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Senate, House look at property tax relief

Measure seeks to raise sales tax to 6.25 cents as alternative

By Michelle Dunlop Times-News writer

BOISE — Will there be property tax relief for Idahoans before the Legislature adjourns this session?

And, will that relief simply shift the burden of others? On Tuesday, the Senate and House gave slightly different answers. A House committee agreed to conce... bill that eliminates the ideal property tax

component of school funding, raising the sales tax to make up the difference. On the other side of the... the Senate rejected a bill that would have asked voters to decide on a similar proposal. Public schools rely on local property taxes for maintenance and operation costs. "The M & O is the lions share of your property tax bill," said Rep. Lenore Barrett, R-Challis.



Barrett supported a measure to repeal that portion of property taxes and raise the sales tax

from 5 cents to 6.25 cents. On a 13-5 vote, the House Revenue and Taxation Committee sent the bill to the House floor where it could be voted on as early as Wednesday. House bill 876 rolls several tax measures, including an increase in the homeowners exemption, into one piece of legislation. Rep. Ken Roberts, R-McCall, said the state will need to come up with roughly \$250 million in

sales tax to compensate for the property tax cut. He estimates the sales tax increase to 6.25 cents will bring in \$262 million in revenue. The excess will be set aside in the public school stabilization fund. "If there's a downturn in the economy, those funds will be there," Roberts said. But, eliminating the local

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Hagerman hit by high winds, hail; tornado suspected

Police report six damage scenes

The Times-News

HAGERMAN — A damaging storm packing high winds, hail and maybe a tornado left behind a path of twisted trees and downed powerlines Tuesday evening in and near this Gooding County community.

"The powerful storm forced law enforcement authorities to close U.S. Highway 30 Tuesday night, and today the National Weather Service will investigate the possibility that a tornado may have struck the area.

"We had one hell of a wind come through here," said Hagerman Fire Protection District Chief Tim Peterson Tuesday night while dispatching crews to damaged areas.

Peterson said the storm lasted for 10-15 minutes and the first warning of danger came at 7:29 p.m. from SIRCOM dispatch.

"We saw circulating clouds and had a lot of high wind and nickel-sized hail, but I don't know if it was a tornado or not," said the chief. The chief noted that (as of 10 p.m. Tuesday) he had six separate damage scenes and expected more.

According to Peterson, the northerly moving storm struck fast, ripping down trees and powerlines across the city and into the rural areas.

"We have a lot of spruce and pine trees down," said Peterson. "The trees really took a beating — it's a mess."

A SIRCOM dispatcher said Tuesday evening that they heard of a citizen reporting a tornado, but that the Hagerman police department could not confirm that one touched down.

"Idaho Power is going to have a busy night," said Peterson.

To boldly go where one man has gone before

'Super Joe' seeks OK to jump canyon

By Bob Kirkpatrick Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Imagine throwing a party and no one shows up. That is exactly what happened to Super Joe Reed, daredevil and self-proclaimed "New King of the Stuntmen," who flew in from Los Angeles to what he said was a pre-arranged meeting Tuesday with city, county and state officials at City Hall. Reed is attempting to gain approval of his plan to jump the Snake River Canyon in his two-seat rocket-powered motorcycle that somewhat resembles the starship Enterprise.

"I called to let people know we were coming," Reed said. "I also sent out e-mails, but I didn't receive confirmation from everyone before we left." Reed's meeting was part of a follow-up from an earlier meeting he held here two weeks ago, but was unable then to get key people to attend.

Reed is billing the attempt to jump the canyon as a joint venture with Evel Knievel, and says he has a signed contract to pay him \$2 million for his participation. But, that isn't exactly how Knievel views the matter. In a phone conversation with The Times-News from his home in Ocala, Fla., on March 13, Knievel denied any involvement.

"There's a guy named Joe Reed that has been telling people in Twin Falls and all over that I am involved in some kind of jump attempt that he's planning at my old



Super Joe Reed, a stuntman from Southern California, stands on Evel Knievel's 1974 jump ramp Tuesday on the south rim of the Snake River canyon. Reed wants to build a site next to the original and, if possible, jump the canyon with Knievel in a two-seat rocket-powered motorcycle.



Artist's concept of the rocket-powered motorcycle that Super Joe Reed wants to use with Evel Knievel to attempt a jump over the Snake River Canyon.

jump site at the canyon," Knievel said. "I'm 67 and have idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) which is caused from taking interlon after having a liver transplant, and I had a stroke last October. I don't have anything to do with anyone jumping the canyon."

According to Reed, the jump is tentatively scheduled for October. He said it will take place adjacent to the original site where Evel Knievel launched his attempt on Sept. 8, 1974.

"My ramp will make Evel's look like a plimble," Reed said.

Whether or not the two have an actual binding agreement to jump the canyon together remains a mystery. But one thing for certain is they both seem to express animosity towards one another.

"The guy is nuts," Knievel said. "I am not involved with him."

On his Web site at www.superstunts.us, Reed refers to Knievel as a consultant for his Twin Falls canyon jump, but Knievel says Reed is still trying to use his (Knievel's) name to raise money for the event.

"I'm calling him out," Reed said. "He'll do it. I'm sure he won't turn down \$2 million. Besides, he doesn't want people to think he's a chicken."

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Twin Falls upgrading plan on land use

Residents asked what they think county should do

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's been 11 years since Twin Falls County reviewed its comprehensive plan. And County Commissioner Tom Mikeseil says that's much too long.

"Most planning barely lasts five years because things change so quickly," Mikeseil said.

Today, the county is in the middle of the long process of rewriting its comprehensive plan — a plan that will look ahead 20 years. But such a plan is never written in stone. It must be routinely tweaked as conditions change. The purpose of the plan, which is required by law, is to give the public, business and government agencies a clear understanding of the county's intentions regarding future development. The plan is viewed as the foundation on which future ordinances and resolutions regarding land use are built.

Work on the new plan began in May 2005 when the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee, made up of citizens from throughout the county, began looking at how the county has changed in the past decade. What they discovered is that the county has changed a lot.

For one thing, the faces have changed. Twin Falls County is much more diverse than it was in the 1990s, and the Hispanic population is one of the fastest-growing groups. To meet the

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What do you think?

Twin Falls County commissioners and the county's Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee are holding open houses to hear what residents have to say about issues such as property rights, public safety, school facilities and land use.

- Today: 5 to 8 p.m., Twin Falls City Chambers, 305 Third Ave.
Monday: 4 to 7 p.m., Buhl City Hall, 203 N. Broadway
Tuesday: 5 to 8 p.m., Hollister School, 2463 Contact Ave.
If you cannot attend an open house, but would like to comment on the plan, call County Commissioners Tom Mikeseil, Bill Brockman or Gary Grindstaff at 734-0408.
For more information on the comprehensive plan, go to the county's Web site at http://www.magicvalley.org/ and click on Comprehensive Plan Update.

Families of contestants sacrifice to cheer on 'Idol' singers



Crystal Covington, left, wife of 'American Idol' contestant Bucky Covington, attends a segment of the show with friends at CBS Television City in Los Angeles, March 22. She's taken a leave of absence so that she can support her husband's bid on the television talent show.

By Lynn Elber Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — Millie Hundley is shelling out for airline and hotel costs, Clyde Pickler is getting by with a little financial help from friends, while Kenneth Daughtry's boss gave him time off and even paid his way from Virginia.

Asent in the studio audience for 'American Idol' is free, but contestants' family members — and sometimes those around them — are paying a price to lend moral support to their favorite singers.

Hundley said it's worth the weekly trips from Atlanta to the soundstage at CBS Television City in Los Angeles to see her

stopdaughter, Mandisa, perform each Tuesday on Fox's hit series and to be on hand Wednesdays when a contestant is voted off.

"My daughter, who has an awesome singing voice, now has the opportunity to show it to the whole world. She's traveled a lot, she's sung a lot, but now she's on national TV and I get to watch my daughter live my dreams," said Hundley, a church choir soloist.

"Her pastor is so supportive. He's as excited as I am," said Hundley, who works part-time at the Greater Travelers Rest Baptist Church in Decatur, Ga. But the expenses are adding up, she said.

"Hey, you want to sponsor me?" She joked, after hearing

that Daughtry, brother of contestant Chris Daughtry, had received financial help from his employer and co-workers at a sawmill in Blackstone, Va.

"My daughter said he was eager to come because his brother's wife, Daenna, who's caring for two children and recuperating from surgery, couldn't make the trip from McLeansville, N.C. His boss felt the same way.

"It was something he wanted to do for me because he felt like if it was his brother, he'd want to be out here and support him," said Daughtry, who flew out for a recent show. "I couldn't afford any other way."

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Today: Spring rain showers with a fair amount of wind. Highs near 50.
Tonight: A few rain showers hanging on. Lows, lower 40s.
Tomorrow: Turning partly cloudy. Highs, 50s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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

Yesterday's Weather

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BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: April rain showers. Highs near 50.
Tonight: Rain showers lingering, before clearing out later. Lows, lower 40s.
Tomorrow: Some clearing and drizzle. Highs, upper 50s to near 60s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
A nice batch of moisture coming in from the Pacific will provide the High Country with spring showers, mixed showers and some wet Wednesday through Thursday morning.

BOISE
Yesterday's State Extrams: 64 at Twin Falls. Low: 27 in Owyhee.
NORTHERN UTAH
Depending upon the elevation, the region will see developing showers, mixed showers and even some snow over the next couple of days.

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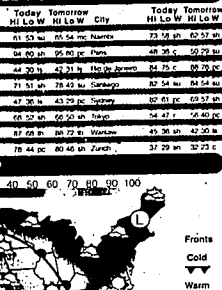
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY
"Empty pockets never hold anyone back. Only empty hearts can do that."
-Norman Macdonald

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Tax

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property tax component of public school funding is a dangerous step, said Rep. Lewie Smith, R-Twin Falls. It makes schools reliant on the sales tax, and erases local control.

"All of the sudden, the state is in total control of all school money unless a school district passes an override," Smith said.

Rep. Nicole Lefavour, D-Boise, suggested that the state only shift the burden of paying for public schools off of homeowners and onto the poor. Low-income folks will feel the sales tax increase every time they purchase groceries or other necessities and won't get any of the benefits of a property tax decrease, she said.

Business owners could see a net rise in taxes, said Rep. Janice McGeachio, R-Idaho Falls.

Retiring commission chairman Rep. Tom Crowe, R-Nampa, said that Roberts' bill created a tough decision for most. "We're doing harm to a lot of people," Crowe said. "We're doing good to a few people."

That sentiment caused some Senators pause on Tuesday over a comparable bill.

Sen. Brad Little, R-Emmett, proposed a measure to amend Idaho's constitution so that property taxes could not be levied for public school funding. To change the state constitution, voters have to give their OK. "By voting on this, we grant to our citizens... the choice to move school maintenance and operation from property tax to sales tax," Little said.

Little's resolution did not specify an exact increase in sales tax. And, it did not garner enough support to send it to the House for many of the same reasons Rep. Smith, Lefavour and McGeachio opposed Roberts' bill in committee.

Sen. David Langford, D-Boise, cited a recent study by the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy that found the shift from property tax to sales tax would result in a net increase in taxes paid by all Idaho taxpayers except the wealthiest 5 percent.

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Idaho asks feds for authority to kill wolves

The Associated Press

BOISE — Idaho wildlife officials on Tuesday formally asked the federal government for authority to kill most of the gray wolves in a pack roaming along the Montana border. Idaho believes the pack is decimating an elk herd.

The state submitted a proposal to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service that seeks permission to kill as many as 43 of the estimated 58 wolves in a pack roaming the Lolo Pass and Clearwater River Basin area of north-central Idaho.

"This is unprecedented but it is not unforeseen," Jeff Foss, Fish and Wildlife's Boise field office supervisor, said after meeting with state officials to receive the proposal Tuesday afternoon.

At the urging of Idaho Gov. David Perdue, now U.S. Interior Secretary, the federal government in January turned over to the state day-to-day management of the wolf pack.

popular Lolo hunting zone.

"The current predation rate on adult cow elk by wolves is not allowing the herd to bounce back to previous population levels," he said. "We believe the habitat conditions would allow for higher elk populations if the wolf population was not at its current level."

Federal officials said they would immediately begin a scientific review of the state's proposal to determine if the first lethal control of an animal classified under the Endangered Species Act was warranted.

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of the wolves reintroduced in central Idaho in 1995 as a "experimental, nonessential population" under the Endangered Species Act.

Wolves located north of Interstate 90 in the Idaho Panhandle remain classified as an endangered species under the act and are still under the control of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

But the agreement signed in January by Kemphorne and outgoing Interior Secretary Gale Norton gave the state primary management responsibility for the estimated 512 gray wolves living south of I-90 in the rugged Idaho Rockies.

The state's application on Tuesday is the first test of just how far that responsibility extends. Under a rule revised by the Bush administration last year in the Endangered Species Act, the state can ask for the federal government's permission to kill wolves that are causing "unacceptable impacts" to wild elk, deer and moose.

Prior to the 2005 revision, only trapping and relocation of problem wolves was allowed.

"Now the federal agency will review the state's proposal to determine if the rationale behind the planned wolf killing is scientifically valid, whether the data the state has collected on an elk herd numbers justifies wolf removal, how the elk herd's response to the reduction of wolves will be measured and whether eliminating 75 percent of the pack would put the wolf population below minimum recovery levels."

The federal agency did not say when its review of the Idaho proposal will be complete, although members of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission were told at their meeting last month the process could take several months and would likely result in a federal lawsuit from conservationists who oppose the state's plan.

are approaching maximum levels. And there's a new EPA standard for arsenic in drinking water.

The county also wants to hear what people have to say about a number of other things, such as private property rights, school facilities, transportation and parks and recreation.

"We can't do this alone," Mikesell said. "Then it's not their document, but our document. There are enough of our documents out there. We need the people's documents."

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needs of this growing population, the county needs to hear from Hesperia residents to help them to get their input on what issues they see facing the county in the next 20 years, said Jerome Mapp, who along with Richard Gardner, board president of the Boise-based Bootstrap Solutions, is helping the county put together its comprehensive plan.

In addition to Hispanics, the county includes people from other cultures such as Bosnians, Croatians and Russians. The Twin Falls School District estimates that its students speak 27 languages. And the county's older population is

growing as empty nesters and senior citizens give up the fast-paced life of the big city for a slower, simpler life in small towns Idaho. Lower home prices are one of the big draws. Most of these new older residents are buying homes and taking root, according to the committee's study.

"Twin Falls County is no metropolitan, but it's also not the sleepy agricultural community it used to be. One of the challenges the county faces is how to preserve its agricultural land while still allowing for new development."

"In the 1995 plan, it was an agricultural-based community," said Sue Switzer, the county's planning and zoning administrator.

"That's the character of our county. We really need to find a balance between protecting our agricultural base while still allowing for continued growth and development," she said.

At community open houses and in discussions with service groups, the county's consultants and committee members have discovered one issue that worries most people, no matter where they live in Twin Falls County. And that is water.

"Both quantity and quality," said Gardner.

Twin Falls County is a designated nitrate priority area, meaning nitrates in the water

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Pickler, grandfather of finalist Kellie Pickler of Albemarle, N.C., is a semi-retired electrician and has had to worry about Kellie's dog back home (the pooch is being tended by his girlfriend, Clyde Pickler said).

He's staying at a Howard Johnson hotel near the airport and friends have helped out with the cost, he said, but he's been using taxis to ferry him the long distances around the city "and that gets kind of expensive," he said.

Neither Daughtry or Pickler are in price tags; a room at Howard Johnson goes for about \$90, while Daughtry's hotel, the Tradewinds, lists rates from \$39.99 to \$79.

Elliot Yamin's mother, Claude, who said she left behind "my volunteer work and maybe a dead battery in my car" in Richmond, Va., has been back in touch with various friends in the Los Angeles area.

"I've had good couches and good extra bedrooms," she said. "It's more than worth the disruption." "Someone asked me have

I pinched myself yet. I said, no, I'm afraid to. It's like a dream. I'm very proud of my son.

Back in Covington, La., Crystal, had come out from Rockingham, N.C., for a two-week stay earlier in the contest but now wants to stick it out. The emergency department nurse said understanding employers gave her the OK.

"I'd just taken a week to come back out for the show and they said, 'No, this is once-in-a-lifetime thing. Just take a leave of absence and come back when you're ready.'" Covington said.

"She's staying near the studio and gets to visit only briefly with her husband, who's tied up with rehearsal and promotional duties as well as performances. Their time together is generally limited to dinner, she said.

So how does she spend her days? "I've pretty much done the touristy things. Now I just look for different shops, things we don't have at home."

For a few fans, more than attending the show requires

"I tell her, take advantage of this. We didn't have this (American Idol) machine back then... it can give you all the publicity you want, but our document."

Another local-area mom on the set was Eleanor Tucker of Anaheim, who stayed with daughter Lisa, 16, while husband Tucker mired the home front. Lisa was voted off last week but her mother's job as show-business chaperone shows no sign of ending.

The day after Lisa lost her shot at winning the show's record contract, the pair were shopping for an outfit for the telenovela to wear on ABC's "Tonight Show" and preparing to fly to New York for her appearance on "Live With Regis & Kelly."

Lisa appreciates the support she's gotten from her parents and two older brothers, Eleanor Tucker said.

"She says that all the time. Sometimes at night, when I'm already in bed, she will come to me and say, 'Mom, thank you. I know that you're giving up so much for me.'"

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Men, children getting fatter

By Mike Stobbe
Associated Press writer

ATLANTA — The United States is one of the world's heavyweight, and it doesn't look like that will change anytime soon.

The government's latest obesity report shows larger proportions of Americans are overweight and obese than ever before. Even more disturbing — more than one-third of American youngsters are overweight, and almost 1 in 5 are obese.

The study also showed that while the proportion of men and children who are overweight or obese rose, the proportion of women in those categories held steady.

Some consider that a sign that U.S. obesity may soon be peaking. But the results on children cast a shadow over the future, said Kelly Brownell, director of Yale University's Center for Eating and Weight Disorders.

"I think the bad news about children far outweighs the good news about women," Brownell said.

The study, conducted by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, didn't examine why more men and children are getting fatter and women aren't. But some experts think the leveling off in women could signal a turning point in the nation's obesity epidemic.

Obesity rates for women unchanged

While larger proportions of America's public are overweight than ever before, women — who as a group are more obese — appear to be holding steady.

YEARS	1999-2000		2003-2004	
	Obese	Overweight	Obese	Overweight
All Adults	10.5%	64.5%	11%	66%
Men	27.5	67	31	71
Women	3.1	62	3.3	62
Children	11	28	17	34

SOURCES: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Journal of the American Medical Association

Associated Press

"Women have always been more responsible about health than the general population," said Dr. William Dietz, of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which reported the new data.

"I'd like to think this shows women are leading the way in recognizing obesity as a health threat," said Dietz, director of the CDC's Division of Nutrition and Physical Activity.

Another piece of research also suggests a turn. The NPD Group, a New York-based market research firm, found the percentage of overweight adults has held steady from 2002 to 2005.

"I would say it has leveled off. The bad news is we haven't found a way to lose weight," said Harry Balzer, vice president

<AP> U.S. OBESITY 040406: Cha of NPD, which each year tracks what thousands of people eat and their self-reported height and weight.

The CDC report is being published in this week's Journal of the American Medical Association.

The findings come from the CDC's National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, which collects data on a sample of about 5,000 people each year. The researchers clustered years together, presenting calculations for 1999-2000, 2001-2002 and 2003-2004.

The survey is considered the gold standard for obesity data — its done through in-person examinations that include actual height and weight measurements.

That beats telephone surveys,

in which men tend to overstate their height and heavy people underestimate weight, throwing off obesity calculations, said Cynthia Ogden, the study's lead author.

The study found the percentage of men who are overweight rose to 71 percent in 2003-2004, from 67 percent in 1999-2000. The obese percentage rose to 31 percent from 27.5 percent.

For women, both the overweight and obese percentages held steady, at about 62 percent and 33 percent, respectively.

Why women held steady is not clear, but Balzer said it may have to do with a leveling of employment rates for women since the late 1990s. He also noted a leveling of the percentage of Americans who eat meals at home — home portions are considered healthier than what is eaten in restaurants.

'Turkey' dinosaur found in Utah

By Brock Vergakis
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — Fossils discovered in southern Utah are from a new species of birdlike dinosaur that resembled a 7-foot-tall brightly colored turkey and could run up to 25 mph, scientists said Tuesday.

Fossils of the meat-eater's hand-like claw and foot were found in the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument near the Arizona border, giving paleontologists reason to believe some dinosaurs known as raptors roamed from Canada to northern New Mexico about 75 million years ago.

Much smaller variations of the dinosaur had been found previously in Montana, South Dakota and the Canadian province of Alberta.

"This is the southernmost occurrence of this group, and it's about two times the size of the

On the Net:

Utah Museum of Natural History; www.umnh.utah.edu

ones up north," said Lindsay Zanno, a doctoral student at the University of Utah who named the dinosaur *Hesperornis giganteus*, or giant four-toed, birdlike god of the Western desert.

The dinosaur had a strong toothless beak, powerful arms and formidable claws that made it capable of eating animals and plants. Large feathers grew on its hind end, giving it a resemblance to a turkey, Zanno said.

Scientists are not sure what purpose the feathers served, but it was not for flying. "It's quite different from modern birds," she said.

Mike Getty, collections manager at the university's Museum of Natural History, found the fossils in 2001. Scientists need-

ed several years to excavate the fossils and publish their findings, he said.

The dinosaur was named in a paper published in December by the Journal of Vertebrate Paleontology. It was the first new dinosaur from the national monument to receive a name.

"This is the last great, unexplored dinosaur bone yard in the lower 48 states," said Scott Sampson, the museum's chief curator who wrote the journal article with Zanno.

Three other dinosaurs discovered at the museum are expected to be named soon. Sampson said, including a meat-eating tyrannosaur, a horned dinosaur and a duck-billed dinosaur with a 7-foot-long head.

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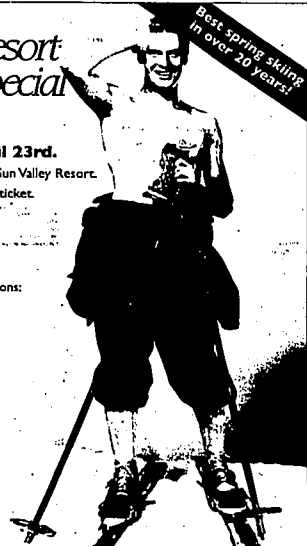
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NATION

Leaving, DeLay says he has 'no fear'

By David Espo
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Succumbing to scandal, former Majority Leader Tom DeLay Tuesday said he will resign from Congress in the face of a tough re-election race, closing out a career that blended unflinching conservatism with a bare-knuckled political style.

"I have no fear whatsoever about any investigation into me or my personal or professional activities," DeLay said in a statement to constituents. At the same time, he said, "I refuse to allow liberal Democrats an opportunity to steal this seat with a negative, personal campaign."

He said the voters of his Houston-area district "deserve a campaign about the vital national issues that they care most about ... and not a campaign focused solely as a referendum on me."

DeLay relinquished the post as House majority leader last fall after his indictment in Texas as part of an investigation into the allegedly illegal use of funds for state legislative races. He decided in January against trying to get the leadership post back as an election-year corruption scandal staggered Republicans and emboldened Democrats.

Last week, former DeLay aide Tony Rudy pleaded guilty to conspiring with lobbyist Jack Abramoff and others to corrupt public officials, and he promised to help the broad federal investigation of bribery and lobbying fraud that already has resulted in three convictions.

Neither Rudy, Abramoff nor anyone else connected with the investigation has publicly accused DeLay of breaking the law, but Rudy confessed that he had taken actions while working in the majority leader's office that were illegal. DeLay has consistently denied any wrongdoing.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a major player in congressional investigations of Abramoff and the lobbyist's involvement with Indian tribes, said Tuesday that he respects DeLay's decision to step down, and added, "I think there are other aspects of the Abramoff scandal that will be unfolding in the weeks ahead."

McCain spoke to reporters following a speech to a Hispanic conference.

President Bush said Tuesday that DeLay informed him of his decision Monday afternoon.

"I wish him all the best," Bush told reporters during a brief White House session, adding, "It had to have been a very difficult decision for someone who loved representing his district in the state of Texas."

Bush said the Republican Party won't suffer from DeLay's decision to resign from Congress. "My own judgment is that our party will continue to succeed because we are the

Under the weight of scandal, DeLay resigns

Former Majority Leader Tom DeLay announced Tuesday that he will resign from Congress. DeLay has been dogged for months by a scandal and he is tied to an ongoing investigation into the alleged misuse of funds for state legislative races.



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September 2004 Jim Ellis, John Colyandro and Warren Roeloffs were indicted for alleged illegal corporate contributions including the use of a political action committee that was founded by DeLay	September-October 2005 DeLay was admonished by House ethics committee for issues including the linking political donation to a legislative favor	September 2005 DeLay was indicted on charges of conspiring to violate Texas political fundraising law and forced to step aside as majority leader; Ellis and Colyandro also were indicted
	October 2005 DeLay, Ellis and Colyandro were indicted by a second grand jury on charges related to money laundering	November 2005 Former DeLay aide Michael Stanton pleaded guilty to conspiring to bribe public officials
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AROUND THE WORLD

Israel fires missiles into Gaza City

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Israeli warplanes fired three missiles into the Gaza compound of Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas on Tuesday in response to Palestinian rocket fire — the first such Israeli attack since the violent Islamic group Hamas took power last week.

Abbas condemned the attack, saying it had nothing to do with Hamas and was aimed at disrupting the daily lives of Palestinians.

The site was largely abandoned, and the army gave no explanation for hitting the security compound of the moderate leader, who was in the West Bank at the time. The missile strikes dug deep craters and wounded two police officers.

Anti-government protests rock France

PARIS — Geoffroi Cabloch, a 21-year-old veterinary student who joined the protesters surging through Paris on Tuesday, does not oppose the new youth labor law that provoked the massive demonstration. In fact, he believes that the law "will help some of my friends find a job."

