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Dairy case hits Idaho Supreme Court

Water transfer in question for Gooding County operation

By Michelle Dunlop
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The water rights of a dairy operating in Gooding County will be under the scrutiny of the Idaho Supreme Court when the court visits Twin Falls today.

In the past six years, the dispute between dairyman Adrian Boer and environmentalists Lee Halper and Bill Chisholm has bounced back and forth between the courts and the Idaho Department of Water Resources. The case sparked a change in the "local public interest" aspect of water law and created questions in permitting procedures.

Chisholm says that the district court refused to accept information critical to Boer's water transfer and the operating plan he is seeking that transfer.

"In my mind, the court is sort of on trial," he said.

Yet, no matter how hard his client has tried to mitigate dairy odor and comply with the law, Boer's attorney Chad Meyer believes that Halper and Chisholm aren't happy. Instead, Halper and Chisholm will only be satisfied if they can force Water Resources into halting all water transfers for dairies, Meyer said.

"We're just looking forward to final resolution," Meyer said.

Gooding County approved Boer's per-

mit for a 6,000-animal unit dairy in October 1999. Chisholm and Halper protested Boer's water rights transfer with the Idaho Department of Water Resources in 2000.

The local environmentalists argued against the transfer under the "local public interest" aspect of Idaho water law.

Halper and Chisholm were so successful in arguing that the odor created by Boer's dairy would not be in the "local public interest" that the Idaho Legislature re wrote the law in 2003.

"Our victory was one of the reasons they used to change the law," Chisholm said. Boer testified at the legislative hearing.

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■ **Last we knew:** A district court judge affirmed a water right transfer granted by the state to Adrian Boer for his 6,000 animal unit dairy in Gooding County near the Snake River Canyon. The dairy is now operational.

■ **The latest:** Environmentalists Bill Chisholm and Lee Halper appealed the decision to the Idaho Supreme Court.

■ **What's next:** The Idaho Supreme Court will hear the case at 9:50 a.m. today in Twin Falls.

Project moves along



A scraper crosses Pole Line Road Tuesday afternoon while traffic is stopped in both directions. The roadway will be opened in mid-November, which will improve traffic flow in the area.

Traffic will improve soon on Pole Line Road

By Terry Smith
Times News writer

TWIN FALLS — Traffic flow should improve in a few weeks on Pole Line Road as the Idaho Transportation Department puts the finishing touches on a new six-lane roadway that will run from Blue Lakes Boulevard to Washington Street.

Project construction, which started in July, won't be finished until next October; the new roadway should be ready for

traffic by the middle of this month, according to Project Engineer Kinbol Allen.

Pole Line Road from Washington Street to Grandview Street will be four lanes.

Allen said longer-than-usual delays on Tuesday were caused by construction work to lay a 36-inch water line across Pole Line Road at Washington Street.

"That probably slowed them up and made them go down to one lane for a few hours," Allen

said.

Generally, work has gone smoothly with few complaints from motorists, he said. "It's not been really quiet — I don't think we've had any calls of problems out there in the last few weeks."

The construction on Pole Line Road is part of a larger project to build U.S. Highway 93.

It currently runs through Twin Falls along Addison Avenue West before turning north on Blue Lakes Boulevard and

exiting the city at the Perrine bridge.

The complete project won't be finished for a few years, but the new route will allow U.S. 93 to continue north to 240 East.

It will turn east at Pole Line Road and again north on Blue Lakes Boulevard.

Allen said highway designations haven't been completely resolved, but the new route will help to reroute truck traffic away from Washington Street and Blue Lakes Boulevard.

Bird flu report outlines strategy for pandemic

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A flu pandemic that hits the United States would force cities to ration scarce drugs and vaccine and house the sick in hotels or schools when hospitals overflow, unprecedented federal plans say.

The Bush administration's long-awaited report Wednesday on battling a worldwide super-flu outbreak makes clear that old-fashioned infection-control will be key.

Signs that a super-flu is spreading among people anywhere in the world could prompt U.S. travel restrictions or other steps to contain the illness before it hits America's shores.

If that fails, the Pandemic Influenza Plan offers specific instructions to local health officials: The sick or the people caring for them should wear masks. People coughing must stay three feet away from others in doctors' waiting rooms. People should cancel nonessential doctor appointments and limit visits to the hospital.

A day after President Bush outlined his \$7.1 billion strategy to prepare for the next pandemic, the details released Wednesday stress major steps

to close schools and limit public gatherings such as movies or religious services.

"This is a critical part of the plan," because states will be at the forefront of a battle that could have 50,000 fronts, said Health and Human Services Secretary Mike Leavitt, who will work with governors in coming weeks to push local preparations. "Every community is different and requires a different approach."

Also Wednesday, the government for the first time told Americans not to board the anti-flu drug Tamiflu, because doing so will hurt federal efforts to stockpile enough to treat the sick who really need it. Tamiflu maker recently suspended that state and local authorities must begin taking now: Update quarantine laws. Work with utilities to keep the phones working, and growers to keep supplying food amid the certain panic. Determine when to close schools and limit public gatherings such as movies or religious services.

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Terror policies under fire

CIA has secret prisons in Europe

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration's policies for holding and detaining suspected terrorists came under sharp scrutiny and criticism Wednesday after disclosure that the CIA had set up covert prisons in several Eastern European countries.

The U.S. special rapporteur on torture said he would seek more information about the secret prisons, which he said were in classified documents as "black sites." Congressional Democrats and human rights groups warned that the secret system would damage the U.S. image overseas.

House Democrats said they plan to introduce a motion as early as Thursday on the sensitive language in the defense spending package written by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., which would bar cruel and inhuman treatment of prisoners in U.S. custody, including those in CIA hands. The motion would instruct House members to accept McCain's press measure.

Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., ranking Democrat on the Appropriations defense subcommittee, urged the United States to adopt a doctrine of "no torture, no review, and no transfers." Congress needs to speak on the issue. "The United States of America and the values we represent cannot support the actions and uphold human rights," Murtha said in a statement.

McCain's amendment was introduced last month by the Senate. The House Democrats said they expect it to pass, an Appropriations Committee spokesman said.

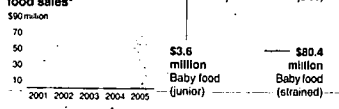
The CIA and the White House are seeking language that would exempt prisoners held by the agency, which would include the 30 or so al-Qaida fighters that sources said are being held in the "black sites." Neither the CIA nor the White House officials have said in interviews that the arrangement is essential to gaining information about possible terrorist activities.

The Washington Post reported Wednesday that the CIA covert detention system has at times established facilities in eight countries, including, among others, Thailand, Afghanistan and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Those facilities are now closed. The Post did not publish the names of Eastern European countries involved in the program, at the request of senior U.S. officials. They argued that doing so could damage counterterrorism efforts in those countries and elsewhere, and could lead to retaliation by terrorists.

The governments of Russia and Bulgaria issued statements saying no such facility existed in their countries. Reuters reported, Thailand also denied hosting such a facility.

Organic, baby

Sales of organic baby food have jumped 57 percent since 2001.



* Prepackaged products only, includes food, drug and mass merchandise stores (excluding Wal-Mart)

SOURCE: AC Nielsen AP

More parents buying organic food for kids

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Erin O'Neal has two daughters and a fridge stocked with organic cheese, milk, fruits and vegetables in her Annapolis, Md., home.

She is among the increasing number of parents who buy organic to keep their children's diets free of food grown with pesticides, hormones, antibiotics or genetic engineering.

"The pesticide issue just scares me — it wigs me out to think about the amount of chemicals that might be going into my kid," said O'Neal, 36.

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An easier way for Alito?

Senate 'gang' breaking down

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 14 centrists who availed a Senate breakdown over judicial nominees last spring are showing signs of splintering on President Bush's latest nominee for the Supreme Court.

That is weakening the hand of Democrats opposed to conservative judge Samuel Alito and enhancing his prospects for confirmation.

The unity of the seven Democrats in the Senate Republicans in the "Gang of 14" was all that halted a major filibuster fight between GOP leader Bill Frist and Democratic leader Harry Reid earlier this year over Bush's nominees.

The early defection of two of the group's Republicans, Mike DeWine of Ohio and Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, who gave the GOP the upper hand if Democrats decide to attempt a

filibuster of Alito, the New Jersey jurist nominated Monday to replace Sandra Day O'Connor.

If Democrats do filibuster, Frist wants to change the Senate rules to eliminate the delaying tactic — something the centrist group blocked in May.

"People like Lindsey Graham and I, who were part of that group, I think you can bet we'll be willing to vote to change the rules of the Senate so that we do not have a filibuster," DeWine said only hours after Alito was announced.

The centrist Democrats plan to urge their Republican colleagues at the group's meeting on Thursday to withhold judgment, since Alito's nomination is not even officially at the Senate yet. The defection of even two members of the group — which decided earlier in the year to support filibusters only in 'extraordinary circumstances' — would virtually ensure Frist would ultimately win a show-down.

"The truth of the matter is that it's way too early to talk

about extraordinary circumstances," said Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb., a founding member of the group. "I'm not hearing any of my colleagues talk about it, and I'd rather not hear any of my colleagues on the other side talk about it as well."

The loss of Graham and DeWine makes the "Gang of 14" less influential.

Republicans hold 55 seats in the Senate, and while confirmation requires a simple majority, it takes 60 votes to break a filibuster.

However, Frist needs only a simple majority — 51 votes — to eliminate the stalling tactic.

That means he needs two members of the centrist group to join the rest of the GOP to make his goal. With a 50-vote tie in the Senate, Vice President Dick Cheney would cast the tie-breaking vote for the Republicans and Alito could be confirmed with majority support.

Bush announced Alito on Monday following the failed nomination of White House

counsel Harriet Miers, who was undermined by conservatives.

The 55-year-old Alito — who has served for 15 years on the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals after being a government lawyer and a U.S. attorney — got rave reviews by the Republicans he met on Wednesday.

The Senate's No. 2 Republican, Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, called Alito a "very, very impressive intellect and a very well-qualified nominee." Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas added, "Unless something very different comes out that we don't know about, I certainly would intend to support him."

After a brief flurry of filibuster talk immediately following Alito's nomination, Senate Democrats now are taking a wait-and-see stance.

"I don't know a single Democrat who is saying that it's time for a filibuster, that we should really consider it," said Dick Durbin of Illinois, the Senate's No. 2 Democrat, after meeting with Alito on Wednesday. "It's way too early."

White House seeking to deflect Iraq questions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House sought to deflect politically charged questions Wednesday about President Bush's use of prewar intelligence in Iraq, saying Democrats, too, had concluded Saddam Hussein was a threat.

"If Democrats want to talk about the threat that Saddam Hussein posed and the intelligence they might want to start with looking at the previous administration and their own statements that they've made," White House press secretary Scott McClellan said.

He said the Clinton administration and fellow Democrats "used the intelligence to come to the same conclusion that Saddam

has and his regime were a threat."

McClellan made his comments one day after Senate Democrats sprung a surprise, forcing a rare closed-door session to dramatize their charge that Bush relied on faulty intelligence in the run-up to war and congressional Republicans have failed to sufficiently investigate.

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Senate debates farm payments

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators debated Wednesday whether big farms should be allowed to continue collecting millions of dollars in government to subsidize their operations.

A vote was expected Thursday as part of debate on the Senate's budget legislation. Farm payments would save taxpayers an estimated \$1 billion, which supporters would use to spare farmers and conservation programs from their cuts.

Payments to farms currently are capped at \$360,000, but loopholes allow some growers to collect millions of dollars annually. Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, wants to lower the limit to \$250,000 per married couple and close the loopholes.

"We have a system where 10 percent of the farms get 72 percent of the benefits," said Grassley, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and sponsor of the payment limit legislation.

Farm payments are supposed to support small- and medium-sized family farms, Grassley said. Instead, large sums going to big corporate farms drive land prices higher and commodity prices lower and push family farmers off the farm, he said.

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., said, "These family farmers should be the focus of our limited farm payments, not the large agri-factories."

On average, 80 percent of producers received \$2.163 a piece from the government last year, according to the Environmental Working Group, an advocacy group that tracks Agriculture Department subsidy data. Payments to the other 20 percent averaged \$34.187.

In all, more than 1.4 million recipients received \$12.5 billion in payments in 2004, the group said. The biggest recipient, \$14.6 million, was Riceland Foods Inc. an Arkansas-based cooperative of 9,000 rice growers.

"The \$250,000 limit is a pretty generous amount of money from the federal government to support a farming operation in anybody's book," said Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, senior Democrat on the Senate Agriculture Committee.

There is widespread support for payment limits in Congress, but opponents have never held hearings. They include GOP Sens. Thad Cochran of Mississippi, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.



Visitors to the Lakeview area in New Orleans walk through a portion of the area where homes were destroyed or heavily damaged by Hurricane Katrina more than two months ago when the 17th Street Canal was breached flooding the area. Dozens of breaches continue to mar the city's levee system.

Builder misconduct may have led to New Orleans flooding

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Investigators Wednesday added a possible new explanation for some of the flooding that devastated New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina: Deliberate misconduct by contractors who may have skimmed on construction materials in building the city's floodwalls and levees.

Experts probing the cause of the flooding have received at least a dozen allegations of serious cheating by builders and possibly others involved in levee construction, two investigators said in testimony before a Senate panel. They said these were potentially criminal acts that may well have contributed to the collapse of the city's flood-control system on Aug. 29.

The allegations, while not yet proven, have prompted the investigators to request a meeting next week with federal law enforcement officials to share details of the reports.

The list of alleged misdeeds includes the use of weak, poorly compacted soils in levee construction and deliberate skipping on steel pilings used to anchor floodwalls to the ground.

"What we have right now are stories of malfeasance and some field evidence that seems to correlate with those stories," said Raymond B. Seed, leader of one of three independent teams of experts investigating why the levees failed. Seed, an engineering professor at the University of California at Berkeley, said it is not yet clear how big a role such acts ultimately played in the failure of the levees.

The reports emerged from one of two Senate hearings held

Wednesday to examine why New Orleans' levee system failed so spectacularly, and how it might be rebuilt to prevent catastrophic flooding when the next hurricane hits.

New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin asked President Bush and Congress to commit the nation to rebuilding his city's levee system to withstand a Category 5 hurricane, calling it a necessary precondition to winning back workers and businesses. The existing 200-mile system was designed to withstand a Category 3 storm.

"We can do much better. We definitely can build to a world-class standard that we don't have today," said Nagin, citing storm barrier systems in the Netherlands, United Kingdom and Italy.

Most of the devastation caused by Katrina was inflicted not by high winds, but by massive flooding that resulted when the city's levees breached. Four major breaches and dozens of smaller ones occurred on the morning of Aug. 29, sending water surging across 80 percent of the city and swamping an estimated 100,000 homes. About 1,000 people died.

The levees were designed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and built primarily by contractors hired by the Corps. The Corps has launched its own investigation of the levee failures and is cooperating with the independent investigations by the state of Louisiana, the American Society of Civil Engi-

neers and the University of California team funded by the National Science Foundation.

Leaders of the three teams Wednesday presented preliminary findings of their two-month probe to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs committee. In recent weeks, findings by the independent investigators have pointed increasingly to human error — flaws in design, construction, or both — as a likely culprit in the breaches of two key floodwalls along Lake Pontchartrain.

Although Army Corps officials initially suggested that the 17th Street and London Avenue canals were simply overwhelmed by the storm surge, the new findings confirmed that the two floodwalls were never overtopped by rising waters. Instead, the concrete walls toppled when their earthen foundations weakened and gave way.

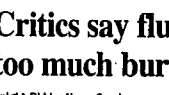
Failure of the 17th Street and London Avenue canals was due to a design that did not take into account the very weak nature of the soils," Ivor Van Heerden, an engineering professor and leader of the Louisiana team, said in prepared testimony. "The design criteria of these levees was not exceeded."

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Critics say flu plan places too much burden on states

Michael Leavitt in a flu preparedness hearing Wednesday before a subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., expressed similar concerns, noting that the president's 2006 budget calls for cuts of \$130 million in funding for state and local health departments.

"They are already struggling," Murray said. "So if we add this on top of them and say, 'If you want to participate, come up with 75 percent of the funding,' we are going to have a public health crisis. And that concerns me greatly."

Leavitt said that public health is a state and local responsibility and that cost sharing for antiviral medications was a reasonable way for the federal government to help.

"We want to make certain that they are buying into pandemic medications, and not just looking for a check from the federal government to put into a federal stockpile," Leavitt said.

Later, Leavitt said that communities have to be responsible for public health, because they're all different. "The role of the national government is to assist them in meeting that obligation," he said.

The federal government is already helping states and communities prepare for a pandemic by providing such things as lab training and equipment and virus surveillance expertise.

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'MOTHER PARKS, TAKE YOUR REST'

Rosa Parks honored by thousands

DETROIT (AP) — A church packed with 4,000 mourners celebrated the life of Rosa Parks Wednesday in an impassioned, song-filled funeral, with a crowd of notables giving thanks for the humble woman whose dignity and defiance helped transform a nation.

"The woman we honored today held no public office, she wasn't a wealthy woman, didn't appear in the society pages," said Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill. "And yet when the history of this country is written, she will still, small, quiet woman whose name will be remembered long after the names of senators and presidents have been forgotten."

The funeral, which stretched four hours past its three-hour scheduled time, followed a week of remembrances during which Parks' coffin was brought from Detroit, where she died Oct. 24, to Montgomery, Ala., where she sparked the civil rights movement 50 years ago by refusing to give her seat to a white man; to Washington, where she became the first woman to lie in honor in the Capitol Rotunda.

In the audience held hands and sang the civil rights anthem "We Shall Overcome" as family members filed past her casket before it was closed in the funeral's first hour.

"Mother Parks, take your rest. You have certainly earned it," said Bishop Charles Ellis III of Greater Grace Temple, who led the service.

Speakers described Parks, who died at 92, as both a warrior and a woman of peace who



Gregory Dawkins, 48, of Detroit, holds up a newspaper with a picture of Rosa Parks and chants she was a great woman as Rosa Parks' processional leaves for Greater Grace Temple, where Parks' funeral was held on Wednesday in Detroit.

never stopped working toward a future of racial equality.

"The world knows of Rosa Parks because of a single, simple act of dignity and courage that struck a lethal blow to the foundations of legal bigotry," said former President Clinton, who presented Parks with the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1996.

Philip Robert Cousin, a senior bishop of the AME Church, eulogized that Parks was "a diamond that had been polished in the hands of God. ... She formed the rock on which we now stand."

Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, not yet born when Parks took her famous stand, often for six months at a time, saw their success to the doors Parks opened.

"Thank you for sacrificing for us," he said. "Thank you for praying when we were too cool and too cute to pray for ourselves. ... Thank you for allowing us to step on your mighty shoulders."

Speakers included Aretha Franklin and mezzo-soprano Brenda Jackson, who sang a soaring version of the Lord's Prayer.

Members of Congress and national civil rights leaders filled the pews. Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa spoke, as did former presidential candidate John Kerry, Ford Motor Co. Chairman and CEO Bill Ford and U.S. Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson called for a White House conference on civil rights, and likened Parks to an eagle.

"You allowed the rebirth of

hope," he said. "You gave us confident protection. You showed us how to fly."

Long before the funeral, the line to get one of the 2,000 available public seats at the church extended for blocks.

Barrett Swainigan waited for hours without getting a seat, but the 28-year-old Detroit resident wasn't complaining.

"I think just being here, it was really nice to see all the people come out to pay their respects," she said.

Parks was a 42-year-old tailor's assistant at a Montgomery department store in December 1955 when she was arrested for refusing to give up her seat to a white man on a city bus. Her act triggered a 381-day boycott of the bus system led by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

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specified damages.

"The parents had sought unnecessary history and tradition or implied in the concept of ordered liberty."

The appeals court noted that other courts have upheld mandatory health classes, a school system's condom distribution program and compulsory sex ed.

"It absolutely calls for celebra-

tion," McArthur said from orbit during a series of broadcast interviews. "We have done things that were absolutely inconceivable 50 years ago."

The 15,000-foot space station, about half complete, includes living quarters, an exercise room and a galley and is now the equivalent of a three-bedroom house. Nearly 100 people from 10 countries have visited the station, and 29 have lived aboard, often for six months at a time.

NASA partnered with the Russian Federal Space Agency, the Canadian Space Agency, the European Space Agency and the Indian Aerospace Exploration Agency in building the station.

"It's not the pristine world that you see on Star Trek, where you see the neatly pressed uniforms," McArthur said.

"What we have is perhaps, from a storage and organization standpoint, is well-manned equipment."

Dr. Paul Cloutier, a Rice University professor of physics and astronomy, said when people first started living in space, many were optimistic, but also naive about the challenges of long-term orbital trips.

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Robert Lindgren, VP for development and alumni affairs at Johns Hopkins, poses on the campus on Monday in Baltimore, Md. Lindgren, a career fund-raiser, has just been named president at Randolph-Macon College in Virginia.

More college presidents come from the outside

The Associated Press

The outgoing president of Randolph-Macon College in Virginia, Roger Martin is an Oxford-trained church historian. His successor is a career fundraiser who brought in about \$3 billion for his last two employers.

The appointment last week of Robert Lindgren to lead the small, 175-year-old liberal arts college about 15 miles north of Richmond is the latest example of a trend in higher education: Schools are looking for more than a scholar these days when they hire a president.

Lindgren fully grasps Randolph-Macon's academic mission, said search committee chair Harold Starke. But, he added, "fundraising was certainly high on the list of criteria, as it would be for any college of any size today."

For years, college presidents — including four of the first six at Randolph-Macon — were often engineers. Gradually, the pipeline shifted to scholars in such fields as classics and English and, more recently, to scientists. But almost always, candidates were teachers and deans promoted through the academic ranks.

Now as the complexity of running a college and the pressures of fundraising have intensified, schools have become less picky about their presidents' scholarly credentials. Increasingly, they are looking to candidates from the business and fundraising worlds — prompting concern from some faculty about priorities.

In a Chronicle of Higher Education survey of nearly 1,400 four-year college presidents that was released this week, 22 percent described their previous job as nonacademic university vice president or a similar post.

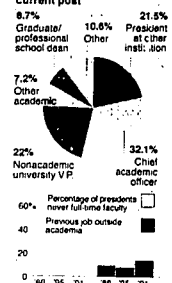
A broader American Council on Education survey found 30 percent of college presidents in 2001 had never held a faculty position, up from 25 percent in 1986. About 15 percent came from outside academia, up from under 9 percent in 1998.

Florida Southern, Albright and Muhlenberg are among the colleges that recently appointed presidents whose previous job was fundraising at another school, while the University of Kentucky and others have pooled their kind of narrowly focused scholarly work required to earn a doctorate and ascend the academic ladder.

College presidents

Colleges have grown less selective about their presidents' academic credentials, often looking to the business and fundraising sectors.

College president's before current post



SOURCES: American Council on Education, The Chronicle of Higher Education

to attract more state funding have proven willing to sacrifice the doctoral credential for political connections.

The University of North Carolina recently tapped former White House Chief of Staff Erskine Bowles, while Radford University hired the head of the Virginia Lottery, in Colorado, the community college system and two of its campuses are led by former members of Gov. Bill Owens' cabinet, only one of whom has a doctorate.

The reason is clear: the job of college president is increasingly a financial one.

The Chronicle survey found 53 percent of presidents worked on fundraising every day, more than any other activity. Asked how they defined success, the most common reply was "having a balanced budget," beating out "excellent quality of educational programs."

A president's "legacy is almost always cited in terms of how many buildings were built, how much the endowment has grown," said Rita Bornstein, a former president of Rollins College in Florida, who previously headed development at the University of Miami.

Against that backdrop, college trustees reason that it's foolish to limit the applicant pool to those who have mastered the kind of narrowly focused scholarly work required to earn a doctorate and ascend the academic ladder.

NASA, partners mark five years aboard station

HOUSTON (AP) — The international space station Wednesday marked five continuous years of people living and working aboard it.

But there wasn't much time for celebration. ... Residents spent the day cleaning air filters, upgrading exercise equipment and doing other maintenance.

Astronaut William McArthur Jr. and cosmonaut Valery Tokarev, who arrived Oct. 4 for a six-month stay, also prepared for a spacewalk next week.

Former station astronaut Michael Fincke said there were handshakes, smiles and congratulatory e-mails at NASA's Johnson Space Center, but work prevented too long a pause.

"It's not that we're not feeling celebratory," he said. "The space shuttle isn't flying right now. And we got to figure out how to finish flying the space shuttle in the next four years and to finish building the space station like we promised to."

People first began living on the building science lab on Nov. 2, 2000, after 16 countries joined to construct it.

"It absolutely calls for celebra-

Court says parents not sole providers of kids' sex education

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal appeals court Wednesday dismissed a lawsuit by parents who were outraged that a local district of school districts had required their elementary school-age children about sex.

The three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected the parents' claim that they have the exclusive right to tell their children about sex.

In upholding a lower court ruling against the parents, Circuit Judge Stephen Reinhardt said "no such specific right can be found in the deep roots of the

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Six U.S. troops die in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A suicide bomber detonated a minibus Wednesday in an outdoor market packed with shoppers ahead of a Muslim festival, killing about 20 people and wounding more than 60 in a Shiite town south of Baghdad. Six U.S. troops were killed, two in a helicopter crash west of the capital.

Also Wednesday, the U.S. command confirmed moves to step up training on how to combat roadside bombs — now the biggest killers of American troops in Iraq. At least 2,035 U.S. military service members have died since the Iraq conflict began in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count.

The suicide bombing occurred about 5 p.m. in the center of Musayyib, a Euphrates River town 40 miles from Baghdad. On July 16, nearly 100 people died in a suicide bombing in front of a Shiite mosque in Musayyib.

Witnesses said the latest attack took place as the market was crowded in advance of the three-day Eid al-Fitr holiday that marks the end of the Islamic holy month of Ramadan. Many women and children were feared among the dead and wounded.

"They want to kill people before the feast," said Nagat Hassoun, 50, who lived a few hundred yards from the blast site. "They want people to stay at home and live in a tragedy. The aim is to cause sabotage. They're targeting the Shiites."



People gather around the remains of a destroyed vehicle believed to be a U.S. Humvee, in Ramadi, Iraq, on Wednesday. Insurgents used guns, rockets and roadside bombs to attack U.S. patrols late Tuesday, said police Capt. Nassir Al-Alosi.

The town police chief, Lt. Col. Ahmed Mijwil, said 22 people were killed and 61 wounded. But officials warned the figures could change as rescuers frantically searched the area of meat and vegetable stalls, shops and cafes.

"The insurgents wanted to cause as many casualties as possible," said police Capt. Mathanun Khalid. Elsewhere, fighting flared between U.S. troops and Sunni Arab insurgents in Ramadi, capital of Anbar province 70 miles west of Baghdad. Late Tuesday a U.S. Marine and sailor were killed when a roadside bomb exploded near their vehicle in Ramadi.

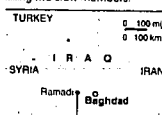
Sporadic clashes occurred throughout the night and into Wednesday, residents said. Associated Press Television News video from the city showed a burning civilian vehicle and what appeared to be a destroyed U.S. Humvee.

A crowd of Iraqis gathered at the site, and one man, waving the remnants of a damaged U.S. M-16 rifle in the air, claimed the attacks caused U.S. casualties.

Late Wednesday, a Marine AH-1W Super Cobra attack helicopter crashed just north of Ramadi, killing its two Marine crew members, the military said. A U.S. statement said the cause of the crash was under investigation.

U.S. helicopter down

A U.S. Marine AH-1W Super Cobra attack helicopter crashed in Iraq on Wednesday, killing two crew members.



Two U.S. service members killed in helicopter crash SOURCE: ESI/AP

But APIN quoted an Iraqi resident as saying the helicopter was shot down. Hours after the crash, a Marine Corps F-18D fighter jet dropped two 500-pound bombs on what the U.S. military described as an "insurgent command center" about 400 yards from where the helicopter was down.

There was no report of casualties in the strikes. In Balad, 50 miles north of Baghdad, a U.S. soldier was mortally wounded when his patrol came under small arms fire Wednesday, the military said. One insurgent was killed when the American patrol returned fire and another died when a U.S. Air Force jet blasted the building where he had taken refuge, the military added.

Security heightened after suspect escapes

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Prison doors and cells have been fortified at the U.S. military jail in Afghanistan, a U.S. official said Wednesday as details emerged of an unprecedented breakout by a suspected al-Qaida leader and three others who picked locks and evaded a minefield.

The Pentagon's belated confirmation of the identity of one of the four who escaped in July, Omar al-Faruq, sparked anger in Southeast Asia where he was one of Osama bin Laden's top lieutenants.

Some officials in Indonesia, where he was captured in 2002 before being handed over to U.S. authorities, accused Washington of failing to inform them of the escape.

U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales described the apparent breakout in communication as a "serious problem" and told CNN in an interview that it would be investigated.

Although the escape was widely reported in July, U.S. authorities at the time gave only an alias to identify al-Faruq, who was born in Kuwait to Iraqi parents.

According to a top security consultant in Indonesia, Ken Conboy, al-Faruq joined al-Qaida in the early 1990s and trained in Afghanistan for three years before unsuccessfully trying to enroll at a flight school in the Philippines so he could commandeer an airplane on a suicide mission.

