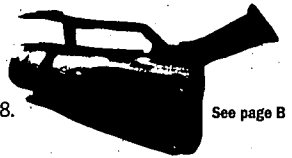


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—Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousley

## Mom tough on meth



Lauray Larsen of Twin Falls looks out on the street where her son, James Larsen, 22, was arrested May 7 in connection with the theft of Bureau of Land Management property. Lauray says she had been working with authorities to get her son arrested so that he could get help to treat his methamphetamine addiction.

## Should we?

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — "It's a good kid," said Lauray Larsen, looking at a portrait of her son, "when he's not on drugs."

It took years for Larsen to realize that, on meth, her 22-year-old son James is out of control.

One private treatment program rejected him; another put him on a seven-month waiting list.

Finally, she decided the only way to force an intervention would be to have him arrested. She called police repeatedly for two months to report the drug use and violent behavior of her son and his friends.

No one came. Then, on May 7, she called to report her son's involvement in the burglary of a Bureau of

Land Management facility that included the theft of an assault rifle, night-vision goggles and other law enforcement gear. A SWAT team showed up on her son's doorstep.

"I turned my son in because I love my son and I want him to get help," she said. "It's my baby." But he won't get help with his meth problem in the Twin Falls County jail.

The jail has no drug-treatment program, even though nearly 80 percent of inmates are addicted to alcohol or drugs.

"In custody they may dry out, but they are thinking about getting high again," Sheriff Wayne Tousley said.

Drug arrests are pushing the jail beyond capacity.

A year ago, 25 percent of inmates were charged with felonies. Today that percentage has increased to 75. That means a longer wait between arrest and resolution.

"There are two approaches to capping the problem: Enlarging the jail or creating a county treatment program. Both may be necessary," Tousley said.

"If we can provide enough prevention and treatment, it will cut down the dependent population," said Tousley. "Whether it cuts down the number of people in (jail) beds, you don't know ... In theory, you should be able to reduce your prisoner

population."

At present, both solutions would require raising taxes.

"People just do not like to pay for rehabilitation but nor do they want to pay to build jail space," he said. "If we want to have a good quality of life in this area, we have to commit to both. The question is not if, it's when."

Tousley says this issue has been left on the back-burner for too long.

"We never want to talk about it. We essentially deny it," he said. "If you don't have a criminal in your family or you're not being victimized, then you don't care as long as you can spend your money and live your life."

Magistrate Judge Randy Stoker posed the dilemma this

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## Thousands flee slopes of volcano

By Chris Brummitt  
Associated Press writer

MOUNT MERAPI, Indonesia — Thousands of people fled the hot, toxic slopes of Indonesia's most dangerous volcano Saturday as glowing lava oozed down the side and ash and rock spewed from the mountaintop, leading authorities to warn that an eruption could come soon.

Airlines on Mount Merapi were left virtually empty, although some students returned to a local academy to tend their own mountain-top.

As the volcano rumbled, it blew off a large amount of ash to add to the 100,000 tons of ash that has already been dumped from other Indonesian volcanoes by local eruptions.

VOLCANO

## Buhl opens tap for special events

City to allow beer and wine sales, sometimes

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

Buhl, — *Saluti Skal! Lehains!* However one may toast, some locals are cheering the passage of a city ordinance that will change the rule concerning alcohol sales at special events.

As of Monday, the city council unanimously voted for the passage of ordinance No. 923, which allows the granting of special permits to the Buhl Chamber of Commerce and the Centennial Committee for wine and beer sales.

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Coming up

The May 31 reservation deadline is quickly approaching for the Al-Anon picnic.

The picnic is set for 5 p.m., July 3 at McCluskey Park. A catered dinner is planned for the event with a cost of \$15 per person. For more information call Betty Lois Wilson at 543-6294 or e-mail Barbara Gletzen at bgletzen@ccable.net.

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## Bush maintains spying on Americans doesn't violate civil liberties

By Deb Reichmann  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush defended the scope of the government's domestic surveillance programs that have riled privacy advocates and threatened to impede the Senate confirmation of Bush's new pick to lead the CIA.

"The privacy of all Americans is fiercely protected in all our activities," Bush said Saturday in his weekly radio address. "The government does not listen to domestic phone calls without court approval. We are not trolling through the personal lives of millions of innocent Americans." Bush's broadcast comes two

days after news reports revealed the ultra-secret National Security Agency was collecting



Bush

the phone records of tens of millions of Americans. USA Today reported Thursday that the NSA was building a database with the help of three major U.S. telephone companies — a revelation that highlights the problem of balancing American civil liberties with efforts to protect citizens from terrorist attacks.

Without specifically confirming the database effort, Bush defended the intelligence activities he has authorized, saying they are focused on al-Qaida terrorists and their affiliates. He reiterated that they are lawful and that appropriate members of Congress, both Republican and Democrat, have been briefed on the surveillance activities.

"Americans expect their government to do everything in its power under our laws and Constitution to protect them and their civil liberties," Bush said. "That is exactly what we are doing. And so far, we have been successful in preventing another attack on our soil."

The NSA was using the data to analyze calling patterns in order to detect and track suspected terrorist activity, according to information the White House provided to Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo. "Telephone companies' names, addresses and other personal information have not been handed over to NSA as part of this program," Allard said.

Two New Jersey public interest lawyers, however, sued Verizon Communications Inc. on Friday for \$5 billion, claiming the phone carrier violated privacy laws by turning over customers' records. The lawsuit asks the court to stop Verizon from supplying the information without a warrant or consent of

the subscriber. "This is the largest and most vast intrusion of civil liberties we've ever seen in the United States," attorney Bruce Afran said.

In his radio address, Bush also sought to separate the debate about the NSA program from the upcoming confirmation hearings for Gen. Michael Hayden, his nominee to replace Porter Goss as director of the CIA. Bush noted that Hayden, who formerly directed the NSA, was unanimously confirmed last year for his current post as deputy national intelligence director.

The president called his choice "supremely qualified" to be the CIA's next chief.

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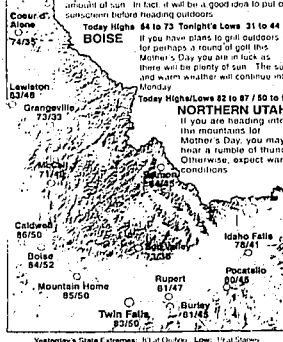
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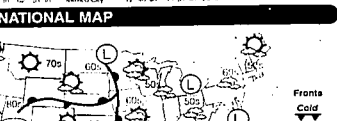
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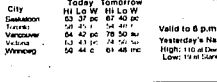
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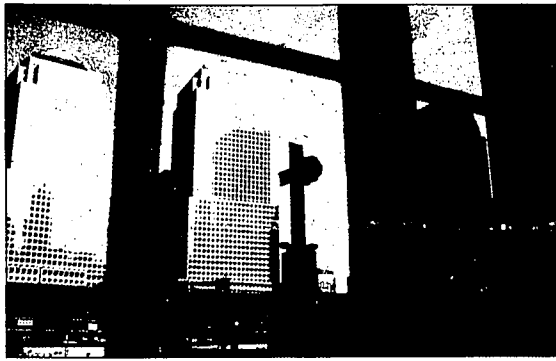
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GROUND ZERO CROSS



A cross formed by beams from the original World Trade Center is visible through a fence surrounding the World Trade Center site in New York in this April 12 file photo. The foundation in charge of developing ground zero's memorial and museum planned to permanently display the two pieces of steel left standing in the shape of a cross after the World Trade Center collapsed. WTC Memorial Foundation President and CEO Gretchen Dykstra agreed to find a place for the artifact at the site, though acknowledged it's a delicate issue and viewers should be allowed to draw their own conclusions about whether it has religious significance.

18-year-old to receive MBA

PITTSBURGH — Jessica Meeker is not your average MBA. She's a black-clad, punk-rock fanatic whose hair has seen more colors than the average rainbow. She's also 18, and on Saturday, she will be the youngest student ever to receive an MBA from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, school officials said. She's not caught up in being a prodigy, though. "It just feels so good to finally be done," Meeker said Friday. "I have been in college for so long." At age 12, Meeker became the youngest student to enroll at Pennsylvania State University and, at 16, she was the youngest to earn a bachelor's degree there, majoring in psychology.

Lightning strikes Kennedy's plane

BOSTON — A plane carrying U.S. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy from western Massachusetts to his home on the coast was struck by lightning Saturday and had to be diverted to New Haven, Conn., his spokeswoman said. The eight-seat Cessna Citation 550 plane lost all electrical power, including communications, and the pilot had to fly the plane manually, according to spokeswoman Melissa Waggoner. No one was hurt.

The Democrat had just delivered the commencement address at the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts in North Adams and was on his way to his Cape Cod home when the plane was struck around 4 p.m., she said.

The jet landed safely at New Haven at 4:11 p.m., said Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Arlene Murray. A report was filed with the agency, which will look into the incident, she said.

Kennedy planned to stay in Connecticut overnight because he was scheduled to return to western Massachusetts on Sunday to deliver a commencement address at Springfield College, Waggoner said.

Bush, Clinton attend 'Miracle' Graduation

NEW ORLEANS — Former Presidents Bush and Clinton helped Tulane University celebrate its "miracle" commencement Saturday, nine months after Hurricane Katrina put two-thirds of campus under water and scattered students to more than 600 schools nationwide.

This commencement will no doubt go down as one of the most memorable and cherished events in the history of our great university," Tulane president Scott S. Cowen said. Degrees were awarded to nearly 2,200 graduates and honorary degrees were presented to Bush, Clinton and several others.

The former presidents, who have raised nearly \$130 million in relief money for victims of the Aug. 29 storm, received several standing ovations from the graduates and others at the event.

Bush and Clinton in turn saluted the courage of the school, faculty and the 88 percent of the students who returned for the spring semester and to help the city rebuild.

Moussaoui begins serving sentence

DENVER — Convicted Sept. 11 conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui began serving his life sentence at the nation's most secure prison on Saturday after U.S. marshals flew him overnight to southern Colorado from Virginia. Marshals brought Moussaoui, prisoner 51427-054, before dawn to the Supermax federal prison, where he will spend 23 hours a day in his cell and have little to no contact with the other notorious criminals.

"He has now begun serving his sentence of life without the possibility of release," the U.S. Marshals Service said in a statement. Moussaoui was the only prisoner aboard the small jet operated by the agency as he flew with a special team of deputy marshals to Florence, Colo., about 30 miles southwest of Denver.

"All the inmates transferred there are handled with the highest level of security," said

Ken Deal, chief deputy U.S. marshal in Denver.

Formerly conjoined babies recover in ICU

MINNEAPOLIS — Abigail and Isabelle Carlsen remained in intensive care under sedation Saturday, one day after doctors spent nearly seven hours in surgery separating the conjoined twins.

The 5-month-old girls were breathing with the assistance of ventilators "after an uneventful night," according to a statement released by the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

The sisters, who spent their first months with their noses just inches apart, were recovering in separate beds.

"We've had our prayers answered up to now," the girls' parents, Amy and Jesse Carlsen, wrote in a message posted Saturday on the family's Web Journal. "And we will continue to pray for a perfect recovery."

When the girls were born Nov. 29 to the Fargo, N.D., cou-

ple, they were joined at the diaphragm, pancreas and liver, and shared a common bile duct and part of an intestine.

Cyber-bragging leads to charges

ROCKVILLE, Md. — Two teenagers were charged with setting fires in suburban Washington after they bragged about the blazes on Myspace.com, authorities said.

The 17-year-old schoolmates were involved in 17 fires in Montgomery County, fire officials said Friday. The teens face 22 charges, including two counts each of first-degree arson and four counts of second-degree arson.

Their names were not released because they were charged as juveniles.

Stores, vehicles, a bowling alley and two school buses were set on fire between Jan. 20 and April 16. Investigators got a tip to check out the online social networking site Myspace.com, where they found photos and descriptions.

"The significant thing is they posted on the Internet, and bragged about the fires, and that's certainly allowed us to find the case," county Fire Chief Thomas W. Carr Jr. said. "They posted photos of these fires."

Teen who poisoned classmate sentenced

LAKEVIEW, Ore. — A 13-year-old girl convicted of attempting to kill two classmates by slipping rat poison into their milk was sentenced to up to 12 years in a juvenile detention center.

Holley Sweeney was ordered Friday to remain at the Filander Girls' School in Salem until she is 25 with early release possible if she responds to treatment, the judge ruled.

Earlier this month, the judge found the Lakeview girl and her friend, Stephanie Quesnoy, 12, guilty of plotting and executing a plan to kill two classmates they disliked. Quesnoy is to be sentenced May 22.

The girls put d-Cen rat poison in the milk of two classmates Sept. 19 during lunch at Daly Middle School. The victims noticed green crystalline pellets in the bottom of their milk cartons and neither was

injured. District Attorney David Schurt said the girls planned the poisoning to retaliate against the victims for putting

shaving cream in Quesnoy and Sweeney's hair at a slumber party.

Both girls testified that they wanted their victims dead.

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NATION

# I spy with my little eye ...

Intelligence agency helps disaster victims

By Katherine Shrader  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A little-known spy agency that analyzes imagery taken from the skies has been spending significantly more time watching U.S. soil. In an era when other intelligence agencies try to hide those operations, the director of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, retired Air Force Lt. Gen. James Clapper, is proud of that domestic mission.

He said the work the agency did after hurricanes Rita and Katrina was the first he'd seen an intelligence agency do in his 42 years in the spy business.

"This was kind of a direct payback to the taxpayers for the billions it made in the agency over the years, even though in its original design it was intended for foreign intelligence purposes," Clapper said.

Geospatial intelligence is the science of combining imagery, such as satellite pictures, to physically depict features or activities happening on the planet. A part of the Defense Department, the NSA usually operates uninvited to provide information on nuclear sites, terror camps, troop movements or natural disasters.

After last year's hurricanes, the agency had an unusually public face. It set up mobile command centers that sprung out of the backs of Humvees and provided imagery for rescuers and hurricane victims who wanted to know the condition of their homes. Victims would provide their street address and the NSA would provide a satellite photo of their property. In one way or another, some 900 agency officials were involved.

The agencies historically avoided domestic operations out of concern for Pentagon regulations and Reagan-era executive order, known as 12333.



Retired Air Force Gen. James R. Clapper, outgoing head of the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, speaks Thursday at the agency's headquarters in Bethesda, Md. The little-known spy agency that analyzes imagery taken from the skies has been spending significantly more time watching U.S. soil.

that restricted intelligence collection on American citizens and companies. Its budget, like intelligence agencies, is classified.

On Clapper's watch of the last five years, his agency has found ways to expand its mission to help prepare security at Super Bowls and political conventions or deal with natural disasters, such as hurricanes and forest fires.

With help, the agency can also zoom in. Its officials cooperate with private groups, such as hotel security to get access to footage of a lobby or ballroom. That video can then be linked with mapping and graphical data to help secure events or take action, if a hostage situation or other catastrophe happens.

Privacy advocates wonder how much the agency picks up — and stores. Many are increasingly skeptical of intelligence agencies with recent revelations about the Bush administration's surveillance on phone calls and e-mails.

Among the government's most closely guarded secrets,

the quality of pictures NGA receives from classified satellites is believed to far exceed the amateur resolution available commercially. That means they can take a satellite "snapshot" from high above the atmosphere that is crisply detailed down to one meter level, which is 3.3 feet.

Clapper says his agency only does big pictures, so concerns about using the NSA's foreign intelligence apparatus at home doesn't apply.

"We are not trying to examine an individual dwelling, for example, because what our mission is normally going to be is looking at large areas," he said. "It doesn't really affect or threaten anyone's privacy or civil liberties when you are looking at a large collective area."

When asked what additional powers he'd ask Congress for, he said, "I wouldn't."

His agency also handles its historic mission: regional threats, such as Iran and North Korea, terrorism, kidnappings, and tracking drug trade. "Everything and everybody has to be some place," he said.

He considers his brand of in-

telligence a chess match. "There are sophisticated nations states that have a good understanding of our surveillance capabilities, including Iran," he said. "What we have to do is counter that" by taking advantage of anomalies or scanning spy planes, and satellites over more frequently.

Adversaries who hide their most important facilities underground is a trend the agency has to work at, he said.

NGA was once a stepchild of the intelligence community. But Clapper said it has come into its own and become an equal partner with the other spy agencies, such as the CIA.

Experience-wise, the agency is among the youngest of the spy agencies. About 40 percent of the agency's analysts have been hired in the last five years.

"They are very inexperienced, and that's just fine. They don't have any baggage," said Clapper, who retires next month as the longest serving agency director. "The people that we are getting now are bright, computer literate ... That is not something I like aware and worry about."

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## Supreme Court faces summer deadline to resolve some potential blockbuster

WASHINGTON (AP) — Before ending a historic term, the Supreme Court must resolve some potential blockbuster cases involving the president's wartime powers, capital punishment and political boundaries in Texas.

Some attention this term has focused on the two newest justices — John Roberts and Samuel Alito — and on signs of a possible shift to the right on the nine-member court.

With a late June deadline looming, the high court has yet to issue opinions in about 35 cases in which the justices have heard arguments. At this point a year ago, the court had the same number of cases pending, a sign the justices' pace has changed little with the arrival of Roberts, who succeeded the late William H. Rehnquist as chief justice.

Some of the most interesting cases are over a test of Oregon's physician-assisted suicide law, a constitutional challenge to state abortion restrictions and model reality television. Star Anna Nicole Smith's fight for a piece of her late husband's estate.

Still to be decided are cases involving President Bush's power to order military trials for suspected foreign terrorists held at the Navy prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and an appeal that will decide when death row inmates should get a new chance to prove their innocence with DNA and other evidence.

In addition, the justices are delving into politics. At issue in one case is whether the court should throw out all or part of a Texas congressional map promoted by former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay. It Texas. A free speech case and another states can limit how much money is spent in political campaigns.

Much talk among court observers, however, concerns the justices' personalities. "The real mark of this term is not the issues," said Richard Garnett, a Notre Dame law professor and former court clerk. "Apart from what happens in the big ticket cases in June, we have

a new chief justice for the first time in nearly 20 years and the justice, changed seats for the first time in a decade.

Roberts, then 50, took the oath on the first day of the court's term in October, becoming the youngest chief justice in two centuries. Rehnquist died in September at age 80.

With a hard-hitting style of questioning, Roberts immediately changed the tone of the court's argument sessions. He succinctly asked few questions.

Roberts has been praised by fellow justices for his smooth operation of the court.

In late January, Samuel Alito won Senate confirmation to replace Sandra Day O'Connor after the failed nomination of White House counsel Harriet Miers. Alito's seat is reserved, the opposite of O'Connor, a moderate justice appointed by Ronald Reagan.

"Everybody is most interested in where they are going to be on cutting edge, hot button issues," said Evert Chertok, a Duke Law School professor who often argues before justices. For now, he added, "There aren't many cases that are going to give us a read on the two new justices."

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# McCain hints at split with Falwell during speech

LYNCHBURG, Va. (AP) — When Sen. John McCain spoke Saturday at Liberty University, his message of gratitude toward Falwell barely hid the rift with his founder, the Rev. Jerry Falwell, and other religious conservatives that had undermined his presidential bid in 2000.

McCain told the graduates that he supported the right to disagree until a tone of mutual respect — just what the Arizona Republican and evangelical Christian leader said they would do after reconciling differences from the sometimes bitter nominating campaign.

"Americans deserve more than tolerance from one another," said McCain, who is expected to see the GOP nomination in 2008.

Political observers considered his address to the 2,458-member Class of 2006 an opportunity for McCain to shore up support among conservative voters.

"We deserve each other's respect," he continued, "whether we think each other right or wrong in our views, as long as our character and our sincerity merit respect, and as long as we share, for all our differences, for all the noisy debates that we have in our politics, a mutual devotion to the sublime idea that this nation was conceived in — that freedom is the inalienable right of every man in accord with the laws of nature and nature's creator."

McCain specifically referred to disagreements over the war in Iraq, noting that the war "has standing his ground in support of it because he believed 'my country's interests and values required it.'"

For years a political divide separated McCain and Falwell after the Baptist preacher threw his support to George W. Bush in 2000.

At the time, McCain lauded Falwell and others on the right and the left as "agents of tolerance."

"Americans deserve more than tolerance from one another."

— Sen. John McCain

The two settled their differences last fall while still acknowledging that they disagreed about some issues.

McCain said recently "that he no longer considers Falwell an agent of intolerance; Falwell has said no apologies were asked or offered."

On Saturday, McCain received a standing ovation from the capacity crowd of 10,000 in the university's Vines Center.

Falwell awarded McCain an honorary doctorate of humanities and praised the sacrifices he made for the country as a prisoner of war in Vietnam.

"The ilk of John McCain is very scarce, very small," Falwell told the graduates.

The evangelist has denied that his invitation to McCain to be Liberty's commencement speaker meant he was appointing him for president in 2008. Should McCain be the GOP nominee, however, Falwell has said he could support him.

The two disagreed on how to respond to gay marriage, for example.

McCain opposes a constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage, while Falwell supports, but McCain favors state actions to preserve traditional marriage.

McCain made no reference to family values in his commencement address, focusing instead on global concerns.

He drew applause when he said the United States should take up arms against the "awful human catastrophe" in the Darfur region of the Sudan. Osama bin Laden and his followers, he said, "have called on Muslims to rise up against the Westerner who dares intervene to stop the genocide."

McCain drew criticism for agreeing to speak at Liberty University, the conservative Christian institution that Falwell founded in 1971. Critics suggested he was backing away from the stand he took on Falwell in 2000 to court conservatives for a likely campaign in 2008.

McCain has defended appearing at Liberty University and at liberal institutions that foster views he might not share. His next campus venues may be contentious.

Liberal activists in New York are protesting both his address at Columbia College's "Class Day" on Tuesday and his Friday commencement address at The New School, where a petition campaign was staged in an effort to dislodge him.



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NATION

# New tax bill mostly helps the high end

By Nell Irwin  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — In the debate over the tax bill that Congress passed last week, supporters insisted it was essential to continued economic growth while opponents described it as a boon to the wealthy that the nation could afford.

The proposed changes to the nation's tax system, though, which President Bush plans to sign into law this week, have a more idiosyncratic set of winners and losers than the talking points on either side might suggest. The bill would cut taxes by \$70 billion over the next decade — about \$25 per person, per year. But the benefits are concentrated among people with very particular tax situations, a relative few people who might save thousands of dollars.

The winners include people with large stock portfolios, affluent Americans with big individual retirement accounts, upper-middle income residents of high-tax states and musicians. The bill is less kind to Americans living abroad or the parents of 14- to 18-year-olds who want to invest money on their behalf.

The provisions evolved that way for a variety of reasons. Some are ideological — Republicans in Congress argue that low taxes on investment income will help spur economic expansion. Others reflect worries by narrow lobbying groups or tweaking of tax provisions to make the fiscal impact of the tax cuts seem less severe.

"The bill has a lot of little odds and ends in it," said John Barrie, a tax partner at law firm Bryan Cave LLP.

Stock investors are the broadest group of beneficiaries of the bill, which extends a 15 percent rate on dividend income and long-term capital gains through 2010 (the low rates were scheduled to expire in 2008). That low rate is particularly helpful to those who live off investment income, said John Rachlin, a wealth-management adviser with Merrill Lynch & Co. based in Rockville, Md.

"People who are close to re-

## Winners and losers

**Winner:** Upper-income families, with multiple children, in states with high income taxes. Families exposed to the alternative minimum tax will get some relief as the income exempted from the AMT, meant for the wealthy, rises.

**Winner:** People with lots of income from investments. The 15 percent tax rate on capital gains and dividend income is extended for two years, a potential boon for those with stocks and other investments.

**Winner:** Upper-income people with large individual retirement accounts. Starting in 2010, they can convert their regular IRAs to Roth IRAs, taking a one-time tax hit but gaining flexibility in withdrawals and other advantages.

**Winner:** Small business owners who plan new investments. The bill gives companies two more years in which they can immediately deduct investments, rather

than amortize them over many years.

**Winner:** Musicians and songwriters. Money from sales of self-composed musical works will be taxed as capital gains, not at higher rates for regular income.

**Loser:** Future taxpayers and government benefit recipients. The tax cuts are not offset by spending cuts, so the debt will have to be paid with future tax increases or spending cuts.

**Loser:** U.S. citizens who work abroad. Rules on housing allowances are being tightened, among other complicated changes.

**Loser:** Parents of 14- to 18-year-old children who want to invest on their behalf. Families can no longer invest money in a 15-year-old child's nampa avoiding paying the parents' higher tax rates.

— The Washington Post

irement or in retirement seed dividend-producing stocks as a way to have a lower taxed income," Rachlin said. "More people are catching on as they see the benefit in the last couple of years."

For example, one of his clients, Isidore Bernstein, pays about \$6,000 a year less in taxes with the low dividend rates than he would if they rose back to 2003 levels, when dividends were taxed at the same rate as

regular income — which tops out at 35 percent. That increases the after-tax income of the Bethesda, Md., resident, a retired doctor, by 5 percent.

The bill also raises the amount of income exempted from the alternative minimum tax, a system meant to ensure that the wealthy don't pay too little in taxes but that increasingly ensnares middle-income people because it is not indexed to inflation.

Deloitte Tax LLP found that a hypothetical family of four with \$185,000 in income and \$33,000 in itemized tax deductions — easily attainable in high-income tax jurisdictions — would have faced an AMT of \$3,700, but now will pay none.

Not everyone wins. Parents have long been prevented from avoiding taxes on investment income by investing it in the names of their children under 14. Now they will be prevented from doing so for those under 18. And there are a complicated changes to tax rules for Americans who work and live abroad, the upshot of which is that expatriates will have to pay \$2.1 billion more in taxes over the next decade. Expatriates will face tighter rules on how em-

ployer-provided housing will be treated and could face higher taxes on investment income.

There's another set of losers in the tax bill. Because the tax cuts are not being offset by lower government spending, but

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NATION

Polygamous sect seeks opening to society

By Beth Duff-Brown Associated Press writer

YAHK, British Columbia—The 16 new pupils at two-room Yahk Elementary School are wary of strangers in case they are unbelievers, apostates, journalists — anyone their church could consider evil.

Their mothers, mostly pale and plump with hair swept back in stiff pioneer buns, cast their eyes down and evade questions as they pick up their kids. With their polygamous sect divided and one of its leaders wanted by the FBI, the media spotlight is all the more unwelcome.

But not to Rita Palmer. Four of her eight children are among this year's newcomers, and she's eager to set the record straight. "We're normal. We're not brainwashed."

Palmer, 34, and several other mothers of children at Yahk belong to the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, a sect that quit the Mormon Church in Utah after Mormonism banned polygamy in 1890.

They have moved them out of the school on their religious compound in Bountiful, where two leaders are feuding for control and are under investigation on suspicion of sexual abuse and child trafficking.

One of those leaders, Warren Jeffs, has just been placed on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list, a nod right up there with Osama bin Laden. His rivalry with Winston Blackmore has split Bountiful and is pitting fathers against daughters and brothers against sisters.

Palmer and the other mothers bear no resemblance to the Hollywood actresses in "Big Sister" the HBO drama series about a polygamous marriage.

What they share is husbands — though Rita says hers has yet to take another wife — and the desire to follow their faith in the heavenly virtues of polygamy.

Some have moved away altogether from Bountiful, just north of the Idaho border and at the foot of the towering Skimern Mountains in eastern British Columbia, and are attempting to live among the townspersons of nearby Yahk, Creston and Kitchener. They include Palmer, who moved to Kitchener because her husband has a job with one of the town's lumber companies.

Yahk Elementary is tucked tightly between railroad tracks and a ridge of trees near the Cozy Quik Motel and the Horny Owl Saloon in this once-booming mill town of 400 people.

This little school is working as a catalyst of hope, said Linda Alfred, Yahk's lone teacher. "The public school policy is to accept everyone — Muslim, Buddhist, Catholics — if they don't question their religion or dress."

"I don't agree with polygamy," she said, but "there are so many other things that are positive about their lifestyle."

John Kettle, director of the administrative district that includes Yahk Elementary, says, "You can't punish the child for their father's sins. I think they're really reaching out and I think the community in Yahk is reaching right back."



Teacher Linda Alfred, right, speaks with Rita Palmer, while holding her 20-month-old son at a school in Yahk, B.C., Canada, Nov. 23, 2005. Palmer belongs to the Fundamental Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, a sect that quit the Mormon church in Utah after Mormonism banned polygamy in 1890.

**On the Net:**  
Winston Blackmore's blog: www.sharhlight.ca  
Help the Child Brides: www.childbrides.org  
Independent pro-polygamy site: www.principlespoly.org

The newcomers are Yahk Elementary's salvation: It had only three pupils and needed at least 10 to qualify for public funding. Sliced to shut down this school year, it instead got 16 Bountiful kids and 14 more are registered for the coming school year.

"We don't feel like we rejected anyone; we're feeling more like the teachers rescued us," said Palmer. "I wanted them (her children) to experience meeting other people that weren't from our church, mingling with the Yahk community. It's almost like a student-exchange program."

This article also scores points for Winston Blackmore by portraying him as more mainstream and moderate than Jeffs, whose supporters refuse to talk to reporters.

About half of Bountiful's 1,000 people follow Blackmore while the rest go with Jeffs, a self-declared prophet, as do some 10,000 adherents in the twin cities of Hilldale, Utah, and Colorado City, Ariz., and a growing enclave in Texas.

Jeffs, 50, was indicted last June in Arizona on charges of sexual assault and conspiracy to commit sexual conduct on a minor. His adherents live in a compound outside Eldorado, Texas, where a dozen concrete and log buildings surround a fortress-like tower.

The Mormon church in Salt Lake City, Utah, formally named The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, excommunicates polygamists. It complains that some U.S. news organizations have misled the public by referring to believers in Bountiful as Mormons.

It issued a statement saying "Warren Jeffs and polygamist groups have no association whatsoever with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints."

The polygamists' presence in Canada dates back more than a century. It started with break-aways who moved here after the Mormons banned polygamy, even though Ottawa had outlawed the practice in 1878. Bountiful was founded in 1947 by four families to follow the original teaching of Mormon founder Joseph Smith, who glorified plural marriages.

The atmosphere in Bountiful feels fraught. Few are willing to criticize Jeffs' group outright, but the grief over the family splits caused by the feud is noticeable.

Equally evident is the effort the Blackmore group makes to portray its existence as harmless and the children normal.

Sister Palmer, Rita's sister, took The Associated Press on a quick tour of the Mormon Hills school, where she is a college-certified art and music teacher. She showed off the school's computer lab and talked about the hot dog sale to raise money for the school band.

A 40-year-old mother of nine children and four grandkids, she says she has no qualms about Rita leaving the compound and sending her children to public school. However, she believes Bountiful's two private schools — Mormon Hills with about 140 pupils, and the Jeffs camp's Bountiful Elementary-Secondary with about 200 — are equally good and deserve their combined \$809,495 in public funding this school year.

Expover and human rights groups allege that both schools teach racism and use an outdated curriculum. Palmer insists Mormon Hills is like any other school, saying, "We have to pass inspection or we don't get the funding."

The compound looks like any no-frills midwest farm — barns and pickup trucks, motel-like housing for the families — but its division is reflected in Bountiful Elementary-Secondary, where the hill and off-ramps to Blackmore followers.

"My father is the bishop of that community and my mother is the high school teacher there," Palmer said wistfully, pointing up the hill. Does she have contact with them? "Minimal."

Palmer's husband has four other wives and she is married to one of Rita's brothers.

The benign classroom scene stands in contrast to the ghouly scenario sketched by Rita's other sister Debbie Palmer, a former Bountiful resident and stepmother of Blackmore, who is helping investigators.

Jeffs' whereabouts are unknown, but Palmer says that if the self-declared prophet is in the Texas compound, "I've got a horrible sense of doom — because I don't believe that he's going to give himself up without having a lot of people go down with him."

To reinforce his power, Jeffs excommunicated hundreds of men he felt weren't loyal or religious enough, tossed them from businesses and homes and reassigned their wives and children to other men. Blackmore was one of the excommunicated, but refused to go.

The FBI recently announced a \$100,000 reward for Jeffs' arrest, adding to bounties offered by the Utah and Arizona attorneys general. The attorneys general are also investigating whether to prosecute Bountiful members for sex abuse and trafficking in child brides.

Canada's national police force will file to any charges, its spokesman in Vancouver, Staff Sgt. John Ward, said a review of activities in Bountiful is now in the hands of two investigators to determine whether any crimes have been committed.

"Really what we're dealing with is rumor and innuendo, and we're trying to determine if there's any truth to that," Ward said. "But very few people have come forward to supply us with information."

Debbie Palmer lives in Saskatchewan, saying she fled Bountiful in 1988 when she believed her third husband was sexually interested in her 13-year-old daughter. Now 51, she says she was 40 when she fled to a 57-year-old man when she was 15 and had five other "mothers" besides her biological one, six siblings, three husbands, eight children and six stepchildren — one of whom is Winston Blackmore.

Palmer, the author of "Keep Sweet: Children of Polygamy," believes as many as 80 teenage girls from the U.S. branches of the sect have been sent to marry older men at Bountiful, and that most went willingly.

Girls are taught that the more senior and polygamous their husband is, the better their and their children's chances are of a happy afterlife.

"There's a kind of power attached to that," Debbie Palmer said, "even you looking at the next life and the eternal perspective, when you're in the dirty trenches and up to your arms in dirty diapers."

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NATION

# Deadly gator trapped and killed

By Brian Haas  
Knight Ridder News Service

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"Hopefully, this will provide some peace to the young woman's family," said Dani Moschella, of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. "And hopefully this means we have removed a dangerous animal."

Relatives of the victim, Yvvy Suarez Jimenez, could not be reached for comment. Family members planned to attend private services for her Saturday.

For Kevin Garvey, trapper and owner of Missauce Wildlife Control, finding the gator was personal. He patrols that very canal often and knew most of the gators that frequent it. When Jimenez's body was

found Wednesday by construction workers, he knew he would have to find this new gator before it could kill again.

"I didn't want anything like this to happen in my territory," he said. "The press's been on me."

As he has the last several days he lobbed his bait into the middle of the canal Friday night: a hunk of pig lung with shark hooks embedded in the meat. That same setup had already caught two other gators, whose stomachs revealed an odd diet: ricecoo meat, a football and tennis balls.

When Garvey visited his trap about 8:30 a.m. Saturday, he saw it: The male reptile was blind in one eye, which could have made it more aggressive, Garvey said. And it thrashed like mad as he and five others yanked it up the embankment.

"He was fighting for his life," Garvey said.

This time, the gator lost. Wildlife officials took the reptile to All American Gator Products in Pembroke Pines, where they killed it and performed a necropsy. They found two sev-

ered arms in the gator's stomach, consistent with Jimenez's injuries. Officials then cut off the alligator's head and sent it to the Broward County Medical Examiner's Office to match the teeth marks to Jimenez's wounds. The rest of the alligator's remains were incinerated at the Broward County Humane Society, Moschella said.

Officials say the Florida Atlantic University student might have been jogging in the area Wednesday when she stopped to rest near the canal. There, officials surmise, the gator attacked and killed Jimenez on land, ripping off both arms and then dragging her body into the canal. An autopsy revealed she died from the alligator's bites, not drowning.