Cabloch said he was not protesting a law, but the attitude of the French government. Many of the 3 million people thronged the streets of cities across France — equalling the huge protests of one week ago — in what has grown from a protest against a single labor law to an outpouring of discontent with an aging leadership that a new generation feels does not represent its interests.

Iran says it will negotiate, some

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran said Tuesday it is willing to negotiate with world powers on large-scale enrichment of uranium but will never give way on their key demand — to cease all enrichment, a process that can produce fuel for nuclear reactors or material for bombs.

The U.N. Security Council has demanded that Iran suspend all uranium enrichment activities and asked the U.N. nuclear watchdog agency to report back by April 28 on whether Iran had complied.

Saddam 'indicted' for massacre of Kurds

BAGHDAD, Iraq — The special tribunal already trying Saddam Hussein for the massacre of a Shiite village announced Tuesday that it has completed an investigation of the systematic annihilation of thousands of Iraqi Kurds by the former regime, setting the table for a second trial against the former president.

Raid Juhri, an investigative judge and spokesman for the Iraqi Special Tribunal, said the case has been referred to one of the tribunal's judges, the equivalent in Iraqi law of a formal indictment. In addition to Saddam, six other co-defendants are accused of crimes against the Kurds in what was known as Operation Anfal.

Former British spy killed in Ireland

DUBLIN, Ireland — A former Sinn Fein official recently exposed as a British spy was found fatally shot Tuesday after apparently being tortured, police said — a slaying certain to send shock waves through Northern Ireland's peace process. Denis Donaldson, 55, was Sinn Fein's regional operative chief in the failed power-sharing government of Northern Ireland. He admitted in December he had been on the payroll of the secret service.

U.N. official: Bird flu has spread to 30 new countries in three months

BEIJING (AP) — The deadly bird flu virus has spread at lightning speed over the past three months, infecting birds in 30 new countries — double the number previously stricken since 2003, the U.N.'s bird flu point man said Tuesday.

This is a really serious global situation," Dr. David Nabarro, the U.N.'s chief coordinator for avian influenza, told reporters in Beijing. "During the last three months globally, there has been an enormous and rapid spread of H5N1."

Thirty new countries and territories in Africa, Europe, the Indian subcontinent and the Middle East have reported H5N1 infections in birds this year, he said. That rapid acceleration compares with the previous two and half years, when only 15 countries — mostly in Asia — reported bird flu.

China was Nabarro's first stop on a tour that includes Laos, Vietnam, Thailand, and

Indonesia — countries where the H5N1 virus is considered endemic in poultry stocks.

In Beijing, he met with Vice Premier Hul Liangyu, who heads the country's bird flu command center, along with officials from the ministries of health and agriculture. He said China has pledged full cooperation in working with the international community to help control the spread of the disease.

Nabarro added that some of

the \$1.5 billion pledged by the international community in January for bird flu and pandemic preparedness has started reaching countries hit hard by the virus.

A lot of that money is now being spent in Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, countries in central and eastern Europe, Turkey, Nigeria and Central Asia," he said. In addition, the World Bank recently signed off on a record-fast \$50 million loan for Nigeria

to battle bird flu, he said. Bank official Jacques Handjani said earlier Tuesday that the funding came from money earmarked for the disease prior to the \$1.9 billion pledge.

Meanwhile, a U.S. health expert attending a Beijing health conference called for more infectious disease research in Asian countries, and scientists need to more closely track changes in the H5N1 virus to prepare for a potential pandemic.

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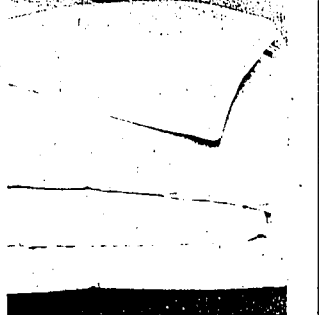
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EDITORIAL

Senior center can't stand alone without public aid

Folks who frequent the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center were mighty glad when city voters approved the tax-roll purchases about facility, and with good cause.

Before the 2002 vote, local seniors met in the crumbling old senior citizen center on Elizabeth Boulevard and

Fast and

The eyesore facility convinced voters to approve a two-year tax override to buy the Coville recreation center at 530 Shoshone St. W. and turn it over to the seniors.

Unfortunately, the gift may have been too much of a good thing. A gift of bricks and mortar won't erase the plea for folding cash. In the case of the Twin Falls senior center, it may expand it.

Senior center officials approached Twin Falls County commissioners last week to request some county assistance with its growing operational budget. The center cooks about 250 meals a day, which go to visiting seniors and those who are homebound and receive meals on wheels. While many seniors pay, the center usually sees a daily deficit with the excess.

Administrator Jacques Whiting says additional problems exist with the center's aging kitchen appliances. Meal deliverers are paying more for gasoline, and the center's utility bills come in between \$5,000 and \$6,000 a month.

Federal reimbursement from the U.S. Health and Human Services Special Programs for the Aging provide much of the senior centers' operation. But those dollars only go so far.

So when Whiting and other

officials asked for just over \$10,000 in new kitchen appliances, the truth is they could use a lot more.

On their credit, the commissioners want to provide what they can. The county has donated surplus computer equipment to the center. And in spite of legal restrictions prohibiting group

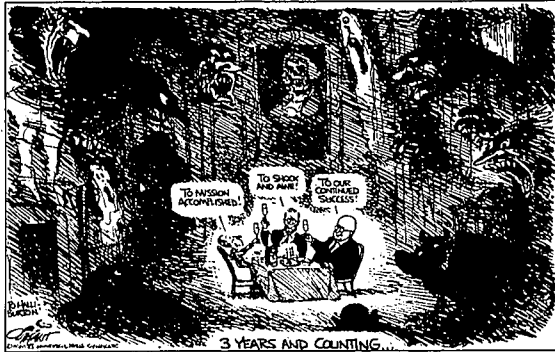
Our view: The purchase of a senior citizen center in 2002 avoided a necessary discussion on how to pay for its operation. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Commissioner Tom Mikessell. "Some of that money could be shared off to the seniors." But county funding is only a start. While the senior center does not function under any specific government umbrella, the building is still owned by the city of Twin Falls. In that case, city officials should "take away their own portion of public assistance to help operations."

Should the senior center accept that county and city assistance, they should also be ready to accept the conditions that come with those subsidies. Taxpayers should expect their elected leaders to use oversight with those funds.

The senior center makes a valid request for assistance from local government, but it's unfortunate that those needs weren't made manifest years ago when the issue was on the ballot.

Maybe that's the greater lesson here. When voters approve the construction of new buildings, schools and infrastructure, they should also make sure there's a plan to efficiently manage it.



Iraq at the 11th hour

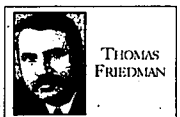
The fate of the entire U.S. enterprise in Iraq now hangs in the balance, as the military has entered a dangerous new phase. It is the phase of barbaric identity-card violence between Sunnis and Shiites. In the late 1970s, I covered a similar moment in Lebanon, and the one thing I learned was this: Once this kind of venom gets unleashed on the members of each community literally beheading each other on the basis of their religious identities — it poisons everything. You enter a realm where fear and revenge dominate everyone's thinking — and that is where Iraq is heading.

Jeffrey Gettelman reported last Sunday in this paper about Mohannad al-Azawi, a quiet Sunni pet shop owner in Baghdad who was shot and from his store and found murdered the next morning. His skin was covered with purple welts, and his face was full of drill holes in them. His brother Hassan, the story noted, "carries the autopsy photos with him, along with a picture of his brother without vengeance," he said.

Once embedded, this cycle of fear and revenge is almost impossible to break. People do conclude that the only thing that can protect them is a militia from their own sect, not the police or the army. Then these sects begin to vie to life to protect the neighborhood, take on a life of their own. They develop protection rackets, fee the hire of piper and, and what happens, start to all they can to prevent the government from restoring its authority. Finally, as the BBC notes in a recent report from Baghdad, some Iraqi politicians are now concluding that "they can gain more power and influence from building sectarian loyalty than from appeals for national unity." When politicians de-

cide they can get ahead by appealing more to fear than to hope, national reconciliation goes up in smoke.

A Baghdad blogger, the Mesopotamian, quoted by Andrew Sullivan, gave a vivid description of his neighborhood: "The confusion and conflict between the Artherians, the army and the Ministry of interior producing a situation where the citizens don't know anymore whether the security personnel in the street are friends, enemies, terrorists or simply criminals and thieves. Everybody is wearing the same uniforms."



THOMAS FRIEDMAN

"Whole sections of the city have virtually fallen to gangs and terrorists, and this is especially true for the Shiite-dominated neighborhoods. People and businesses are being robbed and the employees kidnapped en masse in broad daylight and with complete ease as though security forces are nonexistent, although we see them everywhere, I don't know anymore what can be done to rescue the situation. At least, those who are supposed to be in positions of responsibility should stop lying and painting a false picture, I regret sounding so pessimistic, but the alarm must be sounded. What is happening is Baghdad is something really awful."

Donald Rumsfeld's criminally negligent decision not to deploy enough troops in Iraq to begin with creates this insecurity vacuum. But the insecurity was compounded by the unique enemy that

emerged to take advantage of that vacuum — Sunni Islamists. These are a disparate collection of groups with one common agenda: America and its Iraqi allies must die; they must be allowed to build Iraq into a Western-style, democratizing society. When you are up against an enemy whose only goal is that you must fall, and which does not care about how much death and destruction it inflicts on its own people, let alone on others, it is extremely difficult to establish order.

The Iraqi Shiite community showed remarkable restraint in the face of the murderous provocations by these Islamists during the past three years. But that restraint is over. It's now clear that some Shiite militias are ready to match the Sunni nihilists, killing for killing. So the slide into a medieval barbarism has begun.

Do not believe any of the Bushies' happy talk. It doesn't matter if Iraq is quiet in the south and quiet in the north. If Baghdad, the heart of the country, is being ripped apart, then there is no Iraq — because there is no center.

There is only one hope for halting this slide and that is the formation — immediately — of a national unity government in Iraq, with Shiites, Sunnis and Kurds sharing, and the deployment of troops on its streets — immediately — of massive numbers of troops and police, both Iraqi and American, to prevent more of these tribal killings. If a national unity government is not formed soon, and if these identity-card murderers gain more momentum, any hope for building a decent Iraq will vanish.

It is five minutes to midnight.

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Global market wipes America clean

With all the fuss about selling our parts to a foreign country and its potential threat, I wonder if the question has really been thought through. We can't keep illegal aliens or terrorists out and the jobs in now, so how much worse off could we be? And after all, the U.S. Army gets its handguns from Italy and outsources its M16 abroad, the police get motorcycles from Japan, cities get their buses from Canada, freight companies get their trucks from Germany, the U.S. Air Force gets a major portion of its fighter planes from Sweden, the IRS gets its computers from Japan, many of its

our immigration laws. Japan has the American flag flown over official buildings are made in Taiwan, we buy oil from Third World countries and ship our fruits off-shore.

We can't build American plants in Mexico without giving them half ownership, but we support its citizens who ignore our immigration laws. Japan has a tariff on our beef, but they can come over here, buy a ranch, grow cattle here and ship it home for a higher price than is available here.

We give our technology to China and, in return, we get cheap shoes and rip-offs of lab coats. Literature, performing arts and music that are copyrighted are pirated back

to us to flood the market with shoddy goods.

Instead of developing manufacturing facilities in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and countries friendly to us, we send jobs to China and India. Who buys American-made cars or TVs, efficiently, etc. here anymore? If America is obsolete, maybe it's what we deserve. VAUGHN PHELPS Twin Falls

The new world order marches onward

Elder President Bush cryptically stated, "There's a new world order." One's a new world order? He may infer he meant that mega-corporations had replaced government of the people, Democrat or Republican.

President Clinton agreed, signing into law the North American Free Trade Agreement, which could trump federal and state laws. Congress, too, knuckled under to the "new world order" by dismantling laws regulating growth and profits of corporations. Thus, they no longer had legal or full responsibilities to the national good. Lately, Congress proposed laws restricting people's access to courts to redress corporate wrongs.

Younger President Bush later endorsed the "new world order" by signing into law the Central American Free Trade Agree-

ment; corporate government rule!

Poco a Poco, working-class Americans saw corporations outsourcing their jobs where possible and "insourcing" placements where not possible. Corporate government privatized public institutions and shopped American infrastructure: ports, airlines, shipping, energy sources and anything else of value.

Seeing energy needs of emerging powers, corporate government sought to control Middle East oil. This was born in a fight to win an aircraft carrier where he postured among heroes, announcing "Mission accomplished!" Heroic warriors in Iraq, however, did not share the president's claim as they confronted increasing numbers of paramilitary Iraqis from three disparate Iraqis sects whose hatred for one another was exceeded only by their hatred for American occu-

pers.

So they killed Americans and one another, including a civil war. Then honest-to-Allah terrorists came like lustful locusts to chew up well-meaning Americans. American warriors slogged on being unable to identify the enemy. Lacking adequate numbers and material, they nevertheless, performed with dignity, spirit and heroism. They are true grit, the stuff of their world's best stories.

The true fight that labor and capital long struggled together, building a strong, prosperous nation, corporations did continue employing working-class Americans as the military arm of their imperial government. GIANT UPRISIN Hagerman

Coal-fired progress still better than nukes

Mr. Carpenter seems perturbed because I attempted to add some breadth to the Semper discussion. He assumes too much. He infers I have not lost loved ones to cancer — I have. But, unfortunately, the problems we face are precipitations now to cure we created for past problems. Would we prefer returning to whale oil for light-

ing? No! likely.

I recognize America's addiction to imported oil is not our best interest, because we are acting exactly like a drug addict. Lying, cheating, stealing, kidnapping, torturing and murdering without remorse. We must get the drug or we die. Unfortunately, our government has lied so much we now stand, not great, but corrupted in the eyes of the world.

How could I doubt if a single coal-fired plant, or even 13 additional plants, could, match the damage created by the nuclear waste pumped into the aquifer by the Idaho National Laboratory or the harm done to us by all the pesticides, fertilizers and other waste that seeps into it. I am not naive. I've read the CIA's work where she noted we nuked the Japanese mainland twice and went on to not even nuke the 104 times. All of that stuff is still floating around.

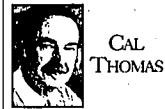
The real question is: as a first-world country, are we not morally obligated to give to the Third World, as well as ourselves, clean power plants to the best of our ability? And we can, so let's stop fiddling around and get with it. Or are we going to continue cave in to the "We're all going to die" club.

"Forward" is the only way to go. Everything else is useless than this. MARK SCHUCKERT Twin Falls

Let media speak for themselves

ABC News has suspended for one month without notice John Green, executive producer of the weekend edition of "Good Morning America," because of an e-mail he wrote. I say "an" e-mail, because the e-mail published on the Drudge Report Web site, was written by Green to a colleague during the first 2004 presidential debate. It said: "Are you seeing this? Bush makes me sick. If he uses the 'mixed messages' line one more time, I'm going to puke."

When that e-mail became public, Green said "... I regret the embarrassment this story causes ABC. It was an inappropriate thing to say and I'm deeply sorry." ABC also apologized to White House Communications Director Nicole Wallace.



CAL THOMAS

The second e-mail was leaked to the New York Post and printed last week. In that one, Green said former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright should not be booked on the show because "Albright has less shame." Albright was raised Roman Catholic, but has a Jewish heritage. Green added, "She is an enemy because she says we promised her five minutes (of air time) and only gave her two ... I do not like her."

For people who believe the broadcast networks are biased and employ mostly people who favor liberal Democrats and oppose conservative Republicans, ABC's suspension of Green provides additional confirmation. Notice ABC did not suspend Green after his critical remarks about President Bush were published. It acted only after his Madeleine Albright e-mail surfaced. There appears to be a double standard at ABC.

There's a lesson here for conservatives and Christians who are Republicans and another for those who bash Democrats with a Jewish heritage. Last Tuesday, I served as the unpaid master of ceremonies for the Media Research Center's "Dishonors Awards" dinner in Washington. The annual event highlighting the most outrageous statements by media heavies about Republicans, the Bush administration, terrorism and other subjects. I presented a few sound bites presented one after another focuses the mind as nothing else does on the opinions of news that so much broadcast journalism has become.

There was MSNBC's Chris Matthews praising Janis Fonda for saying about the Vietnam War that it was like states west of the Mississippi River attacking states east of the Mississippi River and would like that. Matthews responded, "How do you step out of being an American to make such an objective judgment?"

There was NPR's Nina Totenberg saying, "It is the first time in my life I have been ashamed of my country," for what she judged was mistreatment of suspected terrorist prisoners at undisclosed detention centers.

That some Hurricane Katrina victims had gone to live temporarily with good-hearted, church-going Christians raised the concern of CBS's Harry Smith. Apparently seeking to reach the atheist demographic, Smith asked the nation's best-selling author, Rick Warren, "Do I need to be concerned that I'm going to go live with a church family, are they going to press me into it?"

The full list of award winners may be found at www.mrc.org. John Green should be reinstated, and other members of the big media should be encouraged to say what they think, loudly and proudly. Doing so will benefit news consumers.

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OPINION

LETTERS

Service was an insult at Rupert agency

I have been disabled since April 2005, and my son was disabled last September after being hit by a loaded potato truck.

I went to the motor vehicles department in Rupert and found it very difficult to get in, side because of my physical limitations. When I got inside, after a tremendous and unnecessary amount of pain and effort, I was told that the boss had been repeatedly dismissed by the county's community development director, Paul Aston, who is discussing the need for the motor vehicle-assessor's office to be handicap accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

When I asked who I needed to talk to about this matter, I was told to talk to Aston and, unfortunately, that is what I chose to do. What a first-class jerk to put it mildly. He screamed at me and I left having chest pains and other physical complications. I do not believe that Paul Aston would have spoken to me abusively if my husband or son would have been with me.

I have contacted everyone from the Rupert mayor to the United States Department of Justice. There is no doubt that the motor vehicle department in Rupert will soon be within compliance. I will see this issue through to make certain that my son, as well as others, are able to have equal access to the buildings we have to pay taxes to support.

There appears, however, to be little recourse for the abusive, bully behavior of Paul Aston. This is ridiculous, and I am not one to suffer in silence. I would like a written apology from Paul Aston for his disrespectful and abusive behavior toward me.

I am on the county commissioners' calendar to address my concerns on April 10 at 10 a.m. at the courthouse in Rupert. I would like to encourage other citizens that have concerns about the ability to fully utilize the local businesses and facilities to be at this meeting. I

would also encourage all others who have had similar experiences with Aston to come to this meeting or contact the county.
LORIANNA JOHNSON
Rupert

A grant is still plenty of money in 2006

I was amused by the comment by Mr. Hank Wills in Friday's paper, "and back then a thousand dollars was a lot of money."
Well, I've got news for you. Mr. Wills, a thousand dollars is still a lot of money for those of us on fixed incomes, just struggling to pay our heating bills! We're all thrilled that you've done so well!
ROBERT MACDONALD
Buhl

Burley must address problems in alleys

To the Burley mayor:
I reside at 1619 Alston Ave. I have constantly requested that city officials take a look at the alley behind my residence and see the disgraceful conditions that exist there.

There are two homes that house at least six families during the spring and summer months. I believe they are seasonal workers.

I have requested on numerous occasions that there would be more dumpsters added to the alley. Two years ago, I had to call in the health department with an issue of toilet tissue covered in human feces blowing around in the alley. This might suggest there is not adequate plumbing in those homes for all the people living there.

We were recently contacted by the city in regard to our tree branches reaching into the electrical wires. We have someone coming shortly to take care of this matter. It seems that if I will listen to the city with its request, it might listen and respond to mine.

I have had to contact the police department on several occasions the last few years in regard to the alley being blocked, traffic driving too fast through the alley, graffiti on the back of our garage and someone crashing into our fence on two separate occasions, which should apply there is not adequate parking for all those people residing in only two homes.

My husband and I have taken great pride in fixing up our cottage home and in being respectful neighbors.

And in regards to the disgraceful looking empty lot next to us, that is nothing more than a weed patch in the summer. It is awful that the city wants residents and visitors to see this from such a busy street as 16th.

I hope there is never a fire in either of those two homes with people living in attics and basements with small children. I do not believe there would be ways for all the residents to get out due to the alley conditions, overparking in the alley way and all the overcrowding that exists in those homes.

I hope some time and consideration will be put into investigating the above issues I am trying to bring to your attention. I would be more than happy to talk to you about these matters at any time.
PATRICIA GALLEGOS
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Sunday School - 9:45 am

Palm Sunday

Sunday Rejoice Service - 8:30 am
Sunday Traditional Services 11:00am
Sunday School - 9:45 am

Maundy Thursday Service - April 13th 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday

Sunrise Services at Shoshone Falls - 7:00 am
Easter Breakfast at Church - 7:30 am to 10:30 am
(Donation will support camp scholarship)

The Church will be decorated with Easter Lilies in memory or honor of our loved ones. If you wish to donate an Easter Lily, please deliver it to the Church April 14th.

Easter Schedule

Sunday, April 9, 11:15am - Easter Cantata
Holy Week: Prayer Labyrinth, available in afternoons or other times by calling 934-4633

Wednesday, April 12, 7:30 pm: Family Fellowship
"Peter and Judas: Thinking about the Passion"

Thursday, April 13, 7:00 pm: Footwashing and Devotional at Gooding UMC. Gooding Ministerial Association Community Good Friday Service at 1st Christian Church, 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 16, 6:00 am - Easter Sunrise Service, Church Lawn, Main Street side, Classic Easter Service - 11:15 am



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Easter Morning (Live on KCTF CH. 45)
Celebration Service - 10:00am
Easter Evening Service - 7:00pm

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Easter Service

April 16th 9:00am

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at 11:00am

Worship Service

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- April 14th:
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- April 16th:
Easter Sunrise Service-7:00 a.m.
Continental Breakfast-8:00 a.m.
Easter Worship-9:30 a.m.

First Christian Church By the Park

Easter Celebration

Please join us this Easter Sunday for the celebration of Jesus' triumphant victory over death and in the joyful praise of God for the new life He has given us.

- Palm Sunday:
- 9:30am Sunday School
 - 10:50am Worship Services
 - 6:00pm "Keith Ham & Family Missionaries to Africa"

Please join us on Easter Sunday,
April 16th:
7:30am Sunrise Services in Rose Garden
8:15am Easter Breakfast
9:30am Sunday School
10:50am Worship Services
(The choir will be singing the cantata
"No Greater Love".)

Jim Tubbs - Minister
601 Shoshone Street North, Twin Falls

IDAHO NATIONAL LABORATORY

Study: Removing nuclear waste a problem

By Christopher Smith
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The U.S. Department of Energy is making good progress removing highly radioactive waste from storage tanks at the Idaho National Laboratory, but an independent panel of scientists reported to Congress Tuesday they have "serious reservations" about similar cleanup efforts at Savannah River in South Carolina and Hanford in Washington state.

The government-sponsored study found DOE has cleaned out only 2 of the 246 radioactive waste storage tanks at the three federal nuclear compounds and none has been permanently sealed.

The agency has been studying ways to immobilize the liquefied radioactive waste stored in underground tanks and surface silos at the three

sites for 50 years. In 2004 Congress directed the National Research Council, an arm of the National Academies of Science, to assess progress and recommend improvements.

"The millions of gallons of highly toxic sludge was created by chemical processing of spent nuclear fuel from plutonium production for atomic weapons during World War II and the Cold War."

The panel was most concerned about cleanup efforts at Savannah River, said study director Mitch Loventhal in Washington, D.C.

"There are a lot of pressures to do things in the near-term at Savannah River and to a lesser extent at Hanford," he said. "The committee is concerned the schedule-oriented approach can sometimes lead to decisions that you wouldn't make under more ideal circumstances."

Nuclear cleanup watchdogs praised the findings and said DOE cannot be trusted to properly remove the waste.

"Congress should heed the academics' recommendations and bring radioactive tank cleanup under external regulation by the Environmental Protection Agency, Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the affected states," said Geoffrey Lettuss of the Natural Resources Defense Council in Washington, D.C.

But the DOE said immobilizing some of the sludge in place was a more prudent approach than waiting for new advances in technology to retrieve tank waste.

"We believe that cleaning and closing tanks now through protective waste disposal processes outweighs the risk associated with waiting for incremental improvements in waste removal technology,"

said Megan Barnett, a DOE spokeswoman in Washington, D.C.

The panel's report found it is not practical to remove all the nuclear waste from the storage tanks because of the potential danger to workers and the prohibitive cost of emptying the tanks, which vary widely in design, size and condition.

But the 21-member committee of scientists did not specify how much of the waste DOE should retrieve from the tanks, encase in glass and bury in an underground repository or how much it should leave behind in the tanks, which would then be filled with a cement-like grout and remain on site.

Among the tanks were in a granular form, which would then be filled with a cement-like grout and remain on site.

"Because of treatment decisions made over the years, to get it into a granular form,

they chemically made it easier to deal with and we don't have the problems faced by the other two sites," said Kathleen Trever, the state of Idaho's over-site officer for INL.

Federal law requires the DOE to retrieve highly radioactive material from the tank sludge and encapsulate it in a solid form, such as glass logs, for permanent disposal.

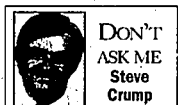
In 2003, U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnill in Boise ruled that the regulatory attempt by the Energy Department to reclassify the waste as it would not have to be removed from the tanks violated the 1982 Nuclear Waste Policy Act.

In response, Congress added language to the 2005 defense spending bill giving DOE authority to reclassify some of the tank waste as "incidental" waste in the Savannah River plant. The DOE said they could be grouted and sealed.

I think this about covers it

My wife and I have been invited to a hot chicken dinner, and we're supposed to bring a "covered dish."

For those of you who grew up in the big city, the covered dish is an Idaho icon. It is never specified what's supposed to be in the dish, but it can range from elk meatballs to Stuffed Piggy Bank Casserole.



Nor is it ever explained why the dish must be covered. To keep the Beef-and-Zucchini Medley out of your lap, presumably.

It's assumed that whatever is in the covered dish is homemade, and it's an especially egregious breach of etiquette to bring Hamburger Helper in any form.