He later plotted to stage car and truck bombings at U.S. embassies across Southeast Asia on or near the first anniversary of the Sept. 11 terror attacks on the United States, but the plan was thwarted and he was captured, Conboy said.

The four escapees boasted about their breakout on a video broadcast Oct. 18 on Dubai-based television station Al-Arabiya, according to two editors at the station, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to talk to the media.

The editors said the four Arabs claimed to have plotted their escape on a Sunday when many of the Americans on the base were off duty. One of the four, Muhammad Hassan, said to be Libyan, said he picked the lock of their cell.

In the video, apparently filmed in Afghanistan, the men show fellow militants a map of the base and the location of their cell. Another shot in the video showed Hassan leading the others in prayer. The editors would not say how they received the video.



A U.S. soldier stands near a tent at the U.S. airbase of Bagram in Kabul, Afghanistan, on Sept. 10. Security has been heightened at a massive U.S. military detention facility after the escape of an al-Qaida leader.

Rabbis issue list of names Jews should not call their children

JERUSALEM (AP) — A group of Israeli rabbis has put together a list of names they say should be off-limits to Jewish children — including Ariel and Omri, the given names of Israel's prime minister and his eldest son.

Uttering the name Ariel is problematic because it could beckon an angel namesake instead, drawing down his wrath, they caution.

Omri — the name of an evil biblical king — should be taboo because of the highly negative connotation. And naming children after dismantled Gaza settlements, like Katif, is another bad idea, they say, because of the controversy involved. Jewish settlers, who are predominantly religious, unsuccessfully opposed the withdrawal.

The rabbis' list, presented on an Internet site, www.monip.org.il, also offers preferred names.

Rabbis say they compiled the list in response to a list of requests from parents concerned they may accidentally give their children names that could shame them for life. The rabbis have a significant following among Jews of Middle Eastern descent, who make up about half the Israeli population.

What other names raise rabbinical ire? All those that sound non-Jewish — such as Donna, Barr and Shirley. So do typically male names given to girls — like Roni and Danielle — as well as names that include the suffix or prefix "el," which means God in Hebrew.

But parents should be careful. Only those names with a very negative connotation, like Omri, should be changed so as not to risk traumatizing the children. Instead, parents can slightly alter their children's names to Hebrewize them, for example, changing Susie to Shosh, which

means "roses."

"Concise parents' questions also appear on the Web site.

"When my daughter was born, we called her Roni, but I was never comfortable with the

name," wrote a woman who gave her name only as Irit. "Afterward I had a dream that it was not good to call her Roni. What should I do?"

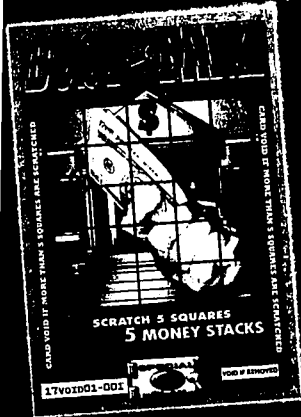
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EDITORIAL

Howard managed both sides of Idaho's politics

Eight years as Idaho superintendent of public instruction was enough for Marilyn Howard. Question is were they enough for the state of Idaho?

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And yet, when you stack up all those candidates' apples, it's hard to see who comes close in matching Howard's demeanor and ability.

Howard will leave office next year as the state's only elected Democrat in the executive branch. You don't get that far in red state Idaho without support from Republicans. Howard did it by working well with the governor and legislators with a pleasant, cooperative attitude. That approach was a distinct difference from her predecessor (a Republican, no less).

Voters were comfortable with Howard because she was an educator first, and a politician second. That sentiment was apparent when she beat a Republican opponent in the GOP's strong showing of 1998. It was reinforced with her re-election in 2002.

Her strong suit, teaching fundamental skills in early grades, was manifested in her successful introduction of the Idaho Reading Indicator. She helped play a key role in the Idaho Standard Achievement Test as Idaho's key testing standard, and perhaps most importantly, she pushed legislators to lift teacher salaries, which were dismally low when she took office.

Howard was less convincing when she hesitated on high-stakes graduation testing. She also could have done more to advocate merit pay for educators — a sure way to reward the best teachers in our schools. And some of Howard's budget requests made during the recession were excessive.

But even in that regard, Howard fulfilled her obligation as the top public school official in the state. Voters don't really consider the state superintendent position as a budget slasher, but more like an advocate for more classroom instruction.

Because Howard didn't lose the vision of whom she really worked for — Idaho students — she handled criticism, praise, politics and her position with grace and skill. Whoever succeeds her has a huge task trying to equal her two terms.

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And the Plamegate award goes to ...

Whatever you think of Samuel Alito Jr. for the Supreme Court, you have to give President Bush credit for great timing. Just when America couldn't bear one more look at the Wilsons mugging for the camera or Scooter Libby hobbling on crutches, along comes a new face and a new battle.



But before we get too deep in the mud of this new fight, we should pay a parting tribute to the veterans of the last one. Only now, in the special prosecutor has revealed how little criminal material they had to work with, can we fully appreciate their achievements. The envelopes, please.

Best dramatic performance before a grand jury: Scooter Libby, for his sullenly describing his conversation with Tim Russert in July 2003.

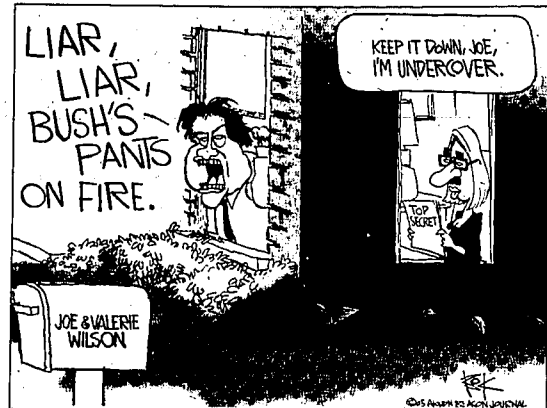
By this time, according to the indictment, Libby had discussed with at least seven different people the fact that Joseph Wilson's wife, Valerie, worked for the CIA. Russert testified that her name didn't come up, but Libby testified that Russert brought it up — and that Russert told him.

"And then (the Russert) said, 'do you know that this — excuse me, did you know that Ambassador Wilson's wife works at the CIA?' And I was a little taken aback by that. I remember being taken aback."

Best nickname: Judith Miller, for calling herself Miss Run Amok.

Worst nickname: L. Lewis Libby's father, for dubbing him Scooter. Although this may seem an obvious choice, there was something about a panel from judges who argued that Libby's father, presciently realizing that his son might need to be tough enough to survive in the White House, the "Boy Named Sue" theory of child development.

Murkiest crimes: Perjury and obstruction of justice. To the special prosecutor, Patrick Fitzgerald, they're serious crimes that are prosecuted "all the time," but that's not how



Washington veterans view them. It all depends on who's accused of the crimes — Bill Clinton or Scooter Libby — and whether he's in your party.

To legal scholars, these crimes are like tax evasion: despicable and widespread but unlikely to be punished, especially when the perpetrators are not celebrities or public officials. "Perjury is extremely common," said Sam Gross, a professor of law at the University of Michigan.

Perjury prosecutions are incredibly uncommon. "Our Man in Havana" prize: Joseph Wilson, for being even more persistent than the White House in hyping prewar intelligence. While administration officials now admit their prior ignorance, Wilson sounded as confident as ever on Sunday on NBC's "Dateline" when he was asked whether his 2002 trip to Niger had proved that uranium from that nation had been sold to Iraq.

"Absolutely," he replied. "After eight days in Niger, I determined that it did not happen and could not have happened without a lot of people knowing, and there was absolutely no evidence that such a transaction had taken place or even had been contemplated."

How could anyone have known that so definitively after spending a few days in a country and sipping tea with dignitaries? Why would anyone expect officials in Niger to suddenly reveal their secrets to a visiting U.S. ambassador?

What Wilson actually found was very little, according to a bipartisan Senate committee that investigated. The committee said that most of the analysts who heard Wilson's oral report in 2002 concluded that the scant evidence he brought back, if anything, bolstered the theory that Iraq had been seeking uranium.

Austin Powers International partner of mystery award: Valerie Wilson. Was the wife of a U.S. ambassador who worked at CIA headquarters really a deep-cover spy whose identity was being zealously protected by the CIA? Then why did she represent the CIA in meetings with other agencies, and why, after her name was printed, did she further out herself by pos-

ing for Vanity Fair? Most thoughtful media analysts: The lawyers who wrote the amicus curiae brief for three dozen media organizations opposed to the special prosecutor's subpoenas of reporters.

The brief, filed seven months ago, said there was "serious doubt as to whether a crime has even been committed" in revealing Valerie Wilson's status. Arguing that the CIA had been "covert" about protecting her identity and had been criticized for "ineptitude" in sending her husband to Niger, the brief suggested that the CIA may have initiated this investigation out of embarrassment over revelations of its own shortcomings.

Most shocking revelation: The "I" in I. Lewis Libby is for Irve.

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Greg has so much to offer. He is dependable, willing, equipped, capable and able to serve this community. Please join us Nov. 8 in voting Greg into the position of Twin Falls City Council person.

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Feminism from hoaxers to hussies

"So was the feminist movement some sort of cruel hoax? Do women get less desirable as they get more successful?"

Columnist Maureen Dowd poses those questions in Sunday's New York Times Magazine in an essay adapted from her forthcoming book "Are Men Necessary: When Sexes Collide."

It's entertaining as usual. Dowd explored her premise that many women end up unmarried and childless because they're successful by reviewing women's evolution since her college days, which happen to have coincided with my own.

We both came of age as women's lib was being mid-wifed into the culture by a generation of women who felt enslaved by homemaking and childbearing.

Now, in the span of a generation, all that business about equality apparently isn't so appealing to a younger generation of women, who are ever inventive as they seek old ways to attract new men. Dowd writes:

"Today, women have gone back to hunting their quarry... with elaborate schemes designed to allude the deluded creatures (men) to think they are the hunters."

Dowd, here, is unimpaired and childless, wonders whether being smart and successful explains her status. She observes that men would rather marry women who are younger and more malleable. I.e. less successful and perhaps not so very bright.

No one vets the culture with a keener eye than Dowd. Her identification of trends — especially the perverse reversal of liberated women from Birkenstock-wearing intellectuals into pole-dancing sluts — is dead on. But while she sees women clearly, she searches for identity in a gender-shifting culture.



KATHLEEN PARKER

she doesn't seem to know much about men.

Men haven't turned away from smart, successful women because they're smart and successful. More likely they've turned away because the feminist movement that encouraged women to be smart and successful also encouraged them to be hostile and demanding.

Whatever was wrong, men did it. During the past 30 years, they've been variously characterized as male chauvinist pigs, deadbeat dads or knuckle-dragging abusers who beat their wives on Super Bowl Sunday. At the same time women wanted men to be wage earners, they also wanted them to act like girlfriends: to time their contractions, feed and diaper the baby, and go antiquing.

And then, when what's-nam-inevitably-lapsed-in-originary-ness, women wanted him to disappear. If children were involved, women got custody and men got an invoice. The credit card men and fathers could on children's lives has been feminism's most despicable accomplishment. Half of all children will sleep tonight in a home where their father does not live.

Did we really think men wouldn't mind? Meanwhile, when we're not bashing men, we're dimming their manhood. Look around at entertainment and other cultural signposts and you see a feminized culture that prefers sanitized men — hairless, colted, buffed and, if possible, gay. Men don't know whether

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They're "metrosexuals" getting pedicures, or "groonzillas" obsessing about wedding favors, or the latest, "ubersuxies" — yes to the colf, no to androgyny.

As far as I can tell, real men don't have a problem with smart, successful women. But they do mind being castrated. It's a guy thing. It's do mind being told in so many ways that they are superfluous.

Even now the latest book to fuel the feminist flames of male alienation is Peggy Drexler's lesbian guide to full-free narcissism, "Raising Boys Without Men." It's possible to raise boys without men! Sure. Is it right? You may find your answer by imagining a male-authored book titled: "Raising Girls Without Women."

Returning to Dowd's original question, yes, the feminist movement was a hoax inasmuch as it told only half the story. As even feminist matriarch Betty Friedan eventually noted, feminism failed to recognize that even smart, successful women also want to be mothers. It's called Nature. Social engineering can no more change that fact than mechanical engineering can change the

laws of physics. Many of those women who declined to join the modern feminist movement learned the rest of the story by becoming mothers themselves and, in many cases, by raising boys who were born innocent and undeserving of women's hostilities.

I would never insist that women have to have children to be fully female. Some women aren't mother material — and some don't deserve the children they sire. But something vital and poignant happens when one's own interests become secondary to the more compelling needs of children.

You grow up. In the process of sacrificing your infant self for the real baby, you stop obsessing and fixating on the looking glass. Instead, you focus your energies on trying to raise healthy boys and girls to become smart, successful men and women.

In the jungle, one hopes, they will find each other.

Kathleen Parker, a syndicated columnist for the Orlando Sentinel, welcomes comments via e-mail at kparkerk@parkerk.com, although she cannot respond to all mail individually.

LETTERS

City of Twin Falls needs experience of Lance Clow

I am writing this letter of endorsement for Lance Clow because we need his continued service on the Twin Falls City Council.

Having known Lance for many years, I have found him always willing to listen to all sides to make every effort to be informed and to be fair in his deliberations.

What sets Lance apart is his deep sense of community — his concern about what is best for all of Twin Falls. In addition to his continued support of the business community, he has shown interest in and support of the cultural environment in our city. Recently, he was the city liaison for the Centennial Commission advocating for our new trail and the sculpture project. It was largely due to his efforts that necessary restoration was done on our city band shell. I think I can speak for many who appreciate Lance's support of the arts, which add another dimension to the quality of life we enjoy here.

Lance's experience and his knowledge of the challenges facing Twin Falls will serve all of us. Please vote to re-elect him on Nov. 8.

PAT HARDER
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Pat Harder is a past president of the Magic Valley Arts Council and currently serves on the Idaho Commission on the Arts.)

Johnson will give consideration to all issues

I would like to add my name to the ever-growing list of ardent supporters of Dave Johnson for city council.

I have known Dave for well over 20 years and have found Dave to be a very thoughtful and practical individual. Dave is not someone who "shoots from the hip." He will give careful consideration to all issues and use his extensive economic development experience and expertise to make decisions that will be in the best interest of the city of Twin Falls.

Dave is a consensus builder, and with his experience in retail management in the Magic Valley, he has proven that he knows what it's like to have to make payroll, sometimes on little if any positive cash flow. As a city councilman, he will know how to get the most out of every tax dollar with his cost-sensitive approach to budgets and business in general.

Dave is a very trustworthy, sincere individual who will work hard in all of our behalf to help bring good jobs and continued economic development and growth to our city. He believes that we need to develop new alternatives to raised median barriers on Blue Lakes Boulevard North and is not willing to allow barriers to become a detriment to the long-established business corridor. He recognizes the need to allow the general public to be able to make left turns at their convenience and shop the businesses they choose up and down Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

Dave has been very involved with many volunteer boards and committees over the years, such as the hospital board, United Way, Idaho Works Board and the City Sign Code committee. He has also served honorably in the U.S. Marine

Corps. He says "he will do his level best to serve this community" if elected. With his very well-rounded background, I, for one, believe him.

Please cast your vote for David E. Johnson on Nov. 8.
WILLIAM D. (BILL) KYLE
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Bill Kyle is the president of Valley Food Service Inc. and owner of the McDonald's franchise in the Magic Valley.)

Johnson knows how business fuels prosperity

Please support David E. Johnson for Twin Falls City Council.

I have known Dave for more than 10 years. He is an asset to our community. He gives back to our community on a volunteer basis.

Over the years, Dave has worked on the hospital board, the United Way and the chamber of commerce. Dave is the general manager of Con Paulos Inc. He currently oversees a business operation with more than 80 employees. Dave worked for many years for Roy Raymond prior to his death.

Dave is familiar with running a business and the associated costs. The city of Twin Falls is one of the largest government employers in our area. We need people on the council with the background and business sense to control costs, taxes and over-regulation so our city can prosper and maintain our quality of life. Dave has the experience necessary to make a significant contribution to our city.

Dave has worked for businesses located on Blue Lakes Boulevard for many years. He has seen Blue Lakes change and understands many of the issues involved with traffic, business and median barriers. His experience will be valuable to the city as issues like Blue Lakes Boulevard are discussed and resolved.

Dave is personable and people-oriented. He listens, studies the issues and then makes good decisions using all available information and input. He knows how to negotiate practical and reasonable outcomes when difficult decisions must be made.

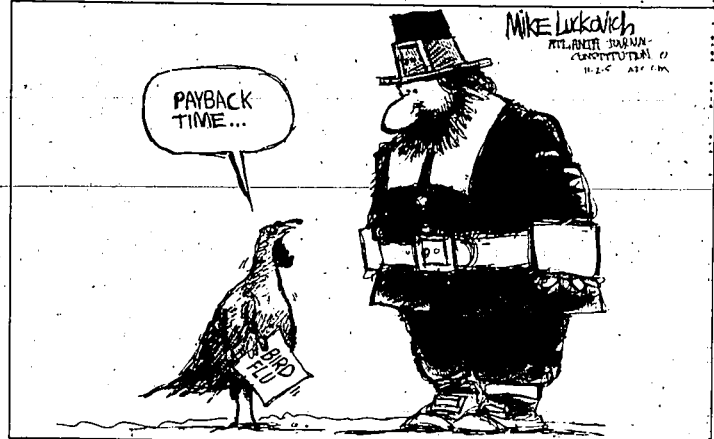
I am proud to support David E. Johnson for the Twin Falls City Council.
ROBERT A. NORMAN
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Robert Norman is the treasurer for electing David Johnson to city council. He is a certified public accountant, certified valuation analyst and owner of Cooper Norman CPAs.)

Frank makes choices for good of community

Sherry Olsen-Frank is the best choice for City Council. I would like to show my support for Sherry Olsen-Frank for the upcoming Twin Falls City Council election. I have known Sherry for more than 10 years, and she is one of the most honest, hard-working professionals I know.

As a business owner and resident of the area for 15 years, I greatly appreciate these values. As you are probably aware, she is a certified public accountant and small business owner, has served on planning and zoning, as well as extensive involvement with the new animal shelter project.

Sherry is the type of person



who is going to make decisions based on what is good for the community as a whole after doing her due diligence and research. These are the way decisions should be made for our community.

I hope you will do the right thing for Twin Falls and vote for Sherry Olsen-Frank for Twin Falls City Council, Seat 5.

CHRIS CLARK
Twin Falls
(Editor's note: Chris Clark is the president of Visual Motion Inc., a building information modeling solutions and services company.)

Seniors appreciated Frank's dedication

Sherry Olsen-Frank is running for a City Council seat because she cares about the community and wants to serve the citizens. This willingness to serve and give of her time and talent is not new.

Sherry is a certified public accountant who has volunteered her time and professional expertise to programs providing free income tax preparation and other tax-related services to seniors and low-income taxpayers in Twin Falls and throughout the Magic Valley. For five years, she has instructed Tax-Aide program volunteers in tax law. As a volunteer, she helped La Pasada Ministry win and now manages all financial aspects of a federal grant for a Low Income Tax Clinic in Twin Falls and serving all of southern Idaho. She also volunteers her time there to help immigrants, migrant workers and other low-income taxpayers comply with the tax code and resolve controversies they may have with the IRS.

Sherry has a special interest in caring for the senior citizen population, tying in with her ElderCare accounting practice. She cares about all residents of Twin Falls. I know Sherry Olsen-Frank will work hard for you as your city councilwoman. She is a smart choice to make when you vote for City Council Seat 5 on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

ROBERT W. WUNDERLE
Bills
(Editor's note: Robert Wunderle is the Idaho District 5 coordinator for the American Association of Retired Persons Tax-Aide Program and program director for the La Pasada Tax Clinic.)

Powers a blue-collar candidate for council

I'm writing in support of Bob Powers for Seat 1 on the City Council.

Bob is a rough-around-the-edges kind of guy, but the kind you want in there working for you — "the little guys."

He is "your blue collar candidate. No tip-toe through the tulips. Bob tramps through the corn fields, bean fields and potato fields.

Bob has been a volunteer for many things — Search and Rescue, Sheriff's Mounted Posse, etc. He was a member of the Back Country Foremen, fighting for your rights to use horses in the wilderness. He ran for county commissioner, uncovering some discrepancies there. That is the kind of man their candidate is.

JEANNE MEYER
Twin Falls

Powers offers an open ear and respect

I enthusiastically endorse Bob Powers for City Council Seat 1. Electing him on Nov. 8 would give working people in Twin Falls more representation and voice in local government. Powers would bring good ideas and firm beliefs to the governing body of Twin Falls. He would promote sustainable progress, allow diverse opinions and work well with various factions to make our community better. Bob Powers not only has vision and goals for our community's better future but he is someone who can achieve what he sets out to do.

I have known Bob Powers for a number of years. He gives his best for his work, both paid and volunteer. He has high moral standards as well as enthusiasm, drive and determination. I have witnessed Powers work well under stress and not give in under pressure. I am also

impressed with how graciously he treats others and listens respectfully to diverse opinions and beliefs.

A vote for Powers is a vote for your voice and your vision; a vote for Powers is a vote for new ideas and sustainable city growth; a vote for Powers is a vote for a positive future in our community. A vote for Powers will be appreciated by Bob and by you.

PHYLLIS BERG
Twin Falls

Jerome committee, voters made a difference

As the principal at Central Elementary School, I would like to express my gratitude to the community of Jerome for passing the bond levy to build a new elementary school and middle school. I appreciate the sacrifice and dedication that this means for many on incomes that are already stretched.

I have been concerned about children trying to learn in a building with the safety and educational deficiencies at Central. The new building will provide a safe and inviting learning environment for the students and staff. It is very clear that the citizens of Jerome value education and their children. Thank you for investing in their future.

I am especially grateful to the Citizens for Better Schools Committee. It communicated our needs to the community through phone trees, the use of media, presenting at meetings and using signs throughout Jerome. It has made a difference for our students.

ALICE HOCKLANDER
Gooding

County taxpayers will be jilted by merger

I am writing about the proposed merger between Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and St. Luke's.

I have read the entire proposal that is on the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Web site to see how this is going to benefit the Twin Falls County property taxpayers.

I know that the response will be that currently the hospital does not receive any Twin Falls County tax dollars. This is not the case. Since Twin Falls County owns this property, it pays no property tax. And every time Twin Falls County purchases property, it comes off the tax rolls, and the Twin Falls County taxpayers' taxes go up. In the past 10 years, my property taxes have gone up, not down.

I was trying to see what we, the Twin Falls taxpayers, are going to be getting, and it appears to me that we are not getting much. We will still be paying for indigent care. With regard to the foundation that will be funded with \$12.5 million, it appears that those funds could be used for anything. I would like to know what the total dollar value is of the property, and other assets of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. I believe that it is more than \$20 million.

I am concerned about the care of people who cannot afford care. I am also concerned that, again, the Twin Falls County commissioners are sticking it to the Twin Falls County taxpayers.

EDWARD A. EASTERLING
Kimberly

Clow an accessible leader for city voters

It was my privilege to work for Lance Clow for nearly three years. Lance served as mayor of Twin Falls for two of those years, and I saw firsthand the way he balanced his personal and political careers.

Hard-working and fair-minded, Lance was easily accessible to the public, returning phone calls promptly and making time in his schedule to meet with Twin Falls residents and address their concerns.

If we're still living in Twin Falls, Lance would gladly have my vote!
IRENE HUAG
Lynchburg, Va.

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- Former Marine



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 - Communities need to think regionally in economic development.
 - We want quality jobs, from quality companies.
 - Recruit companies which preserve our environment and quality of life.
 - Develop alternatives to Blue Lakes congestion; barriers won't create more safety.
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 - Council should continue support for regional transportation solutions.

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NATION/WORLD

Quake toll jumps to 73,000

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistan's official earthquake death toll jumped by 16,000, and officials warned Wednesday that it is likely to rise further as relief supplies fail to reach thousands of victims stranded in remote parts of the Himalayas.

The announcement, which lists the official toll at 73,000, brings the central government figures closer to the number reported by local officials, who say the Oct. 8 quake killed at least 73,000 people in Pakistan.

"Just imagine how many villages and towns became a heap of rubble and how many people

got buried," said Maj. Gen. Farooq Ahmed Khan told reporters.

Khan said 73,276 people have been confirmed dead in Pakistan and Pakistani-controlled Kashmir, up from the official count of 57,597. In India's portion of Kashmir, an additional 1,350 people died.

More than 69,000 people had severe injuries, with the total number of injured much higher, the general said.

Khan attributed the spike in deaths to bodies being recovered from the debris, and warned "there is likelihood of further increase" in the death toll.

The government has been cautious about the official death count, while regional officials from Pakistani Kashmir and the North West Frontier Province issued their higher tolls more than a week ago.

Top U.N. relief coordinator Jan Egeland told PBS "there are many thousands, potentially tens of thousands, up there in the mountains that we don't even have gotten to." He said a "second wave of death" could come from "people who could freeze to death, starve to death, or just be sick because of infected water."

FEAR AND FRUSTRATION

Continued riots put France on edge

CLICHY-SOUS-BOIS, France (AP) — Menacing youths smoked cigarettes in doorways Wednesday and hulks of burned cars littered the tough streets of Paris' northeastern suburbs scarred by a week of riots that left residents on edge and sent the government into crisis mode.



A young Clichy-sous-Bois resident walks past the wreckage of a burned-out car on Wednesday. French President Jacques Chirac called for calm and a firm hand Wednesday in response to six nights of rioting in Paris' troubled suburbs.

In a seventh consecutive night of skirmishes, young people threw rocks at police Wednesday in six suburbs in the Seine-Saint-Denis region north of Paris — about a 40-minute drive from the Eiffel Tower. In one of them, Le Blanc-Mesnil, about a dozen cars were burned and curious residents, some in slippers and bathrobes, poured into the streets.

Some said the unrest — sparked by the accidental deaths of two teenagers last week — is an expression of frustration over grinding unemployment and police harassment in the communities, where many North African immigrants live.

"It is not going to end. It is going to explode," said an 18-year-old who would only give his name as Amine.

The violence, concentrated in neighborhoods with large African and Muslim populations, has highlighted the difficulties many European nations face with immigrant communities feeling marginalized and restless, cut off from the continent's prosperity and, for some extremists, its values, too.

"They have no work. They have nothing to do. Put yourself in their place," said Abderrahmane Bouthout, president of the Clichy-sous-Bois mosque, where a tear gas grenade exploded Sunday evening. Local youths suspected a police attack, and authorities are investigating.

The unrest spread to at least nine Paris-region towns overnight Tuesday, exposing the despair, anger and criminality in France's poor suburbs — fertile terrain for Islamic extremists, drug dealers and racketeers.

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Section B

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

“This team has made more startling comebacks than Cher.”

— Comedy writer Jerry Parislo, on the UCLA football team

TRIVIA

QUESTION: What U.S. Supreme Court justice was the runner-up for the Heisman Trophy in 1937?
...answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- College**
- MEN'S BASKETBALL**
K & T Steel Tournament at CSI Westchester (N.Y.) CC at CSI, 7:30 p.m.
- VOLLEYBALL**
Dixie State College at CSI, 3 p.m.
- High School**
- FOOTBALL**
State 2A playoffs
Glenns Ferry, Firth, 6 p.m., Holt Arena, Pocatello

IN BRIEF

Maloney leads Carroll to upset

HELENA, Mont. — No. 10-ranked Carroll College of the NAIA upset NCAA Division I AA Montana State of the Big Sky Conference, 91-69 Tuesday night, led by a game-high 16 points by Twin Falls High graduate Danielle Maloney.

Castleford plans booster bus

CASTLEFORD — A booster bus from Castleford will leave at 8:15 a.m. Saturday from the high school to the IA state playoff game at Garden Valley. The cost for the bus ride is \$10. Space is limited. Call 537-6511 to reserve a seat.

Buhl students nominated for award

BUHL — Buhl High School seniors Mitch Bourner and Cassie Tilton were nominated for the state Wendy's High School Heisman Award. The program showcases the state's top high school seniors who best exemplify a well-rounded "citizen-scholar-athlete."

Principal Gary Moon nominated them based on their athletic involvement, academic achievement, extracurricular activities and community service.

BSU offers wrestling clinic in Burley

BURLEY — The Boise State Wrestling Clinic will be held this Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Burley High School gym, led by Broncos assistant coach Chris Owen, a two-time NCAA All-American at Oklahoma State.

All junior-high and high school wrestlers are welcome. Cost is \$25 per person. Registration is from 8-8:45 a.m. Session 1 runs from 9-noon with Session II from 1-3 p.m. Wrestlers must provide their own lunch and wear appropriate clothing and gear. Call Clint Millroy at 670-0327 for more information.

Burley boosters meet Nov. 7

BURLEY — The Burley Booster Club will meet at 7:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7 in room 100 of Burley High School. All parents of children attending Burley junior or senior high schools are invited to attend. For more information, call 670-9763.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Byron "Whizzer" White, who was appointed to the Supreme Court by President John F. Kennedy in 1962, in the Heisman voting, White was the runner-up to Yale quarterback Clinton Frank White, who retired from the bench in 1993, played for the University of Colorado and later led the NFL in rushing in 1938.

Unfinished business

Sophomore trio looks to build on last year's success

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Never underestimate the value of a good guide.

