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Corps of Discovery makes its way to Idaho.

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YOUNG TWIN FALLS BOY FACES CANCER

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GOD MORNING

High: 86

Low: 57

Afternoon thunderstorms likely, warm otherwise. DETAILS: A2

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Don't like the weather? Just wait five minutes

Sighs and splashes abound in the valley as residents deal with record highs

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley's record heat on Thursday was either too much or just right depending on who you asked.

In the front yard of a house on Highway 93 near Hollister, the sun fell brilliantly over a swimming pool of splashing females.

Did they love the hot weather?

"Yes," was the resounding answer.

A few miles away, a dusty farmer tried to repair the 100-degree furnace his tractor had become with no air conditioning.

Did he love the hot weather?

Not so much.

Temperatures hit 88 degrees Thursday, a record for May 18. Normal is 68.

Then two things happened.

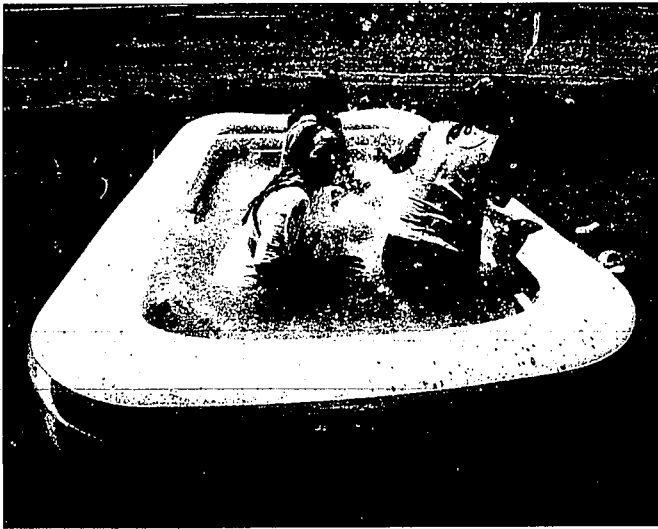
Thick clouds cropped over the hills in the southwest and farmer Dylan Whitney called Callen Refrigeration in Filer to fix the air conditioning in his tractor.

At that point in the day, the horizon was wavering with the diffusion of dry light.

That was fine for Barbara Enoch, who had just bought and filled a kiddie pool from Kmart.

In the pool, Enoch's daughters — Julie and Michelle — kicked, rugged, splashed and wrestled with each other while Julie's 2-year-old daughter, Alexis, ran hysterically around the pool absorbing all the excitement and occasionally reaching over the edge to pull at her nanna's ponytail. Finally, Barbara Enoch had had enough.

"Not in the pool!" she said.



With temperatures in the 80s Thursday afternoon, Julie Enoch, left, has a water fight with her sister Michelle and mother, Barbara, while Julie's 2-year-old daughter Alexis watches at their home near Hollister.

But her command provoked the wrong kind of attention. Slowly, her daughters turned on her, and then pounced as she cried "No, Julie, don't," before they dragged her underwater.

About 80 miles north in Halley, every resident had a place to splash thanks to the Big Wood River overflowing its banks.

The water rose to 6.7 feet on Thursday morning, and the National Weather

Service is forecasting it will reach 7 feet by this morning and stay that high through the weekend.

Over a foot above flood stage, the fast-moving water is dangerous and should be avoided by motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians, according to the service.

And the forecast for today includes a 30 percent chance of rain in both the Wood River and Magic valleys, some-

thing both places could do without.

A thunder shower is the one thing that could disrupt an otherwise booming spring, said Jeff Roberts, owner of Magic Valley Irrigation Supply.

"A lot of these herbicides have got to be put on a plant at a certain stage," he said. If a storm hits within 24 hours of applying the herbicide, he said, it can wash it off the leaves.

Record Highs

This week's high were collected at Jolin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport. Old records were collected 6 miles east of Twin Falls at the agricultural station in Kimberly.

May 15

old record	new record
85	88
(1987)	(2006)

May 16

old record	new record
86	89
(1988)	(2006)

May 17

old record	new record
90	90
(1988)	(2006)

May 18

new record*	new record*
89	88
(2006)	(2006)

* Although Jolin Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport recorded 89 degrees Thursday, the National Weather Service will acknowledge only the "record-breaking" high of 88 in Kimberly. For record-setting, the service requires 30 years of data from one spot and it hasn't collected that long at the airport.

Rivers expected to peak this weekend

By Keith Ridler
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Many rivers and streams in Idaho are expected to reach their highest levels of the year this weekend, the National Weather Service said.

"The hot weather is what's driving this peak," said hydrologist Jay Breidenbach in Boise. "The snow is melting really fast."

Temperatures have been in the 90s in the southern part of the state and in the 70s and 80s at higher elevations.

It's bad right now if you live along an unregulated river like the Big Wood River or sections of the Payette River, Breidenbach said. "But in the long run it's good because it flushes this big peak down and afterward we can all breathe a sigh of relief."

Some other rivers expected to peak in the next several days are the Boise River and Salmon River.

Breidenbach said the Big Wood River is expected to peak at about 7 feet Saturday in Halley in central Idaho, and has already caused some minor flooding in a subdivision. Flood stage is 6 feet.

In Boise, water managers who operate the three dams that control the flow of the Boise River have been sending up to 7,500 cubic feet per second of water through the state's capital city to make room in the reservoirs in anticipation of this weekend.

That's when the Boise is expected to peak at 21,000 cfs of water entering the reservoirs.

The three reservoirs are about 75 percent full, with the remainder available to catch more runoff.

John Heitsman, a hydrologist with the Army Corps of Engineers, said water managers reduced flows in the Boise River on Thursday by 200 cfs, and will continue daily reductions by that amount until the flows through the city drop to 6,000 cfs at Glenwood Bridge in Garden City by Monday.

Lowering the river in town will likely be a relief for many people with homes along its banks, as well as for water managers.

"When you have any river at flood stage, whether it's controlled or not, that bothers someone who has spent most of their career on flood plain management," said Heitsman.

Breidenbach said temperatures are expected to return to normal early next week, leaving most of the state's residents with flood concerns behind them and reservoirs brimming.



Melissa Fischman rows across her front lawn in the Della View subdivision in Halley. She is a junior at Wood River High School. The Big Wood River is expected to rise to 7 feet today.

Cervical cancer vaccine OK'd for FDA approval

By Andrew Bridges
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A vaccine that blocks viruses that cause most cervical cancer is safe and effective and should be approved, a federal panel recommended Thursday. The drug maker said the vaccine could slash global deaths from the

No. 2 cancer in women by more than two-thirds.

A Food and Drug Administration advisory committee voted 13-0 on five separate times to endorse Merck and Co's Gardasil. The anticipated cost of the vaccine, administered in three shots over six months, is

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Deeg, Wood top primary election contribution list

By Michelle Dunlop
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Contenders for retiring House Speaker Bruce Newcomb's spot in the Legislature have rounded up more than \$35,000 in campaign contributions in the past four months.

The race for Newcomb's seat has proved to be the costliest of the Magic Valley legislative primaries in terms of both campaign donations and ex-

The full list of contributions for legislative candidates.

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pendices. Two of the four Republican candidates have raised roughly \$30,000 together and spent approximately \$25,000. In all likelihood, the contest will be decided in Tuesday's primary, because no one from another political party filed to

run in the general election.

Retired physician Fred Wood of Burley boasts the biggest campaign coffers with \$19,858 going toward his bid for the District 27 House Seat B vacancy. Wood says he decided early in his campaign not to accept contributions from political action committees, or PACs, in the primary and, therefore, loaned \$15,000 to his campaign.

One of Wood's rivals, Timothy Deeg of American Falls,

raised the second-highest amount for the primary with \$13,765. The majority of Deeg's contributions come from farms and agriculture-related groups, including a few donations from PACs.

"I think that these ag groups are groups that help support candidates who promote agriculture — and that's what I'm about, promoting agriculture," Deeg said.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Afternoon thunderstorms likely, warm otherwise... Tonight: Chance thunderstorms only, then partly cloudy and mostly dry... Tomorrow: Cooler with hot or mess thunderstorms... High 76, Low 52

BURLEY/WARREN FORECAST

Today: Breezy and warm with developing late day showers... Tonight: A run of lighter showers early, then fair and mostly dry... Tomorrow: Partly cloudy and pleasant... High 76, Low 52

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Active afternoon showers likely for the next several days... Boise: A slow cooling trend will commence into the weekend... Twin Falls: High 76, Low 52

Map of Idaho with weather forecasts for various regions including Boise, Burley, and Twin Falls. Includes a 'Sun Valley, Surrounding Mts.' section with specific forecasts.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High 86, Low 57).

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Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Moonrise and Moonset. Includes historical records and moon phases.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for various Idaho cities: Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, Pocatello, etc.

NATIONAL FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for various states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, etc.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for Canadian cities: Vancouver, Toronto, Montreal, etc.

Yesterday's Weather

Table showing weather reports for various cities: Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, etc.

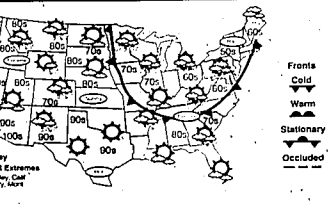
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Table showing UV Index for various cities: Boise, Burley, Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, etc.

WORLD FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for various international locations: London, Paris, Tokyo, Sydney, etc.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



GREGG MIDDLEKRAFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY: 'I studied the lives of great men & women, & I found that the men & women who got the things done... who did the things had in hand with everything they had of energy & enthusiasm & hard work.'

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Lack of prosecutions hurting Border Patrol

By Elliot Spagat Associated Press writer. SAN DIEGO — The vast majority of people caught smuggling immigrants across the border near San Diego are being prosecuted for the offense, demoralizing the Border Patrol agents making the arrests...

Testing for bird flu begins in Alaska

By Dan Jossling Associated Press writer. ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Federal scientists have started testing migratory birds for signs of the highly pathogenic Asian H5N1 avian flu.

The report offers a stark assessment of the situation at a Border Patrol station responsible for guarding 13 miles of mountainous border east of the city. Federal officials say it reflects a reality along the entire 2,000-mile border. Judges and federal attorneys are so swamped that only the most egregious smuggling cases are prosecuted.

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to hire 6,000 more Border Patrol agents and dispatch up to 2,000 National Guardsmen. He did not mention overburdened courts in his Oval Office address Monday on immigration.

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Vaccine

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\$300 to \$500 — a possible impediment to widespread vaccination campaigns. The drug protects against two types of human papillomavirus (HPV) believed responsible for about 70 percent of cervical cancer cases.

"This is certainly a wonderful, good step in addition to our screening process" in helping eradicate cervical cancer, said Dr. Monica Farley, who heads the advisory panel. She is a bacteriology professor and director at the Emory University School of Medicine.

Merck said the vaccine could be used in females ages 9 to 26, but would work best when given to girls before they begin having sex.

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CORRECTION

West End residents hear proposal. West End residents attended a forum Wednesday about the St. Luke's Regional Medical Center proposal to buy Magway Valley Regional Medical Center. The headline on a story in Thursday's edition was incorrect.

Merck said the vaccine could be used in females ages 9 to 26, but would work best when given to girls before they begin having sex. The committee's HPV vaccine group is recommending giving the vaccine to girls 11 and 12, and the committee will consider recommendations for females 13 to 25.