We also generally agreed that the contents of the covered dish will still be hot when it arrives at dinner, which is the principal cause of speeding tickets in Gooding County.

The lone exception is Jell-O salad, which is just not good served hot.

There's a definite hierarchy to covered dishes. In these parts, it's considered borderline snobby to show up packing CorningWare with a lid. That's over a 13-year-old baking pan was good enough for your grandmother, so it should be good enough for you.

The covered dish is the first cousin of the "hotdish," so prevalent in the Upper Midwest. There are plenty specific naming schemes, which must contain either tuna or cream of mushroom soup or frozen peas, and preferably all three.

By each means, I've seen covered dishes containing Spaghetti Salad (don't ask), Beef-Broccoli Strudel, Cajun Meat and Oyster Pie (there was a lot of salt over), Reuben Meatloaf (so called because the filling is made of sauerkraut, corned beef and Swiss cheese), Sloppy Joes with Corn and, my personal favorite, the ever-named Shipwreck Casserole.

At an Idaho potluck dinner, you're free to take what you want and leave what you don't, but it's expressly forbidden to ask, "What the hell is this?"

It's none of your damn business, and besides, you're ruining the cooking feelings.

It is permissible, however, to inquire artfully: "Dolores, is this that fabulous Spam hash that you brought to Grandpa's funeral?"

The covered dish is always transported to the potluck on the back seat of your car. If you're driving a pickup, you put it in the bed of the truck and then set the spare tire on top of the dish to keep it from flipping over.

Unless, of course, there's a fire, in which case you have to carry the dish in your lap and fend off the mitt with your elbows.

Even so, accidents happen. My Aunt Eunice was bound for a potluck one time with a pan full of Limburger Surprise. To keep it away from her cocker spaniel, she put it in the dashboard and laid her purse on top.

But when she had to brake for a rockchuck, the whole casserole ended up on Buffy. And as it was January, Eunice couldn't leave the dog in the car once she arrived at her destination.

She really went indoors, and Aunt Eunice wasn't invited back.

Harsh? Maybe, but Eunice knew the rules, and we can't blame the dog that got her banned.

It was the Swanson's lasagna she picked up at Fred's Food-Town and tried to pass off as her own.

Times-News columnist Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3232 or

BRINGING BACK BRIDGE ACADEMY



This condemned building on the northeast corner of Elizabeth Boulevard and Eastland Drive is the proposed site for the school district's new Bridge Academy, an alternative school serving at-risk children in the sixth through eighth grades.

Alternative school would be Twin Falls' first middle school

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Almost two years after it closed, an alternative middle school may reopen to curb rising expulsion and dropout rates.

The Twin Falls School District will make a final decision Monday on reopening the Bridge Academy, which would accommodate about 65 at-risk students in the sixth through eighth grades. It would be located in a temporary building at the corner of Eastland Drive and Elizabeth Boulevard.

The district closed the Bridge Academy in 2004. At the time, it was serving students in the seventh through ninth grades.

When it closed, seventh- and eighth-graders returned to the junior high schools, while ninth-graders enrolled in the alternative Magic Valley High School.

According to state standards, at-risk students are those who may have repeated grades, are absent from school more than 10 percent of the academic year, have a cumulative grade-point average of 1.5 or lower or have failed one or more classes. However, administrators added that

Who is at risk?

Students with academic issues, such as repeating a grade, a high absence rate, grade-point average of 1.5 or less and those who may have failed one or more classes. Students with serious personal problems, such as people with anxiety in large classrooms, are also considered.

Source: Jack Atemese, principal, Magic Valley High School

Ninth-grade drop out rates

Year	Number	Percent
2000-01	33	24.8%
2001-02	27	22.3%
2002-03	16	13.7%
2003-04	18	18.9%
*2004-05	8	10.7%

*Magic Valley High School combined the ninth grade in 2004.

If approved by the board, the Bridge Academy could open in the vacant KMY Channel 11 donated the land on the northeast corner of Eastland and Elizabeth, and the district already owns a four-room modular building. Dobbs said the teaching staff will include two or three full-time teachers and a part-time secretary.

Jack Atemese, principal of Magic Valley High School, hopes the academy opens.

"I know there is a need," he said. "I have had a lot of phone calls from parents telling me that their child is struggling and they need to do something different."

beginning at the Highway 25 intersection and going to I-84. Most of the remaining land is zoned A-1, meaning agricultural only.

City sewer and water lines will be built along county road and open ground are attracting prospective housing developers. Art Brown, Jerome Planning and Zoning administrator, said he receives

numerous phone calls every day from out-of-state developers concerning the Jerome area.

The committee — comprised largely of area landowners — has been discussing issues that are likely to occur when urban and agricultural mix.

Brown told the committee it was important to have "performance standards" in place when drafting a zoning ordinance. Those standards will standardize what is expected of developers when planning

Idaho community college bills dead

By Anne Wallace Allen
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The Idaho Legislature won't pass a bill this session to form a statewide community college system, House Speaker Brian Newcomb said Tuesday.

Newcomb, R-Burley, said a legislative study committee will examine how to issue this summer instead.

Idaho has two community colleges, Lawmakers and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne introduced legislation this session to form a statewide system to create more community college classes. But the legislation was opposed by Idaho counties, which questioned the financial impacts.

Several community college bills introduced this session sought to remove the property tax burden for community colleges and replace that payment with money from the state's general fund.

Rep. Ann Hyldeich, R-Idaho Falls, and Sen. John Goedeck, R-Coeur d'Alene, introduced one bill to increase the number of community colleges; Kempthorne introduced another bill that used \$5 million from the general fund and



Lawmakers explain missing votes.

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would have had existing colleges, such as Boise State and other public buildings.

Later, Hyldeich, Goedeck, and Kempthorne worked out a compromise and presented that legislation to lawmakers. But county officials said they were worried that compromise would raise property taxes, and a new version introduced Friday did not allay their worries.

"We just can't seem to get a plan out that everybody can live with," Newcomb said. He said more time is needed to come up with another plan.

Goedeck said Tuesday that movement on the issue had been hampered by turf battles between different schools.

Wild turkey adopts a small-town cafe

CULDESAC, Idaho (AP) — Rufus the wild turkey has discovered the parking lot of a restaurant is a good place to get a meal — as long as he's careful not to become one.

"He doesn't come inside," says Kristie McDaniel, 11, the Lewisville Tribune. "I'd throw him right in my pot."

Rufus is the last member of a five-bird flock that appeared in the area in October eating grain that blew off semi-trucks. It eventually discovered that food was easier to come by in the parking lot of the Jacques Spur Lumber Cafe.

Rufus' pluck and boldness apparently carried him through Thanksgiving as diners feasted on turkey while watching Rufus in the parking lot. Now, area residents consider him something of a pet.

"He's a vain bird," said Brian Heinzerling, co-owner of the restaurant. "He's not shy either. The other day I practically had to shut his beak in the door or he would have followed me in."

Rufus' reputation has spread far enough to make him a tourist attraction.

"People have heard of him in other towns, Heinzerling said. "They step in all the time to check him out."

"I've never seen a wild turkey you can pet before," said Mary Ann Madison of Crestmont, who stopped in for a cup of coffee with her husband, Ralph.

Rufus checks them out as well, walking up to car doors to get a closer look. He's begging restaurant patrons into sharing their leftovers with him when they leave.

Jerome committee working on commercial zoning

By Cathy Roemer
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The Jerome Impact Growth Committee came closer to drafting recommendations on Jerome's newest area designated for urban and commercial growth.

The "growth triangle" encompasses hundreds of acres of farmland southeast of the city and is bordered by Interstate 84, U.S. Route 83 and state Highway 25. A half-mile wide commercial zone is currently in place on Route 93,

Snowpack levels

Watershed	1st Avg.	Season %norm.
Salmon	117%	100%
Big Wood	133%	125%
Little Wood	123%	122%
Big Lost	122%	115%
Little Lost	108%	98%
Horns Fork/Flaton	114%	108%
Upper Snake Basin/IDC	106%	102%
Oakley	144%	142%
Salmon Falls	128%	124%

*A of March 28 on this day, of a 30-year average.
**An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire Snake Basin. Source: IDWR

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OBITUARIES

Alvin Lewis Robbins



Alvin Lewis Robbins, 77, passed away Thursday, March 30, 2006, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Alvin was born July 7, 1928, to Lewis Robbins of Sunnville, Utah, and Emma Agnes Kell of Labor, Minn. He was the oldest of two. His family resided in Buhl, Idaho, where he attended school through the ninth grade. In 1949, Alvin was drafted into the Army and served two years. He came home to help farm when his father was ill. A year later, he enrolled at Boise Junior College (BJC) and studied carpentry for another year. When Alvin returned to his hometown, he met Zandra E. Dixon of Buhl, and they were married March 4, 1960, in Albuquerque, N.M. Alvin and Zandra settled in Buhl, where they farmed and



raised their seven children. A son, David L. Robbins, preceded Alvin in his death. Surviving Alvin are his wife, Zandra of Buhl; four sons: John Robbins, Lewis Robbins, Nick Robbins and Mike Robbins; two daughters, Dena Lajray and Cindy Packard; and his brother, Marvin Robbins. God bless you, Dad!

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2006, at the Community Christian Center on Seventh Avenue North in Buhl. Interment will follow at the West End Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, 2006, with family greeting from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. The family suggests donations in Alvin's memory be made to the Community Christian Church of Buhl.

Darrell 'Whitey' Florke

TWIN FALLS — Darrell 'Whitey' Florke, 72, of Twin Falls, passed away April 4, 2006, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Darrell was born June 25, 1933, in Correctionville, Iowa, to Rudy and Leila (Foster) Florke. Darrell grew up in Iowa and, on Dec. 26, 1951, married his high school sweetheart, Marlene Thompson. Whitey was in the car business for his life. In his spare time and joy was owning his used car lot, Whitey's Deals on Wheel in Twin Falls. He was a member of the Paul United Methodist Church.

Darrell and Marlene were blessed with three sons, Dennis and his wife Cindy of Rupert, Idaho, Douglas and his wife Coleen of Twin Falls, and David and his wife Martha of Twin Falls. He had eight grandchildren: Andy and his wife Megan of Twin Falls, Christy and her husband Jake Kinney of Vernal, Utah, Ryan and Shaean of Twin Falls, and his fiancée Jewel Weffer of Alton, Wash. Michael, Skylar and Michelle and her fiance B.L. Shelton of Twin Falls. He is blessed with three great-grandchildren.

In addition to his beloved wife, Marlene; his sons and their families, he is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Bonnie and Darrell Strawn from



Sergeant Bluff, Iowa sisters-in-law, Judy Specht of Twin Falls and Diane Thompson of lawyer cousins, nieces, nephews and many wonderful friends. He was preceded in death by his mother and father; his mother and father-in-law, Opal and Alex Thompson; brothers-in-law, James Thompson and Bill Specht.

The funeral will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday, April 7, 2006, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls, Idaho. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary. The family suggests memorials to Idaho Home Health & Hospice, 826 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83401.

Gladys Alberta Knutson Butler

TWIN FALLS — Gladys Alberta Knutson Butler, age 85, of Twin Falls, passed away Monday, April 3, 2006, at her home. She was born Dec. 18, 1920, at Holbrook, Oneida County, Idaho, the daughter of Fred Walter and Verena Caroline Gurney Knutson. On Nov. 9, 1945, she married Grant LeRoy Butler in Brigham City, Utah, when she was almost 15 years of age. To that union were born four children, two of which were born before Grant was serving in the Armed Forces in Europe during World War II, during which time Gladys worked at the Bushnet Hospital in Brigham City and helped cook for veterans when they came back home from the war to rehabilitate. Then two children were born after Grant's return.

In 1950, they moved to Liverton, Wyo., where the family farmed until moving to Idaho. In 1964, they moved to Hunt area north of Eden to farm until the couple retired in 1980, at which time they moved to Jerome. In then about a few months, they settled east of Jerome on the corner of Highway 93 and 25 until 1989. When Grant became ill in 1989, they moved their mobile home to Twin Falls, where Grant passed away a month later. Gladys resided in Twin Falls until her passing.

After her husband passed away, she became a CNA, taking care of people in their homes. She did this for about 10 years until she retired again. Gladys was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, who enjoyed sewing, crocheting, working in her garden and going for drives



in the great outdoors in the hills. In her younger years, she very much enjoyed dancing, and there was no better storyteller than Gladys.

Gladys is survived by her four children, Sally Ann Sparks of Riverton, Wyo., Eugene LeRoy Butler of Coffman, Alaska, David Alton (Debbie) Butler of Twin Falls and Richard Grant Butler of Salt Lake City, Utah. There are 12 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren living in many states. Two grandchildren live in Twin Falls, David Butler Jr. and Darlan Butler. She was preceded in death by her husband, parents and all of her brothers and sisters.

Should friends desire, contributions may be given to the Twin Falls Lions Club. Contributions may be mailed to White Mortuary, 800 Bar 042, Twin Falls, ID 83303, for forwarding. At Gladys' request no public services are to be held. A private memorial service will be held in the summer. Cremation is under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory.

Wendell K. Croft

HEYBURN — Wendell K. Croft, 65, of Heyburn, died April 3, 2006, in Salt Lake City, Utah, from complications due to surgery.

Wendell was born Oct. 8, 1940, in Paul, Idaho, to Noel H. and Hurdella Croft. He married Sandra Lee in 1961 in the Idaho Falls Temple. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in many different callings in the church.

Wendell is survived by his wife, Sandra of Heyburn; two sons, Russell (Cindy) Croft of Rupert and Brad (Thelma) Croft of Fruit Heights, Utah; daughter, Lannette (Tom) Sellers of Chubbuck, Idaho; four grandchildren and five granddaughters; mother, Burdella Croft of Heyburn; six siblings, Joan McNealy, Alina (Gary) Westerman of Utah, Burdell (Peggy) Croft and Gale Croft of Heyburn, Kim (Shauna) Croft of Washington and Gerald Croft of Kansas; father-in-law, Norman Westerman of Heyburn; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his



father, mother-in-law, a brother-in-law and a nephew.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 6, 2006, at the Paul LDS 3rd and 4th Ward Church, 300 S. 500 W. in Heyburn, with Bishop Kay Cattull officiating. Burial will follow at Gem Memorial Cemetery in Burley. A viewing for family and friends will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Wayne Keller



Wayne loved to have his children around him. He loved fishing, hunting, camping and boating with his family. Retirement also allowed Wayne and his family to spend time in St. George, Utah. He always looked forward to the warm weather and the activities and hobbies he enjoyed in the area. In St. George, due to health concerns, he did not know whether he would be able to make the trip this year, but with assistance of his family, he did get to make one final trip. He passed away in a place he loved with family members with him. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 55 years, Yvonne of Rupert; his children, Roland (Deborah) Keller of Malad, Tamara (Kim) Herlinger of Twin Falls, Roger (Krista) Keller of Kimberly and Janet (Brad) Cooper of Rupert; one brother, Alvin (Alice) Keller of Quartzsite, Ariz.; one sister, Ruth (Dana) Groen of Highgate; grandchildren, Johanna, Ashlee, Courtney, Tiffany, Joslyn, Jared, Jenna, Amanda, Cody, Christopher, Jordan, Brent, Bailey, Brandon and Chance; and 13 great-grandchildren, whom he loved dearly and who provided

him with countless hours of joy and love. He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Roy and Ray who died in infancy, and John Keller; and one sister, Vera Nielsen. As a husband, father, grandpa and great-grandpa, he will be missed very much, but we will always be blessed by the impact that he had on our lives. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 8, 2006, at the Rupert West Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 26 S. 100 W., with Bishop Roger Bagley officiating. Burial will be in the Paul Cemetery. Military rites will be accorded by the Mini-Cassia Veterans. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., in Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

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RUPERT — Wayne Alfred Keller, 65-year-old, died March 31, 2006, in St. George, Utah.

Wayne was born June 27, 1929, in Alton, Idaho, the son of Alfred C. and Roberta Maynard Keller. He attended school at Midway High School in Lewisville, Idaho, graduating in 1947. While in school, Wayne participated in football and basketball. Following graduation, he farmed with his father in Alton.

On Oct. 13, 1950, Wayne married his high school sweetheart, Yvonne Lawson, in Alton, Idaho. Their marriage was later dissolved in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. Wayne served in the military after being drafted into the United States Army in 1951. Wayne resided in Lewis, Wash., and Fort Hood, Texas. During his service time, their first child, Roland, was born. Upon his honorable discharge, Wayne returned to Merion and continued farming with his father. Wayne and Yvonne's remaining children were born during this time, Tamara, Roger and Janet.

In 1962, Wayne, his father and brothers began a farming operation for several years. He received his nursing degree from the College of Southern Idaho. Royce enjoyed working with the emergency room staff and all of his co-workers at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital until he retired due to ill health.

Royce D. Merrill

Royce is survived by his wife, Krista of Hagerman; two sons, Brandon (Kristen) Merrill of Clackamas, Ore., and Garret Merrill of Hagerman; his parents, Joe and Liz Merrill of

Honolulu, Hawaii; two brothers, Greg (Robbela) Merrill and Keith Merrill, all of Las Vegas, Nev.; and several nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Royce's life will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 2006, at the American Legion Hall in Hagerman. Dinner and fellowship will follow the service at the hall. Funeral and cremation arrangements are under the direction of Denary's Gooding Chapel.

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DEATH NOTICES

LoMax 'Max' Cannon

WENDELL — LoMax "Max" Cannon III, 33, of Wendell, died Saturday, April 1, 2006, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

A graveside service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2006, at the Wendell Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

Norman Stanley Johnson

ROSEVILLE, Calif. — Norman Stanley Johnson, 81, of Roseville, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, March 29, 2006.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 2006, at the East Lawn Mortuary, 5757 Greenback Lane in Sacramento, Calif. Interment will follow at the East Lawn Sierra Hills Memorial Park. Visitation will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Friday, April 7, 2006, at the East Lawn Mortuary. Memorials may be sent to the First Presbyterian Church of Roseville, 515 Sunrise

Bldv., Roseville, CA 95661.

Rance Wade Boehler

BURLEY — Rance Wade Boehler, 45, of Riverton, Wyo., and formerly of Burley, died Wednesday, March 15, 2006, after a year-long battle with cancer.

A memorial service for family and friends will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 2006, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

Sylvia Pauline Turco

TWIN FALLS — Sylvia Pauline Turco, 73, of Montana, died Monday, April 3, 2006, at Bridgeview Estates.

At the family's request, no public services will be held. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls.

Hilda Zachary

HEYBURN — Hilda Zachary, 67, of Hey-

burn, died Sunday, April 2, 2006, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.

At Hilda's request, no formal funeral will be held. Cremation is under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

Robert W. Davis

PRIEST RIVER — Robert W. Davis, 81, of Priest River, died Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at the Mountain View Care Center in Kimberly.

At his request, private services were held. Cremation and private inurnment is under the direction of the Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Loretta June Jackson

TWIN FALLS — Loretta June Jackson, 70, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

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Martha Montoya of Heyburn, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Heyburn LDS 1st Ward Church; friends may call one hour before the funeral today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel).

Wanda Marie Hance of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 1 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E.

Edna Burr of Twin Falls, graveside service at 3:30 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery; friends may call from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Thelen Skouras of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; friends may call one hour before the service Thursday at the funeral chapel.

Vivian Bailey Bateman of Shelley, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the LDS 3rd Ward Church in Shelley; friends may call from 7 to 8:30 p.m. today and 9 to 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Nalder Funeral Home in Shelley.

Lloyd Shewmaker of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly

Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Johanne Kaest of Buhl, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Friday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Pamela Grant of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the LDS Church in New Harmony, Utah; viewing from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls and Southern Utah Mortuary in Cedar City, Utah).

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MAGIC VALLEY

Meridian senator prepares for gun shows, misses budget votes

By John Miller Associated Press writer

BOISE — A state senator from a Boise suburb who sits on the committee that divides up Idaho's \$2.34 billion state budget missed nearly one in three committee votes this year, in part because he was preparing for gun shows.

The absences of Sen. Gerry Sweet, R-Meridian, drew criticism from some lawmakers who say he hasn't paid enough attention to one of the Legislature's most important panels. Sweet didn't vote on 63 of 207 budget bills for fiscal year 2007, based on figures provided by the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee to The Associated Press.

Sweet missed votes during at least 15 meetings, including March 29 and March 30, when the 20-member committee put together a \$35.4 million final budget package that contained Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's "Experience Idaho" parks program. The Meridian lawmaker says his business — he's a gun dealer who sells weapons over the Internet and at gun shows, including one last weekend in Boise — has grown this year, keeping him away from the Statehouse.

In addition to missing JFAC sessions, he was absent or late for 23 of 84 full Senate sessions. He missed five of 31 meetings of the Judiciary and Rules Committee and nine of 28 Local Government and District Sessions, two other committees on which he sits.

Sweet's absences may be a symptom of a common legislative trend, where senators and representatives can be torn between regular lives and the special circumstances of a demanding three-month session, some lawmakers said. Others were less forgiving, calling budget-panel service a privilege accompanied by the responsibility of showing up for votes on programs such as Kempthorne's \$200 million highway project, the \$159 million corrections budget and a 7.8 percent increase in Idaho's

\$357 million Medicaid budget. "I think it's a problem," said Rep. George Eskridge, R-Dover and a JFAC member of 17 of the 63 votes. Eskridge missed just six. "Those who control the money control the power," he said. "Every vote in there is important."

In second place for missed votes was Sen. Mel Richardson, R-Idaho Falls, with 35. His laughter was in a coma this year. Richardson was followed by Sen. Monty Pearce, R-New Plymouth, with 25.

Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, led the House JFAC members, with 23 missed votes. Bedke said that the bulk of his absences occurred because of his work on the School Facilities Improvement bill. The legislation addresses the state's obligation to ensure all school buildings are safe, following an Idaho Supreme Court ruling late last year. The House Education committee — which held a hearing on Bedke's initial effort and on the final version of the bill eventually signed into law — meets at the same time as JFAC.

"I don't think any of the votes I missed were close," Bedke said.

Sweet, who missed 17 votes on the budget panel during the 2006 Legislature, agreed the committee is the Legislature's most important, "the one that probably has the greatest impact." Mill Sweet said his business, Shooter's Wholesale Inc., has grown this year and often drew him away from the Capitol. Some of his absences were excused by the Legislature.

As a part-time senator, Sweet earns \$15,646 per year and \$1,700 for office expenses.

"It's hard for people that are small business owners to serve in the Legislature and maintain their small business," Sweet told the AP, adding he hoped the Legislature would have already ended by the time spring gun shows had begun. "I'd have to look at those days and see (why I was gone). Without reviewing those days, I can't be sure. I'm assuming those were all the

days that I had particularly pressing business." Sweet drafted five bills that took time away from the committee, he said.

They included a failed attempt to allow exceptions to Idaho's concealed weapons law, a resolution promoting "Ten Commandments" displays and a measure to prevent the government from confiscating weapons from citizens in the event of an emergency or disaster.

Sweet, who doesn't have a Republican challenger in the May 23 primary but faces Democrat Laurynida A. Williams in the November general election, said he plans to return to the budget committee next year if re-elected.

Others Republicans on the budget panel said it's up to constituents to decide whether their lawmakers are attending enough meetings to properly represent them.

"You lose out on representing your constituents if you aren't there to vote," said Sen. John McGee, R-Caldwell, who was gone for just seven budget-committee votes. "I was fortunate enough to be picked for a powerful committee. I'm going to take advantage of that wherever I can. We're the guardians of the people's money."

Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Idaho Falls and JFAC co-chair, said he didn't see a problem in Sweet's absences, which increased in frequency in March. Sweet missed votes on March 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 22, 29 and 30 after being recruited absent at just five meetings throughout the end of February.

Sweet was present for key votes and hearings, Cameron said, adding that because discussions often take place among respective Republicans and Democrats on the budget committee before the meetings, many votes are either unanimous or along party lines.

"The closest votes were 11-8, on a pair of bills on March 29, according to JFAC records. "I can tell you, if it had been there was an issue, where

Missed votes on Idaho's JFAC

The number of missed committee votes this session by members of the Idaho Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee:

SENATORS:
Gerry Sweet, R-Meridian, 63
Mel Richardson, R-Idaho Falls, 35
Monty Pearce, R-New Plymouth, 25
Brent Hill, R-Rexburg, 16
John McGee, R-Caldwell, 7
Shawn Keough, R-Sandpoint, 5
Bert Marley, D-MCCommon, 4
Elliott Weir, D-Boise, 3
Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, 2
Paul Arno Logo, R-Ruston, 1
REPRESENTATIVES:
Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, 23
Margaret Henbest, D-Boise, 20
Shirley Ringo, D-Moscow, 10
Darrin Bala, R-Caldwell, 9
Frank Henderson, R-Foot Hills, 8
Cliff Bayer, R-Boise, 7
George Eskridge, R-Dover, 6
Don Harwood, R-Si. Maries, 4
Kathy Sliggen, R-Emmett, 3
Mastine Bell, R-Jerome, 0

— By The Associated Press

absence caused us to lose (a vote), Cameron said. "He's a valued member of the committee. We'd love to have him there as much as possible."

The committee's four Democrats said they've noticed Sweet's absences. "It's difficult, if somebody else is always carrying the water for you," said Rep. Margaret Henbest, D-Boise. "If you have a local issue you are representing and you aren't there, your constituents don't have a voice. You've abdicated that."

Henbest missed 20 JFAC votes, or one in 10. She said she missed them largely because she was at other committee meetings (testing on behalf of 13 bills she sponsored, including measures requiring testing for Creutzfeldt-Jakob brain-wasting disease, a crime-victim bill and a measure to expand mental health coverage among state employees.

"He's the phantom legislator," Sen. Bert Marley, D-MCCommon, who missed just four votes, said of Sweet. "I know he missed a lot."

ordinance but ultimately it comes down to planning and zoning and the county commissioners.

"I just hope they listen," said Denzell Larsen, who milks dairy heifers on the farm his wife bought in 1927.

"My wife was born in the house we live in," he said. "She says if I sell the farm, she goes with it."