Or, in the case of the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team, three good guides. As it makes its first steps toward Hutchinson, Kansas and the National Junior College Athletic Association Men's Division I National Tournament, a CSI team mostly composed of talented freshmen and journeyman transfers enters uncharted territory. While first-year head coach Barrett Peery and the Golden Eagles coaching staff can tell them how to get there, the CSI newcomers will look to the sophomore trio of Zaryyon Ferrel, Travis Gabbidon, and Reggie Lary to be their on-court guides.

For that trio, what the 2005-06 season represents is the need for more. More output, more leadership, and most importantly, one more win.

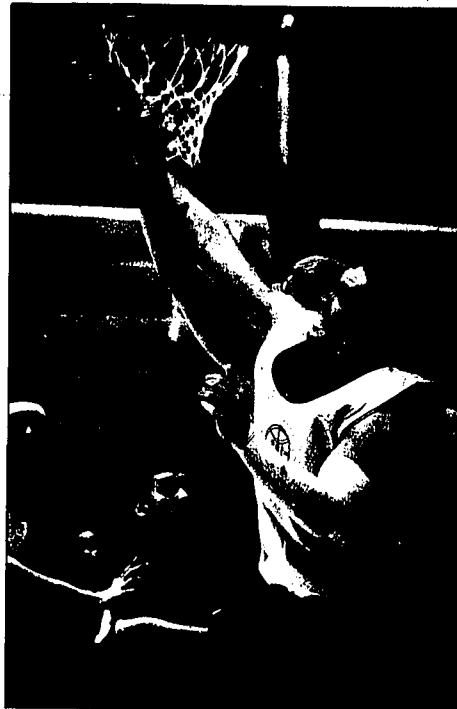
"We were happy to end on a win and finish the season, but we came home with third and we wanted first," Gabbidon said. "So, us being players, we're trying to go back and get what we didn't accomplish last year."

"Unfinished business," Ferrel added. "After playing supporting roles in last year's run at a national championship, each will carry what they learned into a new season for the No. 4 Golden Eagles. All three saw playing time at CSI went 3-1 at the tournament. Ferrel finished averaging 8.25 points and 1.75 rebounds per game, while Gabbidon added 2 points and 1.3 rebounds per contest. Lary chipped in 1.75 points and 1.5 rebounds over the four games. Each expects more of themselves this time around.

"You have to step up your play," Lary said. "Mainly, us three are the main ones. We know how to get to Hutch. We all played on the floor at Hutch. We have redshirts from last year that saw it — they know how; it is. They were there with us. For the others that transferred in, they should know what we're here to do."



College of Southern Idaho freshman guard Jermaine Catvin, left, looks for a passing lane around CSI sophomore forward Travis Gabbidon during Monday's practice.



College of Southern Idaho sophomore guard Zaryyon Ferrel and freshman Bryce Brunson tangle for a rebound Monday during practice at the CSI Gymnasium.

All the lip service paid means nothing if the work isn't there. That's why as soon as the 2004-05 season ended, the trio was back in the CSI Gymnasium, preparing to fill the spots that players like Jammal Brown, Shaun Davis, and Dani Hazut left behind. "I think we pretty much knew since last season finished — since we came back from Hutch," Ferrel said. "We had a couple

days off and we came back and did individuals with Coach. We pretty much knew what we were meant to do. We knew what our roles were and we knew we had a big weight on our shoulders this year."

That weight will increase on a team with more defined roles than last year's run-and-gun team that dominated with

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Raising the steel curtain

CSI men begin new season with K&T Steel Tournament

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Like a frigid lake, there are two ways to enter a basketball season — put a toe in to test the waters and slide in — or take that leap of faith. The College of Southern Idaho men are doing a cannonball — knees tucked, eyes tightly closed, lungs full of held breath — into the 2005-06 season with tonight's start of the K&T Steel Tournament at the CSI Gymnasium. Conventional wisdom would suggest scheduling the Treasure Valley Community Colleges of the world and cruising to another 107-56 win. Instead, CSI scheduled an experienced team from New York, an old national tournament nemesis, and the No. 10 team in the country. Needless to say, the Golden Eagles

2005 K&T Steel Tournament

at CSI Gymnasium Thursday, Nov. 3 Eastern Wyoming vs. Cochoise College 5:30 p.m. CSI vs. Westchester CC, 7:30 p.m.	at CSI Gymnasium Friday, Nov. 4 Eastern Wyoming vs. Westchester CC, 7:30 p.m.	at CSI Gymnasium Saturday, Nov. 5 Cochoise College vs. Westchester CC, 5:30 p.m. CSI vs. Eastern Wyoming, 7:30 p.m.
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aren't doing themselves any favors. "No, we didn't," CSI head coach Barrett Peery said. "It'll be challenging for us, right off the bat. Westchester will come up and challenge us with a lot of athletes and play fast. We'll have to guard the ball and get back in transition."

The Westchester Peery is talking about is Westchester Community College of Valhalla, N.Y. The Westco finished second in the Region XV standings last season and return. Please see CURTAIN, Page B4

CSI volleyball faces Dixie St. in must-win match

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho volleyball team hasn't faced a must-win regular-season match in nearly three years. That changes this afternoon.

The No. 1 Golden Eagles enter the first of two must-win Scenic West Athletic Conference home matches at 3 p.m. today against the Dixie State College Rebels. Simply put, the Eagles must defeat Dixie State, then down rival Salt Lake Community College on Friday to ensure they will host next weekend's Region 18A Tournament. Lose either, and the 42-2 Eagles (7-1 SWAC) must hope North Idaho College falls to either the Rebels or Bruins in its final two matches.

"Our season is riding on these two matches," CSI head coach Ben Stroud said. "If we can get these two matches, I think that

Eagle eyes

Today: No. 1 CSI (42-2, 7-1) vs. Dixie State College (17-14, 3-5), CSI Gymnasium, 3 p.m.
Last time they met: CSI defeated the Rebels 30-16, 30-18, 30-22 on the road in SWAC play. Anell Cubi-Otinero led the way with 14 kills, 13 digs, and 8 aces. Joanna Kaczor added 13 kills of her own.
On the horizon: The Golden Eagles finish off the regular season Saturday against rival Salt Lake Community College at 3 p.m.
CSI season leaders (per game): Kills — Joanna Kaczor 4.61; Aces — Anell Cubi-Otinero 1.10; Blocks — Marta Smetlakovska 1.31; Digs — Pohal Nu'uhiva 1.21; Assists — Kaylene Finau 11.28.



next week we'll really grow and we'll get this thing fixed in and it'll be better, and I think by

nationals, we'll still be the team to beat."

Normally a two-match home stand would be little reason for a Stroud team, but after Saturday's loss of starting setter Kaylene "Pudgie" Finau to a season-ending anterior cruciate ligament tear in her right knee, the Eagles have scrambled to turn freshmen Pohal Nu'uhiva and Anell Cubi-Otinero into impromptu setters. The shift has also put the Eagles into a simplified version of Stroud's traditional 6-2 offense after running the 5-1 all season.

"I told them, 'Let's just get back to smashmouth volleyball. Set it high, swing, and tear people's heads off,'" Stroud said. "The change of attitude and aggressiveness should make the

transition to setter easier for Nu'uhiva and Cubi-Otinero, as Stroud thought the CSI hitters were becoming too finicky about what they attacked. "They've been that way for the last two weeks," Stroud said. "It's too high, too low, too this, too that. Today, I just said, 'Hey, you guys are good enough to get any ball that's in the air, period. I'm tired of that — tip to show up the setter just because it's not perfect. You know? Just go hit — go be a hitter.' And it got better."

While the late-season shift may look like a bad sign, remember this — the Eagles are now running the offense that Stroud rode to seven national championships in an eight-year span. "We ran this system back in the old days when we had no setters," Stroud said. "Our two sets really is the last time we're doing this play volleyball. I'm really sad about it and I think

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Pilots out to prove worth

Glenns Ferry faces fast, aggressive Firth Cougars

By Brad Guire
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Clinch your jaw. It could be a close one. After a second-half comeback against the Wendell Trojans, the Firth Cougars (8-1, 5-0) will face another Canyon Conference team — Glenns Ferry Pilots — in tonight's second round playoff game at Holt Arena in Pocatello.

Throughout the season, the Pilots (8-1, 2-0) have openly assumed the role of underdog, and that isn't necessarily a bad thing. Glenns Ferry head coach Rob Spriggs uses that mentality to prepare his team.

"I keep stressing that if we lose, we go home," he said. "Not a lot of people around the state give us credit, but none of that matters. We just have to be prepared."

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Class 2A football playoffs

Thursday's games
Glenns Ferry (8-1) vs. Firth (8-1), Holt Arena, 8 p.m.
West Jefferson (6-3), West Side (9-0), Holt Arena, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday's games
Melba (6-3) at Kamian (9-0), 1 p.m.
Grangeville (4-4) at Nampa Christian (9-0), 1 p.m.

Just one more time

District IV volleyball all-stars gather for exhibition

By Nathaniel Garrabrant
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A couple of the calls may have been generous by an inch or two. And it was possible, just maybe, that the scoreboard was off by a point in Game 5.

"If anyone in Baun Gymnasium noticed, nobody cared. The scores were by and large the last thing on the players' minds at the 4th District All-Star Volleyball Games Wednesday night. "It's just to have fun, just relax," said Bush senior Abbe Reynolds. "It's the last time playing volleyball as a senior. Just go out and have fun."

"We started basketball practice so we know we're still going to be in the gym together," said Harris. "But the last time playing volleyball. It didn't really hit us as it should have. We were still on a high from that. But now we're like, 'OK, so this really is the last time we're going to play volleyball. I'm really sad about it and I think

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SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

WHAT'S ON T.V.

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Football
Pittsburgh at Louisville, ESPN, 8:30 p.m.
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PGA Tour Championship, first round, ESPN, 10 a.m.

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Buhl announces booster has departure time
BUHL — The Buhl High School boosters fan has to Tocatolet's Hot Arena on Saturday, Nov. 5 will leave at 4 p.m. with a morning bus at 3:45 p.m. Call Pam Osterkamp at 543-8126 with any questions.

Autopsy shows Collier had slowed heart
DECATUR, Ga. — Atlanta Hawks center Jason Collier died Tuesday, his testing showed that electrocardiograms administered to Collier in 2003 and this year showed "some irregularities" of electrical abnormalities. He said that he had no evidence that the 28-year-old Collier was informed there was anything wrong with his heart. Collier's wife said he had never been told of a reason for concern, Sperry said.

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Harbaugh arrested for drunken driving

ENCINITAS, Calif. — Coach Bill Harbaugh was arrested Saturday for drunken driving after being pulled over for running a stop sign. Harbaugh, a former NFL quarterback, was released after 7.5 hours at the Vista Detention Facility. He is to appear in court in December.

Lawmaker wants to tax ampires

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — A state lawmaker and Cardinals fan says he wants to tax ampires for what he sees as bad calls made during the play-off series in which St. Louis lost to the Houston Astros.

Phil Broun wants to expand the state athlete and entertainer tax to cover officials such as umpires and referees. The tax is charged to out-of-state residents who earn money in Missouri while performing in such events as baseball games and concerts. The revenues are supposed to fund the state's public libraries and other cultural programs.

Roorda said his idea grew out of his frustration with umpires in the NL championship game on Nov. 19.

The school issued a statement Wednesday that read: "Allegations of this nature are indeed very serious, however, it would be inappropriate for the university to make any comments on Coach Harbaugh's situation, especially since the matter is not yet resolved. It is the university's practice not to discuss personnel matters publicly."

Harbaugh will be on the sideline for Saturday's night home game against Chapman.

Coaches favor Montana in preseason poll

OGDEN, Utah — For the third straight year, the University of Montana women's basketball team is the preseason favorite in a poll by league coaches.

The Lady Griz tallied five first-place votes and 47 points to edge out Northern Arizona, which tallied four consecutive first-place votes and 45 points.

Voting by media members put Montana and Northern Arizona in for the first.

Montana was named Big Sky championships team, winning titles from 1989-92, 1994-98, 2000 and 2004-05. The Lady Griz have made every Big Sky tournament since 1989, and have appeared in all but three championship games during that time span.

The tournaments have appeared in 10 straight conference tournaments.

Eastern Washington finished third in voting by the coaches with 36 points while Weber State finished fourth with 23 points.

Idaho State and Sacramento State tied for fifth with 23 points each, while the battle for seventh went to Eastern State with 11 points. Portland State rounded out the voting with eight points.

Both Montana and Northern Arizona received five first-place votes and 100 points in the media poll.

Weber State finished third with two first place votes and 75 points, followed by Eastern Washington with one first place vote and 74 points.

Idaho State also picked up one first place vote and finished with 15 points, while Sacramento State finished with 49 points for sixth. Montana State finished seventh with 32 points, while Portland State rounded

Phil Gillick introduced as Phillies' new GM

PHILADELPHIA — Pat Gillick has turned losing contracts into winners everywhere he's been. His job now is to build a champion from a team that hasn't been able to get over the top.

Gillick, who also coached the Philadelphia Phillies' new general manager. He replaces Ed Wade, fired after failing to get the team into the playoffs in eight seasons.

Philadelphia went 88-74 this season and finished one game behind NL wild-card winner Houston. It was the Phillies' first losing season since first season and fourth in five years, but they missed the playoffs for the 12th straight year and 21st time in 22 seasons.

Rodrick beats Dent at Paris Masters

PARIS — Top-seeded Andy Rodrick beat Taylor Dent 6-4, 6-7(2), 7-5 Wednesday at the third round of the Paris Masters.

The all-American match pitted two of the biggest servers on the ATP circuit with Dent getting four aces in his first two service games.

Lawton for steroids

NEW YORK — Former All-Star outfielder Matt Lawton was suspended Wednesday for 30 days for testing positive for steroids last week, getting the 12th player penalized for violating major league baseball's policy.

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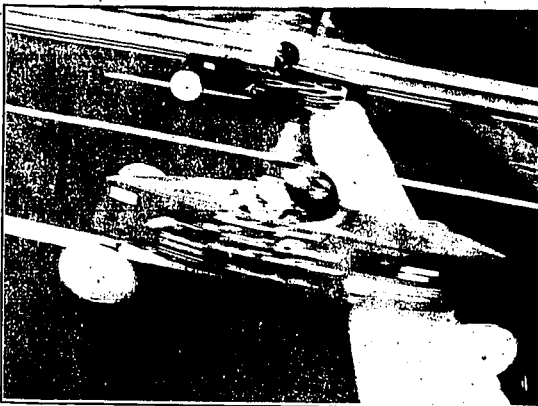
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REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S FACTORY CERTIFIED PICKS OF THE WEEK

Advertisement for Regg Middlekauff's Factory Certified Picks of the Week. Features three cars: 2002 Accord EX-VL, 2003 Accord LX, and 2004 Accord. Includes prices like \$18,777 and \$16,977, and contact information for Middlekauff Honda.

SPORTS



Matt Gravel, bottom, beats Jimmy Felt as the two streak over the finish line during a rally of Soap Box Derby carts at the track in Cleveland, Sept. 24. Races are often determined by less than a tenth of a second, with winners moving on, and losers heading into another elimination heat.

Soap Box Derby

Once fading piece of Americana popular again

By Sean D. Hamill
Associated Press writer

CLEVELAND — Alex Trecha folds his 11-year-old body into his red Soap Box Derby car to prepare for his first race of the year and his father checks over more to make sure the racer is perfectly lined up.

Greg Trecha lovingly pats his son on the helmet and says, "Have fun." Then the boy from Cranberry, Pa., and his motorless car hurdle down the hill against another racer on a new track located near Lake Erie.

A lot has changed since the first Soap Box Derby in 1934. More girls are racing, wind-tunnel technology and computer modeling are the norm, and the cars are made mainly of plastic from easy-to-build kits.

But the sport almost didn't survive the loss of corporate sponsorship, the changing American family and the tastes of 21st-century kids.

Over the last decade, Soap Box Derby racing has come barreling back thanks to a blend of tenacity, adaptation, renewed interest from national sponsors — including NASCAR — and a yearning for nostalgia.

"It's part of mom's apple pie, it's wrapped in the flag, it's from simpler times and it's a very family oriented event," said Tony Deluca, a retired deputy sheriff who has been the executive director of the All-American Soap Box Derby since 1980.

Photographer Myron Scott became enamored with the boy-built car race he was sent to cover in 1933, and a year later the first Soap Box Derby national championship was held.

At its peak in the 1960s, there were more than 20,000 kids participating in 250 clubs across the country. Each club sent one boy to the national championships every July at Derby Downs in Akron, Ohio. Celebrities such as actor Jimmy Stewart appeared, helping attract up to 30,000 fans and loads of media attention.

But the late John DeLorean, then general manager of Chevrolet and later one of the country's most infamous entrepreneurs, abruptly pulled the funding plug in 1972.



Greg Trecha whispers instructions to his 11-year-old son, Alex, before he starts his way down the track during a Soap Box Derby rally at the track in Cleveland, Sept. 24.

"I didn't think it fit in today's contemporary America," DeLorean said.

Along with its sponsor and \$1 million, the derby lost some of its luster.

"I know when Chevy pulled out after 1972, they all thought the Derby would fall within three years," said Jeff Lula, All-American's general manager.

"And when I started here (in 1975) we had 99 kids at nationals and \$500 in the bank."

Local clubs disappeared overnight, going from 251 in 1972 to 139 in 1973. The malaise plagued the Derby through the 1980s, when there were as few as 83 clubs nationwide.

"We really roughed it for a few years," Deluca said.

"That's why the decline was so precipitous that passionate supporters such as Iula — who can tick off from memory every national champion since 1934 — would regularly get asked:

"Whatever happened to the Soap Box Derby?"

All-American slowly, if at times begrudgingly, adapted to revitalize itself.

In 1977, a rival group, National Derby Rallies, was started. It ran local "rally" races year-round. Instead of just the local and national championships that All-American typically ran — so young drivers could qualify for the NDR national championship — prompting All-American to start its own rally series nine years later.

But the biggest change occurred in 1992. That's when All-American began making its own, easy-to-build kit cars, which now cost from \$415 to \$535 each, rather than sending out plans showing racers how to make one.

"We realized parents today didn't have the three things they had back in the 50s or 60s: time, tools and the talent," Lula said. "You can build a car now in four to five hours, whereas back then it could take four to five months."

The number of local clubs jumped from 91 in 1991 to 88 the following year. Today, there are 160 clubs in 40 states.

As All-American was beginning to get its wheels under it again, major national sponsors started coming back, including Goodyear Tires in 1997 as the main sponsor. Before it relinquished its spot, Goodyear used to connect to align NASCAR as a Soap Box partner.

"We're not like other sports. You can't play NASCAR in elementary school. So the Soap Box Derby is our sandlot," said Andrew Giangiola, a NASCAR spokesman. "And you don't need to be a hardcore racing fan to appreciate the All-American values of Soap Box Derby."

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together and to capitalize on his promise.

"It's put on 25 pounds of muscle since he came to Twin Falls," Peery said. "He's worked real hard to improve his body. I'm real proud of Reggie."

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Power conferences aiming to score two big BCS checks

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press writer

Because there will be no BCS bowl risks out of plus-minus major conferences this season the way Utah did in 2004, the power leagues have a chance to fill the two at-large bids to the four big-money bowls.

The champions from the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big East, Big Ten, Big 12, Pac-10 and Southeastern Conference receive automatic bids to the Bowl Championship Series. The Rose Bowl will host the top two teams in the final BCS standings in the national title game on Jan. 4.

The Sugar, Fiesta and Orange bowls get to fill the other spots with the remaining conference champions and two other teams that won at least nine games and finished in the top 12 of the BCS standings.

No. 16 Texas Tech (7-1) was 15th in the latest BCS standings, but the Red Raiders are still the Big 12's best bet to land a second BCS bid, assuming Texas doesn't trip up on its way to a conference title. Tech hosts Texas A&M on Saturday and needs to win out to have a shot at its first BCS bid.

The SEC has sent both the winner and loser of its championship game to the BCS in the past, and is looking to do it again with Alabama, LSU and Georgia all in the BCS top 12.

The unbeaten Crimson Tide, which sits in the second national championship, travels to Mississippi State on Saturday. The ACC's best bet to put two teams in the BCS would be a tie game between an unbeaten Virginia Tech and one-loss Florida State in Jacksonville, Fla., on Dec. 3.

The Hoopes look to make a case for a spot in the Rose Bowl on Saturday in Blacksburg, against fifth-ranked Miami.

With both Southern California and Virginia Tech (11-0) at No. 24 Louisville: Cards' Brian Brohm leads nation in passing efficiency. ... LOUISVILLE 44-20.

Stanford (plus 33) at No. 1 Southern California: Stanford is last team to beat USC at home. ... USC 48-14.

No. 5 Miami (plus 6.5) at No. 10 Virginia Tech: Hoopes need convincing win. ... VIRGINIA TECH 22-13.

No. 4 Alabama (minus 17) at Mississippi State: Tide has won four straight vs. Bulldogs. ... ALABAMA 28-12.

Appalachian State (no line) at No. 6 LSU: Another blowout on tap for Tiger Stadium. ... LSU 55-10.

No. 7 UCLA (minus 9) at Arizona: Bruins have won last four trips to Tucson. ... UCLA 38-24.

College football picks

nia and UCLA unbeaten in the Pac-10; if they can stay that way, the loser of the west coast rivalry game Dec. 3 would have a great shot at landing a BCS bid.

It will be tough for the Big Ten to get two teams in the BCS this season because only the winner of Saturday's Wisconsin-Penn State game can finish the season with fewer than two losses.

The Big East is in the same situation. And of course, Notre Dame is still in the mix.

The Fighting Irish (6-5), who host struggling Tennessee, need to win out and finish with at most two more spots in the BCS, standings to be eligible for selection.

Illinois (plus 34) at No. 12 Ohio State: Buckeyes keep the big plays coming against hapless Illini. ... OHIO STATE 50-13.

Vanderbilt (plus 19) at No. 13 Florida: Grid-iron-out Gators still have SEC title hopes. ... FLORIDA 30-10.

No. 23 California (plus 1.5) at No. 15 Oregon: Cal snapped seven-game losing streak to Ducks last season. ... OREGON 36-30.

Texas A&M (plus 16) at No. 16 Texas Tech: Banged-up Aggies trying to turnaround disappointing season. ... TEXAS TECH 44-24.

No. 17 Auburn (minus 22.5) at Kentucky: Tigers have won 14 straight against Wildcats. ... KENTUCKY 38-14.

No. 19 Boston College (minus 4.5) at North Carolina: Eagles beat Heels in Continental Tire Bowl last year. ... BOSTON COLLEGE 24-14.

Colorado State (plus 7) at No. 20 TCU: Horned Frogs can clinch Mountain West. ... COLORADO STATE 32-28.

San Jose State (plus 34) at No. 21 Fresno State: Bulldogs tune up for WAC showdown against Boise State. ... FRESNO STATE 55-17.

Missouri (plus 11.5) at No. 25 Colby: Lions could end North Division race. ... COLBY 34-24.

Last week: 15-3 (straight); 8-10 (vs. points).

Season: 129-35 (straight); 87-66-4 (vs. points).

Epstein: Decision was personal, not politics

BOSTON (AP) — Ongoing Red Sox general manager Theo Epstein dismissed reports that a power struggle with team president Larry Lucchino led him to walk away from the organization this week.

The 31-year-old Epstein, whose career in professional baseball started when Lucchino hired him as an intern with the Baltimore Orioles 14 years ago, said he rejected the team's offer of a \$4.5 million, three-year extension that would have more than quadrupled his previous salary.

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Epstein said Wednesday in his first public comments since he shocked Boston fans by walking away from the bargaining table on Monday. "As with any other working relationship, there are complexities, there are ups and downs."

The decision to leave, he said, was a personal one.

"This is a job you have to give your whole heart and soul to," he said. "In the end, after a long period of reflection about myself and the program, I decided I could no longer put my whole heart and soul into it."

Principal owner John Henry noted Lucchino's absence from the news conference at Fenway Park.

"He's been maligned and blamed for a lot of things over the last couple of days, but I think that's wrong. I think that's inaccurate," he said.

If you want to place blame for what happened here, I'm responsible," he added. "Never in my wildest dream did I think this was ever going to happen."

Henry praised Epstein for his work during three years as general manager.

"I've never seen anyone work harder than Theo worked to try to make this organization successful," he said.

Media reports have circulated that Epstein left because Lucchino and negotiations convinced him there was a breach of trust with Lucchino. But Epstein said Wednesday that the two remained close and that Lucchino gave him wide discretion over baseball decisions.

"If there are reports of a power struggle or meddling on behalf of Larry, that really wasn't the case," he said.

"Essentially, I felt like I had pretty much a free hand to run the baseball operation the way I saw fit."

Henry Epstein, the Red Sox made the postseason three years in a row for the first time in franchise history, with the obvious highlight being the team's 2004 World Series win. Boston's first in 86 years.

"It was a time in my life I always look back on with fond memories," Epstein said.

Lindner agrees to sell control of the Reds

CINCINNATI (AP) — Carl Lindner agreed Wednesday to sell the controlling interest in the Cincinnati Reds to a group of area businessmen, keeping baseball's first professional franchise in local hands.

The group is headed by Robert Castellini, chairman of a Cincinnati-based produce company, and relatives of a family that owned the team from 1966-84.

The family sold control of the team to Marge Schott in the 1980s, setting up one of the club's most turbulent eras. The Reds won a World Series in 1990 but were tainted by his repeated offensive remarks.

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when three limited partners who owned 51.5 percent of the team's shares indicated they wanted to buy the team.

Lindner said at the time that he intended to retain control of the team, which hasn't had a winning season since it moved into Great American Ball Park in 2003.

The purchase price sets the value of the franchise at approximately \$270 million.

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all-region second-team football fielders, a 6-foot-4 sophomore who averaged 15 points and 6 rebounds per game last season. Shooting guard Andrew Salop will also return for the Westcoast after sitting out last season due to injury. As a freshman in 2003-04, Salop averaged 13 points and five assists per game.

Against an experienced team that will play the same brand of upstart, hot-shot, the Eagles do, it will be imperative that the CSI guards dictate just how fast the game takes shape along and take care of the ball during the season's first contest.

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Day 2 will likely provide the tournament's biggest challenge, as the Eagles face Coahle College (Ariz.), the No. 10 team in

this year's National Junior College Athletic Association postseason play. The Running Sparchs finished 23rd last season and return three starters. Foremost is 6-7 sophomore Orlando Griego, who earned All-Region I first-team honors after averaging 18.1 points and 10.2 rebounds per game last year. Sophomore point guard Jude Royal averaged 14.1 points and 5.6 assists per appearance last year.

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They're similar to Westchester except they have a little more talent. Peery said "Jerry Carlillo's a real good coach and he's taken teams to Hutchinson, Kan. before."

Eastern Wyoming College returns to CSI's tournament competition on Saturday. The Lancers finished 16-13 last season, and return 6-9 sophomore Craig Hamer, along with 6-5 sophomore John Mann.

"Eastern Wyoming's been to Hutech a couple times and they've beaten us before," Peery said. "It's going to be a strong tournament, and we're going to have to bring it."

How the Eagles "bring it" will depend just how much a diverse group of athletes from around the globe can play as a unified entity for a full 40 minutes. Thanks to a summer spent conditioning together, Peery is confident that his team will stand its No. 4 national ranking.

"You know, they've been together for a long time," Peery said. "Most of them have been here over the summer and working out, so they know each other real well. It's not a new team, per se, like a team that got here in September. They want to get going with this team. I think they'll be real fun. People will really like them."

The first chance to like the CSI men comes tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the CSI Gymnasium.

Sophomore

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superior athleticism. This year the talent is still there, but there's a feeling of regimentation and specialization in what is expected of each player.

"Last year we had talent and this year, I think we have more roles," Larry said. "Everybody knows what their roles are. We're all good — everybody's good, but everybody has a different role. Last year it was just put the best one on the court and outscore them. Now we've got somebody who's the offense, somebody who's the defense, somebody who has to rebound, somebody has to block it. Everybody's got their different roles. It'll be more organized."

All three will likely play the role of game's top scorer throughout the season. All blessed with good size, athleticism, and versatility, CSI's returning sophomores have all added to their resumes.

Peery, who took over for departed head coach Glib Arnold during the summer. The in-house promotion has kept the team smoothly for the three players.

"We worked out a lot with Coach Peery and we got to know him a lot better," Ferrell said. "I think the respect is there. The whole time we've been here, we've spent a lot of time with him and time to adjust to him before he became the head coach."

The transition may have been smooth, but it won't necessarily be easy. Peery and his staff has high expectations of each player. For Gabbidon, it's more leadership and a better feel of — when and not when to — pull the trigger.

"That's a lot of experience returning and should be a good leader for us," Peery said. "He shot the ball pretty well last year, and the most important thing for him this year will be shot selection. But he's very coachable and a good guy to have on our team."

For the ultra-confident Ferrell, it's the confidence to help others improve.

"You know, guys in his position know that they have to beat him, and he makes them work," Peery said. "It's good that way."

For Larry, it's simply to draw all the results of his efforts at CSI

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Secret Garden opens tonight

OAKLEY — The Oakley Valley Arts Council's production of the musical "The Secret Garden" opens tonight at Howell's Opera House.
Marsha Norman and Lucy Simon's musical treatment of Frances Hodgson Burnett's 1909 novel will be performed today, Friday, Saturday, Monday and Nov. 10-12 at 7:30 p.m. A 2 p.m. matinee is planned on Nov. 12.
"The Secret Garden" tells the story of an orphaned 11-year-old girl who discovers a magical, locked garden at the home of her uncle, where she's sent to live.
Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 677-2787.