While such attacks have been extremely rare in the past, Moschella warned residents to stay away from gators, report aggressive ones and use caution around canals and waterways.

"Give them their space," she said. "If you see an alligator in the wild, give it its space, appreciate it from a distance."

# Pentagon faults report questioning quality of veterans' mental health care

By Shankar Vedantam  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon's top medical officer contests the conclusions of a Government Accountability Office report that questioned whether service members returning from Iraq and Afghanistan are getting appropriate mental health care.

Although the report said only 22 percent of service members identified as at risk for post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) on a post-deployment questionnaire were referred for a mental health examination, the conclusions of a Government Accountability Office report that questioned whether service members returning from Iraq and Afghanistan are getting appropriate mental health care, said William Winkenwerder Jr., assistant secretary of defense for

health affairs.

"Many people are referred and were referred in this process not to a mental health professional but to a primary care professional, their doctor," said Winkenwerder in an interview Friday. "They were referred to group counseling sessions, or a confidential counseling service or a chaplain."

"The fact that 22 percent were referred to a psychiatrist or a psychologist is not an indication (the others) did not get the support or help they needed," he said.

The issue of PTSD care in the military has become the subject of controversy. Democrats and several veterans groups have charged the administration with short-changing returning service members who are in distress, but the Pentagon has insisted that the quality of

care being provided is historically unparalleled.

The Pentagon could not make a knowledgeable official available to comment on the GAO report Wednesday evening after The Washington Post obtained a draft. The final report, with the Pentagon's official response, was made public Thursday.

That response broadly concurred with the report's conclusions and recommendations — including a call for better explanations of why some service members who were found to be at risk, but not others, were referred to mental health professionals. But the Pentagon said it disagreed with the GAO's contention that "reasonable assurance is not available to support that Iraq and Afghanistan service members receive referrals when needed."

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- *The U.S. now imports 85% of its petroleum supplies, compared to 10% in 1980.*
- *The U.S. and India's oil consumption will approach the production capacity of Saudi Arabia.*



SUNDAY May 14, 2006

SPORTS Blowout

2006 Region 18 baseball tournament

at John L. Harvey Field, Carson City, Nev. All times MDT Wednesday's games No. 4 Salt Lake CC 3, No. 5 Eastern Utah 2, 10 innings No. 3 CSI 6, No. 6 CC Southern Nevada 0 Thursday's games Elimination bracket No. 5 Eastern Utah 6, No. 6 Southern Nevada 5, 12 innings No. 3 CSI 9, No. 5 Eastern Utah 5 Championship bracket No. 2 Dixie State 11, No. 3 CSI 1, six innings No. 1 Western Nevada CC 9, No. 4 Salt Lake CC 1, eight innings Friday's games Elimination bracket No. 3 CSI 1, No. 4 Salt Lake CC 0 No. CSI 4, No. 1 Western Nevada CC 0 Championship bracket No. 2 Dixie State 4, No. 1 Western Nevada CC 0 Saturday's games Championship No. 2 Dixie State 9, No. 3 CSI 1 All-Region 18 Tournament Finals Infielders - Ryan Whitehead, Eastern Utah; Mike Griffin, CSI; Tyson Jaquez, Western Nevada; Alex Wolfe, Dixie State. Outfielders - Bobby Leigh, Dixie State; Brandon Wells, Dixie State; Cooper Blanc, Dixie State. Catcher - Taylor Mieras, Western Nevada. Designated hitter - Kenny Fuglerud, CSI. Pitchers - Chris Reap, Dixie State; Todd Privett, CSI.



Magic Valley Bulldogs running back Gerriluh Nuy Jakes past Snake River defenders for a touchdown during the first quarter at Bill Matthews Field in Rupert on Saturday. DRC LARSEN/Times News

Bulldawgs bite Sabercats in 29-0 win

By Brad Gulie Times-News writer RUPERT — Rumbling, tumbling, and thankfully, not furling their way to their first win, the Magic Valley Bulldogs defeated the Snake River Sabercats 29-0 Saturday at Bill Matthews Field in Rupert. The victory puts the Bulldogs (1-4) in fifth place in the Rocky Mountain Football League's AA Mountain Conference. They trail the undefeated Muddogs (Salt Lake City) by 4.5 games while Snake River is in last place at 5.5 games behind. The Bulldogs offense scored four times under the direction of quarterback Ben Landrian, who completed 3-of-6 passes for yard and one touchdown. Jake Salinas also had a big day for Magic Valley, carry-

ing five times for 93 yards and a TD. Landrian called the game a "much needed boost, definitely." "We just had all our guys show up and were dedicated today. We were ready for a win. We all executed today," Salinas said. The Bulldogs wasted no time today putting points on the board and keeping the Sabercats off. Running back Gerriluh Nuy struck first on a 25-yard touchdown rush with a point-after kick by Danilo Azavedo to make it 7-0 with 3:30 remaining. Nuy returned to score again in the second quarter from three yards out after being nicely set up by an 18-yard run by Dallas Myers and a 19-yard run by Jake Salinas. Nuy also con-

verted the extra point on a fake kick at the 10:03 mark. The running back rushed for 51 yards on three carries for his two TDs. He could have scored more, but two TD rushes were called back on penalty. Part of the futility of the Snake River offense was due to the fact that cornerback Thomas Karno had to sub the game for usual quarterback Jay Hatfield. Karno made a valiant effort, but came up short, only throwing for 33 yards. Top rusher Jeff Valenzuela carried seven times for 22 yards. As the second quarter neared its end, the Bulldogs bit again as Salinas rushed 51 yards to put another six points on the board. Nuy converted for two points again, putting Magic Valley up by 23. On the ensuing kickoff return, Alma Bulher received a fumble

at the Snake River 18, which set up Landrian's TD pass to receiver Brad Cook with less than 10 seconds left in the half. Cook hauled in two passes for 74 yards on the day. The fumble was just one of Snake River's three turnovers. A Karno pass was intercepted by Kyle Shoup with 4:00 to go in the second quarter. "We just kinda gelled today, the whole team," Landrian said. "We had some rough spots, but once we got rolling, it's limitless to what our offense is capable of." The third quarter was shut out ball on both sides as Snake River again failed to drive the ball. Magic Valley could have put more points on the board, but a series of penalties stalled a strong drive that eventually went nowhere.

The Bulldogs will take a few weeks off, then face off with the Sabercats again in Blackfoot on June 3. "For everybody showing up and putting out a lot of heart, that's all we can ask for. We're just hoping we can pick up another couple of Ws," Landrian said. He added that the Bulldogs would like to thank Minico and Valley High Schools for use of their facilities. The game was called at the end of three quarters at the request of the Sabercats, who were depleted by injury and heat by halftime. Magic Valley Bulldogs 29, Snake River Sabercats 0 0:00-0:00 Magic Valley 1:23-0:00 Dixie State 2:00-0:00 CSI 2:30-0:00 Salt Lake CC 3:00-0:00 Eastern Utah 3:30-0:00 Southern Nevada 4:00-0:00

Bonds still waiting

By Janie McCauley Associated Press writer SAN FRANCISCO — It's beginning to look as if Barry Bonds' next milestone home run might have to wait until his team's upcoming road trip. The slugger spent another day stuck at 713 and one behind Babe Ruth for second place on the career list, going 0-for-3 with a walk and a strikeout Saturday in the San Francisco Giants' 6-5 comeback victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers. Bonds wasn't around to celebrate Omar Vizquel's winning sacrifice fly to right after Jason Ellison replaced him in left field in the top of the ninth. "Well, too bad," Vizquel said when told Bonds was inside getting ready to leave, though he hadn't noticed because there was so many people around him. The Giants scored four runs in the ninth against Danys Baez (2-2), also getting RBI singles from Lance Niekro and pinch-hitter Dan Orner and a run-scoring double by Todd Greene. Jose Vizcaino entered to run for Greene at third and scored the winning run. Vizquel was immediately mobbed near first — Bonds nowhere to be seen. "What a day for Vizcaino in less than 5 minutes of work." "It's not a bad day for the team," he said. "I'm just happy to be able to score the winning run. It's a ball where I know I have a chance to score." Now, Bonds must hit two



San Francisco outfielder Barry Bonds grounds out to first base in the eighth inning against the Los Angeles Dodgers in San Francisco, Saturday. AP Photo A "couple of at-bats were better," Alonso said. "The other ones were more or less what we've seen in the last 10 at-bats." After Sunday's series finale, the Giants leave town for a three-game series starting Monday at Houston, followed by a weekend interleague matchup at Oakland in which Bonds can play designated hitter. Giants' management can't be thrilled thinking about the possibility of Bonds passing Ruth in the run-down ballpark across San Francisco Bay. "We're not waiting to see Please see BONDS, Page A10

Jerome softball headed to state

POCATELLO — The Jerome Tigers took a big lead, lost it, and got it back Saturday afternoon. Their reward? A trip to the Class 4A state softball tournament in Pocatello. After watching their five-run lead over the Hillcrest Knights evaporate in the bottom of the first inning of Saturday's District Four-Five-Six state-play-in game, the Tigers batters responded to take it right back in the top of the third with their second five-run inning of the game. "That was huge because I mean, everybody was nervous," Tigers' head coach Adam Reynolds said. "We put up five again and it was like a weight lifted off our shoulders. I felt like we gave them the five in the first. I'm sure our girls did too." McKenzie Mangum stepped up the win to improve to 12-7 on the season for the 16-7 Tigers, who play Tournament host Pocatello at 5 p.m. in Thursday's first round of the state playoffs. The Tigers have played Pocatello twice this season, winning a pair of close games. Mangum went 3-for-5 with two runs scored to help her cause, while Tashaya Lott finished 2-for-4 with three RBIs. Catcher Jennifer Bambang went 4-for-5 with two RBIs for Jerome.

Local sports Jerome 12, Hillcrest 6 00:00-0:10 1:12 2:00-0:12 3:00-0:12 4:00-0:12 5:00-0:12 6:00-0:12 7:00-0:12 8:00-0:12 9:00-0:12 10:00-0:12 11:00-0:12 12:00-0:12 American Falls 5, Kimberly 0 POCATELLO — The Kimberly Bulldogs baseball team made it further than it ever had, but found their 2006 road came to an end in unfamiliar territory with a 5-0 Class 3A state play-in loss to the American Falls Demons Saturday afternoon in Pocatello. "I was very proud of our team for getting to this game," Bulldogs' head coach Darin Gonzalez said. "We played some pretty good baseball at the end of the season. I think we just ran out of gas at the end, but I think we're a better team at the end of the year than at the beginning. Evan Jerke finished 2-for-3 for the Bulldogs, who end their season at 10-14. The Bulldogs graduate only two players — catcher Joe Mason and outfielder/center baseman David Flowers. "We reached some milestones this year and the kids, they were down after the game, Please see JEROME, Page A10

CSI out of arms, miracles

Dixie State takes Region 18 Carson City, Nev. — In the end, asking for seven wins in four days was just too much. The College of Southern Idaho has been knocked out of the Region 18 Tournament at John L. Harvey Field in Carson City, Nev., after a 9-1 defeat at the hands of the Dixie State College Rebels in Saturday's tournament championship game. The Golden Eagles made it this far on the strength of the arms of their stellar pitching rotation, but found the team to be dry against the Rebels. Dixie State pounded out 13 hits on four CSI pitchers to take the tournament title and move on to host the NCAA Western Regional Tournament. The CSI batters were held in check by a fresh Rebels carrier, as Coll Adams made his first appearance of the tournament to pitch nine innings of one-run ball. On the other hand, CSI struck out 11 but lost the game after pitching a complete-game shutout on Wednesday and suffering from a case of food poisoning on Friday. Privett pitched two innings of shutout ball before being relieved by his brother Zak Privett, who was coming off a seven-inning performance on Thursday. Privett allowed five runs — all earned — on eight hits as the Rebels offense exploded in the middle innings. The Rebels put up four runs in the bottom of the sixth, capped off by Albert Jones two-run homer in the bottom of the top of the 6-0. Jones finished 2-for-5 with three runs scored and three RBIs to lead the Rebels. Kenner's second led CSI at the plate, going 2-for-3, Nick Gunerson, AJ Rucker, Mike Griffin, Grant Kveder and Grant Vickers all tallied hits. CSI's Zak Privett picked up the loss, finishing with a 6-3 record on the season. All told, the Golden Eagles can boast a second-place finish in the tournament, along with a 41-19 season record. Region 18 Championship Dixie State 9, CSI 1 00:00-0:12 0:00-0:12 1:00-0:12 2:00-0:12 3:00-0:12 4:00-0:12 5:00-0:12 6:00-0:12 7:00-0:12 8:00-0:12 9:00-0:12 10:00-0:12 11:00-0:12 12:00-0:12



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NBA Playoffs, Heat at Nets, ABC, 8:30 p.m.
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European PGA Tour, British Masters, final round, TGC, 7:45 a.m.
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PGA Tour, Byron Nelson Championship, final round, CBS, 1 p.m.
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Twin Falls Dragons need more players
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Dragons of the Northwest Triple-B baseball league is currently looking for players.
Anyone interested is encouraged to call Carlos at 212-404-...
The Dragons are at the High Cycles for a noon doubleheader today while the Twin Falls Giants are at the High Cycles for a noon doubleheader.

Gooding schools set date for physicals
GOODING — Physicals for all sports and cheerleaders will start at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, May 16 at Gooding High School.
Any student that plans on participating in sports and cheerleading at high school or middle school or play Pee Wee Football for grades 5-6 during the school year 2006-07 need to get physicals.
...
American automakers have been bracing for Toyota's arrival, which is expected to bring a wave of cash into the sport as an effort to win quick and low talent. But aside from Waltrip, who will be one of the three inaugural car owners, Toyota has yet to secure a lineup.

Minidoka County Schools hold physicals
RUPEIT — Minidoka County Schools will hold physical examinations at Min-Cassia High School on Tuesday, May 16 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
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Liverpool beats West Ham for FA Cup title
LIVERPOOL — Steven Gerrard scored two goals and a assist to lead Liverpool to victory over West Ham for a seventh FA Cup title, showing the young players at Liverpool are ready to take over the club.

Rulon Gardner headlines Kimberly wrestling camp
KIMBERLY — The Kimberly High School wrestling program will be holding its annual wrestling camp featuring Olympic gold medalist Rulon Gardner from May 31-June 2.
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USC starting point guard killed in Louisiana
LOS ANGELES — Southern California freshman point guard Ryan Francis was shot and killed in Baton Rouge, La. while on a road trip for a game in a car in Louisiana, where he was visiting his mother.

Ponderosa Golf Course to offer golf class
BURLEY — The Ponderosa Golf Course will offer a golf class for beginning golfers beginning on Wednesday, May 17 at 6 p.m.
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**EDITORIAL**

**Hospital sale a healthy plan for county's future**

**C**ommunity members carry a strong connection to their local hospital — ties that usually last for generations.

In Twin Falls County, the link goes beyond kids' stitches, delivery of a newborn and treatment for a loved one's cancer. Since 1916, county residents have owned Twin Falls County's primary health care institution, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Those decades are starting to show at Magic Valley Regional and county-owned facilities are no longer the norm in the competitive health care industry.

**About this issue**

**Twin Falls County voters will decide whether to allow the sale of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to the St. Luke's Health System.**

The Times-News offers its criticisms as a service to readers by welcome opposing viewpoints.

years, with annual payments of \$500,000.

Indigent care obligations — Should the county's total indigent care bill go over \$1 million, St. Luke's would reimburse the county for costs that exceed that cap and that meet specifications under Idaho law.

Office space renovations — Twin Falls County would move into the vacated downtown clinic near City Park, and St. Luke's would give \$2 million for renovations and \$1 million for the purchase of nearby property for parking.

Reversionary interest — If St. Luke's should ever sell the hospital in the next 15 years, the county would receive 15 percent of the system's total assets at the time of the sale.

**Hospital board presence** — In addition to having 15 to 20 community members on a local hospital board, Twin Falls County will have four local seats on the St. Luke's Health System Board in Boise.

**Debt obligations** — The merger of operations will allow Magic Valley Regional to retire its outstanding bond debt of \$16.5 million, while St. Luke's will reimburse the county \$200,000 for commissioners' consultant fees and \$50,000 for the election.

What does the public lose in this transaction? Not much. Control of the facility will involve a dual-structure involving a hospital board in Twin Falls and a system board in Boise. But on some key matters of financing and other areas, the system board would have a higher "implementation authority" to set policy without the hospital board.

While that structure does send authority outside Magic Valley, the system powers stay in Idaho with the participation of local board members. That's a better alternative than sending decision authority out of state.

Local oversight would also be limited since the purchase would create a 501(c)3 private, non-profit governance structure.

That transparency to the public may be good for accountability, but it creates a big obstacle in today's competitive world of health care. That competition is also difficult for elected county officials to navigate when they have no background in medicine or health care.

Weighing all these factors, this proposal is a huge opportunity for voters to strengthen local health care. The years of study made by volunteers and officials for this transition should pay off abundantly.

County leaders can embrace the sale proposal as an insurance plan for what is, and what should remain, a local hospital.

**A father-and-son reunion**

**O**ne Bush did it by staying out of Baghdad, raising taxes and driving down the deficit.

The other Bush did it, by going into Baghdad, cutting taxes and driving up the deficit.

But, perhaps inadvertently, the father and son ended up in an Octopid tango at the same spot: 31 percent.

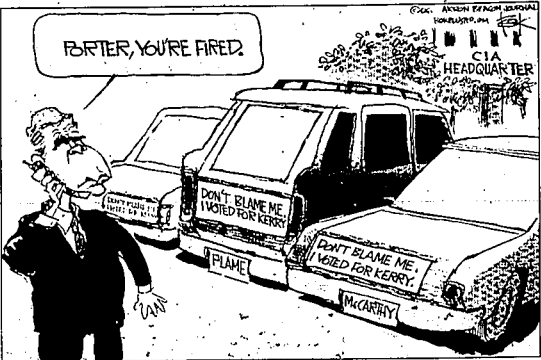


After trying not to emulate his father's presidency in any way, W. enlivened it in the worst possible way. He came out in a towering figure with soaring approval ratings and ended up as a shrunken figure with scalding approval ratings.

In the latest New York Times column, he got the W's stunning implosion landed him in a tie with his dad's low point in July 1992. Four months ago, when he had a 40 percent approval rating for his Pappy Bill Clinton. As Adam Nagourney and Megan Theiss noted in their Times article on Wednesday, that is the worst approval rating for any president in the last half-century, other than Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter.

Even Hillary Clinton has a more favorable rating than W. — 34 percent. But the president can draw some support at 28 percent and Al Gore's at 28 percent. And Dick Cheney is in the bunker at 20.

But in the new poll, even many of the party faithful are gleam. Only 45 percent of evangelicals, 69 percent of conservatives and 51 percent of moderates like the way W. is taking care of business. A whopping 70 percent deem the country pretty seriously on the wrong track and two-thirds consider the nation in worse shape now than when W. took over.



On the issues that turned Karl (love his nickname, Boy Genius — values and national security) — the shift was notable, 75 percent of respondents said Democrats came closer to sharing their moral values, compared with 37 percent who said Republicans did. And the GOP retains a tenuous advantage on being seen as stronger on terrorism. The numbers for those who think we did the right thing invading Iraq are steadily dropping, and rising for those who believe we should have stayed out.

Many Americans have simply lost faith in the administration's ingenuity. Only a quarter of those polled had much confidence in W's ability to handle a crisis: a mere 9 percent are sure that he can set us off on the right track, and 34 percent think he's administering badly. The Bush warriors didn't want good intelligence in the first place because they would have told them they were wrong about Saddam's ties to al-Qaida and WMD. And now they're still more concerned with turf battles than with

truth-tellers, and finding someone — anyone — who can tell us where Osama is. (Osama who?)

Even Denny Hastert, the Republican speaker, scoffed at the Hayden memo, a neo-conservative "power grab." The speaker is a Cheney pal who stood up for the White House's right to be unconstitutional, going along with the heinous war-madness sniping. That makes him one of the team and ready for a promotion, or a Medal of Freedom. He will be useful in accommodating when Darth Cheney comes over to Langley to lurk around the analysis and oversee the evidence building a case on sending bombs rather than diplomats, to Iran.

Now that we're dealing with a crazed Iranian president, dreaming of nukes and writing an 18-page letter that sounds like an Israeli-hating Islamic version of the Hapline, would it be great if your spouse could stop fighting and go spy on somebody?

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**Idaho needs superintendent ready to act**

**I**daho's Superintendent of Public Instruction is a leader and advocate for K-12 education. As voters decide who is best to succeed Dr. Marilyn Howard, it's important to keep in mind what the job entails.

A background in teaching, which I have, is useful, but the best educational decisions are made at the local and state levels.

Most important, the superintendent is the chief officer of Idaho's State Department of Education, staffed by master teachers and specialists expert in everything from charter schools to school transportation to care subjects to school budgets and more.

As Dr. Howard's chief deputy, I can step right into of-fee without any on-the-job training.

That means I have the know-how to tackle the critical issues: adequate and reliable school funding, strengthening local control, finding and keeping skilled teachers and making sure all Idaho students are fully prepared for productive citizenship.

I believe I am the best-qualified candidate for state superintendent, and I ask for your vote on May 23.



*De Jana Jones is a Democratic candidate for Idaho State superintendent of public instruction.*

**Initiative requires partnerships on schools**

**T**he editorial page for the Times-News recently agreed with the need to secure funding for necessary classroom supplies, textbooks, teachers and technology, yet was concerned that the county's initiative could usurp legislative power.

Let's clear up this misunderstanding. Under Idaho's Constitution, it's impossible for a citizen's initiative to take power away from the Legislature — a fact that is clearly recognized in the initiative's Statement of Purpose.

Therefore, legally, when the Idaho Local Public Schools Investment Act initiative passes by a statewide vote of the people, it will go into effect just like any other Idaho law and will need to be implemented by the Legislature — the very partnership required by Idaho's Constitution.

The authors of our Constitution were very wise to include the initiative as part of Idaho's governing system, and the thousands of volunteers who helped put this measure on the ballot are honoring



that heritage by using it to help Idaho's children.

An equally important concern is whether the Times-News and the Idaho Legislature trusts the voters to decide this critical issue facing our kids' education. After all, the purpose of the initiative process is to allow the citizens of the state to propose and vote on a change in the law. It is important to note that this initiative — to reinstate the penny on the sales tax and deduce the increase to 8.12 education across the state — was offered to the Legislature in bill form and it never received a public hearing. That's why citizens of Idaho chose to pursue the initiative process.

After a decade of declining or stagnant state funding for our schools, the people are taking matters into our own hands. Currently, we are 45th

in the nation in per-pupil spending and our kids are crowded into the eighth largest class sizes in the country. But simply our local schools can't wait any longer.

Passage of the school funding initiative will require about 250,000 votes statewide — a strong mandate for increased local public school funding. And judging by the speed with which thousands of local school supporters across the Magic Valley and the rest of Idaho gathered nearly 80,000 signatures to successfully petition the initiative on the November ballot, it's clear that there's a growing movement dedicated to ensuring that our kids' education is the No. 1 priority in Idaho. Given that level of support, will the Legislature really want to reverse the will of Idaho's voters?

And if legislators do choose to reverse, modify or amend the initiative, which kids will they leave behind? Mine? Yours? Or just the children who aren't in a politically powerful legislative district?

The simple fact is that public schools are struggling due to a lack of funding. Locally, Murrough has had to cut and raise at all levels, depriving those children an important component of a well-rounded education. That's led to parents pulling their students out of the schools and transferring to nearby districts — translating into less funding as student enrollment drops.

Murrough is just one example. I'm sure that if you have kids in school or know people who do, you've heard similar stories in many classrooms in the state.

The Legislature had its chance to fund our local schools. Now it's time to let the voters decide. By passing the Idaho Local Public Schools Investment Act in November, our children will have the tools they need to succeed in college, the workplace and in life. We should offer them no less.

*Shawn Lee Waters is a behavior therapist working with emotionally disturbed children in schools in Kimberly and Twin Falls.*

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**Merger creates sound collaboration for service**

On May 23, Twin Falls County residents have an opportunity to cast a vote on the merger of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center with the St. Luke's health care system.

We would like to share some of the reasons we are voting

"yes" for this partnership.

One is the construction of a new medical profit hospital with the latest in health care technology, private rooms and a new Mountain States Tumor Institute facility that will provide care closer to home.

A facility such as this will help bring new doctors to the Magic Valley who specialize in

treatments for which we currently have to travel to receive. There is a real need to attract specialists and to replenish retiring physicians in our growing community.

Nearly all of our doctors and health care workers support this partnership because they know that the ability to provide the best service to their pa-

tients requires better equipment, more up-to-date surgical and emergency room facilities and more room to expand.

Also, a collaboration with the St. Luke's health care system will be a real plus for training and education resources.

As a part of the merger, St. Luke's will contribute \$15 million to a charitable foundation

for those unable to pay. Additional contributions will follow for 10 more years.

This will help the county with its responsibility to provide the indigent with care.

A "yes" vote will bring us all these benefits without additional taxes. Plus, we will continue to maintain input and control with a board of direc-

tors made up of local residents. The merger of two great health systems will benefit all of us for generations to come.

There are some very important reasons we need to consider on May 23. Remember to vote yes!

**GARY BABBEL  
CHRIS STEINBACH  
Twin Falls**

LETTERS

Meth story turned users into victims

After reading "The Meth Miracle" (April 29-31), I have to admit I am disappointed. TJ and Heather, like so many other addicts, are fashioned into victims.

Articles such as this teach society that drugs are more powerful than human will power. We are supposed to believe that drugs take over, so addicts are not held responsible for their own actions. They are now victims.

It is wrong to victimize these addicts. I'm sure drugs are powerful and addicting; however, drug users place themselves in these situations. It is nobody's fault but their own that they are addicted to drugs and caught in some vicious cycle that they have created. A person can always choose to be something else and has the ability to make anything out of themselves.

While crimes of the past are forgotten, addicts are punished for overcoming the horrors of addictive drugs. We watch addicts on talk shows and applaud them for their accomplishments or more over stories about champions over drugs in newspapers, congratulating them on their strength and hard work — the entire time forgetting about those who work hard from the start, making something of themselves without concerns of personal drug use.

Thank you for the article. It teaches readers a valuable lesson of the horrors of meth; it instead, forgives addicts for their crimes. **DAVID SAYER**

(Editor's note: Amanda Sayer is a student at the College of Southern Idaho.)

Protest backlash is a defense for English

Backlash, repercussions, yes! Can Mexican demonstrators and illegal immigrants imagine what would happen if millions of Americans descended upon Mexican streets, making demands upon the Mexican government as you did in America?

Americans would be deported, shot or locked up in jails. Why? Because these protesters are demanding anything? Illegal aliens are in this country because they snuck in like a thief in the night. These immigrants are not citizens; they have a lot of guts to show such blatant disregard for the American flag.

Illegal Mexicans now working here should apply to their employer for a letter requesting employment, return to Mexico, receive their work permit, then return legally, learn our language and be a law-abiding, English-speaking citizens.

Frequently, newspapers and television broadcast names of many Mexican lawbreakers wanted by police for various crimes. We should not have to build more jails to house criminals from Mexico. These criminals should be removed to Mexico. Our jails already have enough of these lawbreakers.

Many law-abiding Mexican citizens live in America. They are honest, hard-working and contribute positively to our culture. They speak English. American law-abiding Mexican citizens should apply to their employer for a letter requesting employment, return to Mexico, receive their work permit, then return legally, learn our language and be a law-abiding, English-speaking citizens.

We fought World War II to keep America free to avoid speaking German or Japanese. We do not want to speak Spanish; English is our official language. Your demonstrations left us with a feeling of ill will against Mexico, which I did not have before. I will think twice before patronizing an American business in this country. It will take my friends and I a while to lose this feeling of ill will brought about by the recent demands and displays of arrogance by these Mexican immigrants, particularly illegal ones.

**JOHN EWHITE**  
Twin Falls

New faces help Jerome County commission

In the Times-News on May 1, Veronica Liernan took credit for Sempra's departure (and/or delay). I really think that she was no help. It was Citizens Protection Resources in Jerome Keep Magic Valley Magic in

Twin Falls and Coalition for Healthy Idaho Communities in Gooding, Greg Evans, Clint Sennett, Jerry Brady and many others who helped us grassroots people get a moratorium in place for two years.

We wrote many letters, e-mails and rode buses to Boise to testify before the legislative committees. We prevailed despite Sempra's lobbyists. And I believe if we hadn't that our commissioners would have eventually approved Sempra, since they had previously approved the meteorological station (with appeals filed against that). They acted so afraid of being sued!

We need commissioners who know what is right for Jerome and will stand up for their constituents! We have the chance to elect that type of person in our coming elections. I know the following personally and their backgrounds. I support them unconditionally.

Blana Obenauer is a retired Army nurse (colonel) presently teaching nursing at the College of Southern Idaho. She was born in Jerome and has family here. She has a master's degree in business administration (exactly what we need). She's a thoughtful person and cares about Jerome's future.

Stuart Williams (no relation to me) is a young business owner and knows how to run a successful business, hiring, firing, planning and budgeting. He has a home in Jerome, is not married. He listens to people and cares about Jerome's future.

Please vote for the above named on May 23. You can call them (listed in phone book) or me for any discussion of their qualifications.

This election is important for Jerome. Do vote **XENIA WILLIAMS**  
Jerome

Voters should support individual, not the party

This probably won't make the paper before the election. I read and hear "vote Republican." I know Idaho is a Republican state. Don't you think the people should vote for the man instead of the party?

I'm not a rocket scientist but I do know when I'm being lied to. We are in debt up to our ears, our jobs are being sent overseas, our borders are being overrun, our young men and women are dying for oil so the oil giants can get even more money and the current administration sees no problem.

People, there is a problem. I see an auto parts maker is going to lay off 30,000 workers. Do you think they're going out of

business? Nope, going overseas. You say it's not going to bother you? I'm retired, who is going to pay into your pension and Social Security? The current people in power are acting like dictators. Don't know about you, but I'm going to vote for the best man, not the party.

**JOHN O'DELL**  
Rupert

U.S. needs to act on deportation needs

It has been reported that there are between 12 and 20 million illegal aliens in our country. Twelve million is equal to the total populations of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming combined. If the figure is near 20 million, you can add the total populations of Nevada, Utah and Colorado. This is way, way too many illegals.

Twenty billion dollars annually are sent by the illegals to Mexico that would be spent in our own economy. Is it any wonder that Mexico does not want us to secure our borders? Mexico does not want its people back with their gangs, drugs and a loss of \$20 billion in revenue.

With illegals clogging our social systems in education, welfare, food stamps, Medicaid, subsidized housing, head start programs and the cost of those incarcerated, it would be cheaper over time to deport them all if you add in the \$20 billion dollar to our economy, not to mention safer. (The figures of \$12 million to \$20 million and \$20 billion are government estimates.)

It has been said that they are taxpayers. Not necessarily so — of those that bother to pay taxes, earned income credits for low-income families with children are way more to a minimum wage worker than the taxes they bother to pay. Actually, we pay them to be here.

The illegals need to go. The weak-kneed politicians that support them need to go, too. Marching in our streets and demanding "rights" while waving foreign flags is a slap in the face to our citizens and legal immigrants. Are we so weak and steeped in political correctness that we can't just say "no" anymore? We cannot long afford this foreign and economic invasion. Enough is enough!  
**WES SCANTLIN**  
Twin Falls

**Jones brings unique and solid experience**

Jana Jones is the only candidate with the experience to provide leadership for Idaho public schools. As a former teacher and pres-

ent administrator, I understand the issues facing our public school system and the challenges of today's youth in regard to education. Jones understands these issues and challenges; also, and she knows how to respond to them.

I have watched my Aunt Jana serve in many positions in the

Department of Education, the last being chief deputy superintendent of public instruction under Dr. Marilyn Howard.

Because of Jana's experience, leadership, dedication and work ethic, Howard has endorsed Jana for her position and is serving as treasurer of Jana's campaign. I am voting for Jana! Jones for

Idaho's superintendent of public instruction on the Democratic ticket in the May 23 primary election. Please join me in this important endeavor.

**TARA BAGLEY**  
Burley  
(Editor's note: Tara Bagley is the vice principal at Burley High School.)

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- Many have a baby (who is now a U.S. citizen) within the first year in this country and name the child the same name as the parent. They share the Social Security number to establish credit, benefits and other employment.
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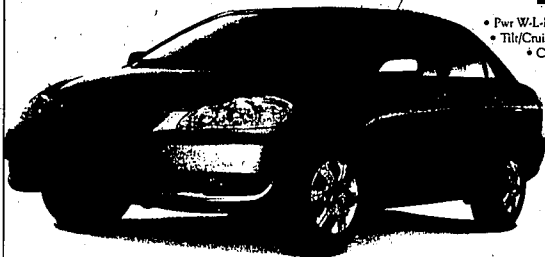
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## Here's to guys who still mess around

Does putting an empty milk carton back in the refrigerator make you a bad person? Depends who you ask. Most folks would say only if you've drunk out of it first, but there's a substantial plurality out there that's convinced such behavior is the first step down the slippery slope to slobery.



DON'T ASK ME  
Steve Crump

Myself, I hold to the slob-in-the-woods theory: If someone — and let's be frank, some guy — commits an unbecoming act when nobody's looking, is it really boorish? Philistinism, it seems to me, is a social crime. There has to be an observer. No witness, no foul. Consider the empty pizza box, which is the primary home decor of men everywhere who live without the company of women. Left in their natural environment, the boxes are a mess. But what if I neatly stow all those cartons under the couch before my wife, who lives in Boise, comes to town? I say I'm Harry Home-maker, even if you disagree. Protestants and Unitarians have an easier time overlooking breaches of neatness, I think. It's much harder for a Catholic. I speak with some authority on this point because I was educated in a Catholic elementary school. We were told early on that intent is nine-tenths of sin.

For example, let's say my next-door neighbor bakes an apple pie and places it in her open kitchen window to cool. With malice aforethought, I plot to swipe it when she's not looking. Then suppose a bear comes along and snatches the savory pastry before I can get to it. Sister Mary Agnes would argue that I'm still guilty, even if I have no crumbs on my chin to show for it.

Under that theory, any shambles — however minor and quickly cleaned up — constitute sloppiness. The road to heaven is steep and rocky, and there's no litter in the borrow pit.

This is why, I suppose, God arranged for men to wear shirts. It's a well-known fact that women perceive the presence of dirt far more acutely than guys do. Show me a tiny stain on a sofa pillow, and I'll show you my wife with a Bissell in her hand.

So it follows that women understand instinctively that if a man makes a mess of any kind, there will inevitably be evidence on the front of his shirt.

It's uncanny. Last summer at the Twin Falls County Fair I spilled the contents of a Navajo taco down the front of my shirt. My wife wasn't around, and I laundered that shirt two or three times before I wore it in her presence.

That was on a Saturday night, and we were headed for a high school play that my oldest stepdaughter was in.

"Ready?" I said, grabbing my car keys off the kitchen counter. "You're not going out of this house wearing that," she replied. "What did you do? Wash it in sabs?"