Primary

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Wood's contribution list also contained one donation that might ignite interest among voters...

Seat A spot, Patrick will face fellow Republican Jim Conder in the primary next week...

U.S. Rep. C.L. "Butch" Otter, who is a Republican candidate for governor, received several contributions from Magic Valley legislators...

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Senate endorses English as 'national' language

By Jonathan Weisman and Jim Vandell
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Senate Thursday voted to make English the "national language" of the United States, declining that no one has a right to federal communications or services in language other than English...

With approval of a triple-layered border fence Wednesday and Thursday's English-language amendment, Republicans say the bill is tougher than the original version and comes closer to what is needed to satisfy many conservatives...

"This is devastating," said Paul Gonzalez, legislative director of the National Council of La Raza, after the English-language vote.

The English-language debate has rolled American politics for decades, and in some quarters, has been as controversial and important as the long-debated amendment to ban flag burning...

Campaign finance reports for legislative races

The following reports reflect the contributions received and expenditures paid for during the period from Jan. 1 through May 7.

District 22: state senator
Tim Corde, R-Mountain Home, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Philip Morris (\$500); Idaho AGC (\$250)
Total contributions: \$750
Expenditures: \$1,800

District 22: state representative A
Willa, R-Glenview, Fy (I)
Contributions: \$0
Expenditures: \$0

District 22: state representative B
Pete Nielson, R-Mountain Home, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Holloway Properties (\$250)
Total contributions: \$250
Expenditures: \$228

District 23: state senator
Tom Gannon, R-Buhl, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Idaho Power (\$1,000); Associated General Contractors (\$250); Agri-PAC (\$400)
Total contributions: \$1,650
Expenditures: \$570

District 23: state representative A
Jim Conder, R-Filer
Contributions: \$0
Expenditures: \$0

District 23: state representative B
Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls
Contributions of \$250 or higher:

Jim Patrick (\$530); Donna Patrick (\$370); Ron and Vicki Patrick (\$370); Classic Dairy (\$500); Agri-PAC (\$600); Dr. Wayne and Joan Wright (\$250); ID-PAC (\$250); Sugar Beet Growers (\$500); ANRI PAC (\$500)
Total contributions: \$7,104
Expenditures: \$2,690

District 23: state representative B
Bert Brackett, R-Rogerson, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Associated General Contractors (\$250); Bert Brackett (\$309 loan)
Total contributions: \$759
Expenditures: \$309

District 24: state senator
Chuck Colmer, R-Twin Falls, (I)
Contributions: \$250
Expenditures: \$135

District 24: State representative B
Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls, (I)
Contributions: \$0
Expenditures: \$563

District 25: state senator
Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: AGC-PAC (\$250); Timber PAC (\$250)
Total contributions: \$648
Expenditures: \$1,464

District 25: state representative A
Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Cougar d'Alene Times (\$250); Associated General Contractors PAC (\$250); Timber PAC (\$300)
Total contributions: \$1,000
Expenditures: \$502

District 25: state representative B
Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Cougar d'Alene Times (\$250); Associated General Contractors PAC (\$250); Timber PAC (\$300)
Total contributions: \$1,000
Expenditures: \$502

Donna Pence, D-Gooding, (I)
Contributions: \$50
Expenditures: \$0

District 26: state senator
Dein Cameron, R-Rupert, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: AGC (\$250); Idaho Loggers PAC (\$250); Idaho Telephone Association (\$250); Idaho Assoc. of Realtors (\$400); Timber PAC (\$500)
Total contributions: \$1,750
Expenditures: \$1,466

District 26: state representative A
John "Bert" Stevenson, Rupert, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Associated General Contractors (\$250); ANRI PAC (\$500); Idaho Sugar Beet Growers (\$500); Intermountain Timber Association (\$500); Simplot Shared Services (\$800); Agri PAC (\$400)
Total contributions: \$3,450
Expenditures: \$2,450

District 26: state representative B
Maxine Ball, R-Jerome, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: ICUA PAC (\$300)
Contributions: \$300
Expenditures: \$893

District 27 — state representative A
Scott Bodde, R-Oakley, (I)
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Pfizer (\$500); Associated General Contractors (\$250); Timber PAC (\$500); Idaho Loggers PAC (\$250)
Total contributions: \$1,500
Expenditures: \$1,500

Total contributions: \$1,950
Expenditures: \$2,572

District 27: state representative B
Timothy Deeg, R-American Falls
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Path Farms (\$250); Ruff Times Farms (\$250); Jeanne N. Doolittle (\$400); Courty Line Farms (\$500); Breeding Farms (\$1,000); Knudsen Irrigation Inc. (\$250); Bohring Behreinde Knittel (\$250); Foglar Farms (\$250); Sun River of Idaho, Inc. (\$500); James Tiede Farms (\$300); Idaho Select Inc. (\$250); Ray and Betty Funk (\$250); E Center Farms (\$400); Charles and Carma Shackelford (\$500); Richard Schelske (\$250); Lee and Judy Kress (\$400); Mechom Bros. (\$300); Sign-A-Rama (\$250); loam; Upper Snake River Valley Sugar Beet Growers Association (\$250); Idaho Sugar Beet Growers PAC (\$250); Con Agri Food Service (\$1,000); Gary and Donna Gehring (\$250); Ireland Park (\$200)
Total contributions: \$13,765
Expenditures: \$6,605

Ben Maggart, R-Barley
Contributions: \$400
Expenditures: \$149

Jim Paskett, R-DeClo
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Janice Spanbauer (\$1,000); IFAPAC Idaho (\$250)
Total contributions: \$1,335
Expenditures: \$850

Fred Wood, R-Barley
Contributions of \$250 or higher: Fred Wood (\$15,000 loan); Les Houmaier (\$5,000); Ken Hamon (\$250); Dan Norris (\$1,000); Atwood Offices (\$500); Mrs. John Pierce (\$250); Gilbert Crane (\$500)
Total contributions: \$19,858
Expenditures: \$16,674
Note: On May 17, the Idaho Association of Attorneys reported an indefinite period expenditure on Wood's behalf for \$2,012.

Major contributors to MV legislators' campaigns
Individuals or Companies that gave a combined total of over \$1,000 to different campaigns: Associated General Contractors (\$2,250); Idaho Power (\$1,000); Carol Schindelde (\$1,000); Carole Sperry (\$1,000); Politech Corp. (\$1,000); Breeding Farms (\$1,000); Con Agri Food Service (\$1,000); Fred Wood (\$15,000 loan); Dan Norris (\$1,000); Janice Spanbauer (\$1,000); Agri-PAC (\$1,000); Sugar Beet Growers (\$1,250); ANRI PAC (\$1,200); Timber PAC (\$1,500).

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NATION

Judge dismisses rendition lawsuit

Ruling hands victory to Bush administration's desire to protect state secrets

ROCKVILLE, Md. (AP) — A federal judge dismissed a lawsuit by a German man who said he was illegally detained and tortured in overseas prisons run by the CIA, ruling that a lawsuit would improperly expose state secrets.

Thursday's ruling by U.S. District Judge T.S. Ellis III makes no determination on the validity of the lawsuit, which was filed by Khalid bin Muhammad, who said he was kidnapped on New Year's Eve 2003 and detained for nearly five months before finally being dumped on an abandoned road in Albania.

The ruling hands a victory to the Bush administration, which overruled in the civil lawsuit to protect exposed CIA activities in the war on terrorism.

During his detention, al-Masri said he was beaten and sodomized with a foreign object by his captors. He also alleges that a CIA team forced him to wear a diaper and drugged him before a flight to an Afghan prison and refused to contact German authorities about his arrest.

Ellis said he was satisfied after receiving a secret written briefing from the director of central intelligence that allowing al-Masri's lawsuit to proceed would harm national security.

"In the present circumstances, al-Masri's private interests must give way to the national interest in preserving state secrets," Ellis wrote.

Al-Masri's lawsuit named former CIA Director George Tenet and three private companies that allegedly helped transport al-Masri from country to country.

The lawsuit says al-Masri was initially held for almost a month in Macedonia before being taken to a secret CIA prison in Kabul, Afghanistan, known as the "black pit."

Ellis said the CIA knew shortly after his arrival in Kabul that he was a victim of mistaken identity. He further alleges that Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice knew by early May 2004 that al-Masri was mistakenly detained but that he was still

not released until May 20. Ben Wizner, a staff attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union, which is representing al-Masri, said he expects to file an appeal.

"We expect we will continue this fight in the courts," Wizner said.

He said it is absurd to think al-Masri's lawsuit would expose state secrets because many of the details of al-Masri's detention have been made public and confirmed by government sources in newspaper reports.

"There isn't really any dispute about what happened," Wizner said.

Judge Ellis' ruling "confers a blank check on the CIA to shield even the most outrageous conduct from judicial review," Wizner said.

Ellis did not describe what information he received that convinced him a lawsuit would expose state secrets and harm national security.

But he said he received a briefing labeled "JUDGE'S EYES ONLY" and that "it is enough to

note here that al-Masri's publicly available complaint alleges a clandestine intelligence program." Ellis added that "any admission or denial of these allegations by defendants in this case would reveal the means and methods employed pursuant to this clandestine program and such a revelation would present a grave risk of injury to national security."

Ellis, at the end of his ruling, writes that "putting aside all the legal issues, if al-Masri's allegations are true or substantially true, then all fair-minded people ... must also agree that al-Masri has suffered injuries as the result of our country's mistake and deserves a remedy."

But Ellis said that remedy must come from Congress or the executive branch, not the judiciary.

Wizner said the Bush administration has not yet offered any financial settlement.

A Justice Department spokesman said the judge's ruling is under review and declined comment.

NY law firm, others indicted in plaintiff kickback scheme

LOS ANGELES (AP) — One of the nation's highest profile class-action law firms and two of its top partners were indicted by a federal grand jury Thursday on charges of running a scheme that paid illegal kickbacks to get people to serve as plaintiffs in class-action lawsuits.

In a 102-page indictment, New York-based Milberg Weiss, Bershad & Schulman, and attorneys David I. Bershad and Steven G. Schulman were charged with secretly paying about \$2.4 million to Seymour M. Lazar, a Palm Springs lawyer, and others to act as class-action plaintiffs since 1984 and concealing the payments. Lazar was also named in the indictment along with Paul L. Selzner, another lawyer from Palm Springs.

The indictment's 20 counts included conspiracy, money laundering and mail fraud.

The charges follow years of investigation into the way Milberg Weiss conducts shareholder lawsuits against major corporations, which the indictment alleges generated hundreds of millions of dollars in attorneys' fees.

The firm was a lead plaintiff in more than half the federal

shareholder suits settled from 1997 to 2004.

The law firm defended itself in a statement posted on its Web site.

"The government's allegations of wrongdoing have been categorically denied by the indicted partners, and the firm intends to join with them in vigorously defending against the charges," it said.

The firm is particularly incensed that the prosecutors decided to indict the firm itself, the statement added, asserting that its hundreds of employees will suffer personal and professional harm.

The indictment alleged that "unlike other class members in the lawsuits, the paid plaintiffs purchased the securities at issue anticipating that the securities would decline in value, in order to position themselves to be named plaintiffs in securities fraud class actions and to obtain kickbacks" from Milberg and the others.