Open seats on county P&Z board

TWIN FALLS — The county Planning and Zoning Commission is looking for two new members.
Two seats, now held by Jack Hart and Darren Belin, will open up Jan. 1.
Planning and zoning commissioners hold work sessions at noon on the second Tuesday of each month, and hold public hearings at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month.
County commissioners appoint members to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Those interested need to fill out an application and write a letter of intent and drop them off at commission chambers on the fourth floor of the county courthouse at 425 Shoshone St. Applications and letter can also be mailed to commissioners at P.O. Box 126, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0126.
The three-year seats are open to citizens who have been county residents for at least two years, but the commission is especially looking for applicants from the eastern and southern parts of the county.
"We want to make sure we have a diverse board that represents the county," said Sue Switzer, the county's planning and zoning administrator.
For an application, or for more information, call commission chambers at 736-4068.

Banquet celebrates center's first year

POCATELLO — Portneuf Medical Center's Heart and Vascular Center is celebrating a year in operation with a special recognition dinner for patients.
The "Hearts of Gold" dinner will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at the Thelma E. Stephens Performing Arts Center on the Idaho State University campus.
"This banquet is aimed at celebrating the accomplishment of our goals and the confidence and trust that the community have shown in us," said Dr. Jacob DeLaRosa in a Portneuf news release. "I believe that we have new techniques, a state-of-the-art staff and a dedicated team, have made the difference."
The banquet's program will be devoted to comments from physicians and patients. Patients who also receive a special gift, the news release said.
Patients interested in attending the banquet can call 208-239-2007.

CSI sponsors Ski Swap next week

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Ski Club's 36th annual Ski Swap is scheduled for the Eldon Evans Expo Center Nov. 10 through 13. Buyers and sellers of good, used skis, snowboards and winter equipment are invited to participate in what has become one of the largest events of its kind in southern Idaho.
Check-in for used equipment will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Nov. 10. Anyone who wants to sell skis, snowboards, winter camping equipment, or other winter recreational clothing or gear is invited to bring their merchandise to the Expo Center during that time.
The show will be open to the public from 9 to 3 p.m. Nov. 11, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Nov. 12 and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 13. Admission is free, which also buys a raffle ticket for prizes to be given away near the end of the show.
Unsold items can be picked up from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Idaho Youth Ranch.
— compiled from staff reports

Funding varies in City Council race

By Terry Smith Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Some candidates for this year's City Council election have received campaign contributions in the neighborhood of \$3,000, while others have received nearly a dime, according to financial disclosure reports filed this week.
Dun Hall received the highest amount at \$3,174. Candidates Kenneth D. Stevens and Tony Ash shared bottom honors with no contributions reported.
Two candidates — Bob Powers and Glenn E. Hardin — missed Tuesday's filing deadline altogether, and still hadn't turned in reports by Wednesday

afternoon. Under Idaho law they could be fined \$50 each day the reports are late.
Under Idaho's Sunshine Law, candidates for municipal offices are required to file several campaign financial disclosure reports. A "7 Day Pre-General" report documents contributions received between Oct. 1 and Oct. 23. Those reports were due Tuesday.
David E. Johnson received the second highest amount at \$2,925. Incumbent Lance W. Glow was third with contributions of \$2,050.
Sherry Olsen-Frank reported contributions of \$1,800, but listed funds received prior to Oct. 1 of \$132, giving her a campaign war chest of \$1,932.

Gregory L. Lanting also reported previous contributions. Prior to Oct. 1, he had \$1,085. Since then he received another \$480, giving him a total of \$1,575.
Jackie L. Zapf reported contributions of \$500.
Three council seats are up for grabs this year. Glow, Powers and Ash are running for Seat No. 1, the position now held by Glow.
Seeking Seat No. 5, the position currently held by retiring Councilwoman Elaine Steele, are Olsen-Frank, Lanting, Johnson and Zapf. Vying for Seat No. 6, the position now held by retiring Councilman Chris Talkington, are Hall, Stevens and Hardin.
Candidates who fail to file reports by

the dates required are allowed some leeway under the law, according to Deputy City Clerk Sharon Bryant. She said candidates usually just forget and turn the reports in after she calls them. Fines can be levied if the infractions continue.
Under Idaho law, contributions of less than \$50 need not be itemized on the reports. Contributions greater than that need to list the contributor.
According to the reports, the largest contributor was Robert A. Neumann, who donated \$1,000 to the Olsen-Frank campaign.
He was followed by Gregg Middelkauff, who contributed \$500 to the Johnson campaign and \$300 to Hall.

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS Day OF THE DEAD



Above, Candles burn Wednesday in celebration of Dia de los Muertos at the College of Southern Idaho. Left, An altar is arranged on the floor at CSI for a celebration of Dia de los Muertos, a Hispanic tradition.

CSI students observe ancient Mexican holiday

By Joshua Palmer Times-News writer
TWIN FALLS — Skeletons, skulls and candles covered an altar Wednesday at the College of Southern Idaho, but they weren't left over from Halloween. They were a celebration of life better known as Dia de los Muertos.
The holiday translates into English as Day of the Dead and was celebrated Wednesday morning by the student group Latinos Unidos.
A holiday with roots in Mexico, Dia de los Muertos is a tradition that dates back more than 1,000 years to the early Aztecs of Central America. It is recognized as a day when the dead return to visit their families and friends, and is considered a joyous occasion.
"When it originated in the Aztec culture, they were taught to embrace death," said Arroyo, president of Latinos Unidos. "They thought that life was a dream, and when you left your body you became truly awake."
The traditional celebration managed to survive 480 years of cultural conflicts

that began with the invasion of Cortes in 1519. Although the celebration shows signs of Christian influence — the altars are traditionally decorated with crucifixes and representations of Catholic saints — the belief remains the same.
"It's a memorial day, is how I see it," said Kristina Tapia, who placed photos of her nephew on the altar.
Wooden skulls and pictures of skeletons are arranged on the altar beside photos of deceased family members, which stand in contrast to the vivid colors of fresh flowers.
"The skeleton symbolizes joy," Arroyo said. "And the wooden skulls

symbolize rebirth."
On Monday night, many Hispanic families set up an altar with photos of deceased family members, as well as the relatives' favorite food and drink. On Tuesday, families celebrated Dia de los Angelitos — or day of the little angels — to honor descendants who died at an early age. On Wednesday, many families in Mexico visited cemeteries, and held community parades and festivals.
"Today is a day of welcoming them back," Arroyo said, pointing to the photos of relatives on the altar. "Or even acknowledging that they never really left."

Write-in candidate enters Buhl mayoral race

By Blair Koch Times-News correspondent
Buhl — A 26-day bout with pneumonia kept Miami Ford from making the ballot to have her name on Buhl's ballot for mayor. She did, however, file her intention to run as a write-in candidate.
Ford, 47, decided to throw her hat into the race because she was one of the town that she's called home for over 25 years.
"I was raised in this community, and I'm raising a family in the community ..."

— Miami Ford, Buhl mayoral candidate
In the past, she has been president of the Board of Directors and is a member of the Buhl Planning and Zoning Commission as well as the Buhl Central Area Committee.
Buhl Central Area Committee President Holly Langdon said, "Miami is always willing to do anything."
Langdon explained that Ford, upon seeing the Chamber of Commerce is spearheading the Octoberfest celebration and has already won approval for the beer garden.
Ford also sits on the Buhl Rotary Buhl board of directors and was named the 2005 Rotation of the Year. She is also a member of the Snake River Byways Committee.
In the past, she has been chosen to help rewrite the Twin Falls County Comprehensive Plan.
Ford realizes the challenges facing Buhl, including the wastewater project and arson case problem. She has been keeping up with the progress of both and is concerned with how the "huge endeavors," will effect water bills for the community and how the city can raise enough funds to fix the system.
She has over 20 years experience in retail management and over four years ago opened a floral shop — Miami's Flowers and Gifts, located at 539 Clear Lake Road in Buhl.
Ford also took a two year course of study at the College of Southern Idaho, majoring in business and marketing.
Her name will not appear on the Nov. 8th ballot, but voters can still raise Ford by writing in her name.

Deputy's sirens silenced in Castleford

Funds aren't in any budget and city finds itself without deputy — again

By Blair Koch Times-News correspondent.
CASTLEFORD — Twin Falls County Sheriff's Deputy Rich Pendleton had become a familiar face in Castleford.
His routine was once so predictable that a few months ago the Castleford City Council requested his hours vary instead of being on a 9-5 shift so that residents wouldn't know it was safe to speed along Main Street.
As of Tuesday, Pendleton will no longer be on patrol in Castleford. In fact, no law enforcement officer will be on duty because neither the city or county can afford it.
Even though Pendleton still certainly miss Castleford's small town charm he said, "I'll work the same wherever I am. It's not where the department needs me."
Castleford will definitely miss the deputy.
"The town hates to see it," Mayor Rita Ruffing said. "Last

Deputy Details
The Castleford City Council will be meeting with Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Touseley to discuss a contract for some deputy services for the town. They will be meeting at I&O Printing, at 300 Main Street, on November 8th at 7 p.m. For more information call 537-6544.

The town almost lost its deputy last year.
The school only had \$1,000 last year, but donation jars placed in and around Castleford earned the remaining \$9,000 to secure the deputy's services.
The city is currently working with the county to reach a service agreement for when a deputy is needed. However, details still aren't available as to when — and how often — a deputy would be in town.
"We haven't sat down as a council and discussed this yet," Ruffing said. "Sheriff Touseley should be at our next meeting, where we can work out how it will come together when we need a deputy out here."
She explained that the city would still have animal control and some city ordinance control through the county.
Twin Falls County Commissioner Gary Grundstaff stated that the commissioners met

with Touseley to discuss the situation.
However, the county is unable to pick up the tab.
"We just didn't budget for it," Grundstaff said. "We have had an agreement with the city that they would pay and the Sheriff's department would pick up the rest."
During Castleford's last Council meeting, Touseley explained that it costs roughly \$49,000 for just the deputy's salary. More expenses include transportation and insurance, both of which are on the rise.
Grundstaff indicated that the agreement could change in the future.
"If they came and requested the services, something differently could possibly be worked out. Our fiscal year ends Oct. 31; our budget is finalized for that year, he said.

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Wooden sculpture stolen from gallery

BOISE (AP) — Police are investigating the theft of a 35-pound wooden sculpture from the Boise State University art gallery.

The thieves lifted the sculpture over a nine-foot wall in the Liberal Arts Building some-

time between Saturday evening and Monday morning.

The gallery director, Kristen Furlong, said she found the piece missing when she opened the gallery around 10 a.m. Monday.

Boise State art professor John

Taye spent about 125 hours making the sculpture called "Flight of Dreams." It's worth about \$2,500 and is insured.

Taye, who has been at BSU for about 30 years, said he's never had a piece stolen from BSU before.

Prosecutors, defense reach deal in Duncan sex tape controversy

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Lawyers for Joseph Edward Duncan III on Wednesday dropped their demand for copies of disturbing videotapes with the registered sex offender, after prosecutors said they would not use the tapes during trial.

The tapes were found in Duncan's vehicle after he was arrested July with kidnap victim Shasta Greene, 8.

While prosecutors have not disclosed exactly what is on the tapes, they have said they are "blatant" sex images of child pornography.

Kootenai County Prosecutor Bill Douglas had refused to make copies for defense lawyers, saying he thought Shasta and her family would be further victimized if a copy somehow became public.

Duncan's public defender, James D. Jimmy, said he needed copies of the tapes to mount an adequate defense for his client, who has been charged with three counts of rape and first-degree murder.

First District Judge Fred Gibler initially ruled that Douglas must make copies, but Douglas asked him to reconsi-

der, and a hearing on the matter was scheduled for Wednesday.

That's when the two sides informed the judge they had reached a deal.

Adams said prosecutors agreed they would not use the contents of the tape in Duncan's murder trial, so the defense dropped its request for copies.

"They agreed they'll never try to introduce it in evidence, and I can look at it when I want," Adams said.

Assistant Prosecutor Lansing Haynes said the contents of the tapes would not be used during the trial or during the penalty phase, if Duncan is found guilty.

"We worked out an agreement that if the defense wants an expert to look at the videos, we'll accommodate that by taking it to them," Haynes said.

The issue was unusual because Duncan is not charged in state court with any crimes against Shasta or her 9-year-old brother, Dylan, who presumably are on the videotapes.

Dylan was slain and his remains were found at a campsite in Montana.

In state court, Duncan faces three counts of first-degree

murder in the bludgeoning deaths of the abducted children's mother, Brenda Greene; their 13-year-old brother, Slade; and their mother's boyfriend, Mark McKenzie. Prosecutors contend Duncan killed the three so he could kidnap the children for sex.

U.S. Attorney Tom Moss of Boise has said Duncan will be charged later in federal court with kidnapping the two children and killing Dylan.

Duncan's trial in state court is set to begin in January. Adams said he has not decided if he will seek to move the trial to a place where the crimes received less publicity.

While prosecutors are required by law to share evidence with defense lawyers in criminal cases and make copies when possible, there was legal precedent for a judge to ban the making of copies of tapes involving child pornography on grounds that such copies could inadvertently be released to the public and cause further damage to the victims.

Prosecutors contend the videos were made during the seven-week period when Duncan held the children captive in Montana.

SERVICES

W.F. 'Bill' Whitlomb of Sagle and formerly of Rupert, burial at 10 a.m. Thursday at the New Plymouth Cemetery (Payne Mortuary).

Joan Frances Hess of Burley, gathering at 1 p.m. Thursday at 1941 Grandview Lane in Burley (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Leonard Alan Fischer of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1 p.m. Thursday at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Filer Ave. E. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

L. 'Bill' Calborne of Hagerman, memorial service at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at the Hagerman Valley Christian Center (Demary Funeral Service).

Freeman Lee Vingt of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Free Will Baptist Church, Truck Lane and North 14th Avenue, Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Mary Wasko Sturgis of Boise, funeral Mass celebrated at 2 p.m. Thursday at St. John's Cathedral, Boise. A second Mass will be celebrated

at 1 p.m. Friday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Buhl, with viewing beginning at 11 a.m. at the church (Cloverdale Funeral Home).

Ervin Rast of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. Friday at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1128

Poplar, Buhl, viewing from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 N. Ninth, Buhl.

Florence B. Jones of Rupert, graveside service at 2 p.m. Friday at the Rupert Cemetery (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

DEATH NOTICES

Vivian Brittain

HUNTINGTON BEACH, Calif. — Vivian Brittain, 87, of Huntington Beach, Calif., and a long time resident of Twin Falls died Friday, Oct. 28, 2005, at Hoag Hospital in Newport Beach, Calif.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Nov. 11, 2005, at St. Edwards Catholic Church, with Father John Koelsch celebrating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. A prayer vigil with Rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Nov. 10, 2005, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Burley. Arrangements will be made from 3 p.m. until the time of rosary at Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

A full obituary will appear in a

later edition of *The Times-News*.

Adela Bautista

HEYBURN — Adela Bautista, 1-year-old infant daughter of Alma Sanchez and Blas Bautista, died Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements will be made by Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley.

James D. 'Jimmy' Rowlett

DULUTH, Minn. — James D. 'Jimmy' Rowlett, 48, died Monday, Oct. 31, 2005, in Duluth, Minn.

Arrangements will be made by the Cremation Society of Minnesota.

Utah Supreme Court will decide status of polygamous Hillsdale judge

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A small-town judge ordered removed from office because he has three wives says his polygamy should not be grounds for removing him from the bench.

"As long as I can do my job, why should I be removed?" Justice Court Judge Walter Steed asked Wednesday outside a courtroom at Brigham Young University with one of his three wives standing by his side.

The Utah Supreme Court on Wednesday heard oral arguments at BYU in the case. It has 90 days to make a decision.

The state legislature created a Commission in February issued an order seeking Steed's removal from the bench after a 14-month investigation determined Steed was a polygamist as he had violated Utah's bigamy law.

Bigamy is a third-degree felony in Utah punishable by up to five years in prison and up to \$5,000 in fines.

Steed has served for 25 years in the southern Utah border town of Hillsdale, handing down rulings in drunken driving and domestic violence cases. Steed's lawyer, Rodney Parker, contends the bigamy statute is only enforced in rare cases, such as when someone has been duped into marrying someone who already has a wife.

Steed told reporters after the hearing he doesn't feel singled out or persecuted by the commission's lifestyle.

"I feel like there is an issue — the constitutionality of the bigamy statute — that needs to be decided," said Steed, who is a truck driver by trade and a part-time judge.

"If I can be a vehicle to help decide it, I don't feel picked on." The complaint against Steed was filed with the commission in November 2003 by Tapestry Against Polygamy, an advocacy group founded by ex-polygamist women who organized to help others leave the harmful of secretive religious colonies that adhere to the practice.

Plural marriage was an original tenet of the mainline Mormon church, but the faith abandoned the practice as a condition of statehood in 1890. About 30,000 polygamists, who split from the main church into various fundamentalist sects more than 100 years ago, are believed to be living in Utah, the Southwest, Mexico and Canada.

Steed legally married his first wife in 1965, according to court documents. The second and third wives were married — or "sealed" as the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints refers to it — to him in religious ceremonies in 1975 and 1985. The three women are biological sisters and no one in the family was expecting that the second and third marriages would be civilly recognized.

In court Wednesday, justices focused their questions on two main issues: whether Steed's conduct impugns the judicial office and whether he should be removed from the bench if he has not been criminally tried and convicted of bigamy.

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Barbara J. Quinn

BUHL — Barbara J. Quinn, 74, of Buhl, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2005, at her home in Buhl.

She was born in Waltham, Mass. The youngest of 14 children.

She is survived by her seven

children, 20 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. A private service will be held at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Florence Bessie Cole Jones

RUPEET — Florence Bessie Cole Jones, an 85-year-old Rupert resident, died Saturday, Oct. 29, 2005, at her home.

Florence was born Dec. 25, 1919, in Declo, Idaho, to David Jenkins Cole and Sylvia Alberta Irene Ingrain. She was raised and attended school in Declo and lived in the Mid-Cass area all her life. She later married George Edward Jones.

Florence worked and retired from Ors-Ida foods. She loved fishing, all outdoor activities and doing many handicrafts. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband,

George Edward Jones; five brothers, Claude, Charlie, Leo, Duane and Shorty; and one sister, Carolyn Ann.

She is survived by her children, Ethel Marie Saldana of Burley, Idaho, Helen Stee of Wellsville, Kan., David Leonard Jones of Paul, Idaho, and David Jones of Elk River, Idaho; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, 2005, at the Rupert Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.



Opal June Smith

PORT ORCHARD, Wash. — Opal June Smith, 83, of Port Orchard, Wash., formerly of Twin Falls, passed away Oct. 25, 2005, at the home of her granddaughter, Diane Tom Moss in Port Orchard, Wash.

She was born Nov. 19, 1921, in St. Francis, Kan., the daughter of Marion and Ethel Stevens Albert.

Opal worked for the school of the deaf in California as a dining supervisor.

Her granddaughter Diana reminds her grandpa, who had a big heart, she taught me how to love and she made my

marriage stronger within the last 2 1/2 years that I had her. She was a wonderful person, she was full of life, always had a smile on her face and she could make a killer apricot pie.

Survivors include son, Robert E. Smith Sr. and his wife, Janice Smith; grandson, Robert E. Smith Jr.; granddaughters, Heather Jane and Diana Mae and husband, Tom Maas; great-grandkids, George Cabral, Tiffany Whiting, Brittany Maas, Nick Maas, Amanda Smith and Sam Smith; and great-great-grand kids, Gavin Whiting and Madison Maas.

She raised Diana and Robert for about six years. Opal was the strong one in the family. Opal lost her daughter, Donna Smith when she was 7.

Opal was preceded in death by Donald Smith, her husband; and her daughter, Donna Smith.

A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, 2005, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho, with burial following at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, 2005, at the funeral home.

Ursula 'Sue' DeVries

TWIN FALLS — Ursula "Sue" DeVries, 78, of Twin Falls, died peacefully Tuesday morning, Nov. 1, 2005, at her home in Twin Falls.

Sue was born on Feb. 11, 1927, in Neustadt, Oberschlesien, Germany. Ursula DeVries while he was serving in the U.S. Army Band in Straubing, Germany. They were married on Jan. 1, 1956, at the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls. Sue and Allan farmed south of Twin Falls, where she helped on the farm and raised their two children.

Sue enjoyed gardening, all kinds of flowers, crocheting, canning, cooking and baking as well as being in the outdoors fishing and hunting for rocks and Indian artifacts. Sue and Allan loved to travel to Hawaii and Mexico, and enjoyed different cultures. Sue was a member of the Ladies of Elks, where she served as president in 1980-1981.

Sue is survived by her husband of nearly 50 years, Allan DeVries of Twin Falls; one son, Richard (Jackie) DeVries also



of Twin Falls; one daughter, Deborah DeVries Martin of Gilbert, Ariz.; three grandchildren, Holly (Kevin) Ruddell of Twin Falls and Travis Smith and Nathan Smith both of Gilbert, Ariz.; and many loving nieces, nephews and special friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Sue had a wonderful heart and soul; she will be missed by all.

A celebration of Sue's life will

be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, 2005, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, with Pastor Al Fry of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park.

The family suggests memorials be given in Sue's name to the Ladies of Elks. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Four officers join AF Academy lawsuit

DENVER (AP) — Four Air Force officers have joined in a lawsuit claiming senior officers and cadets at the Air Force Academy illegally imposed Christianity on others at the school.

Meanwhile, congressional opponents of proposed new guidelines on religious conduct in the Air Force have sent a letter to President Bush asking him to issue an executive order protecting the right of Christian military chaplains to mention Jesus in prayers.

A letter signed by more than 70 members of the House says an order directing military chaplains to mention Jesus in prayers is "a direct attack and that their right to pray according to their faith is in jeopardy."

The letter, written by Rep. Walter Jones, R-N.C., said, "We believe that the Air Force's sup-

pression of religious freedom is a pervasive problem throughout our nation's armed forces... and it is becoming increasingly difficult for Christian chaplains to use the name of Jesus when praying."

The lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Albuquerque, N.M., was filed by Mike Weinstein, an academy graduate and former Air Force officer, who said he had failed to win an assurance from the Air Force that Christian chaplains would stop proselytizing.

Four second lieutenants, all members of the graduating class of 2004, joined the lawsuit this week, said Sam Bregman, Weinstein's lawyer. He identified them as Casey Weinstein, one of Mike Weinstein's sons, Jason Spindler, Patrick Kucera and Ariel Kayne.

"Any argument that Mr. Wein-

stein didn't have standing — that argument is over," said Bregman. Weinstein said that if Bush issues an executive order that permits chaplains to proselytize he will add the president to the list of defendants.

In addition to the letter to Bush, evangelical groups were pushing their side in meetings with top Air Force officials. Jim Backlin, vice president for legislative affairs of the Christian Coalition, said he had met with acting Air Force Secretary Pete Geren.

"I told the secretary we are concerned that the guidelines as written would have a chilling effect and are already having a chilling effect," Backlin said.

Backlin said the guidelines are unnecessary.

They were written after complaints by Weinstein and others that Christian evangelicals were

aggressively proselytizing at the academy. In some cases using their official positions to advance their cause. An investigation of the academy found no overt religious discrimination but observed a lack of sensitivity among some and confusion over what is permissible in sharing one's faith.

The Air Force's chief of chaplains, Maj. Gen. Charles C. Baldwin, appears to have reservations about the guidelines. In a videotaped message sent to all chaplains he invited them to comment on the rules so the Air Force could "get this right."

Weinstein said Baldwin should be fired for advocating practices the guidelines have ruled out, including senior officers sharing their faith with their subordinates as long as it is not done coercively.

Death of five children devastates community

By Nicholas K. Gerasin
Associated Press writer

SPokane, Wash. — A tiny community of Mennonites north of here is mourning Wednesday after all five children in a family were killed in a head-on collision of two pickup trucks.

The eight-student Mennonite school in Chewelah, attended by three of the dead children, will be closed for the rest of the week, said Dan Hertzler, who was speaking for the nine families of the small religious sect.

"They have been a real and active part of the congregation since they were born," Hertzler said. The five children of the Schrock family, who ranged in age from 2 to 12. "They were very lively, active children, and they will be missed."

The Pine Grove Mennonite Church community was gathering in support of Carolyn Schrock, mother of the children, who is pregnant and due in December, Hertzler said. They lived and worked in the area about 45 miles north of Spokane, and attended the small church in one of only two Mennonite communities in Eastern Washington.

The Washington State Patrol said Jeffrey B. Schrock and his five children were in the extended cab of a southbound truck on U.S. 95 Tuesday afternoon

when it collided with a northbound vehicle that had crossed a grassy median and entered the southbound lanes.

Announced death at the scene were: Carmen Joy Schrock, 12; Jana Louise Schrock, 10; Corina Jean Schrock, 8; Jerrill Burdette Schrock, 5, and Craig Allen Schrock, 2. None of children appeared to be in seat belts, the patrol said.

Jeffrey Schrock, 38, was in serious condition Wednesday at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane.

The driver of the other truck, Clifford L. Helm, 55, of Deer Park, was in satisfactory condition at the same hospital.

State Patrol investigators have interviewed Helm, but learned nothing about the cause of the accident and no clear picture of what happened. Trooper Jeff Sevinney said. He said there were no indications that alcohol, drugs or speed were factors in the crash, which left the Schrock vehicle a mangled wreck that was barely recognizable as a truck.

Sevinney said it was raining much of Tuesday, but it was unclear whether that was a cause of the crash.

Jeffrey Schrock and his wife owned a store in Chewelah where he sold furniture that he made. According to an article in The Spokesman-Review in 1997, the Schrocks opened North Country Furniture after they and two other Mennonite families moved to Chewelah from Injunct, Ore.

California: Delta earthquake could devastate state water system

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A major northern California earthquake could severely damage the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta levee system and jeopardize the water supply for two-thirds of Californians for more than a year, according to a new report.

Last year, the unexplained collapse of a single levee shut water pumping for days and cost \$100 million to repair. An earlier quake could lead to the collapse of many sections of levees, which channel northern California rivers on their run to San Francisco Bay, said Lester Snow, director of the California Department of Water Resources.

"This is not a worst-case scenario," Snow said Tuesday. "We think it's a plausible scenario of what could happen in the Delta."

Snow told a joint hearing of three state Senate committees that a 6.5-magnitude earthquake could collapse 30 levees, flood 16 delta islands and damage 200 miles of additional levees. Some 3,000 homes and 85,000 acres of farmland would be flooded.

The ruptured levees also would affect the state's water supply in the river system, causing an immediate shutdown of the pumps that send water south to San Joaquin Valley farmers and Southern California cities. Cities would have to use alternative water sources, Snow said.

Algae could threaten waterway ecosystems

DENVER (AP) — The brown slime blanketing the rocks in Middle St. Vrain Creek looks to the casual observer like — well, slime. But biologist Sarah Spaulding, the algae, *Didymosphenia geminata*, look like big trouble.

"Didymo," aka "rock snot," is spreading to streams across the country, growing so thick it forms mats that look like toilet paper.

"Many of the people who see didymo actually think someone has dumped raw sewage into the river," said Spaulding, a U.S. Geological Survey researcher.

"And that's never the case, as didymo usually occurs in what we think of as clean waters," Spaulding said.

Didymo has been found smothering the bottoms of streams in the Western states, including Colorado, Utah, Arizona, Montana and Nevada.

It is the prime suspect in the decline of brown trout in South Dakota, where biologists think the organism has grown so thick it's choking out the flies the fish feed upon.

"We think every angler out there should be paying attention to this one," said Kaja Stromberg, executive coordinator for the Federation of Fly Fishers.

The rise of didymo is a mystery. Species such as kudzu in the Southeast and muskies in the Great Lakes have spread, and become pests because they are exotic brought into the United States from abroad.

But didymo has probably always been in the high mountain, pristine lakes of the



Biologist Sarah Spaulding collects a sample of 'didymo' or *Didymosphenia geminata*, from a rock she pulled from the Middle St. Vrain Creek near Nederland, Colo., on Oct. 27.

West. In Colorado, it was first described in the Fryngan River in 1975.

Didymo is microscopic diatom, a one celled organism with cell walls made of silica, giving it a rough feel despite its slimy appearance.

In recent years, something has triggered the diatom to explode in numbers and in places beyond its historical range, such as Arkansas and Tennessee.

"Clearly, conditions are stacking up somehow to make this one fat, happy organism,"

Spaulding said.

"At first I thought there had been some kind of mutation, but that's not the case," she said. Its discovery last year in New Zealand created a panic, leading the government to restrict access to some rivers and to consider dousing the algae in bleach or draining waterways.

In Colorado, there have been didymo blooms at about 40 sites, including Boulder Creek, the east fork of the Eagle River and Bowen Gulch in Rocky Mountain National Park.

The organism floats through a waterway and attaches itself to a rock by a stalk. It forms a thick, brown mat — which smother rocks, submerged plants and other materials — and then breaks off and moves downstream.

Scientists suspect people — probably fishermen — play a role in spreading the tiny plant. In Montana, where didymo has been found in the Kootenai River, conservation groups are trying to educate anglers on how to identify the organism and how to avoid it.