How's a guy going to beat the rap under those conditions? It was much, much easier back in the 1970s when a lot of clothing was made of durable, knit polyester. It's next to impossible to stain plastic.

If you were wearing a leisure suit to lunch and spilled the contents of a burrito on yourself, you simply went home, stepped into the shower fully clothed, turned on the water, stood there for a minute or two — and were resplendent again.

But fashion and chemistry have marched on since then, dammit. If guys ever go back to wearing white dress shirts most of the time, women will take over the world.

Yet though I'm stain-free, in the recesses of my heart I'm still a slob. When I was napping on the couch the other day, I dreamed that I rode a Harley-Davidson through a mud bog and parked it in my living room.

Then my wife woke me up and made me take out the garbage.

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Jason Ramsey, a member of The Mothership crew, tells the potatoes lined up in the doorway to 'take five' Saturday after shooting a scene for a comedy that's being entered in the 148 film festival.

# Countdown cinema

## GROUPS WRITE, SHOOT AND EDIT FILMS IN 48-HOUR COMPETITION

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — All was not so quiet on the set this weekend as two Magic Valley film crews put cameras into action during a 48-hour challenge to complete a short independent film.

Before 6 p.m. on Friday, both teams were clueless concerning the story line from which to write, produce, cast, shoot and edit their film. By Sunday at 6 p.m., the project must be completed, wrapped and ready for the screen.

Coupled with the time limitation, the 2006 Idaho 148 Film Festival requires contestants to incorporate other elements into their film, including a genre, a specific line of dialogue, a prop and a character.

Brothers Hicks — a film squad of six that harbors five same-surnamed siblings — was assigned a horror film that intentionally incorporates the line of dialogue "Now, that's going to leave a scar," and a character named Ashley Cooper, who is supposed to be an entertainer. The Twin Falls-based crew was required to choose one of three props: surgical gloves, a tongue depressor, or a green apple.

Perhaps not wanting to leave any telltale prints behind, Brothers Hicks went for the latex.

Writer and director Ben Hicks scribbled until Saturday morning before relinquishing his script to the crew. With more focus on product and less on the clock, the crew hurried to shoot, edit and wrap. The script utilized foreshadowing, leaving the audience into a secure sense of knowing how it all ends. But will the real victims of this short horror flick be the viewers, stabbed in the back by classic film noir irony and cynicism? Or is it just more B-movie cheese that screams camp and cult wannabe?

In the opening scene, Geoff (played by Geoffrey Hicks) awakes to find an unexplained flesh wound on his outer forearm (sans the fake stuff, this was real human juice). The questions multiply and the answers are few, even when he visits the doctor. "Now, that's going to leave a scar," says the doctor, as he inspects the cut. One major requirement down.

Most of the film is geared towards establishing predictability — nurturing a phantom comfort with theme and plot. The fact that he cannot remember how he got cut — coupled with flashback images of a dead girl — seems to link him to the story of Ashley (played by Suzanna Hicks), a murdered female entertainer recently highlighted in the news.

The final twist should rattle and jar the audience away from that certainty.

The film seeks to pack a punch rather than emulate the tired and worn 80s teen screamers. "We're going to try to keep people awake for a week after watching," said Hicks, while filming the flick inside a chiropractor's office on Blue Lakes Boulevard.

As for leaving any mental scars on viewers, Geoffrey is planning to choreograph "a lot of our brutal



Dom Emery, at right, prepares to record the sound Saturday on the set of The Mothership's comedy film on evil potatoes from outer space that take over an Idaho farm.



Actor Geoffrey Hicks shows off his mysterious flesh wound in a scene for The Brothers Hicks horror flick that was being filmed Saturday in Twin Falls. The film is being entered in the 148 film festival, which will have entrant screenings at Flicks Theater in Boise.

### If you go ...

What: 2006 148 Film Festival  
Where: Flicks Theater, 464 Fulton St., Boise  
When: Saturday, May 20, 9 p.m.  
Info: (208) 342-4222

Film director Ben Hicks reads over the script with his sister, Maggie Hicks, who portrays a newscaster in The Brothers Hicks horror film about a murdered entertainer and a man with mysterious flesh wounds.

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Wyoma Stevenson

DIETRICH — Wyoma (Nebecker) Stevenson, 72, of Dietrich, passed away on Tuesday, May 9, 2006, after battling a long illness. She passed away at home with her family at her side.

Wyoma was born on July 1, 1933, in Shoshone, Idaho, to Leona and Quayle Nebecker. She spent her childhood growing up with her family north of Shoshone. She graduated from Shoshone High in 1951. After high school Wyoma worked as a legal secretary for Jack Murphy, until she married Willard B. Stevenson in 1951. In 1951, she embarked upon life as a wife, homemaker and mother, which took her from Shoshone to Rupert, Twin Falls, Boise, St. Thomas (U.S. Virgin Islands), and back to Shoshone, Idaho, in 1991. She and Willie settled in Dietrich in 1993. Wyoma remained in Dietrich until the time of her passing.

Wyoma was an extremely active and independent person who lived life to the fullest. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, watching her grandson, Christopher, play baseball and her granddaughter, Erin, ride horses, and she enjoyed her summers when her grandson, Mikel, would visit from Spain. She loved spending time with her sisters collecting things — they would comb the riverbeds searching for agates. The agates were used for shells, and the

Janice K. Jones

TEMECULA, Calif. — Janice K. Jones (Mrs. Paul), whose family owned the Jones Hardware Store in Halley and in 1993 built the Jones Building in Ketchum, passed away on April 17, 2006, at the home of her son in Temecula, California.

Janice originally from Yuba City, California, attended the University of California at Berkeley, where she met Paul and they were married after his graduation in 1930. Janice returned to Idaho and lived in Bellevue and Halley until 1965 when they moved to Twin Falls and then retired to Palm Desert in 1980.

Florence G. Bingham

JEROME — Florence G. Bingham, 96, of Jerome, passed away peacefully on May 12, 2006, in Jerome.

She was born September 9, 1910, in Elkhart, Indiana, the daughter of Ernest R. Newman and Irma G. Tarter Newman. She married Warren S. Bingham and they raised four children.

Florence is survived by her children, Phillip (Thelma) Bingham of Manteca, California, Lynn (Dee) Polier of Stockton, California, Roxanne LaPlante of Stockton, California,

Dann R. Fekwes

TWIN FALLS — Dann R. Fekwes, 55, of Twin Falls, passed away Thursday, May 11, 2006, after undergoing a courageous battle with cancer.

Private memorial services have been held. He was born Nov. 30, 1950, to Zelman and Wanda (Judd) Fekwes of Burley, Idaho. The family later moved to Rupert, where Dann attended school.

He earned his undergraduate degree and teaching certificate and later received his masters in education from Idaho State University. Dann married Marilyn (Wilkey) Fekwes in Rupert on Aug. 13, 1971. His union lasted for almost 35 years.

Dann taught school in the Kimberly School District for one year and spent the remaining 30 years teaching at Robert Stuart Junior High School in Twin Falls. He taught English, Honors Eng-

Glen Staker

HEYBURN — Glen Staker, 75, of Heyburn, died May 11, 2006, at the Countryside Care and Rehab in Rupert of natural causes.

Glen was born May 6, 1931, in Ogden, Utah, to George H. and Hannah Mae Cook Staker. He attended school in Minidoka County.

When he was old enough, he worked on his parents' farm, the "Moving 80," until he joined the military.

Glen served in the United States Army for two years as a linesman. He worked at Ore-Ida and JR Simpson Co., retiring from JR Simpson's at the age of 63.

Glen enjoyed spending time with his brothers and sisters, tinkering around the house and working in the yard.

Stevenson, his wife Idola and their son, Mikel, who reside in Ondorosa, Spain; and by her daughter, Rauna Stevenson, Otto and her husband Cur, who reside in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. She is also survived by her seven sisters, Gloria Murphy (Moscow, Idaho), Wanda Carroll and her husband Don (Greenville, Utah), Arlene Bateman (Colville, Wash.), Doris Simpson (Twin Falls, Idaho), Gloria Sorenson and her husband Gordon (Shoshone, Idaho), DecAnn Oylar and her husband Jack (Twin Falls, Idaho), Gloria Holmes (Hollister, Idaho), as well as her aunts and uncles, cousins, and numerous nieces and nephews and their offspring, of whom there are too many to name.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 16, 2006, at the LDS Church in Dietrich, with graveside services to follow at the Shoshone Cemetery. There will be no public viewing. Services are under the direction of How-Robertson Funeral Chapel of Jerome, Idaho.

The family would like to give special thanks to Hospice Visions, Inc. and to Madalyn, who along with her family and friends comforted her in her final days. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Hospice Visions, Inc., 209 Shoup Ave., W. Twin Falls, ID 83301; 208-735-0121.

The pioneering Jones Family had many ties to the Wood River and Magic Valleys. The Francis Jones Hardware Store opened in 1910 in Tollene and had a branch in Halley in 1942.

The family had a nearly 50-year association with Chevron, which was the petroleum supplier for Sun Valley from its opening days.

In Twin Falls, they owned United Oil of Idaho, a trucking firm and distributor of Chevron products in the Wood River and Magic Valleys. They also developed the luxury homes at Los Lagos along the Snake River in 1970. They retired to the Iron-

wood Country Club in Palm Desert, where they enjoyed many years of golf with family and friends.

Janice is survived by her three children, Julianne Jones of San Francisco, Francis Jones of Temecula, California, and Sarah (Mrs. Michael) Uberuaga of Shoup Ave., W. Twin Falls. ID 83301. She had six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

An active volunteer in all her communities, in library and Episcopal Church work, she was a member of PEO and the Panhellenic fraternal organizations. Any memorials may be made to local Episcopal Churches.

Dann enjoyed camping, the beautiful outdoors, raising fish and cats, music, movies and, of course, his "Turbo Van".

Dann is survived by his wife, Marilyn Fekwes; his brother, Ron (Janita) Fekwes; a niece, Tara (Mark) Patrick and their children, CJ, Zachery, Amanda and Connor.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Dann's name to The American Cancer Society and/or the Idaho Humane Society, 4775 Dorman St., Boise, ID 83705.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the Tumor Institute and the fine team of surgeons from Snake River Eye Nose and Throat for their compassionate care.

He had a "W" van that the students thought was "cool." He couldn't drive down Blue Lakes

without several voices calling, "Mr. Fekwes, here is the 'Turbo Van'!" He will be missed by all that knew him.

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A memorial service will be held at 12 noon Tuesday, May 16, 2006, at the Hansen Mortuary Super Chapel, 710 State St. A gathering for family and friends will be from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon before the service.

A special thanks to the nursing staff at Countryside Care and Rehab.



Lawrence 'Bud' J. Robertson

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Lawrence "Bud" J. Robertson passed away on Dec. 27, 2005, in Sacramento, Calif., at the age of 88.

Bud is survived by his daughters, Joan Carabahl (Lee) of Sparks, Nev., and Beverly Sanchez of Sacramento, Calif.; and son, Kenneth of Oklaoma; brother, Raymond (Helen) Sacramento, Calif.; sisters-in-law, Arlene Norris and Bea Heleker (Pat) of Payette, Idaho; and numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Bud was preceded in death by his son, Lawrence Jr.; his wife, Doris of 55 years; and a sister, Pearl Ioudda.

Bud was born in Fillmore, Utah, on Feb. 21, 1917. As a young boy his family moved to Sacramento, Calif. He graduated from Grant Union High School and Sacramento Junior College.

Bud served in World War II as a flight pilot. He was stationed in England and flew P38s, P51s, and P80s. While flying missions over Germany, he shot down four German planes (but one short of making Ace-Flyer), receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal and 6 Clusters. Bud was a longtime resident of Nampa and Twin Falls. He was a crop duster, had a flying service and was partners in an auto dismantling company. Bud's passion for flying started at an early age. He rode his bike 15 miles to the airport to watch planes land and take off. In later life, he built his own racing plane.

Bud and Doris retired in Meza, Ariz., where they became masters in Bridge. Bud has lived in Sacramento, Calif., the last two years to be near his daughters and brother.

Memorial graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 16, 2006, at Sunset Memorial Park with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

Craters of the Moon film shows at library

TWIN FALLS — Documentary filmmaker Steve Wursta will present a viewing of "Among the Craters of the Moon, the Life and Adventure of Robert W. Lambert" at the Twin Falls Public Library, on Tuesday, May 23, 2006 at 7 p.m.

More than 400 of Robert Lambert's never before seen photographs, motion pictures and documents have been assembled into a documentary film detailing his adventures and the impact he made on Idaho. Lambert is known for building the Redfish Lodge in the Sawtooth Mountains and his 17-day trek across the lava flows of central Idaho that led to the creation of Craters of the Moon National Monument in 1924.

For more info, call 733-2964.

Kent Eugene Giles

BOISE — On April 15, 2006, Kent journeyed on ahead to join his brother and sister and smooth the way for his children, Lynn, Larry and Lance, family members including his mother, Ann Foster, and many, many friends and acquaintances.

Please join with us to celebrate this great life that brought laughter and smiles to so many of us. The celebration will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 20, 2006, at the Inland Lakes Country Club in Boise, Idaho.



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*Mrs. Roma Kimball and family would like to thank all their wonderful family, friends and neighbors: Your thoughts, prayers, deeds and donations were very much appreciated during our recent loss of Charles C. Kimball. Thank you so very much for everything.*

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SAUSAGE DINNER



Jerry Vogwert, left, and Don Bohon of First Presbyterian Church prepare sausage for the annual German sausage supper which will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the church, 2100 Burton Ave. in Burley. Dinner will be free with offering and the menu will include German sausage, eggs, biscuits and gravy and hash browns. Sausage will also be for sale at \$3 per pound.

Ketchum collects highest April LOT taxes since 2002

By Susan Bailey  
For the Times-News

**KETCHUM** — Ketchum might have gathered the most Local Option Taxes for the month of April since 2002, but the total ranks below average collections between 2000 and 2005, according to city records. At \$193,691 dollars, April tax revenues for the city beat last year by \$2,400 dollars and topped a weak April in 2003 that came in roughly \$17,000

under this April's figures. Average collections are \$195,110 for April during the past six years. The city budgeted \$199,855 for April, a figure \$5,544 more than actual revenue collections for the month. On a positive note, building material receipts were up 11.79 percent from April 2005, helping contribute to a 4 percent rise in building material collections this year over last. Liquor receipts were also up

for April, a substantial 7 percent. On the down side, though, retail receipts were 3 percent below last April and room receipts were 3.6 percent lower than last April. Because condominium receipts were 7 percent higher and more liquor by the drink was sold, the total Local Option Tax collections for April showed a 1.27 percent increase overall between this April and April the year before.

SERVICES

Chris Allen Dietz of Buhl and Salmon, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Monday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; friends may call from 3 to 6 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Ralph Jackson Mulliner of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. Monday at Demary's Shoshone

Chapel, 404 W. B St. in Shoshone.

Eric David Trumbull of Hailey, funeral at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Hailey LDS Church (Wood River Chapel in Hailey).

Mary Louise (Hoffman) Rasmussen of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. Wednesday at

Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E.

Mark D. Williams of Salem, Ore., and formerly of the Mini-Cassia area, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Kasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the funeral Monday at the mortuary.

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DEATH NOTICES

**Shawn Miller**  
TWIN FALLS — Shawn Miller, 50, of Twin Falls, died Friday, May 12, 2006, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

**Elsie E. Wright**  
SHOSHONE — Elsie Earl Wright, 85, of Shoshone, died Friday, May 12, 2006, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. No public services are scheduled. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Demary Funeral Service in Shoshone.

**Barbara M. Shaw**  
BUHL — Barbara Marie Shaw, 77, of Buhl, died Saturday, May 13, 2006, at her home. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, May 15, 2006, at Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 Ninth Ave. N. in Buhl.

**Leola Anderson**  
TWIN FALLS — Leola Anderson, 94, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, May 13, 2006, at Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

**Laura A. Sternes**  
JEROME — Laura A. Sternes, 62, of Jerome, died Saturday, May 13, 2006, in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

**Lloyd 'Mike' Wilson**  
BOISE — Lloyd Michael "Mike" Wilson, 60, of Boise and formerly of Richfield, died Friday, May 12, 2006, at a local hospital. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel.

**Betty Jean Martin**  
BOISE — Betty Jean Martin, 82, of Boise, died Friday, May 12, 2006, at a local hospital. A graveside service will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, May 18, 2006, at Dry Creek Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Summers Funeral Homes, Boise Chapel.

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MAGIC VALLEY

# Richfield residents will vote on levy and trustee

**By Jamey Colter**  
Times-News correspondent

RICHFIELD — Residents will decide the fate Tuesday of two major issues — the election of a school trustee and the fate of supplemental levy.

In the trustee's race, Rebecca Wood is challenging Zone 1 incumbent Mike Cenarrusa. Voters will also consider a two-year \$125,000 supplemental school levy. Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m. in the Richfield school cafeteria.

For the past five years, the district has requested \$75,000

in supplemental levy funding. Superintendent David Hocklander said the additional money is needed for basic operating costs such as keeping the lights on and providing students with books.

Katie Trent, a Richfield resident and former school clerk, said the levy needs to be supported. "I think there are different things coming up, based on the growth we've seen, that have to be addressed," she said.

Part of that growth includes an additional 20 students, who were added to the student

body this year.

"Yes, our taxes will go up, and it will be painful at first, but when you realize what it's for, you just buckle down and do it," Trent said.

Said Mike Piper, a business owner and Richfield resident, "The levy is not necessarily a good thing, but it's something we have to have. I have a kid in school, and we have to support that school."

Helping lead the district is something Wood hopes to do for the next three years. She moved to Richfield with her family six years ago.

"I have six kids that are either in school now or have gone through school here," she said. "I know most everything that's going on in the school."

Hocklander said only about 150 people will be eligible to vote for either Wood or Cenarrusa.

"Only those people who live in Zone 1 can vote in the trustee election," Hocklander said.

Jamey Colter lives in Carey and can be reached at 823-4324 or by email at colterj@timesnews.com.

## Film

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killings," said brother Ben Hicks. Another brother, Jared, will slice the auditory senses in an Edgar Allan Poe kind of way — the accelerating beat of a human heart.

An hour earlier, on location at a farm in northern Shoshone, The Mothership crew kept busy improvising a comedy about killer potatoes from outer space that take over a farm in southern Idaho. This band of filmmakers also chose surgical gloves for its prop and "Wash your hands first" as its required line of dialogue.

The Times-News arrived on location at the farm just as potatoes — hurled from off-cam-

era — are launched in an attack on a half-witted farmer (real life aka Steve Knott) sporting glossy black platform boots and a jumpsuit.

Between takes, the group agrees something is missing from this particular scene. "More terror! You're terrified!" advises screenwriter Patricia Macreantonia. "These are killer potatoes. They killed two people already."

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Potato launcher/director Jason Ramsey proposes another idea: a flying potato actually enters the jumpsuit.

Inked with a collective stamp of approval, a new scene is in-

provised. For all its simplicity, there really may be nothing quite like a man squirming from the effects of an Idaho spud entering his coveralls.

Ridiculous? Yes. Effective? Absolutely.

A winner? Not yet.

Cassidy Friedman is a writer at the Times-News. He can be reached at 735-3261 or by e-mail at cfriedman@magical-ley.com.



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IDAHO

# Soldier's love letters basis for award-winning film

By John O'Connell  
Idaho State Journal

POCATELLO (AP) — Ray Brown's letters delved into the lighter side of war: He wrote of military-issued hats that didn't fit his ears quite right, a boot named Jenora and baggy uniform pants that were held up with makeshift rope suspensives.

But the ubiquitous theme in his World War II letters was romance and his longing to see his wife, June, again.

Today, all of the letters and the wartime photos he took on an old Kodak box camera remain intact, neatly stored in an old, cardboard box with his wife's letters and pictures.

They were the basis of an International award-winning film produced by his daughter Kathleen and son-in-law Trent Stephens, of Pocatello. Trent and Kathleen are preparing their film for a screening at next January's Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah.

Brown, a spry 94-year-old with a keen sense of humor evident in his writing, sent his first love letter just 240 miles away from his Boise home. It was a postcard sent from the railroad station in Pocatello on Aug. 2, 1942 the beginning of 28 glorious months spent away from his June.

"Dearest, I am now in Pocatello and still in love with my wife," Brown wrote to 508 State St., Boise.

Somehow, Brown, an Amphibian Engineer stationed in the South Pacific, managed to keep all of his wife's letters dry, tightly rolled, in a large duffie bag throughout the conflict.

June was no less lovestruck. She wrapped each letter she sent to her soldier in a pink ribbon.

She wrote in one letter, "I gaze at you in pleasure... the best looking soldier in the Army."

Most letters from Brown ended with the phrase, "A kiss on the cheek."

"That comes from driving in the car," Brown explained on a recent afternoon while watching the slideshow based on his affectionate letters. "She'd give me a kiss on the cheek when we were going together. It just wound up one of our sayings."

In response, June mailed him a kiss — the rubber stamp she sealed in an envelope for decades, as fresh now as the moment she sent it.

Some of the letters were written on translucent onion paper. Others were copied and shrunk to 4-by-5 inches and require a magnifying glass to read. They were called "V mail," and the U.S. Army's intention was to save space in mail planes. V mail was so unpopular it was ended a short while after its inception.

By the time spouses received military letters, the messages often had lines blacked out by censors — it was against the rules for a soldier to write home with his location or other specific details about the war effort.

"I never did get a letter censored or anything like that. I didn't tell her much about the war," Brown said. "Maybe I had a poor censor who didn't want to read a bunch of stuff."

Although the theme of love dominated most of his prose, Brown also touched upon historic moments and the status of the war effort.

In one letter, he wrote, "We'll even the score in 1944," a popular phrase referring to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

In a letter dated April 2, 1944, he wrote, "It's a beautiful night for love and romancing my lovely wife. Also a swell night for bombing as the moon is beautiful."

In contrast to the lightheartedness that pervades most of the film, one letter sent by June highlights the seriousness of the conflict and the fear felt by families back home.

"I stopped hearing from you about the time of the Tarawa Island Raid. I imagine all sorts of things," June wrote.

From his living room chair, Brown shook his head and said, "But I wasn't in the Tarawa Island Raid."

Brown never thought much

"I never did get a letter censored or anything like that. I didn't tell her much about the war. Maybe I had a poor censor who didn't want to read a bunch of stuff."

— Ray Brown, whose letters inspired his daughter and son-in-law to make a movie

## On to Sundance

Trent and Kathleen are preparing their film for a screening at next January's Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah.

about the letters he saved for all those years. In fact, he's surprised they weren't thrown away.

"I thought they were just taking up space," Brown said. "About three years ago, Trent and Kathleen decided to start sorting through the piles of letters and photographs, with Brown on-hand to fill in the blanks."

They found a good forum for their documents in the winter, when they decided to become distributors for the Provo, Utah-based company Photo Max. The company, which copies photographs and irreplaceable

family records, makes backups and posts them on Web sites, hosted a "Movie Magic" competition for producing films featuring photo slideshows set to music.

Trent and Kathleen were the only people who entered who used letters and pull quotes to accompany photographs.

During the recent awards program for the contest winners, hosted at the Grand Hotel in Salt Lake City, their production won in two of 10 categories — Movie of the Year and Best Producer and Director.

When they told Brown his letters were the basis of the winning film, he replied, "Well, it was a good thing I was in the war."

At the end of the film, they provide a brief history of Brown's service and background.

"On May 1945, Ray Brown was given his first leave in 28 months. It took him five weeks to get home. While Ray was home, the war in the Pacific ended. June Brown died April 2, 2002."

Then the credits roll: "Costume design, U.S. Army; casting, Uncle Sam; shot on location in the South Pacific."

The prize for winning Movie of the Year is a five-day trip to next January's Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah. Trent and Kathleen have already started reworking their film for a screening at the festival.

## YE-OLDE BALLOON



Darius Gray, 5, of Garden City looks through a balloon as Conlan Waylan, 7, of Boise rides a stick mouse at the Renaissance Fair at Caldwell High School, Friday in Caldwell. The event was sponsored by the drama department of Caldwell High School.

## Man convicted of killing child

CALDWELL (AP) — A Caldwell man convicted in the 2004 beating death of a 3-month-old boy has been sentenced to life in prison. Third District Judge Gregory Culet handed down the life sentence to Ora Carson on Thursday.

A jury found Carson guilty of the first-degree murder of Austin Henson in March. Carson was eligible for the death penalty, but the jury decided against recommending capital punishment.

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# Wounded officer campaigns to create police insurance fund

BOISE (AP) — A Coeur d'Alene police officer shot in the face and severely wounded three days after Christmas 2004 aims to convince Idaho lawmakers to establish a state fund to pay for lifetime health insurance for officers disabled in the line of duty.

Mike Kralicek, 33, who can now walk short distances after working with a physical therapist for much of the last year, spoke at a press conference in this resort town about his proposal late last week.

State Sen. Mike Jorgenson, R-Hayden Lake, has agreed to sponsor the measure in the 2007 Legislature, if he's re-elected, according to the spokesman-review newspaper.

The proposed new law would create a fund to pay lifetime health insurance for officers and disabled officers and their families. Kralicek said his health insurance coverage was cut off a year after the shooting and that he now pays \$1,200 a month, for himself, his wife, Carrie Kralicek, and two children.

It's become a significant financial strain — especially since his wife quit her job as an emergency room nurse to care for her husband. Now, their income has been reduced to 91 percent of his former salary, paid by a state worker's compensation fund and federal Social Security disability benefits.

"One of the hardest things is we lost two incomes," said Kralicek, who earlier this year traveled to Boise to introduce what he hopes will become law during the next legislative session.

Kralicek estimated that just two officers in the state would qualify for the coverage, which would apply only to officers with permanent disabilities.

Jorgenson says details of the bill still must be resolved, though, he said one way to pay for the catastrophic injury fund would be to increase the court fines paid by people convicted of misdemeanors and felonies.

The state could also appropriate money to the fund, said the one-term senator who faces a primary challenge May 23 and the general election Nov. 7 before the 2007 session.

Kralicek was shot by a handcuffed man, Michael Madonna, 39, who had been arrested on suspicion of stealing a beer keg. Madonna had broken free from law enforcement officers, slipped his hands from behind his back to the front of his body, and grabbed a .357 revolver from a coffee table in his Hayden Lake home before firing the shot that shattered Kralicek's jaw.

Madonna was killed in the exchange by two Kootenai County Sheriff's deputies who fired a total of 31 shots. Their actions were later ruled appropriate after an inquiry.

The bullet that hit Kralicek severed his carotid artery and broke into fragments in his spine, leaving him partially paralyzed. From time spent in a coma, hospitalization and months of physical therapy, Kralicek said he's ready to take over the fight for the fund that was spearheaded starting last year by his wife.

Carrie Kralicek, ordinarily her husband's constant companion, wasn't at her Kralicek's side during Friday's press conference — in part to allow him to do something on his own as he attempts to regain some of his previous independence.

Instead, she watched the press conference on the television news with their 12-year-old daughter. "It's independent enough to stand on his own two feet," Carrie Kralicek said.

# Lost mushroom hunter found; he's just fine

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Mushrooms grow in the dark. And a Wisconsin man hunting for fungi in northern Idaho got lost in the dark this past week.

Bruce Francisco Jr., 62, wandered out of the woods near Fourth of July Pass above Coeur d'Alene and onto U.S. Interstate 90 on Friday about 24 hours after he got lost, a little sheepish considering that 70 search and

rescue crew members, including helicopters with thermal-imaging equipment, spent hours looking for him. Francisco said got lost, so he bedded down on fir branches.

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# Electrical worker injured

POCATELLO, Idaho (AP) — A 34-year-old employee at an eastern Idaho electrical transformer rebuilder that was targeted last year for federal safety violations was burned late last week when a metal container he was working inside caught fire.

Enrique Velasquez, 34, was taken to Portneuf Medical Center, then taken via LifeFlight helicopter to the University of Utah Hospital's burn unit. He was listed in good condition.

The incident occurred late Friday at the Virginia Transformer Corp.'s Pocatello unit, which in July 2005 was the target of a federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration probe for alleged safety violations. The company manufactures and rebuilds electrical transformers for utility and industrial customers.

According to OSHA's director in Boise, Jerry Hockett, the company had received a settlement of at least some of those violation charges. The amount of the settlement wasn't immediately available, but an OSHA press release from July 2005 indicated the company faced up to \$116,000 in fines.

"There are additional violations that haven't been resolved," Hockett said.

"We have an open case file with them right now," he said.

Bill Hinton, the company's Pocatello plant manager, declined to comment on the accident, saying the company was investigating.

# Bronco QB visits Idaho elementary

POCATELLO (AP) — Eat right, Exercise.

Like "The Snake" Plummer, the Denver Broncos quarterback and a former Idaho resident from Boise, told students at a Pocatello elementary school late last week that they needed to develop good life-time habits in order to stay fit and prepared for their futures.

"I encourage all you kids to get outside, put down the PlayStation, and get some exercise," he told kids at Jefferson Elementary School on Friday. "Make sure you stay away from drugs and alcohol, and drink lots of milk."

"Even if it is chocolate milk, it is good for you," he said.

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WORLD

# Explosions damage Shiite shrine; gunmen kill son of Iraq's top judge

By Sinan Salaheddin  
Associated Press writer

**BAGHDAD, Iraq**—A series of roadside bombs and explosions damaged a Shiite shrine east of the volatile city of Baquba late Saturday—the second time this year that a site sacred to Iraq's Shiite majority has been targeted.

In Baghdad, gunmen killed the son of Iraq's top judge as the country's prime minister-designate struggled to form a national unity government that could eventually open the way to stability.

The bombing at the Imam Abdullah Al al-Hadi shrine, which caused no injuries, could have significant repercussions—particularly in the Baquba area, a mixed Sunni Arab-Shiite region where sectarian tensions are running high.

The blasts occurred about 11 p.m. at the shrine, according to the Diyala provincial police joint Coordination Center and Interior Ministry Lt. Col. Falah al-Mohammedawi.

On Feb. 22 bombs heavily damaged the Golden Dome in Samarra, which holds the tomb of Imam Abdullah's father. That attack triggered a wave of reprisal attacks against Sunnis, dramatically escalating sectarian tension and pushing the country to the brink of civil war. Iraqi lawmakers have been struggling for months to set up a new national unity government which they hope will calm sectarian and ethnic tensions and sap steam from the insurgency. But negotiations

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ite party to rejoin talks on distributing ministry posts.

Parliament, which must approve the makeup of the government, was to convene Sunday, and some lawmakers had suggested that al-Maliki could present some of his Cabinet. He also has the option of appointing himself to head ministries such as defense and interior if the parties cannot agree on who will run them by the May 22 deadline.

Wrangling over the makeup of a government that will be representative of all religious groups and political trends has delayed for months the formation of a new government following the successful Dec. 15 legislative elections, which saw a record turnout among Sunni Arabs that form the heart of the insurgency.

The Shiite Fadhiha party withdrew from negotiations and removed the support of its 15 deputies for the 130-strong United Iraqi Alliance last Friday after complaining, in part, over al-Maliki's failure to give it the country's top oil post, which it held under outgoing Shiite Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari.

Al-Maliki said "Fadhiha is part of the Alliance. If there is a dispute over ministerial posts, it can be resolved through dialogue."

Fadhiha spokesman Sheik Sabah al-Saedi said earlier that the party's 15 legislators in the 275-member parliament would form an opposition bloc. He denied the oil portfolio was behind the decision to withdraw.

# Iran's president: No nuclear talks with countries holding 'bombs over our heads'

By Zakki Hakim  
Associated Press writer

**BALI, Indonesia** — Iran's president, emboldened by the support of Muslim nations, said Saturday he was willing to hold talks over Tehran's disputed nuclear agenda but not with Israel or countries that hold "bombs over our head."

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said his country is fully with the U.N. nuclear agency and the world has nothing to fear from his program to enrich uranium, which can be used for generating electricity or in making atomic weapons.

The hardline leader spoke after meeting with heads of state and prime ministers from Indonesia, Pakistan, Nigeria, Turkey and Malaysia and government ministers from Egypt and Bangladesh.

Though they were on the Indonesian resort island of Bali to discuss ways to boost economic and political cooperation, alleviate poverty and restructure debt, it was impossible to ignore Iran's intensifying nuclear stalemate with the West.

Washington and its allies fear Iran is trying to develop atomic weapons. But Ahmadinejad insists his nuclear program is only for generating electricity and accuses the West of greedily trying to monopolize nuclear technology.

He received a boost Saturday from the eight Islamic leaders, who released a statement after their 10th summit of developing nations supporting the rights of countries to develop nuclear energy for peaceful purposes.

"Our president does not do more to help you another. Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono said, adding that "proud"—Islamic countries should work together to develop renewable and alternative energy sources.

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have been progressing at a glacial pace, leading some lawmakers to complain that the process was being hampered by self-interest and sectarianism.

Attacks outside Baghdad killed five Iraqis and a U.S. soldier, part of the undercurrent of daily violence marred the slow-moving political process.

Frustrated with such violence in the south, the governor of oil-rich Basra, Mohammed al-Waeli, asked his provincial council to fire the regional po-

lice chief and the defense ministry to sack an Iraqi army general.

In one success, Kurdish security forces in the north said they arrested five men who had escaped on May 9 from the U.S. military Fort Suse Theater inside the facility near Samamanyah, 160 miles northeast of Baghdad.

With a May 22 constitutional deadline to form the new Cabinet rapidly approaching, Prime Minister-designate Nouri al-Maliki urged an important Shi-

Minister Purnomo Yusgiantoro said his country plans to build its nuclear power plant by 2015 and has been offered assistance by companies from South Korea, Japan, France and an unspecified fourth country.

Much of Ahmadinejad's work was done on the sidelines of the trade talks, meeting privately with Malaysian Foreign Minister Syed Hamid Albar, Pakistani Prime Minister Shaikat Aziz and Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

Tens that Iran is trying to build nuclear warheads were aggravated Friday, when diplomats said U.N. inspectors may have found traces of highly enriched uranium on equipment from an Iranian research center linked to the military.

The diplomats, who demanded anonymity in exchange for divulging the confidential information, initially said the density of enrichment

appeared to be close to or above the level used to make nuclear warheads.

But later a well-placed diplomat accredited to the International Atomic Energy Agency said the level was below that, although higher than the low-enriched material used to generate power and heading toward weapons-grade level.

"I had not heard that," Ahmadinejad said when asked about the claims, saying the world had no reason "to become nervous...The nuclear program of Iran is totally peaceful."

He said his country has worked closely with the International Atomic Energy Agency, the U.N. nuclear watchdog. "The cameras are there, closely monitoring our activities. Therefore there are no concerns."

He also said that while he was willing to talk to just about anyone about the dispute he would

not do so with "countries that hang planes with bombs over our heads" — an apparent reference to the United States.

"If they want to threaten the use of force we will not go into dialogue with them."

## Museum refuses to return mask

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The Saint Louis Art Museum will keep a 3,200-year-old mummy mask unless it gets more proof that it belongs to Egypt.

The museum won't meet a May 15 deadline set by Egyptian antiquities authorities to return the mask. Museum Director Brent Benjamen said Friday. He noted

that the Supreme Council of Antiquities never officially gave the museum a deadline.