On Tuesday, the firm announced that Bershad and Schulman were taking leaves of absence.

Selzner was charged with acting as an intermediary in the payment of the kickbacks to Lazar and others.

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Hayden insists warrantless surveillance program legal

WASHINGTON (AP) — CIA nominee Gen. Michael Hayden insisted on Thursday that the Bush administration's warrantless surveillance program was legal and that it was designed to ensnare terrorists — not spy on ordinary people.

"Clearly the privacy of American citizens is a concern constantly," the four-star Air Force general told the Senate Intelligence Committee at his confirmation hearing. "We always balance privacy and security."

Hayden was peppered by as many questions about the National Security Agency, the super-secret agency that he headed from 1999-2005, as about his visions for the CIA.

Senators grilled him on the NSA's eavesdropping without warrants on conversations and e-mails believed by the government to involve terrorism suspects, and reports of the tracking of millions of phone calls made and received by ordinary Americans.

The agency did not wait for warrants before intercepting some communications because the court process was slow and the time available was "measured in minutes," Hayden testified.

In a seven-hour public hearing, he sat alone at the witness table and responded in a level voice to a barrage of criticism from Democrats as well as sometimes-skeptical questioning from some Republicans over NSA's surveillance program.

Hayden asserted that, had the program been in place before Sept. 11, two of the hijackers would have been detected. "That's speculation, in my judgment," Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., told him.

After the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, President Bush decided that more anti-terrorism surveillance was necessary than the NSA had been doing, said Hayden.

Hayden said he decided to go ahead with the then-covert surveillance program, which has since come under fire by Bush, believing it to be legal and necessary.

"When I had to make this personal decision in October 2001 ... the reality was pretty straightforward: I could not not do this," Hayden said.

He said the surveillance program used a "probable cause" standard that made it unlikely that information about average Americans would be scrutinized.

But he declined to openly discuss reports that the NSA was engaged in even broader surveillance, including a story in USA Today that the NSA has been secretly collecting phone-call records of tens of millions of U.S. citizens.

Under questioning from Levin, Hayden said he would only talk about the part of the program the president had confirmed.

"Is that the whole program?" asked Levin.

"I'm not at liberty to talk about that in open session," Hayden said. A closed-door session began late in the day.

Hayden was asked about reported friction between him and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld over how the NSA and other intelligence agencies would work with the Pentagon, which has the lion's share of intelligence dollars.

Had they disagreed, he was asked by Levin? "Yes sir," said Hayden.

Some critics have suggested that Hayden, 61, who remains an active general, is too closely aligned with the Pentagon to objectively run the civilian CIA. Asked whether he is considering splitting from the military to take the CIA post, Hayden, dressed in his Air Force uniform bearing a host of medals, told the panel: "The fact that I have to decide what tie to put on in the morning doesn't change who I am."

He said a more important issue was whether he could "bond" with those at the CIA. If the uniform "gets in the way of that," I'll make the right decision.

Asked about U.S. intelligence on Iran, Hayden said, "Iran is a difficult problem." He suggested U.S. intelligence-gathering on Iran's weapons program was more complex and detailed than that done on Iraq.

Hayden said questions raised included, "How are decisions made in that country? Who are making those decisions? What are their real objectives?"

Hayden declined to answer a string of questions by Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., saying he would answer them later in a closed-door session.



President Bush's CIA nominee, Gen. Michael Hayden, talks during his Senate confirmation Thursday on Capitol Hill in Washington.

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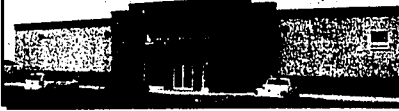
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EDITORIAL

Theft of BLM assault rifle triggers questions

Call us paranoid, but Idahoans should think twice before speeding on motorbikes, dumping trash or lighting a bonfire on public land.

Their trepidation would be understandable. The Bureau of Land Management, which oversees 11.8 million acres in Idaho — most of it in southern Idaho — deems

Our view: Land management agencies should explain how they keep high-powered firearms safe and secure.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

how is the BLM keeping them safe?

Most citizens expect beefed-up agencies such as the FBI, the Secret Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, to lock and load in certain situations.

Wildlife agencies, such as U.S. Fish and Wildlife and the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, are in the weapons business as well.

There are reasons for that, and yet if you've ever been asked for your fishing license by a game warden packing a sidearm, you know it's not a comforting experience. But when agencies that specialize in land management — such

as BLM and the Forest Service — carry heat, the standard issue triggers some concerns. A case could be made for an agent to carry high-powered pistols. But an assault rifle?

Loren Good, Idaho's BLM special agent in charge of law enforcement, says managing the land requires weapons just like any other law enforcement agency. While overseeing the public range, agents deal with poachers, meth cooks and tweakers, and users of artifacts.

Maybe so, but the bulk of criminals would seem to be doing much lesser crimes. If the BLM deems it absolutely necessary to carry these weapons, they should at least have a little more secure, and come with an assurance that agents are adequately trained to use them. Otherwise, the responsibilities of this "land management" agency should be redefined.

Finding out that the agency has assault rifles can be alarming enough. Seeing those weapons find their way into criminal hands is even worse.

Correction

Thursday's editorial gave the wrong number of years Butch Oter served as Idaho lieutenant governor. Oter served 14 years and left midway through his fourth term after being elected to Congress. The Times-News regrets the error.

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LETTER

Grindstaff can steer managed growth

The election on May 23 is very important to the Magic Valley. Do you want a commissioner who is totally dedicated to the job? Do you want a commissioner who serves the best interests of Twin Falls County? Then vote with me and re-elect Gary Grindstaff.

Gary's opponent has served the community of Castelford very well, but that doesn't mean he is the right choice for Twin Falls County. Let me ask you an important question, Magic Valley: How important is air quality to you personally? Do you want to have out-of-town guests impressed with the lovely vistas of mountains of manure? Do they joy the smell of the countryside as you drive down the freeway?

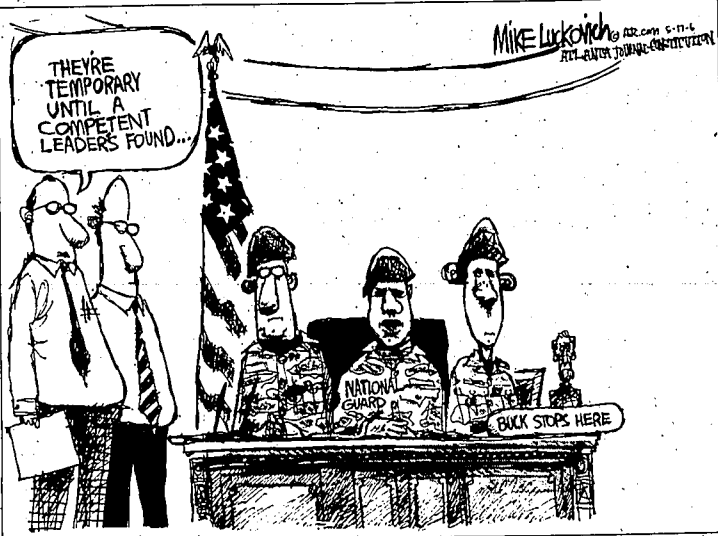
Perhaps the reason Gary's opponent supports this industry to this extent is because his business is selling products like feed to the dairymen. Of

course, I realize we have a strong farm economy in this valley.

Many of our businesses exist primarily because of our strong agricultural base. Much of our economy revolves around dairymen as well as farmers who raise the hay and grain for the dairy industry. But again, I must ask this question: Do we really want or need more cows and the inherent problems associated with them?

Please vote for Gary Grindstaff. Gary's business is managed growth. He is a farmer and supports the agriculture business in this valley but not to the detriment of the rest of us who live and work in the Magic Valley.

Your vote is important and will help determine the future for you and your loved ones. Be an informed voter, and I am sure you will be convinced to support Gary Grindstaff on May 23. Thank you.
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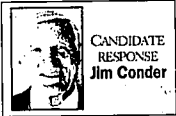
Statehouse candidate defines key positions

In response to your recent editorial regarding candidate endorsement, I noted that some of my key positions were not addressed.

Unfortunately, on the path to the statehouse, all too many of our legislators develop hearing and memory loss. They forget promises made to constituents and cannot hear their concerns. Instead, they focus on the great-driven agendas of special interest lobbyists and jump through whatever hoops they dictate.

I will keep faith with constituents and promise not to have hearing and memory loss. For clarification, here are a few of my views:

- Agriculture — Support and encourage responsible operations.
- Water rights — First in time, first in line. No tampering with this doctrine by the Department of Water Resources or anyone else.
- Aquifer recharge — Proceed without delay.
- Aquifer bankruptcy — Bankrupt due to over-allocation as our state Legislature was "asleep at the switch." We have the ability to understand both ends of the spectrum. He doesn't fly away after every wild idea that comes along but spends the time to study things out and then carries away with a workable and sensible solution.



CANDIDATE RESPONSE
Jim Conder

- Patience, dedication, integrity, wisdom and dependability are qualities that describe "Bert" Stevenson.
- Let's keep Rep. Stevenson on the job serving the Magic Valley.
- DAN STAPELMAN
Paul

mental Quality — Empower that agency to do its job. Abolish the Memorandum of Understanding, which places what I view as inappropriate authority in the State Department of Agriculture.

- Property taxes — Needs to be addressed without further delay. Some citizens are being taxed beyond their ability to pay.
- Coal-fired power plants — Not in Idaho.
- Illegal immigration — Stop it now.
- Marriage — A union between man and woman. There are many more issues, of course.

I want to see our education system elevated to a higher national standard, promote school safety, reduce the

dropout rate from our high schools, and abolish gang and drug activity.

I have been rather vocal on events that have been detrimental to our environment. I make no apology for this. I sincerely believe that time will prove that we need to more carefully consider some of our projects and how they may cause damage.

In conclusion, I believe that I offer a broad scope of experience that would enable me to better serve the constituents of District 23-A.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond.
Jim Conder is a Republican candidate for House Seat A in District 23, Owyhee and Twin Falls counties.

LETTERS

Gooding County deserves a qualified treasurer

This is an open letter to the citizens of Gooding County. My name is Christina "Tine" Wines. I live in Gooding and I am running for the office of Gooding County treasurer. I would like very much to speak to all of you individually as I enjoy visiting and working with people, but that would be impossible, so I'm speaking to you through the written word.

I was born and raised in Gooding, graduating from Gooding High School and then on to Boise State University, where I attained my associate degree in marketing management. I have been in the work force for 24 years. My work experience has been in bookkeeping-accounting, financial banking, public relations, along with managerial multitasking.

I am married to Zane Wines, and we have two children, Whitney and Tyler. Through the years, in addition to my work, I have been involved as a 4-H leader, rodeo adviser, youth recreation district sports coach and mom.

I have the qualifications, experience, commitment and time to give to the office of treasurer of Gooding County. I'm a very hard worker, fair and honest, and a people's person. I would be committed to the taxpayers of Gooding County through the office of treasurer. Expressing your voice through our right to vote is one of the greatest freedoms of our democracy. Please vote on May 23.

CHRISTINA "TINE" WINES
Gooding
(Editor's note: Tine Wines is employed with the Gooding School District and a Republican candidate for Gooding County treasurer.)