Herd linked to mad cow may have reached U.S. food supply

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Researchers hunting the herd linked to the first U.S. case of mad cow disease found most of the animals were slaughtered — and possibly consumed — long ago, even before the government probe began.

The federal and state governments closed an investigation into infected cattle that was raised at an unidentified Texas ranch, at the end of August.

But the Dallas Morning News obtained details about the search for the 40 cows and calves that today under a Texas Open Records request. About 350 of them, or roughly 85 percent, were sent for slaughter.

The reports, compiled for the Texas Animal Health Commission by a government employee, demonstrate how problematic it was to track the herd mates and progeny of the diseased cow.

The investigators search for records, as well as "analogs of interest" went back years. Many records were no longer available. The state wound up relying on its own data that date to the country between 1990 and 1994 to get a snapshot of the herd.

"If it were not for our crucial information and database, we would have had extraordinary difficulty in conducting this investigation," said Dr. Max Coats, deputy director for animal health programs at the Texas Animal Health Commission.

Other problems also cropped up during the investigation. The cattle from the farm often arrived at markets without any identification tags and were subsequently re-identified by various family members other than the primary owners regularly sold cows from the farms, making them difficult to trace.

"We would have liked for the records keeping to have been better," said Coats. "Some producers have flawless records. Others don't they had 14 cows.

Last year and they don't know whose they were."

Because of the record keeping and identification process at the affected farm was lacking, inspectors had to trace 213 calves in their hunt to find two that were recently born to the diseased cow. They never were able to specifically identify the two calves, but did say that 208 of those investigated went into feed and slaughter channels, entering the food supply. Another four likely did. One calf was untraceable.

"If they're fairly confident that the group they identified as the progeny was complete and if nearly all of them were slaughtered, chances are the progeny was eaten by a human being," said Tom McGarity, a professor of food safety law at the University of Texas Law School and president of the Center for Progressive Regulation.

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Buhl play christens new auditorium

BUHL — The new Buhl High School auditorium will be christened with this year's first performance of the year, "Teach Me How to Cry."

The curtain will go up on the drama at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Monday. The Saturday night performance was moved to Monday due to the Buhl High football team playoff competition at Pocatello on Saturday. Admission is \$3 for students and senior citizens, \$5 for adults and free to those with a Buhl High School activity card.

There will be an opening night gala, starting with cake and punch at 7 p.m. to christen the new facility.

"It's a wonderful, fantastic show," director David Blazkiewicz said. "We have brand new auditorium, new season, new building. The kids are excited, working hard. People coming in love the new facility, so join us for this first production."

"We have dedicated the building. This will be a christening, inauguration of the auditorium."



In the lead of the upcoming Buhl High School production of "Teach Me How to Cry" is Amber Sheffield and Will Slemp.

"Teach Me How to Cry" is the story about the relationship between a self-conscious, proud girl who guesses correctly that

her not-quite-bright mother was never married and a boy who thinks of himself as the writer type and the ambitious

but ineffectual parents who want to guide him toward things. The boy and girl, both outcasts in the high-school world of prom dates and grapevine rumors, stumble upon one another and slowly find their ways toward dignity, open affection and some sort of identity.

"It's my first lead and I am really excited," said Amber Sheffield, who plays the female lead, Melinda Grant. "Younger people will relate to it. It will relate to all ages."

"Of all the plays I have done, this is the best," said Will Slemp as the lead male, Will Henderson. "It touches on every emotion, Melinda thinks of jumping off a cliff. Everybody thinks about that sometime. Mrs. Grant, Melinda's mother, builds a wall around herself. It's very emotional."

Other cast members are Jessica Price, Emily Pearson, Lisa Hernandez, Tyler Byers, Candice Hutchinson, Katie Busby, Jaime Nebeker and Joey Hittley. Okelsandra Pichyk is the understudy and Slemp is the assistant director.



Paul Nelson, center, assistant to the president for Foundation Development of the Idaho Youth Ranch, receives donation from the Magic Valley Chapter No. 1959 of NARFE, Chapter president Phillip Lively, left, and Tom Burnikel, right, organized the donation drive for the Idaho Youth Ranch.

NARFE makes donations to Idaho Youth Ranch

JEROME — For more than 52 years, the Idaho Youth Ranch has helped young people in need. Recently, the National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) Association helped that cause by donating to the organization.

Magic Valley Chapter No. 1959 of NARFE donated three pickup loads of boxes of items, and Pat Balis, a chapter member, donated a horse valued at about \$5,000. The donations were given by the NARFE members of Magic Valley Chapter during its monthly October meeting. Chapter President Phillip Lively and Tom Burnikel organized the donation drive for the Idaho Youth Ranch and for about two months campaigned for items.

The Idaho Youth Ranch provides residential treatment, group homes, adoption and other services for troubled, distressed, delinquent or abused children and adolescents. It is located on 550 acres in rural south-central Idaho and the campus includes living units, school, gymnasium, chapel, cafeteria, indoor riding arena and administration building.

It has the capacity for 56 boys and girls.

More than 20 thrift stores throughout Idaho, including in Jerome, Twin Falls, Burley and Rupert, help support the operation.

Idaho Youth Ranch also has a foundation for planned giving. For more information, call (208) 377-2613, or visit www.youthranch.org.

The goal of NARFE is to maintain the benefits that federal employees have earned during their career. It consists of 1,500 chapters and 50 state federations. Members represent a board spectrum of government services, with most covered by the Civil Service Retirement System or the Federal Employee Retirement System, chapter members report. Some members, however, receive retirement benefits from independent agencies only.

To find out more about NARFE and Chapter No. 1959, go to the national Web site www.narfe.org, or the state Web site at www.idaho-narfe.org, or call chapter president Phillip Lively at 733-9177.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY



Photo courtesy of Minico High School Key Club

Minico High School Key Club is a service club that serves the school and Mini-Casita area. Members recently helped support the canned food drive, the Burley-Minico Souper Bowl competition. Students from the club collected cans from Minico fans at a football game. On Oct. 15, they spent several hours at the Christmas Council, counting, sorting, boxing and labeling the food. Students were Spencer Christensen, Elizabeth Flores, Heatherly Norman, Ilna Sattasova, Carina Vargas, Leticia Lopez, Naomi Vega, Lea Dawn Brown, Kealey Klopfer, Michael Aguilar, Phillip Turner, Jose Chavez, Troy Halverson, Ashley Bessie, Julie Chigrow, Kelly Kobayashi, Karen Jurgensmeier, Halley Hansen, Stacy Tarbet, Aaron Phillips, Bryce Jurgensmeier, Cara VanTassell and Brianna Hansen. The Mini-Casita area schools collected more than 23,000 cans of food.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

M.V. Iris Society meets, elects officers in Bliss

BLISS — The Magic Valley Iris Society will meet from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Oxbow Cafe, 189 E. Highway 30. At the lunch meeting, officers will be elected, plans will be discussed for the Christmas party and dues will be paid. For more information, call Jeannette Graham at 734-3613 or 308-7054.

Used book sale benefits the Burley library

BURLEY — A used book sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave. This sale will feature a variety of books for children and adults, including books of special value sold to the highest bidder, as well as music books and one table with books for "a buck a bag." Some new books will also be for sale, including autographed copies of the recently published Cassia County history book.

A pre-sale will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. today for the Friends of the Library members. Anyone can attend this sale by paying \$10 annual dues to become a member. This money, as well as all the money raised at the book sale, goes to help support the Burley Public Library.

For more information, call the library at 878-7708.

Blues Brothers performs at fall fiesta in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — A "Kick up Your Heels" fall fiesta will be held Saturday at the Radio Rodeo, 241 Main Ave. W. The event will begin at 3 p.m. at L.E. Duke Salon and Elements, Day Spa. A social hour with a no-host bar will be held from 6 to 7 p.m. followed by an El Sombbrero catered dinner from 7 to 8 p.m., an auction and raffle will be held from 8 to 9 p.m. and music and comedy by The Blues Brothers from 9 to 11 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 each or two for \$40. Proceeds will benefit The Crisis Center of Magic Val-

ley. Tickets are available by calling 733-0100.

T.F. Senior Citizens plan dance for Sunday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center is holding a dance from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W. The cost is \$5 and music will be provided by Melody Masters. For more information, call 734-5084.

Volunteers are needed at Parke View Care Center

BURLEY — Joyce Heinze, volunteer coordinator of Parke View Care Center at 2311 Parker Ave., is looking for volunteers.

Volunteers may work as many hours or days they wish in the snack bar or beauty shop where residents get their hair done each Monday for free. Licensed beauticians are on hand for perms and cuts. Volunteers shampoo, roll up and combout. Supplies for the shop are purchased with money earned by the volunteers in the snack bar, raffles, yard sales and bake sales.

The Snack Bar serves a variety of breakfast luncheon items from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. There is no charge to join Parke View Care Center Volunteers and snacks/shirts are furnished.

For more information or to volunteer, call Joyce Heinze at 677-3073 or 679-0427.

Swing dance lessons prepare people for gala

RUPERT — The Committee for the Rupert Centennial Gala is creating an opportunity for people to learn to dance in time for the Rupert Centennial Gala on New Year's Eve.

Kristine Handy and Melissa and Bryce Morgan will teach workshops for \$5 each. High school age people will meet at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 12 and at 8 p.m. Dec. 3 and 10 at the dance studio at 73 W. 200 S. Dancers age 35 and older will

meet at 8:30 p.m. Nov. 17 through Dec. 15 at the Civic Gym in Rupert.

College-age dancers will meet at 9 a.m. Nov. 26, Dec. 30 and Dec. 31 at the dance studio. The final practice for all dancers will be at 11 a.m. Dec. 31 at Minico High School, 292 W. 100 S.

For more information, call Ileen at 436-5823

Times-News writer seeks unique celebrations

TWIN FALLS — The Times-News special sections coordinator Karma Huzzergard is seeking people who celebrate the holidays in unique ways. Anyone who has a fun or unique tradition or just seeks to stay relaxed can call Fitzgerald at 735-3230 or e-mail to kfizzergard@magicvalley.com.

M-C Boy Scouts gather food donations Saturday

BURLEY — Boy Scouts of America's annual Scouting for Food drive, sponsored by Smith's Food & Drug, will conclude Saturday, with the doorstep collection of bags of canned food or other non-perishable items by Cub Scouts of the Snake River Council.

Residents can leave a bag of food on their doorstep at 8 a.m. Saturday, or deliver donations to Smith's grocery stores in Twin Falls and Burley. Donations received by Smith's on Nov. 5 will be matched pound for pound. All food items collected during this food drive are donated to local food banks for the hungry.

For more information, call 733-2087.

Grocery store gathers food for the needy

BURLEY — Smith's Food & Drug stores is offering a convenient way to donate tuna, rice, fresh oranges and other meal components (even a holiday turkey) to help their hungry neighbors during the holiday season. Customers may simply add the money to their grocery bill as they check out and Smith's

will deliver it for them.

Smith's "Gift of Giving" program includes two options: A turkey for \$7 consisting of four boxes of macaroni and cheese, three cans of tuna, two pounds of rice, two cans of cream of mushroom soup, a jar of peanut butter and one of grape jelly, and six navel oranges. The other option is a holiday turkey for \$10. All items are being sold at or near Smith's cost, the store reports.

"Gift of Giving" food sales are available in all Smith's stores now through Dec. 17.

For more information visit www.smithsfoodanddrug.com or www.kroger.com.

Buhl chamber holds auction, serves dinner

BUHL — The Buhl Chamber of Commerce is holding its second annual auction Saturday at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 1631 Poplar Ave.

A silent auction, dinner and no-host bar will begin at 6 p.m. followed by the live auction at 7:30 p.m.

The auction includes a 12-gauge shotgun, weekend and overnight stays, catered parties, a bank of 1983 Ford Bronco, garden and camping equipment, golf clubs, gym memberships, gift baskets, restaurant and retail coupons, antiques and more. Bids may be placed until 5 p.m. Friday by calling the chamber at 543-6882, and after that, by calling Bob Linderman at 308-1649, even during the auction.

Proceeds will help pay for the chamber's special events and functions. For more information on a complete list of auction items, call the chamber.

Magie Valley Singles Square Dance Club meets

JEROME — Magie Valley Singles Square Dance Club will offer lessons and a workshop at 7 p.m. Thursday at the American Legion Hall.

Those with last names P to Z should bring finger foods. For more information, call Betty at 536-2243.

LETTERS OF THANKS

'Blessing of the Animals' helps promote cruelty

Thanks to those people and pets of Twin Falls who participated in the recent "Blessing of the Animals" event at the Church of the Ascension, a total of \$250 was raised and will be sent to the Bexar County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in San Antonio, Texas.

A special thank you to: Photography, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, Costco Wholesale, D&B Supply, The Home Depot, Jule's Restaurant, Lowe's, PetSmart and Sportsman's Warehouse.

PAULA DODD
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Restaurant, Magic Valley Composite, Tomato's Italian Grill, Thursday.

These businesses and individuals have graciously accepted or were sponsors and the individuals playing in the tournament made this fundraiser for Brin Boosters success.

Special thanks to Mike Hamblin for handling the registration and getting more players to participate this year.

Thank you again to all the businesses and individuals supporting Brin Boosters.

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Man lauds work detail for job at cemeteries

The Magic Valley Veterans Health Commission would like to thank the Twin Falls County Sheriff's SWS work detail for his assistance in maintaining the Veterans Cemetery and the Pioneer Cemetery located 5 miles south of Hansen.

Jackie Smith and Thomas Van Leeuwen, the people responsible for scheduling and operating the detail are both very easy to work with. The individuals who are performing the community service are very polite, hard workers and meticulous. The members of the Twin Falls Health Commission are in their 80s, and this assistance has been especially helpful. As a result, the final resting place for the pioneer families and veterans is well maintained in a really great condition.

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On the right path



Mario Umama, Jerome County Juvenile Probation officer, is shown with co-worker Connie Puente. Umama says he knows the pressures young people face.

Juvenile probation officer aims to help kids turn lives around

By Dana Morfin
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — If life lessons are learned by taking the right turns at major forks in the road and coming full circle, Mario Umama, has been a model student.

As a juvenile probation officer for Jerome County since 2003, this former U.S. Marine is still on a mission, using his head and heart to guide young people back to the right path.

He knows the pressures that assault young people at every bend and offers them options to turn their lives around before it's too late.

Big brother role

Born in El Salvador 30 years ago, Umama grew up in the Mini-Cassia area and graduated from Minico High School. The oldest, he is familiar with the role of big brother and uses it to his advantage when working with young people.

"Kids need someone to turn to who will really listen," Umama says. This is especially at a time when parents are busier and more stressed than ever, and unfortunately, as is the case with many of his young offenders, caught up in the drug and alcohol culture themselves.

Umama is one of three juvenile probation officers and works with 44 young offenders, primarily males between the ages of 10 and 19 involved in drug-related crimes. Most juveniles are in the system for six to nine months, depending on the nature of their offense. The majority of his clients who leave the system don't come back, he says.

Although the average age of his clients is 14 to 15 years, Umama has seen children as young as 9 already heavily addicted to drugs. Experimentation began as young as 5.

Almost 90 percent of the time, the drugs were given to these youngsters. His green eyes flash, as he remembers recalls finding syringes on the same floor where toddlers were playing during house checks.

"Kids get scared to let us

know what's going on," Umama says. "The peer pressure is and none of them wants to be known as a mark, especially if a family member is involved."

The offenders come from all walks of life, Anglo and Hispanic, and living in wealth or poverty.

"Everyone and anyone can make mistakes," he says.

Any youngster has the potential to become a drug user if the stresses are present and overwhelming enough, he warns.

Stakes raised

When he was in high school, the drug culture was pervasive. He smoked cocaine and methamphetamines have filtered not only to that age population but down into the junior high level, as well. The only way to break the cycle is to forge relationships with the young, their parents and teachers, and provide a web of protection that keeps them from being sucked down the wrong path, he says.

Umama says his proud of the partnerships his facility and Jerome schools have forged.

"Everyone helps each other to keep the kids on the line," he says.

Umama and his fellow probation officers work with school staff and resource officers to form probation plans tailored for each offender. A common requirement is keeping a C grade-point average in their core classes, which often necessitates providing tutoring.

"We don't step on toes," Umama says. "We respect the schools' system of rules and they respect ours. If it's a school violation, the school handles it. If it's a probation violation, we handle it."

Paths

Umama knows about paths. He and his friends were going to sign up for the Marines together. Yet, Umama was the only one who actually went through with the enlistment. He served in the Persian Gulf and Korea, learned discipline and saw a broader world.

When Umama returned in 1998, he worked for the Mini-

Cassia Juvenile Probation system. He was excited about a job where he could steer kids clear of the land mines that had tripped up some of his former classmates. Ironically, Umama's superior was his own former probation officer when, as a junior high student, he had a brief brush with the law.

He stayed in the Mini-Cassia office for five years until leaving it to take his present position. Umama continues to draw from his own past experiences to reach young people.

He knows that finances often lure young people into dangerous lifestyles, he says. It's hard to sell teens on a minimum wage job, advanced placement courses or grueling high school football practices when their jeans pocket are filled with \$2,000 from a drug sale.

Getting young offenders involved in extracurricular activities or tutoring is not a challenge, but keeping them there is, Umama says. Trouble with transportation and finances are often the deciding factors, pushing teens into the job market rather than school.

He remains thankful to his parents who, although they allowed him to work, made him tow the line after his first and only juvenile offense. Many offenders don't have that kind of support at home, he says. Instead, they are often encouraged to leave school to work and help support their families.

Umama worries about those with serious drug offenses on their record because this can keep them out of many career paths, especially in law enforcement and the military. Gang tattoos, repeat offenses and probation violations are all red flags to future employers. He warns his clients to realize that if they don't turn from their present behavior, the impact of it could be lifelong, he says.

"The number one answer is to make them want it," Umama says. That is, helping them to see a new horizon. Without that vision, it's too easy to stay in their present rut and never leave the circle of friends that drag them down.

'Always Running' author settles into literary celebrity

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — With his neatly trimmed mustache and, ovalish glasses, it's hard to imagine that Luis J. Rodriguez was once one of the most dangerous men in the city.

These days he is one of the most acclaimed Chicano writers in the country, the author of such books as "Always Running," "Republic of East L.A.," and the recent "Music of the Mill."

But back in the day, the paunchy 51-year-old author, dressed casually in blue jeans and a gray pullover, was a member of a gang and never got bit, he says. "I can't say why ... but I figured, 'You know what? It wasn't meant to be. I'm alive for a reason, and I better start doing something purposeful with my life.'"

So he turned to writing. Always a voracious reader, Rodriguez devoured the works of civil literary heroes such as John Fante and Charles Bukowski, whom he cites as major influences. As he had decided before, he set out to imitate Los Angeles' gritty, working-class neighborhoods in short stories such as the ones he later published in 2002's "Republic of East L.A."

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lated into Spanish, Taylor said. The 10 books of Rodriguez, a largely self-taught writer, run a literary gamut from poetry to short-story collections to two children's books, a memoir and a novel.

"I would take classes at night at East L.A. City College, and I would go to writers workshops and I would read aloud about writing," says Rodriguez, explaining how he learned his craft. His only support came from his father, who would give him books to read.

Rodriguez supported himself with a string of jobs, including a stint at the old Fleischman Steel plant on the edge of East Los Angeles. Decades later, the now-shuttered mill served as inspiration for "Music of the Mill," published last May by Raven, a Latino-themed division of HarperCollins.

A far-reaching, expansive novel in the style of John Steinbeck's "East of Eden" or Victor Villasenor's "Rain of Gold," "Music of the Mill" recounts the life of three generations of the fictional Salcido family, starting with the journey north from Mexico by patriarch Procopio, who lands a job at the mill.



Noted Chicano novelist-activist Luis Rodriguez poses for a photograph inside his coffee house-bookstore 'Tio Chuchas' Cafe Cultural' in Los Angeles. Rodriguez is author of best-sellers 'Always Running' and 'Republic of East L.A.'

chance, cut the sentence to two months. It changed his life.

"I've been shot at a half a dozen times when I was in a gang and never got bit," he says. "I can't say why ... but I figured, 'You know what? It wasn't meant to be. I'm alive for a reason, and I better start doing something purposeful with my life.'"

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Banderas dons the mask once more

The Washington Post

Antonio Banderas has yet to read a single review of his latest action-venture film, "The Legend of Zorro," a family-friendly, swashbuckling film whose "imperfect," "chummy" and "gently" central character, the actor warns, "will probably not be loved by acting lines."

"If you watch Ingmar Bergman, and only Ingmar Bergman, you're probably going to hate the movie," he says. Still, the actor is eager to let the world know he's happy about one aspect of the project.

"I survived," says Banderas, who in a telephone interview calls the film "probably the toughest thing I've done in my life."

This, coming from a man who has already made one stunner-heavy film about the classic, horseback-riding swordsmen (1998's "The Mask of Zorro"), sandwiched between two physically demanding performances as the guitar-playing gunslinger known as El Mariachi for Robert Rodriguez, a director about whom Banderas says, "I would go to hell with him if necessary."

Not to mention the five movies under filmmaker and notorious control freak Pedro Almodovar. Banderas recalls once making the mistake of telling Almodovar that he had an idea. "No, no, no," he said. "You don't have the idea. I do." With Pedro, you have to allow him to play with you like a pen, and he is the writer.

So what was so much harder this time than the last "Zorro"? "For one thing, I'm seven years older, and you have to confront that," says the actor, who, unlike his stunt double, did not suffer any broken bones during the filming — just the cuts, bumps, bruises and black pain of a 45-year-old who isn't used to jumping on and off horses all day. "The last movie was almost traumatic," he continues, citing the heat, his makeshift, vibrating the unskilled of the caped costume and the inherent risks involved in six extras swinging swords at a gregarious actor at the crack of dawn as reason enough to be grateful that the job is finished.

"Of course," he laughs, "if there's a good result, and people like it, you quickly forget about all that."

Earlier this month, the actor finished the second of several planned recording sessions for "Shrek 3," the upcoming sequel to the animated green ogre franchise (whose plot this time centers on a coup d'etat by Prince Charming). Banderas also has signed on for a spinoff, due out in 2008, based on the animated, scene-stealing feline character he introduced in the last "Shrek" and whose popularity transcends generations.

The accent thing, Banderas says, may have a little something to do with the fact that he so often plays exotic and "larger than life" characters, such as Armand in "Interview With the Vampire" and Zorro. It's a casting trend he'd like to see less of, in favor of playing "more realistic, contemporary characters."

His next couple of roles should help. "Bordertown," with Jennifer Lopez, centers on the investigation of several murders of young female factory workers in Juarez, Mexico. And he just finished shooting "Take the Lead," in which he plays a professional dancer turned New York public-school teacher. He says, "a very satisfactory experience, almost like recognizing another me."

Ex-patriot voting registration lags

Los Angeles Times

MEXICO CITY — Only 733 Mexicans living abroad have applied to vote during the first month of registration for the country's 2006 presidential election, officials said Monday, prompting the opening of election offices Tuesday in Tijuana and soon in other border cities to draw more expatriate interest.

Mexican authorities estimate as many as 4.2 million people living outside the country, mostly in the United States, are eligible to vote by mail in the July election. Congress approved the absentee vote on June 30 after a years-long debate.

But with no money to advertise the new voting rights, and a ban on presidential campaigning outside Mexico, some worry

that after years of fighting for the vote, many ex-patriots won't bother.

Mexico's Federal Electoral Institute, known as IFE, has a budget of about \$130 million to administer the country's first vote abroad, with slightly more than half earmarked for postage costs.

Only citizens with voting cards issued by IFE may request absentee ballots. Getting a voting card usually requires residents to apply in their Mexican hometown, with a birth certificate, passport or consular-issued ID card. Then there is a wait as long as a month for the application to be processed and the card issued.

About 80,000 ex-pat absentee voter forms have been requested since Oct. 1, when registration began, Mexican voting officials said.

But with the completed applications just a fraction of that number, the election institute is trying to streamline the system by opening offices in border cities, where any Mexican citizen with proper identification can apply.

Election officials also are staffing up for Mexicans heading home in December for the holidays. "If people apply for their voting card when they first get here," Ballados said, "we're going to try to get them a card within two weeks."

Absentee voter forms must be returned by registered mail by Jan. 15, along with photocopies of the IFE voter card and a utility bill showing a home address. More than 10 million adult Mexicans, about 10 percent of Mexico's total population, are believed to be living in the United States.

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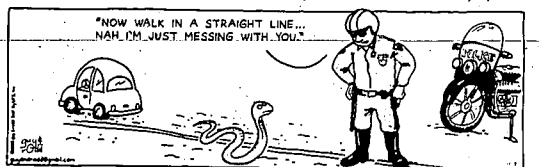


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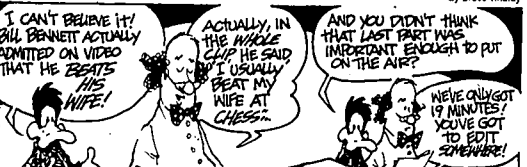


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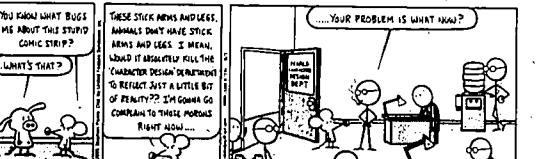


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IF NOV. 3 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Grin and bear it. Your way sense of humor and appreciation of the ridiculous will see you through the challenges of life, even if right now you feel like you are saddled with more than your fair share. Remember that you are learning valuable lessons. In November and December, a golden window of opportunity will open and you could make an important choice that will make your life much easier for a long time to come.

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19): Family matters could occupy your mind. Perhaps you are in the mood to be stricter than usual. It might be best to sleep on decisions for a few days so that things fall into perspective.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20): It is coupon-clipping day. It might be wise to exercise thrift and curtail spending to satisfy that inner voice calling for discipline. Cut up a few credit cards to demonstrate financial freedom.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20): Avoid narrow-mindedness and petty squabbles. The optimist sees the cup as half full while the pessimist sees the cup as half empty. In an effort

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

to be utterly precise, you might miss the point.

CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22): Achieving your ambitions could be at the top of your list. You can transcend concerns even at the most intense pace. Even when sitting and doing nothing, your mind is spinning like a top.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22): It might be best to sit on your hands and avoid meddling with things for a few days. Burn the midnight oil to complete tasks if necessary to avoid censure. It is important to fulfill responsibilities.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22): You have great skills at balancing the checkbook and dusting the bookshelves, but as a conversationalist, words may fall today. Try to look on the bright side even if it hurts.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22): Convulsed business schemes may fall on deaf ears. Jockeying for position should take a back-seat to routine tasks under these stars. Avoid starting anything important or signing contracts.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21): Take things slow and easy for a few days and be cautious about spending your money. Be methodical and concise to win approval — even if pain on the back are few and far between.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21): Put on your best manners and act like a professional. The ill will of others could be costly or cause you to miss out on a juicy deal, so be as nice as possible to everyone you meet.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19): Stifle that rebuttal or criticism and keep your own counsel. Unpleasant words could stir up trouble. Work like a dog even if you think you are getting the short end of the stick.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18): The exciting fizz of light-hearted romance could fall flat for a few days, so concentrate on being the best at whatever else you do. Drum up enthusiasm even in the face of criticism.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20): Those in your circle could be in the mood to bite first and bark later. If a sensitive soul like you understands that this is merely a temporary thing, it will be easy to avoid foreshadowing resentment.

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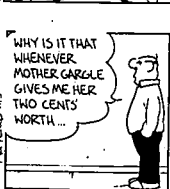
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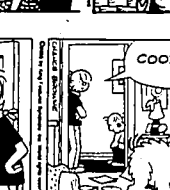
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"No, PJ, you can't change the channel on a painting."

By Hank Ketcham

By Bill Keane

Reader offers dirty lowdown on bathing every single day



DEAR ABBY
Jeane Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I totally disagree with your answer to "Separate Bedrooms in the Future" the man who complained that his wife doesn't bathe every day. Who would want to share a bed or have sex with a woman who doesn't bathe or shower every day? It makes me wonder if she washes her hands before preparing dinner. Disgusting, to put it mildly—I was sure you knew better.

—LEON W., SKOKIE, ILL.
DEAR LEON W.: "Separate Bedrooms" has been married to his wife for 35 years. Until he retired from his job, he never noticed that she didn't bathe every day. He didn't complain that she didn't wash her hands before preparing dinner—and he's watching her like a hawk—so let's give her the benefit of the doubt. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: As an internist, I treat people every day for conditions ranging from contact dermatitis to fungal rashes that would not occur if people gave up bathing daily. The skin is covered in bacteria that constitute "normal flora." It is not to anyone's advantage to wash these beneficial bacteria away, as it leaves one open to rashes and skin irritation from a number of sources. Also, to state the obvious, if he's been married to her for 35 good years, then a report by any other name could not smell as sweet.

—MICHAEL G., M.D., JOHNSON CITY, TENN.

DEAR ABBY: We Americans are so obsessed with cleanliness that we may be endangering our health. Exposure to bacteria helps us to develop antibodies to fight disease.

Studies are under way to see if the autoimmune diseases may be at least partly due to so much cleanliness that our immune systems have nothing to do but attack healthy tissue.

In Europe, whose culture and lifestyle are otherwise similar to ours, people bathe less often than we do. It was also fine with our ancestors, who bathed only on Saturday nights!