Cathy Roemer lives in Jerome and can be reached by e-mail at cmroemer@myfi.net or phone 334-0220.

Jerome

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"Someone is going to be real thrilled when I drive my tractor across their property to clean it out," he said.

Brown said those issues would arise when the zoning hearing is held and that property owners need to "tell us" what water resources they have so it can be considered when zoning. Scott Bybee, Jerome city engineer, said housing development will likely occur first along existing flow serving sections where developers can easily access the service. Flow capacity

could be improved, but that could be overcome if the developer wants to spend money installing his own lift station.

Committee member Breck Johnson said the group had three choices: recommend the area stay zoned A-1, blanket zone to A-2 (residential and agriculture) or follow Brown's suggestion and zone overlay the area from the sewerline outward — where development is most likely to occur.

A more expansive measure, Charles Howell, a Jerome County commissioner and committee chairman, said the developer might be "subsidized" when it comes to writing an

ing the area A-1 and "protect" land from sporadic development.

People living close might not like the light from greenhouses and the business activity that goes on, he said.

Randy Tolman has run a dairy in the area since 1960 and said he fears residential development would "take my right to farm away."

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Senate to vote on resurrected theater beer, wine bill

BOISE (AP) — The Senate is expected to vote later this week on a resurrected attempt to allow beer and wine to be consumed during four Idaho movie theaters.

It's a last-ditch effort to save the longtime practice that last year an awful of state police agency that enforces state laws governing booze.

The bill was approved 5-4 Monday in the Senate State Affairs Committee. It's already passed the House.

Should it win full Senate approval and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's signature, the measure would allow The Flicks in Boise, The Saw Valley Opera House in Sun Valley and two Ketchum-based theaters, The Magic Lantern and Ski Time Cinemas, to continue to allow

patrons to carry glasses of beer and wine they buy on-site bar and restaurant facilities into showings.

Last year, investigators with the Idaho State Patrol Alcohol Beverage Control division told the business that was a violation of a state law that seeks to separate young people from alcohol by limiting where it can be consumed.

Officials feared that people under 21 could use the cover of darkness during films to take illegal amounts of beer and wine.

Exceptions to the existing law include baseball parks and businesses where live theater is shown — but not movie houses. A more expansive measure that would have given local officials final say over whether people could drink in movie

theaters, including those that don't currently allow the practice, failed 38-30 on the House floor late last month.

That prompted House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, R-Cochran, to draft an alternative that would limit "grandfather rights" to just the four movie houses.

"We've been doing this for 22 years and we haven't had any complaints or problems," said Carl Skinner, owner of The Flicks, which shows mostly alternative movies for mature audiences but also some films for kids, such as the documentary "March of the Penguins."

Richard Kessler, owner of The Magic Lantern in Ketchum, said he gets 17 percent of his concession revenue from beer and wine sales. He said his con-

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Eat cheap Twin Falls

This time, we turned the tables on ourselves.

In previous "Eat Cheap" installments, three *Times-News* feature writers reviewed restaurant meals priced at under \$7 (not including tax or tip) then asked local health counselor Jill Sherman Skeem to rate the nutritional value of our choices.

This time around, we picked restaurants around Twin Falls — but before we showed up with notebooks and appetites, Jill perused each menu and recommended the healthiest cheap meal she could find on each.

We swallowed hard and ordered what she told us to. And we didn't cheat much.

You can nominate your favorite under-\$7 restaurant lunches — anywhere in Magic Valley — for future "Eat Cheap" features. E-mail your suggestions to virginia.hutchins@lee.net with "Eat Cheap" in the subject line.



ASHLEY SMITH/The Times-News

Kah tiem with rice and salad

PRICE: \$6.25

Prasai's Thai Cuisine is one of my favorite restaurants. Excellent food, superb service and affordable meals. I always put down my chopsticks a satisfied customer.

A drunken-noodle fanatic, I was wary about ordering a meal in which tofu (a tasteless,

cheese-like food coagulated from soybean extract) would be my primary source of protein. Steamed cabbage and broccoli didn't help either.

But, as always, Prasai's came through.

My Kah tiem — tofu substituted for meat, sauteed in garlic and served over steamed cab-

bage, broccoli and carrots — was delicious. Even though I didn't eat all the tofu, I enjoyed its nutty flavor.

My meal came with a green salad and peanut dressing, which was also outstanding.

Who would have thought that peanut dressing (think thin, runny peanut butter) could

make for a detectable salad top-

ping? The service was fast, as usual. The portion was more than enough, and the price was great, too.

You'll never get a bad meal at Prasai's — tofu or not.

— Matt Christensen

Try to be creative while looking for healthy options

To spice up this "Eat Cheap" installment, the reporters picked the restaurants and I chose the healthiest under-\$7 meals for them to order. I know this change was giving Matt Christensen and Steve Crump some concern, because I received e-mails such as, "Please, no hummus," or, "I am going to have to eat kale, aren't I?" I wish more restaurants offered hummus, a Middle Eastern dish made from chickpeas, and kale. But they don't, so Matt and Steve lucked out.

When dining out, I always ask the server about the ingredients and preparation of a dish.

I also scan the menu to see whether there are vegetable or rice dishes offered in other meals that I could substitute or add to my meal. With food allergies on the rise, restaurants are very accommodating. Every meal is a new opportunity to make a healthier choice.

I hope these suggestions will help you next time you dine out, too.



RESTAURANT NUTRITION
Jill Sherman Skeem

Roasted vegetable pasta saute

Steve chose Kelly's on Main Avenue in historic downtown Twin Falls.

I want Steve to have a healthy yet filling meal — otherwise, I will never hear the end of it — so I recommend the roasted vegetable pasta saute with a few modifications. It comes with a spicy cream sauce, but if Steve asks, they will make it with an olive oil sauce for a healthier version. Another way to cut the saturated fat in this meal is to omit the Parmesan garnish.

This meal comes with salad and

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"Be nice or go away" is the straightforward message posted above the bar at Happy Landings Restaurant & Bar in the Twin Falls airport terminal. And yes, the friendly seat-yourself establishment lives up to its name.

Appropriately, big windows overlooking the runway also flood the restaurant with light. Model aircraft hang from the ceiling, diners can hear arrival and departure announcements, and there's plenty of room for travelers' luggage or work crews' gear beside the tables.

The "homemade" soup of the day was a creamy rice-and-chicken creation with mushrooms and carrots. So on health counselor Jill Sherman Skeem's advice, I paired a cup of it (\$2.50) with a half order of the Veggie Salad entree (\$4.25).

My garlic vinaigrette



VIRGINIA HUTCHINS/The Times-News

Soup and salad

PRICE: \$6.75

was served on the side despite my forgetting to ask for that. The only rolls available that day were white, but the kitchen obliged me with a slice of whole-wheat bread. I was pleased to see generous

portions of tomatoes, green peppers, mushrooms, onions, black olives and boiled egg atop the lettuce.

Sorry, Jill, I forgot to specify "no cheese" on the salad. So I left behind on

my plate as much cheese as I could and an admirable amount of the dressing. But I ate every last drop of that delicious soup.

— Virginia S. Hutchins



ASHLEY SMITH/The Times-News

Roasted vegetable pasta saute

PRICE: \$6.75

Pasta? And you're gonna spoil things by pouring olive oil over it?

I was more than a little skeptical when health counselor Jill Sherman Skeem sent me to Kelly's in downtown Twin Falls with orders to get the roasted vegetable pasta saute, ask the chef to substitute olive oil for the spicy cream sauce it comes with, and then instruct him to hold the Parmesan cheese garnish.

The thought struck me that I might just as well order mac without the cheese.

But roasted vegetable pasta saute a la Kelly turned out to be surprisingly good — onions, broccoli, cauliflower, mushrooms, carrots and,

of course, shell macaroni, in an olive oil sauce that didn't taste like Wesson oil.

The meal comes with salad and grilled bread. Guess which one I skipped?

The salad was tasty, though, even with just half of a container of the oil-and-vinegar dressing covering it. But once the dressing was gone, my interest in the remaining greens waned rapidly.

As a fan of pasta dishes, I'd order this combination again. But maybe I should I least try the spicy cream sauce next time.

— Steve Crump



ASHLEY SMITH/The Times-News

Bagel sandwich with soup

PRICE: \$6.90

Molly's Bagel Bakery — a cheerful little shop on Pole Line Road — bakes all of the day's bagels early in the morning. And when they're gone, well, they're gone.

So it isn't unusual to find — as I did — a number of empty bins in the bagel lineup at lunchtime. Unfortunately, the only whole-wheat option was among the empties.

With apologies to Jill Sherman Skeem, I settled for a sunflower bagel with smoked

salmon and all the available vegetables, but no cheese. And no capers.

Adding a salad would have put me over the \$7 limit, so I opted for the soup-and-sandwich special: \$5.65 plus a salmon surcharge of \$1.25. (From the soup options I chose tomato basil with ravioli — and made a mental note to ask Jill later precisely what counts as "broth-based" soup.)

Molly's charges individually for some ingredients, but the staff patiently answered ques-

tions about price — with a pleasant understanding that implied they're accustomed to serving customers with budgets. Incidentally, Molly's lunchtime clientele that day was predominantly female and young.

The mustard and salmon gave my sandwich a distinct flavor, so I didn't really miss the cheese. And I promise, Jill, that I'll try again for the whole-wheat bagel.

— Virginia S. Hutchins

FOOD & HOME

Decorating your kitchen with warm browns

The Washington Post

CHOCOLATE What can brown be but your America? Americans love alfalfa with the coffee culture and chocolate has created yet another hot color for the kitchen: brown. In the recent International Home and Housewares Show here, manufacturers of appliances, cookware and tableware introduced products in hues

from espresso to double latte. From Hamilton Beach came the Electrics collection of high-end toasters, blenders and mixers in the new color of mocha. From Le Creuset, enameled cast-iron skillets and casserole dishes in chestnut. And from KitchenAid, a stand mixer in copper. "It all started in the 1990s when Starbucks turned up on every street done up in warm

colors like brown," says Leatrice Eiseman, director of the Pantone Color Institute. "A new lifestyle was born. Then UPS changed its image using brown." Now that dark chocolate is supposedly good for your health, Eiseman says chocolate has taken over where coffee began. "This spills over into every aspect of home furnishings, including housewares."

It's also part of a new warming trend in the kitchen. "Stainless has been popular for quite a few years now and has even hit the mass consumer market," says Martin Brady, a group manager at Hamilton Beach Proctor Silex Inc. "You have lots of kitchens with that commercial, antiseptic or cold look which are looking for a balance. Brown brings an element of luxury to the kitchen."

Nutrition

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grilled bread. Steve should request the house vinaigrette dressing on the side and with self-restraint use only 1/4 to 1/2 of the container of dressing. Since pasta is a refined carbohydrate, Steve does not need to add more to this meal, so he should refuse the grilled bread. I hope this won't be too painful for him. I recommend water with no ice, because a cold drink makes your body cold, and it is important to keep your internal body temperature up this time of year. I discourage drinking with a meal, because it tends to help you wash down your food instead of chewing it well. I hope Steve enjoys his lunch and his body does not go into shock because it was fed vegetables.

Enchiladas and green salad

I now know why Matt chose Happy Burrito in the first place. The servings are enormous! Since I have never eaten there, I had to ask a lot of questions about the menu items. I discovered that, unlike most Mexican restaurants, it makes the refried beans without lard and the Spanish rice without chicken broth. It surprised me to find that the only menu item with lard is the lard tortilla, so I focused on a meal that contains only corn tortillas.

After setting the portion sizes, I thought it would be best for Matt to order a lard instead of the combo or lunch specials. Matt should order two enchiladas which are corn tortillas filled with your choice of meat, smothered in a savory red sauce. Instead of ordering his with meat, I suggest the whole beans and pico de gallo (tomatoes, onion and cilantro) for flavor and added vegetables. Beans are a great source of protein, fiber and contain no saturated fat. If you do not make beans at home, order them from time to time instead of meat, chicken or pork when dining out.

Matt should refuse any cheese or sour cream garnish on his enchiladas, which will also reduce the saturated fat in this meal.

For some freshness, I want him to order the green salad, without the cheese or the bread (the already has rice and corn tortillas). Matt is in luck because the only salad dressing offered is ranch. I want him to order it on the side and use a minimum amount on his salad.

I hope Matt will eat his lunch without drinking and washing it down. If he needs something to drink, I suggest water without ice. And don't forget to chew really well.

And, Matt, don't be tempted by the extra toppings for each register. Just pay the bill and keep on walkin'.

Rach tiem with rice and salad

Matt also chose Prasa's Thai Cuisine on Second Avenue East. His waiter to make healthier choices at a Thai restaurant, and Prasa's is no exception. Since Matt frequents this restaurant, I thought I would expand his tastes a bit. He

hoped I would pick the drunken noodle dish, which would have been a good choice, but I selected L21 — Rach tiem, steamed rice and Thai salad — with a few modifications. Rach tiem is a traditional chicken or pork sautéed in garlic and served on a bed of steamed cabbage, broccoli and carrots. I want Matt to substitute tofu for the beef, chicken or pork. Tofu is soybean curd and when cooked adopts the flavor of the spices and food with which it is cooked. It is a good source of protein, calcium and iron. Being plant-based, tofu is cholesterol free and does not contribute to heart disease.

I want Matt to ask for a boiled egg on the Thai salad and have the peanut dressing served on the side. Peanut dressing normally contains sugar, so Matt, use it sparingly. I am guessing Matt does not eat too many steamed vegetables, so I thought it would be a good change for him. Steaming brings out the fiber in vegetables, which is one of the reasons I chose this dish. We can all use more fiber in our diets. I wish Prasa's offered brown rice, but since it does not, white rice will have to do. Prasa's menu states it does not use MSG, so that is one question Matt will not have to ask his server.

Bagel sandwich with soup

Virginia Hutchins chose Molly's Bagel Bakes on the corner of Blue Lakes Boulevard and Pole Line Road. Whenever I order a baked flour product, I always order the whole-grain or whole-grain version to get the most fiber and nutrients possible. Virginia always seems to be up for a challenge, so I thought I would have her order a whole-wheat bagel sandwich with smoked salmon topped with plenty of veggies to lighten it up. Salmon is a great source of omega-3s and is low in saturated fat. If you do not eat salmon at home, ordering it in a restaurant is one way to incorporate it into your diet.

Molly's has an array of fresh vegetables to put on the sandwich, so this is where I like to be as much as possible.

Molly's offers white and red onion, tomato, lettuce, cucumbers, sprouts, black olives and even capers for the smoked salmon. Virginia, you do not have to order the capers because they are salty and can leave you craving liquid and sweets — unless you like them. I would recommend mustard as a condiment on this sandwich because it is lower in saturated fats, and the vinegar in the soup will help your body digest the oil in the salmon.

Molly's always offers at least two soups a day. Since I am not sure what soup will be offered on the day Virginia eats there, I recommend this: If a broth-based soup is offered that day, order the soup-and-sandwich special. Otherwise, order the sandwich with a green salad



Enchiladas and green salad PRICE: \$6.29

I confess I was nervous — no, downright afraid — to have Jill Sherman Skeem choose our meals this installment, especially because she's previously been hard on me about poor nutritional choices. I was expecting the worst: lunches with no meat, no taste and enough roughage to gag an elephant.

Sec. I grew up in a Midwestern family who ate meat and potatoes at every meal, and I still have these eating habits. So when I walked into Happy Burrito in Twin Falls for lunch — my detailed order scribbled on a sheet of notebook paper — I was already thinking about the Big Mac and fries I'd grab on the way back to the newsroom.

I skipped trying to explain my special order — enchiladas with no meat, cheese or sour cream; salad with no cheese or bread — and handed the waitress my order. Minutes later,

she was back with what turned out to be one of the largest and tastiest meals I've had in a long time.

The enchiladas' corn tortillas were excellent. The beans were flavorful without being too salty. And the rice was cooked to perfection. I added some spicy red taco sauce to my enchiladas which compensated for meanness. And I smothered my beans and rice in a green sauce of tomatillos, jalapenos and garlic.

The salad was unremarkable, but a generous portion of onions, tomatoes and cilantro made for a pleasant, spring-time flavor. Happy Burrito offers perhaps the best value in Twin Falls. Portions are enormous — enough leftovers for two or three meals — and nearly every item is under \$7.

I skipped the Big Mac.

— Matt Christensen

with either Italian dressing or oil and vinegar, and use it sparingly.

Soup and salad

Virginia thought it would be a challenge to order something healthy from the restaurant at the Twin Falls airport, Happy Landings Restaurant & Bar, and she was right.

It offers many grilled sandwiches, several types of hamburgers and club and French dip sandwiches, not to mention tuna and chicken salad. I am sure these are all very tasty and satisfying, but not the healthiest of choices. Steve would be in heaven here; however, I had to be a bit creative to find the healthiest option for this lunch.

Happy Landings offers a different homemade soup every day. Again, not knowing which day Virginia will eat here, I recommend the following: If the soup is broth based, order a bowl of soup and a fresh green salad without the cheese. If the soup is cream based, order a cup of soup and half of the Veggie Salad, which is one of the entree salads.

Having beef or chicken in

soup is a great way to control the portion size. It tends to be more of an accent to the meal rather than the main course and will not slow you down.

Requesting a whole-wheat or whole-grain roll would complete the meal nicely, if they have one. Again, I suggest either the Italian or vinaigrette dressing on the side and used sparingly. Virginia, I hope you enjoy your lunch and feel satisfied.

You can order in a healthy way anywhere you go. If you take a few minutes to think about what is available. Don't forget to be creative! I hope Steve and Matt open their minds and their stomachs to better food and will make healthier choices in the next Eat Cheap installment. Stay tuned!

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Mango stars in this shrimp dish

The Washington Post

Shrimp gets top billing in this Indian stir-fry, but the real star is mango, which takes on a sweetness when cooked. Turmeric reinforces the bright color, and cayenne pepper adds as much heat as you dare.

With pre-peeled shrimp, the preparation is a breeze. Adapted from "Healthy in a Hurry," by Jim Romanoff and the editors of Eating Well (Countryman, 2006).

1 bunch scallions, tender green parts only, thinly sliced
1/4 cup firmly packed basil leaves, finely chopped

In a medium bowl, combine the shrimp, salt to taste, cayenne pepper and turmeric, mixing to coat evenly. Cover and refrigerate for about 15 minutes.

Heat the oil in a large skillet or wok over medium-high heat until it is shimmering. Add the shrimp in a single layer. Cook until the undersides turn pink, about 1 minute. Turn it over and cook for 1 minute. Add the mango, scallions and basil and cook, stirring, until the shrimp is just cooked through and starts to curl, 1 to 2 minutes. Serve immediately.

NOTE: To prepare the mango, spear the stem end with a fork. Loosen one end of the mango to steady it on the counter and hold it upright with the fork. Use a sharp paring knife to peel away the skin, then cut the flesh from the pit, stopping when the flesh gets too fibrous and hard. The fruit can then be cut into cubes. (see note)

SHRIMP WITH MANGO AND BASIL

4 servings
1 pound large shrimp (21 to 25 per pound), peeled and deveined, tails on
Salt
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1/4 teaspoon ground turmeric
1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
1 large firm mango, peeled and sliced into 1/2-inch cubes (see note)

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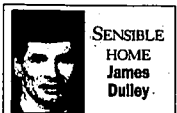
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—Mike R.



SENSIBLE HOME
James Dulley



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This insulated fiberglass door incorporates decorative glass, side-lights and a transom. It is prahung and delivered to your home as one complete unit.

DEAR MIKE: You have several efficient front door options which simulate the appearance of real stained wood without regular maintenance. These are insulated fiberglass and stainable steel doors. Both will be much more energy efficient than a typical wood front door.

The insulated stainless steel door is sometimes the most energy efficient because they use refrigerant-type magnetic weatherstripping. When it is wet, fiberglass door weatherstripping also seals well, but magnetic weatherstripping on a steel door will remain more airtight for many years.

Since you are concerned about the appearance, an insulated stainable fiberglass door would be your best choice. The stainable finish on a steel door looks good, but the deep graining in the skin on a fiberglass is more realistic and durable. When it is stained, it is

difficult to distinguish from wood.

Several fiberglass door manufacturers offer a limited lifetime warranty.

The surface of a fiberglass door is stained similarly to a real wood door. All of the fiberglass door manufacturers offer complete staining kits. These include cans of the stain and the top coat, a brush, rag, bottle of

cleaner, gloves and several pieces of fiberglass on which to practice the application procedure. Practice first, because doing it properly is an art.

The actual designs of most fiberglass doors are similar. The fiberglass skins are separated by wood, metal and plastic around the edges. Fibertec uses strong fiberglass inner framing instead of wood. Once the door is com-

pleted, its interior cavity is filled with polyurethane foam insulation. This foam expands inside the door to eliminate any open interior voids.

Fiberglass doors, because they are not magnetic, use ailing and compression types of weatherstripping. Some are foam-filled, with a durable exterior covering to increase the durability. They are often designed with removable weatherstripping to facilitate the staining and finishing of the door. This also makes it simple to replace the weatherstripping if it gets damaged.

Most people prefer some decorative glass in the door. Depending upon the type of glass selected, adding it can sometimes double the price of the door. When selecting clear glass, be sure to order low-e double panes as the minimum quality. Triple-pane and specialty selective (controls the type of light) glass is also available. Most decorative glass (beveled, etched or leaded) is triple paned with the decorative pane in the center. This is efficient and improves security.

If you have space, consider adding a sidelight which opens for additional area for moving large items in and out.

DEAR JIM: I keep hearing about gas prices being so high, but my electric bill is also high. Does it make sense to hang a solar panel in my window, run it through an inverter and plug it into a wall outlet?

—Bobbi H.

DEAR BOBBI: This would not

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Tips to get you dining in the lap of luxury

By Lisa Boone
Los Angeles Times

"Formal" no longer must precede the term "dining room."

Electecism is favored more by consumers and interior designers including Amanda Pays. Her own home has been diverse — Georgian, English Country and Spanish — and her furniture line has won over clients as disparate as Barbara Bush and Nicolas Cage.

How to channel such varied tastes into the dining room? Chairs help make the room distinctive. Pays says that they don't have to match. "You can find a chair that is separate from the table as long as it complements it in some way." Her advice offers tips for finding that elusive, perfect dining chair.

Where to start: Decorating a home is not about designing one room. Pays says that about unifying your house. "You are integrating your dining room with the rest of your house, so it needs to flow," she says. Examine your lifestyle. Do you have an eating area in your kitchen? Choose the table first, because it has the most effect, then move on to the chairs. That's where you can have fun.

Define the room: Is it formal or informal? Do you have kids? Do you want it to be exciting, perhaps for entertaining, or calm and serene for secondary use as a work area? "I painted one dining room red and I must say, the conversation became very heated in that room," Pays says with a laugh.

Define the look: Is it contem-

porary? Is it modern? Clean lines are a great asset in mixing and matching furnishings. Pays says. A classic dining room chair works in a contemporary setting because of its clean lines. Some classic chairs with Sensable upholstered seats and mahogany legs were paired with an antique English table. Mismatched chairs are perfect for a bohemian home. Again, Pays says. It's all about the flow of the home. If the rest of the home is colorful and strewn with pastiches, the chairs will work. If it's a minimalist environment, they will not.

Consider alternatives: A bench complements a contemporary table well. "It's simple," she says. "Plus you could do a great cushion on the bench using a fabric that complements your color palette." For a more relaxed outdoor eating area, a rustic table can be paired with the unexpected. Pays bought old French cafe chairs and painted them steel gray for an outdoor dining table.

Think comfort: Put aside aes-

thetics. If only temporarily. "Comfort rules," Pays says. "You want to be able to sit in a good chair comfortably for a few hours and be able to talk and enjoy a glass of wine. There's nothing worse than sitting in an uncomfortable chair." High end or low, IKEA or Baker, chairs must be tested first.

Note dimensions: Height is an important consideration. "You can't fall with linen," Pays says. "It gives the chair a European classic look of its own." Start with a simple background color in the room and then add colorful accessories for drama. Keep the walls, drapes and sisal flooring rather plain, and instead use punches of color on the chairs. Pays suggests turquoise linen for drama, com-

plemented by bright Bauer pottery on the table or nearby shelves. For a more formal look, simpler is best. Textured wools in creams or greens enrich a room. "It adds weight," she says.

Mix materials: It's all about balance. "You can take organic materials — leather, steel, wood and fabrics — and mix them in the right way," Pays says. Leather accents on chairs or olive leaf designs on wood can soften pieces. "It's fun to go from something simple to something classic to something seasonal. It shows people the different aspects of who you are." Have fun with your upholstery and cushions, and when in doubt, "do what you love and what works for your family," she says. "It's all about feeling comfortable."

Of pre-bagged baby carrots

Knight Ridder News Service

Question: The popular pre-bagged baby carrots sold in grocery stores are really regular carrots cut small by a machine, correct? They are not a special variety, are they?

Answer: Those midget carrots are just whittled-down big carrots. According to an article in USA Today, they are the brainchild of a California farmer tired of having to discard imperfect carrots. A special variety of rapid-growing carrots is used. The carrots are cut into 2-inch sections and whittled in peckers the size of cement mixers.

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FOOD & HOME

Putting to bed winter bedding

By Terri Szaplaza
The Washington Post

It may be too soon to strip the beds of the flannel sheets, but soon enough it will be time to swap down comforters and woolly blankets for cotton sheets and lightweight throws. Your winter bedding will last longer and be a pleasure to take out again if you take the time to clean and freshen it now. The Coin Laundry Association (yes, there is one) offers some simple guidelines.

• Wash and dry in large-capacity machines. Most household washers can hold between 10 and 12 pounds of laundry; commercial-grade washers can handle up to 75 pounds of wash and are best for cleaning bedding. Using larger machines will extend the life of your comforter.

• Down-filled bedding can be washed, which many people don't realize. Just be sure to read the care instructions for down comforters and pillows. Use a mild detergent to wash. When drying, put some clean tennis balls into the dryer to help fluff and distribute the down.