Stevenson studies the issues, then acts

I am writing this letter in support of John A. "Bert" Stevenson in his bid for another term in the Idaho House of Representatives. "Bert" is clearly the man of choice, as he has the back-

ground knowledge, the experience and the dedication to fulfill this position. He has learned how things are accomplished in Boise and has shown over the past few years that he has the start-early-and-stay-late philosophy of work.

As one who has farmed and also held public jobs, he has the ability to understand both ends of the spectrum. He doesn't fly away after every wild idea that comes along but spends the time to study things out and then carries away with a workable and sensible solution.

Patience, dedication, integrity, wisdom and dependability are qualities that describe "Bert" Stevenson.

Let's keep Rep. Stevenson on the job serving the Magic Valley.

DAN STAPELMAN
Paul

Urie can get the job done right for county

If my brother, Ted Vaux, who lived in Hansen many years, were still alive, he would tell you, "If you want to get the job done right, let George (Urie) do it."

LESLIE LYLE
Kimberly

Kramer has a strong understanding of water

Rarely are citizens blessed with a willing candidate so full of energy and thoughtful enthusiasm yet so well tempered by life's experiences. After many years of a wide variety of public service while making a successful living in farming and caring for a family, Terry Kramer is prepared to take on the difficult responsibility of county commissioner.

But first, a disclosure: The Nobs and the Kraemers are related and settled in the Buhl. Castelford area from Nebraska when water first flowed into the canals. Some of my fondest memories are of family gatherings at the Kramer farm in the summertime, where Terry's grandmother grew vast amounts of prize-winning irises and other flowers. Terry has many of the fine

qualities of his father, Don, who was largely responsible as a volunteer for convincing our citizens to approve the first Twin Falls County Comprehensive Plan. Not an easy task.

Don was also a long-time member of the Idaho Water Resource Board and my mentor on water issues as I struggled to represent our citizens in the Idaho Senate in the early 1980s. It is not surprising that Terry understands the complex water issues and serves as director of the American Falls Reservoir District.

There are good and valid reasons why so many friends and neighbors trust, respect and support him and have taken the time to write letters in behalf of his candidacy for Twin Falls County commissioner.

LAIRD NOH
KATHLEEN NOH
Kimberly

Wood is a dependable candidate for District 27

I want a representative that's for the people? Someone who hasn't obligated himself to corporate money and indebted his vote before getting elected? Someone intelligent, far-sighted, creative problem-solver, a negotiator with the voters' interest on his mind?

I've got the man! Fred Wood for state representative, District 27, Seat B. He needs your vote on May 23.

He has my vote because of his intelligence, honesty, stability, initiative and dependability. Thanks for doing the work, Fred. We appreciate it very much.

SHIELA HUBSMITH
Burla

Ability to finish tasks defines Grindstaff

I served Twin Falls County and residents for 22 years. During that time, I had the honor of serving with Gary Grindstaff for four years. Gary had done his "homework" so he was always well prepared to discuss any subject brought before the board for a vote. Gary gave thoughtful consideration to all of the

problems and tried to make the best decision for the citizens of the county. Gary is a gentle man and believes in the greater good for all, not just the privileged few.

My greatest worry about the future of Twin Falls County is if his opponent is elected, there will be two new commissioners serving with a commissioner who has not been through all of the past decisions and votes. Many of these problems are not completely solved or are in the middle of the process of being completed.

Gary knows how to get things done. Experience counts. He has served on many other boards before he became a commissioner. He is a proven leader within the Magic Valley. Gary has also served on Region IV and promoted growth within all the little communities as well as Twin Falls.

The continuity and good service by the board of Twin Falls County commissioners will be best served by re-electing Gary Grindstaff.

Please join me in supporting Gary's re-election efforts. Thank you.
DAN STAPELMAN
Twin Falls

Diligence is part of Grindstaff's work ethic

I know firsthand, dedicated service when I see it, and I want to thank county commissioner Grindstaff for the outstanding job he is doing. I represent our interests in Twin Falls County.

We all know that the issues which are important to us, and we should thank Gary for the many hours he devotes to serving us and to proceeding our way of life.

Gary not only works long days but very often works into the night and is always accessible and ready to listen to everyone's viewpoint on an issue.

Join me in voting for Gary Grindstaff on May 23. We need his experience and dedication.
MARGE ANNIS
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OPINION

LETTERS

Event center can bring revenue for economy

I would like to point out some important points regarding the proposed Pioneer Event Center. At the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, we already have enough land to build an event center with plenty of parking. We have the support of structures and the staff to manage it. All we lack is the building.

Consider how expensive this project would be if we had to start from scratch. The first phase of the event center is only a few years away.

The event center will bring business to our motels, restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations, etc. in the valley. This will also provide a way for the fairgrounds to be used all year round instead of just in the warmer months. Let's invest our entertainment dollars in our valley instead of out of the area.

Please join me in supporting the Twin Falls County Fair Over-the-Low to the Pioneer Event Center on May 23.
DEBBIE KAUFFMAN
 Filer

Llerman, Davidson hide facts about attorneys

Jerome County citizens are being misled. Veronica Llerman and Joe Davidson say the outside lawyers are hired because the four county prosecutors are too busy and not qualified. Are the outside lawyers being hired to defend lawsuits Lee Halper brought, and Halper's not a lawyer.

Veronica alludes that most of the recent \$9,600 was spent on zoning issues. I've seen the outside lawyer's expense sheets, and it went to defend their Semptra decision. She says the prosecutor requested the outside lawyer. That's proof these cases are not frivolous and are based on actions the commissioners find hard to defend.

Veronica states that she puts the commissioners' minutes on the Web site herself. The last Web site entry is January 2005, and the last Planning and Zoning entry is August 2005. Are you informed and up to date?

Joe and Veronica claim they instituted the moratorium because our ordinances weren't adequate. Halper brought in a proposed change a week before the moratorium but denied him the ability to bring it through the process, saying it was a waste of time.

This same change was then presented by the Citizens Protecting Resource group and all that has happened since is your money is being spent on an outside attorney to do the work. The change would have required a special use permit for any power plants, which gives the commissioners the ability to require any and all studies or conditions they choose.

Their rejection of that was favorable to Semptra. Halper presented 11 conditions the commissioners could have adopted on the Semptra met tower. They rejected those. In Halper's appeal of the P&Z's approval of the met tower, they didn't even consider seven of the 10 appeal issues and ruled for Semptra. Their actions for Semptra speak

louder than the words they utter now. They should go. **PAUL WILLIAMS**
 Jerome

Wood cares about district's way of life

I have known Fred Wood for many years, both as a physician and as a friend. I have known him to be honest, caring, knowledgeable and a very hard worker.

Our district has many issues facing us at this time. One of them is winter adjuvante. This issue is just heating up and will become more volatile before it is all said and done.

Fred is willing to listen to our concerns about all issues and support our agricultural needs and the way of life in this district. He cares! Fred would be a valuable asset to the people of this district filling House of Representatives Seat 27-B.

Remember to vote in the primary on May 23. Please join me in supporting Fred Wood for House Seat 27-B.
PAT ADAMS
 Burley

Commission tasks will be Grindstaff's key focus

Gary Grindstaff has been a faithful and hard-working Twin Falls County commissioner. He hired someone to farm his land in Buhl so he could devote his full time to the job of serving the citizens of Twin Falls County. In the past, this has not always been the case, as some elected officials have run their career concurrent with serving the county. This practice spreads them too thin and shorthandles the people that elected them to a full-time position.

Gary has the honesty and integrity to serve the voters of this county well.

Please join us in voting for Gary Grindstaff for Twin Falls County commissioner on May 23.
BILL GREENE
 CRYSTAL GREENE
 Twin Falls

Complex issues require Grindstaff's experience

Gary Grindstaff has the experience needed by the citizens of Twin Falls County. The complexity of being a county commissioner is the best reason to re-elect Gary. He has the experience necessary and is a proven leader.

Gary supports managed growth in the Magic Valley. He is an active member of Region IV Development. He has worked hard for the citizens of Hollister in obtaining a new fire station in their community. Gary cares about the small communities in Twin Falls County.

The office of county commissioner requires patience, fiscal responsibility, discretion, leadership and a good work ethic. Gary Grindstaff has the necessary qualities to continue to serve the citizens of Twin Falls County.

Please vote May 23 for continued experience. Vote for Gary Grindstaff.
JACQUE CHAMBERS
 Twin Falls

Lincoln County Democrat backs Jones for Lincoln

Good morning, Lincoln County voters.

Yes, most of you know Begie is a Democrat. But please do not fault me for offering my opinion to my Republican friends. Who becomes our next assessor will be elected on the Republican ticket. To tell you the truth, if the Democrats had a candidate, I'd vote Republican, crossing over in the general election. So you see how strongly I feel about who becomes our next assessor.

For several years, Linda Jones has had intense training in the office of assessor. I have watched her work and marveled at her efficiency amid a desk of papers resembling my desk when I was teaching. She knows the ropes in the assessor's office from top to bottom and knows which rope to pull. We must not lose her knowledge and expertise, which has accumulated already. Consider this — haven't we already paid for her training?

I'm doubtful there is a Lincoln County voter who could cite an incident when Linda did not treat them with the utmost respect and efficiency.

It's worth a stop at her door when on an errand to another office to see that beautiful smile.

I urge you to use good judgment and stick with what we know will work.

Linda knows Lincoln County. She has earned the position of Lincoln County assessor.

Remember to vote Tuesday, May 23.
BEGIE HATMAKER
 Shoshone

County residents will be heard with Kramer

Growing up in Caspoford, Idaho, I have known Terry Kramer for more than 18 years. He is one of the most respectable men I have had the privilege to meet. Over the years, he has helped out the community in any way possible, from sponsoring youth programs to helping out with the local fundraisers, clubs and church functions.


Terry has always been known to put his best foot forward, no matter what circumstance. During my last two years of high school, I had the pleasure to work for Terry and be in his warm and inviting environment, which was always something to look forward to. Although I have not worked for Terry in four years, he still remains in touch and helps me out whenever I need something.

I know my personal vote will go toward Terry Kramer for county commissioner. In good faith that the voices of Twin Falls County will be heard and acknowledged.
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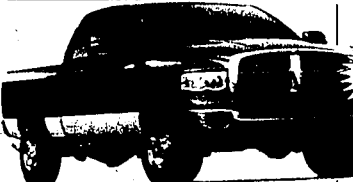
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SPORTS

Bauer repeats in high jump

By John Derr Times-Herald writer
BOISE — Two-time champ and only a sophomore...

State Track Meets

Ridley's events
3,200-meter run (3A/2A/1A), 9:30 a.m.
3A/2A/1A prelims, 11:30 a.m.

Saturday's events

3A/2A/1A finals, 9:30 a.m.

Jerome

Jerome's Brett Boesiger recorded personal best and was second in the triple jump until the last round before falling to fourth place...

standards. Burnham had trouble with the tape on his pole causing his hands to slip off the pole. Chanel Bartholomew tied for sixth in the high jump clearing 4' 10".

Burley

A repeat was in the cards for Johnson on the hot afternoon in Boise. The senior held second place for much of the 3,200, but fell to fourth in the end as Bishop Kelly freshman Jordan, English sprinted past Angie Whalen, another freshman who had led from the start with a fast pace, in the final meters.