"Separate" should be thankful he's living with someone hygienic enough that he can't tell the difference.

—DAILY BATHER BUT HOLD THE ANTI-BACTERIAL SOAP

DEAR ABBY: I lived in Italy for a year. When my Italian hosts realized I was showering every day, they thought I was crazy. The only thing you really need to wash every day are your private parts. That's why bidets are so common in Europe.

—ERIN IN HUNTSVILLE, CALIF.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a nurse, but you don't have to be a nurse to know that a few dead skin cells aren't harmful for someone with dry skin. A daily bath can do more harm than good. That husband must have other problems going on—like retirement burnout, as you suggested. I wish he'd find his former co-workers nasty, too! Thanks for setting him straight.

—KOKOMO, IND., I.C.N.

DEAR ABBY: Queen Isabella of Spain, one of history's most famous rulers and sponsor of Christopher Columbus' voyages, bragged that she took only two baths in her entire life—when she was born and when she got married. Of course, hygiene standards have improved since then.

—ROBERT C., ATHENS, GA.

DEAR ABBY: If that jackass figured out a way to make a "hook up sweat," machine like the one he's using, it could save a lot of money.

—THOMAS M.C.D., CINCINNATI

DEAR ABBY: "Separate Bedrooms in the Future" needs a hobby. It's a perfect example of why women hate it when their husbands retire!

—PAT IN LAS VEGAS

Skyscraper offers five-state view

This day in history: On Nov. 3, 1957, the Soviets sent a dog named Laika into space on Sputnik 2. The Soviets, rushing to beat the American in launching an animal into space, had made no provision for bringing Laika down safely, and so she died when her oxygen ran out after five to seven hours.

The Empire State building has more than 10 million bricks. On a clear day on top of all those bricks, you can see five separate states: New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

Two out of three people admit that they had imaginary friends when they were kids.

Early women gave their breasts to play in full-dress petticoats and bustles. They were expected not to hit full swing but to "play" with ladylike strokes and puts.

Have you ever seen Ohio's



RANDOM FACTS OF JACK MINGO
Erin Barrett

flag? It's a pennant instead of the usual rectangle that the other 49 states have. Those Bluejeans are rebels, though and through the years have been found clinging to branches long after having died.

Democratically minded Thomas Jefferson was the first president to be called "Mr. President." Washington had preferred "His Mightiness, the President" and John Adams

liked "His Highness, the President of the United States and Protector of Their Liberties."

The oldest commercial Internet domain name still in use would be symbolically.com, first used on March 15, 1985. The few other still existing dot.com names from 1985 are bln.com, think.com, mccc.com, de.com and norflint.com.

Sixty-four percent of all Americans believe that aliens have contacted Earthlings.

Japanese beetles become drugged when they eat groundnuts. For about eight hours, they wander around in a stupor.

Scientists who have studied the matter say that about 50,000 non-native species have entered North America since 1500.

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Pizza parlor burglar tried to make his own pie

SAN CLEMENTE, Calif. — A burglar apparently ran out of time while trying to make a late-night snack at a pizza parlor, but police said he still got away with the dough.

A security camera showed the intruder breaking into Sorony's Pizza and Pasta early Monday, entering through a bathroom window, said Lt. Ted Boyne of the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

Once inside, the burglar put on an employee's shirt, then he made a pepperoni pizza and placed it in the oven, police said.

Employees arriving about 3 a.m. apparently scared him off before the pizza was ready. The burglar fled with about \$3,000.

"We found the pizza burned in the oven," Boyne said.

County Deputy State's Attorney Nat Seeley said after the trial. He said he would seek a "lengthy" prison sentence.

Former police official faces charges of theft
BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — The former director of the police department's shooting range was arrested for allegedly stealing guns, ammunition, badges and other property worth about \$30,000, authorities said.

Dan Pollara, 34, was arrested Friday at his new job, police Sgt. Mike Foxen said.

Pollara, who was charged with stealing police property, was released on \$20,000 bail. He could not immediately be located for comment Tuesday.

Pollara, who worked for the Beverly Hills Police Department for more than seven years, resigned to take a government agency in Ventura County, authorities said.

Maple syrup theft may bring life sentence
BRATTLEBORO, Vt. — Talk about being in a jam — a man convicted of selling stolen maple syrup could face a possible life sentence as a habitual offender.

A jury agreed with prosecutors that Stephen Bain, 52, sold more than 75 gallons of syrup to a New Hampshire wholesaler just hours after it was discovered missing from the Dwight Miller Orchards in 2003.

Authorities said Bain had put his own stickers on the containers, in one case covering over a Miller sticker that was just partially removed.

Bain also was found guilty of felony possession of marijuana in connection with police officers said was found at his home.

The charges normally could bring up to 13 years in prison. But someone can be declared a habitual offender after three prior felony convictions, and Bain had six.

"The jury decided he was a career criminal," Windham

Wedding gets out of hand in Michigan
PERRY TOWNSHIP, Mich. — Things got out of hand for the second time in two years at a wedding reception in Shiawassee County. A guest lost a part of a finger during a fight.

Philip L. Michalek, was accused of biting off the tip of another man's thumb during a scuffle Saturday night outside the Perry Township Hall, police said.

Michalek, 26, was arraigned Monday on an assault charge and jailed with bond set at \$100. If convicted, he could face 10 years in prison.

— compiled from wire reports

N.Y. Pops founder dies at 87

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Skeeter Henderson, the Grammy-winning conductor who lent his musical expertise to Frank Sinatra and Bing Crosby before founding the New York Pops and heading the first "Tonight Show" orchestra, died Monday. He was 87.

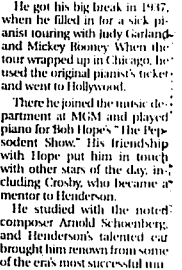
Henderson died at his home in New Milford of natural causes, said Barbara Burnside, director of marketing and public relations at New Milford Hospital.

Born in England, Tyler Russell Cederholm Henderson moved to the United States in the 1930s, ending up living as a pianist in Irving vaudeville and moving music in Minnesota and Montana roadshows.

He got his big break in 1947, when he filled in for a sick pianist touring with the Gardening and Mickey Rooney when the tour wrapped up in Chicago. He became the original pianist's ticket and went to Hollywood.

There he joined the music department at MGM and played piano for Bela Lugosi, "The Bandaged Man" and "The Bandaged Man." His friendship with Hope put him in touch with other stars of the day, including Crosby, who became a mentor to Henderson.

He studied with the noted composer Arnold Schoenberg, and Henderson's talented ear brought him renown from some of the era's most successful musicians.



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Idaho picks road-building firms

Companies will help build new bridge near T.F.

By John Miller Associated Press writer

BOISE (AP) — An engineering and construction partnership of Washington Group International and CH2M Hill Inc. has been chosen to oversee Idaho's \$1.2 billion road-building program...

throughfare north of Emmett through the Indian Valley and a new bridge across the Snake River at Twin Falls... This is beyond the size and scope of what we're physically capable of doing with the people we have on board...

Washington Group and CH2M Hill have been directed to draw up contract proposals that are relatively small — \$10 million to \$50 million — to make sure Idaho companies can compete for them...

Tax plan not good enough for some

By John Miller Associated Press writer

BOISE — Advocates of a proposed voter initiative to cap Idaho's property tax rate at 1 percent of total value said Wednesday that a legislative committee's recommendation to provide more than \$100 million in relief doesn't go far enough...

observers said the tax committee's 10-to-3 vote in favor of the tax relief proposal probably spared its members from widespread homeowner cynicism that politicians are either unable or unwilling to address a property tax furor that's flared most in counties such as Valley and Kootenai...

Boise must find housing for homeless

BOISE (AP) — A federal judge has ordered Idaho officials to find former residents of a defunct city homeless shelter — six families and five individuals — to new housing to get them away from registered sex offenders living near where the city relocated them in September.

U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill ordered the move in response to a preliminary injunction request in a lawsuit filed against the city by supporters of the Community House shelter.

The lawsuit contends the city violated the Fair Housing Act by failing to have an adequate plan for rehousing displaced tenants of Community House when the city turned over operation of the facility to the nonprofit Boise Rescue Mission.

The mission handles only homeless men, so the city told the families, women and children who lived at the facility that they needed to move to new housing the city had arranged for them.

The mission assumed the city lease on the shelter in mid-September and changed the name of the facility to River of Life.

In his ruling Friday, Winmill declined to force the shelter's current residents to move out or to force former tenants to move back in. But he did bar the city from moving former residents to housing that is near the homes of known registered sex offenders.

Bruce Chatterton, the city's director of Planning and Development Services, told The Idaho Statesman that city officials are working on plans to move people to city-owned housing where there currently are no registered sex offenders in the neighborhood.

Those moves will be completed by the end of next week, he said.

Howard Belodoff, attorney for the plaintiffs, said the order includes anyone the city moved out of Community House, whether they were put into permanent housing or temporarily moved to a motel. Exact numbers of residents are not known.

WAGON READY



With their wagon on automobile jack stands, Raymond Towner, left, and Jacob Fayette do some repair work on the rear axle in Wichita, Kan., on Tuesday. The two fourth-graders had the day off from St. Elizabeth Ann Saton Catholic School for All Saints Day.

Environmentalists blast road policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Environmentalists and recreation groups decried a Forest Service plan to restrict off-road vehicles, saying the new policy could legitimize hundreds of illegal trails carved out by off-road enthusiasts.

be designated for legal use. "Instead of a bold stride, we got a baby step," said Jason Kiehl, director of the Montana-based Natural Trails and Water Coalition. "The practical effect is that you are going to have to take out rogue routes created by off-landers one at a time."

Forest vehicle users has increased sevenfold to about 36 million, causing conflicts with other users such as hikers, horseback riders and the growing number of homeowners who live near national forests.

Kellogg voters pass \$8.6M biomass bond

KELLOGG (AP) — Kellogg School District voters have approved a \$8.6 million levy to heat schools using waste wood and other biomass.

Kellogg will be the second Idaho school — the first is Council — to use wood from the surrounding forest to heat its school buildings.

includes funding for a biomass system that burns wood chips, spindly trees, and fibrous organic debris to boil water for steam heating in school buildings.

The tax protest group will begin collecting 47,881 signatures starting Nov. 15 to put its measure on the November 2006 election ballot, said Chuck Cline, its president. He noted the legislative committee was unable to agree on many issues at its final hearing Tuesday.

For instance, a compromise package to expand the state's local option tax failed to win the needed two-thirds approval. So did motions to shift all school maintenance and operations funding to the state, double the amount homeowners can exempt from property taxes — to \$100,000, and allow counties to tax real-estate transfers for property tax relief.

Despite that criticism, other observers said the tax committee's 10-to-3 vote in favor of the tax relief proposal probably spared its members from widespread homeowner cynicism that politicians are either unable or unwilling to address a property tax furor that's flared most in counties such as Valley and Kootenai, where property values have soared more than 25 percent.

What's more, members of Orofino-based Idaho Property Tax Reform are doubtful the 2006 Legislature will back this week's compromise package to boost the amount homeowners can exempt from property taxes to \$75,000 from \$50,000 and move half of property taxpayers' share of school funding to the state general fund.

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Driver of truck that rolled, exploded faces charges

PROVO, Utah (AP) — The Idaho driver of a semitrailer truck that rolled over on U.S. 6 in Spanish Fork Canyon, setting off 18 tons of explosives, has been charged with misdemeanor counts of causing a catastrophic, reckless endangerment and reckless driving.

and was torn open. Three minutes later, the explosives blew, gouging a large crater in the road and sending at least 20 people to the hospital with shrapnel wounds and ear injuries.

Travis Stewart, 30, of Testburg, was charged Tuesday in 4th District Court. He will be served with a summons.

The blast also destroyed the truck, set wildfires and damaged Union Pacific railroad tracks.

Stewart and a co-driver, Working for R.R. Trucking, were on their way from Ensign-Bickford Co. in Spanish Fork to Oklahoma on Aug. 10 when the truck tipped on its right side

Utah Highway Patrol Sgt. Sheldon Hiches said Stewart allegedly was speeding and driving recklessly.

Utah Department of Transportation officials estimate repairs to the road cost between \$200,000 and \$400,000.

Movies section listing titles like 'Opheus', 'Odyssey 6', 'Jerome 4', and 'Twin 12' with prices and showtimes.

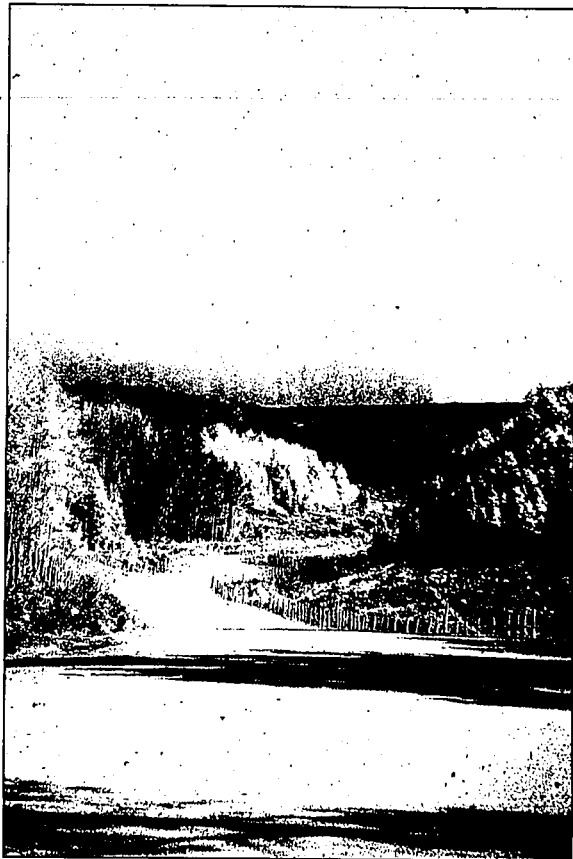
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AS SUMMER BURNED ITS WAY INTO AUTUMN, THE BEAUTY OF FALL WAS ABUNDANT.



Above, flames rage over the ridge threatening Idaho City. Below, a burnt view of the Bruneau desert after the Saylor Creek fire passed over it.



A country road near Bone, Idaho.

Photo by BILL STUDEBAKER/The Times-News



A line of slurry dumped near Hagerman to help stop the Saylor Creek fire.



BURNED AUTUMN

Summer wildfire season ushers in colorful fall

By Bill Studabaker
Times-News correspondent

As summer burned its way into autumn, the beauty of fall was abundant.

Fall is when time and air share an ambience of peaceful levitation, as if for a season the temperate world were in entropic harmony.

Summer has its charm too, but there are prices paid in summer. They seldom blacken the colors of autumn.

This summer southern Idaho was virtually surrounded by fire.

There was the giant burn west of Twin Falls in late July. The westerly winds that swept the Clover Creek, a.k.a. Saylor Creek, fire dumped ash 50 miles beyond its eastern perimeter. Smoke turned the sky over the Magic Valley a dirty amber. The burning sagebrush saturated the air. The fire could be smelled for miles.

According to a Bureau of Land Management official, the fire consumed 193,000 acres. It was the largest fire in Idaho, the largest for several years.

Desert fire is often fought by ground crews using water-tank trucks and shovels, and from the air by "bomber" planes loaded with fire retardant, slurry as it's often called. Its light burnt orange color makes a distinctive strip when it's spread across the ground to retard a wall of flame.

After the Saylor Creek smoke cleared and the ground cooled, Jim Woods, a local archaeologist, worked

Fire report

A federal report released this week said there were 56,850 fires reported in the 2005 season, which was 81 percent of average, while the more than 12,700 square miles burned was 177 percent of average. The year 2006 has been the second worst fire season since 1960. Following is a Web site with statistics about wildfires: <http://www.nrcdc.noaa.gov/0-28/climate/research/2005/fire05.html>

In the burnt-over desert.

"There wasn't a bush, not a twig left," he said. "The ground was covered with soot and ash. I saw little trails through the ash, probably from mice or rats, and one rattie snake lying on a rock. If a critter lived in a hole or was in a hole, it probably survived; otherwise, it would have had to outrun the fire."

To the west in Hells Canyon, a lightning strike near Granite Creek started a fire that scorched nearly 39,000 acres. There were four other strikes in the area on August 9, "but they didn't amount to much," according to Claudine Wilson of the Hells Canyon Recreation office.

The Granite Creek fire left the Idaho side of Hells black.

Over Columbus Day weekend, I floated the Snake River through Hells Canyon, and as I scooped this vertical landscape, I saw beneath a black blanket of soot, rocks glistening with

an every twinkle.

I sensed images from Dante Alighieri's *Divine Comedy* (Hell). This was no comedy, certainly no "divine comedy." It was an obliteration of plants and animals.

And over Labor Day weekend, I was on my way to paddle the Deadwood River near Lowman, when Rod Burks and I caught glimpses of a forest fire near Idaho City which burned 1,100 acres, according to Dawn Hillman of the Idaho City Forest Service office.

Although Rod and I were too far away to hear the fire, through my memory of fighting fires when I was 19, I could hear the roar and rush of wind raging as the fire crested the ridge and started toward Highway 21.

As the valley was becoming immersed in smoke, a deputy sheriff prepared to close the highway, and we had to move along.

Yes, summer was hot. "On fire," you might say. Fires raged. But now we can turn to a season less intense and admire the flaming colors of fall.

Anywhere there are aspen trees, there are leaves of yellow and rustic orange that look as though an impressionistic painter dabbed them out on dappled trunks of white and black. Yet these "still-life paintings" rattle as autumn breezes bustle about.

Not far from Twin Falls, aspen groves surround Monument Peak. Within 45 minutes, you can experience a palette of primary colors when you take a spin up Rock Creek Canyon south of Twin Falls or Trapper Creek west of Oakley, Idaho.

Trapper Creek is a bit farther, 60 minutes, but well worth the drive.

If red is your color, visit the local poison ivy patches - Snake River Canyon, Rock Creek Canyon, Box Canyon. You know "canyon." They glisten with an intense red so demanding that they seem worthy of a flower garden. Once a year, this time of year, poison ivy is, well, gorgeous.

Recently, I took a trip that required a sashy through eastern Idaho. There the landscape is composed

of long ribbons of plowed ground undulating with parallel strips of wheat stubble, and newly seeded winter wheat. It looks like a flag striped walnut brown, harvest gold, and emerald green.

The seeming endless flutter of field is broken by patches of aspen scattered about, nestled on the northerly slopes, deep in the shadowy concave coves.

My drive lead me down dirt roads, roads lined by aspen and willows, through grassy meadow, turned into pastures. The greenish clumps added yet another texture.

Fall is as much texture as it is color. It is as much atmosphere as it is texture. It is a full array of senses.

It is entrancing to drive, let's say to Bone, Idaho through the rolling hills of eastern Idaho. Within a few hours, you can be engulfed in an autumn hollow on a "road less traveled."

Although summer bespoke of destruction, fall speaks of a cycle. What is at rest will flourish come spring.

OUTDOORS

CSI holds annual Ski Swap

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Ski Club will hold its 36th annual Ski Swap Nov. 10 through 13 at the Eldon Expo Center.

Buyers and sellers of good used skis, snowboards and winter equipment are invited to participate in what has become one of the largest events of its kind in southern Idaho.

Check-in for used equipment will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Nov. 10. Anyone who wants to sell skis, snowboards, winter camping equipment or other winter recreational clothing or gear is welcome to bring their merchandise to the Expo Center during that time.

The CSI Ski Club will oversee the selling of all merchandise at prices determined during check-in. The club will deduct a 20 percent commission on all

Outdoors in brief

merchandise that sells throughout the weekend. All money raised by the club will be used for student activities through the current school year.

The show will be open to the public from 3 to 9 p.m. Nov. 11, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Nov. 12 and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Nov. 13. Admission is \$1, which also buys a raffle ticket for prizes to be given away near the end of the show.

Unsold items can be picked up from 2 to 3 p.m. Nov. 13. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Idaho Youth Ranch.

Nordic association announces meeting

TWIN FALLS — Members of the High Desert Nordic Association

will meet Wednesday to discuss next season.

Dennis Gillette, a local physical therapist, will be the guest speaker. Said Rick VerHoefen, association president, "The meetings open to all persons interested in any type of cross-country skiing, will start at 7 p.m. at Idaho Joe's Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard North. Gillette has much experience with sports health and related issues, topics of interest to Nordic skiers, VerHoefen said.

Plans for activities for the coming ski season, ways to promote cross-country skiing and expand membership and interest in the sport and the organization also will be on the agenda for the meeting, VerHoefen said.

Other officers for the coming year are Dan Cress, vice presi-

dent, and Ted Deetz, treasurer and secretary.

The High Desert Nordic Association includes members from Twin Falls and the Magic Valley. It maintains a shelter in the South Hills during cross-country ski season and also maintains several ski trails in the vicinity of the Magic Mountain Ski Area.

For more information, call 308-6209 or 733-1882.

Sportsman's Warehouse holds ice fishing clinic

TWIN FALLS — Sportsman's Warehouse will host an ice fishing seminar for beginners on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call Jeff Duncan at 737-9900 Ext. 2.

— compiled from staff reports

Preparation is key to salvaging meat

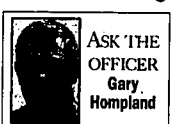
Question: "Can I hunt pheasants with lead shot and then change out my ammo to steel shot for ducks?"

Answer: Yes and no.

You can certainly hunt both game birds on one trip or during the same day. However, the law prohibits possession of any ammo except approved nontoxic shot while hunting waterfowl.

If you hunt in an area where you expect to shoot both types of birds (ducks and pheasants) at the same time, you can only possess approved nontoxic shot if you have your ammo in your vest or boat you will be issued a citation. If your lead shot is in your truck and all you have in your vest is nontoxic shot you will be cited.

The only alternative is to make a decision at the beginning of your hunt, either shoot everything with nontoxic shot or



ASK THE OFFICER
Gary Hompland

don't shoot waterfowl. Lead shot is lawful if you are exclusively hunting upland game birds.

Question: A friend was cited recently at a check station for waste of an elk because he didn't bag home the neck, ribs and brisket from his elk. He helped him pack that elk out and I'm disappointed because I thought we brought out the necessary amount of meat. What is the law about how much meat we have to bring out on a game animal?

Answer: Idaho code 36-1202 says, "It is a misdemeanor to:

through carelessness, neglect or otherwise allow or cause the waste of any game bird, game animal or game fish or any portion thereof usually eaten by humans."

While I understand the difficulty retrieving meat from a game animal the size of an elk, you have taken on that responsibility the moment the animal is killed. By law all the meat including the meat from the neck, ribs and brisket must be salvaged and packed out.

A reasonable boning job could net close to 50 pounds of meat: from the neck, ribs, flank and brisket of adult cow elk. Failure to retrieve this meat is truly a waste.

Preparation is the key to salvaging all the meat from a game animal. This process begins before the hunt, understanding how to care for game and having equipment (knives, saws,

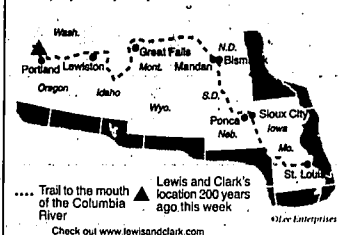
game bags, backpacks, and friends) ready when the animal is killed. No experienced elk hunter will ever tell you this is easy. The hunt is the easy part. Packing the game out is the hard part.

I have also suggested hunters retrieve all the meat, including that which was destroyed by the bullet or arrow. If all the meat is recovered no one can ever claim you wasted or left any meat on the mountain. During the meat cutting process, the damaged or blood shot meat can then be discarded with a clear conscience.

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'the Flathead nation'

As the Lewis and Clark Expedition approached the Pacific Coast, it encountered Peoples quite unlike the Plains Indians that captured its attention in the early days of the journey.



October 27, 1805 — We suppose that to be a band of the Flathead nation, as all their heads are compressed into the same form. This singular and deforming operation is performed in infancy in the following manner. A piece of board is placed against the back of the head extending from the shoulders some distance above it; another shorter piece extends from the eye brows to the top of the first, and they are then bound together with thongs or cords made of skins, so as to press back the forehead, make the head rise at the top, and force it out above the ears.

November 4, 1805 — This village contains about 200 men of the Skil-loot nation I counted 52 canoes on the bank in front of this village army of them very large and raised in brown. We recognised the man who over took us last night, he invited us to a lodge... and gave us a roundish roots about the size of... potato which they roasted in the embers...

(Journal excerpts from the Lewis and Clark Expedition, edited by Gary E. Moulton, will appear each Thursday. Copyright Lee Enterprises.)

TROPHIES



Cody Hamilton, 14, shows off his first buck deer, a two-pointer, taken this fall.

Shooting spurs review of youth hunting clinics

ABERDEEN (AP) — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is reviewing how youth hunting clinics are run after a 78-year-old Pocatello man was shot while helping with a pheasant hunt.

These clinics are very important for the department's and the local community's attempts to help young citizens safely and responsibly begin their participation in hunting opportunities, Mark Gambelin, regional manager for Fish and

Game's Southeast Region, told the Idaho State Journal. "We did have, as always, a pretty thorough pre-safety introduction before they went out into the field."

Bob Naleid was working as a volunteer dog handler during the pheasant hunt at Sterling Wildlife Management Area east of Aberdeen on Saturday when he was struck in the lower extremities by a shotgun blast. He was flown by Life Flight helicopter to the trauma center at

Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls, where he was in good condition Monday. The Blingham County sheriff's office declined comment. Bonneville and Bannock counties are assisting in the investigation.

It was the first of two scheduled youth hunt sessions involving about 40 children. The hunts were canceled after the incident.

Gambelin said that after the shooting, Fish and Game officials

briefed the children and their parents on what had happened and discussed hunting safety. Gambelin said he and his department were concerned about the emotional effect on the youth involved in the incident.

"It's a very traumatic event for a young person who was just getting involved in the tradition," Gambelin said. "I'm in the process of identifying all of the resources we can offer both families."

Little Sierra takes a Western Maryland bear

I've been urged to take a stand on the matter of that little girl in Western Maryland who killed a bear last week. Well, I won't do it. You might as well ask me to take a position on putting miniature golf courses on the moon.

Anyone who reads conclusions I might reach on the 8-year-old Sierra Stiles and her extraordinary milestone last week, when she bagged a 211-pound black bear with a rifle at her grandparents' farm in Kitzmiller, Md., will certainly be covered in the flood of other media blather bubbling up.

"They're all calling," said Paul Peditto, chief of the state's wildlife division, who checked in the bear on opening day of the season Monday. "The Today Show," Fox Network News, the national magazines. Everybody wants a piece of her.

Peditto said he took the third-grader aside when she turned up at the check-in station with the first bear of the fledgling Maryland season. "I told her, 'There are lots of people inside with pens and papers and cameras and they want to ask you about what happened out there. Are you okay with that?' She gave me a look like, 'Why wouldn't I be?' She was planning to spend the rest of the day telling everybody she met about 'anyway.' And into the mainstream from the perky, pint-sized predator stride.

Frankly, when I read about it in the morning paper, I smelled a rat. Hunters and fishermen are notorious for taking their licensed kids out with them so they can shoot an extra deer or goose or boat an extra rockfish and put it on the kid's tag. But Peditto, who has seen it all in a long career in wildlife

COMMENTARY Angus Phillips

management and who harbors a certain innate cynicism as a budding attorney-at-law, said he was sold on Sierra. "She's the real deal," he said. "She went out with her dad and her pap and sat down in the woods and shot that bear by herself. I talked to her for a long time and I'm sure of it."

This story touches so many controversial bases, you couldn't have made it up. First off, does an 8-year-old girl have any development or understanding around the woods with a rifle, loaded for bear? And why does Maryland have a bear season any year? I've lived in Maryland 25 years and never even seen a bear here.

Indeed, the state only reopened a limited season last year after a long hiatus, when the black bear population in far western counties finally grew too large for some people's liking. Farmers and homeowners complained bears were damaging crops and tipping over trash cans as they roared for food.

Hunters took 30 bears in Western Maryland last year. Peditto expects to shut the season this year when 40 to 50 are taken. He says a harvest that size won't affect the viability of the population but may put a damper on damage claims, and the hunting opportunity means a lot to local hunters.

Nonhunters, antihunters and animal lovers in the urban eastern part of the state raised a fuss when Maryland proposed reopening the bear hunt and most remain firmly unconvinced it is either desirable or

necessary. Which side am I on? You'd think an outdoors writer would have a strong opinion on this and I've wobbled my brain to come up with one, without success.

I have no desire to shoot a bear, myself. It'd be thrice as fast to see Big West in Maryland is a world apart from us in the crowded eastern part of the state, an alien place unlike any thing we know. They had a foot of snow there last week — in October!

Garret County, where Sierra bagged her bear, is the biggest county in the state but has the fewest people. Instead of housing development and strip malls it has mountains, trout streams, grouse, turkeys, deer and miles and miles of wild, wild woods. It's a place so different from the one we know, we in more urban areas have no more business telling them what to do about their bears than they have telling us what to do about mine transit.