Zahi Hawass, Secretary General for the Supreme Council of Antiquities in Egypt, said that the mummy mask was probably stolen before it was obtained by the art museum in 1958.

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WORLD

# In U.S.-Cuba war of ideas, Castro blocks envoys' sign



**Fidel Castro's government put 148 flags in front of the U.S. Interests Section in Havana to obscure an electronic billboard that transmits news and messages questioning Cuban policies.**

**The Washington Post**

**HAVANA**—At night, when all Havana seems to be out for an evening stroll, the austere office building that serves as an outpost of U.S. diplomats turns into a billboard.

Letters scroll slowly across the facade, casting a bright red glow. Clumps of restless teenagers plunk their bottles of Havana Club rum on the sidewalk and stare up, their mouths agape. Couples unlace hands and gawk.

Some nights they read the insights of comedian George Burns translated into Spanish: "How sad that all the people who would know how to run this country are driving taxis or cutting hair." Other times, questions are posed: "In a free country you don't need permission to leave the country, is Cuba a free country?"

On a typical evening, the billboard gets only a small audience — the few who venture within a block or two of its glowing letters. More people might have seen the messages, but President Fidel Castro

countered the U.S. move with one of his own.

In the latest installment of a long-running propaganda war, Castro's government planted a field of flags on tall poles — 148 in all — in front of the U.S. building, which holds the offices of the U.S. Interests Section, a diplomatic post one notch below an embassy. The flags block the view of the billboard from its intended audience: the heavy traffic along a seaside highway in central Havana. The flags loom over an outdoor amphitheater already freighted with symbolism: Its name is Anti-Imperialism Park. Trumping the United States

by obscuring its billboard deluged some neighbors.

"That Fidel, he's smart — very smart," said Luis Garcia, a retiree who lives nearby.

Others barely noticed. "I don't have time to read signs," said Osman Gonzalez, a state-employed busboy with a clear view of the Interests Section building from his ground-level apartment. "You've got one kid screaming. You've got to get dinner on the table. Who can bother with this stuff?"

U.S. diplomats acknowledge that the flags have limited their audience, even posting a message that read: "Who fears the billboard? Why block it?" But even if only a few people see the billboard and talk about its messages, something has been accomplished, Eric Wainik, a spokesman for the U.S. State Dept., said in a telephone interview from Washington.

"Castro gets angered by the truth, yet they call their revolution a revolution of ideas. So, we're battling with ideas," Wainik said. "The people of Cuba aren't able to enjoy freedom of expression — we're bringing them positive messages from the free world."

The saga of the U.S. billboard, which debuted on Martin Luther King Jr. Day with snippets of his "I Have a Dream" speech, is not without precedent. Two years ago, the U.S. Interests Section in Havana riled Castro's government by putting up a Christmas display with a lighted Santa Claus, a Frosty the Snowman and a huge "75" — a reference to the number of dissidents jailed in a crackdown the year before. Not to be outdone, Castro put up billboards with swastikas and images of U.S. abuses at the Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq.

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Owyhee Elementary 5th grader Andrew Terry pounds a nail into the wood as Skyview student C.J. Wical keeps an eye out to make sure the side stays lined up for their bird house. The boys are participating in Operation Birdbush on at Owyhee Elementary on Friday in Nampa.

# Utah seeks to cut teen pregnancy rate

SALT LAKE CITY — The Utah Department of Health will launch an effort to cut the state's teen pregnancy rate 20 percent by 2015.

"We are raising the bar. We are setting another goal," Dr. David Sundwall, health department executive director said Friday. "What we're trying to do is bring people together to say, 'This isn't good enough, we're going to reduce it by half yet again.'"

At 34.5 births per 1,000 females aged 15-19, Utah's teen pregnancy rate is about half the national average. But some Utah communities, including Salt Lake City's Glendale and Rose Park neighborhoods and downtown Ogden, have teen pregnancy rates nearly three times higher.

To lower those rates, the health department has secured \$280,000 annual grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, funds that will go to eight community-based programs that provide abstinence-based sex education.

Among the programs are the Utah Adolescent Health Network, which provides education and resources to teens and their parents about teen pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and the Pregnancy Resources Center, which teaches abstinence classes at middle schools in Salt Lake and Washington counties.

Utah favors abstinence-based sex education.

But Sundwall said the department and its partners won't focus on abstinence alone, because that would equate to "abandoning" teens who decide to become sexually active.

"Our ultimate goal is abstinence," he said. "We'd love for young people to delay sexual activity... However, that doesn't always happen and we would be irresponsible if we didn't address those youth who are already sexually active."

The health department's announcement comes just as the State Office of Education board voted to delete all references to pregnancy prevention in its school-governing rules.

The move comes after a series of funding decisions by the state legislature which hampered school-based prevention programs, state educator say.

In 2001, lawmakers turned down \$250,000 in grants from the Centers for Disease Control or school programs. They replaced the money with state funds, but lumped it into programs targeted for at-risk students.

"In theory, the money is still there, but not earmarked for pregnancy prevention," said Frank Wojtech, health and P.E. specialist for the State Office of Education. "It's part of the overall state health care curriculum, and I think it would be helpful that... certain amounts of the money be earmarked for pregnancy prevention."

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# Oregon man sues Verizon for \$1 billion

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A Beaverton man has filed a \$1 billion federal lawsuit against Verizon Northwest, claiming the company violated his privacy rights by releasing his telephone records to the National Security Agency.

The filing in U.S. District Court in Portland by attorney Hines says Verizon passed his information to the spy agency without permission or after-the-fact notification.

Hines, through Portland attorney Christopher Slater, asked the case to be certified as a class action to cover the estimated 1-million Verizon customers in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California.

Slater said Verizon violated the consumer privacy protections in the federal Telecommunications Act.

The lawsuit was filed a day after USA Today revealed that after the Sept. 11 attacks, the NSA asked Verizon Communications Inc., BellSouth Corp., AT&T Corp. and Qwest Communications International Inc. for

millions of telephone records. Qwest, which serves much of Oregon, refused.

Former Qwest CEO Joe Nacchio told the Oregonian he rejected the offer because the warrantless requests violated federal telecommunications laws.

Verizon, which serves Washington County and some other areas in Oregon cooperated, USA Today said.

Verizon spokesman Jonathan Davis said he could not comment on litigation, a statement from Verizon's New York headquarters said "Verizon does not and will not provide any government agency unfettered access to our customer records or provide information to the government under circumstances that would allow a fishing expedition."

A similar suit seeking \$4 billion in damages from Verizon was filed Friday in New York.

President Bush has refused to confirm or deny the claims in the USA Today article but has defended the government sur-

villance programs, said the United States did nothing illegal. "The privacy of all Americans is fiercely protected in all our activities," Bush said Saturday in his weekly radio address.

"The government does not listen to domestic phone calls without court approval. We are not trolling through the personal lives of millions of innocent Americans."

# Stealth prototype drawing attention in northern Idaho


BAYVIEW (AP) — Navy scientists are testing a new \$16 million prototype vessel on a northern Idaho lake, hoping it will help perfect stealth technology designed to help future warships avoid detection from enemy submarines.

The "Advanced Electric Ship Demonstrator" named Sea Jet has been operating on Lake Pend Oreille for 16 straight days, cutting through three-foot waves with a new hull design that splits the water like a razor.


The 135-foot-long steel vessel, built by Dakota Creek Industries of Anacortes, Wash., is a

one-quarter-scale model similar to the U.S. Navy's new DDX class of destroyers.

Until recently, the Navy's facility near this unincorporated shoreline community has been used for testing submarines, a distinction owed to the deep, relative quiet environment of the lake that allows researchers to zero in on submarines' acoustic attributes. The same qualities make the lake ideal for testing the Sea Jet, with its silent 400-horsepower, electric-driven Rolls-Royce water jets that can run at speeds up to 16 knots, or about 18 mph.



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- City of Shoshone, 207 S. Rail St. W. Shoshone, 8:30 am - 5 pm
- Shoshone Public Library, 209 S. Rail St. W. Shoshone, Wednesday, noon - 8 pm; Saturday, noon - 3 pm
- ITD District 4 office, 216 S. Date St., Shoshone, 7 am - 5 pm
- ITD Headquarters, 3311 West State St., Boise, 8 am - 5 pm
- FHWA office, 3050 Lakeharbor Lane, #126, Boise, 8 am - 5 pm

Comments on the EA may be provided in writing or via recorded oral testimony at the public hearing, or directed to the attention of the following:

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An English/Spanish translator will be present at the hearing.

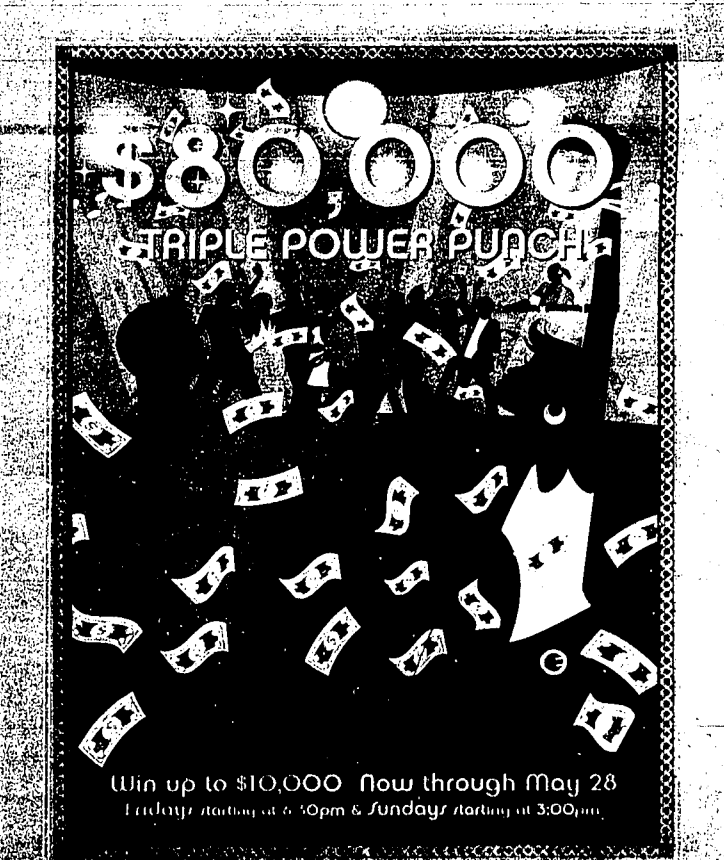
Close of the public comment period is June 12, 2006; comments must be postmarked on or before June 12, 2006.

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# Environmentalists sue to keep owl on endangered list

By Arthur H. Rolstein  
Associated Press writer

TUCSON, Ariz. — Conservation groups have sued to stop the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service from removing a tiny desert owl from the endangered species list.

The cactus ferruginous pygmy owl is only a few inches long and weighs in at less than 2 ounces, but has been at the center of a battle between environmentalists and developers for more than a decade. It is scheduled to officially be taken off the list Monday.

The Center for Biological Diversity and Defenders of Wildlife filed suit in federal court Thursday challenging that decision. They also are requesting a temporary restraining order to block Monday's action.

Fish and Wildlife is removing the pygmy owl from the endangered species list because it has determined it is not a distinct subspecies.

There are only 13 known pygmy owls left in Arizona, said Jerry Neesley of the Defenders of Wildlife. She said the owl, which has been listed as endangered since 1997, will face imminent extinction if endangered species protection is removed.

Critical habitat designations for the owl covering more than 1 million acres in Arizona will be lifted if the owl comes off the list.

Developers and landowners have opposed endangered status for the bird because of its economic impact. Its presence delayed numerous developments and road projects, and also blocked construction of a high school northwest of Tucson.

Daniel Patterson, the center's desert ecologist, said that if the bird's protection is lost, it would immediately jeopardize dozens of conservation agreements in southern Arizona that are based on protection of the owl. "If the owl is no longer protected, a lot of these agreements could become invalid, which would open up big new areas to urban sprawl," he said.



AP Photo

Conservation groups went to court Thursday in Tucson, Ariz., to keep pygmy owls, similar to this one shown at the Arizona-Sonoran Desert Museum in Tucson on the endangered species list. The tiny birds are scheduled to be removed from the list on Monday.

Patterson said Fish and Wildlife biologists recommended continued listing but "the on-the-ground staff has been completely cut out" of dealing with the pygmy owl, and the decision was based on politics in Washington.

Fish and Wildlife spokesman Jeff Humphrey declined comment, noting that the litigation has been turned over to the Justice Department. However, he said ultimately all such decisions are made by the agency's director and the interior secretary.

In August 2003, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that Fish and Wildlife had acted arbitrarily and capriciously in designating "the Ari-

zona population of cactus ferruginous pygmy owls as a distinct population segment, and ordered further proceedings.

Fish and Wildlife said the ruling called for removal of the bird from the endangered species list; environmental groups said the ruling called only for a clear explanation of the original decision.

U.S. District Judge Susan Bolton in Phoenix ordered the bird be protected at least until January 2005, pending Fish and Wildlife's determination of whether listing was scientifically valid. In August 2005, the federal agency said it would move to strike the owl from the list.

## Widow can live at park

DENVER (AP) — President Bush has signed a bill that will allow an 83-year-old widow to keep her summer home inside the boundaries of Rocky Mountain National Park.

The measure gives Betty Dick "life estate" rights to use part of the land where she and her late husband spent summers since the 1970s.

Rep. Mark Udall, Sen. Ken Salazar and others in Colorado took up Dick's cause after the National Park Service threatened her with eviction. Park officials have testified to Congress that tailoring legislation to one person would set a bad precedent for other agreements on national park land.

Dick, who also lives in Scottsdale, Ariz., kept the property under an agreement that had been reached by her late husband with the Park Service.

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The Arizona Pioneers Home Cemetery, shown here in Prescott, Ariz., April 27, is the site where two men dug up a grave last year to find out if outlaw-turned-American legend Billy the Kid is buried there.

# Hunt for Billy the Kid's remains leads to troubles for ex-sheriff

By Amanda Leo Myers  
Associated Press writer

PRESCOTT, Ariz. — More than 100 years after his death, Billy the Kid can still stir up a heap of trouble.

Two men on a quest to find where the outlaw-turned-American legend is buried could face time in the pokey for unearthing remains last May in this central Arizona community.

Tom Sullivan, former sheriff of Lincoln County, N.M., and Steve Sederwall, former mayor of Capitan, N.M., exhumed a man who was buried in Prescott nearly 70 years ago. John Miller had claimed to be William Bonney, aka Billy the Kid.

Authorities currently are considering whether to charge Sullivan and Sederwall with a felony for removing some remains of Miller and of another man buried in an unmarked grave next to him.

"This is a simple, straightforward open-and-shut grave-robbing case," said David Snell, a Billy the Kid junkie from Tucson. In March, Snell wrote a letter to Nevada County Attorney Sheila Polk that sparked a police investigation into the exhumation. In the letter, he called unearthing the remains "sordid and reprehensible affair."

He argued that Sullivan and Sederwall acted inappropriately because they didn't have a permit or court order to dig up the remains or permission to take samples from the second grave. Sullivan and Sederwall disagreed.

"I'm confident we didn't do anything wrong in Arizona," Sullivan said. "When you commit a crime, you have to have intent. There's certainly no intent to be grave-robbers."

Sullivan and Sederwall have been hunting for the Kid's bones since 2003.

They began their very public quest in Fort Sumner, N.M., where history says the Kid was buried. But they in Lincoln County Sheriff Pat Garrett gunned him down in 1881.

But at least two men — Miller and Ollie "Brushy Bill" Roberts of Texas — claimed prior to their deaths that they were Billy the Kid. Their stories presuppose that Garrett killed the wrong man in Fort Sumner and lied about it.

After more than a year of fighting to get permission to unearthing the Fort Sumner grave, Sullivan and Sederwall dropped their request and decided to begin the process of elimination in Arizona. They now have a Dallas lab computing DNA from the bones they dug up to blood found on a bench on which Sullivan believes the Kid's body hid.

Sullivan expects the results in the next couple of months. Sullivan said there are also



This is an undated file photo of a painting of Billy the Kid's.

plans to unearth the grave of "Brushy Bill."

Historians have called the quest to unearth Billy's remains ludicrous and say it's an impossibility that Miller will turn out to be the Kid.

"The guy in Prescott wasn't Billy the Kid," said Bob Stahl, a professor at Arizona State University who has for five years researched the Kid's death and burial to write a book about him.

He said the DNA won't be a match, calling the possibility "one of the most ridiculously far-fetched notions in this world."

"I'd bet my reputation on that," Stahl added.

He said, however, that analyzing the DNA found in the grave is valid research and will at least eliminate Arizona as a possible burial ground.

Such exhumations have been conducted before in the name of historical research.

In 1995, an exhumation of Jesse James' body proved he was buried in Missouri. In 1991, former President Zachary Taylor's body was exhumed to determine if he had been killed by

arsenic poisoning. Testing proved he hadn't.

In Prescott, a team that included a DNA expert and a forensic anthropologist dug up Miller's unmarked grave with a backhoe. They came across two skeletons; Miller's and that of William Hudspeth, a cattleman who died three days before Miller.

Because both graves were unmarked and the bones scattered after their caskets had collapsed, the team cleaned and reassembled both skeletons, and Sullivan and Sederwall took samples from both, just in case they had the wrong man.

The two had received permission to dig up Miller's grave from Jeanne Dike, former superintendent of Arizona Pioneers' Home, the state-owned assisted living facility where Miller is buried.

But Sullivan and Sederwall did not obtain a permit to take the bones from the grave, nor did they have permission from Dike to take any of Hudspeth's remains.

Sullivan said by consulting a lawyer before organizing the exhumation and getting Dike's permission to unearth Miller, he "did it all legally."

Miller, buried in Prescott in 1937, was born in 1850 and died a widower, according to the Pioneers' Home records.

Records also show that Miller was adopted by the Kiowa tribe as an infant after his parents were killed.

His history differs greatly from what's known about the Kid.

Stahl said Billy's mother died when he was a teenager and his stepfather kicked him out of the house soon after.

Records show the Kid killed four people by the time he died at age 21. But some legends say he killed 21 people, while others described him as pure evil, said Stahl.

"He became this mythic figure, but he was basically a young kid who got himself into trouble early on and couldn't get away from it," Stahl said.

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Josh Rankin, 17, of Carson City breaks five cement blocks during a Tao Kwon Do demonstration at the 11th annual Multicultural Festival at Western Nevada Community College in Carson City, Nev., on Saturday.

Spokane hospital warns patients of possibility of tainted human tissue

SPokane, Wash. (AP) — Sacred Heart Medical Center has advised testing for patients who received human tissue transplants that were later recalled after the supplier was accused of stealing body parts from corpses.

The five patients, who were not identified, were given transplants of human bone, skin or tendons between early 2004 and September 2005.

When the tissues were recalled and the New Jersey supplier was charged with stealing body parts, recipients were advised to seek medical testing for HIV/AIDS, hepatitis B and C and syphilis. Letters were sent to patients and their surgeons.

In February, said Cheryl Thomas, Sacred Heart's director of risk management.

That month federal Food and Drug Administration shut down Biomedical Tissue Services Ltd., a Fort Lee, N.J., tissue supplier for one of the hospital's distributors.

Regeneration Technologies Inc. of Alachua, Fla. Biomedical Tissue Services' owner, Michael Mastromarino, and three of his associates have been indicted in Brooklyn for stealing body parts, forging consent and inspection documents and selling the unscreened human tissue to distributors.

Investigators accuse Mastromarino and a Brooklyn embalmer Joseph Micelli of removing bones, tendons, heart valves and other tissues from cadavers acquired through Micelli's businesses, which included a funeral home and a body transport business.

ing tissue from the dead and selling it for transplant without consent of a family member and without taking any medical precautions to ensure that the transplants were free from disease or defect, is like something out of a cheap horror movie, Kings County District Attorney Charles J. Hynes said in a February statement.

Nationwide, dozens of patients implanted with the illegally harvested body parts have filed individual and class-action lawsuits against Biomedical Tissue Services and the distributors that used them. No such lawsuits have been filed in Spokane County courts, The Spokesman-Review reported Saturday.

Utah judge upholds partner benefit plan

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A judge on Friday upheld a Salt Lake City ordinance that extends health insurance benefits to "adult designees" of employees who live together but are not married.

In a five-page ruling, 3rd District Judge Stephen Roth said the plan does not violate state law, nor the Utah Constitution. Roth said that although insurance plans traditionally have been limited to spouses and dependent children, "as a practical matter single employees may have relationships outside marriage, whether motivated by family feeling, emotional attachment or practical considerations, which draw on their resources to provide the necessities of life, including health care."

Earlier this year, Salt Lake's City Council, passed an ordinance allowing employees to name an "adult designee" for benefits if a financial dependency could be proved. The ordinance trumps an executive order signed last fall by Mayor Rocky Anderson, which granted benefits to the same-sex domestic partners of city employees.

It was Anderson's order that initially sparked a policy review by the courts.

City insurance provider, the Public Employees Health Program, asked for ruling to determine whether the benefits plan would violate state laws that ban gay marriage or any legal

equivalent of marriage for same-sex couples. PEHP's petition was amended when the city ordinance was passed.

In his decision, Roth said the "adult designee" benefit as defined in the ordinance doesn't appear to create new legal status or rights that are substantially equivalent to a marriage between a man and a woman.

"The flexibility to extend the traditional concept of dependent as Salt Lake City proposes to do to meet the changing expectations of the marketplace and needs of employees can therefore be argued to be in the city's interest as an employer and public entity, as well as in the interests of covered employees," Roth wrote.

City policies were on hold pending Roth's ruling, but on Friday, City Attorney Ed Rutan said the program can now begin.

Although he still prefers his own plan of the city ordinance, Anderson said he's pleased with Roth's decision.

"The principle established by Judge Roth's opinion is an important one in that neither state statutes nor the state constitution prohibit the provision of equal benefits to people who are not the children or spouses of employees," Anderson said. Jane Marquardt, board chairwoman for Equality Utah, a gay rights advocacy group also applauded the judge's decision.

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Architect Rann Haight, from the left, financier Roger Stewart and builder Steve Torres have signed a deal to build luxury homes in Coeur d'Alene that will be based on the Thomas Kinkadee paintings on the table in front of them on April 21. The luxury homes will cost \$4 million to \$6 million.

# 'Kinkadee' homes to be constructed in Coeur d'Alene

By Nicholas K. Geranios  
Associated Press writer

COEUR D'ALENE — Fans of Thomas Kinkadee's sentimental paintings soon will be able to do more than hang them on the wall. They could hang them on the walls of a house designed to look exactly like one of Kinkadee's paintings.

The California artist, beloved by middlebrow America but reviled by the art establishment, has signed a deal with developers in this resort city to help design five lake-view homes that are copies of homes in paintings such as "Beyond Autumn Gate."

The homes will cost \$4 million to \$6 million, part of an explosion of McMansions being constructed around Lake Coeur d'Alene as this once-fading timber and mining town gets remade by tourists and retirees.

"I had clients for years tell me 'I'd like to have a house like this' and show me a Kinkadee painting," said Rann Haight, the architect who is designing the homes, "I said, why not?"

While it is easy to snicker at the work of the self-proclaimed "painter of light," millions collect Kinkadee paintings. Sill, Mark Nash, a real estate expert from the Chicago area, said it's a bold move to market extremely expensive homes to Kinkadee fans.

"The Kinkadee art style has never been positioned as a luxury one," Nash said. "It might be a stretch to make a Rolls-Royce out of a Buick brand. But money has not always been able to buy you taste."

Robert Niles, who created the satirical Web site "Heaven Kinkadee Painter of Stuff," complete with a photo of the fictional manager of "The Partridge Family," said fans of Thomas Kinkadee's art can be single-minded in their devotion.

"Kinkadee's stuff is as cloying as a box of Lucky Charms," Niles said in an e-mail to The Associated Press. "I just was amused by the misguided fans who thought his stuff was high art and a great investment."

If Kinkadee is crying, it is all the way to the bank, because his paintings and spin-off products are said to fetch some \$100 million a year in sales, and to be in 10 million homes in the United States.

Works by Kinkadee, who labels himself the nation's most collected living artist, generally depict tranquil scenes, such as country homes and churches, lighthouses, lush landscaping and cottages with streams running nearby.

Kinkadee was too busy to speak with The Associated Press, said Jim Bryant, a spokesman for Thomas Kinkadee Co. in Morgan Hill, Calif.

The artist gets many requests from builders and others who want to capitalize on his work, but this project in Idaho was one of the best, Bryant said.

Details of Kinkadee's financial involvement were not disclosed, but Kinkadee is not contributing any money to the project.

The artist does appear in a

video promoting the development. "People tell me they often wish they could enter into one of my paintings," Kinkadee said in the video. "Now you can."

Haight and his partners, financier Roger Stewart and builder Steve Torres, will not be the first to convert a Kinkadee canvas into bricks and mortar.

In 2002, a housing development of 140 homes near Vallejo, Calif., "inspired" by Kinkadee's work, sold out, but at much more modest prices of around \$400,000.

The artist will participate in the design of the five Idaho homes, Haight said.

"Kinkadee is a frustrated architect and I am a frustrated artist, so we can work together," Haight said.

"We would want him to be as involved as possible, and we will present all designs to him," Haight said. "We would welcome any comments and revisions. As a buyer, you are expecting his influence throughout the whole project."

The homes will be built on a 20-acre site with spectacular views near Bennett Bay on Lake Coeur d'Alene, some 40 miles east of Spokane, Wash. The project is called The Gates of Coeur d'Alene, and features homes from Kinkadee's Gate series of paintings.

Coeur d'Alene has become a magnet for well-to-do urban refugees, and million dollar houses are no longer rare, especially near the 30-mile long lake. Home prices climbed nearly 30 percent last year to an average sales price of \$210,000, among the top 10 rates of increase in the nation.

One of the newcomers was Haight, who moved from the Sacramento area a decade ago. He used to design sports facilities, such as Arco Arena in Sacramento, but decided he wanted a lifestyle change.

Haight said that when they met with Kinkadee the artist gave them permission to be flexible with the home designs. But Haight said the goal is to make them as close to the painted images as possible.

"If you are a fan of Kinkadee, you're going to be real excited about going in these things," Haight said. "We are relying on his loyal customers."

Haight said they picked homes in five paintings that they considered most appropriate for the construction site.

"If we do this right, you could photograph the house and it would have the same proportions and same perspective as the painting," Haight said.

However, Haight said it would be difficult to replicate the leafy English countryside in the evergreen forests of the Northwest.

"There will only be five homes on the site to maintain privacy," Haight said.

"What you are paying for is the distance between you and your neighbor, but you are still close enough to walk over for a cup of sugar," Haight said.

He expects buyers to come from all over the nation. "It's going to be in Coeur d'Alene first, but ultimately the plan is to go national with it," Haight said.

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MINI-CASSIA

Recycling is gift that keeps on giving

By Trena Tegan For the Times-News

BURLEY — When you finish reading this newspaper, what are you going to do with it? Wrap fish? Line the bird cage? Toss it in the trash?

Many area residents — and one in particular — know the answer.

Peggy Oliver of Burley puts her old newspapers, aluminum cans and other recyclable materials to good use, helping others. She began recycling about 15 years ago. Even though the return from the used items was not a lot, she knew that recycling was good for the environment. And even better, she found out that her recyclables could help others in need.

Santos Metals and Recycling, located at 655 Bedke Blvd. in Burley, accepts any recyclable material and can post the refund amount to a favorite charity. In Oliver's case, the recipient is the Special Olympics.

"It's not much," Oliver said, "I just save up things until I have a good load and then take them in, but every little bit helps."

Recycled items may not bring

in a huge profit for the charity, but Santos matches the amount with a contribution.

"We're glad to help," Irene Santos says, and adds that the match doesn't have a limit. If someone brings in a large donation, that would be matched as well.

To contribute to Special Olympics through recycling, simply request that the proceeds from the recyclables be put into that account.

"We also collect for Sorop-tinists and (Donald) McDonaugh House," Santos said.

Jan Johnson, a special education aide at Burley Junior High School, said they are glad to get what they can and were

thrilled to learn about the donations. "It helps the kids with travel and other expenses and the program is so important to their self-esteem," said Johnson.

For more information on donating recycling, call Santos Metals and Recycling at 678-7748.

Trena Tegan writes for the South Idaho Press in Burley. She can be reached at 678-2201.



From left to right: Brett Blacker, Jan Johnson and Zach Mayer weigh some of the newspapers delivered recently to Santos Metals and Recycling in Burley. Johnson is a special education aide at Burley Junior High School and Brett and Zach are participants in the Special Olympics representing Mini-Cassia.

Man's singing brought joy to others

By Trena Tegan For the Times-News

BURLEY — The name Garr Waymont was synonymous with harmony to all who knew him. Together with his sister and son, his voice was a staple at many gatherings from community events to funerals.

Garr passed away April 14 at the age of 70, leaving an empty space in the trio and in the hearts of those he called friends.

Garr was born Jan. 18, 1936, in Ogden, Utah. He was the second of six children born to Byron and Mary Waymont and Elsie Elizabeth Gibson Waymont. The family moved to Idaho in the spring of 1940 and began to develop the land north of Burley in the View area. When he was young he rode a horse to classes at the View School. He didn't participate in sports in school

"They were accompanied by Carla Carson and she never missed a performance. Garr had said "When you got the harmony just perfect, why the hair would stand up on your arms and you would kind of get goose bumps. What a thrill it was to get that feeling."

The group sang at community events, such as the patriotic program held at the King Fire Arts in Burley from 1939 through 2005, in Alton in honor of the Veterans, Christmas programs, and for many years at the Festival of Trees. They also sang at Oakley, Tripoli through time, at a program honoring an outgoing county representative with Governor Kempthorne and many other



Garr Waymont visits with his son Jod on a Sunday afternoon at the farm.

community events.

In addition to his farm and his music, Garr served his community. He served on the board for ASGS, Farmers Home Administration, Southwest Irrigation District and WDCI. In 1995 he received an Area Service Award from the Mini-Cassia Chamber of Commerce for Outstanding and Continuous Contributions to the Business and Agricultural Communities of the area.

The issue he concerned himself with the most was water. Having grown up the area and making his living by farming, he understood the necessity of water conservation and the importance of community involvement in the decision being made concerning its use.

No matter how busy Garr was with his farm, his family, or community involvement, he never turned down an invitation to bring his trio and sing at an event. One year the group

Remembered Garr Gibson Waymont Born: Jan. 18, 1936 Died: April 14, 2006 Survivors: His wife, Joan of Burley; three children, Jed (Lindsay) Waymont of Burley, Nalene (Cole) Hartin of Roy, Utah, and Justin (Wendy) Waymont of Cedar City, Utah; his siblings, Bonnie (Bob, deceased) Sungbardo of Burley, Jim G. Waymont of Belton, Texas, Claretta "Charlie" (Don, deceased) Schaffer, Colleen (Lamont) Carson, and Kent G. (Jeanette) Waymont, all of Burley; ten grandchildren; his aunt, Mary (Laverne) Slatter of Ogden, Utah; his uncle, Walter (Beth, deceased) Waymont of Burley; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

sang at 22 funerals. "It was our way of helping," Colleen said. "At a time of need, it's the least you can do." When Garr passed away, Jed and Colleen prepared and sang a song at his funeral. It was a difficult performance, according to Colleen, and their parts were different and the sound was not the same. "Our voices are missing something now," she said. "And we miss him."

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They came back to Burley and began farming. While at Utah State, Garr had learned mechanics and could now do many of his own repairs on the farm equipment. They had the first of three children, Jed, in August 1957. Nalene followed in 1960 and Justin in 1964. Garr and Joan passed on their love of music and dance to each of their children.

Garr's younger sister, Colleen (Carson), enjoyed singing and playing the piano. She and Garr served up with Elsie, Gerard and the trio sang some close harmony together. Later, when Jed was older and Elsie had gone back to teaching school,

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## Commercial construction



James Schrock, the "mud and tape man," works on a room in the same-day surgery area that is under construction at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. The same-day surgery area, to be completed in mid-August, and other areas being remodeled will have an overall cost of \$850,000.

## Starbucks kiosk among Magic Valley projects

By Bob Kirkpatrick  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — A coffee kiosk, a hospital remodeling and a pipe company's waterline expansion were among the commercial construction projects to receive building permits in Twin Falls in April.

Here are the highlights:

## Coffee with breakfast

**A** \$1 million remodeling is under way at Twin Falls' Fred Meyer. Lance Kawamura, store director, said the service deli, the bakery and the produce and meat departments will all undergo major facelifts.

"We are going to have a gourmet pastry case and be able to offer a wider variety of sandwiches, produce and meat products," Kawamura said. "Part of the remodel also in-

cludes a \$70,000 Starbucks kiosk." Kawamura said the kiosk will serve the entire Starbucks coffee lineup. He said he is confident the kiosk will be attractive to his customers because it will open at 7 a.m. and will be near the new deli that will also serve breakfast.

The store remodeling is scheduled to be completed by June 5. The Starbucks kiosk will open June 12.

## Faster patient service

**M**agic Valley Regional Medical Center is in the midst of an \$825,000 construction upgrade. Plant Manager Paul Louton said crews are replacing 30-year-old fatigued fire doors and jambis, to meet the National Fire Association Life Safety codes.

"Remodeling the same-day surgery, microbiology and histology labs are also a part of the project," Louton said.

Louton said the same-day surgery station needed to be expanded to give relief to the main operating room, and the suite sizes were too small to accommodate patient needs. He said the same-day surgery department will now be adjacent to the pre-op and post-op departments, which should boost efficiency and give patients more privacy. He said the microbiology and histology labs were also undersized and needed remodeling to meet code specifications.

"The expansion of the labs were driven by the College of American Pathology," Louton said. "We needed more work space to keep lab accreditation."

Louton said the added room should mean better staff productivity and faster patient service.

Magic Valley Regional's director of community relations, Jody Tremblay, said local residents may question the project's timing — coming



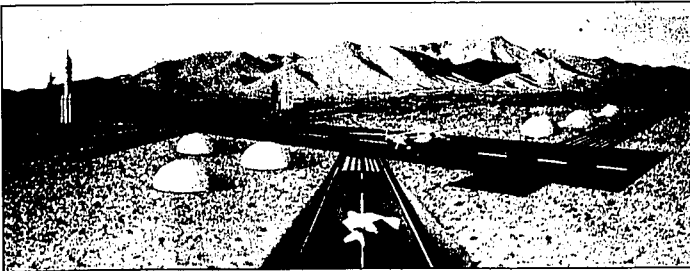
Mary Beth Egbert, working in environmental services for Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, makes up hospital beds in the Twin Falls hospital's newly remodeled pre-op room Thursday.

just before a proposed sale of the hospital to Boise-based nonprofit St. Luke's Health System hits the ballot May 23.

"With the vote coming up on the hospital issues, people might wonder

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## YEARS AFTER BUST, TECHNOLOGY MAY CATCH ON



This undated artist rendering provided by Virgin Galactic depicts their proposed spaceport, much of which is planned to be underground, in New Mexico. The space tour operator has secured the land for the development which is one of several spaceports expected in the U.S.