Millico

Jacob Duncan learned from experience and it got him a fourth place medal in the pole vault with a vault of 13 feet. "Last year I let it get to me. This time I just relaxed and went for it. I had a good week of practice and got a personal record," said Duncan.

Wood River

Corbin Minlard, a junior, finished in a tie for fourth in the shot put with a toss of 51 feet 2.5 inches, a personal best by nearly five feet. Minlard credited a friend who told him to give everything he had and make some noise.

Bruins sit in ninth place at state track

By Dustin Lapray Times-Herald correspondent

BOISE — A handful of Twin Falls Bruin track athletes earned medals at the 2006 Idaho State Track Championships, but as of yet, no Bruins have won state titles.

thought, but it's okay. I wanted to get at least third.

"I didn't get that buzz I usually by get in competition," Browning said.

"Regardless of what she wanted from the meet, Browning earned an experience for a lifetime."

"I love being a part of it," Browning said. "It's probably the most rewarding experience, especially in our relay. We have a lot of really great athletes. I love it."

Brandon McNew, a Bruin junior, took third in the triple jump with a jump of 43-2. "I'm really happy," McNew said. "I didn't even place in this last year, so it's a big improvement."

McNew will also compete today in the long jump, high jump and 4x400 relay.

"We are dedicating our season to him," Browning said. "Hopefully he'll be here tomorrow."

"It's a big inspiration for us," McNew said. "It pushes us to do goals."

A slew of Bruin sprinters qualified for the finals of races today by finishing in the top eight of preliminary races Thursday.

Brody Miller won all three of the heats in which he raced (100-, 200- and 400- meters). His time in the 100 (11.02) was best among the preliminary racers. His time in the 200 was good enough for the No. 2 position (lane 5) in today's final.

Despite the success, Miller mumbled. "In the 100 and 400 I had times good enough to qualify. Miller said. 'Hopefully I come out stronger tomorrow. I feel pretty comfortable with the 400 and the 100, but I don't know about the 200 yet.'"

Chelsea Irons qualified for two events today. Her times in the 100-meter hurdles and 300-meter hurdles were both good enough to qualify. She had the third-best time in the 300.

Domini Chelney and Logan Trynka both qualified for today's final in the boys 300-meter hurdles. Chelney finished with the No. 4 time and Lynch took the last qual-

ifying position at No. 8.

The 5A competition concludes today at Bronco Stadium. The Bruins begin with field events at 10:30 a.m. and compete in the sprint finals beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Class 3A

Samantha Hollinger finished third in the shot put with a toss of 37 feet, 7.75 inches, while Decia's Chad... finished second in the triple jump, with Kimberly's Cody Wadsworth close behind in third.

Class 2A

Wendell's James Carrillo finished fifth in the boys triple jump at 40 feet, 4.25 inches. The team of... finished fourth in the discus at 138-11. The two results helped put Wendell in third in the standings at 11 points.

Class 1A

Oakley's Brooke Critchfield finishes second in the Class 1A high jump with a best jump of 4 feet, 10 inches, while Richfield's Krista Allen tied for the same height. Legnerman's Rebecca Hernandez placed third in the shot put at 102-3. Critchfield's finish put the Oakley girls in second after Day 1.

Spartans win in first round

By Dustin Lapray Times-Herald correspondent

NAMPA — The Milico Spartans will not repeat as Class 4A state baseball champions.

The Spartans fell to Madison 7-5 in the first round of the 2006 4A state tournament Thursday at Rodco Park in Nampa.

"I don't know what to say. I didn't even know what to tell the guys," Milico head coach Ben Frank said. "The only reason we came here was to win the state championship."

Anything isn't simply not accomplishing what we wanted to. We'll just have to play two hard games and get two wins and do the best we can.

The Spartans play in the first round of the consolation bracket today at 10 a.m. against the winner of the Mountain Home/Sandpoint game.

Johnson RBI-single and a Drew Russmussen 2-RBI single. That rally came after Milico starter Matt Tracy struck out the first two batters in the inning. They had five strikeouts and gave up four walks in the game. He got the loss.

Milico couldn't get to Madison starter Mortensen until the fifth inning. He had a no-hitter going into the fifth, but lost it thanks to some shoddy defense (two errors) and Ted Frank's 2-RBI single. Frank scored after a deep sacrifice fly from Dane Broadhead.

"It was a no-hitter but it wasn't like we didn't have base-runners," Coach Frank said. "The big difference in the game was that when we gave them one opportunity, they scored runs. Early on in the game, when they gave us base-runners, we couldn't get anything."

Mortensen hit five batters in the game and walked four of the hit batters were hit in the head. He also had five strikeouts and got the win.

"Sometimes you get good days and sometimes you don't," Lords said. "But if you have five guys and don't give a shot, you gotta feel good about that."

Lords said the team's 75 pitches in seven innings against a very good Hillcrest team and had zero walks and zero hit batters. He said the erratic throws were "unusual."

The Spartans agreed their final two runs in the sixth, off a Colton Douglas RBI single and Matt Tracy's RBI, resulting from a 6-4 double play.

The Bobcats added a run with a Bradley Schock knock into left that scattered Drew Russmussen from second.

Madison moves on to play the winner of the Mountain Home/Sandpoint game.

"We were excited. We've got some kids who are going to step up. Milico is a great baseball program. They're defending the title. That's the great thing here again. They've got some good guys on the mound. It feels good to beat them, because we respect them so much."

The Spartans swept Madison in a two-game series earlier this season.

Madison's state semifinal begins 4 p.m. All games are at Rodco Park in Nampa.

Madison 5, Milico 5
Milico 4, Hillcrest 3
Milico 3, Hillcrest 1
Milico 2, Hillcrest 1
Milico 1, Hillcrest 1
Milico 1, Hillcrest 1

Softball

Continued from B1

Highland advances to face Coeur d'Alene, while Boise plays Eagle in the elimination bracket.

Coeur d'Alene 5, Eagle 0

The Coeur d'Alene Vikings' performance put their pitcher, Eric DeLong, into the center of mind that she didn't notice she had struck out 14 batters in the 5-0 first-round win of the Class 5A state softball tournament in Twin Falls on Thursday. "My pitching was decent," she said. "My team's hitting is what made my pitching good. It got me fired up. It didn't make me worried about having to strike someone out."

Eagle batters Bryn Peterson and Vicki Yall went back to the dugout each of their three times at the plate, and the Mustangs' only hit came in the top of the fourth inning as pitcher Joni Cook singled. However, her and Michelle Claverie — DeLong's only walk of the game — were stranded as DeLong moved down three in a row. "We got no good hits, a lot of pride and noise," Vikings head coach Larry Bieber said. "That's what we know for."

Class 5A state softball tournament

at Twin Falls High School Thursday's games
Game 1: Coeur d'Alene 5, Eagle 0
Game 2: Highland 6, Boise 4
Game 3: Timberline 6, Lake City 5
Game 4: Skyline 6, Mountain View 5, eight innings

Friday's games
Elimination games
Game 5: Eagle vs. Boise, 10 a.m.
Game 6: Lake City vs. Mountain View, 10 a.m.
Game 7: Eagle/Boise winner vs. Timberline/Skyline loser, 3 p.m.
Game 8: Lake City/Mountain View winner vs. Coeur d'Alene/Highland loser, 3 p.m.

At the plate, Coeur d'Alene didn't have many hits, but they made them count while taking advantage of five Eagle errors for their runs. The few hits amidst all the errors were certainly welcome. Although no Vikings batter went better than 1-for-3, two of their three hits were RBI-singles.

Timberline's Joni Cook threw six innings, giving up only three hits and no walks while striking out seven Vikings.

With the win, Coeur d'Alene (17-7) will advance to the quarterfinals, while Boise (16-8) drops to the elimination side of the bracket.

Yates then singled to advance Smith to second, followed by a Lex Dav Dew base-hit to short. An error on the relay to third base sent into the dugout, allowing Smith to score on a free base.

Skyline 6, Mountain View 5, eight innings
Mountain View 101-100-11-2
Skyline 101-102-0-11-4

Timberline 6, Lake City 5, eight innings

The Lake City Timberwolves had the Timberline Vikings right where they wanted them and Timberline needed a last-inning miracle to stay in its opening-round game.

Timberline (18-8) advanced to play Skyline, Lake City (19-6) will play Mountain View in the elimination bracket.

SCORES AND STATS

SPORTS IN BRIEF

WHAT'S ON T.V.

AUTO RACING

Natalie Cup, 'Happy Hour Series,' final practice for All-Star Challenge, SPEED, 10 a.m.

Craftman Truck Series, pole qualifying for Quaker Steak & Lube 200, SPEED, 2 p.m.

Natalie Cup Challenge, 'Happy Hour Series,' final practice for All-Star Challenge, SPEED, 4 p.m.

Craftman Truck Series, Quaker Steak & Lube 200, SPEED, 8:30 p.m.

BASEBALL

Cubs at White Sox, WGN, 2 p.m.

Brewers at Diamondbacks, TBS, 7:30 p.m.

BOXING

Super middleweights, Yusuf Mammadov vs. Alejandro Bernier, (24-4-0), ESPN2, 7 p.m.

GOLF

Irish Open, second round, TGC, 8 a.m.

LPGA Sybase Classic, second round, ESPN2, 11 a.m.

Henrico County Open, second round, TGC, 11:30 a.m.

HORSE RACING

NTRA, Miss Preskies Open, boys singles, 9 a.m.

NTRA, Blackie2, 4:30 p.m.

NTRA, Blackie2, Susan Espin and Pimlico Special, ESPN, 3 p.m.

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LOCAL SCHEDULE

HIGH SCHOOL

ROEED

*District VI, Oakley, 7 p.m.

TEHMS

*Class 5A state tournament at Boise Racquet and Swim Club, Capital High School, Boise

*Boys singles, 8 a.m.

*Girls singles, 9:30 a.m.

*Girls doubles, 11 a.m.

at all other sites

Top half of bracket, 8 a.m.

bottom half of bracket, 9:30 a.m.

*Class 4A state tournament at Vallure High School, Caldwell

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Boys singles, 8 a.m.

Girls singles, 9:30 a.m.

Girls doubles, 11 a.m.

at all other sites

Top half of bracket, 8 a.m.

bottom half of bracket, 9:30 a.m.

*Class 3A state tournament at Timberline High School, Hayward Park, Meridian Park

at Timberline High School

Boys singles, 8 a.m.

Girls singles, 9:30 a.m.

Girls doubles, 11 a.m.

at all other sites

Top half of bracket, 8 a.m.

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Hovey Wide Open tourney approaches. TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course will host the Hovey Wide Open two-person best-ball golf tournament May 27-28.

Buhl High School hosts girls hoops camp. BUHL — The Buhl High School girls basketball program will be holding a basketball camp May 22 and 23 from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Filet, Buhl high schools to offer physicals. FILET — Filet and Buhl high schools will be offering physicals for student athletes for the upcoming 2006-07 school year.

Ed Fournier cards ace at T.F. Muni. FILER — Filer and Buhl high schools will be offering physicals for student athletes for the upcoming 2006-07 school year.

Dallas's Jason Terry suspended from Game 6. DALLAS — The Mavericks' Jason Terry will be suspended from Game 6 of the Western Conference Finals.