Maybe if you lived there 10 years or so you could begin to form an educated opinion. As for kids walking around the forest with rifles in hand, their development and respect could be up to, I actually have some experience on this. Neither of my daughters showed an interest in hunting but my son was keen to tag along when he was young. We took the hunter safety course together at the local fish and game club when he was 9 and I breathed a sigh of relief when I managed the same score as his — 95 — on

the final exam. I took him rabbit and duck hunting with a .410-gauge shotgun, which he liked, and when he was 11 or 12 he tagged along on a deer hunt. He had a sleep in the tree stand but I nudged him awake when a doe slipped through. He looked at the deer, then at me and just shook his head. "That's not really something I want to shoot at," he told me later. Ten years later, he still feels the same way.

All of which is to suggest that it's somewhat to be hunting as an educational tool. It's not like organized sports, where the rules are clear-cut and a referee calls the shots. In the woods and fields, gray areas are everywhere, and it's hard and his character is forged. It's what you do when no one's looking that defines the kind of person you are.

I'm proud of my boy for making up his own mind that day, and proud of myself for letting him.

The standards and traditions undoubtedly are different in the wilds of Garret County where I'm sure Pap and Grand-pap are proud of little Sierra today. From all indications she's pleased with herself. It's a big world and people are different. It's a great country we live in, where you're pretty much free to do as you please. That's about all I have to say about Sierra and her bear today.

Angus Phillips is an outdoors writer in Maryland. This originally appeared in The Washington Post.

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FISHING BY COLOR

Brown is the perfect hue for fall trout

By Jordan Rodriguez
Post Register

IDAHO FALLS — There are lots of colors associated with the months of autumn. Orange pumpkins, brown leaves and yellow cornstalks are all regular during the harvest season.

But for those of us who love to fish, there is only one fall color that matters — brown.

Brown trout, that is. The late-autumn months present some of the best fishing of the season, as big, aggressive browns go through their annual spawning run.

Browns are an attractive game fish in many ways. When compared with Idaho's other trout species, browns are usually the largest and most aggressive.

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They also make for great eating, and their abundance in Idaho's rivers and streams allows for the occasional take-home catch.

But how do you catch these browns? While they are the most aggressive species in the area, they are also one of the smartest. More than one angler has come away empty handed from a hole loaded with browns.

There are several tricks to the trade when it comes to catching big browns.

Brown trout are ferocious predators. They eat everything from insect larvae to small fish, including smaller browns. Crayfish, bullheads and grasshoppers are also on the menu, along with anything else small enough to eat that comes

within striking distance.

This aggressive nature is part of what makes browns go fun to catch. Very seldom will you get one of those "is that really a bite?" strikes. When a big brown takes your bait, you know about it.

One key to catching browns is to trigger their aggressive nature. Lures such as Rapalas can be used to create a chasing mood. There's nothing quite like a big brown exploding on a floating Rapala near the surface.

Perch patterns and brown trout patterns (as mentioned above) are good colors to have when using Rapalas for browns. Size also is important. Large fish like large lures. If you're fishing with heavy enough tackle, don't be afraid to try a four or five-inch Rapala. A recent 21-inch South Fork catch had a 12-inch fish crammed in its gullet.

Rapalas are best when fished in deep water. Try reeling and tugging the lure at various angles and speeds until you find one that works. Jigs are effective as well. Soft plastic or furry jigs both get the job done. White is the best color. Cast your jig into a deep pool and let it sink to the bottom. Give it a twitch every couple of seconds and it will come to retrieve the slack. If fish don't buy this method, try a sideways jerking motion and vary the speed of your retrieve.

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When all else fails, bait is the way to go. Night crawlers, crayfish (which can be caught in Rite Rivet) and dead minnows (live ones are illegal) are all deadly on browns. If you use a worm, use a large portion and fish it deeper than you normally would.

Big browns love all kinds of bait, and experiment with different things.

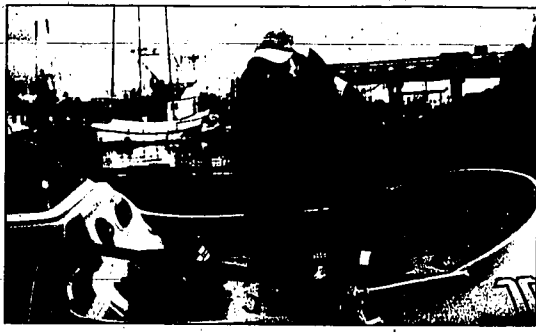
Three more small tips that might come in handy:

- **Be patient.** You might have to try several holes before you find fish. Once you do, catch one, tighten your drag and get ready for some great battles. Browns tend to hang out in groups and chances are if you catch one, there are plenty more to come.

- **Limit your keep.** Browns are tasty, and there's no reason not to keep one or two big ones. Just remember that many of these fish are still spawning, and it's a good idea to set the majority free. One way to prevent injury to the fish and avoid their sharp teeth is to turn them upside-down when removing the hook. This relaxes the fish and makes hook removal a lot easier.

- **Go by night.** With the right approach, browns can be caught at any time of day. But they are a bit more nocturnal than other species, and if you can brave the cold, a night of brown fishing (especially under a full moon) can be very rewarding.

Brown fishing will continue to thrive for the next few weeks. Be sure to try different approaches, because the most effective method will vary from day to day. Just keep a couple of these hints in mind, and you might end up with a new favorite color this fall.



Emmanuel Coindre, 32, of France, prepares to remove his boat from the water Tuesday in Charleston, Ore. Coindre landed at Coos Bay early Tuesday after a 129-day rowboat voyage from Japan.

Rower arrives in Oregon after nearly 130 days at sea

COOS BAY, Ore. (AP) — A 32-year-old Frenchman who set out alone from Japan in a rowboat nearly 130 days ago arrived offshore on Tuesday and a fishy-tossed him the last 50 miles to land. Emmanuel Coindre achieved his goal of rowing across some of the stormiest waters in the Pacific, but unfavorable winds and rough water blew him about 400 miles north.

Coindre posted regular updates from his trip on his Website. On Sunday, he included this traveling in a hurry to see my family and to walk on the firm ground to revive my legs."

Wesley Trull, a Coast Guard spokesman in North Bend, said a charter boat from Coos Bay

was sent to meet the rower on Tuesday.

"We have kind of been monitoring him for the last week," Trull said. "It's been a couple of hundred miles offshore for the last week. I'm not so sure his progress was moving the way it should, because of the currents. I don't think he was having a good time."

Trull said a fishing vessel, the Miss Linda, ended up towing the rower for the last 50 miles.

Bob Pedro, owner of the Miss Linda, said Coindre spotted Pedro's boat from about seven miles away and called the Miss Linda on his radio. Pedro said he picked Coindre up about 20 miles offshore.

"His original target was San Francisco, so the weather blew him pretty far past his target," Pedro said.

"It was pretty good to get onboard," Pedro said. "It was a happy-sad occasion."

Coindre's mother and brother met him at the dock in Coos Bay when the Miss Linda pulled in just after midnight, Pedro said. According to Coindre's Website, he started his journey on June 24 from Choshi, Japan in the rowboat, which is just over 21 feet long and about 6 feet wide.

In 2002, Coindre became the youngest person ever to row solo across the Atlantic, at the age of 29. He has made five solo Atlantic crossings, said his sponsor, the Swiss watch company Jaeger-LeCoultre.

Trailblazing Rupes helped make backpacking a family affair

By Perry Backus
Missoula

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — Agriculture Secretary Orville Freeman thought he was roughing it deep in the backwoods of the Bob Marshall Wilderness. As he silently walked with Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas and U.S. Forest Service Chief Edward Cliff, the men were in the middle of a guided pack trip to view some of the challenges facing managers of the wilderness area in 1962.

"We had enjoyed every minute of the trip — the magnificent scenery, long days in the saddle, the smoky forest smoke and the big meals matched only by our hearty appetites," Freeman later wrote. "As we silently walked the lake, the stillness was broken by voices and six hikers came into view, full packs riding head high on their backs."

"They came toward us with light and direct step — four youngsters and two adults."

No one in the group was prepared for such a sight. Back then, backpacking was the sport of a hardy few. Few families braved the wilds armed only with what their backs would bear.

But the Rupe family of Sunland, Calif., were by then old hands at carrying a pack, setting up a wilderness camp and leaving the comforts of home behind. Carrying their vintage Kelly backpacks, the family was nearing the end of another long day on the trail when they came upon the group of dignitaries along the trail to Big Salmon Lake.

"We were getting ready to stop for the night when we came upon this group of horses with their packers," remembers Jack Rupe, now at home near Malibu, Calif. "I suppose there were seven or eight of them, with maybe a dozen animals. They were all sitting around and chewing the fat."

"A lively conversation ensued. The men wanted to know how they'd got started, what kind of difficulties they faced, where they'd picked up their knowledge."

"There weren't that many

families backpacking at those days," said Harriet. "It was a novelty."

Before the family disappeared down the trail, the Forest Service chief sent word to a nearby ranger station that he wanted someone to come quick and take some photographs of this unusual group.

Little did the Rupes know then, but they'd soon be gracing the pages of a guidebook that would help other families discover the fledgling sport of backpacking.

"We wondered how many other families wanted to backpack in the wilderness, but just didn't know how to start," Freeman wrote in the forward of "Backpacking in the National Forest Wilderness — A Family Activity Guide."

The front cover featured a photograph of the backpack-carrying Rupe family lined out along a ridge-top.

"They sure looked happy and healthy as they walked on out of sight," Freeman said. The photographer arrived at the Rupe family camp and documented everything. "We laid out our gear and our dehydrated food," said Jack. "I took a lot of photographs, but evidently we were pretty grubby about everything."

"I gave the kids a chance to stand up and put on some clean clothes. They were happy about that."

The photographer met them on a thin, dry natural forest trail near Los Angeles. She went to work orchestrating a series of photographs for the upcoming pamphlet. At one point, she wanted them to build a campfire.

"There was a ranger there. Boy, was he nervous," said Jack.

A few months after the pamphlet came out, the Rupe family started receiving fan mail. Parents from all over the country were intrigued by the idea of leaving the creature comforts of home and venturing into the wilderness with their children in tow.

"Wilderness backpacking is not limited to supermen," touted the pamphlet. "It can be a family affair."

The Rupes discovered they weren't alone in their family-oriented backcountry adventures. "We also got an awful lot of letters from people who said they'd hiked in someplace where their families," said Harriet. "There were others enjoying the outdoors as much as we were."

Back then, there were no Gore-Tex or freeze-dried foods or lightweight tents. Nearly everyone looking to try backpacking was searching for any kind of help available.

Jack then a rocket research engineer with the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., had to be innovative in coming up with ideas for backcountry equipment. Back then, there wasn't any one-stop shopping for camping gear.

"Our kids slept in tubes cut from long nylon," he said. "The tubes were about three feet in diameter and could sleep two kids. We'd weld the tubes up with a nylon cord and put a couple of sticks crisscrossed in the ends. It was a pretty decent tent out of it."

Jack's rule was no one in the family could carry more than 25 percent of their body weight.

"Even when we carry their own sleeping bags, tarps and personal gear," he said. "I did have to keep an eye on the kids. If I didn't watch it, they'd stuff their packs full of candy."

Jack made some of the backpacks his children used. Early on, they also got some help from a pioneering backpack maker.

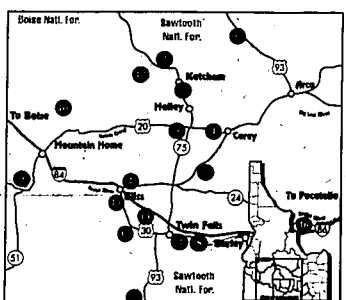
"We were there when Kelly was born," said Jack. "We bought one of the first backpacks from Kelly. He had just a very small shop in southern California when we carried those first backpacks."

The family's backpacking adventures eventually led to their decision to sell their home in California and move to Montana — more than 40 years ago now.

"In a short time, our adventures in the wilderness will just be a memory, but we are leaving with a strong desire to return again next year," she wrote.

Magic Valley Angler's Guide

The Magic Valley fish report is for the week of Thursday, Nov. 3. Updated conditions from Silver Creek Outfitters and Sportsman's Warehouse are listed for family fishing waters and major rivers in the Magic Valley/Major River regions. Check Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations for restrictions.



- **Malad River: FAIR.** Blue winged chases and minnows for the best results, also use a zebra midge dropper.

- **Big Wood River: GOOD.** The Wood cut of fish looking to farm up before the first big storms of winter. Nymphs are the fly of choice, although a few big fish can still be tempted to the surface with large Wulff patterns.

- **Little Wood River: GOOD.** The Little Wood is still fishing well with nymph set ups and attractor patterns. Easy wading, plenty of access and no anglers as far as the eye can see, add up to a great fishing experience. In fact if you get a warm day and want to teach a friend or family member to fly fish, this would be a great piece of water and a great time of year to do it.

- **Silver Creek: FAIR.** The Creek is still holding a few days of quality dry fly fishing, but they will be dulled out with the weather patterns. We are due for a string of overcast days, and if an angler can find a calm one in the afternoon to see the last of the Baetis, and decent Midge activity. Ants and Beetles are still going to take fish, although it's better to show them to rising targets as opposed to searching with them. Although November isn't considered the "prime" season on the Creek, it is certainly a favorite month for many anglers.

- **Magic Springs in FAIR.** Troll small spoons in orange or red, also a small orange size jugs pattern. Large fish are being caught, so be ready.

- **Big Lost River: EXCELLENT.** The Lost is still fishing very well below the dam in Mackay, as the low flows provide both fish and fisherman a nice reprieve from the constantly high flows during the bulk of this summer season. Nymphing with long leaders and light tippets is the best bet. Start with a twelve foot leader tapered to 5X and a small stone indicator. Fish a bead head nymph in tandem with a no bead nymph and make sure you get it down to the fishes level.

- **Warm Springs/Troll Creek: FAIR.**

- **Milver Dam: FAIR.** Bass fishing still producing decent fish up river. Water levels have dropped so be careful and watch out for structure when running up river.

- **C.J. Stride Reservoir: GOOD.** Perch is still producing in the narrows, use yellow jugs with bait.

- **South Fork of the Boise: FAIR.** This lower altitude river may be a great alternative to our closer to town fisheries if the weather turns into full blown winter. This creek fall water can provide nice beet's hatching and Midge activity all the way up to Thanking Day. A weekday on the river can also provide all the room an angler desires, as more hunters are seen using the area than fishermen these days.

- **Dollar/Permy and Lake Creek Lakes: GOOD.** Dierks Lake: As the weather cools, the trout fishing should produce so get out there and dunk a line.

- **Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir: EXCELLENT.** Fly fishermen still on the hot page as the trout are on fire. Best fishermen are using worms and marshmallows doing well by Grey's Landing. White crystal grubs are working well.

- **Clear Lake: SLOW.** No change, fishing still slow.

- **Billingsley Creek: FAIR.** Use small callibait patterns with a hare's ear dropper with worm for brown trout.

- **Lake Walcott: SLOW.** Bank fishing has produced a few large fish, use powerbait or worms for best results.

- **Hagerman WMA: FAIR.** Now that the back bass ponds are closed, you have limited access. Riley Creek will still be on fire for trout so go and have some fun. Basses are being caught and are EXCELLENT. The upper section of the river is best. From the Lemhi hole down to Coon Creek has been fishing the best about 11 hours a day. Rigging is 23 hours per fish. Use flies, bait or hours.

For additional copies of the Big Wood, Silver Creek, Warm Springs, The Creek, Permy, Dollar Lakes and the Big Lost, check the web page of Silver Creek Outfitters at 1-800-322-5881 or (208) 726-5282. For updates at all other locations call the Sportman's Warehouse at (208) 730-0021.

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Early mountain snow has Washington ski resorts hopeful

SEATTLE (AP) — A year after a warm, dry summer doomed most of the ski season through out the Pacific Northwest, a hefty dose of mid-fall snow has some Washington resorts gearing up to open earlier than they have in years.

"I cannot even see 5 feet out my window. It's snowing so hard. There's really no sign of it letting up anytime soon," Crystal Mountain spokeswoman Tiana Enger said gleefully Tuesday, as the resort announced it will become the first in the state to open its slopes on Friday.

That will make it the earliest opening in a decade at the resort east of Mount Rainier. The season started on Nov. 5 in 1994. To the north, Mount Baker said it plans to open next Tuesday. It had about 3 feet of snow near the summit and 2 feet at the base — slightly more than Crystal was reporting.

With the National Weather Service predicting snow on both sides of the Cascades throughout the week, Mount Baker spokeswoman Gwyn Howat said the ski area east of Bellingham was expecting another 3 to 4 feet to fall by opening day.

With that additional snow, we feel we'll be able to open the mountain with as many lifts as possible and good conditions," Howat said.

Despite the cold, wet weather, the statewide drought emergency declaration that began in March will remain in effect through the end of the year.

The reason: to give irrigation and water districts enough time to complete projects designed to get them in better shape for the next bout of dry weather, said Curt Hain, a spokesman in the state Department of Ecology's water resources program.

November is typically one of Washington's wettest months of the year, said Gary Schneider, a meteorologist for the National Weather Service's Seattle office. The seasonal forecast calls for a "neutral year."

"Historically, neutral years tend to be more active than not," Schneider said. "In other words, you get more weather — not less. Around here, more weather means water."

Nevertheless, it will be a while before hydrologists will be able to tell if the state's water supply



Orton Watson of Burien makes his way back up to the Stevens Pass ski area while sking in snow that was laid to 18 inches deep, Tuesday, in Stevens Pass, Wash.

is officially on the rebound.

"Things are looking better," Hain said. "We've gotten snow, but last year we got snow, too, and then we got all that rain in January," washing away much of the snowpack. "That's what we were hoping doesn't happen again this year."

Scientists said a weak El Niño was partly to blame for the drought. El Niños create warmer than normal temperatures in the Eastern Pacific and can cause either wetter or drier-than-usual conditions in Washington state. Last year, the

weather pattern sent rain and snow that normally fall in the Northwest to Southern California and the rest of the Southwest.

The dismal 2004-05 ski season didn't surprise John Gifford, general manager at Stevens Pass east of Seattle. "We knew it wasn't going to be a great year, but we didn't expect it would be as bad as it was," Gifford said, citing forecasters' predictions about El Niño conditions.

Stevens Pass needs at least 3 feet of snow to open, Gifford said. It had nearly a foot at the base on Tuesday and Gifford estimated the summit had 15 or 16 inches.

That's about what Mission Ridge in Wenatchee was reporting Tuesday, with about 4 inches at the base. Snow's been falling off and on since the middle of last week, but the resort plans to wait a while before opening.

"We've seen a couple more good storms, before we feel comfortable opening," Mission Ridge spokeswoman Jerri Barkley said.

At Mount Spokane in northeastern Washington, forecasters are hoping a heavy mix of rain and snow that was falling Tuesday would change to snow showers overnight.

"We're pretty happy with everything so far. It sounds like we're back to a normal weather pattern," said Brad McQuarrie, Mount Spokane's general manager. "I like the big snow, but I'd take all the normal years if we could throw out years like last year."

The Summit at Snoqualmie had no up-to-date information about conditions on its Web site or snow information line, and the number to its administrative office rang busy throughout the day Tuesday.

Treating bear like one of the family runs afoul of Oregon law

COOS BAY, Ore. (AP) — For nine days, Rocky and Jonathan Perket had a lone black bear cub with them in his hiding spot in a Coos County logging site.

They could drop a tree on it or rescue it. They chose the latter, and for two years the bear was like family. But when the authorities got wind of it, there was trouble a-brain.

The father and son named her Windfall and raised it for two years. They shared pizza and soda with the bear and gave her free rein of their home in the woods' outside Coos Bay. The bear slept in Jonathan Perket's bed, took showers and even had her hair blow-dried, Rocky Perket said.

"We're not lying about it," said Rocky Perket, 54. "We lived with her. We loved her. We treated her like a daughter."

But that's illegal in Oregon, and last week police raided their home and took Windfall. The men face possible charges for holding the bear without permits and in an unlicensed facility.

"The law says you can't hold wild animals in any way," said Wildlife Administrator John Anglin of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The Perketts maintain Windfall never was "held" or locked in a cage. They simply opened their house to her, Rocky Perket said. She could come and go at will, and even learned to work the doorknobs, he said.

"Is there a law against a bear running around in your yard?" Perket said.

The Perketts plan to hire an attorney and hope a glitch in the Oregon State Police's search warrant will get the case tossed out and, in the best of cases, get Windfall returned to them.

"Everything they done here was illegal," Rocky Perket said. "Since it's all illegal, I hope they will bring her back."

No citations have been issued but holding a bear without a permit is punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$6,350 fine.

Meanwhile, the bear has been shipped to a California Department of Fish and Game holding facility, where it will remain until the case is concluded. The bear's likely future is at a zoo or a permanent holding facility, Anglin said. The bear likes people too much to be released into the wild, he said.

Perket acknowledged there's little chance of getting Windfall back. But he hopes good intentions and lack of understanding of the law will discourage prosecution.

"We're hicks. We're mountain men," Perket said. "We took her because she was dying and we loved her. The only thing we did wrong was to have one another."

Wildlife biologist Stuart Love, who helped tranquilize and seize the bear, said he doesn't doubt it. He said people's attachment to wild animals makes such situations "the worst part of my job."

"You could see the hurt in those guys' eyes when we took it," Love said. "But there's no way we could leave that bear with them. It could end up killing someone."

Premier Wyoming trout stream threatened by illegal fish planting

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — Burbot — an aggressive, eel-like fish that eat young trout — have been illegally stocked in a reservoir in southwest Wyoming, and officials say they now pose a threat to some of the state's premier trout water in the upper Green River.

Craig Amadio, fisheries biologist for the Green River Section of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, said the department found some young burbot, also called ling, in nets it set in Fontenelle Reservoir in late October. He said that while burbot have been found below the reservoir in the past, the dam has kept them from spreading upstream until now.

"Somebody has had fun putting burbot upstream of Fontenelle Dam," Amadio said. "It's a pretty selfish act for somebody to take. They wanted fishing for burbot closer to home."

He said this is just the latest instance of illegal "bucket biologists" taking it on themselves to plant exotic fish species in waters around the state. Although officials say they now pose a threat to some of the state's premier trout water in the upper Green River, Amadio said, they can be devastating.

"It should really enrage most of the anglers in the state when they read something like this," Amadio said. "Really the people who are paying the price for this are the anglers. Whoever did this is destroying angling opportunity for the public."

Burbot are native to the Wind River/Horn Horn drainages and coexist with trout there, Amadio said. However, Amadio said, burbot eat young trout. Burbot populations also hold small "forage fish" that burbot eat.

Lacking such forage fish in the Green River system, Amadio predicted that burbot will feast on young trout. Burbot commonly grow larger than 10 pounds, and he said a predator fish of that size eats a lot of smaller fish.

Amadio said of trout and burbot populations on the Green River. "But I really do believe that the numbers of trout we have, the trout abundance is going to decline pretty drastically because of the ling population."

"I don't look for that to occur in the next five years. But looking 20 or 30 years down the road, I think that the numbers of trout we have per mile is going to decline with the existence of an aggressive predator," Amadio said.

Robert "Chico" Pistono, executive director of Trout Unlimited in Wyoming, agreed that whoever stocked the burbot in Fontenelle Reservoir is profiting selfishly.

"It's one of the top fisheries that Green River. Pistono said. "All the way from the Green River lakes on down to the Flaming Gorge."

Move over bicyclists: Unicyclists take to the trails

By John O'Connell
Idaho State Journal

POCATELLO — His fat tire zipped around jagged rocks with hummingbird quickness. When he met a mountain biker on a blind corner, Kyle Miller happily hopped atop a 3-foot embankment on the right shoulder of City Creek trail and bounced in place like a pogo stick, yielding the right-of-way.

"System move!" the mountain biker said in typical disbelief.

A big bounce back on the trail and zip, zip, zip — Miller was off again, hopping off rocks and roots, and weaving around obstacles.

You can typically find Miller's circus act on Pocatello trails, especially City Creek, six nights a week.

He's hard to miss. He's a brawny guy with a nose ring and six ear piercings — all of which were self-administered — a goatee, shin guards, no shirt and a thick chain around his neck. Oh yeah, and one 24-inch wheel with no brakes and no handle bars.

Unicycling is a sport that's been slow to catch on in Pocatello, or anywhere else in the country for that matter.

Aside from Miller, the only people you'll likely see taking on area trails on a single wheel are Steve Howard — a 49-year-old who builds unicycles and once made a frame for a jar of maple syrup just to get new blood in the sport — and the locally renowned unicycling family, the Hortrums.

Miller — a 5-foot, 10-inch, 185-pound construction worker between jobs — would like some more unicyclists to ride with. He frequently convinces friends to give it a try, but he can't seem to get a stick with it long enough. Then again, he loves the sport partly because

it's so unique, like himself.

For the time being, he rides mostly with mountain bikers. In fact, he entered a recent mountain biking race at City Creek. Of course, they didn't offer a unicycling class. Miller finished the 12-mile race in 1:44:33, ahead of two people on two wheels.

"I came around this corner, and I heard someone yell, 'Holy (cow!) He's really doing it,'" Miller said about the race. "It wasn't nearly as bad as I thought it would be."

During a recent evening ride, under skies that threatened to rain, Miller pedaled across narrow bridges without hesitation and made sharp turns on a dime, simply by shifting his weight. He rode with his left hand gripping a handle on the front of his seat and his right arm stuck out for balance — like an NFL running back still-arm defender.

Close to a junction in the dirt path, where Miller turns around on most rides, there's a steep hill that gets the better of many mountain bikers who attempt to ascend it.

Miller, however, whizzed up the hillside with apparent ease, as if someone had filmed him riding up it and played it back on fast forward. When he encounters the rare hill he can't ascend through traditional means, Miller turns his unicycle sideways and hops up it.

"It's all about riding," Miller said when he reached his turn-around point. "Everyone wants to know if it's hard. How do you do that? You don't just learn it overnight. You don't learn how to ride a bike overnight. It took me some time to ride this, but it was worth it."

Miller, 23, hasn't put many miles on his mountain bike since his parents first got him a unicycle for his birthday 2 1/2

years ago.

He's now on his third unicycle. Those who don't frequent City Creek can catch Miller's act during the Idaho State University Homecoming Parade, only he'll be juggling while he rides — without steep hills, rocks and ruts, he's got to make it challenging somehow.

As always, the Hortrum family will also pedal in the parade. The Hortrum boys, Steve, 16, Mike, 17, and Greg, 23, also juggle on unicycles. Sometimes, they stop and wow the crowd by passing clubs to one another while they juggle as a trio.

Unicycling was more or less mandatory, just a part of growing up, for the Hortrum kids.

As an 8-year-old, Steve remembers the blocks his parents gave him to wear to help his feet reach the pedals of his unicycle.

"He was riding in the hallway of the house, putting holes in the walls like all the rest of us did," said the father of Pocatello's first family of unicycling, Barry Hortrum.

And when Amanda, 25, got married, it was a must that her husband, Boe, learn the sport so he could fit in with the family. They gave Boe his first unicycle as a wedding gift.

Barry had a proven method of getting his children to push themselves while they learned to unicycle.

"If you could ride the whole way around Edahow School, you could go to Dairy Queen and pick out whatever you wanted," Barry said. "The rest of us get a treat too, but you got to pick out whatever you wanted."

Even Dairy Queen, however, couldn't inspire Steve. The family faced a dilemma around Steve's 11th birthday. Apparently, Steve had a bad experience riding three years earlier and

told his family he didn't want to participate in the tradition.

His mother, Carol, came to the rescue.

Carol agreed she and her son would learn to unicycle together. It was like a bet to see who could learn first. Steve was the quickest to catch on, but the end result was an entire six-person family of unicyclists.

A lot of people will try and never stick with it long enough. Most people could ride a unicycle if they snuck with it for a week or two, Barry said. "It's amazing how people will go by and brunk and wave and stop a lot. If you were on a skateboard, even if you were really good, you wouldn't get that kind of attention."

Last year, the Hortrums attended the National Unicycling Convention in Salt Lake City. Unicyclists are ranked on skill from one to 10. Only a few riders in the country are good enough to be ranked 10. Mike Hortrum, perhaps the most gifted rider in the family, tested at level 7.

It was thanks to local unicycle manufacturer Steve Howard, 49, that the Hortrums finally took their show off-road.

Howard, who is part owner of the local machine shop Power Fuel Equipment, conveniently located near City Creek trail, gave the family two of his unicycles designed for trail riding. They loved them.

Howard doesn't sell unicycles, although he does supply seat handles and adapters designed for fitting bike seats on unicycles to Unicycle.com.

"It's strictly for fun," Howard said about his hobby of making unicycles. "I try to come out with something different than anyone else has done. I'm afraid if I started selling them it wouldn't be fun making them anymore."

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Delta predicts profit for 2007

ATLANTA — Delta Air Lines Inc., the nation's third-largest carrier, says in 2007 it expects to post its first annual profit in seven years assuming it is able to cut labor costs to the degree it is seeking and fuel prices don't soar too high.

The Atlanta-based airline's projection of a \$498 million annual profit two years from now included in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing Wednesday.

Delta, which filed for bankruptcy protection on Sept. 14 in New York, said its expected \$2.1 billion loss for this year, which excludes one-time items, will be reduced to a \$412 million loss in 2006, followed by the projected profit in 2007.

The airline hasn't posted an annual profit since 2000, when it recorded a profit of \$815 million. It has posted nearly \$10 billion in losses since (through 2001), and another loss is expected when it reports its third-quarter results on Nov. 3.

Delta's ability to meet its projections in its business plan depends on several factors.