## States again consider spaceport business

By Alicia Chang  
Associated Press writer

**LOS ANGELES** — The promise of blasting thrill-seeking tourists into space is fueling an unprecedented rush to build smazy commercial spaceports. The Federal Aviation Administration is reviewing proposals from New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas to be gateways for private space travel. Depending on how environmental reviews and other requirements go, approval could come as early as

this year and the sites could be ferrying space tourists soon after.

The current spaceport boom recalls the mid-1990s, when the first spaceport had generated hype but no real construction. Finally, technology may have caught up with starry-eyed plans.

Aerospace designer Burt Rutan, who is building a commercial spaceship fleet for British space tourism operator Virgin Galactic, recently expressed his amazement at the

flurry of proposals. "It's almost humorous to watch the worldwide battle of the spaceports," Rutan mused earlier this month at the International Space Development Conference.

For decades, spaceports have been used mostly by NASA and the Pentagon to rocket astronauts and satellites into orbit. Traditional launch ranges are often spartan mixes of lonely launch pad towers, concrete runways and aircraft hangars. Many are located in remote

coastal areas — Florida's Cape Canaveral being the best known — so that debris won't hit populated areas.

The current spaceport boom promises futuristic complexes that evoke the Jetsons. But cashing in requires a gamble.

None of the private rockets under development has been test-flown. And even once the FAA licenses any vehicles, the infant industry initially won't boast multiple daily flights — at

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## City pays tribute to man who put rivets in jeans

By Martin Griffith  
Associated Press writer

**RENO, Nev.** — In 1871, an obscure Reno tailor named Jacob Davis was given \$3 to make a pair of trousers sturdy enough for a large woodcutter who quickly wore out his pants.

The Latvian immigrant's ingenious idea of using metal rivets to strengthen the pants would not only please his customer but lead to one of the world's best known brands: Levi's blue jeans.

Now, 133 years after a patent for the copper-riveted work pants was granted to Davis and San Francisco merchant Levi Strauss, the city of Reno is paying tribute by placing a historical marker on Virginia Street, where Davis' little shop once stood.

"Davis is the unsung hero of everybody's favorite piece of clothing," said Lynn Downey, historian for Levi Strauss & Co. "He created the technology that gave us the blue jean."

After the riveted pants proved an instant success in Reno, Davis approached the company's namesake about

joining him on the patent and beginning the large-scale manufacture of denim "waist overalls."

Strauss' company which the Bavarian immigrant began in 1853 as a wholesale dry goods business, branched out to making jeans after U.S. Patent No. 139,121 was granted on May 20, 1873. Davis became head of the company's new jean manufacturing division, while Strauss continued as company owner.

"It took both of them to bring the blue jean to the world," Downey said. "The most American garment was created by two immigrants."

Miners, loggers, farmers and others had long worn heavy work pants, but before Davis' innovation the pockets would rip open and the trousers would not last long.

His decision to use 11 copper rivets at pocket corners and other stress points was credited for making pants last longer and workers more efficient. They were the prototype for Levi's 501 jeans, which still use rivets.

The breakthrough was hailed by a San Francisco journal of the time. "Simple as (Davis') device seems, nevertheless, it is quite effective, and we do not doubt that his manufacture, of overalls especially, will become quite popular among working men," the Pacific Rural Press reported on June 28, 1873.



Davis

# YOUR BUSINESS

## CAREER MOVES

### Frank De Shera

**JEROME** — Pro-Act Microbial, supplier of microbial in-plant treatment systems for the dairy industry, announced the addition of Frank De Shera to its staff as sales representative. De Shera lives in Jerome and will be serving the dairy farmers in Idaho. He is a long-time resident of Idaho. He has a degree in agriculture from Col Poly and an extensive background in the dairy industry.

### Robert Gilles

**JEROME** — The City of Jerome Public Works Department announced the addition of Robert Travis Gilles as public works technician. Gilles brings many years of experience to his new position with the city including commercial driver's license endorsements, trouble shooting mechanical problems and a variety of heavy

equipment experience.

### Jeff Jensen



Jeff Jensen

Jensen has owned Dr. Squeeze's Window Cleaning for four years. He is married with four daughters.

### Insurance employees



Jessie Olsen

**BURLEY** — Budget Auto Sales, at 300 Overland Ave., announced the addition of Jeff Jensen as sales associate. He recently completed the Joe Verde Professional Sales course.

**TWIN FALLS** — Premier Insurance has been notified by the National Association of Insurance Women that Jessie Olsen and Callie Gott have received NAIW's Certified Professional



Callie Gott

### Matt Stokes



Matt Stokes

Insurance Women designation. Olsen and Gott, commercial account executives with Premier Insurance, earned this designation through their level of experience in the insurance industry, active membership in NAIW and the completion of a rigorous industry-approved educational program.

**TWIN FALLS** — State Farm Insurance recently honored Matt Stokes with an award in recognition of his dedication to high quality customer service and 2005 business achievements. "These agents embody the State Farm

'good neighbor' philosophy and are devoted to excellence in every aspect of their business," said Elden Archibald, State Farm agency field executive. "Their accomplishments reflect their commitment to provide world-class service and support to their customers and their communities."

### Matt Green



Matt Green

**TWIN FALLS** — Matt Green of Pomerelle Portrait Design Studios was recently awarded Idaho's 2006 Photographer of the Year award by the Professional Photographers of Idaho. Green is a 1989 graduate of Burley High School and has worked for Pomerelle Studios for 12 years. This photograph of Avery Rinchart won top honors and was awarded a judges choice trophy for best photo. Green also received this honor in 2004.



Kevin Hamblin

**TWIN FALLS** — Dr. Kevin Hamblin has been elected to the executive committee for PRECEDENT, a research based organization under the direction of the National Institute of Health and the National Institute for Dental and Cranial Development. Hamblin will represent Idaho on the committee and will be conducting research with the University of Washington and Oregon Health Science University.



Mark Lambert

**TWIN FALLS** — Dr. Mark C. Lambert will attend the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry's 22nd annual Scientific Session, "Pillars

of Perfection" in San Diego, Calif. from May 16-20. The session is dedicated to advancing excellence in cosmetic dentistry.

### Arlen Askew

**TWIN FALLS** — Arlen Askew announced his move to Willis Toyota of Twin Falls as sales associate. He has 12 years of automobile sales experience. Askew and his wife Carla have three sons and one daughter. They enjoy spending time with their two granddaughters.

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## MILESTONES

### Fire and Ice Style moves to downtown Twin Falls

Fire and Ice Style has moved from the Magic Valley Mall to the Historic Downtown Twin Falls shopping district. It is now at 138 Main Street, next to the Orpheum Theater. It will hold a grand opening celebration May 12-20.

"We are ready for some fun changes that only downtown Twin Falls can offer. We love to shop at all the specialty shops here and thought we would fit right in," said co-owner of Fire and Ice Style, Melissa Wilson.

The business has expanded its merchandise to include shoes, special-order wedding accessories, and customized Italian charms.

Fire and Ice Style will continue to offer Italian charms, sunglasses, sterling silver jewelry as well as designer authentic and replica purses, said co-owner Janice Walker.

### TKO CUSTOM HOMES



The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Ambassadors held a ribbon cutting with TKO Custom Homes welcoming it as a new member. Their office is located at 1166 Eastland Dr., Suite A, Twin Falls. TKO has been building homes in the Magic Valley for the past six years and is now expanding to the Mini-Cassia and Treasure Valley markets. Pictured left to right: Tara Todd Ostrom, owner; Jay Markie, sales; Jared Hunt, controller; LeRoy Harcourt, draftsman; Heather, Basham, secretary; Kim Ostrom, owner; Tara Kelly, office assistant; Mike Bailey, forman; Eddie Long, forman. Not pictured, Shawn Crousty, forman.

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This undated image provided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service shows Grizzly Bear Recovery coordinator Chris Serhven, left, and USFWS bear biologist Tom Radandt examining a captured adult male grizzly inside Glacier National Park along the North Fork of the Flathead River in Montana. Three decades after grizzly bears in northwest Montana were listed as a threatened species, very little is known about the population in and around Glacier National Park.

# Research may shed light on grizzly population

By Becky Bohrer  
Associated Press writer

BILLINGS, Mont. — The grizzly bear population in and around Glacier National Park is one of the largest in the Lower 48, but for years wildlife officials have only been able to guess at the numbers that support that conclusion. And they can't say whether the population is growing, stable or even in free fall.

Three decades after the bears were listed as a threatened species, the first comprehensive research effort is under way to gather basic information on the size and health of the population. Wildlife officials say knowing this is critical to beginning the long — and still uncertain — road to recovery of the species.

"Number alone is not recovery," said Chris Serhven, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's

**On the Net:**  
Grizzly recovery information:  
<http://mountain-prairie.fws.gov/species/mammals/grizzly/>  
Glacier National Park:  
<http://www.nps.gov/glaoc/>  
Natural Resources Defense Council: <http://www.nrdc.org/>

grizzly recovery coordinator.

"We've barely started."

There are two projects in progress. One uses DNA analysis of bear hairs not only to estimate how many bears are out there, but also to learn where they are. The other uses tracking technology to help determine the population trend.

Researcher Kate Kendall, who is leading the DNA project for the U.S. Geological Survey, said about 34,000 bear-hair samples were collected throughout the region from strategically placed wire and locations, such as sign

posts, favored by bears for rubbing.

So far, about 460 individual bears have been identified, with a higher concentration in the park, and Kendall expects the minimum count will rise to between 500 and 600 bears once the work is complete. The number of males and females has been running close, with slightly more females so far, she said.

State wildlife officials hope to build off Kendall's work with their tracking efforts. Researchers last year began placing radio collars on female grizzlies, with the goal of evaluating survival and reproduction rates.

Chris Smith, chief of staff for the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, said data gathered from two dozen or so collared bears will be plugged into a computer model to project what the population is doing. But Smith expects it

will take at least four years — and maybe more, depending on tracking and collaring success — to get a reliable read on whether the population is growing, stable or declining.

This is of particular interest to wildlife officials trying to determine the significance of the high numbers of human-caused grizzly deaths in the Northern Rockies in recent years.

In 2004, 31 grizzlies in northwest Montana were killed by people — the most since the bears were listed as threatened in 1975. Last year, 25 bears in that region were killed by people, 11 illegally, the greatest number of known illegal kills in recent memory.

"We really haven't been in a good position to determine whether that level of mortality is sustainable or not," Smith said.

Of six grizzly recovery zones

in the contiguous United States, just two — the Glacier and Yellowstone ecosystems — have sizable bear populations of more than a few dozen. While the "two" have a comparable number of bears, far more is known about the Yellowstone population, which is considered the most studied bear population in the world.

Federal officials last year said they no longer considered Yellowstone-area bears threatened and announced plans to remove the bears from Endangered Species Act protections. A final decision on that is pending.

Once those bears are delisted, Serhven said, his agency's recovery efforts will shift from Yellowstone to other grizzly populations, including those in northwest Montana. "That's my effort," he said. "It's spending more time" working on those.

Activists wonder about

whether there will be the money for the work needed.

"Resources have been a limiting factor, and resources will continue to be a limiting factor," said Louisa Williams of the Natural Resources Defense Council.

Smith said his agency is committed to the bear-tracking effort indefinitely but can only cover about half the cost on its own; the hope is that other agencies will assist, he said.

Serhven said his office has been crippled by a chronic lack of money, and cited that as the reason officials know so little about the Glacier-area bears. Given funding constraints, he said, he has no clear answer for how officials might be able to build on what they already have accomplished.

"There's so little funding to address the issue, it's frustrating for those of us who could get the job done," he said.

# Elk still struggle with aftermath of St. Helens

By Curt Woodward  
Associated Press writer

MOUNT ST. HELENS WILDLIFE AREA, Wash. — More than 25 years after its eruption turned this river valley into tundra, elk living in the shadow of Mount St. Helens are starving to death at a rate that has alarmed many observers.

This winter's elk die-off was the highest recorded by state wildlife managers in seven years, and some critics say the survivors are so undernourished and the forage so poor that another major winter kill could be on the way.

State officials have responded by bumping up the number of hunting permits and pleading to speed up their sweeping management plan for the thousands of elk here.

But the herd management plan already has languished for five years, and skeptics say the government appears unconcerned with helping elk survive the coming winter.

"The elk didn't ask for us to plant 10 years of grass seed in that area in there and create plant forage. They didn't ask not to be hunted for 20 years," says Mark Smith, a local businessman and head of the Mount St. Helens Preservation Society. "If these were horses these people would be in jail."

The Mount St. Helens area is home to more than 13,000 elk. They range together in various subgroups, tied mostly by shared geography in what Washington state wildlife officials consider the state's largest herd.

Winter-time deaths from star-



A herd of elk walk through a dry riverbed in the Mount St. Helens State Wildlife Area, which hugs the valley along the north fork of the Toutle River, east of the volcano May 10. More than 25 years after its eruption, elk are starving to death at a rate that has alarmed many observers. This winter's elk die-off was the highest recorded by state wildlife managers in seven years.

vation are a regular phenomenon. State wildlife managers say up to 10 percent of a herd can be expected to die in a typical winter, with mortality figures higher in harsher conditions.

Officials can get a feel for broader winter death totals by counting elk in the Mount St. Helens State Wildlife Area, an open area of volcanic mudflow that hugs the north fork of the Toutle River west of the volcano.

Elk can be seen here most of the year, but the population is more concentrated in the winter when snow pushes animals out of the higher elevations.

This year, the state counted about 630 elk wintering in the wildlife area and 63 likely starvation deaths at the end of the season.

That's the highest recorded figure since the winter of 1999, when about 80 elk died. But it's

still within the 10 percent death figure considered typical, said Brian Calkins, the state's regional wildlife manager.

"I don't think our population has increased a whole lot since 1999. I think the weather probably plays a lot more into it than anything else," he said.

State officials also point out that the Mount St. Helens area offers unique challenges for elk forage.

The land here was suffocated by the mountain's 1980 eruption, and mounding also was curtailed after the blast.

The area is now healing, and the underbrush that elk prefer is now being overtaken by increasingly larger evergreen trees in the replanted forest land.

The state wildlife area is managed to remain open and brushy, which is why elk congregate there in the winter. But the soil, capped by mud and

ash from the eruption, is relatively poor.

"It's right in the core of where the impact was, and where the elk ended up needing that area for critical winter habitat," said Dave Britten, the state assistant director for wildlife programs.

Others disagree with the state's winter kill figures, and say elk deaths also were pushed into higher elevations this year because fluctuating winter weather caused elk to move up and down the terrain.

The alarm over elk deaths was amplified this spring when residents of southwestern Washington saw a privately filmed video on the local television news, showing dead and dying elk around Mount St. Helens.

Some elk in the video were so weak that they lay on their sides and pawed at the ground in unsuccessful attempts to stand up.

# Climate change linked to mammal extinction

By Guy Gugliotta  
The Washington Post

New evidence from Canada and Alaska suggests that climate change, rather than human hunting, may have played the key role in a great die-off of mammoths, horses and other large North American mammals that began more than 10,000 years ago.

"It was a special time of greater warmth and moisture," said paleontologist R. Dale Guthrie of the University of Alaska at Fairbanks. "The arid steppe receded, the short grass became more lush, and then the forest came in. The mammoth and the horses, which did well when it was cold, didn't survive."

Guthrie, reporting in the journal *Nature*, dated animal remains in Alaska and the Canadian Yukon, concluding that mammoths and native American horses could not find adequate forage in the forest.

Today's horses, both domesticated and "wild," are the offspring of animals brought to the New World by Europeans beginning in the 16th century.

Guthrie's research brought new insights to the debate about the extinction of large mammal species around the time that humans crossed the land bridge from Asia to populate the Americas. Besides mammoths and horses, the extinctions also include saber-toothed cats, mastodon, giant sloths and other animals.

Some scientists advocate an "overkill" theory, in which newly arrived humans rampaged

through animal populations unfamiliar with human hunting talents. Others, like Guthrie, note that the same climatic thaw that allowed humans to cross the land bridge from Asia, also caused a radical change in vegetation that mammoths and horses could not eat.

"I don't think we've reached consensus, but most of us think there were a combination of factors," said University of Nevada at Reno archaeologist Steven Haynes. "Most scientists believe in overkill, but if you ask archaeologists, they would say climate change," because there is very little evidence that humans were killing mammoths and horses in large numbers.

Guthrie said he concentrated on collecting radiocarbon dates for the remains of mammoths, horses, elk, bison, moose and humans, focusing on the period from 13,500 years ago to 11,500 years ago.

Guthrie's studies showed that the horses died off first — about 12,500 years ago — while the mammoths died off another thousand years. Elk and bison dwindled dramatically but survived. Moose, the only bark eaters among the animals, appeared unaffected.

But "it's a complex picture," Guthrie acknowledged in a telephone interview, because humans arrived while all this was happening. "It might look like humans came in and got rid of the horses and mammoth," Guthrie said, "but why are moose prospering, and elk and bison surviving? It creates kind of a problem."

ENTERTAINMENT

# 'Poseidon' heads for not-so-calm-waters of disaster genre

By David Germain  
Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — How movie-goers love to go down with the ship. Or be toasted in a skyscraper fire. Buried by an earthquake. Squashed by an asteroid. Flung by global warming.

Hollywood serves up the latest in a venerable line of disaster films with "Poseidon," a remake of "The Poseidon Adventure," about a luxury liner overturned by a rogue wave.

"The Poseidon Adventure" launched a 1970s mini-craze for worst-case-scenario movies with star-studded casts such as "The Towering Inferno" and "Earthquake."

Since then we've had dueling volcano movies in "Dante's Peak" and "Volcano." Battling asteroid flicks with "Armageddon" and "Deep Impact." Monster torpedoes tearing up the homeland in "Twister." Scientists tunneling to the center of the Earth to fix an electromagnetic breakdown causing global chaos in "The Core." Global warming wreaking catastrophic climate shifts in "The Day After Tomorrow."

The things we most fear in reality, it seems, are among the things we love to watch while munching popcorn with strangers in the dark.

"To witness a group of people in extreme situations is a human phenomenon," said Kurt Russell, starring in "Poseidon" as a former firefighter and New York City mayor who's among a band of survivors struggling their way up the main deck by the ship is capsized.

"It gives you kind of a simple, primal sense of, 'Who's going to make it? Who's not going to make it? And you sort of begin to associate with certain characters. You say, 'I'm like that person. I hope I would behave like that person in that situation. Then when something horrible or deathly happens to that person, you switch your allegiance. The audience goes, 'whoops, maybe I don't want to be that person. You pick a survivor. You want to survive.'"

The cast of "Poseidon," opening Friday, includes Richard



From left, Jacinda Barrett, Jimmy Bennett and Josh Lucas in a scene from the disaster film 'Poseidon,' a remake of 'The Poseidon Adventure.'

Dreyfuss as a suicidal architect, Josh Lucas as a gambler with a maritime background that comes in handy after the ship flips, Andre Braugher as the vessel's captain, Emmy Rossum as Russell's daughter and Mike Vogel as her fiance.

Water is the most powerful destructive force.

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- Wolfgang Petersen, director of 'Poseidon'

Stacy Ferguson of the Black Eyed Peas plays the singer in the ship's ballroom hand, though the remake does avert one disaster from the original: She doesn't sing "The Morning After."

Disaster flicks allow audiences to do something big that they can't in real life, experience the worst calamities imaginable in safety and comfort.

"We've been watching fictional catastrophes since the Bible was written," Dreyfuss said. "That's why they're there. That's what art is all about. We get to drive slowly by the traffic accident hoping to see something horrible, knowing it's not you."

Fictional disaster is an easier sell than stories based on real tragedy.

"United 93" could be characterized as a disaster film, a

painfully authentic docudrama about passengers who fought back and died in the crash of one of the planes hijacked by terrorists on Sept. 11, 2001.

Yet the pain of those events is too deep and recent for many movie-goers, and the film's realistic approach leaves viewers feeling as though they are reliving that terrible day.

The acclaimed film has had solid revenues but only a fraction of the receipts "Poseidon" is likely to generate.

Audiences will be tested further on their tolerance for Sept. 11 subjects with this summer's "World Trade Center," starring Nicolas Cage in Oliver Stone's saga of two policemen trapped in the rubble of the twin towers.

Real disasters tend to become fair game for films decades after the events.

The sinking of the Titanic was chronicled in several 1950s films, most memorably with "A Night to Remember," while James Cameron delivered the biggest modern blockbuster, "Titanic," in 1997, 85 years after the ship went down.

"Poseidon" director Wolfgang Petersen links recent disasters among the most terrifying, because victims are trapped alone in confined spaces, far from land.

Petersen has made water a specialty, crafting the modern submarine classic "Das Boot" and "The Perfect Storm," cen-

tered heavily on the crew of a small fishing boat lost in a devastating Atlantic tempest.

"I love the element of water. It's so peaceful, so quiet. The colors of the sea. You sit beside it and you have time to think. It never ends. It's beautiful," Petersen said.

"At the same time, within minutes, as we all know, it can turn around and become such a frightening element. Water is the most powerful destructive force."

"The Day After Tomorrow" depicted water disaster in all varieties, from fierce storms to deep freezes to flooding of biblical proportions.

While it was meant as a fun popcorn flick that drastically speeded up the possible effects of global warming, the movie did manage to serve as a cautionary tale, said former Vice President Al Gore.

"The science of it was partly wrong, of course," said Gore, the subject of the upcoming documentary "An Inconvenient Truth," which recounts his efforts to educate people on the climate changes that might result from global warming. "But it wasn't nearly as inaccurate as the Bush White House's position on global warming. (The film) got it part of it right. Bush and Cheney got a hundred percent of it wrong. In terms of geological effects, the movie had some things right."



Kurt Russell, left, and Josh Lucas, try to save Richard Dreyfuss' character in a scene from "Poseidon."

## Summer movies and your kids: This year's offerings

By Ann Hornaday  
Washington Post

Like superheroes and special effects, kid movies have become a cherished summer staple, and Hollywood can be counted on to release a half-dozen or so family-oriented movies during the vacation season.

(The trick, of course, is to make a movie that won't make parents want to smother in a novel and an Itty Bitty Book Light.)

Here are a few animated and live-action features on tap for "kids of all ages." Moms and dads are no doubt grumbling. "We'll be the judge of that, buddy."

"Over the Hedge" (May 19), about woodland creatures battling suburban sprawl, features a standout cast of voices,

including Bruce Willis, Garry Shandling, Steve Carell, Wanda Sykes and William Shatner.

"Cars" (June 9), about a cartoon stock car voiced by Owen Wilson, is from the Pixar team behind the "Toy Story" films and "A Bug's Life."

"Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties" (June 23) is the sequel to the 2004 hit "Garfield," which featured Bill Murray as the fat cat's voice and the real-life Breckin Meyer and Jennifer Love Hewitt as his owner and vet, respectively. They're all back for this one, which takes Garfield to England. (Do they make lasagna there?)

"Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest" (July 7) brings back the delectable Johnny Depp in the role of Jack Sparrow in this follow-up to the wonderful 2003 movie based on the Disneyland ride.

The sequel also stars Orlando Bloom and Keira Knightley.

"Monster House" (July 21) is an animated horror-comedy about teen-agers who discover that the monster next door is actually the house next door. It features the voices of Steve Buscemi, Maggie Gyllenhaal and Ion Idrova.

"Barnyard" (July 28), another animated comedy, stars the voice of Kevin James as Otis the cow, who tries to restore order to the yard when the farmer goes away for a few days.

"The Ant Bully" (Aug. 4) is a revenge-is-sweet comedy about a kid who drowns an ant colony, only to be turned into a bug himself.

The animated story features an all-star cast of voices: Nicolas Cage, Alan Cumming, Paul Giamatti, Julia Roberts, Meryl

Streep and Lily Tomlin.

"Zoom" (Aug. 11) is a fantasy-comedy starring Tim Allen as a machine superhero who is called back for duty turning a ragtag group of kids into superheroes. It also stars Courteney Cox and Chevy Chase.

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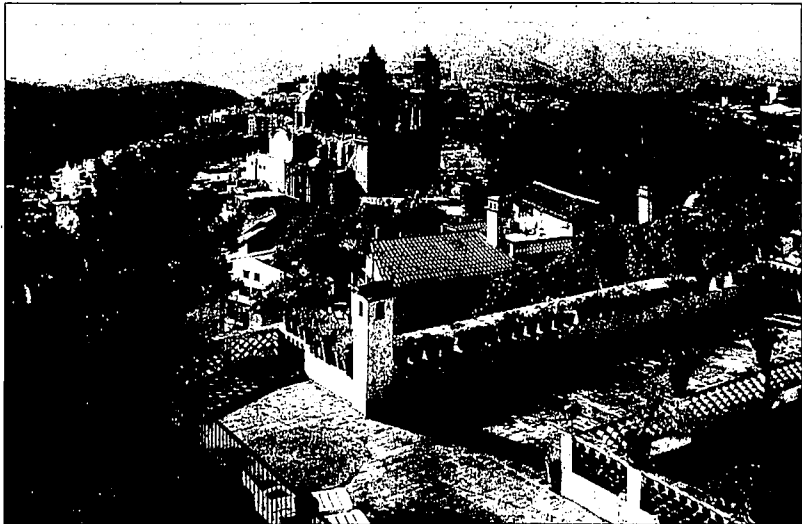
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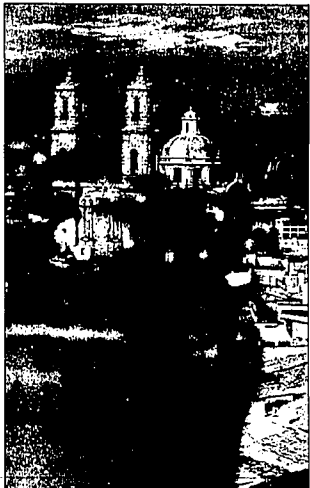
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## Taking the class outside . . . to Taxco, Mexico



From Casa de las Palmas' perch, guests can take in the sweep of Taxco, Mexico, and its Santa Prisca church. Around Taxco, Mexico, you can climb high into the mountains to a hidden waterfall and visit an Aztec ruin. There is enough in Taxco to keep a visitor's interest longer than just a couple days, including a few fine museums of just the scale that a 9-year-old will tolerate without complaint.

## Taxco, Mexico



Taxco, Mexico's premier sterling jewelry center, boasts stunning views.

### Learn the culture, and language, in beautiful region

By Rick Weiss  
The Washington Post

I didn't need to know a word of Spanish—to understand what the guard was trying to tell us. The chains wrapped around the gate to the Spanish language school spoke the international language of "closed."

Now all that I, my wife and daughter could do was stare through that

patio of the home we'd rented in advance, just a few minutes' uphill walk from Taxco's bustling Zocalo, or central plaza.

But Spanish school had been the whole point for our daughter, Katherine.

And classes had been a vacation prerequisite for my exceedingly disciplined wife, Natalie, for whom hours a day spent drilling on verb forms is a way of unwinding

uly to leave me wondering whether this old dog might still have it in him to learn, at least in rudimentary fashion, a second language after all.

—Call it a resurrected-Easter-vacation.

We had first heard of Taxco a couple of years ago, when neighbors returned from Mexico raving about Casa de las Palmas, a wonderful home rented out during parts of the

tolerate without complaint. Casa Humboldt (also known as the Museo de Arte Vitroreale), for example, boasts an array of colonial-era artifacts and funerary paintings unearthed from a secret room in the basement of Santa Prisca that remained undiscovered until a recent renovation.

And the Museo Plateria features exquisite pieces of sterling jewelry, many of them inlaid with precious stones or mother-of-pearl. The collection includes several pieces designed by William Spiraling himself, the American architect who became enamored with Taxco's silver lodes during a 1929 visit and decided to stay and turn his design skills to metal. The workshop that grew up around him (and still operates today) — and the beauty of his creations, which meld deco and pre-Columbian influences — elevated Taxco's reputation from a slumbering silver town to Mexico's mecca

of silver jewelry.

Today the old silver mine at the edge of town has pretty much bottomed out, and production has shifted mostly to lead. But Taxco's streets are still lined with hundreds of shops carrying everything from dime-store silver pendants to museum-quality sterling necklaces and mantelpiece objects that can run into the thousands of dollars. Countless locals make simple pieces in their homes by hawking at the Saturday morning market.

And starting the last week of November, the town goes hog-wild with a silver fair that includes displays and competitions among some of the country's finest silversmiths.

Then there are the walks — or should I say climbs — through residential Taxco, a jumble of small,

whitewashed, red-roofed homes clinging to the narrow cobblestone streets that snake at rakishly steep angles up the side of the mountain. A fleet of antique Volkswagen Beetle taxis — most of them with their front passenger seats removed to allow room for, say, the couple of bushels of corn a rider might be hauling — ply the meandering lanes like tireless ants.

There are also some worthwhile road trips.

A few minutes south, on the one paved road leading out of Taxco, there is nothing but high, dry mountains and simple homesteads, each with the requisite *corra* plot, some chickens and an occasional mule, cow or horse. After about a 20-minute drive you can find — with proper guidance — a tiered pair of waterfalls that spill more than 100 feet into a sparkling pool.

swalking trail that after a half-hour or so of hiking will take you to a tiered pair of waterfalls that spill more than 100 feet into a sparkling pool. Dragonflies and water striders abound — ply the meandering lanes like tireless ants.

Another 45 minutes down the road Oscar drove the seven of us in a hulking Chevrolet Cheyenne with expired Arizona tags that an American guest had simply left with him, but '70 buses called *combi* run the route, too) is Ixcapapan de Cuauhtemoc.

Most of the buildings and even the roads of this tiny village are made of luscious pink and white marble, which just happens to be the most common local rock; around the edges of town, hundreds of lumpy outcrops poke out from the soil like giant gundrops.

This is the birthplace and final resting ground of Cuauhtemoc, the last of the Aztec emperors, executed by the Spanish conqueror Hernando Cortes in 1525.

Only 50 years ago Mexican archaeologists found and began excavating the ancient site — though the first order of business, of course, was to build a Catholic church over Cuauhtemoc's exhumed skeletal remains, now startlingly on display.

Looking back on it now, I can only thank my lucky stars that Oscar, Sylvia and the town of Taxco itself pulled through to save our vacation from what could have been the schelling error from *helle* marble.

And next year? Natalie's making the reservations. In Spanish.

Rick Weiss writes about science for The Washington Post.



Taxco, Mexico, is known for its crafts and churches.

### We had first heard of Taxco a couple of years ago, when neighbors returned from Mexico raving about Casa de las ...

from her usual routine of writing science books and pumping iron.

With classes unexpectedly canceled, I knew it would not be long before demands arose to find another city with a working school, or even to surrender and go back home.

Considering the price of our dable house rental and the airline's ruthless change fees, dollar signs began to spin, cartwheeling behind my eyelids.

Yet a silver lining would soon dissipate our blackening mood — an appropriate metaphor, given Taxco's reputation as Mexico's premier sterling jewelry center. No, we did not climb out of our funk with a shopping spree. Rather, we got to know, thanks to our sudden aimlessness, Oscar and Sylvia — the husband-and-wife handyman and housekeeper of our rented home, who otherwise might have puttered about almost unnoticed during our visit.

By the end of our week, we had climbed high into the mountains with them and their two sons to a hidden waterfall accompanied them to an ancient Aztec ruin; whiffed away hours together, talking about politics, religion, and our children's hopes and dreams; even attended the wedding of two friends of theirs, who had decided to get married after 15 years of living together.

Almost all of this was done in Spanish, the only language Sylvia could speak, providing a more practical — and far more convivial — linguistic workout than any university could have offered. And between Oscar's passable English and assistance from Katherine, who took some pride in her ability to translate for her dad, I never felt left out.

In fact, by the time it was over, I had picked up enough simple vocabu-

year by its American owners. Spacious (it can sleep up to seven) and filled with artwork from around the world, it features a garden courtyard, a large fireplace for cool evenings and unvarnished balcony vistas of Taxco and the Madre del Sur mountains. (A sunny studio across the courtyard, once used by Diego Rivera and other artists, is rented separately for up to five people and would be a perfect romantic refuge for two.)

Most tourists visit mile-high Taxco for just a day or two, typically as a side trip from Cuernavaca or Acapulco. They stop for silver and enjoy the buzz of street vendors surrounding the central church of Santa Prisca, an 18th-century baroque beauty that looks as though it were made of wet sand dribbled from a giant hand on high.

But there is enough in Taxco to keep a visitor's interest longer than that, including a few fine museums of just the scale that a 9-year-old will

Read about the musical revolution of Xalapa, Mexico.

See page C8



Shoppers wander through the Taxco, Mexico, market.





TRAVEL

# Keeping history alive in the first national military park

By Giovanna Dell'orto  
Associated Press Writer

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — The first visitor to tour the battlefield at Lookout Mountain was Ulysses S. Grant. It was only days since his Union soldiers had captured the Confederate stronghold and turned the tide for the advance through Georgia that would spell the Confederacy's doom.

But the general hadn't managed to see what had been going on because of the dense fog that enveloped the steep ridge overlooking the Tennessee River valley. So he walked around a battlefield already marked by signs indicating where soldiers had fallen and cavalry charged.

"People began to visit sites within hours of the end of an engagement. Soldiers were impressed that something grand, terrible, impactful had happened here," said Jim Ogdens, the National Park Service historian who has explored the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park for 17 years.

Lookout Mountain, the Chickamauga battlefield and several other sites around Chattanooga comprise America's first and largest national military park. When Congress authorized the creation of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park in 1920, largely thanks to the joint efforts of Union and Confederate veterans, it became the symbol of a nation capable of preserving its bloodied past in honor of its reconciliation.

To the 900,000 tourists who wander through annually today, it's a unique chance to

stare history in the face. The blissfully bucolic parkland might look like perfect picnic ground. But it was here, over ridges and into forests, that two armies fought — bravely, brilliantly, haphazardly, for what they knew would either make or break the South's bid for independence.

Congress mandated that the earthworks, farmsteads and even vegetation patterns stay the same as they were in the fall of 1863, when 150,000 soldiers fought over Chattanooga. The city's railroads were a lifeline to central Georgia and Alabama, where the industries lay that kept Southern soldiers armed, dressed and moving.

"The military-industrial complex in those two states was the most physical manifestation of the Confederacy," Ogdens said as he took a group of Civil War buffs on a tour of Lookout Mountain last fall. "Union generals knew they'd have to destroy that complex, and that was through Chattanooga."

Listening to Ogdens' tour, you could almost imagine the blue and gray uniforms across the deceptively beautiful expanse of landscape. Chattanooga's artsy riverfront and gritty ribbons of interstate highways seemed to disappear as he described the troops wading across the river and sweeping across town.

At the Chickamauga site, 12 miles south of the city, Confederates won the first battle, breaking up Union soldiers, who took refuge in town. Nestled on Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge, a hilly backhoney that runs parallel to it, a few miles east of downtown, Southerners thought they had

Northerners in a squeeze.

But in a month, the Union brought reinforcements across the forested ridges of Tennessee and that bend of the river where a power plant now spews smoke over the valley. The Union also brought in two new commanders — Grant and William T. Sherman, who couldn't have gone on to scorch the ground from Atlanta to the sea, if it hadn't been for the brilliant maneuver and impromptu rank-and-file victory that happened here.