CSI hosts hoops three-on-three tourney. COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO volleyball program will hold its annual double elimination Western Open 3-3 Full Throttle volleyball tournament June 3 in the Southeast parking lots at CSI.

Prizes include trophies, plaques and CSI all-sports case. NEW THIS YEAR will be offered in new divisions. They will be in all age categories.

There will still be divisions for women's open, men's 19-25. There will be 6-foot-and-under men's open and even-age men's 8-18 for boys and girls.

Cost is \$50 per team. Entry forms are available at the CSI Gym main office. Entries are received after 4 p.m. will be assessed a late fee of \$10.

Registration deadline is June 2 by noon. Nothing was called at the time. Neither team mentioned it.

'Unbelievable,' Mavs owner Mark Cuban wrote in an e-mail to The Associated Press. 'It's hard to believe that a driver with his hip to the ground while he is on the ground, Jason is on his back with Ginnelli laying on top of him.'

'No question he tried to get Finley off of him and he should be fined for that. But to suspend him for 15 games is ridiculous.'

Terry missed a 15-foot jumper in the closing seconds, allowing San Antonio to keep alive its hopes of making the playoffs.

The Mavericks still lead the series 3-2. They have another chance to advance to the conference finals with a convincing Game 7 victory.

register, visit http://www.rockymountainpga.com or call (208) 939-6028.

Texan forward P.J. Tucker signs with agent. AUSTIN — Texas forward P.J. Tucker has signed with an agent and will not return to the Longhorns.

Tucker said last month he would explore his NBA draft position, but remained eligible to return because he had not signed with an agent.

School sports director Mark Conroy said Thursday that Tucker has signed with agent Leon Rose.

The busy 6-foot-5 player led the team in scoring and rebounding last season, averaging 16.1 points and 9.5 rebounds per game.

Texan set an additional \$12 per player to make it to the Atlanta Regional final in the NCAA tournament.

Boebats not renewing assistant's contract. BOZEMAN, Mont. — Montana State women's basketball coach Tim Boebats has decided not to renew the contract of assistant Tim Hays at the end of the month.

'It was about making sure we have the right fit for the program,' Boebats said.

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.

May 31 will be the clinician day. Cost for the camp is \$100, which includes lunch and a camp t-shirt each.

For more information, interested wrestlers and coaches may contact Kimberly head wrestling coach Troy Palmer at 423-4586 or 539-3214.

Minico offers girls hoops camp. RUPERT — The Minico Spartans girls basketball team will hold their annual basketball camp from May 31-June 2.

SPORTS

Bulldogs fall at state



Los Angeles Clippers forward Elton Brand dunks the ball during the first half of Game 6 of an NBA second-round playoff basketball series against the Phoenix Suns, Thursday night in Los Angeles.

Clippers force Game 7

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Elton Brand and the Clippers became the second team from Los Angeles to take the Phoenix Suns to the limit in these playoffs. Unlike the Lakers, the Clippers will take some momentum into Game 7. Brand had 30 points and 12 rebounds. Corey Maggette came off the bench to score 13 of his 25 points in the fourth quarter, and the Clippers beat the Suns 118-106 Thursday night to even the Western Conference semifinal series at three games apiece. The Suns seemed a step slower than usual at times, understandable since they've played every other day since April 26 — a total of 12 games in 22 days. They'll get some time off now, since Game 7 isn't until Monday night in Phoenix, where the second-seeded Suns beat the sixth-seeded Clippers in two of the three previous playoff meetings, including a 125-118 double-overtime triumph in Game 5. The teams have alternated

victories in the series, with the Suns winning Games 1, 3 and 5 and the Clippers winning Games 2, 4 and 6. The Lakers took a 3-1 lead in the first round before the Suns came back, becoming the eighth NBA team to overcome such a deficit. The home team has a 76-17 advantage in NBA playoff Game 7s, including Phoenix's 121-90 victory over the Lakers on May 6. The Suns are trying to reach the Western Conference finals for the second straight season and the eighth time overall. They lost to the eventual NBA champion San Antonio Spurs in five games last spring. The Clippers have won two playoff series in their history, and never made it past the second round. Quinton Ross, starting in place of Maggette, added a career-high 18 points. Chris

Kaman had 15 points and 10 rebounds, and Sam Cassell added 15 points and eight assists for the Clippers, who shot 61.5 percent and outrebounded the Suns 49-20. "We just stood about seven or eight base-runners," Bulldogs head coach Rich Bishop said. "We had runners on base almost every inning, but we weren't able to get hits when we needed them. We saw a pitcher that was a little slower than what we're used to, and we were out in front all day." The Bulldogs also had their early struggles in the field, committing five errors on the game. Homeplate's Jessica Hosson took advantage of one of those to double and drive in Homedale's first run of the game. After the two teams drew a bit, Bishop said. "Of the last five innings, four went one-two-three." Jessica Threette led the Bulldogs at the plate, finishing 2-for-4 with a pair of singles. Whitney Peterson was saddled with the loss, dropping her season record to 18-2. The Bulldogs (22-3) will look to take their first steps through the elimination bracket today against St. Maries. "I'm thinking they're ready to play again tomorrow," Bishop said. "They're ready to get back out there and hopefully we'll be able to come out and win that."

State tournaments

BASEBALL
Class 5A state tournament at Borah High School, Boise 4 p.m.
Thursday's games
Lewiston 3, Borah 0
Highland 4 Eagle 1
Timberline def. Centennial, no score available
Twin Falls 5, Boise 4
Friday's games
Elimination games
Borah vs. Eagle, 10 a.m.
Centennial vs. Boise loser, 1 p.m.
Championship semifinals
Lewiston vs. Highland, 4:30 p.m.
Timberline vs. Twin Falls, 7:15 p.m.
Saturday's games
Consolation championship
TBD, 10 a.m.
Third-place game
TBD, 1 p.m.
at Memorial Stadium, Boise
Championship
TBD, 3 p.m.
Class 4A state tournament at Rodeo Park, Nampa
Thursday's games
Madison 7, Minico 5
Sandpoint (25-B) vs. Mountain Home (9-14), 2 p.m.
Preston vs. Hillcrest (21-2), 4 p.m.
Friday's games
Elimination games
Minico vs. Sandpoint/Mountain Home loser, 10 a.m.
Preston/Hillcrest loser vs. Bishop Kelly/Post Falls/Skyview loser, 1 p.m.
Championship semifinals
Madison vs. Sandpoint/Mountain Home winner, 4 p.m.
Preston/Hillcrest winner vs. Bishop Kelly/Post Falls/Skyview winner, 7 a.m.
Saturday's games
Consolation championship
TBD, 10 a.m.
Third-place game
TBD, 1 p.m.
Championship
TBD, 4 p.m.
Class 3A state tournament at Ramsey Field, Coeur d'Alene
Thursday's games
Timberlake 3, Snake River 1
Middleton 4, St. Maries 1
Bear Lake 3, Teton 2
Homedale 4, Kimberly 2
Friday's games
Elimination games
Snake River vs. Teton, 10 a.m.
St. Maries vs. Kimberly, 10 a.m.
TBD, 3 p.m.
Championship
TBD, 5 p.m.
Championship quarterfinals
Timberlake vs. Bear Lake, noon
Middleton vs. Homedale, noon
Championship semifinals
TBD, 5 p.m.
Saturday's games
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Championship
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Class 2A tournament
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Cardinals manhandle Mets

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Scott Spiezo started in place of Albert Pujols and had two RBIs, and Jason Marquis pitched into the eighth inning for his second consecutive strong outing to lead the Cardinals past the Mets. David Eckstein also drove in two runs and Scott Rolen tied a run-scoring single for the Cardinals, who took two of three from the NL East leaders and are 17-5 against them in their last four seasons.



St. Louis Cardinals left fielder John Rodriguez, left, beats out the throw to New York Mets first baseman Carlos Delgado in the fifth inning of Thursday's baseball game at Busch Stadium in St. Louis.

Brewers 5, Phillies 4

MILWAUKEE — Geoff Jenkins' two-run double capped a four-run seventh inning as the Milwaukee Brewers completed a four-game sweep of the Philadelphia 5-4 on Thursday and completed a three-game sweep of the Phillies. Jenkins also belted out the Brewers Wednesday night with a two-out RBI single in the ninth that gave Milwaukee its third straight victory in its final at-bat.

Chicago Cubs. Ryan Zimmerman, Damian Jackson and Alfonso Soriano homered off Wood (0-1), helping Ramon Ortiz get his first win since last September. Making his first start since last July 20 and first appearance since a mild outing Aug. 29 before season-ending shoulder surgery, Wood lasted five innings in his latest comeback on a chilly 53-degree day at Wrigley Field.

Braves 9, Marlins 1

ATLANTA — Jeff Francoeur hit two more homers and Jorge Sosa finally earned a win, helping the Braves complete a four-game sweep of the Marlins. Chipper Jones, who hit a walk-off three-run homer in the 11th inning the previous night, picked up three more RBIs. His two-run single in the fifth gave the Braves a 5-1 lead, then Francoeur and Matt Diaz put it out to reach by homering on consecutive pitches.

American League Tigers 5, Twins 3

DETROIT — Brandon Inge and Placido Polanco homered and the Detroit Tigers won their seventh straight game, beating the Minnesota Twins 5-3 Thursday for their longest winning streak since 1993. Detroit swept the three-game series against the Twins and have beaten them seven games in a row at home, dating to last season's first game, a chilly 53-degree day at Wrigley Field.

Rangers 6, Yankees 2

NEW YORK — Vicente Padilla pitched into the seventh inning, and Brad Wilkerson hit a two-run homer to lift Texas. Kevin Mench also had two hits for the Rangers, who salvaged a split in their four-game series against New York. Padilla (4-3) allowed two runs and three hits in 6-2-3 innings.

Reds 9, Pirates 8

PITTSBURGH — Ken Griffey Jr.'s soft line drive single drove in two runs during a four-run Cincinnati seventh inning and the Reds ended a five-game losing streak, rallying from a six-run deficit in the first to beat the Pirates. Jason LaRue and Austin Kearns homered as the Reds walked just one out in a grand slam in a six-run first against Dave Williams to deny the Pirates their first three-game sweep in 154 years since July 2004. The Reds had been outscored 28-10 during their losing streak and 16-5 in the first two games of the series.

Indians 6, Royals 5

CLEVELAND — Casey Blake drove in two runs and extended his career-high hitting streak to 15 games. Ronnie Belliard also had two RBIs as the Indians won their third in a row after a six-game losing streak and handed Kansas City its sixth straight loss. The Royals have lost seven straight on the road and are 2-20 away from home. Kansas City also fell to 0-9 in day road games and 0-10 overall

D'rays 5, White Sox 4

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Damon Hollins and Russell Brannan homered to back the solid pitching of Mark Hendrickson, leading Tampa Bay over Chicago. Hollins' two-run homer off Javier Vazquez (4-3) wiped out a 3-2 deficit in the seventh inning and Carl Crawford's RBI triple off the White Sox right-hander made it 5-3 heading into the eighth — a troublesome spot for the Devil Rays' bullpen.