One of those is its ability to cut annual labor costs by \$930 million. Of that total, it wants, \$325 million in concessions to come from its pilots. Another factor is fuel prices. Delta's business plan assumes that the average price of jet fuel will be \$2.01 per gallon for the rest of the year and \$1.73 a gallon in 2006 and 2007.

Time Warner posts higher Q3 profit

NEW YORK — Time Warner Inc., the world's largest media company, reported an 80 percent increase in third-quarter earnings Wednesday and raised its stock repurchase program to \$12.5 billion from \$5 billion in an effort to meet shareholder demands to lift its slumping stock price.

The New York-based company, whose properties include the Warner Bros. studio, HBO, CNN, a major cable TV company and Time magazine, posted net earnings of \$897 million versus \$499 million in the same period a year ago.

Per-share earnings came in at 19 cents compared with 11 cents a year ago. Analysts polled by Thomson Financial were expecting a profit of 17 cents per share.

Revenues rose 6.1 percent to \$10.54 billion from \$9.94 billion.

At the same time, the company also announced that its board of directors had approved an increase in its share buyback program to \$12.5 billion over the next 21 months, more than the previous level of \$5 billion.

Shareholders have been clamoring for Time Warner to take steps to lift its moribund share price, which has risen about 75 percent below the levels it was sold prior to agreeing to be bought in early 2000 by AOL.

That deal resulted in shareholders' lawsuits and a management purge.

Boeing machinists strike as talks falter

LOS ANGELES — About 1,500 Boeing machinists went on strike at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday after last-minute talks broke down between their union and the company that operates the Delta rocket program.

A federal mediator was unable to broker an agreement on raises, health benefits and retirement plans after meeting with both sides Tuesday, said Gary Quirk, the chairman of the union's negotiating committee.

GPS aims for greater accuracy

Knight Ridder News Service

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Ancient navigators once looked to the stars to find out where they were. Today, people are still looking to the skies for the same purpose, but they're getting the information from satellites.

A group of Stanford University academics wants to make such navigation so accurate that it could tell whether you are in your car or standing next to it. Since the government first launched a satellite navigation system known as the global positioning system in 1978, the system's ability to pinpoint the location of an object has steadily improved.

GPS receivers used to be bigger than a brick a decade ago and were accurate to within about 100 meters. Today a handheld \$100 GPS receiver can fix a point on the ground within five or 10 meters, while more ex-

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— James Spilker, Stanford Center for Position, Navigation and Time

pensive military systems can zero in on the receiver within 5 meters or less.

But the GPS system doesn't get much better than that, and

it doesn't work indoors or in deep urban canyons where the target object isn't within the line of sight of two or more satellites. And it isn't that hard to jam GPS signals.

Such a system isn't good enough for James Spilker and Per Engge, who are among the founders of the Stanford Center for Position, Navigation and Time. Spilker, a founder of navigation chip start-up Rosum and one of the creators of GPS, believes satellite navigation is just in its infancy.

“Technologies are coming to the forefront that will impact billions of people and millions of businesses,” Spilker said. “Our humble goal is to create the top-ranked university center in the world for this realm of technology.”

The interdisciplinary research center wants to create a navigation system capable of locating objects within one centimeter,

or less than half an inch. The center hopes to achieve that goal within the next 20 years.

It already has a lot of ideas on how to make navigation systems much more accurate, said Engge, the center's research director — and professor — of aeronautics and astronautics.

“There are a lot of exciting places that were putting together,” Engge said. “We want to make the system bulletproof.”

Already, GPS navigation is being built into cars and cell phones to enable people to figure out where they can find the nearest restaurants or locate someone in need of 911 assistance. Tens of millions of people track their locations today. The business consulting firm Ernst & Sullivan estimates that the market for GPS equipment sales could hit \$10 billion by 2010, with consumers accounting for much of those sales.

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Crafty Russian seeks venti of cash from Starbucks

Chicago Tribune

MOSCOW — The Russian capital's love affair with lattes and cappuccinos has been squarely in the sights of Seattle-based Starbucks for weeks. So why hasn't a city with a gold mine of a coffee-lover market seen its first Starbucks?

An enterprising Muscovite named Sergei Zuykov can explain.

During Russia's financial crisis in 1998, Zuykov's car alarm dealership was floundering, so he positioned himself as acquiring the Russian rights to foreign trademarks. Then, for the right price, he sold the rights to the companies that had established those trademarks elsewhere in the world, effectively forcing them to pay a toll for using their own corporate identities in Russia.

Intellectual property rights advocates say the practice amounts to blackmail; Zuykov calls it a simple case of exercising initiative.

If no one before me imagined to do this, if I am the first, then I get the prize,” he said. Zuykov wants to make Starbucks his biggest prize yet. The \$6.4 billion coffee giant has been eyeing Moscow since 1997, when it registered its trademark with Russian authorities.

Starbucks had three years to begin doing business in Russia to keep its trademark registration active in the country. That time lapsed, and in 2002 a company co-owned by Zuykov obtained the Russian rights to the Starbucks name.

Zuykov's company, OOO Starbucks, has no inventory, no personnel and no experience in the coffee industry. OOO Starbucks does have a logo, though: a forest green, star-crowned mermaid that is virtually identical to the Seattle chain's logo printed on every cup and every bag of Starbucks coffee.

Zuykov's company has offered Starbucks the Russian rights to the trademark for \$600,000, though Zuykov said he would be equally happy opening a Starbucks cafe in Moscow. So far, Starbucks has refused his offer and instead has waged a legal challenge to his claim.

The chain scored recent victories over Zuykov, including a decision by Rospatent, the Russian government agency in charge of trademark rights, to nullify Zuykov's registration of the Starbucks name. Zuykov said will appeal the agency's decision in Russian courts.

Starbucks' attorneys in Moscow declined to comment on the case. Asked about Zuykov, the company issued a statement in Russian courts.

“We've been dealing with all these risks in agriculture since the beginning of time,” McCorvey said.

If the ban is approved, Sonoma County would be responsible for enforcing fines up to \$1,000 for each violation. Similar bans have been implemented in Mendocino, Marin and Trinity counties but rejected in Humboldt, San Luis Obispo and Butte counties.

FOOD FIGHT



Shelley Arrowsmith harvests some basil at her small organic farm in Sonoma, Calif., Monday. Arrowsmith is a supporter of a measure on the November 8th special election ballot, that would ban the planting and cultivation of genetically altered organisms in Sonoma County. Opponents say Sonoma's Measure M could restrict access to some medical treatments and vaccinations.

County will vote on banning genetically modified foods

The Associated Press

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — Farmers in Sonoma County have lined up on both sides of a ballot initiative that would bar them from growing genetically modified crops in lush regions of vineyards and orchards.

In one of the county's most expensive budget fights ever, supporters and opponents of the proposed 10-year ban have spent a combined \$850,000. Sonoma would be only the fourth U.S. county after three others in California, to ban such crops if Measure M is approved Tuesday.

Organic farmer Shelley Arrowsmith said a ban would give

her peace of mind that the tomatoes, basil and apples she grows on her modest 2.5-acre farm are uncontaminated. She relies on “good bugs” attracted by the flowers surrounding her vegetable garden to keep troublesome insects under control.

“The bees have no boundaries,” Arrowsmith said. “They can go wherever they want.”

But Art Lafranchi, who grows 45 acres of genetically modified feed corn on his Sonoma County dairy farm, said he thinks his crops are much cleaner than the conventional corn he had before. He's had to use progressively less pesticides over the six years his grown weed-resistant

crop.

“We're using less chemicals, we're using chemicals that have far less impact, and it costs less and it does a much better job,” he said. “What they (supporters of a ban) want flies in the face of what environmentalists want — having an environment that's less toxic to us.”

Lex McCorvey, executive director of the Sonoma County Farm Bureau, has raised money from farmers and wineries to fight the proposed ban, which he said could hurt county farmers' standing in the marketplace.

Packaged foods in the U.S. commonly have some genetically

modified component, although Europe has imposed restrictions on genetically modified crop imports.

McCorvey added that the risk of cross-pollination of genetically altered crops such as corn is very low.

“We've been dealing with all these risks in agriculture since the beginning of time,” McCorvey said.

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Johnson & Johnson says it might not complete Guidant acquisition

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Johnson & Johnson indicated Wednesday it might cancel its planned \$2.4 billion acquisition of struggling medical device maker Guidant Corp. even as federal regulators gave conditional approval for the deal.

Guidant officials countered that J&J is legally obligated to complete the deal that was announced last December. Guidant shares sank more than 4.9 percent, dropping \$2.77 to \$60.33 in afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange where it had fallen to a new 52-week low of \$59.25 earlier in the day. J&J shares lost 42 cents to \$61.48.

J&J said recent recalls of Guidant-made implantable devices and regulatory investigations at Guidant have

had a “material adverse effect” on the Indianapolis-based company and that it was not required to close the acquisition.

New Brunswick, N.J.-based J&J said it was talking with Guidant about restructuring terms of the proposed buyout but that no agreement had been reached.

“Johnson & Johnson cannot assure that the companies will resume those discussions or, if discussions do resume, whether they will be able to reach agreement on revised terms that would allow Johnson & Johnson to proceed with the transaction,” company officials said in a statement.

Pulling out of the agreement could cost J&J \$700 million, according to the company's merger agreement.

But Guidant's chief executive Ronald W. Dolens said the ac-

quisition still makes sense.

“Recent product and communications issues have certainly had an impact on our business in the near term,” he said in a statement. “However, we believe that the fundamentals of our business are strong and our markets and products have attractive prospects for growth.”

Since June, Guidant has recalled or issued warnings about 86,000 heart defibrillators — including its top seller, the Contak Renewal 3 — and almost 200,000 pacemakers because of reported malfunctions. The company faces multiple lawsuits from patients and shareholders, as well as a reported criminal investigation by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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Q & A

A primer on panel's tax code recommendations

By Kathy M. Kristof
Los Angeles Times

A: Many itemized deductions would be eliminated, including deductions for property taxes, state income taxes, un-reimbursed business expenses and professional dues. But limited write-offs for charitable contributions and government agency expenses would be available for everyone — even people who don't itemize.

Q: How would charitable contribution deductions be limited?

A: Charitable contributions could be deducted only to the extent that they exceed 1 percent of the taxpayer's adjusted gross income. In other words, a taxpayer with \$50,000 in income could only claim charitable contributions once they exceeded \$500 annually.

Q: What happens with deductions?

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Q: How would the tax brackets ranging from 10 percent to 35 percent. The panel offered two proposed alternatives. Plan A would create four tax rates — 15 percent, 25 percent, 30 percent and 33 percent. Plan B would establish three rates — 15 percent, 25 percent and 30 percent.

Please see TAX, Page E3

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-05-4463
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of DARRYL F. SWEET, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Coleman, Richie & Robertson, Attorneys at Law, P.O. Box 525, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0525, and filed with the Court. DATED this 17th day of October, 2005. David Sweet, Personal Representative
PUBLISH: October 27, November 3 and 10, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-05-4305
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of PHIL M. ORDIAZ, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned c/o V. Lane Jacobson, P.O. Box 5827, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-5827 and filed with the Clerk of the Court. DATED this 11th day of October, 2005. Valaine Todd, Personal Representative
PUBLISH: October 20, 27 and November 3, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-05-4178
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of RONALD WOODROW PIERCE, SR., Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented both to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court. DATED this 12th day of September, 2005. Raymond James Percio RAYBORN and RAYBORN, Attorneys for the Estate P.O. Box 322, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0321
PUBLISH: October 20, 27 & November 3, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
Case No. CV-05-4254
NOTICE OF HEARING
In Re: VERENA RUTH GREEN
Date of Birth: 7-29-52
A Petition by Verena Ruth Green, born on July 29, 1952 in Portland, State of Oregon now residing at 219 12th Avenue North, Buhl, requesting a change of name to Judith Renee Blackledge-Green has been filed in the above entitled court, the reason for this change in name being I've always been called Jude Renee and my birth father's name is Blackledge. The petitioner's father has died and the names and addresses of the petitioner's near relatives are: Mona Elita, 4431 N 1700 E, Buhl, ID 83316. Such petition will be heard at 9:00 o'clock AM on 11-7-2005 at the Twin Falls County Court-house. Objections may be filed by any person who can, in such objections, show to the court a good reason against such a change of name. WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court this 28th day of September, 2005. /s/By Clerk
PUBLISH: October 13, 20 and Nov 3, 2005

SAMPLE BALLOT
GENERAL ELECTION
City of Hansen, State of Idaho
November 8, 2006
INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote for a candidate make a cross (X) in the small square to the right of the name for which you wish to vote. If you fear, deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another. Mark only the space provided, the name of any qualified elector of the city of Hansen, Idaho, for any office to be voted, but you cannot vote for more than the number given for that office.
FOR COUNCIL PERSON - 4 YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR TWO (2)
Thomas R. Kennedy
Laura J. Nelson
William M. Burns
Rebecca L. Adamson
PUBLISH: October 28 and November 3, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SIGNIFICANT INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION VIOLATIONS
CITY OF TWIN FALLS
Listed below are recent significant industrial wastewater discharge violations of the requirements of 40 CFR Part 403 (General Pretreatment Regulations) occurring over the last 12 months:
INDUSTRY NAME: Independent Meat Co.
ADDRESS: 202 Orchard Drive East, Twin Falls ID 83301
VIOLATION(S):
1. Independent Meat Co. was in Significant Non-compliance for exceeding Technical Review Criteria for Total Suspended Solids during October 2004.
2. Independent Meat Co. was in Significant Non-compliance for exceeding Technical Review Criteria and Chronic Criteria for BOD from October 2004 through February 2005.
3. Independent Meat Co. was in Significant Non-compliance for exceeding Technical Review Criteria for BOD in March 2005 and April 2005.
PENALTIES: Fines are being assessed for violations for the above listed violations.
Permit in the amount of \$6,900 for this violation.
DATED this 24th day of October, 2005
/s/Gary L. Young, P.E./S.L.S., City Engineer
PUBLISH: Thursday, November 3, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
Case No. CV-05-4435
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of SHILEY MARIE VERNON, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court. DATED this 27th day of October, 2005. /s/Bevlye Shocker, Personal Representative 759 North 2nd Street, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301 208-733-5587
PUBLISH: November 3, 10 and 17, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-05-0004117
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of VELMA OPAL READ, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BECKIE J. HAYS has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court. DATED this 27th day of October, 2005. /s/Stephan Kavaning, Personal Representative P.O. Box 83, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0083 Telephone: 208-733-2721
PUBLISH: October 20, 27 and November 3, 2005

SAMPLE BALLOT
CITY OF MURTAUGH, STATE OF IDAHO
NOVEMBER 8, 2006
INSTRUCTIONS: Vote for such candidates as you desire by placing an X in the small square to the right of the name, or by writing in the name of the persons you desire to vote for and placing an X in the square to the right of their name. If you fear, deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another. Mark only with pencil or pen. You cannot vote for more than the number of positions given for that office.
FOR MAYOR
Four Year Term
(May Vote for One)
Carl Melugin
FOR COUNCIL MEMBER
Four Year Term
(May Vote for One)
Kurt Schorr
FOR COUNCIL MEMBER
Four Year Term
(May Vote for One)
Doe Hunsaker
PUBLISH: October 27 and November 3, 2005

ADVERTISMENT FOR BIDS FOR
2005 SUNWAY SOCCER COMPLEX ROAD AND PARKING LOT
Sealed proposals will be received in the office of the Deputy City Clerk at 321 Second Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho until 10:00 A.M., prevailing local time on November 14, 2005, at which time they will be opened and read in the City Hall Conference Room of the Twin Falls City Hall.
If you are interested in the construction of a gravel road and parking lot at 4040 N. 2700 E. Contract Documents with specifications and/or plans are available at the office of the City Engineer, 321 Second Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho, a TWENTY DOLLAR (\$20.00) contract fee plus a TWENTY-FIVE DOLLAR (\$25.00) mailing fee.
Sharon M. Bryan
Deputy City Clerk
City of Twin Falls
321 Second Avenue East
P.O. Box 1907
Twin Falls, Idaho 83303 1907
(208) 735-7245
PUBLISH: November 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV 2004-5681
AMENDED ORDER, NOTICE, AND SUMMONS
FOR HEARING
In the Matter of the Estate of CHASE WILLIAM HEFFLEY d.o.b. 01-24-93
BRIANNE MOLINA YORSKY d.o.b. 10-09-98
Children Under Eighteen Years of Age.
A Petition under the Termination of Parent-Child Act has been filed in the District Court of Health and Welfare. The merits of the petition will be examined in an evidentiary hearing on November 17, 2005 at 9:30 AM in the Magistrate's Court, Twin Falls County Courthouse, Twin Falls, Idaho.
The following individuals shall personally appear at the hearing:
CHRISTINE ANN YORSKY, Mother of children
ROBERT MOLINA YORSKY, Father of children
The above-named individuals are further notified that they are entitled to be represented by legal counsel. If they are financially unable to retain an attorney, they may apply to the Court, prior to the hearing, for appointment of counsel.
October 5, 2005
/s/ Magistrate
PUBLISH: October 20, 27 and November 3, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-2005-4528
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of DOROTHY M. WERNER, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CLARENCE MICHAEL WERNER has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
STEPHAN, KAVANING, STONE & TRAINOR
By Russell G. Kvaning
Attorneys for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 83
Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0083
Telephone: 208-733-2721
PUBLISH: October 27, November 3 and 10, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
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15 GOV'T ACCESS
19 CSPAR
20 CSPAN2
21 HOME SHOPPING NETWORK
22 EDUCATIONAL ACCESS
23 CNN HEADLINE NEWS
24 CNN
25 FOX NEWS
26 CNN
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32 FOX SPORTS ROCKY MOUNT
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54 BRAVO
55 SCI FI
56 COMEDY CENTRAL
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PUBLISH: November 3, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE
The Idaho Transportation Department, Division of Public Transportation, is accepting applications for FY 2006 Public Transportation grant funds in the following program:
SECTION 5311(b) - INTERCITY BUS TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM - Development and support of intercity bus service for the general public.
SECTION 5310 - ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM - Capital assistance to private non-profit organizations to assist in meeting the transportation needs of elderly and/or persons with disabilities.
SECTION 5310 - PURCHASE OF SERVICE - Assistance to private non-profit organizations serving the elderly and persons with disabilities to fund SCRP or voucher programs.
GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 30, 2005.
The Program Information Guide and supplemental application forms will be available approximately November 8, 2005 and may be obtained at the address or phone numbers below or by accessing the Division web site at http://idaho.gov/publictransportation/grants/ P.O. BOX 7129
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PUBLISH: November 3, 2005

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
Case No. CV-05-4648
NOTICE OF HEARING
In Re: COURTNEY DARLENE KISSEL
CODY DOUGLAS KISSEL
CADDY DANIEL KISSEL
A Petition to change the name of Courtney Darlene Kisel, born on 12-29-69 in the City of Albuquerque in the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, residing at PO Box 481, Filer, ID 83328; and the name of Cody Douglas Kisel, born on 7-15-1991, the city of Albuquerque in the County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico, residing at PO Box 481, Filer, ID 83328; and the name of Caddy Daniel Kisel, born on 5-7-1992 in the city of Salt Lake City in the County of Salt Lake, State of Utah, residing at PO Box 481, Filer, ID 83328, has been filed in Twin Falls County District Court, Idaho. The reason for the name changes is because they have requested this change due to the fact that their biological father left them ten years ago and has not been a part of their lives. Their step-father is the only Dad they have known and they want to have IDAHO.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 9:00 o'clock AM, on December 2, 2005, at the County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name changes.
WITNESS my hand and seal of said District Court this 1st day of October, 2005.
/s/ Clerk
PUBLISH: October 27, Nov 3, 10 and 17, 2005

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
On the 23rd day of February, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., of said State of Idaho (recognized local time), in the Office of First American Title Company, 260 3rd Avenue North, Twin Falls, in the County of Twin Falls, Idaho, the First American Title Company of Idaho, Inc., an Idaho Corporation and Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, together with accrued interest, the premises for the month of February, 2006, in the County of Idaho, at the time of sale in compliance with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(f) Idaho Code, the following described tract of land situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and the proceeds to be distributed as follows:
Lot 4 in Block 79 of BULH TOWNSITE, according to the plat of said tract of land, Official Records of Twin Falls, County, Idaho.
The Trustee has knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the above described real property, the address of 517 9th Ave. N. Buhl, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding the possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by the promissory note, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (solely as nominee for Lender, and Lender's successors and assigns), as the beneficiary recorded August 24, 2004, as Instrument No. 2004018441. Mortgages of Twin Falls County, Idaho.
THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (f)(4), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THE TRUSTEE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE OBLIGATION.
The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under Deed of Trust Note, the monthly payments for Principal, Interest and Impound for the month of February, 2006, and through August, 2005 and all subsequent payments until the date of cure or reinstatement, with a monthly late charge accruing of \$21.84 and interest accruing at the rate of 22% per annum, and continuing until May 1, 2005. The principal balance owing as of the date of the interest secured by said Deed of Trust is \$69,449.74, plus attorney's interest, costs and advances. All delinquent amounts are now due and payable, together with late charges and interest, unpaid and accrued advances, assessments, trustee's fees, attorneys fees, and any amount advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.
Date: October 20, 2005
FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO, INC.
By: Melissa Bone, Senior Foreclosure Analyst
FA-192135-imb-INC
First American Title Company of Idaho
Trust Dept. 1-208-375-0455
PUBLISH: November 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2005

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION
Case No. CV-05-4643
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate of PHILIP M. ORDIAZ, Deceased.
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EASY #12
Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page E-11.

200 Employment

DRIVER
Cattle truck, must be 25 yrs old. Call 208-208-8632.

MANUFACTURING
Spears Manufacturing Company is accepting applications for Part-time Security Guard. Supplemental retirement income. Prior security background a plus. Alternating weekends plus some occasional week day hours. Must be team oriented. Applications available at Spears Mfg Plant, Security Office, 2152 S. Lincoln, Jerome, Idaho. 208-324-8101 EOE

MANUFACTURING
Spears Manufacturing Company is accepting applications for the following full-time positions:
Packaging, Plastic Fabrication, Production Material Handler, Assembly, Bar code, Warehouse.
\$9-\$12/hr (depending on position)
Benefits: Flexible employee health, dental, life insurance, vacation, paid holidays, and 401k plan. Applications available at Spears Manufacturing Plant Security Office, 2152 S. Lincoln Jerome, Idaho. 208-324-8101 Opportunity Employer

200 Employment

GENERAL
New Salon in great location. Opening for Hair stylist and Nail Tech. Lease. Call 733-8913

MACHINIST
Full time rep; cement machinist position with benefits. Apply in person at Barclay Mechanical 490 W. 100 S. Hwy 24 Paul, ID 208-438-8108 All Applicants subject to pre-employment drug test.

200 Employment

MANAGEMENT
Expanding SE Idaho potato, sugar beet, and grain operation has openings for additional Farm Managers. Especially evenings night & weekend hours. Call Jeanne or Krista at 738-7280 or apply in person at 147 Main Ave. E., Twin Falls.

200 Employment

MISCELLANEOUS
Laf Attendee need 5 days/week. Must have valid drivers license. Call Doug Albrethen at Hertz of Magic Valley 636 Poline Rd No Phone Call Drop Free Workplace

PROFESSIONAL
Administrative Assistant must have strong computer (MS Office), communication, interpersonal and organizational skills. Full time position. Idaho Youth Ranch, Rupert, ID 83350. 532-4117 hr@iyranch.org EOE

PROFESSIONAL
Assistant Extension Educator, 4-H Educator will coordinate the Jerome County 4-H Youth Center & train & supervise 4-H leaders working with 4-H youth. Successful candidate will provide leadership in developing, planning & conducting 4-H programs & increase awareness of the 4-H program in Jerome County. Eve. & wknd activities req. a B.S. Degree in agriculture, family & consumer science, recreation, education, or closely related field; or 4 yrs as a 4-H Assistant, or Aid, or a combination of post secondary education & exp. As a 4-H Assistant or Aid to total 4 yrs. 37.5 hrs/week. \$21,316/yr. Full supplemented to a 40 hour week with additional salary. For a complete job description & qualifications, contact Jerome County Extension office at 324-7578, 600 2nd Ave. West, Jerome or view at: extension.ag.uidaho.edu/jerome. Applications are available from the Extension office & are due by Nov. 16, AAEECO

200 Employment

MEAT CUTTER
Experienced meat cutter. Wage DOE. Some traveling in Magic Valley area. Call 208-320-2074

PROFESSIONAL
Administrative Asst. must have strong communication, interpersonal, and organizational skills. Medical experience a plus. Part time position at Highland Estates 2050 Highland Ave. Burley, ID. Full time position. No phone calls please.

200 Employment

PROFESSIONAL
Assistant Manager available for Idaho Youth Ranch third store. Jerome & Rupert location. Retail experience preferred. Competitive salary and benefits. EOE. Apply in person, 233 S. Main Jerome and Eastside of the square in Rupert

200 Employment

RESTAURANT
La Casa accepting applications for evenings food & plate prep. 30 hrs per week. Need reliable motivated person. Also lunch hostesses. 11:30-2pm, Mon-Fri. (Must be 19 yrs of age) Apply in person, 111 Southpark Ave. W.

RESTAURANT
Now hiring Delivery Drivers and Wait Staff. Full time. Apply in person at Burley Pizza Hut & Rupert Pizza Hut

SALES
Outside Advertising Sales You will love this job if you enjoy:
Working with a variety of accounts, helping them promote and build their business.
Working in a team environment.
Managing multiple projects & working with deadlines.
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PROFESSIONAL
Idaho Youth Ranch seeks master level Clinician. Provides clinical services to youth in a residential setting. LMT, LPC or LCSW preferred. Substance abuse treatment experience a plus. Idaho Youth Ranch, Rupert, 208-324-7177. Email resume and cover letter to: trossars@yourman.org EOE

RESTAURANT
Kitchen Help wanted. Apply in person at Montana Steakhouse 1836 Canyon Crest, Twin Falls, 734-7476

200 Employment

MEDICAL
Expand Your Nursing Experience
Full-Time Registered Nurse
Idaho Home Health & Hospice is now accepting applications for the Magic Valley Region

Please contact Rod at 734-4061 for more information. Also ask about other employment or volunteer opportunities.

200 Employment

RESTAURANT
Counter person Lunch & Dinner shifts Apply in person Prine's Thai Cuisine, 428 2nd Ave. E

RESTAURANT
Golden Corral is looking for energetic, highly motivated, personable Servers and Waiters. Nights and weekends a must. Other positions available. Apply in person at the Golden Corral.

SALES
Incentive-based pay plan. Well established company. Call at 208-420-0707 or Raley at 420-0041

SALES
Traveler, software company in Jerome is looking for a full time Sales Rep. Base plus insurance. 401k. Self-motivated & energetic. 888-891-9550

SECRETARY
Must be proficient in Word & Excel. Exc. communication skills. Send resume to: 301 Scott Ave. #1300 Rupert, ID 83350

SUPERVISOR
Maintenance Supervisor must have experience in parts, breakdowns, & warranties; be able to work in a fast environment. Communication and computer skills a must. Apply in person or by mail. DSD Transportation 1725 south main or PO Box 111, Gooding, ID 83330

200 Employment

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200 Employment

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WELDER
Experienced Stainless Tig Welder. Wage DOE. Insurance benefits & 401k, after 90 days. Contact Brian at Gilmer Trucking 208-324-3515

WELDERS
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GENERAL
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200 Employment

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- 1300-1800 Targhee Dr.
- 1000-1300 Sparks North
- 400-600 Park Terrace
- 300-600 Adams Street
- 100-700 Lincoln Street
- 1800-2000 Alturas Drive & Hayburn East
- 200-400 Elaine Avenue
- 100-400 Robblins
- 400-500 Altair Drive
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- Highway 77 to Albion
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When South took the helm in four spades, he was treated to three rounds of clubs by the defense. He ruffed, played the king and ace of spades, then frowned. After a pause he cashed the queen and ace of diamonds, but when he led out the king, East ruffed and returned his last trump: down one.

While South was looking for sympathy, North speculated aloud whether there was any other remedy declarer might have sought. South demurred, but North politely persisted. Can you see why?

After testing the trumpists, if South had played the diamond king, then a diamond to the queen followed by a third diamond, would that East have done? If he ruffs, he loses his trump trick, so he discards, and South now wins the diamond ace and ruffs a diamond. Whatever East does now, he scores only one trick more for his side.

WEST
 ♠ 3
 ♥ 7 4 3
 ♦ J 9 4 2
 ♣ Q J 10 4 3

EAST
 ♠ J 10 9 5
 ♥ Q 10 8 2
 ♦ 10 3
 ♣ A 9 7

SOUTH
 ♠ K Q 8 7 6
 ♥ A K 8 7
 ♦ A K 8 7
 ♣ 6 5

Vulnerable: East-West
 Dealer: South

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
 1 ♠ All pass

Opening lead: Club queen

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:
 ♠ J 10 9 5
 ♥ Q 10 8 2
 ♦ 10 3
 ♣ A 9 7

South West North East
 1 ♠ Dbl. Pass

ANSWER: Respond one spade, not one heart. Though you do not have enough to invite game, you would like to compete in the majors if the opponents bid on to two diamonds. By mentioning spades first, then hearts, you let partner give preference economically. Bidding the suits in the other order might force partner to give preference at an uncomfortably high level.

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