While Confederates peered at Union movements from the foggy mountain down the craggy ravine, troops caught them

from the easier slope behind and pushed them back on Missionary Ridge — the last physical line between them and Georgia.

The next day, Sherman ran into trouble and Grant ordered troops to attack just the base of the ridge as a diversion.

"That part of the order got lost in translation and up the Union soldiers went, sweeping like blue arrows along the two-mile front. Before Grant, stunned by the craziness of a frontal assault in the November twilight, could recall them, they had conquered the crest.

It would be literally downhill for the Confederacy afterward.

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# Hawaii prepares for 'superferry' service

By Mark Nlesse  
Associated Press writer

HOONOLULU — Without passenger boats, bridges or tunnels linking the islands of Hawaii, the state's four island counties in some ways are as isolated from each other as they are from the mainland.

That may change when the Hawaii Superferry, a four-story catamaran, begins running from Honolulu, on the island of Oahu, to Maui and Kauai in a little over a year. A second boat connecting Honolulu with the other island is expected to start service in 2009.

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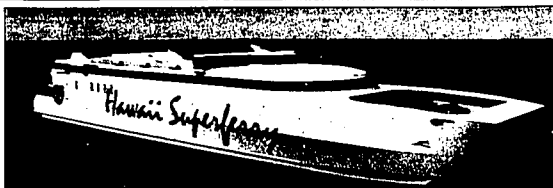
late age. It's a new transportation mode," said John Garibaldi, president of Hawaii Superferry. How much of the beauty of Hawaii do you experience from 20,000 feet (6,000 meters) in the air?

Over the past several decades, other boat services have tried to provide a viable alternative to commercial airliner service to move people around the islands, but every effort has failed. The latest ferry service was originally scheduled to start this year, and it still has a long way to go before its new July 1, 2007, launch date. Even if the \$235 million project starts then, it's unclear whether it will

be able to turn a profit. Environmentalists, lawmakers, farmers and lawyers stand in the way.

Some are worried that the Superferry project is being rushed without researching full effects on each of the islands, without planning to prevent humpback whales from being struck by the big boats, and without protecting against invasive species such as biting ants spreading across the islands.

The Superferry is expected to start service with one boat the length of a football field offering daily service from Honolulu to Maui and Kauai.



This updated image provided by Hawaii Superferry illustrates the design of a four-story catamaran called the Hawaii Superferry.

# Paradise lost? No, but it is under construction at Mount Rainier

MOUNT RAINIER NATIONAL PARK, Wash. (AP) — It's called Paradise for a reason. Vibrant wildflower meadows and spectacular views of Mount Rainier have long made Paradise the most popular destination at this revered national park.

Reached at 5,400 feet by following a winding road across the south side of the park, Paradise is known for its scenic hikes, nature tours and food and lodging at Paradise Inn, a national landmark. A visit to the park without Paradise might seem, well, incomplete.

But Mount Rainier offers other beautiful sites — from mountain lakes and cascading waterfalls to peak lookouts and ranging vistas — and visitors are being encouraged to discover them all the next two years.

You see, Paradise isn't lost — but it is under construction.

fewer rooms will be available within the park itself, and parking in Paradise will be at even more of a premium the next two summers.

Despite the inconvenience, the effort is aimed at ensuring Paradise catches fire for generations to come, park Superintendent Dave Ueberuaga said.

"Obviously, we can't replace the nostalgia of Paradise the next two years," Ueberuaga said. "What we're trying to let people know is: There are a lot of other special parts of the park. Red-clover bluffs — try something you haven't done before. Go somewhere you haven't gone before."

Park officials will be making an extra effort to offer nature walks, exhibits and information at other locations within the park, including the Ohanapeesh Visitor Center, near an old growth area known as the Grove of the Patriarchs.

The grove, a mix of western red cedars, Douglas firs and western hemlocks estimated to be nearly 1,000 years old, sits on an island on the Ohanapeesh River, protected from wildfires that have burned across the area in the past. Some are more than 25 feet in circumference and more than 200 feet tall, creating a canopy so dense the sky can barely be seen.

"The canopy created by the trees is kind of a cathedral," Ueberuaga said. "It's another compelling part of the experience."

The trail to Tipsoo Lake on Chinook Pass — just inside the northeast entrance to the park — offers spectacular views of Mount Rainier, as well as beautiful wildflowers during peak bloom from mid-July to mid-August.

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# For a few specks of gold, life changes in isolated Nevada town

By Hugo Kuglya  
Associated Press writer

**EUREKA, Nev.** — The gold at the Ruby Hill mine is microscopic, specks of specks that amount to a few ounces in every 100 tons of rock carved from the earth. It is embedded hundreds of feet beneath the rocky floor of the high desert, tawny and stubbled with sagebrush, toothy ridges dusted toward the sky.

In staggered, 10-hour shifts, Elj, Whichel removes buckets of blasted rock 40 tons at a time, making 100 passes an hour with his diesel-powered loader. He and the other miners will have to dig around the clock for about a year just to remove the 600-foot-deep layer of clay coving the gold.

"I've never seen a nugget myself," said Whichel. "Maybe one of these days." It is unlikely that this 21st-century gold miner ever will. The visible gold in North America, for the most part, has already been found. What remains are almost literally molecules of gold, buried deep in the Earth.

Whichel would not be employed here, nor the mine since it recently climbed to a 20-year high. Now priced at about \$550 per Troy ounce, even millions of tons of gold are being sold in Russia, Africa, and South America as being funded in hopes of uncovering the next great find. And in Nevada, if the state was a country, it would be the third largest gold-producing nation in the world and its mines are being re-opened or kept open.

A gold rush? Perhaps not. But after decades of depressed prices, it qualifies as a gold lull, and the effects are clear in places like Eureka, isolated even by Nevada standards.

Because of gold, sales tax revenues in Eureka County have nearly doubled. Housing is at capacity. Property values are at an all-time high. The high school is getting an addition.

There are less obvious changes, too. Enterics are full at lunch time, school enrollment is up and the school's eight-man football team went to the state championship last year.

"There's been more activity in this end of the county in last six to eight months than there's been in the last eight to 10 years," said Aaron Carrion, owner of the Owl Club.

Perched at an elevation of 6,500 feet, Eureka is a hilly dot of a town, a tumbled mass of man-high shrubs of cedar. The roads are little traveled, the people scattered widely.

About 700 people live in Eureka, about 2,000 in all of Eureka County — a far cry from the 9,000 who lived in Eureka in the late 1800s when the town's lead and silver mines made it the state's second-largest city. It had a daily newspaper, fancy hotels, 100 saloons, dozens of gambling parlors, an opera house and several churches.

Eureka spent most of the last century shedding people and money, settling into a functional if not comfortable version of its original self. It became the county seat, a center of hay farming and ranching, a two-bit tourist stop thanks largely to its 19th-century architecture.

But the gold mine has brought better times to Eureka. Mining dollars are evident in the renovated courthouse and the generous school budget. The school recently subsidized

a weekend ski trip to Utah for the students, charging them only \$45 for the entire trip.

When jobs at the mine pay \$16 to \$22 an hour, the owner of the local diner, D.J.'s, can afford to pay high school kids \$7 an hour to cook and clean up. And those dollars end up in a new truck or all-terrain vehicle and ultimately gasoline.

Homeowners drive two hours to Elko to do their grocery shopping. They make a weekend out of a trip to the mall, driving five hours to Reno, spending the night before driving back home.

Gold prices, of course, are cyclical. There is evidence of earlier booms: a suburban-style subdivision a mix of apartments, duplexes and houses, constructed atop a ridge in Eureka for mine employees 10 years ago, when the mine first started. Nice restaurants opened there, too, both of which have since closed. A wealthy dentist from Elko, a much larger town two hours to the north, renovated a turn-of-the-century building, opening a hotel, restaurant and bar in the space. Only the hotel remains open.

"To live out here you have to be willing to work a lot of jobs," said Faye Morrison, the office manager at the mine for the past seven years. "I pumped gas, taught water aerobics, I worked on the farm until seven years ago. That's when I suddenly became allergic to everything."

The gold miner of 2006 doesn't look much like the prospector of American lore. Whichel wears a T-shirt, jeans and wild leather lace-ups coated with the orange-brown dust that floats everywhere onto desktops and hat brims. He keeps smokes in his shirt pocket and, 20 feet above the ground, in the cab of his 200-ton, climate-controlled loader, he listens to basketball on a satellite radio as he works.

His wiry body has become accustomed to the violent ride, full of jerks and stops and lurches, driven by a joystick, lever and foot pedals.

The motion of digging, lifting, and dumping the load of dirt into a truck bed fit takes four minutes to fill the truck is a mechanized tangle, which Whichel can practically do blindfolded.

His wife, Lisa, says he often does it in his sleep.

She quit her job in town tending bar to drive a truck at the mine. She now has benefits and makes twice as much as she used to.

Ruby Hill is unique among mines in Nevada in that it is small — it employs about 100 people, compared to the thousands employed at larger mines.

When mining began at Ruby Hill in 1897, gold prices were

falling. By the time the first deposit was exhausted, the price of gold was about \$250 per ounce. Although managers knew a smaller deposit existed, extracting it was no longer cost-effective.

By 2002, the mine employed barely more than a dozen people, kept on to prepare the mine for closure. Davey Sandoval, a welder who was one of the dozen, said you could hear coyotes at night and the rattling of doors at the plant, the ghosts of old friends come to visit, he thought.

Sandoval, 53, has worked in mining almost all his life. He grew up in a large, ranching family in a small town called McGill, about 100 miles from Eureka. He learned to weld after high school, a skill that has kept him employed ever since. But like many miners, he is more than perpetually amazed of oil prices, foreign exchange rates, stock market indices and signs of political unrest abroad, all of which can affect the price of gold.

He has lived in the same house in McGill for the last 25 years, the house where he and his late wife raised their two grown children. Even as his jobs changed, he stayed put. To work at Ruby Hill, he had to wake up at 3 a.m. to be at work by 5 a.m. To work at the mine, he had to work at the mine. Even as his jobs changed, he stayed put. To work at Ruby Hill, he had to wake up at 3 a.m. to be at work by 5 a.m. To work at the mine, he had to work at the mine. Even as his jobs changed, he stayed put.

"You don't get used to it," Sandoval said. "It's the way of life in the mining industry."

In 2002, just as the company was about to demolish the processing plant, gold prices began to rise. And the mine's managing engineers crunched the numbers to show that another dig would show a small profit for its owner, Barrick Gold Corp., the world's largest gold mining company.

Eureka has spent about \$75 million before a single ounce of gold is recovered from the new dig. The plant must be replaced and refurbished. There will be a year of blasting, digging, hauling, dumping and grading before gold production begins.

Once and always a mining town, Eureka is comfortable with the environmental trade-offs. Piles of black slag sit at each end of town, refuse from the 19th-century smelter but as much a monument as waste product.

Ruby Hill is an open-pit mine, a hole about a mile across, dug in terraces down to the water table. Waste dirt is methodically deposited nearby and smoothed into hills to be replanted with native species. The pit eventually will be abandoned, fenced off, but never filled.

A cyanide solution will be used to leach particles of gold from the crushed ore. Gold dissolves in cyanide while the remaining ore does not.

The gold is distilled from the cyanide solution, then poured into 75-pound buttons or bricks and shipped to a gold refinery in Massachusetts. At peak production, the mine will produce almost two buttons per week, worth about \$1 million at today's prices.

The managers at Ruby Hill said they take great precautions to make sure no cyanide is ever released into the environment. Moreover, they said, the concentration of cyanide used does not constitute a grave hazard.

But there have been documented cases of cyanide from gold processing showing up in

drinking water, said Alan Sepphoff, research director at Earthworks, an environmental watchdog group in Washington, D.C. It filed the Zortman-Lunducky mine in Montana, where as a result the use of cyanide is now banned.

"Liners often and usually leak," Sepphoff said. "They might leak a little, they might leak a lot, but they leak. It's to be expected with a mass of material the size of several football fields.... That said, the main impact of mining from an open pit is the leaching of acid and metals into the environment."

In addition, gold ore often contains hazardous metals like arsenic, mercury and cadmium as well as acid-producing sulfur. Unlike cyanide, they do not break down naturally.

The townspeople don't seem to be worried. They say they have a personal stake in a clean operation at Ruby Hill. The ground water below the mine is the water they drink from the same water they use to grow their hay, which they will contribute to grow long after the mine closes.

These are self-reliant people. Many hunt and butcher their own food, fix their own cars, build their own fences. A repairman has to be called from as far away as Salt Lake City, so people learn to tinker and improvise.

And so, when they are asked about the environmental cost of this mine, they answer pragmatically. "The world needs metal, they think, and holes have to be dug."

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# With demand down, chicken processors give big to food banks

**Night Rider News Service**

**CHICAGO** — Fears about avian flu have dramatically cut chicken exports, creating bonanza for the food depositories that serve the nation's poor and hungry.

"In 2005, the country's largest processor of chicken and beef, this week announced it is donating 6 million pounds of chicken to food depositories. Earlier this year, Purdue Chicken Co. donated more than 1 million pounds to the food agencies.

And, starting next week 11 semi-trailers full of chicken quarters, purchased off the market for \$32.5 million by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, will begin arriving at local food depositories.

Such donations are rare, and certainly generous, but not entirely unusual.

"The nation's chicken and meat processors are dealing with a glut caused by the fears about avian flu and, to a lesser extent, mad cow disease. Rather than dumping the chicken and meat onto the market and further sinking retail prices, the food companies are donating the products to the food depositories and taking a tax write-off on the charitable contribution.

Massive production surpluses combined with waning demand amid avian flu fears have already sent prices plunging to the lowest levels this decade.

In the Chicago area, leg quarters have been selling for as little as 39 cents per pound, while boneless chicken breasts have been selling for \$1.69 per pound. Prices for chicken leg quarters, one of the least desirable of the cuts on a chicken have fallen 42 percent in the past year while prices for boneless chicken breasts have fallen nearly 30 percent, according to figures compiled by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"At those prices people should be filling their freezers," said John Peterson, an economist who focuses on the poultry industry for WATT Publishing Co. in Concord, N.C. "Retail prices" may be close to the bottom.

Supermarkets and supercenters have cut prices dramatically since the first of the year as producers sought to clear out the oversupply that built up as U.S. exports fell. That's left food banks stacking boxes of chicken in freezer aisles as truckload after truckload arrives from producers, who are trying to secure a tax write-off for chicken they can't sell.

Peterson and Paul Aho, an economist with Poultry Perspectives, said prices and sales started plunging last August when avian flu concerns began spreading rapidly through Asia, which imports more than 50 percent of the 7.2 billion in chicken the U.S. exports. Prospects dimmed more two weeks ago when Russia unexpectedly closed its borders to U.S. poultry. Russia buys about 40 percent of U.S. chicken exports.

Exports represented about 15 percent of the 47.9 billion pounds of chicken produced in the United States in 2005.

The USDA says currently there are nearly three times as many chicken leg quarters being held in frozen storage by producers hoping that prices will rise. In December, the agency said there was 176 million pounds of leg quarters being held in cold storage com-

pared with 76 million pounds a year ago.

But the industry's oversupply conundrum and its charitable contributions are a boon for the nation's food depositories — and the donations could not come at a better time.

"This represents a significant donation for us," said Ruth Igoe, a spokeswoman for the Greater Chicago Food Depository. She said that the Chicago agency, which serves Cook County, will receive a 40,000

pound truckload from Tyson on Monday and has been told to expect five truckloads from the USDA.

The five truckloads is about 25 percent of the poultry product that the agency received in all of fiscal 2005, she said.

But the sheer volume can be both a blessing and a curse.

"We will get the first truckload on Monday and will get one every 15 days," said H. Dennis Smith, executive director of the St. Charles-based

Northern Illinois Food Depository, which serves 1,000 food pantries in 14 counties outside Cook County.

The government and Tyson donations are taxing the resources of Smith's agency, which in addition to giant walk-in freezers in St. Charles, Rockford and Waukegan is storing some of the frozen chicken parts in a pair of refrigerator trailers.

"It is costing me 75 cents per hour in diesel fuel to keep the

food frozen. While it isn't a huge amount of money, in 24 hours it is \$18 per day and that adds up for an operation like ours," he said.

"This was not a case of the leaves and fishes," he added, referring to the biblical story in which two fish and five loaves of bread fed thousands gathered to hear the Sermon on the Mount.

Chicken suppliers maintain charity is a key concern in their decision to donate.

Last year, Tyson donated roughly 6.5 million pounds of chicken to various food banks. It is doing the same this year — but doubling the total amount with its 6 million-pound donation this week to Second Harvest.

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**The Washington Post**

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Yahoo en Espanol and Telemundo.com will be combined into one site, Telemundo.yahoo.com, and over the next several months will merge content under the Yahoo Telemundo name. The firms will share online advertising revenue and merge their staffs but will not take an ownership stake in each other.

"This site will be targeted to all Hispanics, both in English and Spanish," said Jose Rivera, Telemundo's general manager. Yahoo North Latin America,

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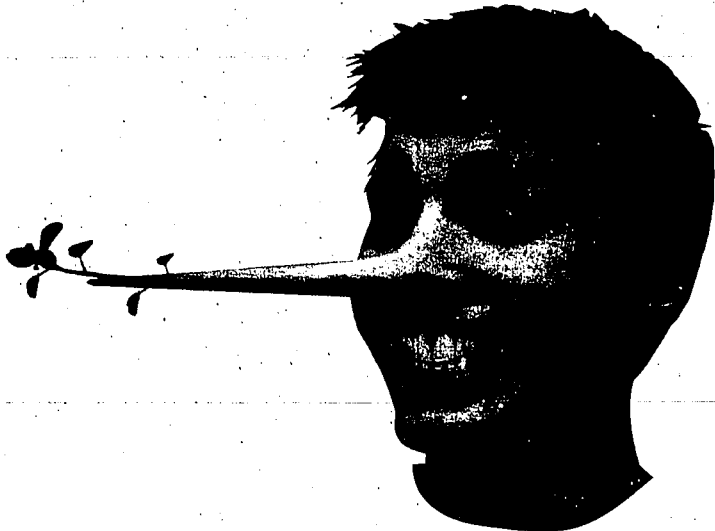
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Steven Hilsenberg 404-9017 or 737-3913

**PASADITA**

**\$55,000** Hepburn MILSP9024508  
2 bedrooms 1.5 baths Manufactured home on  
2.5 acres in great lot! Adjacent to  
Marionna 578-5008 Michelle 404-9519

**PASADITA**

**\$29,500** Kimberly MILSP9023499  
2 bedrooms, 2 baths  
600 Main Street South  
Edna Kacowans 737-9184/404-3892

**PEGGY CONNELLY**  
Sales Associate, ABR  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
737-3925

**KATHY PARTRIDGE**  
Assoc. Broker/GRM, ABR  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
737-3920

**RON FREEMAN**  
Assoc. Broker, GRM  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
737-3915

**PASADITA**

**\$94,500** Boak MILSP9023025  
2 bedrooms, 1 bath Great investment  
property with 2 homes!  
Alex Cantelmo 578-5758 Janna Rowe 737-3914

**PASADITA**

**\$104,900** Hepburn MILSP9024592  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 4400 sq. ft. Split  
bedroom plan! Heat/Land bar  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$105,000** Twin Falls MILSP9024725  
2 bedrooms, 1 bath Clean Nice loca-  
tion Close to schools & shopping!  
Full Lev 410-2678 or 737-3949

**PASADITA**

**\$107,500** Twin Falls MILSP9023438  
2 bedrooms, 1 bath Clean Nice loca-  
tion! Call us today for golf course  
Steve Hilsenberg 737-3913 or 404-9017

**PASADITA**

**\$110,000** Jerome MILSP9023964  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
Home is on 1.24 acres - Bring all offers!  
Lisa Calabrese 578-5758 Janna Rowe 490-1538

**JUANA ROSAS**  
Sales Associate  
Hablo Español!  
737-3914

**AARON WALKER**  
Sales Associate  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
404-9495

**PASADITA**

**\$115,000** Wendell MILSP9024472  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths Sharp Clean A must  
see! Comes lot great neighborhood  
Marionna 578-5008 Michelle 404-9519

**PASADITA**

**\$118,000** Twin Falls MILSP9023694  
2 bedrooms, 1 bath  
1277 North 1st  
Great rental home! Close to the country!  
Berenda Carter 212-9977 or 737-3962

**PASADITA**

**\$120,000** Hollister MILSP9024230  
4 bedrooms, 3 baths Manufactured  
Home Large lot! Fruit trees, double garage  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$120,000** Twin Falls MILSP9023181  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
Zoned Commercial Business  
3104 sq. ft.  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$125,000** Elber MILSP9022617  
4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 3000 Sq. Ft. Living Dn.  
"The Morning Star" by DLG  
Lynn Ramon.com Lynn Ramon.com 737-3900

**DIANA WHITNEY**  
Sales Associate  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
731-3588

**KATH SCHRADER**  
Sales Associate  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
731-9819

**PASADITA**

**\$124,900** Elber MILSP9023655  
2 bedrooms, 1 bath Country home on  
1.02 acre. Bring your horses  
Marionna Kacowans 578-5008 or 737-3914

**PASADITA**

**\$129,900** Twin Falls MILSP9023754  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths Quality home by  
Renaldi! Excellent location, 14th sq. ft.  
Owner must sell!  
Marionna Kacowans 578-5008 or 737-3914

**PASADITA**

**\$142,900** Twin Falls MILSP9024664  
4 bedrooms, 2 baths  
Morning Star by TRG Custom Homes  
1.24 acre! 3000 sq. ft. Double garage  
Lynn Ramon.com Lynn Ramon.com 737-3900

**PASADITA**

**\$139,900** Twin Falls MILSP9021684  
4 bedrooms, 2 baths "The Woodbrook"  
by Whelton Homes  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$149,900** The Lion Team MILSP9023497  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths Zero lot line by  
Whelton Homes  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**THOMAS LLOYD**  
Sales Associate  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
308-0117

**BRENDA CARTER**  
Sales Associate  
212-9977

**PASADITA**

**\$160,000** Twin Falls MILSP9024145  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths "Ready to move  
into!" 207 Silver Pleasant Ave.  
Lynn Ramon.com Lynn Ramon.com 737-3900

**PASADITA**

**\$164,900** Elber MILSP9024678/9623648  
3 bedrooms Full water share! View Great pike  
OWNER MUST SELL!  
Kath Schrader 737-9619 or 737-3917

**PASADITA**

**\$244,900** Twin Falls MILSP9024607  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths Great community.  
Quality upgrades Covered patio  
Rise From 737-9115 Kathy Partridge 737-3919

**PASADITA**

**\$172,000** Twin Falls MILSP9023617  
2 bedrooms, 1 bath each unit  
Sharp clean all brick, great location  
Candy Carter 628-3131 or Row Carol 208-2997

**PASADITA**

**\$179,000** Twin Falls MILSP9024709  
4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
2912 L.C. Ave Drive  
The Lion Team.com Val 619-2807737-400

**JO ANN HEAVES**  
Sales Associate  
308-8443

**CAROLYN CUTLER**  
GRM, CRS, ABR  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
424-3381

**PASADITA**

**\$249,900** Kimberly MILSP90219615  
4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
2355 sq. ft. 1.51 acres, shop and more  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$274,900** Twin Falls MILSP90239713  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths Spacious, Vaulted  
ceilings! Bonus room! Formal dining  
by Whelton Homes  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$284,900** Jerome MILSP9023123  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
1.45 acre home property  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$299,900** Twin Falls MILSP9022775  
3 bedrooms, 3 baths, Charmig, reman-  
dated country home - Great home property  
Deana Whitney 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$339,900** Kimberly MILSP9023884  
4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths Spacious custom  
home on 1.81 ac. 20x30 shop  
Deana Whitney 737-3919/ 404-8495

**SANDY THOMAS**  
Sales Associate, GRM,  
Assoc. Broker  
280-1756  
534242@hotmail.com

**STEVEN DELLENBERG**  
Sales Associate  
Multi-Million Dollar Club  
404-9017  
stevendellenberg.com

**PASADITA**

**\$399,000** Twin Falls MILSP9022550  
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths "The Torrey"  
by Whelton Homes  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$419,000** Twin Falls MILSP9023058  
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths "The Sundridge"  
by Whelton Homes  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$394,000** Jerome MILSP9023123  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
1.45 acre home property  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**PASADITA**

**\$429,900** Wendell MILSP9023604  
5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 1893 E 2000 S -  
Specialist! - 3.68 acres  
Steven Hilsenberg 404-9017 or 737-3913

**PASADITA**

**\$444,000** Twin Falls MILSP9023058  
4 bedrooms, 4 baths  
High quality home by Ray Griffin  
The Lion Team.com Val 737-3919/ 404-8495

**JIM CORNEIL**  
SR. DIS.  
Sales Associate  
737-3435/280-3097

**STACY SHELTON**  
Sales Associate  
734-3528/308-1101

**PASADITA**

**495,000** Boak MILSP9024213  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths in Kanaka Rapids  
Specialized acreage on Snake River.  
Dorothy Gay 543-5798 or 737-3963

**PASADITA**

**\$500,000** Twin Falls MILSP9023622  
Income property! 80 units-1041.  
Washington St. 50  
Lynn Ramon.com Lynn Ramon.com 737-3900

**PASADITA**

**\$800,000** Twin Falls MILSP9020077  
Two 6000 sq. ft. Bldgs each with 4 ig.  
units on 16 acres  
Candy Carter 428-3131 CandyCarter.com

**PASADITA**

**\$950,000** Wendell MILSP9023907  
5 bedrooms, 2 baths Near farm road  
Large shop & barn. Great income property  
Michelle 404-9519 Marionna 578-5008

**PASADITA**

**\$1,500,000** Twin Falls MILSP9023701  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 3600 sq. ft. 1100 E.  
Great for development  
Lynn Ramon.com Lynn Ramon.com 737-3900 or 418-2897

**MICHELE HODGES**  
Sales Associate  
404-9519

**NICHOLE WEBB**  
Sales Associate  
737-3906

**PAT LABRUM**  
Sales Associate  
420-8714

**ALEX CASTORENA**  
GRM, Sales Associate  
Hablo Español!  
737-3907

**ELLIS PRUITT**  
Broker  
308-0629  
737-3918

**BRIAN RASMUSEN**  
Sales Associate  
404-8882

**MARIANNA KRACHUNOV**  
Sales Associate  
628-5018

**JULIE LEE**  
 Realtor  
410-2878

**JAMES HOYT**  
Sales Associate  
420-8947

200 Employment

**GENERAL**  
 Lecher Fence Building Co. exp. needed to travel. Must be able to travel. Call 531-5251 or 538-5150

**GENERAL**  
 SDR Staffing is now hiring for a 1 month project. We need 10 people for 12 work days. 5 to 7 days a week. Day and night positions available. Call 738-4473 or stop by our office 683 State Lakes, Twin Falls.

HAIR STYLIST

Current Opening for Stylist  
 P/TFT in busy salon.  
 Hourly wage \$7.25-\$12  
 \*Bonuses  
 \*Commissions  
 \*Paid Vacation  
 \*Medical/Dental plans  
 \*Holidays  
 \*Student Loan  
 relief money. All conditions provided. Call 735-1200  
 Leave your resume for confidential interview

HOTEL

Days Inn in Jerome is currently hiring Housekeepers. No exp. req. must be dependable with transportation. Days Inn next to Flying J at I-84 & US. No phone calls please.

HOTEL/INN EXPRESS

is looking for Laundry and Front Desk help. flexible hours. Apply at 1894 Canyon Springs, Jerome, Twin Falls.

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Full-time LIVE-IN Housekeeper needed in Boise. Energetic individual to manage all aspects of housekeeping. Previous exp. must have excellent references. Separate bed and bath, car, food insurance, plus wages. ASAP! 208-442-5434

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\*Multi-Task Communications Experienced Satellite TV Installers needed for the Magic Valley and surrounding areas. Must have own tools truck. Call Larry 208-951-0599

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BANKING

D.L. Evans Bank

Are you ready to advance your career with a proven and progressive Idaho company?  
 D.L. Evans Bank, Homeowners Community Bank for over 100 years, is expanding and has the following positions available:  
**Human Resources Assistant Burley**  
 Part-time  
 The ideal candidate will possess excellent Client, customer service, and written and verbal communication skills. Must have working knowledge of Microsoft Office Software programs. Salary range is \$7.50-\$8.75 per hour. DOE.

Cash Management Officer

The ideal candidate for this position will be dynamic, sales oriented individual responsible for coordinating and directing specific product sales, expanding business relationships and serving existing customer with cash management product. Previous banking experience a plus. Salary depends upon experience

Full-time Teller-Twin Falls

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All FT positions offer a benefits package including Medical, dental, and vision coverage, flexible scheduling, 401K and Employee stock ownership plan participation. EOE.

Applications for employment are available at any D. L. Evans Bank location.

200 Employment

**HVAC**  
 General laborer needed immediately for Boulder Mountain Heating in Bellevue. Fully permanent position. Wages DOE with bonus. Call 347-2076-2840.

LABORER

General Laborer Choose processing plant in Gooding is currently looking for top notch individuals willing to work 12 hour shifts. Experience preferred, but training will be provided to the right candidates. Pay starting at \$10.00 per hour. 90 day probation before full time hire. Benefits provided immediately. Apply in person at 754 N. College Dept. Salla 2, Twin Falls or call 735-5002 for more information.

LANDSCAPE

Wholesale related company in Gooding is looking for people with experience in the available immediately. Truck Driving, Irrigation and Shipping. pay must during 90 day probation before full time hire. Benefits provided immediately. Apply in person at 754 N. College Dept. Salla 2, Twin Falls or call 735-5002 for more information.

LANDSCAPING

Experienced Irrigation Technicians/ Landscapers needed for part-time & full-time. Available immediately. Please call 208-324-3233

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Police Dept. is now hiring for Patrol Officer. Paid applications at 5160 Yellowstone Ave, Chubbuck, Idaho 21022 or [www.cityofchubbuck.us](http://www.cityofchubbuck.us) Application deadline for application and job description. Return applications to Chubbuck Police Dept. Expires June 2nd at 5pm.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Jerome County Sheriff's Office has immediate openings for Correctional Officers. Applicants must be 20 yrs. old, have a high school diploma or equivalent and be able to pass a series of pre-employment tests. Pick-up in Lincoln, 300 N. Lincoln, Jerome, or call Larry 208-951-0599

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200 Employment

**GENERAL**  
 Survey Tech. experience required in GPS, construction staking, boundary & topo. 208-838-7868

MANUFACTURING

**Spartan Mfg Co.** is accepting applications for the following FT positions:  
 \*Packaging  
 \*Facilitation  
 \*Production  
 \*Material Handler  
 \*Assembly  
 \*Bar code  
 \*Warehouse  
 \*Production  
 \*Mechanics  
 \*Part-time Security  
 \$9-12/hr (depending on position)  
 Company benefits, employee health, dental, life insurance, vacation, paid holidays, & 401k plan. Applications available Spartan Mfg Plant Security Office 2152 S. Lincoln Jerome, Idaho Spars is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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 Take advantage of this great franchise opportunity offered by Snap-on! The dream of owning your own business can be yours, and right in your own backyard!

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BANKING

KEY BANK

**Relationship Associate**  
 This sales position is responsible for actively developing, managing and growing relationships with retail clients, providing excellent customer service; and participating in business development activities including community involvement. Qualifications include 1-3 years professional sales experience with proven interpersonal skills; an undergraduate degree or equivalent education and/or experience. We offer professional growth opportunities, generous benefits, package and competitive wages.

Teller

We are looking for individuals who enjoy face-to-face interaction with clients, and have customer service orientation in retail sales. You'll be responsible for accurately processing all financial service transactions, and providing information to clients. To apply, please visit [www.key.com](http://www.key.com).

Key Bank

103 Main Avenue Twin Falls, ID 83301 EOE M/F/D/V

BANKING

Loan Closing Specialist

Northwest Farm Credit Services, an agricultural cooperative that provides financing and related services to agricultural producers, is seeking a Loan Closing Specialist for their Agribusiness division, located in Twin Falls, ID. The Agribusiness division works with large agricultural producers, vertically integrated processors and packers and agribusinesses throughout the Northwest.

This position assists the account team in gathering customer information, coordinating the closing and servicing of various types of large, complex loans and related services with an emphasis on real estate transactions. Works closely with other departments to prepare documentation and monitor loan transactions. Reviews loan documents, lists reports and public records to comply with closing requirements and secure appropriate lien position. Responds to customer inquiries and processes transactions including checks, receipts, performs account activity and budget tracking. Performs intermediate/advanced clerical duties such as word processing, spreadsheets, internet research and e-mail. Some travel may be required.

Position requires high school diploma or equivalent, minimum three years related work experience, ability to organize and prioritize work, computer experience and strong customer service skills. Experience in a mortgage, spreadsheets, internet research and e-mail. Some travel may be required.

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Competitive compensation and benefits package available. For immediate consideration, apply online at [www.farm-credit.com](http://www.farm-credit.com) Equal Opportunity Employer

200 Employment

**INSTALLERS**  
 Now hiring for Window installers, two positions. Also Secretary needed. Men FT & S. Knowledge of quick-books. Apply at 401 F St., Rupert.

MACHINIST

Spartan Mfg Co., is accepting applications for Full-time Machinist for conventional lathes, mill, and plastic experience in both metal and plastic machining. Clean environment. Benefits include health, dental, life insurance, vacation, paid holidays, & 401k plan. Applications available Spartan Mfg Plant Security Office 2152 S. Lincoln Jerome, Idaho Spars is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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Full and part-time Tellers in Burley.

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CLERICAL

Financial Specialist

Northwest Farm Credit Services, a financial leader in agricultural lending, is seeking a Financial Specialist to work in the Twin Falls, Idaho branch. This position assists the credit officer in completing financial information by gathering customer and financial data, reviewing customer loan documents, and presenting to customer for signing. Comply with closing requirements and disburse book and carry loans within authorities. Respond to customer inquiries and process customer transactions. Perform intermediate/advanced clerical duties such as word processing, establishing and maintaining files, answering telephones, and processing mail. Position requires high school diploma or equivalent, knowledge of financial statements, a minimum three years' related work experience.

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COMMUNICATIONS

Public Safety Communication District Supervisor

Department of Administration \$19,955-\$20,750/yr Responsible for installation and maintenance of public-safety communications systems covering 11,000 square miles and 16 communications sites for the State of Idaho. Applications may be obtained and submitted to Division of Human Resources 700 W. State St. Boise, ID 83720 by May 25, 2006 or visit the states recruitment website [www.dhr Idaho.gov](http://www.dhr Idaho.gov) - EEO AA Veterans Preference.

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Seeking a Drafter to work in the Electrical/Controls Dept. of our Boise office. Job duties include schematics, wiring diagrams, physical plan and elevation drawings. An Associates or equivalent technical degree is required along with 0-2 years of drafting experience. Experience in AutoCAD and familiarity with Microsoft Office programs required. Experience in 3-D and MicroStation preferred.