Class 4A tournament Tigers, Wolverines fall in first round

POCATELLO — The state site was anything but neutral for the Jerome Tigers on Thursday as they opened Class 4A state tournament play in what was basically a road game against tourney host Pocatello. The result? A 6-5 loss. The Tigers defeated the Indians in two close regular-season games previously this year, but couldn't find the magic to make it three straight. With the loss, the 16-8 Tigers move into the elimination bracket and will face an Emmett team looking to rebound from a 4-1 loss to Kuna. The Wood River Wolverines also fell in their first round game, dropping 4-0 to Blackfoot.

Class 2A tournament West Jefferson 8, Glenns Ferry 3

OROFINO — The Glenns Ferry Pilots softball team didn't find the start of their visit to Orofino very enjoyable, dropping their first-round game against West Jefferson 8-3 to fall into the Class 2A elimination bracket. The Pilots will face Polatich in their first round game, dropping 4-0 to Blackfoot.

Baseball Orlino 5, Glenns Ferry 4

OROFINO — Another set of Pilots also lost Thursday in their state tournament, 5-4 to Orofino. Glenns Ferry will move into the elimination bracket and face West Jefferson, who were dismantled 20-1 by Grangeville.

College softball North Idaho bows out at Nationals

PLANT CITY, Fla. — Region 1B softball champion North Idaho College fell 1-0 to Odessa (Texas) College in Thursday's opening round of the NCAA National Softball Tournament in Plant City, Fla., and was later eliminated by Tumble College Community College, 1-0 in 14 innings. The Cardinals got a 1-0 performance by freshman pitcher and freshman Justin Williams, a former Twin Falls High School standout. Williams hit .301 with 35 RBIs and 35 runs scored for the 34-19 Cardinals.

State tournaments

BASEBALL
Class 5A state tournament at Borah High School, Boise 4 p.m.
Thursday's games
Lewiston 3, Borah 0
Highland 4 Eagle 1
Timberline def. Centennial, no score available
Twin Falls 5, Boise 4
Friday's games
Elimination games
Borah vs. Eagle, 10 a.m.
Centennial vs. Boise loser, 1 p.m.
Championship semifinals
Lewiston vs. Highland, 4:30 p.m.
Timberline vs. Twin Falls, 7:15 p.m.
Saturday's games
Consolation championship
TBD, 10 a.m.
Third-place game
TBD, 1 p.m.
at Memorial Stadium, Boise
Championship
TBD, 3 p.m.
Class 4A state tournament at Rodeo Park, Nampa
Thursday's games
Madison 7, Minico 5
Sandpoint (25-B) vs. Mountain Home (9-14), 2 p.m.
Preston vs. Hillcrest (21-2), 4 p.m.
Friday's games
Elimination games
Minico vs. Sandpoint/Mountain Home loser, 10 a.m.
Preston/Hillcrest loser vs. Bishop Kelly/Post Falls/Skyview loser, 1 p.m.
Championship semifinals
Madison vs. Sandpoint/Mountain Home winner, 4 p.m.
Preston/Hillcrest winner vs. Bishop Kelly/Post Falls/Skyview winner, 7 a.m.
Saturday's games
Consolation championship
TBD, 10 a.m.
Third-place game
TBD, 1 p.m.
Championship
TBD, 4 p.m.
Class 3A state tournament at Ramsey Field, Coeur d'Alene
Thursday's games
Timberlake 3, Snake River 1
Middleton 4, St. Maries 1
Bear Lake 3, Teton 2
Homedale 4, Kimberly 2
Friday's games
Elimination games
Snake River vs. Teton, 10 a.m.
St. Maries vs. Kimberly, 10 a.m.
TBD, 3 p.m.
Championship
TBD, 5 p.m.
Championship quarterfinals
Timberlake vs. Bear Lake, noon
Middleton vs. Homedale, noon
Championship semifinals
TBD, 5 p.m.
Saturday's games
Third-place game
TBD, 10 a.m.
Championship
TBD, 10 a.m.
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Stewart Clink watches his shot from the 10th fairway during the first round of the Colonial golf tournament in Fort Worth, Texas, Thursday. Clink finished the day at 6-under-par 64.

Clink leads at Colonial

PORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Stewart Clink was swinging and thinking well during the first round of the Colonial. Combined with an uncharacteristic light breeze on a pristine course, the result was predictable.

"It almost feels like it's too easy to play," Clink said after shooting 6-under 64 Thursday.

Clink wasn't alone.

Only a stroke back at 65 were long-hitting Bubba Watson, Zach Johnson, Aron Oberholzer, Charley Hoffman and Stephen Ames, who briefly got to 7 under before running into trouble. Defending champion Kenny Perry was among a group of eight players at the 408-yard No. 9 that tipped the cup, the same thing that happened on his 19 footer at the 433-yard closing hole.

"I gave myself a lot of chances for birdies. With no wind to speak of out there, club selection wasn't that challenging," Clink said. "If you're swinging well and thinking well, you will get a lot of shots close. And I did. I wish I could bottle this feeling."

The old-style Colonial course is a 7,054-yard layout that is vir-

tually unchanged since it first hosted this tournament 60 years ago.

Unlike so many PGA Tour courses where golfers hit most tee shots as far as they can, many long-hitters avoid Hogan's Alley. Tiger Woods played here only once, and John Daly missed the cut three times before he opened with an 80 in 1999, his last appearance, and withdrew.

That didn't faze Watson, who leads the tour with a 320-yard driving average.

"I hit it straight today. It could go against me or it will work wonders for me this week," Watson said. "Some holes are really tight. There are a couple of them that open up the farther you hit it."

Watson used his driver nine times, including a 361-yard drive on his second hole, the 611-yard No. 11. He hadn't swung that club on Colonial's compact driving range because he "didn't want to kill anybody on the other side."

After making the turn still even, Watson had a 391-yard tee shot at the 563-yard No. 1, the only other par 5. That was the first of five birdies to end his round.

"If I was to win one, this one would be the one to win just because they say long hitters can't play around here," said Watson, who was 21st on the Nationwide Tour money list last year. "It would be more fun for me just for that reason."

Perry made it back from knee surgery to defend his title at the Colonial, where he won by wide margins twice in the past three years at 19 under. He skipped nine tournaments before returning last week to make the cut and tie for 34th at the Byron Nelson Championship.

Perry opened with a birdie at No. 10 after an approach to 8 feet, then had a bogey at No. 11 when he missed the fairway with his first two shots before hitting a bunker behind the green. The 45-year-old Perry bounced back with a 21-foot birdie of the fringe at No. 12, and had only one more bogey the rest of the day.

Ames was 7 under through his first 11 holes. Then he got to Colonial's "horrible horseshoe" — as Nos. 3-5 are known because of their layout and being the longest par 4s sandwiching a 252-yard par 3.

After pushing an 11-foot par putt past the hole at the 467-yard No. 5, Ames hit his tee shot at the long par 3 into a bunker left of the green, blasted to 4 feet and again pushed his putt past for another bogey. He lost another stroke at No. 7 when his approach missed the green.

Oberholzer, who had a second-round 60 at the Nelson last week, had six birdies at Colonial.

"Usually there's at least a one-club wind," he said. "So the golf course, if you hit the shots, was there for the taking."

Nationals sale approved

NEW YORK (AP) — Theodore Lerner got a standing ovation from his soon-to-be colleagues and competitors. All that remains to complete his sale of the Washington Nationals is the paperwork.

The \$450 million sale from Major League Baseball to the group headed by Lerner and Stan Kasten was unanimously approved Thursday by owners. Sometime between mid-June and mid-July, Lerner will become the team's first real owner in 4.5 seasons.

"As kid who grew up as a huge Senators fan, today's vote represents a dream come true," said Lerner, who exchanged greetings with Baltimore Orioles owner Peter Angelos, his future Washington-area rival.

"We intend to make the Nationals a winning team, playing in what will be a great ballpark in a city that belongs to all Americans," Lerner said.

The incoming ownership must complete its financing before the deal can close. When the Nationals open their first home stand after the All-Star break on July 21, which Kasten termed a "grand reopening," there will be some changes at RFK Stadium.

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LPGA leaderboard crowded

NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (AP) — Natalie Gulbis and Beth Bauer are sharing more than just good friendship.

The two, who battled it out for LPGA rookie of the year honors in 2002, and Itee-Won Han were tied for the first-round lead at the Sybase Classic on Thursday with 3-under-par 68s.

The golfers attracting the most attention coming into the 72-hole event at the 6,227-yard Wykagyl Country Club course were both four shots behind the leaders.

Paula Creamer, who won this tournament last year four days before her high school graduation, and Annika Sorenstam, who missed the cut last week for the first time since 2002, had 1 over 72s.

Gulbis, who is ninth on this year's money list after finishing sixth in 2005, eagled the par-4 8th with a 100-yard sand wedge and had four birdies, including a chip-in from 60 feet — on the back nine in her 68.

"When I holed that wedge it changed my momentum and I played well on the back nine," said the 23-year-old who beat out Bauer for the rookie award. "I like this course because it plays like a major. Players are not going to be able to shoot 62, 63 out here."

Bauer's only bogey came on the par-3 16th and she was one of only two players to get to 4 under in the morning round when the wind seemed to cause quite a few problems on the tree-lined course.

"It was awesome. It was a lot of fun out there," said Bauer, who was 100th and 110th the last two years on the money list and who missed the cut in all four events she entered this year. "I just feel like it's fun coming. The scores have been getting lower and lower and my confidence has been growing so I'm definitely excited for things to come."

Gulbis called Bauer a "good friend and a good player."

"We're really close and she calls me after every round and we look forward to seeing each other," Gulbis said. "We were pretty close our first year on tour."

Han, the 2003 Sybase champion, missed only one fairway in her round and her lone bogey was on the par-3 16th.

Allison Hanna, Nancy Scranton, Kim Sakk and Teresa Lu all had opening holes.

Sun Young Yoo and Lu were both 3 under when play was stopped at 6:13 p.m. EDT because of heavy rain. Yoo had



Paula Creamer chips out of a fourth hole sand trap during the first round of LPGA Sybase Classic golf tournament at Wykagyl Country Club, Thursday in New Rochelle, N.Y.

four holes to play, one more than Han. But both bogeyed their first full hole after a delay of 1 hour, 23 minutes. Yoo had one hole left when play was called, and she will finish her first round Friday morning.

Creamer ended her round on a high note, while Sorenstam bogeyed two of her last three holes.

It was Creamer's first tournament as a defending champion and she admitted there were nerves when the round started.

"I felt a little nervous on the first tee because I had never been in that position before," she said, "but I hit a good drive."

Creamer was 10 when she won this tournament last year, the youngest winner ever of a multiround LPGA event. She also won the Evian Masters last year.

Double-bogies on Nos. 4 and 11 had Creamer at 5 over, but a 9-iron out of the rough on No. 12 led to the first of four birdies in her first seven holes.

"After I hit that 9-iron out of the first cut, it was on from there," said Creamer, who became the youngest LPGA

winner said, "I made a 10-12 footer three for three and it was like the hole was opening for me. It was a matter of momentum. After that, I was really consistent. I don't know what was going on at the beginning. I can't even tell you. It was like an out-of-body experience."

Creamer closed with a 5-foot birdie putt on the par-5 18th.

Sorenstam, who won this tournament in 1999 and 2000, started on No. 10, and birdies on Nos. 13 and 15 had her 2 under. Three bogeys in a seven-hole span capped by a three-putt on No. 8 left her 1 over.