• Wash colored bedding in a mild detergent. Whites should be washed separately, also with a mild detergent, and followed with an oxygenated bleach. Avoid chlorine bleaches, which leave a residue that is hard to clean and can cause discoloration over time. When drying, use a fabric-softening sheet rather than a liquid softener, because some padding materials, including down, have a tendency to absorb the liquid unevenly.

• For wool blankets, use cold water on a gentle cycle and fluff dry. Adding some dry towels to the dryer will help absorb moisture from the blankets and cut down on drying time.

• Wash and dry flannel sheets separately. Flannel has a tendency to deposit lint in the dryer. Though immediately removing flannel from the dryer is recommended, a better idea is to take it out while it's still slightly damp and let it air-dry. Over-drying flannel in the machine can cause wrinkles and fade colors.

• Always read the care labels. Certain fabrics, such as satin, cannot be washed and should be taken to a professional dry cleaner.

Homebuilding goes green to save energy, provide comfort

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Norm Schreffels is building a 5,500-square-foot dream home with unimpeded views of the Sandia Mountains, an outdoor dining room that faces the city lights and a handful of piazzas and portals that take advantage of New Mexico's weather.

Thick hand-hewn beams soar above the great room, and windows stretch from near the floor to the ceiling to catch the mountains just beyond the river, valley below.

At first glance, the home would send any conservationist into a frenzy. But Schreffels, who runs Sun Mountain Construction Inc., wants people to take a closer look.

"We put a big house in here just so people would get mad and ask questions," he said.

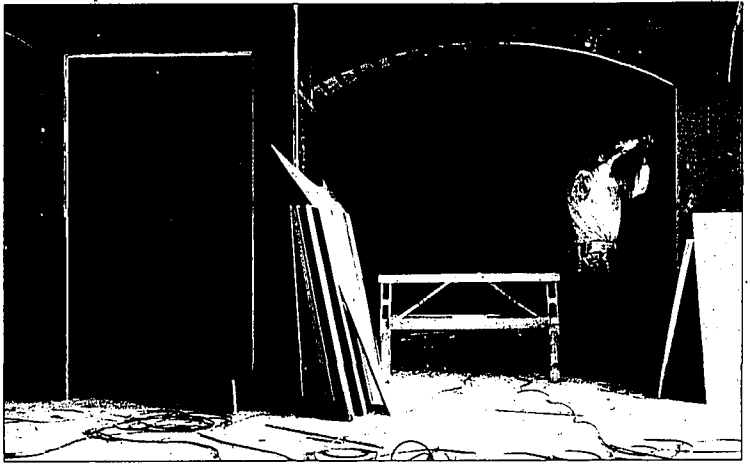
The answers all point to green building, a trend that's picking up speed across the United States as homeowners struggle with high utility bills and leaders begin to talk about shifting the country's diet from oil to more renewable energy sources.

Hundreds of homebuilders, architects and industry experts gathered recently in Albuquerque to share their ideas as part of the National Association of Home Builders' Green Building Conference.

Dozens of them got the chance to tour the work of Schreffels and other contractors who are using better building techniques and environmentally friendly materials to create what some in the industry are describing as the future of homebuilding.

"Ten years from now it will be the way of doing it, not because it's mandatory, just because it's the right way of doing it," said Armando Cobo, an Albuquerque designer who has been active in promoting the NAHB's green building standards.

Cobo has been designing



Construction worker Elio Vargas puts up coated drywall in a 5,500-square-foot green home being built by Norm Schreffels in Corrales, N.M., March 15. The black coating will help the soon-to-be applied natural finish adhere to the walls better.

nothing but green houses for the past five years and hasn't scared away a single client.

"It just makes 100 percent sense," he said. "For a small amount of money, you can have a better house, more energy-efficient house. Why would you want something that doesn't meet those standards? It's a no-brainer."

And gone are the days when green-built homes teetered on the fringe of being freaky with a mishmash of recycled tires and aluminum cans and awkward solar panels.

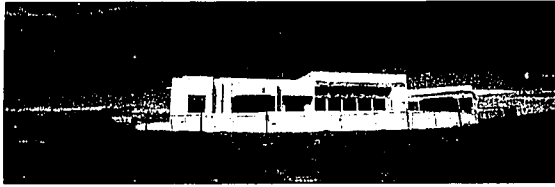
Now, solar power systems can be hidden on rooftops. Insulation made of recycled material becomes invisible behind walls covered with nontoxic paint, and more efficient heating and cooling systems are woven into the home's inner skeleton.

Green builders also use framing techniques that cut down on waste: some look for opportunities to use salvaged materials.

The beams and other wood accents in Schreffels' home come from timber harvested following a forest fire in north-

ern New Mexico. The wood is just one example of the steps Schreffels — with help from Green Builder magazine — has taken to make the home a green example.

"It gets a little more of the checking and cracking in it, but I like that," Schreffels said of the reclaimed wood. "Every one of these (beams) would have just stayed there and rotted out."



This green home being built by Norm Schreffels in Corrales, N.M., is using building techniques and environmentally friendly materials to create what some in the industry describe as the future of homebuilding.

'Go nuts' because it's OK to cook with pistachios

Knight Ridder News Service

A free consumer brochure features a selection of recipes from noted chefs who have used their expertise to craft dishes from pistachios.

The 40-page brochure, "America's Top Chefs Go Nuts

for California Pistachios," comes from the California Pistachio Commission. The brochure was assembled with contributions from a team of 19 American chefs — culinary stars including Art Smith, Tyler Florence, Sheila Lukins, Nancy Silverton, Curtis Aikens, Dave

Lieberman, Gale Gand, Rick Tramanto, Mary Sue Milliken and Susan Feniger.

Dishes created for the brochure range from entrees to desserts, from salads to sides. The brochure is illustrated with color photos and is available by visiting www.pistachio.org.

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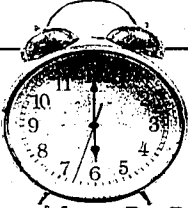
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FOOD & HOME

Calzones offer portion control

By Jill Wandholt Silva
Knight Ridder News Service

On the face of it, a veggie pizza seems like a healthy choice.

That is until you've wolfed down an overly cheesy pie the size of the moon.

Enter the calzone — a good choice for health-minded pizza lovers who might be tempted to eat the whole thing. Originally from Naples, a calzone automatically limits you to an individual portion size and cuts down on the need for excess cheese.

A few years ago, the watchdog nutrition group Center for Science in the Public Interest measured the impact of the \$30 billion pizza industry on America's bulging waistline and found it to be significant.

Just one slice of Pizza Hut's Stuffed-Crust Meat Lover's Pizza is equivalent to a McDonald's Quarter Pounder, and one slice of Pizza Hut's Big New Yorker Sausage pizza has more fat than a McDonald's Big Mac.

"While most people wouldn't unwrap and eat a second Quarter Pounder or Big Mac, many people reach for a second, third,

VEGETABLE CALZONES

Makes 4 servings

- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
- 3 Roma tomatoes, seeded and chopped
- 3/4 cup coarsely chopped fresh spinach leaves
- 2/3 cup pizza sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano leaves
- 1 (1.3-ounce) tube refrigerated pizza crust
- 1/2 to 3/4 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Heat olive oil in medium-size skillet over medium-high heat. Add onion and garlic and cook, stirring frequently, until onion is tender. Add mushrooms and cook, stirring frequently, 2 to 3 minutes. Stir in Roma tomatoes and cook, stirring frequently, 1 minute. Stir in spinach and cook just until spinach wilts. Stir in pizza sauce.

Cut log of pizza dough into fourths. Using the heel of your hand, press each part into a circle about 7 to 7 1/2 inches in diameter on lightly floured board. (You may also use a lightly floured rolling pin.) Spray a large baking sheet with nonstick spray coating. Place dough circles on prepared pan. Top each with 2 to 3 tablespoons mozzarella cheese and 1 tablespoon Parmesan cheese. Spoon 1/4 of vegetable mixture into center of each. Gently fold half of dough over filling and press edges to seal. Bake 10 to 15 minutes or until golden brown.

or even a fourth slice of their favorite pizza," the center's report concludes.

In addition to promoting portion control, these Vegetable

Calzones offer a substantial helping of veggies. Mushrooms are loaded with B vitamins and selenium, an antioxidant mineral that may protect against

cancer and macular degeneration.

Spinach packs a wallop with disease-fighting carotenoids. Canned tomatoes in the sauce are a great source of lycopene, an antioxidant that prevents cell damage.

This recipe uses a tube of refrigerated pizza crust to turn out a quick, delicious crust. In addition to convenience, the ready-to-bake dough eliminates the need to deep fry or brush the crust with olive oil like some commercially made calzones. Look for tubes of it in the refrigerated cases, usually near the cookies and biscuits.

Refrigerating pine nuts

Knight Ridder News Service

Question: Should I refrigerate pine nuts?

Answer: Yes. Pine nuts turn rancid quickly. Store them in a tightly closed container in

the refrigerator for up to 3 months, or 6 to 9 months in the freezer.

Pine nuts — an ingredient in Italian pesto and Mexican cookies — also are called "pignoli" and "pinon" nuts.

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PORK CHOP, BROWN RICE CASSEROLE

Makes 4 servings

- 4 (4- to 6-ounce) center-cut, bone-in pork chops, about 1 1/2 to 3/4 inch thick
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 3/4 cup long-grain brown rice
- 1 cup water
- 1 carrot, shredded
- 1 (1 1/2-ounce) can no-salt added whole tomatoes, chopped
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/2 teaspoon cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon dried leaf oregano
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and chopped
- 1/2 cup frozen corn

Spray a large nonstick skillet or Dutch oven with nonstick spray coating. Heat over medium-high heat until skillet is hot. Add chops and cook until browned on each side; drain and set chops aside.

Add onion to skillet and cook, stirring frequently, until onion is just tender. Stir in rice and cook, stirring, until rice is golden. Stir in water and carrot; cover and heat to boiling. Reduce heat and cook 15 to 20 minutes.

Stir in tomatoes, seasonings, jalapeno and corn. Arrange chops over rice mixture. Cover and simmer 45 to 60 minutes or until rice is tender.

Brown rice is true whole grain

By Jill Wandholt Silva
Knight Ridder News Service

Sill stamped when it comes to whole grains?

The 2005 Dietary Guidelines advised Americans to eat at least three servings of whole grains a day. But thanks to some fuzzy marketing, many consumers remain confused by manufacturers' health claims. The FDA stepped in and released a draft guidance policy: a "whole grain" must retain the endosperm, bran and germ.

Brown rice qualifies as 100 percent whole grain, while many other products, such as wheat bread and cereal, do not make the cut because they are made of a mixture of whole grains and enriched grains.

Despite its status as a whole grain, the naturally chewy texture and slightly nutty flavor of brown rice is a turn-off for many people, so it is often "polished" to remove all or part of the bran. This process also strips away most of the vitamins, minerals, amino acids, polyunsaturated fats and fiber.

Dietitians are eager to get mainstream consumers to choose more brown rice, long considered a health food, because it is "nutrient-dense" (15 vitamins and minerals) and it's a low-calorie food (100 calories per 1/2-cup serving).

The only potential drawback? The slightly longer cooking

time needed for the water to penetrate the bran covering.

This Pork Chop, Brown Rice Casserole uses a cooking method typical of a traditional New England pilot-style dish — cook the rice until golden in butter or oil, allow the grains to absorb the cooking liquid and season the rice with chopped, cooked vegetables and meat. This method frees up the cook to do other tasks while the rice dish simmers on the stovetop.

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FOOD & HOME

Expansive Louisville has charming facade

Associated Designs

Painted columns link a gallery of arched openings that span the front of the Louisville. This classic parade of arches and columns highlights a long veranda, ideal for catching summer breezes.

The octagonal nook on the left adds gazabo-like charm. A nautical weathervane ornaments its peak.

In addition to an abundance of outdoor living areas, this plan offers nearly 4,000 square feet of interior living space. Another 400+ sq. ft. is in the bonus room, and close to 1,500 sq. ft. is in the garage.

Once inside the wide foyer, you have three choices. Double doors on the right open into a den with a fireplace.

An arched opening on the left leads into the stately, octagonal dining room. Or, walk straight ahead into the lofty, vaulted great room, which also has a fireplace.

French-style windows fill most of the rear wall and slide open to provide access to a partially covered patio.

Colorful flames in the wood-burning fireplace serve as a focal point when skies are dark.

The kitchen's large central work island has a veggie sink, a six-burner cook top, raised eating counter, and plenty of storage below.

Other noteworthy kitchen features include a phone desk, walk-in pantry, trash compactor, and sunny, octagonal nook.

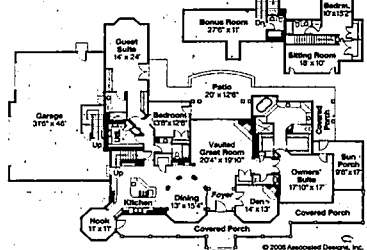


Two large walk-in closets are in the Louisville's luxurious owners' suite, which has direct access to a private sun porch.

The sumptuous private bathroom has a deep soaking tub, walk-in shower, two lavs, corner vanity and totally private toilet.

A bedroom, generously sized utility room and large guest suite fill the opposite wing. Two bathrooms and another bedroom are upstairs, along with a sitting room and a large bonus room.

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Get your kitchen ready for cooking in warmer weather

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Every season has its rituals and traditions. As the days grow longer, we start to think about outdoor activities.

Whether you are getting ready to till the garden or wash the windows, spring is the time to freshen the home and yard after winter.

While there is still a chill in the air, you might want to tidy some areas indoors. The kitchen is the hub of family activities.

Why not organize your kitchen now so you can reduce your food-preparation time and spend more time enjoying the warm-weather months?

Then, take a break and attend the Taste of Home Cooking School at 5:30 a.m. April 27, at the Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls. Sunnie

Renshaw, from the cooking school staff, promises to sprinkle her demonstration with current cooking trends and techniques that just might include an appliance or utensil you will want to add to your sparkling clean kitchen.

Tickets are on sale for \$10. For tickets, visit *The Times-News* at 132 Fairfield St. W. in Twin Falls or call 733-0931.

Each participant will receive a full-color cookbook featuring the demonstrated recipes.

In addition, *The Times-News* is sponsoring Women's Day Out from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 27 in the former Anderson Lumber Building in Twin Falls. Check out the latest from local vendors and get tips for everything from spring cleaning to self-empowerment.

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Dinner in minutes: Baked scallops with linguine

By Linda Gassenhelter
Knight Ridder News Service

The other day I walked into my favorite fish store, and they had just received some large Maine scallops. One of the owners gave me her favorite scallop recipe, which only takes 15 minutes. Served with a linguine dish, this entire meal can be made in less than 30 minutes.

Scallops are readily available. You can use any type for this recipe. If you buy small bay scallops, then cut the baking time to 10 minutes.

Fresh spinach linguine is available in the refrigerated case of most supermarkets. It only takes a couple of minutes to cook. Dried linguine also can be used. If you use dried, you will only need a quarter of a pound.

Tips: You can use peeled baby carrots in the linguine recipe to save time.

Buy good-quality Parmesan cheese and ask the market to grate it for you or chop it in the food processor. Freeze extra for quick use. You can quickly spoon out what you need and leave the rest frozen.

BAKED PARMESAN SCALLOPS

- 1 1/2 pound large scallops
- 1/4 cup plain breadcrumbs
- 1 teaspoon margarine or butter
- 1/4 cup white wine
- 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Rinse scallops and place in a small baking dish just large enough to hold them in one layer. Sprinkle with bread-

crumbs and toss to coat. Cut margarine into bits and divide among the scallops. Add wine to baking dish and bake for 15 minutes.

Remove from oven and turn on broiler. Sprinkle scallops with Parmesan cheese and place under broiler for 5 to 10 seconds. Watch carefully — they will brown quickly. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Serve on bed of Spinach Linguine with Carrots and sprinkle parsley on top. Makes 2 servings.

SPINACH LINGUINE WITH CARROTS

- 3/4 cup clam juice, divided
- 2 medium carrots, peeled and sliced (about 1 cup)
- 1/2 medium onion, sliced (about 1 cup)
- 6 ounces fresh linguine or 4 ounces dried linguine
- Salt and ground black pepper

Place water for pasta on to boil. Heat 1/4 cup clam juice in a small nonstick skillet. Add carrots and onion and saute over medium heat 10 minutes. Place pasta in boiling water. Cook 2 to 3 minutes for fresh pasta and 9 minutes for dried. Drain.

Add the remaining clam juice to the carrots and onions and cook 2 minutes to heat through. Add salt and pepper to taste. Add sauce to drained linguine and toss.

Serve on individual plates and spoon scallops on top. Makes 2 servings.

Try Colombian cuisine in next week's cooking class

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Carol Kovnick-Hernandez of Las Vegas — raised by a Colombian mother and Yugoslavian/Romanian father — will teach a Twin Falls class next week titled "Colombian Cuisine — A South American Adventure."

It's set for 7-9 p.m. April 12 at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Cost is \$35.

From the coffee and cacao grown high in the Andes Mountains to the many tropical fruits of the Caribbean and Amazon-

ian regions, the great cattle farms on the plains, and bountiful seafood from the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea, Colombia is a country of vast and exotic culinary creations," Rudy's said in a statement.

Kovnick-Hernandez "will provide a window into the diverse cuisine of this South American nation."

The menu: Colombian Style Beans and Rice; Arepas (savory corn cakes); Ajfaco (creamy chicken and potato soup); Bunuelos; and Fried Plantains.

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Day Out
A Taste Preview

The Taste of Home Cooking School is coming to town! In addition to the Cooking School, *The Times-News* has created **Women's Day Out**, an exposition geared exclusively toward women during the day of April 27th. The doors to the Anderson Lumber Building open at 10 a.m. and women from all over the Magic Valley can browse through vendor booths, listen to seminars and have lunch at local restaurant stands.

The Times-News will publish and insert a special "Taste of Home" publication into the newspaper on April 27th and we'll give them at Day Out.

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FOOD & HOME

Australian fish blends well with macadamias

By Linda Gassenheimer
Knight Ridder News Service

The subtle flavor and crunchy texture of macadamia nuts blends with the sweet, buttery taste of barramundi in this quick dinner. Barramundi originated in Australia and is found on many U.S. restaurant menus; any fish can be substituted. The nut crust encases the juicy meat.

Fresh pineapple cubes add a tropical flavor to quick-cooking

brown rice. Serve sliced tomatoes sprinkled with chopped red onions or open a bag of ready-to-eat salad to complete the meal.

Our wine suggestion: No worries. A nice, fat Australian fish dish calls for a nice, fat Australian chardonnay.

MACADAMIA-CRUSTED BARRAMUNDI

2 tablespoons chopped, unsalted macadamia nuts

2 tablespoons bread crumbs
Salt and freshly ground pepper

1 egg white
2 teaspoons olive oil
3/4 pound barramundi or other fish fillet

Mix nuts, bread crumbs and salt and pepper to taste. Lightly beat the egg white and then into the egg white and then into the nut mixture, making sure all sides are covered. Heat the oil in a nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. For 1-inch thick fillet,

add the barramundi and saute 5 minutes. Turn and saute another 5 minutes. Makes 2 servings.

PINEAPPLE RICE AND SLICED TOMATOES

3/4 cup 10-minute brown rice

1 1/2 cup fresh pineapple cubes

1 teaspoon olive oil
Salt and freshly ground pepper

2 tablespoons chopped red onion

Bring 1 cup water to a boil in a large saucepan over high heat. Stir in rice, return to a boil, reduce heat, cover and simmer 5 minutes. Remove from heat and let stand 5 minutes. Stir in pineapple cubes, oil and salt and pepper to taste. Add onion with a fork. Slice tomatoes and place on plate with rice and fish. Sprinkle onion on top. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Makes 2 servings.



Compiling a family cookbook takes time and a lot of effort, but it's worth the trouble, says Bessida Cauthorne White, editor and co-editor of two family cookbooks.

Take steps to safeguard family recipes

By Judith M. Havemann
The Washington Post

It doesn't take a catastrophic flood to wash away a family's food heritage. Time and procrastination will work just as effectively as a hurricane if older relatives die before writing down their recipes.

At a recent workshop at the Manassas (Va.) Museum, Bessida Cauthorne White, editor and co-editor of two family cookbooks, offered eight tips for compiling a family cookbook.

Count on spending at least three times as much time gathering the recipes and editing the book as you expect.

Decide the scope of your cookbook. Will it be recipes only, or family stories as well? Will it accept recipes only from family members, or also from friends and in-laws?

Appoint an outreach team to solicit recipes. Tell members of the team to expect to make follow-up calls. Divide the list of potential contributors and visit people in person.

Establish a budget. Even if all the labor is volunteer, there are paper, computer, printing and shipping costs. Family cookbook publishing companies, such as Brennan Printing, www.brennanprinting.com, and Cookbook Publishers Inc., www.cookbookpublishers.com, can save a lot of time but generally do not want to print fewer than 500 copies.

Appoint a sales manager and ask for advance purchases to cover upfront costs.

Select as editors people who pay attention to detail. Have as many people as possible read each recipe to ensure that all the listed ingredients are accounted for in the description of how to make the recipe.

As recipes come in, arrange ingredients in the order in which they are used. Ask contributors to translate terms that might not be commonly known (White said, for example, that she would describe "jamaican pimento" as common allspice).

Prepare an index so you go along organizing recipes alphabetically as well as by categories so that Daddy Jimmy's Stovetop Biscuits would be listed under B for breads and biscuits and D for Daddy.

Family cookbooks are worth the trouble, said White, "because so many family traditions revolve around food."

SEVEN-LAYER BARS

Makes 36 bars
Lauren Cauthorne Bladen-White of Washington contributed this childhood favorite to a compilation of Cauthorne and Brooks family recipes. She got the recipe from a co-worker of her father's when she was 10 years old and has made it dozens of times since. Variations of this recipe, also known as "Hello Dolly Bars," have turned up at many a school fund-raiser. Proportions of the ingredients are flexible. Adapted from "Help Yourself! A Therapist's God's Mighty Pity!"

edited by Ilerman L. Brooks and Bessida Cauthorne White (Fandercraft Publishing, 2000).

4 ounces unsalted butter (1 stick), melted

1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs

6 ounces butterscotch chips

6 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips

4 ounces shredded sweetened coconut

One 14-ounce can sweetened condensed milk

4 ounces chopped pecans, toasted (see note)

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Lightly coat the sides of a 9-by-13-inch baking dish with

nonstick spray oil. Add the melted butter to the prepared baking dish. Sprinkle with graham cracker crumbs and pat down into the butter. Layer the other ingredients in the following order: butterscotch chips, chocolate chips, coconut, condensed milk and pecans. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until the coconut is lightly browned. Transfer to a wire rack and cool before cutting into bars.

NOTE: To toast nuts, spread them on a baking sheet and bake at 350 degrees, shaking the pan occasionally, for 8 to 10 minutes. Watch carefully because nuts burn quickly.

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Breaker Breaker, One Nine

By Andrew McElrother

A fairly common problem in American homes these days is too many electrical appliances. The more we get, the more power they draw and the more likely they will break a circuit or blow a fuse. Once they're done this, though, how do you fix it?

Before you try to turn off the appliances that were turning on the area when the circuit or fuse was overloaded, first, go to your fuse box. When the box is opened, you should see one of two things: a set of fuses or a set of circuit breakers.

Fuses in the box look like small glass tubes. They are screwed into the box in sockets, much like a light bulb in a lamp. When too much power is being drawn, the fuse blows before the wires can overheat. To replace a blown fuse, you must be careful to use the exact kind of fuse that you are removing. The information is usually written on the part of the fuse you will see as you examine it. If you do not have any spare fuses, it is a wise idea to take the blown fuse to the local hardware store so you can find the exact type of fuse for replacement. While shopping, you may want to pick up more than you need so that you have spares for the next time.

If you are looking at a box of on-off switches, your house uses circuit breakers. Rather than blow, a circuit breaker is merely tripped. If your fuse box is not already labeled, you should be replaced. The circuit breaker is still in good condition and in most cases and just needs to be flipped back to the "On" position. Once you have done this, power should be restored to the area.

Now that you have found your box and know how to restore electricity, there is one more thing that you should do while you're there. If your fuse box is not already labeled, you should consider doing so now. Turn off any appliances in the house that would be tripped by losing power to most equipment. This particularly applies to computers. Then turn lights or some form of electrical device on in each room so you can determine what areas are affected by each switch.

Once you have finished labeling your box, you should make a paper copy for your records. Use phrases like "north bedroom" rather than "Mary's room" to make the diagrams more timeless in the event of different rooming arrangements. If you ever sell the home, be sure to pass on the diagram to the new owners.

Now that you know a little more about your fuse box and you have a labeled, you should be fully prepared to face the aftermath of an electrical storm or a new high-powered appliance. Blown fuses and tripped circuit breakers will no longer pose a problem for you.

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FOOD & HOME

The selling of 'trailer park chic'

By Yan Q. Mu
The Washington Post

Perfect is out, in its latest twist, marketing has taken up what Michelle Lamar describes as the anti-Martina Stewart, the anti-Buttery Bab. It's called — offensive or not — white trash.

"If you're not that ideal person, then you're white trash," says Lamar, who runs online retail White Trash Palace near Kansas City.

The book "White Trash Etiquette" dispenses advice on how to win bar fights. Gift bags for the Oscars include kitschy T-shirts, from White Trash Palace, with slogans such as "Every mother is a working mother" — alongside a pair of \$1,000 black diamond Hawaiian flip-flops.

Once strictly a pejorative label with racist undertones, the term "white trash" is now being taken up by marketers and retailers. Call it white-trash chic, redneck couture or trailer fabulous — whatever it is, the idea is to make it cool.

Lamar calls herself white trash and proud of it. Just read her blog, titled White Trash Mom. Her Christmas lights stayed up months after all the gifts were unwrapped. She has mastered the art of driving while talking on her cell phone and yelling at her two kids in the back seat. And sometimes she buys cookies from the store and crumbles them at the edges so they look homemade.

Lamar says she has an agent who is shopping a White Trash Mom book. That's a sign that "white trash" has shed its connotations of rural poverty and poor education to become a symbol of everyman, a marketing consultant Simon Sinek. It now evokes a simpler life and more comforting times — terrorists don't attack trailer parks.