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200 Employment

**FARM**  
 Farm workers, need equipment experience. Weave company. Call 731-5573

LANDSCAPING

Lawn Sprinkler Service Technician. Must have experience. Call 324-2198

MANAGER

Evans Grain Feed & Seed is seeking applications for an agricultural logistics Manager Merchandising position in its Rupert, ID office. A business or Ag degree and/or commensurate experience. Send resume to: PO Box B, Burley, ID 83318 or fax to 208-438-7783.

MANAGER

Exp. Apartment Management. Must have strong communication skills req. local complex. 801-518-5216

EDUCATION

IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

**ELECTRICAL TECHNICIAN COORDINATOR/INSTRUCTOR**  
 Ten-month Electrical Technician Coordinator/Instructor position. See announcement on the internet at [www.isu.edu/departments/human/joblist.htm](http://www.isu.edu/departments/human/joblist.htm)  
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District Food Service Director

Applicants should have a knowledge of: federal reimbursement guidelines, state nutrition requirements, menu planning, training in technology, financial management, employee hiring/supervision, and be able to multi-task with many different projects. Preference will be given to applicants with knowledge in: MealTime and NutriKids. Depending on experience \$27,500 to \$32,500

Extra Curricular Coaching Positions:

**Cross Country Girls' Head Coach**  
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**Track - Girls' Assistant Coach**  
**Track - Boys' Head Coach**  
 Proven ability to work with students, coaches, administrators and parents. Two years experience coaching in that specific sport or participating in a college or High School program specific to that sport. State Teaching Certificate or Certification by American Sports Education Program. Salary placement on Extracurricular Salary Schedule

Application information and complete job descriptions can be obtained by contacting:

Linda Adams, Clerk Jerome School District #261  
 107 3rd Ave. West Jerome, Idaho 83338  
 208-324-2392 ext.1010 adams@9261.k12.id.us

200 Employment

**MANAGER**  
 Retail Division Manager \$50-60,000 DOE. Full benefits, 401k, must have experience managing a multi-store environment. Skills in personnel, inventory, purchasing and POS systems a must. Great work environment. SE Idaho location. Send resume and work history to idahoopportunity@yahoo.com  
 Classifieds: For all your needs. 733-0311 ext 2

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Attention flat rate mechanical. Are you tired of the inconsistency of flat rate pay? Looking for stable, consistent income? Position available for hard working, self motivated individual with minimum 3 years experience. Problem solving skills a must, helpful skills a plus, helpful skills a must. Excellent pay and benefits. Fax resume to 208-788-0274 or call 208-306-1657

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CASH/DealerShip needs Mechanic for busy shop. Experience on tractors, and Ag related equipment. CDL license a plus. Call 208-543-8232 for interview. Buhl Implement Co. Buhl, Idaho

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Linda Adams, Clerk Jerome School District #261  
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 The Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind is seeking qualified Athletic coaches for this fall. Positions available are Varsity Boys Head Soccer Coach Boys Football Sign Language Communication Facilitator, Volleyball Head Coach, Volleyball Assistant Coach and Sign Language Communication Facilitator. For additional information please call Thomas Oblinski, Director of HR at 934-4457 or mail letter of interest to: Human Resources Department 1450 Main Street Gooding Idaho 83330. ISDB is an EEO/AA employer. Preference may be given to disabled Vets.

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 A leading PVC pipe manufacturing plant located 17 miles east of Winnemucca, Nevada is currently seeking a qualified Maintenance Electrician with 3 years experience working with 240/480 v, 3 phase, 120vac and 24vac control, PLC's, AC drives and motors, mechanical experience with pneumatic and hydraulic systems a plus. Must provide own tools. Diamond Plastics is a stable year around operation providing a competitive wage and benefits package including 401k. For consideration please fill out application or fax resume to Pat Masterson @ 775-623-0688 or e-mail pmasterson@dpccpe.com EEO Employer.

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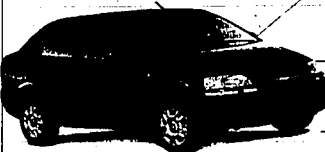
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# THE ACES ON BRIDGE®

Bobby Wolff

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
In social bridge, when an opponent cue-bids the suits that has already been opened is someone to game by that side? So if South opens one spade and West bids two spades, are East and West forced to bid game?

Shoe-In, Charlottesville, Va.

**ANSWER:** The simple answer is yes, the cue-bid is a game force. But beware! In tournament play, some people use the cue-bid to show a two-suited hand with limited values. Typically, a cue-bid of a minor shows both majors. A cue-bid of a major shows the other major and one minor. These are called Michaels Cue-Bids.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
Holding ♠ Q, ♥ J-2, ♦ K-J-3, ♣ 10-7-4-3-2, I heard my partner pass and my right-hand opponent open one spade. I tried two no-trump to show the minors, and nothing too terrible happened to me. But after the deal was over, my partner tore into me, telling me that the bid guaranteed at least five cards in each minor. How was he right?

Minor Offender, Greenville, N.C.

**ANSWER:** Although your partner may not have been polite or tactful, he was undoubtedly correct this time. The call shows at least five cards in each minor, just as the Michaels Cue-Bid mentioned in the previous answer must show five cards in each of the long suits.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
What is the penalty for making an insufficient bid if the next player does not accept that call? Can you always make the call good without penalty?

Law and Order, Tupelo, Miss.

**ANSWER:** If your insufficient bid was natural, you can correct it to the legal level in the same suit, without penalty. You may also

change your call to something else, but there will be a penalty (see below). If the insufficient bid was not natural, you may change it to anything you like except double. However, your partner will not be barred throughout the auction, and there may be lead penalties if you end up on defense.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
I dealt myself ♠ A-K-Q-6-4-2, ♥ A-7-3-2, ♦ 9-2, ♣ 7 and bid one spade in first seat. My partner raised to two spades. What is my correct action now (assuming the opponents are silent)?

Bill and Tucker, Navarre, Fla.

**ANSWER:** Since you might even make slam on a very good day, you ARE worth another call, particularly if you play the forcing no-trump response (where a raise to two spades is constructive, and weak raises go through one no-trump). My choice is not a re-raise in spades — which should be used pre-emptively. I would either blast out four spades, or bid three hearts to make a game-try in hearts, typically based on honor-third or honor-fourth.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
Are there any good bridge magazines you could recommend for beginners? I know the rules of the game and would like to start duplicate bridge.

Tyro Maniac, White Plains, N.Y.

**ANSWER:** The American Contract Bridge League Bulletin has a beginner section and is free with membership in the organization. I also recommend Bridge Today and Bridge Plus have Web sites and free online samples if you are interested in further reading.

If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at [bobbywolff@mindspring.com](mailto:bobbywolff@mindspring.com).  
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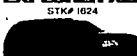














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YOU AND THE ONES YOU LOVE BEST

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fun-filled  
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In the past, my husband and I have had different opinions on age-appropriate behavior. He grew up with three brothers and thinks nothing of going outside to play. I grew up an only child and started feeling self-conscious about being "too old" for the swings when I was in junior high. It's not that I really outgrew swinging. In fact, I've always enjoyed coloring books and never declined them baby-ish. The difference?

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You can color in the privacy of your home. The ones gonna give you funny looks for it. Building a snowman in the middle of an apartment complex's common area at midnight where a million people can look out their windows and see you, however, is another matter. (We were 21, and I was too busy being self-conscious to enjoy it much.)

A few conversations later, we established that having fun together was an important aspect of marriage for him. I agreed that it was important to me, too, but we had trouble finding much that we both considered fun. He told me he didn't care what neighbors thought about ball playing, Frisbee throwing, snowman building or snowball fights. He wished we could have a pool in our backyard to cool off in on a hot day. Above-ground 3-foot-deep pools are inexpensive but he doesn't admit we can't have a kiddie pool as a growup. It's just too embarrassing.

I explained that this mountain-year childhood can't believe the fun-over feeling was normal.

This is one of many reasons people have children, I told him. You get to go through it all again, this time with your child. And it's even better the second time around. (I see eyelash batting, very best "Please, oh please, can we have a baby?" look here.) Being a parent is about looking forward to the fun of a new day. It's not when someone they reach, you remember being that age, getting your first bike, or feeding the ducks with your parents.

And you want them to have all that you had, and so much more. If you remember that your dad wasn't around much, you might vow to be there for baseball games. If you remember that you hated being bossed around, you might offer your child a few reasonable choices. (No, ice cream is not a vegetable. Would you like green beans or broccoli?)

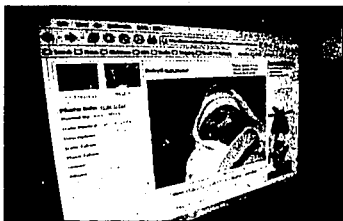
Passing along all that you have learned so that your child can have a better life is how we best deal with the idea that we won't be here forever. I told my husband, "We hope that they will take what they've been taught, plus what they experience for themselves in the world, and make an even better life for their kids."

As for our lives? With the baby around, I think our marriage has improved. Now we always have something fun to do together.

Recently, we put the baby in the stroller and walked to a nearby elementary school. We took turns climbing the steps to the slide, holding him tightly in our laps and sliding down. My son's eyes lit up going down the slide with his papa, and when they reached the bottom and we all cheered, he smiled and laughed. Besides the thrill of the slide, it looked to me as though he understood he was being loved by his parents. My heart melted, and I hugged my family.

Now, I'm ready to play. I'm even ready for a splash pool in the backyard. And who cares what we look like out there cramming our adult bodies into it. We have a baby! This is what it's all about.

Times-News copy editor Suzanne DeSelms invites you to look at this Mother's Day note as a day to really step back and enjoy them.

More families are staying  
connected through the InternetKEEPING  
IN TOUCHBy Karma M. Fitzgerald  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — For many mothers, there's no greater joy than immediate news from the kids. Who did your granddaughter go to prom with? Is your daughter surviving finals week?

Maybe you got a card in the mail. A picture of young Joe in his baseball uniform. Maybe, a smiling picture of a granddaughter with her Army rifle manning the guard post in some faraway land. But a handful of Magic Valley moms already have the latest in family news. They've already framed the most recent pictures.

"They keep up with their loved ones online with family Web sites and Web journals — known as blogs. "It doesn't have to be big news for it to be important," said Jacque Brown of Twin Falls, who keeps track of her four kids and a grandchild via a password-protected family Web site on <http://www.myfamily.com>. She and her husband also keep track of their own siblings, cousins, nieces and nephews on the Web site. "It's really just great when somebody puts a picture of their kid on their first day of kindergarten or just posts, 'Today it rained.'"

Brown admits to being an addict — sometimes checking the pages as often as

10 times a day.

When her daughter was pregnant and living in Virginia, the ultrasound pictures were posted there. When the baby was born, photos of the new addition went up on the Web site "almost immediately."

It provides Brown with a connection she wouldn't have otherwise. "It's the next best thing to being there," Brown said. "One of the most fun things. Certain of our family members — they'll get these conversations going — sometimes they make you laugh out loud. You're able to see communications that are open, but that I might not be privy to."

Conversations between the kids and their cousins share the vernacular of their generation — as well as the intimacy of a shared experience.

"The kids wouldn't talk to me like that, but I get a better sense of who they are," Brown said.

The Bokma family, also of Twin Falls, communicates through a family blog. Valerie Bokma likes the one-stop shop-

ping aspect.

"If you have an announcement you just have to type it once and everybody gets it," she said. "At Christmas we drew names and then posted it on the blog. Everybody had to post their Christmas list. You could refer back to it."

Bokma said being nostalgic comes with motherhood, so the blog gives her a chance to track important family events (like the purchase of property, or a birth announcement) and simpler things (like the kids looking for apartments or new cars).

"I try to keep the kids in touch with the farm," she said. "I always try to make it sound intriguing so they'll want to move home again."

Laura McNulty of Wendell keeps track of a huge list of family members via fami-

Photo see **INTERNET**, Page E2

Moms of  
boys look  
at life with  
regal flairBy Michael McLeod  
Knight Ridder News Service

Four years ago, Dallas home-maker Linda Marie Ford was sitting at the dinner table with her husband and her three children, all males, when one of the boys belched so loudly that the boy next to him laughed so hard that milk came out of his nose.

It was inspiring. It inspired Ford, 41, to invent a Web site.

The site, [isposttotheking.com](http://isposttotheking.com), is devoted to women whose offspring are all male.

"There's a lot of pressure when you're the only one in the household with an estrogen supply," she says.

The site has 2,500 members, who log on to read a weekly message from Ford and share their own stories about living in households preoccupied with video games and bodily functions.

One member recently posed this question: "What would you do if your boy came home with a hole in his body that wasn't there when he left the house?" Another member offered: "You could tell him what my mother-in-law told my husband on the occasion of his most recent tattoo: 'If I knew you were going to grow up and do this to your body, I wouldn't have worried about diaper rash so much.'"

Ford, who refers to all of her members as "queens," got the idea for the Web site's regal theme when one of her sons, in an obnoxious language after reading "The Chronicles of Narnia," began answering any request she made by saying: "I hear and obey, my queen."

"I hear and obey, my queen."

"I think mothers with all boys deserve a little pampering," she says.

The Web site is a frequent stop for Erin Burfoot, 36, whose three children are all boys: Alex, 13, Jason and Brayden, 3. "You get sucked into their world without even knowing it," she says. "The other day, in traffic, I found myself staring at a pickup, thinking, 'They, nice truck.' I don't need a place to go where I don't feel weird admitting that I spend an awful lot of time in traffic. I don't need things like: 'No, 'Put that down.' Golf is not a game that you play inside the house.'"

Though the Web site helps, there are other ways of seeking refuge from testosterone territory, says Burfoot.

"It's always just-girls lunch. I'm there," she says. Plus, she has made it a point to develop a bond with a close friend who has twins. Both girls.

Mothers turn  
good ideas into  
great productsBy Elean Tomson  
Knight Ridder News Service

Necessity is the mother of invention, but travel is another for many moms.

Four moms from around the country, inspired by personal experiences, have created new products to make travel with children easier, safer and healthier.

Lisa Carvajal, of Miramar, Fla., a mother of two young boys, invented the Take-Out-Time-Out mat when her older son marked the child-development milestone often described as "the terrible twos." The portable mat stores easily, can be readily carried anywhere and creates a consistent "time-out" spot to help discourage inappropriate behavior and restore calm. The mat is sold for \$14.99 online at [www.takeouttimeout.com](http://www.takeouttimeout.com).

Keri Holmgren of Saratoga Springs, Utah, tackled the problem of hot metal fasteners on car seats. She often worried about burning her children as she buckled them in on hot summer days. She created the ComFast, a cover that fits over the car seat to keep it cool.

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Above: Hillary Wray, left, stands next to her mother, Jacque Brown, while Brown holds her granddaughter, Daphne Wray, at their home in Twin Falls. The family uses [www.myfamily.com](http://www.myfamily.com) to stay connected with relatives and friends all around the country.

Top: This photo of Daphne Wray was posted to the [www.myfamily.com](http://www.myfamily.com) Web site within an hour of her birth in Richmond, Va.

Photo by Ashley Smith/TimesNews

FAMILY LIFE

SENIOR CALENDAR

**Twin Falls Senior Center**  
530 Shoshone St. W.

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. Cost is \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
Pool room open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.  
Lunch room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Menus:**  
Monday: Meatloaf or liver, potatoes and gravy, California vegetables, green salad, bread, lemon bar.  
Tuesday: Lasagna, green salad, french bread, Italian vegetables, fruit pie.  
Wednesday: Cubed steak with onions, potatoes and gravy, green salad, bread, dessert.  
Thursday: Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, cob of corn, apple salad, bread, cake.  
Friday: Fish or chicken, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, muffin, fruit bowl.

**Activities:**  
Sunday: Magic Valley Bridge Club  
Monday: Royal Nut Farms, 9 a.m. and 12 p.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, Bridge Club, Medicare D (last day) Tuesday/Ticket Tuesday  
Blood pressure Medicare D  
Wednesday: Elks Card Club Board meeting  
Quilting  
Exercise class  
Fiddlers  
Thursday: Center pinocchle  
Friday: Blood pressure  
Lunch bingo  
Quilting  
Texas Hold'em  
Saturday: Antique evaluation, 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

**West End**

**Senior Citizens Inc.**  
1010 Main St., Buhl

**Menus:**  
Sunday: Turkey dinner, 1 p.m.  
Monday: Soup and sandwich.  
Tuesday: Barbecue beef sandwich, vegetables, fruit, salad, dessert.  
Wednesday: Enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, fruit, dessert.  
Thursday: Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, carrots, apple salad, bread, birthday cake, ice cream.

**Activities:**  
Friday: Buffet, 1 p.m.: \$4 for seniors; \$5 for people under 60 and \$3 for children 12 and under.  
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m. Cards and dominoes, 6 to 9 p.m.  
Tuesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.  
Wednesday: Birthday dinner, noon.  
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.  
Saturday: Community breakfast, 8 to 10 a.m.

**Flair Senior Haven**

222 Main St.  
Dinners served at noon. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each mealtime.  
**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Hungarian goulash, mashed potatoes and gravy, cabbage, bread, cookies.  
Wednesday: Smorgasbord  
Thursday: Pork chops, dressing, potatoes, three-bean salad, fruit, bread.  
**Activities:**  
Monday: Skateland, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Tuesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Cards, 1 p.m.  
Wednesday: Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.  
Face class, 1:30 p.m.  
Exercise  
Thursday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.  
Gem State Fiddlers during lunch.  
Friday: Face class, 1:30 p.m.  
Saturday: Centennial bingo, 2 to 7 p.m.

**Jerome Senior Center**  
212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50.  
**Menus:**  
Monday: Swedish meatballs over noodles, Brussels sprouts, green salad, fruit, cookies.  
Tuesday: Meatloaf, potatoes and gravy, carrots, Jell-O with fruit, pudding.  
Wednesday: Chef salad, fruit, garlic bread.  
Thursday: Lasagna, green beans, green salad, carrot cake, french bread.  
Friday: Malibu chicken, potatoes and gravy, perfect salad, banana cake.  
**Activities:**  
Monday: Fitness class, 11 a.m.  
Bowling  
Tuesday: Gem State Fiddlers  
Pinocchle and bingo, 1 p.m.  
Snack bar, 6 p.m.  
Pinocchle, 7 p.m. (early bird, 6:45 a.m.)  
Ticket Tuesday  
Wednesday: Fitness class, 11 a.m.  
Pinocchle, 7 p.m.  
Thursday: Susan Brown singing  
Friday: Pinocchle, 1 p.m.

**Sliver and Gold Senior Center**

Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.  
**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Macaroni and cheese, green beans, salad, apple wedge, no-bake cookie  
Thursday: Chicken sandwich, potato salad, lettuce wedge, Jell-O parfait, baked beans  
**Activities:**  
Wednesday: Bake day  
Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Golden Years Senior Citizen Inc.**  
218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.  
Tuesday: Liver and onions, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, pear salad, frosted cake.  
Wednesday: Hamburger with lettuce, pickle, tomato and onion, tater tots, carrot sticks, peanut butter cream pie.  
Friday: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, homemade bread, brownies.  
**Activities:**  
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m. Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pinocchle, 1 p.m.  
Wednesday: Bingo, 2 p.m.  
Friday: Pinocchle, 1 p.m.

**Richfield Senior Center**

Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.  
Monday: Sauerkraut and wieners, peas and carrots, fried potatoes, vanilla-pudding shakes.  
Thursday: Tomato soup, tuna fish sandwich, chocolate cream pie.  
**Menus:**  
Tuesday: Hot roast beef sandwich, mashed potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, strawberry shortcake.  
Wednesday: Make-your-own taco bar, fiesta corn, refried beans, cantaloupe slice, cottage cheese, sherbet, cookies.  
Thursday: Carrey Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, jellied cranberry sauce, stuffed celery, peas, hot rolls, German chocolate cake.  
Friday: Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, jellied cranberry sauce, stuffed celery, peas, hot rolls, German chocolate cake.  
**Activities:**  
Monday: Carrey group dinner at Pioneer, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: Board meeting, 8 a.m.  
Poetry group, 12:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Carrey center, birthday celebration  
Exercise, 1:30 p.m. (Sun Valley)  
Friday: Birthday celebration

**Blaine County Senior Center**  
721 Third Ave. S., Halley

Monday: Carrey group dinner at Pioneer, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.  
Wednesday: Board meeting, 8 a.m.  
Poetry group, 12:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Carrey center, birthday celebration  
Exercise, 1:30 p.m. (Sun Valley)  
Friday: Birthday celebration

**Golden Heritage Senior Center**  
2421 Overland Ave., Burley

Monday: Beefy tomato macaroni, roll, tossed salad, California vegetables, pudding, cookie.  
Tuesday: Barbecue rib sandwich, potato soup, fruit salad, mashed beans.  
Wednesday: Pork noodles, boiled egg, mandarin orange Jell-O, green salad.  
Thursday: Cubed steak, potatoes and gravy, peas, red Jell-O, roll, spice cake.  
Friday: Meatloaf, rosemary red potatoes, carrots, apples, cabbage salad, roll, lemon bars.  
**Activities:**  
Monday: Pool  
Pinocchle, 1 p.m.  
Eye glasses adjustments  
Blood pressure  
Tuesday: Pool  
Woodcarving, 8:30 a.m.  
Community bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool  
Pinocchle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: Pool  
Community pinocchle, 6 p.m.  
Woodcarving, 6 p.m.  
Friday: Pool  
Pinocchle, 1 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.  
Saturday: Kite flying in Al-bion  
USA Rally in Murtaugh, noon

**Three Island Senior Center**  
492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry

Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals. Rides are available by phoning the center at 366-2051. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors; \$4 for other adults; and \$2 for children under 12.  
**Menus:**  
Monday: Barbecue pork chops, baked beans, broccoli cheddar soup.  
Tuesday: Lasagna, peas, carrots, tossed salad, bread.  
Thursday: Baked chicken, cheesy potatoes, dilled green beans, carrots-pineapple

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**Amateur astronomers can sometimes scoop the pros**

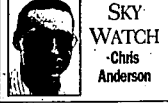
Although astronomers employ the most advanced technology to reveal the universe's secrets, there are still discoveries to be made by amateurs with the humblest of equipment.  
One reason is that the universe is a really big place, and large telescopes typically examine only a tiny patch of sky. (Consider that the Hubble Space Telescope's widest field instrument, the Advanced Camera for Surveys, only images a field the width of a penny seen from 62 feet away.) Big telescopes are in high demand, so sweeping the sky with them is also very inefficient way to make scientific progress. Amateurs, on the other hand, enjoy strength in numbers. On any given clear night, thousands of telescopes and owners all over the world are examining the heavens, covering a lot more real estate than the pros.

The second reason is that a small telescope and the human eye can still, under the right conditions, outperform the most advanced detectors and giant telescopes. A case in point is the dark spots in Saturn's rings. Amateur observer Stephen O'Meara saw and sketched them in his backyard scope in 1977, but it wasn't until three years later that his observations were confirmed by images from the Voyager 2 spacecraft as it flew by the ringed planet.

How is it that a backyard telescope can outperform a Palomar? For one, the larger the telescope, the more moving air there is inside and in front of the tube, which smears images. The smaller the telescope, the less air and thus less disturbance. Sec-

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**Sky Watcher**  
Chris Anderson

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through Saturday

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Jupiter: WSW, extremely low  
• One hour after sunset:  
Mars: W, mid sky  
Saturn: WSW, mid-sky  
Jupiter: SE, low  
• Moon: Third quarter 3:20 a.m. Saturday.

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**Internet**

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by Web sites and e-mail. The technology has allowed the family to share pictures and keep in touch. Without the computerized connection, she said, it likely she wouldn't hear from many of them.  
"I have two granddaughters in Boise that give me a blow-by-blow of what they do each week. And if my son doesn't e-mail me, I don't hear from him because he's the worst for not writing a letter," said McNulty, 50.

She had no intention of leaving to use a computer but decided to make the investment to keep in touch.  
"At my age it's been real bad learning how to use it," she said. She has a granddaughter who is quite proficient. She comes and gives me tutoring."  
Lois and Delmus Lyle of Kimberly also swore they wouldn't bother with computers. But once they figured out they could communicate with four generations of family members, they signed up for Internet service.

One grandchild has a computer business and set up a family Web site with e-mail accounts for the entire family. Lois Lyle said. Her husband, who is 92, can't wait to see a new feature of the latest great-grandchild.  
"I'll print it out and goes up and down the street showing people," she said with a chuckle.

There are myriad Web sites or blogs available to help families stay connected.  
Brent Johnson is the director of marketing for http://www.myfamily.com, the Web site most of the families interviewed for this story use. He said families need to look for the service that provides them with the most benefit.  
"It's important for families to decide what their specific needs are and what information they want to share," Johnson said.  
Some Web addresses are password protected so that only invited guests can view the page.  
Blogs typically are accessible to the public, so they may not

be the place to share important, sensitive family information.

Some Web sites offer only the ability to post journal entries and photos, while others allow genealogy research, recipe exchanges and posting of a common family color.  
Johnson recommends that a handful of family members share in the management of family Web sites.  
"Some of the things we've learned from surveying our customers is a common mistake is going into it thinking if you build it they will come," he said. "There needs to be at least a handful of engaged members of the family to help get it started."  
He also said the most active family Web sites market themselves well. The first line of a journal entry acts like a newspaper headline.

"I think I can't take their interest and create curiosity to give someone the desire to come find out more," Johnson said.

A number of local companies can create customized Web sites for a fee.  
Most blog sites such as http://www.blogspot.com are open at no charge. http://www.myfamily.com offers a 30-day free trial then sells subscriptions ranging from \$55 to \$209 a year, depending on how much memory the family site will use.

A quick scan on an internet search engine will bring up a long list of family Web site options.  
No matter what platform the families use, these Magic Valley families say the Internet has provided them with a form of electronic bonding they truly value.

"You just feel like you're more connected," Jackie Brown said. "You can talk to the kids."  
**Times-News writer Karma Metzler Fitzgerald started Web site for her family after writing this story. It took about 10 minutes to set up, and she's now sharing stories with relatives she rarely sees in person. Fitzgerald can be reached at k Fitzgerald@magvalley.com or 735-3238.**

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## Not all mothers are cut from the same kind of cookie cutter



Allison Stoll, 12, of Chevy Chase, Md., in the steps to her room, receives medication and behavioral therapy for attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, as many experts recommend.

Photo by Michael Cole/The Washington Post

## Drug safety fears fuel interest in therapy for kids with ADHD

By Sandra G. Boodman  
The Washington Post

What non-drug treatments to combat attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)? It's a question more parents are asking doctors, prompted by new concerns about the safety of medicines used to treat a problem that affects an estimated 4.4 million American children.

In the past three months, two advisory committees of the Food and Drug Administration have recommended that warning labels on ADHD drugs, most of them stimulants such as Ritalin, be strengthened because of their possible links to rare cardiac problems and vital hallucinations often involving snakes or bugs.

Concerns about misuse and overprescription of ADHD drugs, many of them chemical cousins of amphetamines, are not new. But hope that the common neurobehavioral disorder could be effectively treated without medication was dealt a severe blow seven years ago when a landmark study of nearly 600 school-age children found that medications were the most effective treatment.

That study, funded by the National Institute of Mental Health, also found that the best outcomes, measured by parental satisfaction and some academic standards, were the result of "combination" treatment: medications that reduce hyperactivity and improve concentration and behavior therapy to address some of the more subtle symptoms, such as difficulty with organizational and social skills.

While non-drug treatments — play therapy, cognitive therapy, psychotherapy and special diets — have been regarded as promising, only behavioral treatment has been shown to work. But experts caution that it is an adjunct, not a substitute for medication.

Although ADHD specialists say they consider behavioral therapy a key component of effective treatment and one that has inspired a recent resurgence of interest, many parents don't invest the time and effort necessary for it to be effective.

"There's so much lip service paid to (combined) treatments, but a lot of people just rely on medication alone," said William L. Coleman, a developmental pediatrician at the University of North Carolina who is chairman of the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Psychosocial Aspects of Child and Family Health. "We are a quick-fix society and we want results. There's a lot of time pressure on parents."

A behavior therapy regimen can be developed by a pediatrician or a school psychologist or based on a structured system of rewards and consequences — such as increased or decreased TV or video game privileges — that measure and reward changes in a child's environment to minimize distractions.

The researchers said the differences, which were particularly significant in teens and preteens, did not reflect differences in overall intelligence, but they may help explain the growing school achievement gap.



Allison Stoll, reading with her mother, Susannah Budington, earns chips toward ear piercing when she does homework without prompting. More parents are asking doctors what non-drug treatments work to combat attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder.

### What makes for success

Behavior therapy, the only non-drug treatment for ADHD that has been proven to work, is most effective when combined with medication. It is designed to determine the factors that trigger undesired behaviors and then enforce consequences, or to bestow rewards, designed to change those behaviors.

Parents are taught how to more effectively give commands to children and how to react when a child does, or does not, comply. Teachers use similar techniques in the classroom.

Behavioral therapy typically consists of the following components:

- **Goals:** The child can achieve incrementally, such as brushing teeth without multiple reminders.
- **Consistency:** in different situations — and with different caregivers.
- **Rules and expectations:** at home and at school should not be divergent; one parent should not be more lenient in enforcing them.
- **Rapid feedback and accessible rewards.** Praise should swiftly follow good behavior and consequences follow bad behavior. Promising a trip to a favorite restaurant after a week of compliance is too distant a reward for a young child; a trip for ice cream after a day of good behavior may be more effective.

Source: CHAD, Patricia Quinn

Parents also receive training in how to give commands and ways to react when a child obeys or misbehaves.

The goal is to incrementally teach children new ways of behaving by rewarding desired behavior, such as following directions, and eliminating undesired actions, such as losing homework, notes Ginny Teer, a spokeswoman for Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHAD), a national advocacy group based in Landover, Md.

Experts say therapy sounds easier than it is. Parents often "have an inappropriate expectation of what medications can do," observed Washington pediatrician Patricia Quinn, who has specialized in treating ADHD for more than 25 years. "Drugs do not improve self-esteem, time management or organizational skills. But the problem is that most parents don't have enough time or energy" for behavior therapy or are inconsistent about applying it. Sometimes, Quinn said, they make the regimen too complicated by imposing too many rules.

The clinic, Quinn said, is to keep things simple, especially for young children, which enables them to succeed, thereby reinforcing the desired behavior.

McCann, a child psychiatrist Thomas Kobylski emphasizes ADHD to diabetes. Medications are necessary but not sufficient for both conditions. For optimal results, people with diabetes need to watch what they eat and to exercise, in addition to taking medication. Children with ADHD, he said, need medication as well as the skills that behavior therapy teaches to function well at home and at school.

There is an added benefit from combination treatment, said Kobylski, who is chairman of the Washington area chapter of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. Studies have found that children treated with behavior therapy can take a lower dose of medication, Kobylski said.

Public relations executive Susannah Budington, who lives in Chevy Chase, Md., began using behavior therapy several years ago, shortly after Allison, the oldest of her five children, was diagnosed with ADHD and started taking Concerta.

"She's such an enthusiastic, wonderful kid I would never want to medicate that away," said Budington. Concerta, she said, enables Allison to be less impulsive and more cooperative, but therapy has helped the 12-year-old "operate as part of our family, to play soccer and to do things with her friends. It's extremely important."

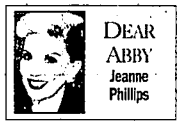
One of the biggest problems, Budington said, has been getting Allison to do her homework without prompting and nagging.

"Something her parents had agreed that she can do when she turns 13. When Allison does her homework without prompting she gets a chip she can use to move up the ear-piercing date by a week. Bad behavior means a week is added.

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DEAR ABBY  
Jeannie Phillips

**Mom was scared of nothing!**

To relax in the evenings, Mom would entertain her beaus in our living room. All she ever needed was a table, a bottle of four bowls whiskey, music from our radio and a man. Since she was one of Texas' greatest storytellers, when she really wanted her "gentlemen" was an audience.

With great Southern charm, she would sit them down at the table, have a drink and then tell them endless tales about the crazy people she'd known and her own "eccentric" family. When a fun time would come on the radio, she'd "hoogie woogie" with her guy while holding her cocktail in her hand. When she sang and then let her out a loud red vinyl, she'd down her drink and slam the empty glass into the fireplace. Because of her racy ways, some of her dates waited for the opportunity, then bolted out our side door. (Some were never heard from again.)

Mom was a genuine character and was much loved by her kids and just about everyone who knew her. So, Abby, this year, instead of printing one of those mushy mom stories, remember

that not all good mothers are cut from that same pious piece of cloth.

**KITTY'S KID IN GLENDALE, ARIZ.**  
DEAR KITTY'S KID: Your letter proves that it doesn't always take an apron and a cookie recipe to be a loving, caring mother. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** In 1993, when my husband was leaving for college, he wrote his mother a letter. He wrote me, too. I thought he'd be everything for everything from turning leftovers into new meals, to reminding him to always put on clean underwear. The letter was a lot longer than pages long, but from his heart. My beloved mother-in-law kept that letter in her jewelry box with her other treasures. Cancer took her recently, but before she died, she asked my husband to read it to her funeral. There was a lot of crying in the house when he finished.

Little did he know 13 years ago, how deeply meaningful it would be to me. I encourage your readers this year: Write your mothers a letter telling them how much you love and appreciate them. Believe me, it will last a lot longer than flowers or candy. Hope I'm lucky enough someday to receive a letter like that from my daughters.

— NICOLE IN ORANGE COUNTY

**DEAR NICOLE:** And I hope you're a daddy's girl. Happy Mother's Day!

## Take it easy and enjoy yourself, Gemini

**IF MAY 14 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** The year to come will be full of surprises. Your diligence in your daily responsibilities does not go unnoticed. Your dedication leads to career changes that should bring in more money, especially next spring. Romantic relationships may be in the air for change. You may only if needed. You have the ability to be a leader to all those around you, and during the course of the year you may use those skills to lead a group or organization. Branch out into new areas of interest to satisfy creative urges. Circumstance and diplomacy will serve you well this year.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Apply your copious energies to warding taking this a great Mother's Day and don't get caught up in disputes that may not even be based on fact. Activities will be rewarding as long as you stay busy and constructive.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** A pleasant Mother's Day is in the stars. Your innate grace and equilibrium promote smooth sailing. Sidestep any pitfalls that may crop up — even if those around you are falling in.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** If you're going to make it easy and enjoy this Mother's Day, make sure you know the difference between charm and obvi-

**HOROSCOPE**  
Jeraldine Saunders

ous attempts to flatter and bamboozle. If you try the latter, you're looking for a headache.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Affection is your keyword for today. Let Mom know how proud you are of her. If born between the old and the new in some matter, give yourself plenty of time to decide on the right course before you act.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** As the star of most productions, you can rally the family to make sure this is a great day for Mom. Intuitive encounters with life are a possibility, and most likely they will be positive.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Even a month planner like you occasionally has a plan fall apart, and today could be one of those days. Mother's Day can be wonderful, but keep in mind that forcing things would be counterproductive.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Family is high on your priority list this Mother's Day. An offbeat celebration would be most enjoyable to you using the amazing charm you have at your command to make the day happy

for all.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** It may be Mom's Day, but your mind (at least privately) is on romance, romance, romance. If you don't have it now, you'll want to find it, but don't lower your standards to do so.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Some people's lives are more difficult than usual to access today, but in your heart there is enough caring to make Mother's Day special anyway, and you'll be glad you went the extra mile.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Make sure you are using your strong powers of persuasion for reasons you can stand behind. You can also use that powerful charm to extend your love to Mom today; she'll appreciate it more than you know.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** A long period of limitation is coming to an end now, and you will soon feel freer than you have felt for some time. Your public image improves, too. Celebrate with Mom, and let the good times roll!

