tour title.

McNulty wins Administaff Classic

SPRING, Texas — Mark McNulty won his second Champions Tour title of the year, closing with a 6-under 66 for a one-stroke victory over Gil Morgan in the Administaff Small Business Classic.

McNulty, the longtime European tour player from Zimbabwe, had a 6-under 200 total on the Augusta Pines course.

He birdied two of the last three holes and also had two eagles in the final round.

Morgan birdied the final hole for his third straight 67.

Jacquelin tops at Madrid Open

MADRID, Spain — France's Raphaél Jacquelin won the Madrid Open for his first European tour title, closing with a 2-under 69 for a three-shot victory over 1989 British Open champion Paul Lawrie.

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"You've got a connection"

Russo

Continued from D1. Bulldogs might be closer to Virginia Tech than the Hokies are to the Longhorns, Palm said.

Alabama kept its perfect season with a field goal as time expired. The Crimson Tide will have to compete with Miami (5-1) and maybe even LSU (5-1) for the fifth spot in the Top 10 rankings.

Texas A&M and Texas Tech are on the rise and have the opportunity to make the big leap into the thick of the national title race. The Red Raiders (6-0) get their shot Saturday against Texas in Austin. The Bruins (6-0) play USC on Dec. 3.

Coaches and players no doubt will downplay the significance of Monday's standings — "There's a lot of things left to do" we can only be concerned with

Irish

Continued from D1. Didn't pull out to try to win was Kluge-Rock's "Win one for the Gipper" speech.

The loss probably cost the Irish a shot at a national championship, but it kept a lot of coaches alive.

Notre Dame still has a chance for a Bowl Championship Series berth. If the Irish win the rest of

their games, and they likely will be favored in those games — probably heavily favored against everyone except No. 17 Tennessee — they likely will play in a BCS game.

So no more getting talking after the game about how the Irish have tied a school record by losing four straight home games or that Weis became the

first rookie Notre Dame coach since 1900 to lose his first two home games. They were looking at what the Irish had shown.

That we can compete with the best team in the country and the best coach in the top of the rankings," Fasano said.

It's been a while since many people outside South Bend believed that.