"We live in times of high stress," said Sinek, who also teaches at Columbia University. "Messages that are simple messages that are inspiring, messages that are life-affirming,

are a welcome break from our real lives."

The trend has been percolating in pop culture for several years: Think Von Dutch trucker hats, Kid Rock's White Trash on Dope tour and the recent MTV trailer-park home makeover show.

Pennsylvania State University sociologist Karen Betz Halnon describes it as the latest incarnation of a broader movement she calls "pau chic," in which well-off consumers mimic lower-class culture. American consumers are constantly seeking ways to keep up from punk to grunge to hip-hop.

"What consumers are shopping for more and more is authenticity," Halnon said, "and where they can find authenticity... is to go through traditional activities of the lower class."

She worries that that sends the wrong message. "This is making fun of poverty, making it recreation," she said, "but divorced of any kind of social obligation."

The term "white trash" still carries a heavy stigma in many communities. Sociologist Carl Taylor of Michigan State University said he has seen young people fight over the label.

"You may call each other and may laugh and make reference to being white trash," he said. "But if I was doing a survey and said, 'How do you feel about the word white trash?' they would reject the word itself, the label."

The premise of Pete Kotz's upcoming book on the rise and fall of white-trash living, "White Trash Etiquette," is that white-trash tendencies are universal. His topics include "How to scam out of your gambling debts" and "Is cloping bad financial management?"

"It's kind of a state of mind, I guess," said Kotz, who lives in Cleveland and writes under the name Dr. Verge Edstrom, Esq. "I used to get letters from black guys who wanted to be white trash... You just have to follow the belief system and not turn yuppie."



Jason Saffer performs as Jolene Sugarbaker, Queen of the Trailer Park, in Arlington, Va. Once strictly a pejorative label with racist undertones, the term "white trash" is now being taken up by marketers and retailers.

LUIS PICAZO/Manager Post

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Coffee and chocolate love affair makes brown hot

By Jura Koncius
The Washington Post

CHICAGO — What can brown do for you?

America's love affair with the coffee culture and chocolate has created yet another hot color for the kitchen: brown.

At the recent International Home-and-Housewares Show here, manufacturers of kitchen appliances, cookware and tableware introduced a range of products in hues from espresso to double latte.

From Hamilton Beach came the Electrics collection of high-end toasters, blenders and drink mixers in the new color of mocha. From Le Creuset, enameled cast-iron skillets and cast-iron dishes in chestnut. And from KitchenAid, a stand mixer in copper.

"It all started in the 1990s when Starbucks turned up on every street done up in warm

colors like brown," says Leatrice Eiseman, director of the Pantone Color Institute. "A new life-style was born. Then UPS changed its 'image using brown.'"

"Now that chocolate fountains are stars of the party circuit and dark chocolate is supposedly good for your health, Eiseman says chocolate has taken over where coffee began. "This spills over into every aspect of home furnishings, including housewares."

It's also part of a new warming trend in the kitchen.

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IN BRIEF
Castelford baseball sign-ups start

CASTLEFORD — The Castelford Youth Baseball program will hold sign-ups from 6:30-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 5 in the Castelford High School gym room. Registration will be taken for tee ball, Pee Wee, and rec softball and baseball. Forms that were sent home with students on March 23 are also due. For more information, call 537-8907.

Burley Ladies open with scramble

BURLEY — Burley Ladies Golf is holding its opening day brunch at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 5 with a 9-hole scramble to follow.
New members are welcome. Call 438-5265 or 436-6111 if planning to attend.

Adult softball umpires needed

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department is looking for adult softball umpires. The first informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5 at the park, 1436 Madison Ave. Games start at 6:30 p.m. weeknights, with some weekend games. For more information, call Luis at 735-5033.

Filer boosters meet Wednesday

FILER — The Filer High School boosters will meet in the April 8, at 11 a.m. at the Planet Chess, 1436 Madison Ave. West. Tryout practices will be Wednesday, April 5, through Friday, April 7, and must be attended to learn tryout routine. Practice times are as follows: Grades 1-4, 4-5 p.m., grades 5-6, 5-6 p.m., and grades 7-12, 6-7 p.m. No tryouts are required for ages 9-5. Call 735-1270 for more details.

Cheerleading tryouts scheduled

TWIN FALLS — Tryouts for Planet Cheer competitive cheerleading will be Saturday, April 8, at 11 a.m. at the Planet Chess, 1436 Madison Ave. West. Tryout practices will be Wednesday, April 5, through Friday, April 7, and must be attended to learn tryout routine. Practice times are as follows: Grades 1-4, 4-5 p.m., grades 5-6, 5-6 p.m., and grades 7-12, 6-7 p.m. No tryouts are required for ages 9-5. Call 735-1270 for more details.

Jerome CC men scramble Saturday

JEROME — The Jerome Country Club Men's Association will have their spring meeting and kickoff scramble on Saturday, April 8.
A buffet breakfast will be served from 7:30-9:30 a.m. with a meeting and election of officers from 9:30-9 a.m. A team scramble will shogout at 9 a.m. with teams either formed by club teams or a blind draw if players are not on a twilight team.
All players must be registered in the pro shop by Wednesday at 6 p.m. A \$10 entry fee includes breakfast, raffle ticket and scramble. Players can register at the pro shop or by calling 324-5221.

Gooding GC holds scramble/best ball

GOODING — The Gooding Golf Course will hold a two-man scramble/best ball event on Saturday, April 8, and Sunday, April 9.
The deadline to enter is at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 6, and the course will register at 8 a.m. on Saturday. The event is limited to 36 teams.
Call the course at 934-9977 for enter.

Bulldogs tame Wildcats

By Nathaniel Garrabrant
Times-News writer

FILER — Whatever has been lacking in the Kimberly Bulldogs' baseball program for the past few years finally showed up again.

And, of all places, on the home field of the defending 3A state champions.

Another strong performance from pitcher Mitch Dame and a huge hit from sophomore left fielder Nick Wright combined to give the Bulldogs their first Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference win in three years Tuesday afternoon at Filer.

With the score tied 1-1 in the top of the third, Wright drove a two-out 0-2 pitch to the left-center gap to send home center fielder David Fowers and catcher Joe Mason to go up 3-1.

Mason had driven in the guests' first run of the day earlier in the inning with a hit to score short stop Nate Harmon, who'd singled to lead off the inning.

"It was pretty nice," said Wright. "It was just my turn. Guess, I'm glad we beat Filer, our big rivals."

The Wildcats were able to

pull to within one with an RBI sacrifice bunt from right fielder Tyson Johnson in the fourth, but Dame only the next three innings to hang on for the win.

"The main thing is, Kimberly's pitcher did a great job," said Filer head coach Kent Krueger. "End of story."

Dame struck out eight, while giving up six hits and no walks. It was a performance made all the more critical by the fact that the Bulldogs (2-4, 1-1) left 11 runners on base.

"It was a big win," said Dame. "We hadn't won a conference game in I don't know how long to start off 1-1 in conference. It shouldn't have been as close as it was because we had a lot of runners on base, but we pulled it out when we needed it. The key for me was just to stay ahead because there were only about two guys where I got behind on the count. That's what they got the big hits."

Filer (5-3, 0-2) got on the board first with an RBI double in the second inning from junior second baseman Blake Pecker before Dame ended the frame in the next at bat with a strikeout.

"It was very nice to win," said

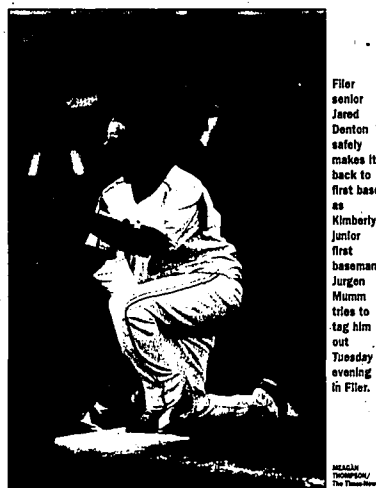
Bulldogs head coach Darin Gonzales. "The kids did a good job. We left too many runners on base, didn't score some kids. I thought we could have scored. But once again, our pitching was real strong with Mitchell. He handles and the defense did a nice job of backing him up today."

The Wildcats avenged the loss in the nonconference nightcap with a 5-0 win. Brandon Bartolo pitched a complete game for the hosts before the contest was called in the sixth inning due to darkness. Bartolo also had a RBI double in the first inning for the game's only extra base hit.

"Bartolo pitched very well and had a great day at the plate for us," said Krueger.
Both teams play next at the Buhl Mid-season Classic beginning on Friday.

Game 1
Kimberly 5, Filer 2
Pitcher: 02 002 — 37 1
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Mick Dams and Joe Mason, Jared Dornor, Josh Brundick
David Jackson, W. Dams, Dornor
Evan Shea 10 — 28 Kimberly, NCS Wright, Filer, Blake Pecker, Brandon Borne

Game 2
Filer 5, Kimberly 0, six innings, darkness
Pitcher: 02 002 — 03 3
WJ 001 — 10 10
Harold Barredo and Blake Pecker, Bryce Steiner, Joe Mason 02, Nick Wright and David Jackson
Evan Shea 10 — 25 Kimberly, Barredo



Filer senior Jared Dornor safely makes it back to first base as Kimberly junior first baseman Jurgon Murrum tries to tag him out Tuesday evening in Filer.

What a comeback!



Maryland's Laura Harper, tournament MVP, celebrates her team's 70-75 NCAA Women's National Championship win over Duke Tuesday in Boston.

Terps win title in OT after down by double digits

The Associated Press

BOSTON — Overtime belongs to Maryland. So does the NCAA championship.
Freshman Kristi Tolliver hit a 3-pointner at the end of regulation to cap a 13-point comeback, then made two free throws with 35 seconds left in overtime Tuesday night to give the Terrapins their first NCAA women's basketball title with a 78-75 victory over Duke.

Maryland (34-4) is 6-0 in overtime games this season — the first five on the road and the last in the championship to complete the second-largest comeback in a women's final. It was the first time the title was determined in overtime since Tennessee beat Virginia in 1991.

Once after Tolliver's blocked court twice — a Maryland player's storm forced overtime and again when Blue Devils guard Jessica Foley's desperation, well-remembered 3-point attempt nicked the front of the rim at the overtime buzzer.

Piling up on the court, hugging and humping chests, the Terrapins revealed to the youth that had been the biggest doubt surrounding them coming into the tournament.
"Age is just a number," Maryland coach Brenda Freese said. "When you get kids that believe and they believe in each other and they got that kind of confidence, you can accomplish anything as a team."

Foley made two free throws with 18 seconds left in regulation to give Duke a 70-67 lead, then Freese called timeout to set up a play.
Tolliver, who had 12 rebounds in the semifinal victory over North Carolina, brought the ball down and yanked over to



the right before putting through the 3 with 6.1 seconds left and Duke's Allison Bates in her face.

"And I even felt her fingertips as I was holding my follow through," Tolliver said. "So, she did a great job contesting. I just had a lot of confidence. And I knew I wanted to take the big shot so I just took it."

Duke (31-4) opted not to call a timeout; Lindsey Harding brought the ball down the court and put up a desperation jumper from the right baseline that went off the rim.

After that, the usually frenetic Freese just let her players take over.
"I didn't have to say a word," Freese said. "They just know that overtime is their thing."

Duke took a 75-74 lead before Tolliver sank two free throws to put Maryland ahead for good. Marissa Coleman, who bounced back from Freese's furious first-half tongue-lashing to finish with 10 points and 14 rebounds, hit the last two free throws for Maryland with 13.4 seconds left before Foley's 3 barely hit it.

sideline and clapping, screaming out plays and in one case walking onto the court to rip into Coleman for the last 30 seconds of a two-minute timeout.

Coleman got the message.
After scoring just two points in the first half, the 6-foot-1 freshman battled against the 6-foot-7 Bates to keep Duke from using its inside edge to counter Maryland's speed. And that's when Tolliver, who had led the game with ball-handling against the Tar Heels, took over.

Duke coach Gail Goetsenkos wasn't surprised to see a pair of freshmen maintain their poise.
"No, I've seen it too many times," she said. "Every time they go to overtime, they've won."

The loss will sting back on the Durham, N.C., campus, which is already rulling in the aftermath of a lacrosse party that led to allegations of rape and racism. Coach G failed in her fourth trip to the Final Four to add a banner at Cameron Indoor Stadium along the three won by her better-known men's counterpart, Mike Krzyzewski.

"I just feel disappointment for my players and my seniors," she said. "It's killing me — not for me, but for my players."

But her players felt just the opposite.
"I'm honored," Harding said. "I wanted to win this for her, knowing we were going to win this for Coach G. I get tired of people saying she can't win the big game."
Monique Currie, who came back for a 21th year to try to win a title, scored 22 points for Duke, and Bates had 19 points and 12 rebounds. But Bates made just one of two free throws with 47 seconds left and the game tied 74-74.

Woods will need to concentrate at Masters

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The first tee shot of a Cripis Tuesday morning sailed against a sunlit sky and disappeared into a bunker.

Tiger Woods' next effort wasn't his usual pull.
He hit a pull-hook that took one hop before smacking into the trunk of a Georgia pine and landing in the second cut of rough. It was more of the same on the second hole, one drive clattering into the trees on the left, another drive sailing into the woods on the right.

Augusta National is tougher than ever, and it has Woods' attention. For all the changes this year at the Masters, perhaps the biggest-facing Woods is that his father is not here for the first time.

Earl Woods is too weak to travel. The cancer that returned in 2004 and spread throughout his body has taken such a toll that Woods flew across the country to California the day before The Players Championship to check on his father. Woods returned to Sawgrass and tied for 22nd, although that was more a result of poor iron play and substandard putting.

One trait he inherited from his father is a strong mind.
"I've been dealing with it for years, so nothing has changed," Woods said of his father's health. "It is what it is, and you just deal with it. Even once you had a family member who lived that long, you're going to deal with it sometime. Unfortunately, it's our time now."

Even so, the Masters has always been a family affair.
Earl Woods had heart bypass surgery during the 2004 Masters, and he was hospitalized and nearly died before doctors revived him. There were complications from surgery, and he wasn't supposed to travel, but he did. Woods returned to Augusta for his son's professional debut in a major.

But the father was at the Masters in 1997, and even, the Woods a putting lesson.

Woods didn't have a three-putt that week, shattered scoring records to win by 12 shots in 1997, and even, the Woods in golf, then walked off the 18th green and into the arms of his father, melting in tears.

Earl Woods managed to travel to Augusta, but was in no shape to go to the golf course. He watched on television as his son chipped in for birdie on the 16th, went bogey-bogey to regroup a two-shot lead, then blew with his best two shots of the week to set up a 15-foot birdie for the victory.
"And then he broke down on the 18th green, noting that 'Tiger' was unable to see him win."
Asked to describe his father's condition, Woods replied, "Fighting."

SPORTS



Chicago White Sox third baseman Joe Crede, left, and catcher A.J. Pierzynski, right, look at Pierzynski's World Series ring during ceremonies before their baseball game against the Cleveland Indians at U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago, Tuesday.

Sox get rings, Indians spoil with win

CHICAGO (AP) — Aaron Boone took some glimmer off Chicago's first ceremony Tuesday, lifting the Cleveland Indians into an 8-2 victory over the White Sox.



Pictured is the 2005 Chicago White Sox World Series ring during ceremonies before their baseball game against the Cleveland Indians at U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago, Tuesday.

Boone homered, drove in four runs and crashed into catcher A.J. Pierzynski to score a run for Cleveland, which put a damper on another day of celebrations by the World Series champions.

Willingham connected twice, Mike Jacobs over top three-run shot and Hanley Ramirez led off four hits and three RBIs, Florida, with six rookies in its starting lineup and a major league-low payroll of about \$15 million, gave first-year manager Joe Girardi his first win.

Blue Jays 6, Twins 3

TORONTO — Roy Halladay outpitched John Santana in a matchup of recent Cy Young Award winners to lead the news-look Blue Jays to their win.

Wood River 5, Minico 2

WOOD RIVER — The Minico Spartans softball team dropped a Great Basin West game 5-2 in eight innings on Tuesday at the Big Valley Softball Complex in Rupert.

Rangers 10, Red Sox 4

ARLINGTON, Texas — Rangers slugger Phil Nevin had a three-run homer in the first inning and later chased struggling Red Sox pitcher Tim Lincecum with a two-run single.

Marlins 11, Astros 2

HOUSTON — Miguel Cabrera hit one of four Florida homers and the rookie-laden Marlins roughed up Andy Pettitte for 10 runs and 13 hits Tuesday night in an 11-2 rout of the Houston Astros.

Selig defends choice to head investigation

CHICAGO (AP) — Commissioner Bud Selig defended his choice of George Mitchell to head baseball's steroid investigation, saying the former Senate Majority Leader has independence.

It's important for somebody who understands what I call the mores of culture of this sport as well as he does that helps in the investigation, that doesn't hurt it, Selig said Tuesday after helping hand out World Series rings to the Chicago White Sox.

Wood River bests Minico

Local sports

Mangum had six strikeouts and walked two for the Tigers. Jerome scored four runs in the fifth inning to take a 10-6 lead and would allow Pocatello to score two more runs in the top of the seventh.

Wood River 7, Burley 5

BURLEY — Burley lost a close Great Basin Conference home tennis match to Wood River 7-5 Tuesday.

Game 1

Wood River 5, Minico 2
Wood River 5, Minico 2
Wood River 5, Minico 2

Results

Wood River 7, Burley 5
Wood River 7, Burley 5
Wood River 7, Burley 5

Game 2

Wood River 5, Minico 2
Wood River 5, Minico 2
Wood River 5, Minico 2

Baseball

Minico 3, Pocatello 2

POCATELLO — Defense, at times, has been Achilles heel in baseball this season.

Declo takes top spot

BURLEY — The Declo boys shot a team score of 326 to defeat Filer, Kimberly and Lighthouse Christian on Tuesday afternoon at the Burley Municipal Golf Course.

Results

Wood River 5, Minico 2
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Tennis

Twin Falls 11, Jerome 1

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls tennis team moved to 2-0 as defeated Jerome 11-1 Tuesday.

Gooding wins Buhl golf meet

Buhl — The Gooding Senators captured both boys and girls team titles at a four-school meet at Clear Lakes Country Club in Buhl Tuesday afternoon.

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Spurs quiet Jazz, keep lead in Western

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WHAT'S ON T.V.

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WOODEN COULD BE RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL

LOS ANGELES — Former UCLA basketball coach John Wooden could be released from a hospital as early as Wednesday after suffering from diverticulitis, his daughter said.

The 95-year-old Hall of Fame coach was admitted to a hospital near his home in the San Fernando Valley on Sunday for diverticulitis.

"His spirits are very good and he's doing fine," Nancy Nielsen said. "He's ready to get out of the hospital."

Muehlhausen said his father needed several blood transfusions. Other charges stemming from Wooden showed the former coach was healthy, she said.

AREAS PLAYERS NAMED TO NIC ALL-STAR TEAM

COEUR D'ALENE — The North Idaho College Athletics Department has released its final state-wide All-Star selections.

The game will be played at Christianson Gym in Coeur d'Alene on Saturday, April 8. The girls play at 6 p.m., followed by the boys at 8:30 p.m.

CHARGES DISMISSED AGAINST CALLEPPER

MINNEAPOLIS — Quarterback Daunte Culpepper was cleared Tuesday of misdemeanor charges stemming from a boat-party sex scandal.

A judge ruled there wasn't probable cause to determine a crime was committed by Culpepper, who was accused of molesting Vikings accused of misdemeanor lewd conduct during the cruise last fall on a Minnesota lake.

Culpepper issued a statement through the Dolphins franchise that he was "delighted" at the ruling.

MISSISSIPPI STATE SUSPENDS SIX PLAYERS

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Mississippi State football coach Sylvester Croom indefinitely suspended six players Tuesday because they were accused of assaulting a police officer last weekend.

The six players have pleaded not guilty to the charges. Five players were arrested Sunday night on the felony charge: cornerback Keith Hughes and safety Derek Potts.

Each player is free on \$25,000 bond. The players are accused of assaulting off-duty officer Darrin Walters during a fight downtown.

MONTANA STATE NAMES HUSE NEXT HOOPS COACH

BOZEMAN, Mont. — University of Montana assistant coach Bob Huse, who said he wants to return to Montana State basketball, was named Tuesday by athletic director Peter Fields.

"I'm excited to get back to Montana State and lead the program to a new level," Huse said. "When I was at Montana State, I had a 42-20 overall record. Montana won the Big Sky Conference championship in 1994."

Huse was an assistant at Montana for the past two seasons. He coached at Syracuse from 1992 to 1994.

TITANS TELL McNEIR TO WORK OUT AT HQ

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Tennessee Titans told Steve McNair they don't want him working out in their building until his contract is reworked, the quarterback's agent said Tuesday.

McNeir was told to go home Monday when he showed up at the team's headquarters for the start of the spring training camp. The report said McNair's offseason conditioning program, the team's general coach had called agent Bus Cook earlier Monday and informed him McNair would be told to leave.

MARBUT REPRIMANDED FOR RESUME PADDED

PULLMAN, Wash. — Washington State baseball head coach Donnie Marbut has been reprimanded for padding his resume with a list of schools he never coached at.

Stark said the school's investigation into allegations raised by the Seattle Times last month found Marbut had received a teaching certificate that he had not earned. The claim concerned a biographical data sheet after he was accused of being an assistant coach in 2003.



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Standard & Poor's 500	+8.12	1,305.93
Russell 2000	+3.10	759.22

Stocks of local interest

Albertsons	\$25.65	▲ .01
Con Agra	\$21.61	▲ .04
Deli Inc.	\$29.85	▲ .12
Idacorp	\$32.71	▲ .40
Micron	\$15.66	▲ .19
SuperValu	\$30.42	▲ .22

Commodities

Oil, by barrel	\$69.22	▼ .51
Live cattle	\$78.32	▼ 1.9
Cold (June)	\$590.6	▼ 3.7

Delta pilots authorize strike

ATLANTA — Delta Air Lines Inc. pilots, angered by management's effort to throw out their contract and impose deep pay cuts, voted by a wide margin to authorize a strike, union leaders said Tuesday.

The 94.7 percent vote in favor of authorizing a strike gives union leaders the authority to set a strike date. They didn't set a date immediately and gave no indication when they might act.

An arbitration panel must decide by April 15 whether to void the pilots' contract. The union has said it will strike if its contract is rejected.

Merck & Co. expects high 1Q profits

WHITEHOUSE STATION, N.J. — Drug maker Merck & Co. said Tuesday it anticipates posting a higher profit in the first quarter than originally expected because of sales of its cholesterol drug, Zocor.

Merck said it now expects to report earnings of 61 to 67 cents per share, at least 15 percent higher than its forecast of 52 to 58 cents per share announced in January. Zocor is Merck's top-selling medicine and the second-most popular cholesterol drug in the country.

Merck will lose its exclusive patent on the drug in June. Analysts have said they expected insurers to push patients from competing drugs to Zocor in the short term and then to lower-cost generic versions.

Lawsuit claims GM wipers defective

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — A federal lawsuit claims the windshield wipers on millions of older General Motors Corp. vehicles are defective and that the automaker should have recalled 7.5 million trucks, vans and sport-utility vehicles instead of 1.7 million vehicles.

Jefferson City couple Timothy and Gloria Owen, the lead plaintiffs in the lawsuit, say they repaired their 1999 Chevrolet Tahoe in October 2004 for about \$92, after the wipers failed during a storm, and GM refused to reimburse their cost. The suit seeks class-action status.

3M considering selling part of itself

MINNEAPOLIS — 3M Co., a maker of items ranging from adhesives to health and safety products, said on Tuesday it is considering selling its branded pharmaceutical business. It is sharing 1.5 percent on the New York Stock Exchange.

The pharmaceuticals unit develops, makes and markets branded drug products related to dermatology, women's health, cardiology and respiratory medicine for the hospital-based community. Its brands include Aldara, Dillman, Duramnine, Tambocor, Maxair, Metrogel-Vaginal and Miltrolin. It employs 1,500 workers worldwide.

Wal-Mart plans urban expansion

By Yan Q. Mu
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Wal-Mart Stores Inc. plans to build more than 50 stores in urban areas over the next two years and, sounding more governmental than corporate, said it would also create programs to support small businesses — including its competitors — in the process.

The plan, announced Tuesday by chief executive H. Lee Scott, would be a major shift in strategy for the company, which became the nation's largest retailer by opening rural and suburban stores. Wal-Mart's arrival in big cities is often controversial, with opponents fearing that the retail giant will drive out small businesses and depress wages. Wal-Mart tacitly acknowledged those concerns Tuesday with its plans to create "jobs and opportunity zones" around 10 of its new urban stores, in the areas Wal-Mart will hold seminars on how to do business with the company, donate money to

local chambers of commerce and feature small businesses in its in-store radio promotions, among other things.

A holy contested Wal-Mart store under construction on Chicago's West Side will anchor the first zone. The remaining nine will be announced in coming months, the company said. It did not disclose where the other new urban stores would be built but said it is looking at markets where it currently has no presence.

"We see that we can also be better for communities than we have been in the past, if we're willing to stretch ourselves and our resources a little bit," Scott said during a conference call from Chicago with reporters.

Traditionally, Wal-Mart has not been one to give its competitors a helping hand. The company built its name around its laser-like focus on low prices. Employees secretly shop at rival stores, then slash their own prices, and its post-Thanksgiving blockbuster deals are unparalleled.

But recently, as the retailer

has come under assault for everything from its health care benefits to sluggish sales, it has tried to show off other side.

"They've got a problem to solve," said David Neumark, an economist with the Public Policy Institute of California. "For some reason, they alone among big box retailers have sort of become evil in part of the public eye."

At the Chicago store, for example, local officials initially rejected zoning changes that would allow Wal-Mart to build its first store within city limits, under pressure from union leaders and small businesses. The store eventually was approved only after Wal-Mart agreed not to sell fresh produce and other groceries to prevent competition with local supermarkets.