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You are full of energy, but be sure to use it constructively. Show Mom a great day. Be careful not to get drawn into any disagreements around you—they are unlikely to have any basis in fact.

## Products

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It can be rolled up behind the seat when not in use. It's available online for \$29.95 at [www.eazeeonline.com](http://www.eazeeonline.com). B.J. Hilles, a Harrisburg, Pa., mom who works with the idea for her product when she traveled to China to adopt her daughter in 1991. She searched in vain for a compact first-aid kit with contents specifically sized and for-

mulated for infants and children. With the help of a pediatrician, she developed the Potty-Pak, which includes everything from over-the-counter pain remedies and fever reducers to ointments, creams, a thermometer, band-aids, cold packs and more. The \$65.95 kit can be purchased at [www.pottypak.com](http://www.pottypak.com).

And, finally, Kristine Gibson

of Peoria, Ill., did not like the idea of public restrooms when her young daughter had to "go potty," she designed the Potty Pouch, which covers the toilet seat, protects little bottoms and hands from germs and helps make the experience less frightening for kids who are potty training. The product is available online for \$24.45 at [www.pottypouch.com](http://www.pottypouch.com).

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Fever	Sometimes	Sometimes
Headache	Sometimes	Sometimes
Pain in upper teeth	Sometimes	No
Bad Breath	Sometimes	No
Coughing*	Sometimes	Yes
Nasal Congestion	No	Yes
Sneezing	Yes	Yes



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## Gender gap exposed: Men are slower

**The Washington Post**

Men are mentally slower than women. Any woman could tell you that, but now there's proof of a sort. Vanderbilt University researchers looking at 8,000 males and females aged 2 to 90 found females to be markedly better at timed tests and tasks.



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**FAMILY LIFE**

**Dial 'O' for over**

**A quick delete of phone number ends relationships**

By DeNen L. Brown  
The Washington Post

**WASHINGTON** — It all started with the cell phone. They met at a party. He was from Nicaragua. She was half Peruvian. They exchanged cell phone numbers. They fell in love. Then they were engaged. No wedding date. Just a promise.

Then he went back to Nicaragua for a visit. Two long months. He waited. But she never called his cell phone.

So when he returned to suburban Washington, he did what he felt was necessary.

He DELETED her.

No conversation. No Dear Susan letter. No explanation. No angry confrontation that ended in a fit of tears with doors slammed.

Just the push of a couple of buttons.

And just like that, it was over. She didn't even know she'd been deleted.

"I call it being terminated," the deleter, Mel Gartner, 29, says. "When you are upset, you just have to delete them."

Her number was gone and so was she. Because in today's society, cell phone numbers are crucial. They are like people. They live and they die. They breathe in those little cases people carry around with them

— in pockets, in purses, in compartments in the car, attached to belts and pants. Waiting around on a desk.

Holding little secrets like little black books.

Holding desires.

Holding power. With a button to turn them on and a person's very existence — can be DELETED or IGNORIED.

Back when phones were attached to the wall, there was a mystery to their rings. People could not be blocked nor deleted. Phones were simple. No games. You dialed the number. If somebody was there, they answered. If they were not, the phone rang until you decided to hang up.

There was no call screening, no Caller ID, people were not banished with a DELETED button.

Now society brings with it the constant ringing of phones, the beeping of computers, the robotic voices saying who is behind the ring. Communication has become sanitized, and personal relationships have become clinical. You are in or you are out, based upon whether they like you.

"Every group and every tribe has some method of shunning and throwing people out," says James Katz, director of the center for mobile communication studies at Rutgers University

and author of the upcoming book "Magic in the Air," about how people use mobile phones in their relationships.

"In our high-tech era, deleting somebody from your cell phone book is the equivalent of throwing them out and shunning them," Katz says.

Cell phone numbers have become the people they represent. "Indeed, when people lose their cell phones, it's like losing their minds," Katz says. "And they forget who their friends are because they have lost their cell phones."

In Katz's research, he found that cell phones ringing in the middle of the night from secret callers often are the precursors to breakups. "Many young people have told me how a boyfriend or girlfriend will grab the phone when they are not around and go through the 'Recent Call' list. Or in some cases, pry it from hands and demand they explain who that was."

In the past, he said, "there used to be jokes about lipstick on the collar or some strange blond's hair on the man's jacket. Those would be low-tech and low-frequency success techniques to check up on other people, but now, in our digital-mobile age, there are very big digital fingerprints all over technology to trace what you have been doing."

Ernesto Alegria, 30, a tax-workshop instructor, says: cell phones have been disastrous to his "platonic" action.

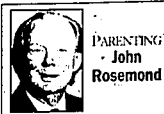
"She was having a girlfriend. You know she is going to go through the phone and check the numbers," he says, leaning on the counter of a cell phone kiosk in a suburban mall. "In my case, I don't use my phone. I use somebody else's cell phone to call another girl. My phones work better."

Stacy Fink, 21, didn't think her boyfriend had it in him to snoop through her cell phone, her personal information. But one night when she was sleeping, he saw a text message.

Her face turns red. She won't repeat what it said. But that night she was out on the street. "My boyfriend kicked me out in the middle of the night. I didn't think he was going to go through my phone. I forgot to delete it," she says wistfully. Now, she has no worries about deleting numbers or messages: "I don't have a boyfriend."

Instead, she watches her girlfriends spy for unknown numbers in their boyfriends' digital black books. They "check numbers" and they call the numbers, she says. "It's a guy who answers, they hang up. If it's a girl, they ask what's going on. They get caught because they forget to delete the numbers."

**What's the final word on spanking?**



**A** reader from Dubuque, Iowa, recently wrote her local paper complaining about what she called my "spare the rod, spoil the child" philosophy. I know that this perception of me — that I advocate spanking — is not uncommon, so I'm going to try to clear this up, one and for all.

I do not advocate spanking. I never have, and never will. The misunderstanding grows out of the unfortunate tendency on the part of many people to think that if you are not specifically against something, then you must be in favor of it. The more controversial the topic, as is the case with spanking, the more likely a miscommunication of this sort becomes.

I do not "believe" in spanking. However, I do not find, upon examining the research, compelling reason to believe that spankings, occasionally delivered by a parent who is obviously loving and whom the child trusts, are harmful. Some research, however, has been done at the Family Research Institute, University of New Hampshire, which have found that there is good reason to believe that the discipline studies are tainted by ideological bias. When research into spanking is done by persons without such bias (e.g., Robert Larzelere, a director of research at Boys' Town, Nebraska; Professor Diana Baumrind, University of California), no harm is found.

**PARENTING**  
**John Rosemond**

ernment interference in the parent-child relationship, and I view this as potentially harmful to our democracy.

Furthermore, Robert Larzelere's follow-up study of the effect of the Swedish ban on parental spanking found an increase in child abuse after 10 years. I believe our child abuse laws are sufficient to address parents who go overboard on spanking. I believe that those who should be enforced dispassionately, without regard for socioeconomic status, race, religious background, or personal beliefs. Child advocates and fundamentalists believe that God commands parents to spank.

Although no expert, I am a student of Scripture, and I have studied enough to come to the conclusion that the biblical term "the rod," as used in the context of the discipline of children, does not refer to spanking with tangible objects, or even spanking at all. It refers to discipline that is righteous, that steers a child toward virtue. That does not eliminate the option of spanking, but neither does it prescribe it.

I believe that spanking is a reasonable option in certain situations, with certain children. The research indicates that spanking is most effective between ages 2 and 6, and is most effective when paired with another consequence, such as removal of privilege. It should go without saying that the more a parent spansks her child, the less effective any given spanking will be.

It is my intention to educate parents to the fact that effective discipline is not characterized by methods, whether spanking or otherwise, but through effective communication of instructions and expectations. Unfortunately, most parents who spank have failed to do just that.

*Family psychologist John Rosemond answers readers' questions on his Web site at [www.rosemond.com](http://www.rosemond.com).*

**Old-fashioned table games teach children lessons**

By Doug Worgul  
Knight Ridder News Service

Comparing the popular video game "Need for Speed" to the old-school table game Yahtzee is like comparing a NASCAR race to a walk in the park. One's not necessarily better than the other; they're just different.

Video games are easy targets for educators, psychologists and social scientists. They are often too violent, too addictive and too solitary. But they're not without their benefits. They facilitate development of strategic thinking, quick decision-making and hand-eye coordination, as well as long-attention spans and concentration. All desirable.

There is just as much to be gained for old-fashioned, no-tech games such as Candy Land, Clutes and Ladders, checkers, dominos, Sorry, Yahtzee, Clue

Risk, Life, Monopoly and Scrabble.

The primary benefit of playing traditional board games is that they require actual human interaction. Players must talk to one another. This talking, and interaction may result in laughter, warm feelings and enhanced family relationships. All desirable.

Writing for [www.schoolsolic.com](http://www.schoolsolic.com), child psychiatrist Avim Rosenthal, co-author of "The Over-Scheduled Child," says traditional board games aid the development of important social skills in children including cooperation, self-control, confidence, independent thinking, and decision-making, curiosity, empathy, communication, teamwork, vocabulary development and patience. All desirable.

When you first broach the subject of playing board games

with your kids, be prepared for them to call them "bored games."

Kids these days are inclined toward fast-paced activities and toward those that do not include family members. Expect your kid, but now, in our digital-mobile age, there are very big digital fingerprints all over technology to trace what you have been doing.

• The ability to identify and work toward a goal.

• Patience with those with lesser abilities.

• Patience with and acceptance of disappointments and setbacks.

• Understanding of the importance of rules and structure in group activities.

• Understanding of playing fairly and the consequences of cheating.

Heller says that one of the most important life skills that traditional board and table games promote is the ability to deal with winning and losing graciously.

"This skill comes in handy when your 9-year-old beats the socks off you in Candy Land."

**Sources:**  
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with your kids, be prepared for them to call them "bored games."

Kids these days are inclined toward fast-paced activities and toward those that do not include family members. Expect your kid, but now, in our digital-mobile age, there are very big digital fingerprints all over technology to trace what you have been doing.

• The ability to identify and work toward a goal.

• Patience with those with lesser abilities.

• Patience with and acceptance of disappointments and setbacks.

• Understanding of the importance of rules and structure in group activities.

• Understanding of playing fairly and the consequences of cheating.

Heller says that one of the most important life skills that traditional board and table games promote is the ability to deal with winning and losing graciously.

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unfortunately, not necessarily "stupid" in that even though not necessarily harmful, they accomplish absolutely nothing. This is attested to by the significant number of parents who report that they spank over and over again for the same misbehavior. They obviously don't get it.

There is no compelling evidence to suggest that spankings cause children to believe that hitting is an acceptable way of dealing with frustration or conflict. The most aggressive children, researchers have found, tend to be those who are never spanked (which does not mean of itself, justifiably spanking).

I do not believe the government should step any further into the area of parent discipline than it already has. Government ban on spanking will open the door to further gov-

ernment interference in the parent-child relationship, and I view this as potentially harmful to our democracy.

Furthermore, Robert Larzelere's follow-up study of the effect of the Swedish ban on parental spanking found an increase in child abuse after 10 years. I believe our child abuse laws are sufficient to address parents who go overboard on spanking. I believe that those who should be enforced dispassionately, without regard for socioeconomic status, race, religious background, or personal beliefs. Child advocates and fundamentalists believe that God commands parents to spank.

Although no expert, I am a student of Scripture, and I have studied enough to come to the conclusion that the biblical term "the rod," as used in the context of the discipline of children, does not refer to spanking with tangible objects, or even spanking at all. It refers to discipline that is righteous, that steers a child toward virtue. That does not eliminate the option of spanking, but neither does it prescribe it.

I believe that spanking is a reasonable option in certain situations, with certain children. The research indicates that spanking is most effective between ages 2 and 6, and is most effective when paired with another consequence, such as removal of privilege. It should go without saying that the more a parent spansks her child, the less effective any given spanking will be.

It is my intention to educate parents to the fact that effective discipline is not characterized by methods, whether spanking or otherwise, but through effective communication of instructions and expectations. Unfortunately, most parents who spank have failed to do just that.

*Family psychologist John Rosemond answers readers' questions on his Web site at [www.rosemond.com](http://www.rosemond.com).*

**ENGAGEMENTS**

**DEITMAN-KRUSE**

HAGERMAN — Owen and Taha Deitman of McGregor, Iowa, announce the engagement of their daughter, Marti Deitman, to Jason Kruse, son of Julia Kruse of Hagerman and Dale Rick Kruse of Decatur.

Marti is a graduate of Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, and Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. She is a faculty member in the Social Science Department at Edgewood College in Madison, Wis.

Kruse is a 1995 graduate of Hagerman High School and a 2004 doctoral graduate of Iowa State University. He is a commercial horticulture educator



Marti Deitman and Jason Kruse for the University of Wisconsin-Extension in Idaho Falls, Wis. The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 3, at McGregor.

**HILL-RIEFF**

RUPERT — David and Garment Hill of Chesapeake, Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, Kameesha Lashawn Hill, to Jared Rieff, son of Debra Rieff of Rupert and David Rieff of LaFayette.

Hill is a graduate of Tabernacle Baptist Academy in Virginia Beach, Va., and Pensacola Christian College in Pensacola, Fla. She is employed at a billiards in Virginia Beach.

Rieff received his high school equivalency and GED in 2002 and plans to attend Pensacola Christian College in Florida. He is employed at a Manitoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert.



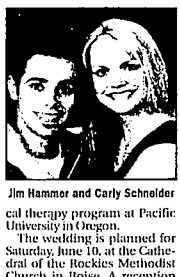
Kameesha Hill and Jared Rieff The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 10, at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Chesapeake. A reception will follow. A second reception will be held Friday, June 16, at the First Baptist Church in Rupert.

**SCHNEIDER-HAMMER**

KIMBERLY — Rich and Cheri Schneider of Kimberly announce the engagement of their daughter, Carly Dawn Schneider, to James David Hammer, son of Dave Hammer and Robyn Hammer, both of Boise.

Schneider is a 2001 graduate of Kimberly High School and a 2005 graduate of Boise State University. She will attend Oregon Health and Science University in Portland in June, where she will pursue a master's degree in physician assistant studies.

Hammer is a graduate of Boise High School and a 2005 graduate of BSU. He is a student in the doctorate of physi-



Jim Hammer and Carly Schneider at Pacific University in Oregon. The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 10, at the Cathedral of the Rockies Methodist Church in Boise. A reception will follow at the Waterfront event center in Boise.

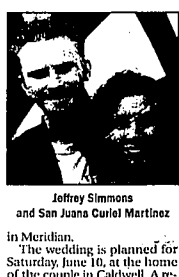
**SIMMONS-CURIEL MARTINEZ**

CALDWELL — Jeffrey Craig Simmons and San Juana Curiel Martinez of Caldwell announce their engagement.

Curiel Martinez is the daughter of Eugene Curiel of Burley and Isabel Cuellar of California. She attended schools in Twin Falls and is employed by the Idaho Department of Agriculture in Boise.

Simmons is the son of Randell Simmons of Washington and Leola Bailey of Nampa. He is a graduate of Nampa High School and Northwest Nazarene University. He is employed by Meridian Academy in Meridian.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 10, at the home of the couple in Caldwell. A reception will follow.



Jeffrey Simmons and San Juana Curiel Martinez in Meridian. The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 10, at the home of the couple in Caldwell. A reception will follow.

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*Former Twin Falls veterinarian Marty Becker — with Dr. Robert Kastner, a professor of medicine at Northwest University and medical director of [www.Diet.com](http://www.Diet.com) — has co-authored "Fitness Unleashed: A Dog and Owner's Guide to Losing Weight Together to Reach a Healthier, Longer Life for Both." It keeps them lubricated and strengthens the muscles and cartilage.*

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# WEDDINGS

## BOEHME-BELNAP

**RUPERT** — Káide Boehme and Bret Belnap were married May 6 in the Logan LDS Temple.  
The bride is the daughter of Robert and Yvonne Boehme of Geneva.  
The groom is the son of Roy and Norma Belnap of Rupert.  
A reception will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at the Belnap residence, 1017 N. Meridian Road, Rupert.



Katie and Bret Belnap

## DARRINGTON-RURKE

**DECLO** — Sarah Jane Darrington and Stephen Charles Burke were married July 2, 2005.  
The bride is the daughter of Steve and Pam Darrington of Declo.  
The groom is the son of Corwin and Jane Form of Beaumont, Texas, and the late Keith Burke.  
The bride graduated from Declo High School. She is a sergeant in the U.S. Army.  
The groom graduated from high school in Houston and is a staff sergeant in the Army.  
The couple is on leave from their duties in Iraq. Both are stationed at Camp Ashraf in Iraq with the 110th Military Police Company out of Fort Hood, Texas.



Stephen and Sarah Burke

## LOYA-WALLACE

**TWIN FALLS** — Nichole Loya and Ray Wallace Jr. were married May 12 in Twin Falls.  
The bride is the daughter of Rick and Dolores Loya of Heyburn.  
The groom is the son of Ray Sr. and Martha Wallace of Baton Rouge, La.  
The bride is a 2002 graduate of Minico High School and plans to attend cosmetology school in the fall. She is employed at Smith's Food King.  
The groom is a 2001 graduate of Durban Springs High School and attended Southeastern Louisiana University. He is employed at Sun Valley Stages.



Ray and Nichole Wallace

# ANNIVERSARIES



**THE ROSES**  
**TWIN FALLS** — Willy and Fran Rose of Twin Falls will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary May 19 by traveling out of state for several days.  
Willy Rose and Fran Houldridge were married May 19, 1956, in Las Vegas.



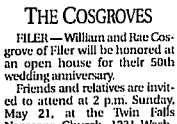
Fran and Willy Rose



**THE HENSONS**  
**TWIN FALLS** — Barton and Doris Henson of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at the Landmark Baptist Church in Jerome.  
Barton Henson and Doris Walker were married May 19, 1956, in a home.



Doris and Barton Henson



**THE COSGROVES**  
**FILER** — William and Rae Cosgrove of Filer will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at the Twin Falls Nazarene Church, 1231 Washington St. N.  
William Cosgrove and Rae Manuel were married May 26, 1956, at the Matthew's Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.  
They have lived in Idaho for 33 years. He was self-employed in the floor-covering industry. She worked at the First Christian Church in Rupert and then at Rowe Trucking in Twin Falls.  
They have been active in church activities and working part time.  
The event is hosted by their children, Jennifer (Maurice) Miller of Boise, Dave Cosgrove of Boise, Nancy (Frank) Franco of Idaho Falls, Brenda (Randy) Roach of Kimberly, Karin (Tom) Roehm of Twin Falls and Kathy (Glen) Duvall of Filer.  
The couple has 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



William and Rae Cosgrove

## LOUGHMILLER-LAMMERS

**FILER** — Larry and Judy Loughmiller of Filer announce the engagement of their daughter, Tara Loughmiller, to Travis Lammers, son of Rex and Tanne Lammers of Kimberly.  
Loughmiller is a 2004 graduate of Filer High School and attends the college of Southern Idaho.  
Lammers is a 2000 graduate of Kimberly, High School and served a mission in Anaheim, Calif., for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He attends CSI.  
The wedding is planned for Wednesday, May 17, in the Logan LDS Temple in Logan.



Tara Loughmiller and Travis Lammers

A reception will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. Thursday, May 18, at the Filer LDS Stake Center.  
The couple plans to study at either the University of Idaho or Utah State University.

## ASHLIMAN-WOOD

**BURLEY** — Randy and Ann Ashliman, formerly of Burley, announce the engagement of their daughter, Paige Louise Ashliman, to Jeffrey Michael Wood, son of Steve and Karalyn Wood of West Jordan, Utah.  
Ashliman is a 2000 graduate of Burley High School and the LDS Seminary. She attended Idaho State University before serving in the Korea Daewoo Mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.  
Wood is a graduate of West Jordan High School and LDS Seminary. He served in the Korea Daewoo Mission and attends Utah Valley State College in Orem.  
The wedding is planned for Friday, May 19, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will be held Saturday, May 20, at Burley High School.  
The couple will reside in Rexburg, where they will attend Brigham Young University-Idaho.



Paige Ashliman and Jeffrey Wood

The wedding is planned for Friday, May 19, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will be held Saturday, May 20, at Burley High School.  
The couple will reside in Rexburg, where they will attend Brigham Young University-Idaho.

## LOWE-LANCASTER

**WENDELL** — Greg and Terese Lowe of Wendell announce the engagement of their daughter, Eryn Elizabeth Lowe, to Brett Lancaster, son of Jack and Debbie Lancaster of Wendell.  
Lowe is a 2003 graduate of Wendell High School and is a senior at Idaho State University, pursuing a bachelor's degree in mass communications.  
Lancaster is a 2001 graduate of Wendell High School and will graduate in May from ISU with a bachelor's degree in zoology. He will attend Case Western Reserve University Dental School in Cleveland in the fall.  
The wedding is planned for Friday, May 19, in the Logan LDS Temple. A reception will be held Saturday, May 20, at 580 Seventh Ave. E. in Wendell.



Brett Lancaster and Eryn Lowe

A reception will be held Saturday, May 20, at 580 Seventh Ave. E. in Wendell.

## SCHVANEVELDT-HYATT

**TWIN FALLS** — Brent and Marilyn Schvaneveldt of American Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Whitney Marie Schvaneveldt, to Brad Leon Hyatt, son of Brent and Jan Hyatt of Twin Falls.  
Schvaneveldt is a 2003 graduate of American Falls High School and attended Idaho State University.  
Hyatt is a 2000 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is a 2006 graduate of ISU. He will attend medical school at Des Moines University in the fall.  
The wedding is planned for Saturday, May 20, in the Logan LDS Temple.  
A reception will be held Saturday, May 27, at the LDS Church, 847 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls.



Brad Hyatt and Whitney Schvaneveldt

A reception will be held Saturday, May 27, at the LDS Church, 847 Eastland Drive, Twin Falls.

## NOSS-CAMPBELL

**RUPERT** — Mike and Barbara Noss of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Dawn Noss, to Jeffrey Robert Campbell, son of Ian and Mary Campbell of Rupert.  
Noss is a 2002 graduate of Denison University in Granville, Ohio.  
Campbell is a 2003 graduate of Minico High School. He is serving in the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina.  
The wedding is planned for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 20, at the Rupert United Methodist Church. A reception will follow.



Heather Noss and Jeffrey Campbell

## ADAMS-MCBRIDE

**BURLEY** — Chet and Joan Adams of Morgan, Utah, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sadie Adams, to Daniel McBride, son of Owen and Inaue McBride of Burley.  
Adams is a 2004 graduate of Morgan High School and a graduate of the College Medical Assistance Program.  
McBride is a 2001 graduate of Burley High School and is a senior at Utah State University studying soil and water conservation.  
He served a mission in South Korea for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is employed at Utah Association of Conservation Districts in Logan, Utah.  
The wedding is planned for Friday, May 19, in the Logan LDS Temple.



Daniel McBride and Sadie Adams

A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. May 19 in Morgan. A second reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at the Star 1st Ward building.  
The couple will reside in Logan.

## GILBERT-ELLIOTT

**WENDELL** — Gayle and Shirley Gilbert of Huntsville, Utah, announce the engagement of their daughter, Estella Gilbert, to John David Elliott, son of John and Carol Elliott of Wendell.  
Gilbert is a 1997 graduate of Rim Rock High School in Grand Junction and a graduate of Utah State University with a master's degree in statistics.  
Elliott is a 1998 graduate of Wendell High School. He is employed by Sierra Home Construction.  
The wedding is planned for Friday, May 19, in the Logan LDS Temple in Logan, Utah. A reception will follow.



John Elliott and Estella Gilbert

A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at the Wendell Stake Center.

## ELLIOTT-MURDOCK

**WENDELL** — John and Carol Elliott of Wendell announce the engagement of their daughter, Cara Lin Elliott, to Drew Stephen Murdock, son of Andrew and Teresa Murdock of Wendell.  
Elliott is a 2005 graduate of Bear River High School in Tremonton, Utah, and attends the Academy of Florence in Jerome.  
Murdock attends the College of Southern Idaho in computer engineering and is employed at Fry Meyer.  
The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 3, in the Logan LDS Temple in Logan, Utah. A reception will follow from 7 to 9 p.m. June 3 at the Wendell Stake Center.



Cara Elliott and Drew Murdock

A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. June 3 at the Wendell Stake Center.

## JONES-STORY

**PAUL** — Bobi Jones and Larry Story Jr. announce their engagement.  
Jones is the daughter of Dee and Dyan Jones of Paul. She is a graduate of Idaho State University and is employed at Healthy Progression.  
Story is the son of Larry and Karen Story of Heyburn. He served a mission to South Dakota for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and is employed at Amalgamated Sugar Co. in Paul.  
The wedding is planned for Saturday, May 20, in the Bountiful LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. May 20 at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis St.



Bobbi Jones and Larry Story Jr.

A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. May 20 at the Paul LDS Stake Center, 424 W. Ellis St.

**Jimmy Taylor & Sarah Parrish of Twin Falls are engaged!**



The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 24, at the CSI Rose Garden, with a reception to follow at the Turf Club.

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The deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday for publication the following Sunday. If you miss that deadline, your news might not be published in advance of the event.

With questions, call Romona Jones at 735-3262.

**Find more engagements on page E4.**

*Bridal Registry*

Trish Fetzer & Justin Howard  
June 3rd

Whitney Morgan & Dustin Fackrell  
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Kara Redler & Clay Noyes  
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Laci Cameron & Scott Ackerman  
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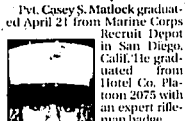
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**SERVICE  
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**Matlock graduates from Marine depot**



Pvt. Casey S. Matlock graduated April 21 from Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Diego, Calif. He graduated from Hotel Co. Platoon 2075 with an expert rifleman badge. Matlock will work as a recruiters assistant until May 16 and then return to School of Infantry at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

He is the son of Lyle and Steve Little and Gary and Megan Matlock, all of Twin Falls.

He is a graduate of Magic Valley High School and a resident of Twin Falls.

**Marshall joins Army under delayed entry program**

Everett R. Marshall, son of Marilyn Marshall of Twin Falls and Lanny Marshall of McClellan, Calif., has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward college education. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialties before being assigned to their first permanent duty station.

Marshall will report to Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga., for basic training on May 17.

**Romero earns rank of sergeant in Marines**

Marine Cpl. Michael Romero, grandson of Allen McDonald, formerly of Twin Falls, has been promoted to sergeant.

He has been assigned to protect and train Iraqi police personnel at police stations along the Euphrates River Valley. His deployment will continue until later this year, at which time he will return to Camp Pendleton in California.

**Local woman marks 80th birthday with open house**

**BEHREND** — Lucille Thomason will celebrate her 80th birthday with an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Jerome LDS 1st and 3rd Ward Church, 825 E. Ave. B.

Lucille Garner was born May 21, 1926, in Rupert, the fifth of six children born to Ray and Clara Garner. She was raised in Rupert and graduated from Rupert High School. She served an LDS Mission in the Minnesota-Missouri area.



She married Rex Thomason of Jerome on May 14, 1951, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple. They settled on the family farm in the Falls City community southeast of Jerome in 1951. She died in 1971. She moved into the Falls City Civic Club and Daughters of the Old Pioneer. She has served in several callings in the Primary and Relief Society organizations of the "Singing Mother's" group for many years.

The party is being hosted by her children, David (Bill) Thomason of Syracuse, Utah, and Ellen Kaye Thomason, and Rex Allen Thomason, son of Jerome, and other family members. She has four granddaughters.

No gifts please.

**Sons of Norway gather on Monday for dinner**

**HAGERMAN** — The Sons of Norway will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at the home of Chris and Ole Olson, 50 Bell Rapids, Road.

**FIVE GENERATIONS**



A five generation photo was taken at Velma Thompson's 93rd birthday celebration. Front row, left, great-great-grandmother, Velma Thompson of Brigham City, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls; front row, right, grandmother, Mabel Lancaster of Challis, holding Denver Leavitt; back row, left, mother, Leigh Ann Leavitt of Challis; and back row, right, great-grandfather, Howard Thompson of Twin Falls.

**Bolich now a staff sergeant**

Eric Bolich, a 1988 graduate of Jerome High School, was promoted to staff sergeant on April 1.

His first tour of duty was in Iraq in 2004, and then in Afghanistan from March 2005 to March 2006 with the U.S. Army's 864th Engineer Combat Battalion. The battalion was renamed Task Force Face-maker based out of Kandahar. The task force had four active duty companies, two reserve companies and one National Guard company.

The primary mission was to improve the road system in Afghanistan and aid coalition forces and improve the overall living conditions for the deployed soldiers and Afghan people.

Bolich's duty as Retention NCO was to counsel soldiers concerning their reenlistment options and coordinated reenlistment ceremonies. He traveled between 10 Forward Operating Bases to coordinate more than 150 reenlistments



Eric Bolich before redeploying to Fort Lewis, Wash. Bolich was awarded an Impact Army Achievement medal for reenlisting 13 people in the last 11 days of fiscal year 2005. He was also awarded a Chain of Excellence, an Impact Army Commendation medal and a Meritorious Duty medal. He is the son of Stanley and Karin Bolich of Jerome.

**Magic Valley Regional Medical Center**

**Brittney Marie Stout**, daughter of Heather Marie Schmitt of Kimberly, was born April 27, 2006.

**Victoria Alexis Paulin**, daughter of Melissa Ann Paulin of Gooding, was born April 27, 2006.

**Giovanni Juarez**, son of Guadalupe and Alencardo Juarez of Kimberly, was born May 3, 2006.

**Josce Elaine Egan**, daughter of Shnya Rose and Chancy Howe Egan of Buhl, was born May 3, 2006.

**Samantha Vianey Hernandez**, daughter of Vianey and Carlos Hernandez of Jerome, was born May 4, 2006.

**Jayden Douglas Mendonca**, son of Janette Marie and Victor Del Mendonca of Twin Falls, was born May 5, 2006.

**Harrison Filip Van Der Kelen**, son of June Kathryn and Filip Luc Van der Kelen of Twin Falls, was born May 5, 2006.

**Charles Joseph Panter**, son of Jessica Ivan and Joseph Kirk Panter of Twin Falls, was born May 6, 2006.

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**Ernesto Benavides-Padilla**, son of Arcelia Padilla-Alvarez and Vicente Benavides of Buhl, was born May 7, 2006.

**Adreanna Marie Kyle**, daughter of Fa Jo Marie and Timothy Jay Henington Kyle of Twin Falls, was born May 7, 2006.

**Hector Navarrete Jr.**, son of Rosemary and Hector Navarrete of Kimberly, was born May 8, 2006.

**Brooke Lynn-Colleen Lindsay**, daughter of Jennifer Diana and Matt Allen Lindsay of Jerome, was born May 8, 2006.

**St. Benedicts Family Medical Center**

**Cooper Dayne Goff**, son of Corby and Krissy Goff of Jerome, was born April 27, 2006.

**Alexis Sage Lancaster**, daughter of Joshua and Raehelle Lancaster of Jerome, was born April 30, 2006.

**Devoni Del Toro-Gracia**, son of Ruben Del Toro and Jessica Garcia of Gooding, was born May 1, 2006.

**St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center**

**Berkeley Dune Canfield**, daughter of Tory and Miles Canfield of Ketchum, was born April 25, 2006.

**Emmanuel Baltazar**, son of Nora and Juan Baltazar of Halley, was born April 27, 2006.

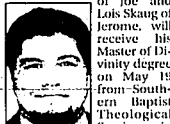
**Robert Estrada Chavez**, son of Cindy Chavez and Roberto Estrada of Halley, was born April 28, 2006.

**Elise Mackenzie Buchanan**, daughter of Suzanne and Patrick Buchanan of Halley, was born April 29, 2006.

**FOCUS ON PEOPLE**

**Former JHS graduate gets degree from seminary**

**Ben Skaug**, former Jerome High School graduate and son of Joe and Lois Skaug of Jerome, will receive his Master of Divinity degree on May 19 from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.



Skaug was named recipient of the Broadman and Holman Seminarian Award at the seminary. The award is based on scholarship, leadership and commitment to ministry. He will begin doctoral studies this summer.

**TOPS INSTALLS OFFICERS**



Idaho TOPS No. 3 recently held its installation of officers. New officers include, from left, Carol Barnes, Edna Frank, Esta Barlog, Jan Bylund, Cyd Dillon and Linda Hayhurst. The group has five members who have reached their Keeping Off Pounds Sensibly status goal.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

The Olsons will furnish fish for a fish fry dinner. Those attending are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. For more information, call 733-1792.

**Pioneer Button Club meets at Kimberly library**

**KIMBERLY** — The Pioneer Button Club will meet 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Kimberly Public Library.

**Safe Harbor slates Monday board meeting**

**TWIN FALLS** — Safe Harbor will hold its May board meeting at 8 p.m. Monday at the First Christian Church, located on the corner of Sixth and Shoshone streets.

Terry Downs will give a presentation on Modern Woodmen of America's fraternal involvement in the community. Results of the May 13 appreciation banquet will be discussed, and updates on the Saturday Meal program and efforts to open an emergency homeless shelter will be given.

No meetings are planned through the summer. The next board meeting will be in September.

The public is invited. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Phyllis at 735-8787.

**Cancer relief groups will gather on Tuesdays**

**TWIN FALLS** — Whole Being Cancer Relief groups will be meeting from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and again from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 464 Carriage Lane N.

Whole Being groups offer support and information through group discussions, guest speakers, educational presentations, video presentations, written materials, re-

source and referral sources and listening ears. Refreshments are provided. Questions or messages for the facilitator may be left at the church.

Membership is free and open to anyone directly or indirectly affected by any form of cancer. For more information, call 733-3774.

**Veterans service officer will be in Burley Wednesday**

**BURLEY** — Milt Smith, the state veterans service officer from Boise, will be at the Burley Veterans office at the Burley Airport this Wednesday.

For appointments, call Dick Dalton at 678-3589 or 678-2565; leave a message if there is no answer.

**Library will host program on internment camp**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Public Library will host a presentation on the Minidoka Internment Camp by Ron James at 7 p.m. Thursday in the library's program room on the lower level.

The event is part of honoring Idaho's Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month during May.

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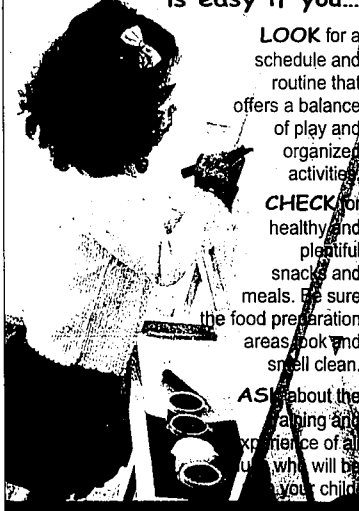
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