In Washington, Wal-Mart backed off building a store in the Brentwood neighborhood after critics argued the chain would pay city residents low wages and benefits, destroy small businesses and overwhelm the surrounding neighborhood with traffic.



Wal-Mart Chief Executive Lee Scott H. Lee Scott, left, looks over blueprints with Robert Lewis as he tours a new store site Tuesday in Chicago. Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the world's largest retailer, said Tuesday it plans to build stores in struggling communities over the next two years in order to create between 35,000 and 25,000 jobs.

WORK AND DISABILITIES



Bruce R. Morgan sits with his wife Marilyn Morgan as he works in his home office in Pomton Plains, N.J., March 27. After his company, Nabisco, was bought by Kraft Foods Inc., his 25-person department was laid off on the same day in 2004.

Barriers to work still up for people with disabilities

By Ellen Simon
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Bruce Morgan knew he was in for a long job search.

Morgan has a strong resume and 125 in-person meetings, but he also has cerebral palsy, which affects his speech. After his company, Nabisco, was bought by Kraft Foods Inc., his 25-person department was laid off on the same day in 2004.

Some of his colleagues planned to take time off. Morgan, a triathlete, a piano player and a father of three, started looking even before the layoff.

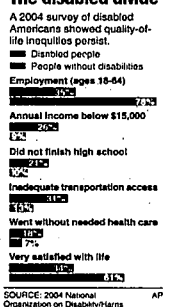
"Over the next 19 months, he had 125 in-person meetings and sent a monthly e-mail update to 1,600 people. Sometimes he was merely discouraged, once he was felt he was discriminated against so blatantly, he filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Near the end of his search, Morgan, who lives in Pomton Plains, N.J., was so disheartened, he started his own computer repair business.

The Americans with Disabilities Act, passed in 1990, prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities, yet the employment rate for those with disabilities has been nearly flat for almost 20 years.

Only 34 percent of working-age people with disabilities had full-time or part-time jobs in 1986. In 2004, the figure was 35 percent, according to surveys done by the National Organization on Disability in conjunction with the Harris Survey. People without disabilities

The disabled divide



has an employment rate of 78 percent.

People with disabilities are nearly three times more likely to live in poverty than people without disabilities; 26 percent of people with disabilities had a 2004 annual household income below \$15,000, versus 9 percent of those without disabilities, the survey found.

"Employers still have fears and misconceptions about people with disabilities," said Nancy Starnes, vice president and chief of staff at the National Organization on Disability, a nonprofit focusing on the participation of people with disabilities in all aspects of community life.

Starnes, who has used a wheelchair since 1973, when a plane crash left her paraplegic,

has made a career of trying to open doors to other people with disabilities. She worked from 1987 to 1997 in New Jersey at county job referral services for people with disabilities.

"I heard a lot of very, very disheartened people who were trying to look for work," she said.

While their disabilities ranged widely, their message was the same. "They were asking, in some cases, pleading, 'Can you help me try to get a job? I'm having a very difficult time finding an opportunity, finding an employer who will just give me a chance,'" she said.

Advocates for the disabled try everything to open doors. From one-day events where college students with disabilities spend a day with an office worker to poetry contests.

"My mom without her job is like a baseball player without a bat. My mom with her job is like a cat lover with 20 cats," wrote Diamond Clark, age 12, whose mother works as a data entry clerk through a New York City's FedCap, a nonprofit that serves 3,000 people with disabilities a year with job training and placement.

People who train disabled workers not only have to find willing employers, they have to prepare their clients for a tough search. Students who have spent their school years in special needs classes also have to adjust, quickly, to the less sheltered world of work.

Chief instructor Matthew Syehaha teaches culinary students at FedCap's Career Design School. The students —

Illegal workers have mixed impact on economic activity

By Jeannine Averis
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — They pick fruit and vegetables and clip hedges, they hang dry-wall and clean houses, hotels and office buildings.

In the millions of illegal workers in the United States have come under a fresh spotlight as Congress and President Bush grapple with revamping the nation's immigration policies.

Illegal workers' relationship to the economy is intricate. They are willing to work for lower wages than legal workers, helping to keep down prices. But illegals also can depress wages for unskilled, legal workers and strain local hospitals and schools.

"There is not a simple economic case here. It is complex. It is interwoven, and it is hard to untangle," said Terry Connolly, dean of the Ageno School of Business at Golden Gate University in San

Earning less pay

Many migrant workers in the construction industry earn more than the median of \$300 a week, while women in the hospitality, manufacturing and cleaning sectors make less.

Weekly earnings

- \$51-\$100
- \$101-\$129
- \$130-\$199
- \$200-\$299
- \$300-\$399
- \$400-\$499
- \$500+

Percentage of workers in selected industry

Construction	23	2007	17
Manufacturing	14	40	12
Cleaning	3	34	18

NOTE: Data from July 2004 to Jan. 2005. All figures are not add up to 100 percent.

SOURCE: Pew Hispanic Center, AP

Simplex plan to produce more sulfuric acid worries Pocatello man

The Associated Press

POCATELLO — A request by officials with the J.R. Simplex Co. to increase production of sulfuric acid at one of its plants has at least one area resident concerned about the air he breathes.

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality is scheduled to issue a permit April 29 that will allow Simplex's No. 300 Sulfuric Acid Plant in southeastern Idaho to increase production by 100 to 150 tons per day.

Greg Helm of Pocatello has asked the DEQ for a 30-day public comment period on the permit. He said that when conditions trap air pollutants in the valley during winter inversions, he won't let his two sons go outside.

"Both of them have asthma," he told the Idaho State Journal. "It burns their sinuses. It burns their lungs." Rick Phillips, a Simplex spokesman, said the company is operating the plant below maximum emission levels and even with increased production would remain within existing guidelines.

"If we were asking to increase the emission level and certainly the public would want to weigh in on that," Phillips said. "In this case, we're saying we can increase the production and still stay within those emission levels."

The Boise-based company is one of the largest potato processors in the world, and

has extensive fertilizer, land and cattle operations. The company supplies McDonald's restaurants with more than half their fries. It uses sulfuric acid to make fertilizer.

"The permit the company now has allows it to produce up to 1,750 tons of sulfuric acid a day at the plant. The new permit would allow up to 1,900 tons."

Helm said that if the plant is not exceeding emissions standards already, the standards aren't strict enough.

"I can't stand the smell," he said. "It even bothers me some days. It tears me up. It tears my boys up. They need to step up and let us know what they are doing. Nobody even knows what's going on."

This winter the new equipment in the plant in 2001, Phillips said, that would allow production of 1,750 tons of sulfuric acid without exceeding allowable emissions standards. Phillips said the plant is running cleaner than they had estimated, so the company submitted an application to remove the cap on 1,750 tons per day. He said the increased production wouldn't cause air problems.

"This winter the DEQ and EPA (U.S. Environmental Protection Agency) set those emission limits that the upper limit you can operate under and still maintain quality of an air shed," Phillips said. "Typically, Simplex has always operated substantially below its limits."

MONEY

California wine sales hit another record high

By Michelle Locke Associated Press writer

BERKELEY, Calif. — California wine sales in the United States hit another record in 2007, a rise experts attribute to the falling cost of fuel and the Supreme Court weighing in on wine shipments to the vino-centric movie, "Sideways."

"Wine is enjoying this wonderful moment of very favorable attitudes," said industry consultant Jon Fredrikson, who compiled the figures released Monday by the San Francisco-based Wine Institute.

California wine shipments to U.S. markets amounted to 411 million gallons at a retail value of \$16.6 billion, said Fredrikson, publisher of the Gomburg-Fredrikson Report. That was up 5 percent from the 2004 record-setting 428 million gallons, which had a retail value of about \$15 billion.

Retail California shipments to domestic and international markets was 532 million gallons, up from 523 million gallons in 2004.

About two out of every three bottles of wine sold in the United States come from California. Looking at sales of all wine, including other states and foreign producers, domestic sales grew by about 5 percent to 773 million gallons, valued at \$26 billion.

Wine sales have been growing ever

WINE SHIPMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES

Table with 3 columns: Year, Gallons, Retail value. Data from 2005 to 1996.

Source: Wine Institute, Department of Commerce, Gomburg, Fredrikson & Associates. Figures include shipments of wine from U.S. and foreign producers.

since 1991 when CBS' "60 Minutes," did its "French Paradox" story on perceived health benefits of wine.

"But about four years ago, the rate of growth picked up, Fredrikson said, because of a number of things, including the introduction of new wine brands, such as Two Buck Buck, the nickname of Charles Shaw wines which sell for \$1.99 in California.

The success of the wine trade trip to Europe, which opened in fall 2004, and this summer's Supreme Court shipping ruling — forcing states



Edison Voong packs up boxes of wine to be shipped from Winem.com at the interior wine retailer's warehouse in Oakland, Calif., in this May 2005 file photo. California wine sales in the United States scored another record high in 2005, reaching 441 million gallons.

to treat local and out-of-state wineries equally — added to the momentum, Fredrikson said.

"I characterize it as wine finally really getting traction with the American public," he said.

Looking at wine by price, sales of

wines \$7 and above grew 13 percent, while wines under \$7 declined 2 percent. As in 2004, red wine edged out whites with 41.7 percent of the market versus 41 percent. Blush wine accounted for the remaining 17 percent.

At Joseph Phelps Vineyards in St.

Helena, president Tom Shelton was glad to see sales on the upswing, but noted that U.S. consumption of wine still lags totals elsewhere.

"Clearly, there's a lot of room for wine to continue its consumption growth," he said.

Philip Morris sues Fruitland store over alleged counterfeit cigarettes

By Rebecca Boone Associated Press writer

HOISE — Cigarette maker Philip Morris USA has filed a lawsuit against a Fruitland store owner for allegedly selling counterfeit cigarettes.

In the lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court on Friday, Philip Morris claims:

The Orchard Store has been

selling fake Marlboro and Marlboro Lights cigarettes, infringing on the company's trademark.

John Ulin, an attorney representing Philip Morris, did not return repeated calls from The Associated Press.

In a lawsuit attempt to profit from Philip Morris' substantial investment in its

rettes individually. Gonzalez said he has never carried Marlboro brand cigarettes in his convenience store, and has not yet seen the lawsuit.

"I only have sold Camels and Winston, and I don't even sell a whole pack. Right now I only have four packs or eight packs in the entire store," Gonzalez said.

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Philip Morris claims it discovered the alleged counterfeit after someone hired as a "purchaser" for the company bought some packs from The Orchard Store and sent them to a company facility, according to the lawsuit.

"Philip Morris then examined them using a series of proprietary inspection methods and conclusively

determined one or more of the packs purchased from defendant's retail equipment is counterfeit," the company said in the lawsuit.

Philip Morris is asking a judge to stop the store from selling any phony Marlboros, to order the store to turn over all profits from the fakes and to pay other damages and attorney's fees.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: Name, Div, Last, Chg, Vol, Open, High, Low, Close, Net, YTD 52-wk. Lists various stocks like AAPL, MSFT, etc.

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Table with columns: Name, Div, PE, Last, Chg, Vol, YTD. Lists local stocks like Albemarle, Amgen, etc.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 825 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the NASDAQ National Markets and 100 most active on the American Stock Exchange.

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Table with columns for instrument, high, low, and change. Includes contracts for corn, soybeans, wheat, and various oil products.

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Table showing cheese prices for various types like Cheddar, Swiss, and Brie, with columns for instrument, high, low, and change.

POTATOES

Table showing potato prices for different grades and origins, including Idaho and Washington.

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MARKET SUMMARY

Table providing a summary of market activity and trends.

Economy

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Work. who are from New York's District 11, which serves the city's most severely disabled students—staged mock interviews with graduates of the program.

Work. rough, but seeing what he can do, how far he has come, I believe he can prosper." At a student job interview, said Robyn L. Saunders, a career placement specialist at FedCap.

Work. "Every time you go out, there's 400 people going out for the same job," Sywido told the students, who have severe learning disabilities. "What are you going to do to differentiate yourself from the other 399?"

Work. "My goal," he said later, "is to keep them from being scared, to keep them from being scared of new opportunities."

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COMICS

B.C.

By Johnny Hart



Baby Blues

By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



Baldo

By Hector D. Canlu and Carlos Castellanos



Brevity

By Guy & Rodd



Dilbert

By Scott Adams



Doonesbury

By Garry Trudeau



The Elderberries

By Phil Frank and Joe Tropea



For Better or For Worse

By Lynn Johnston



Frank and Ernest

By Bob Thaves



Lutani

By Greg Evans



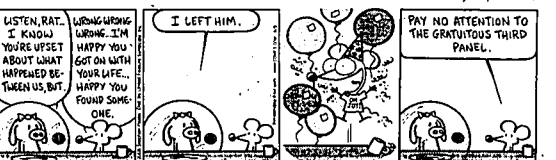
Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley



Pearls Before Swine

By Stephan Pastis



Pickles

By Brian Crane



Rose Is Rose

By Pat Brady



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By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott



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By Wiley

Strange Brew

By John Deering



Aquarius: Creativity should be a snap

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

IF APRIL IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your career should blossom this year, but in many ways, home is where your heart is. If your thinking and your emotions seem somewhat split this year, some quiet time alone should help you decide the best course. If you are in a committed relationship, a partner's windfall early in the year may be a pleasant surprise. Don't be surprised if your friendships carry the possibility of real success. In terms of magnetism, you've still "got it."

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A romantic aura is still lingering. Plans with friends may come together today in a better way than they have recently. New beginnings carry the possibility of real success. In terms of magnetism, you've still "got it."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Alliances and friendships formed now have real potential. Time spent with family can be rewarding now-showing feelings may still be difficult today, though. Make sure others know they are appreciated.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Despite whatever is going on around you, a certain sense of being in the right place is pervasive. Take time to count your blessings and your joys. Navigate a course of moderation in the

face of pulls in different directions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You are wonderful to others and they know you are almost always good for moral support, empathy or a just good meal. Enjoy being so important to the people you care for and know that you are deeply appreciated.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your mind is abuzz with new ideas, and some of them have a real chance of success. Today and tomorrow should be good days to run with any that seem truly feasible. Don't let a period of overcommitment spoil the rest of the year.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): There are so many reasons to have faith in yourself, so don't let any recently dropped balls worry you unduly. You are both protected and appreciated now, and you should be able to work out whatever is needed for the greatest good of all concerned.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Extra effort is still needed to counteract an uncharacteristic tendency toward holding back expressions of love and caring. Yes, you show your love all the time, and you

they should remember — but everyone loves to be reminded.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Are your expectations too high? If so, readjust them into the realm of the possible. You still have time to disperse growing antagonisms before it's too late. Don't hold on to your grievances; the only one it hurts is you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): If anyone can please everyone, you can now. You have your head and your heart in balance, and this gives you exceptional perspective. Don't let a creative wild-goose chase pull you off course.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Overcommitment could lead to reckless and ultimately regrettable decisions. You know how to analyze situations and proceed step-by-step, so make sure you're acting accordingly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Finding a practical application for your creativity should be a snap now, and you'll be more comfortable expressing this side of yourself if there's a solid justification. Do your best to be agreeable, win friends and...

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): If short-term emotions could be temporarily clouding your judgment, wait them out. You continue to be under a lucky star. Take things step by step, and you almost cannot lose.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

Panel 4: Beetle Bailey: I HAVEN'T HAD MY RING OFF SINCE I'VE BEEN MARRIED. How I can't get it off!
 Panel 5: AREN'T YOU AFRAID IT WILL CUT OFF YOUR CIRCULATION? MY CIRCULATION WAS CUT OFF THE DAY I PUT IT ON.

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

Panel 1: OKAY, MAGAZINE SANDWICH, MUSIC.
 Panel 2: BUT IT STILL SEEMS LIKE I FORGOT SOMETHING.
 Panel 3: OH, NO! NOT AGAIN!

The Bom Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

Panel 1: DID YOU SEE THAT COOL METEOR SHOWER LAST NIGHT?
 Panel 2: NAH—I HAD TO GO TO BED EARLY!
 Panel 3: HOW COME ALL THE COOL METEOR SHOWERS ALWAYS HAVE TO HAPPEN AT NIGHT?

Garfield By Jim Davis

Panel 1: I DON'T EXIST TO SERVE YOU!
 Panel 2: SAD...
 Panel 3: SO YOUR LIFE HAS NO MEANING AT ALL.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

Panel 1: NEVER EXPECT A KING TO BE 100% FAITHFUL!
 Panel 2: I'VE LEARNED TO SHARE HIS AFFECTIONS!
 Panel 3: WITH ANOTHER WOMAN? NO! WITH HIS BOAT!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

Panel 1: SUNBEAM SAYS...
 Panel 2: NO TWO "SUNFLAKES" ARE EXACTLY ALIKE!

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

Panel 1: YOU LEAD A BORING LIFE. DID YOU KNOW THAT? YOU NEVER DO ANYTHING EXCITING.
 Panel 2: BLEAH!!
 Panel 3: THAT WAS EXCITING.

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

Panel 1: YOU'RE BACK ALREADY?
 Panel 2: THE DOCTOR PUT IN AN EXPRESS LANE.
 Panel 3: SEVEN SYMPTOMS OR LESS.

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

Panel 1: *AND THEN THIS GUY CALLS ME EVERY BAD NAME IN THE BOOK!
 Panel 2: *YOU MEAN THERE'S A BOOK?
 Panel 3: "We had a birthday party for Barty, but he ate the whole cake!"

Mom demands center stage at her daughter's expense



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I own my own home. My mother lives with me. I cannot understand why she makes up the most fantastic whopping lies. Mother tells people that I live with her and she pays all the bills. Abby, I pay the bills, and I'm the one that gets charged at the end of the month because her spending spree keeps me financially strapped.

She also has to be the center of attention. She'll go to any length to get the spotlight on herself, even if it means making me look like a complete idiot. If I do anything that earns acknowledgment or recognition, Mother tells these people that she instructed me, or suggested the work or had a lot to do with the project.

Is her behavior a form of jealousy, rivalry or downright meanness? Is the attention so important to her that she must embarrass me or make me look like I'm living off her when the reverse has been true for the last 20 years? What makes my mother have to do this to me?

knowing her. You have my sympathy.

DEAR ABBY: I am in my late 20s and the man I date is in his late 30s. He has children by his first wife, from whom he has been divorced nearly 15 years. Although we have dated casually for a couple of years, our conversations recently have turned to serious topics like possibly marrying and having children.

I will be meeting his kids soon and would appreciate any suggestions you can offer in relating to them. I'm college-educated, independent, stable, and have a successful career. But his is a situation I have never confronted before. He has two sons, 14 and 15, and a daughter who will be 13 in February. Help!

PUZZLED IN NEW MEXICO: People lie for various reasons. Some lie because they are ashamed to tell the truth; others lie to make themselves seem more important. Your mother may do it because she's competitive with you, but it's more likely she's a compulsive liar. A therapist might help you pinpoint her rationale, but I cannot without

OFFENDED IN PITTSBURGH: Calm down and discuss your qualms with your boyfriend. Ask what

kinds of things his children are interested in, then do a little reading up so you can ask intelligent questions. I have found that when people show a sincere interest in the interests of others, it makes them more attentive to you. I'm not kidding. Remember, it's OK not to know everything.

In fact, his children may feel they have more to contribute if you don't And above all, relax and be yourself. (That's the person they're going to have to get to know, anyway.) This isn't an Academy Award performance and you don't need to try too hard, and I'm sure you'll be a hit. Good luck!

DEAR ABBY: After a recent trip to see my father and his wife (my parents have been divorced for eight years), my stepmother left a message on my answering machine that said, "It's Mom and Dad calling to see if you got home OK."

Abby, I barely know this woman and certainly have never called her anything but her first name. How should I deal with this sudden and unexpected change in her?

DEAR OFFENDED: If the woman didn't like you, she wouldn't have left the message she did, which appears to be a warm one. If I were you, I wouldn't make waves. Address her as you always have and let her call herself whatever she likes.

Web site helps you say longest name



RANDOM KINDS OF FACINNES
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

The longest and most complicated surname may well be borne by the Basque family Iurberriagorriagorriagorriagorri. If you're having trouble pronouncing it, you're not alone. Someone on the Internet has helpfully provided a sound file at <http://www.dania-jai-ai-ai.com/lang.htm>.

The longest, unhyphenated English surname, according to Guinness Book of Records, is Featherstonhaugh. It's pronounced "Fanshau."

This day in history: On April 5, 1614, Pocahontas married John Rolfe. Alas, it wouldn't be a long relationship. Two years later, when the couple traveled to England to raise funds for the Jamestown colonists, Pocahontas came down with smallpox and died.

Not just a great emancipator, but a pretty good bowler as well: Abraham Lincoln was a huge

fan of the game of Nine Pins. Chinese call firecrackers "pao chiao," meaning "exploding bamboo." It comes from a time before gunpowder, when they threw bamboo into fires to get small explosions.

If you want to make the classic quill pen, take a wing feather from a large bird and dry it in the sun for a month or two. Cut the end at an extreme diagonal and slice the tip. This creates a flexible point that, depending on the pressure you use, produces thin to thick strokes. Be prepared, though, to recut and

sharpen the point frequently. Lock your library if you see a mob of angry peasants headed your way. Lock your office library and most of his manuscripts were destroyed by one in 1917.

Act originally meant "pasture for cattle." Since most pastures were roughly the same size, the word eventually came to a measurement term.

Voltaire was a famous coffee addict. It's said the French urator drank as much as seventy cups a day.

Voltaire was no fan of Shakespeare's "Othello," calling the drunken fool "and his work 'an enormous dunghill.'" Perhaps all that coffee made him edgy.

Lynxes purr like housecats when they're contented.

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Katie Couric to mark 15th anniversary at 'Today' amid rumors she may leave

NEW YORK (AP) — Katie Couric may mark her 15th anniversary as "Today" show anchor this week by making the decision to leave.

She's talking with CBS about taking over as "CBS Evening News" anchor, according to a report by NBC's person close to the negotiations, and neither CBS nor NBC's disputing reports that she could announce a deal as early as this week.

There are issues left to be resolved before a deal is reached, said the person who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Couric's contract with NBC ends in May, and she reportedly needed the network's permis-

sion to begin negotiations with another network before next month. NBC's decision to grant it could be a sign the network expects her to leave, or at least that it wants a decision before outlining its fall programming plans to advertisers next month.

Couric's first day as "Today" anchor was April 5, 1991, and the morning show plans to mark that anniversary on the air Wednesday. Her tenure, with Couric paired the last six years with Matt Lauer, have brought the morning show unparalleled ratings and financial success.

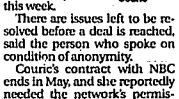
Representatives for NBC, CBS, and Couric would not comment Tuesday on the discussions.

Couric, 49, would be the first woman to be named as a sole host of a network evening news program, even though Elizabeth Vargas frequently has done that job alone at ABC's "World News Tonight."

That designation — and the desire to try a new challenge after 15 years of early wake-up calls — is said to be a powerful motivation for Couric. NBC's offer to keep her is reportedly several million dollars more than CBS' offer, but it doesn't include the anchor slot at NBC's "Today" show, said the person close to the talks.

She likely would begin at "CBS Evening News" in September. With Bob Schieffer filling in during the year after Matt Lauer's exit, the "CBS Evening News" is the only network evening newscast rising in the ratings. But it's still in third place behind NBC and ABC.

"I will be delighted if she came," Schieffer said on Tuesday. "I think she'll be a great addition to the very good news team... I've known Katie for years and I think the world of her."



Couric

Movies
Orpheum
16 Blocks 1131 7:00-9:05
Odyssey 6
Slay Alive 119 7:00-9:15
Churchill PG 7:15-9:30
The Date Movie 119 7:30-9:45
The Hit Squad PG 119 7:30-9:45
Sitter 119 7:30-9:45
Libertine 119 7:30-9:45
Jurassic 4
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Inside Man PG 7:30-9:45
New World 119 7:30-9:45
1 For Wandering PG 7:30-9:45
Eight Below PG 7:30-9:45

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Habitat for Humanity will hold fundraiser

TWIN FALLS — Habitat for Humanity of the Magic Valley Inc. is holding its first fundraising building materials garage sale from noon to 4 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at 58M Storage, on the corner of Third Avenue West and Blake Street. The organization is an affiliate of Habitat International, an eccumenical ministry that builds modest safe homes with low-income families.

Habitat is often given materials that are not useable in constructing Habitat homes; the sale of these items will raise money to purchase the needed materials.

This week habitat will be selling new or slightly used windows, doors, sinks, vanities, trim, storage organizers, stair rails, duct tape, vats, cable and chrome safety items.

Customers are asked to park on the street and walk in. Shoppers should be prepared to take items at the time of purchase.

For more information, call Carol Robertson at 734-8349.

Square Dance Club holds April Frop Dance

HERIOME — The Buttons & Boos Square Dance Club will hold its annual spring "April Frop" dance Saturday at the Heriome Lodge. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m., with dancing at 8 p.m. Workshops for April and May will continue to be held at the Legion hall in Jerome at 7 p.m. Mondays with beginners and plus dancers dancing together.

Public welcome to Friday dance with DAV in T.F.

TWIN FALLS — The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a public dance at 8

p.m. Friday at the DAV Hall, 459 Spruce Ave. Penny Perkins will provide the music. The cost is a \$2 donation.

American Legion holds spring convention

TWIN FALLS — The American Legion Fifth District Convention will be held Saturday and Sunday with registration from 10 to 11 a.m., and lunch at noon at the Twin Falls Post No. 7, 447 Seacrest St.

The cost is \$10 per person. An open meeting will be held at 1 p.m. The Legion and Auxiliary meetings will follow. All American Legion posts and auxiliary units within the fifth district will be represented and officers from the state will be present.

For more information, call Heidi Dombrowski at 734-1435.

Pinochle card party takes place on Friday

PALL — A pinochle card party will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the Paul Masonic Hall, 113 E. Idaho St.

Tables will be served at 6:30 p.m., and free donations will be accepted. The public is welcome.

MC Friends of NRA will hold annual banquet

RUPEST — The Mini-Cassia Friends of the National Rifle Association annual banquet will be held Saturday at the Rupert Elks.

Social hour will be at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door. An African safari will be auctioned. Pre-event tickets are available for a 270 Short Mag custom-made rifle by Tim Roberts which includes a Leupold Yukon 24 scope and a Browning Yukon 24 gun safe. Games and

drawings will be held throughout the evening.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Kenny or Teresa Riedinger at 677-8526 or 431-8526, Matt or Melissa Feizer at 878-1341 or 670-1353, or Shawna Urigen 431-0290.

Church offers salad luncheon on Friday

RUPEST — A salad luncheon will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday at Trinity Lutheran Parish Hall, 909 Eighth St.

The menu will include salads, desserts and beverages. Crafts and baked goods will also be sold. Admission is by free-will donation.

For more information, call 436-9803.

Rosetta Assisted Living seeks volunteers

BURLEY — Rosetta Assisted Living, 811 Hiland Ave., is in need of volunteers to conduct weekly church services for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Other activities open to the public are:

- Friday: Alzheimer's Support Group meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.
- Friday and Saturday: Spring Fling open house from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- April 19 to 15: Garden Walk.
- April 12 Alzheimer's Support Group from 3 to 4 p.m.
- April 16: Easter Egg Hunt from 2 to 3 p.m. for children in kindergarten and first grade.
- April 23 to 29: Volunteer week.

For more information, call the center at 677-5451.

Sortory meets Saturday for birthday celebration

TWIN FALLS — Xi Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma International, a society of women

educators, will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday at the College of Southern Idaho in the Taylor Building, Room 276, 315 Falls Ave.

The program theme will be a recognition of the founders and Xi Chapter's birthday. New officers for 2006-2008 will be installed.

DAR meets Saturday to hear talk on ID theft

TWIN FALLS — The Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at noon Saturday at the home of Betty Pastoor in Twin Falls. Detective David Holderman of the Twin Falls Police Department will present a program on preventing identity theft.

For the roll call, members will be asked to share something they've learned. Prospective members are welcome.

For more information, call Diane Greene at 308-1810.

T.F. library schedules used book sale

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Public Library Foundation is holding its 14th annual used book sale from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the library's lower level, 201 Fourth Ave. E. There is no admission charge.

Most paperback books are 50 cents and hardbacks are \$1. Children's books, large print, specially priced, first editions and collectibles, music, movies, audio books and library odds and ends will be available.

Basque association holds first Friday dinner

GOODING — The Gooding Basque Association is holding its first Friday dinner from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Basque

Cultural Center, located at the intersection of Highway 26 and 46.

Lamb chops, cod fish with red peppers, Basque rice, green beans, Basque bread, salad bar, homemade soup and a variety of homemade desserts will be served with soda, coffee and a no-host bar.

Donations are \$14 or seniors for \$12. Reservations are not required.

For more information, call Julie Cortabitarrat Gough at 352-4266 or 308-5051.

Hollister Elementary School holds carnival

HOLLISTER — Hollister Elementary School, 2463 Salmon Ave., is having a Hawaiian luau-themed carnival from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Friday.

A ring toss, ball throw, dart throw, putting green, bean pock, cake walk, fishing pond, bean bag toss and bowling will be available with face painting, pizza, pop, Hawaiian punch, popcorn and cotton candy.

Free books will also be available.

For more information, call 655-4215.

Chiropactic clinic hosts health luncheon

TWIN FALLS — Dr. Marjorie Brockman of Brockman Family Chiropactic is hosting the sixth annual health luncheon to be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Gooding County Fairgrounds. The public is welcome.

The theme will be "Are you living well?" Dr. Brockman will discuss living well physically, emotionally and spiritually.

For more information or reservations, call 934-5000.

Girl needs attentive parents

"My name is Jakara, and I'm 8 years old. I like to read and scoot around and play with my best friend. We like to jump rope. We use two ropes and jump in the eye. I like to go swimming, watch movies and play with my Game Boy. I like to do art and reading at school. Someday I want to go to

Wednesday's Child

Disneyland and ride on the steamships that go 'round and 'round. I would also like to ride a horse someday. I want a mom that takes me shopping and lets me make cake with her and goes out to eat. I want a mom and dad. I would like to be the only child so I can have my own room and have the attention I need. I hope I can have a cat or a dog. I like dogs because you can teach them to do tricks and they protect you, too."

Jakara's adoption social worker tells us she is in Oregon. For contact information, please contact Idaho CareLine at 1-800-926-2588. Information is provided by www.wednesdaychild.org.

Jakara Age 8

BURLEY - second Tuesday at Filer Masonic Lodge, 215 Main St., call 320-629.
GOODING - Eastern Star Lodge - 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Masonic Temple, 26th Avenue and Main Street.
HERIOME - Chapter 554 Order of the Eastern Star, 1100 N. Main St., Heriome, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. call 436-4262.
IDAHO FALLS - 77th Order of the Eastern Star - first and third Wednesday at Masonic Temple, 113 E. Idaho St., call 324-5424.
LATAH - 2nd Chapter 77 Order of the Eastern Star - first and third Wednesday at Masonic Temple, 113 E. Idaho St., call 324-5424.
MOORE - Chapter 49 Order of the Eastern Star - 8 p.m. first Wednesday at Filer Masonic Lodge, 215 Main St., call 320-629.
PALM - Chapter 29 Order of the Eastern Star - 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Wednesday at the Blue Lodge Masonic Temple, 1519 Overland Ave., call 324-5424.
PERKINS - The 153rd Order of the Eastern Star - 8 p.m. first Thursday at Wendell Masonic Lodge on North Idaho Street.
RUPEST - Blue Lodge Chapter 29, Order of the Eastern Star, 1519 Overland Ave., call 324-5424.
TWIN FALLS - 49th Order of the Eastern Star - 8 p.m. first Wednesday at Filer Masonic Lodge, 215 Main St., call 320-629.
WENDLER - Chapter 545 - 7:30 p.m. second Tuesday at 683 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., 423-6037.

Burley-Superior Shrine Club, 6:30 p.m. dinner followed by banquet at Rupert Elks.

Royal Arch Masons 22 - 8 p.m. second Tuesday at 1501 W. Main St., call 324-5424.

Stella Maris - 7:30 p.m. first Thursday at 455 N. Idaho St., call 324-5424.

Snake River Chapter of the Order of Deacons - 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday at the Home Masonic Lodge, 225 E. W. Ave. Parents, Masons and Order of Eastern Star members also welcome. Call Burley 324-5424.

Twin Falls Shrine Club - 6:30 p.m. second Monday at Curry Cafe, 2113 S. Highway 20, Filer. Call Bob at 734-8336.

Rebekah Lodges

IDAHO LODGE 98 - 7 p.m. first and third Mondays at 120W Ave. A. Wendell. Ruth Lodge 107 - meets the second and fourth Thursdays at the corner of 14th Street and Gay Avenue, in Burley, call 436-6165.

Marguerite Lodge 98 - 2 p.m. first and third Wednesdays at the Lodge Hall, Gooding.

Spring Lodge 110 - 8 p.m. second and fourth Mondays at 132 E. Ave. A, Jerome.

Ebon Lodge 42 - 2 p.m. first and third Tuesdays at Lodge Hall in Lipperman.

Other organizations

Moms In Touch International - moms meet weekly for support and friendship. Call 324-5424.

Old Ladies - 8 p.m. Tuesdays at the Odd Fellows Hall, 130 and Dallas.

Southern Idaho Singles - meets from 7 p.m. to midnight every Friday at the Elm Stogie on Highway 10 in Jerome. Open to everyone, dancing is optional. For more information or other activities, call Madsen at 735-5054.

Liberty Homeschoolers - call 116 to join the Burley Chapter. Local families who homeschool children meet for support, learning, making new friends and serving the community. Visit www.libertyhomeschooling.com

Book of Blessings Home Builders Team - 9 a.m. second Tuesday at Perkins, 1044 Elm Street - 7:30-10:30 p.m. call 324-5424.

Southern Idaho Stamp Club - 7:30 p.m. third Monday at the KSVOT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Call 734-3877.

Burley Dogs - meets first and third Mondays at Burley Elks Club.

Civic Rotary Clubs

Blue Lakes - 7 a.m. Thursday at Fred Lutz Home in Twin Falls, call 736-1780.

Butterfly - 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Butterfly Int'l. call at 678-8382.

Grand Rapids - 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Grand Rapids Senior Center.

Gooding - Noon Fridays at the Topsons Club.

Hilander - Noon Thursdays at the Blaine Country Center.

Heriome - Noon Thursday at China Village, 123 S. Alder, 724-7090.

Idaho Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Idaho Falls Pizzeria and Pizzeria restaurant, call 340-1600.

Rupert - Noon Wednesdays at the Rupert Elks Lodge.

Twin Falls - Noon Wednesdays at the Turf Club, call 734-5449.

Kids Clubs

Burley - Noon Thursdays at Pita's Cafe, 244 Overland Ave, call 670-2325.

Gooding - 7 p.m. first Wednesday at Fletcher Law Office - conference room, 1200 Overland Ave., call Jane Ellenberger, 678-6031.

Gooding - 6 p.m. second and fourth Mondays at Centre cafe, call Betty Warfield at 934-8825.

Heriome - Noon first and third Wednesdays at Wells Garage.

Idaho Falls - 7 p.m. first Thursday at Valley Presbyterian Church, 1000 Valley Ave.

Rupert - 7 p.m. first and third Mondays at Jerome City Library, 344-7018.

Burley - 7 p.m. first and third Thursdays at Crosswinds United Methodist Church, 423-5259.

Rupert - noon second and fourth Wednesdays at Wispak Cafe in Heyburn, Call Lynda Gormon at 678-4216.

Rupert - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at United Methodist Church, 685 H St., 436-0802.

Twin Falls - call Joe West 736-4563.

Twin Falls Menorahs - News first and third Thursdays at Iowa Hing Restaurant.

Kindergarten Clubs

Burley - Noon Wednesdays at the Grandlund Sports Club, call 543-2330 or 543-2604.

Idaho Falls - Noon Wednesdays at Pita's Cafe, 244 Overland Ave, call 670-2325.

Idaho Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Heriome Methodist Church, 320-450 and 320-451.

Rupert - Noon Thursdays at the Rupert Elks, 485-1124.

Jerome - Noon Thursdays at the Jerome Senior Center, 324-4100.

Twin Falls - Noon Thursdays at the Turf Club, 734-4274 or 734-4244.

Scoutsmen Clubs

Twin Falls - 7 p.m. Thursdays at Mandarin Home on Blue Lakes Boulevard North, 2278.

Heriome - 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 609p Market, 156 S. Main St., call Julie at 324-5646.

Wendler - 7:15 p.m. Tuesdays at the Club in Wendler, 326-2010.

Scoutsmen International

Burley - noon second, third and fourth Wednesdays at Springs Plaza Apartments, 600 W. Main, call 324-8666.

Rupert - noon on first and third Thursdays at the Mullanika Memorial Hospital Life Conference room. Call Judy at 678-8004.

Beta Sigma Phi Society

Xi Alpha Tau - 7:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays at Twin Falls, call Rebekah at 732-5020 or 734-1646.

Delta - 8:00 p.m. Thursdays at 734-2646.

Turf Club - 7:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays at 734-4244.

Xi Zeta - 7 p.m. third Thursday in Twin Falls, call Judy at 734-6001.

Xi Omega Chapter - 7 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays, Sept.-May in Burley.

Call Burley Area at 436-4201.
Alpha Phi Chapter - second and fourth Thursdays in Jerome, call Judy at 224-3644.
Alpha Kappa Chapter - 7 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays, first and third Thursdays in Newburg and the next Thursday at 734-2346 or 734-1181.
Gamma Phi Chapter - Burley, 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays - 9 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays - call 877-0591 or 678-3468.

Elks
Snake River Elks Lodge - 8 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays at 93 Golf Ranch on Highway 43, call 424-2000.
Ladies of the Elks - 7 p.m. first Thursdays at Elks Lodge, 93 Golf Ranch on Highway 43, call 424-2000 or 734-3211.

Moose
Loyal Order of the Moose, Lodge 812 - 8 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday at 433 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls, call Dennis or Howard at 734-6389, or 734-6384 (evenings).
Women of the Moose - 8 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday at 835 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls.

Other
Gooding County Trustees - call 934-5123.
Gooding County Taxpayers - 12:10 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays at the Golden Grill restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard North in Twin Falls, call 733-5488 or 543-1400.
Snake River Flats Barbershop Church - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at Harmony Hall, 123 K St. in Rupert. Call Jim at 436-6467.

Support Groups

Magie Valley Dystonia Syndrome Family Conference - call Tina at 734-1975.
Magie Valley Support Group - 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Fellowship Hall in Twin Falls, call 734-1908 or 423-4216.
Magie Valley Home Educators - for information, call 734-1908 or 423-4216.
Recovery for Life - 7 p.m. Thursdays at Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1041 Grandview Ave. in Twin Falls, call 734-5184.
Recovery Includes Debt Relief, call Connie at 733-6126, or 1105 Good Shepherd Church - 734-6126, ext. 1094.
Ally Management, call Brian at 733-6126, ext. 1105 or Social Services Specialist Kler, first Monday of each month, call 734-6126 or Kathryn 733-9600.
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Shirts Building, room 102 at the College of Southern Idaho, 1025 Main Street, call 734-4244.

Orebreton Anonymous
Orebreton Anonymous - meets at 7 p.m. every other Wednesday at 550 Second Ave. E. in Twin Falls, call 734-6667.
Double A Chapter - 7 p.m. Thursdays at 410 E. Third, call Gertie at 436-6037 or 678-6192.

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To retain or add a listing for your club or organization, please send a notice with:
Name of the organization or club;
Time, day and week of the meeting;
Address;
Telephone number of a group contact person.

Thursday, 10 a.m., Saturday at First Baptist Church, 100 Shakespeare St.; call Dorothy at 543-5790 or C. J. 326-3217.

DivorceCare
Twin Falls - 7 p.m. Mondays at Twin Falls Reformed Church, 1651 Grandview Dr. N.; call Jerry at 733-7771.
Burley - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays at Burley United Methodist Church library, 659 E. 27th St., call Lynn at 678-2633, evenngs.

Grift Shares
Twin Falls - Thursdays at Twin Falls Reformed Church, call Connie at 733-6128 or 736-0905.
6:20-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays at First Baptist Church, 2282 Hilland Ave. in Burley. Call 678-7771.
Call 678-7771, Child care is available.
6:20-8:30 p.m. Thursdays at 458-9798.
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42-club substance abuse support groups
Road to Recovery - 7:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays and Fridays at 1044 E. Main St., Burley, call Lynn at 219-1664 or 368-0749.

Big Book Study - 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at First Baptist Church, 100 Shakespeare St. in Twin Falls, call Dorothy at 548-9798.

Hops - 12 steps to a new day? 7 p.m. Thursdays, Twin Falls Reformed Church, 651 Grandview Dr. in Twin Falls, call 734-1921.
Life Recovery Support Group - 6:30 p.m. Mondays at Heritage Alliance, 401 Sixth Ave. N., call Valerie at 733-3043.
All-Anonymous - 6:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays at Heritage Alliance, 401 Sixth Ave. N., call Valerie at 733-3043.

National Alliance for the Mentally III (NAMI) - for survivors of mental illness, their families and friends.
Halley - 7 p.m. Thursdays, Wood River Middle School facility, call 708-5283.

Twin Falls - 7 p.m. second and fourth Monday at KSVOT community room, call 734-4244.

Alcoholics Anonymous
Grapevine meeting - 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 110 Broadway St.

AA Support Group - 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at Trinity Lutheran Church, 125 Seventh St. in Burley, call 436-9449.
Recovery at corner of Sixth and Broadway - 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, call Katie at 436-9449.
Promote - Frisby Group open meeting, 7:30 p.m. Mondays at Monastery of the Sacred Heart, 1000 Olive St., call Selby at 324-3237, Non-smoking.

Deaf Burly Group - on noon Monday and Tuesday at the Jerome Senior Center, 212 First Ave. E. (except first Tuesday meeting at 10:00 a.m.) Fellowship at 255 N. Ave. E. and Wednesday through Friday at the Jerome Library, 106 First Ave. E. All open, non-smoking groups.

Narcotics Anonymous
For information, call 1-866-738-6224
Burley - 8 p.m. Saturdays, 132 Olympic Building, call 436-9449.
Gooding - 8 p.m. Mondays, corner of Third and Idaho, 7 p.m. Thursdays, 1120 A Street.
Jerusalem - 7 p.m. Mondays, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays, 310 2nd St.
Kimberly - 7 p.m. Thursdays at 271 Main St.
Paul - 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Saturdays 6 p.m. Saturdays - 1 p.m. Saturdays - 2 p.m. Thursdays at Veterans Mediation group, 8 p.m. Mondays; It Works,

Send To: Attention: Club Calendar, The Times-News
PO. Box 456
Twin Falls, ID 83303
Phone: 734-1111
or e-mail to whited@magvalley.com
For more information, call 735-5278.

How and Why Book Study, 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Emerson Group, 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Basic Text Book Study, 7 p.m. Fridays - all at 220 E. Elk.

Twin Falls - 7:30 p.m. Sundays and 8 p.m. Thursdays, 2308 Shaw Ave. W.; 7 p.m. Mondays, 401 2nd Ave. N.; 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at 601 Second Ave. N.; 7 p.m. Wednesdays, 315 Falls Ave. Desert Bldg.; 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays at 1030 E. Desert building, room 112; 9 p.m. Tuesdays, 180 Second Ave. N.

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Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m. call 428, Big Wood River Post, Bellevue, 505 Fourth St., 8 p.m., third Thursday, 308 E. Main St.
North Valley Military Support Group - meets at 6:30 p.m. first and third Thursdays at 536-6111 or Shalka at 236-6159.
Gooding County - call 324-5424.

Wendell - 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays at Rupert Child Development Center, 1600 N. 4th St., call 324-5424.
Shoshone - 7:30 p.m. second Tuesday at Shoshone members home, 466-2752.
Idaho Falls - 7:30 p.m. second Tuesday at Riverside Hotel, call 338-3111.

Wendell - Post 2974, Thousand Springs Post, 7 p.m. first Wednesday at American Legion Post, call quarter master at 324-4106.

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DRIVERS
Running 7 Western
experiences, 2 years
experience preferred.

DRIVERS
Truck Driver must
have 2 years experience
with a farm body

EDUCATION
Filer School District
Has three part-time
(Thurs/Fri) and one
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ELECTRICIAN
Journeyman Electrician
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FARM
Experienced Ranch/
Farm Hand wanted.
Year round position.

FARM
Experienced Swather
Foreman needed for
hay farm in Eden.

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Farm Equipment
Operator References.
Specialty DOE.
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FARM
Heavy needed. Experience
with siphon tubes, gated pipe,

FOOD PROCESSING
Local food processing
company has several
openings for General

GENERAL
CDL Drivers (20)
Warehouse Manager
Landscape Laborer (5)

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Immediate Openings
for the following:
Warehouse
CDL Drivers

GENERAL
DISCOVERY
RESEARCH GROUP
Immediate
Availability for
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FARM
Farm Foreman
wanted. Minimum
experience with pivots

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GENSTAT/STARDING
+ Junklift Operators
+ CDL Drivers
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General Laborer
Cheese processing
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Should have own
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MANAGER
Now hiring for
Management
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at both
Twin Falls & Jerome
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Employers don't miss your
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Largest Career Fair in the Area!

Careers at Glanbia
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Apartment Manager, computer experience, some knowledge of bookkeeping, bilingual plus. Benefits, wage DOE. For job description and application apply Mon.-Fri. 10-4 at Lake View Apartments 856 S 1900 E Hazelton, Idaho.

MEDICAL
Parke View Care & Rehab, an 86 bed nursing facility, has part-time and full-time openings for RNs, LPNs and CNAs. Highly motivated professionals who desire to be a part of a progressive healthcare team. Long term care experience preferred, must have a positive attitude and strong work ethics. RNs and LPNs need supervisory skills and charge nurse skills are essential. It requires your skills and personal involvement to meet the challenges of human need. The responsibilities are great...so are the rewards. We offer a competitive salary DOE, and an excellent benefits package. Parke View Care and Rehab 2303 Parke Ave., Burley ID 83318

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•OR Manager
•RN
Part-time Positions
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NOW HIRING:
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Life Care Centers of America, the nation's largest privately owned skilled care provider, has a full-time opportunity for the following:
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Days 6:00 am to 2:00 pm and Evenings 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm Full and part time positions available
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Part-time Wait Staff
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Do you have Wastewater Treatment Plant experience? Do you have the job for you!
Wastewater Operator Position
Sorrento Lactalis, Inc. is one of the top growing companies in the valley and we are taking applications for experienced Class 3 or 4 Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator to work at our newly constructed SDR wastewater treatment plant system with phosphorus removal and sand filter effluent. Class 2 may apply as long as they are eligible to pass the class 3 test within 90 days of hire.
This position will be responsible for the operation of the wastewater treatment plant as instructed by the Manager. The position will rotate in the lab, maintenance and process control duties within the treatment plant. Industrial wastewater treatment experience and computer experience, preferred. Must be able to read and comprehend written and verbal instructions and relay instructions to subordinates
We offer top pay and an excellent benefit package, which includes medical, dental, vision, life insurance, and 401k plan.
If you are a motivated self-starter, then we want you to apply.
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Please send application, resume and salary history to: Sorrento Lactalis, Inc. attention: Human Resources, P.O. Box 1287, Newburg, Idaho 83653 FAX: 208/466-8887. Application and Self-ID form are available on line sorrentolactalis.com. Phone: 208/467-4474 Equal Opportunity Employer

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•Self-starting Lubrication/Preventive Maintenance Mechanic
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We have openings for full-time & part-time swing shift mechanics (Noon to 10 pm).
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Grounds Maintenance Worker for full-time position. Local full-time April-October hours from 6:00 am-2:30 pm. Experience preferred. Call 734-2931

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MEDICAL
Full-time summer help & part-time, grave yard positions. AMP/MP to work with DD clients in group home. Feresa at 208-558-2042.

MISCELLANEOUS
Sodabro School Services of Twin Falls Schools is seeking qualified applicants for Resident Chef-Staffs May 1st, 2006. 30+ hrs/week. Includes but are not limited to: cooking, food safety, menu development, quality control, above average food standards and ability to train staff. Wage DOE. Please contact 208-736-5430 for application

OPERATIONS
Grain Merchant/Operation and Logistic support person want. Ag-business bachelors degree or work experience. CEU equivalents recommended, but is not a requirement. Good communication and strong customer relations important. Must be involved with daily outside tasks around the elevator. Must be self motivated and eager to learn. Pay DOE. Please send resume & salary history to: Lanning Grain 525+ per hour PO Box 69 Oils, ID 83314 EOE

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Hiring Licensed Journeyman, \$25 per hour and Apprentices with 2-3 years exp. Hailo/Sun Valley area. Call 768-7920 or fax 785-4117.

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3	8	8	6	7	7
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8	1	3	5	8	8
5	9	2	7	8	8

EASY
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-13.

200 Employment

PROFESSIONAL
Brand Specialist \$150.00 per hour. Largest automotive group in ID area is looking for two individuals to become Brand Specialists. Looking for people who are seeking an above average income and good working environment. Good opportunity for advancement. 5 day work week. Starting pay is \$150.00 per hour and Apprentices with training provided to keep you up to date in the most current field. Must have good driving record and be able to bond. Drug free work place. Health insurance and retirement, plus paid vacations. Must be willing to study, like people and be able to work good accents. Bilingual a plus. Great future for the right individuals. Contact Jardine 208-736-2480 for appointment.

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LPC or LMSW, needed to work with children. Continuous field. Part-time or full-time available. Must be able to pass a background check. Fax resumes to 208-736-4479 or present in person at 1889 Addison Ave. E. Twin Falls, Application Deadline is April 6, 2006.

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Magical Valley Youth and Adult Services is seeking an individual to coordinate Therapeutic Foster Families activities in Region V. Candidate must have identifiable skills in communications, interventions and advocacy. Must have a Bachelor's Degree in Behavioral Sciences and be able to pass a background check. Fax Resumes to 208-736-4479 or present in person at 1889 Addison Ave. E. Twin Falls, Application Deadline is April 6, 2006.

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Psycho-Social Rehabilitation Specialist in Burley, start at \$18 hour, BA degree. Call 208-878-3350

PROFESSIONAL
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49 Military runaway
53 Beside
54 City in Montana
55 Cole cry
56 Turn to mush
57 Exotic
58 Question
59 Racers on runners
60 Secluded valleys
61 Whiskey type
DOWN
1 Summit
2 Cajole

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-61.

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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

Grid with filled-in crossword puzzle letters and words like STROPS, ADS, SHAY, TRIVIA, PRY, LURE, etc.

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square to form four ordinary words.

Jumble puzzle grid with letters SLURY, EPTIN, SHRAIG, HERFIE.

Answer here: (Answers tomorrow) Jumbles: REARM OCCUR EMERGE JOYOUS Answer: What was sparked when the landlady and tenant went out to dinner - A ROOMER RUMOR

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Hans Arnold and Mike Arflinger

Illustration of a hunter and a cartoon character with text: WHEN THE HUNTER SPOTTED THE BUCK IN HIS SCOPE, HE BECAME A CARTOON.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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RUPERT 3 bedroom, new kitchen, carpeting, stove, refrig., W/D hookups. Entry office doors and windows. Large, fenced backyard with shed. 713 So. C St. \$495 month + \$300 deposit. Appliances, all included. Call Jennifer 208-768-2284.

TWIN FALLS 3 bdrm, wood, yard, den, no pets/smoking. Very clean, \$825 mo. Call 208-410-2550

TWIN FALLS 2 bdrm, 1 bath, kitchen appls., gas heat, central AC, 2-car garage, fenced yard w/sprinkler. No pets. \$675 + \$375 dep. 1388 Cody Court Great homes. 2 bdrm, 2 bath, gas heat, central air, 2-car garage, great land scaping, large sprinkler, fenced, storage shed. No smoking. \$1,100 month + \$1,100 deposit. Veeh Property Management Lyla @ 731-6589

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Brawley Property Mgt. 734-5881 Elye Dave @ 731-5861

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