"I thought I played well, it was very difficult, very difficult out there. I thought I played really, really good, just the two bogeys at the end," said Sorenstam, who had an afternoon tea time when the greens started to get bumpy. "Tomorrow, I'm off early. I'm going to have smooth greens. I'm going to go low tomorrow."

Sorenstam shots two 73s last week in missing the cut at the Michelob Ultra Open by one stroke.

Derby losers to challenge Barbaro

BALTIMORE (AP) — A Kentucky Derby loser isn't necessarily a Preakness loser.

Aleef Alex proved that last year by rebounding to win not just the Preakness but the Belmont Stakes. Point Given did the same thing in 2001.

And while 20 of the past 22 Preakness winners also ran in the Derby, more than half — 12 — didn't win the first of the three Triple Crown races.

With that in mind, the trainers of Brother Derek and Sweetnorthernstall hope history is on their side Saturday.

"There are a lot of nice horses that get an opportunity to run in the Derby every year that don't always get the best chance to win the race," said Sweetnorthernstall's trainer, Michael Trombetta. "I'm going to give favoritism to the horses who went a mile-and-a-quarter and are shortening up."

A nine-horse field and a two-week turnaround could be the great equalizers for rivals of Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro. At least that's what Trombetta and Brother Derek's trainer, Dan Hendricks, are hoping.

Barbaro's win in the Derby

was so overpowering against a 20-horse field that Brother Derek (fourth) and Sweetnorthernstall (seventh) are the only Derby rivals coming back to face the handsome colt at Pimlico.

Their roles are reversed this time — Barbaro is the even-money favorite. Brother Derek is 3-1 and Sweetnorthernstall 4-1. In Louisville, Brother Derek is the early favorite and Sweetnorthernstall went off as the top choice on Derby day.

Barbaro ran his unbeaten record to 6-for-6 with a six-length victory in the Derby — the largest winning margin since Triple Crown winner Assault won by eight lengths 60 years ago. While Barbaro and Edgar Prado had clear sailing in the 1.25-mile race at Churchill Downs, his chief rivals were

compromised nearly everywhere on the track.

Brother Derek, leaving from the far outside No. 18 post under Alex Solis, was forced to stay wide most of the race but still made a late run and decahed for a fourth Sweetnorthernstall, with Kent Desormeaux aboard, got off to a slow start, made a run around the far turn but faded to seventh.

"I always said the Preakness should be our race more than the Derby," Hendricks said Thursday at the Pimlico stakes barn. "You've got to run in the Derby with a top horse. The Preakness should be a cleaner run race. There is more certainty. You can run your race and not worry about four or five speed horses."

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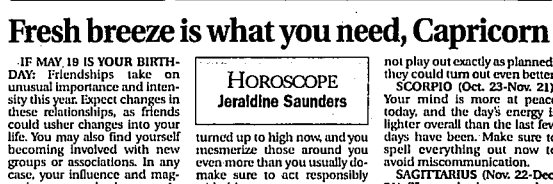
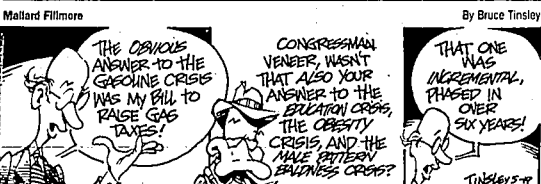
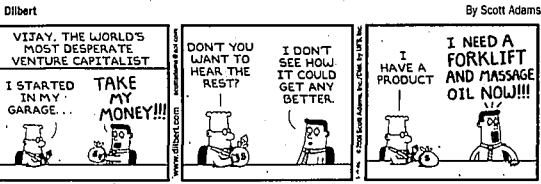
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Fresh breeze is what you need, Capricorn

IF MAY 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Friendship is up on unusual importance and intensity this year. Expect changes in these relationships, as friends could usher changes into your life. You may also find yourself becoming involved with new groups or associations. In any case, your influence and magnetism are on the increase in your career, your generosity and consistent performance may bring unexpected gains. It is important to keep all financial dealings anchored in reality and avoid anything that could appear deceptive, especially new spring. As you find your world expanding, new philosophies of living may emerge.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Exercise patience if romantic plans don't come to fruition now — better stars lie ahead. Crummy feelings will pass in a few days. Cooperative efforts are unlikely to yield much in the way of results.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Even the best-laid plans may go awry today, and last-minute plans have an even smaller chance of success. Go with the flow today and don't try to impose your will on anyone around you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Making weekend plans today should reveal to you with a great couple of days. Your appeal is

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turned up to high now, and you mesmerize those around you even more than you usually do. Make sure to act responsibly with this power.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Today is another creative and romantic day for Moon Children. Romance can get spicy later in the day, and should bring happiness. Make sure that in general, your expectations are realistic and not excessive.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): The mood lifts today, just in time for the weekend. Your popularity regains any lost ground, and your thinking begins to clear. Do watch for a tendency toward domineering behavior, though.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Fine the weekend plans you made yesterday, but don't be overly rigid about having everything your way. Love works best when both partners feel that they are involved in writing the script.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You are feeling romantic and want to share some sugar and spice with your current flame. Make plans to spend time with someone special, as things may not play out exactly as planned, they could turn out even better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your mind is more at peace today, and the day's energy is lighter overall than the last few days have been. Make sure to spell everything out now to avoid miscommunication.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Those who know you love you. With new people, however, your innate integrity may not be immediately apparent, so tread carefully and speak with caution to avoid any misunderstandings.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A fresh breeze is exactly what you need, whether you're racing to open the window or afraid of a tornado. The key is moderation. By all means, make needed changes, but stick with the status quo if things are working.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your kindness is the key to your heart and soul. Use your influence as a role model to promote causes you believe in. You should be in for a nice weekend — get ready to enjoy it!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): It would seem possible for your charm and appeal to increase, but it has. You are also highly creative now. Make romantic plans for the weekend; you'll want to spend time with someone special.

Boetie Bailey By Mort Walker

GEN. HALFRACK CAN GIVE A LOONG SPEECH WITHOUT REALLY SAYING ANYTHING

HOW DOES HE DO IT?

IT'S A GIFT

5-14

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

WHAT'S THE MATTER, HELINGER? YOU LOOK DEPRESSED?

ROB IS GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND LEAVING FOR COLLEGE

YOU'RE REALLY GOING TO MISS YOUR FATHER-IN-LAW RELATIONSHIP ABOUT YOU?

THAT'S NOT IT! HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO KNOWS HOW TO WORK THE VCR!

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

DO WE HAVE TO HAVE FISH FOR DINNER TONIGHT, MOM?

YES! THE GOULDS ARE COMING OVER AND THEY DON'T EAT MEAT—THEY'RE WHAT YOU CALL VEGETARIANS!

ACTUALLY, I'D CALL THEM FISHATARIANS!

Garfield By Jim Davis

IS THIS TIE TOO BIG?

NOT AT ALL...

AS LONG AS YOUR CIRCUS FRIENDS DON'T CARE NEITHER DO I!

5-19

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

I'M CONSTANTLY DEPRESSED WITH FEELINGS OF HOPELESS DESPAIR, DOCTOR!

HERE'S A PRESCRIPTION THAT WILL PROVIDE IMMEDIATE RELIEF...

THE DOCTOR SAYS YOU SHOULD LEAVE TO INVADE ENGLAND IMMEDIATELY!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

WHAT ROCK BANDS WERE YOU INTO WHEN YOU WERE OUR AGE, ANS. P?

YOU'VE PROBABLY NEVER HEARD OF THEM

YOU'D BE SURPRISED

WE WATCH WHERE ARE THEY NOW? ALL THE TIME

5-19

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

I CAN SEE YOU NOW SITTING ON THE BENCH OF THE SUPREME COURT. THEY'VE PROBABLY PUT YOU RIGHT NEXT TO JUDGE SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR...

IS SHE CUTE?

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

I WANT THE SURLIEST WATER YOU'VE GOT

WHY?

I'M ENTERTAINING A CLIENT FROM FRANCE, AND HE'S HOMESICK

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

5-19

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane

ONE, TWO, THREE...

"I won't be hiding behind the curtain, so don't look there."

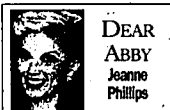
"POOR MARGARET IS RUNNING A TEMPERATURE."

"IT FIGURES SHE'S ALWAYS TRYIN' TO RUN EVERYTHING."

Widow dreads telling children the truth about dad's suicide

DEAR ABBY: I am a widow with four children. My mother passed away in March 2004, and 11 months later I found my husband dead in our bathroom after he had shot himself in the head. Needless to say, my world has turned upside down. I think I am managing pretty well, and I thank God every day for my children. I don't know what I'd do without them. However, I miss my husband more and more every day.

I do not know how I am going to handle all this. I don't know what I will tell my 3- and 4-year-olds one day when they ask me how their daddy died. I also can't picture myself loving another man, or being loved by one.



from an illness — depression — and that one day he took his own life. As they grow older, they may need this information, because depression can run in families. They also need to understand that there is treatment for it. You do not have to give your children all the details at once, and it may be better that you don't.

As for being "destined to be a lonely widow," nothing could be further from the truth. But you will first have to deal with your own feelings about what happened. A source of support that might be helpful would be the American Association of Suicidology, which has hundreds of associated groups. It can provide you with referrals to local self-help groups for survivors. Newsletters, pamphlets, etc., are also available for a fee. The organization's address is 5221 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20015, and the Web site is www.suicidology.org.

can be isolating, but it doesn't have to be inevitable. By writing to me, you have already taken the first step in reaching out. I wish you happiness in the future.

DEAR ABBY: I am having a problem with a fellow classmate. He sits in front of me and every day during class he turns around and asks me to marry him. Of course I say no, but he won't stop it, and it's starting to creep me out. One day he asked me why, and I told him because I have a boyfriend (which is true). Now he says he wants to hurt him!

I have tried asking him nicely not to talk to me anymore, but he still does, and he's in more than one class with me, so a seat change won't do much good. I'm not sure exactly what to say to him. Could you help me out?

— CREEPED OUT IN WINTER SPRINGS, FLA.

DEAR CREEPED OUT: The next time Romeo proposes, tell him that if he doesn't knock it off, you will tell your teacher and the principal that he's harassing you and making threats against your boyfriend. If that doesn't cool his ardor, follow through. He may deserve an A for effort, but he deserves an F in English if he can't comprehend what "no" means.

Am I destined to be a lonely widow? How can I tell my children the truth without destroying their lives?

— MOURNING IN ARIZONA

DEAR MOURNING: I hope you realize that all of the emotions you are experiencing right now are normal. You have suffered two tremendous losses in a short period of time, so it's not surprising that you are feeling the loss deeply.

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ENTERTAINMENT

In plot twist, investor puts his money on individual projects

By Bob Thompson
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Book publishing's annual promotional schmoozefest, BookExpo America, is in full swing at the Washington Convention Center. Publicists, agents and editors will gossip, network, fret about the Googleized future and anticipate next evening's disappointments.

Meanwhile, inside Room 204A, a group of (chose one) bold visionaries or deluded utopians is seeking to explore how they're trying to change the literary landscape they think a book bazaar like BEA represents.

The Literary Ventures Fund is a tiny nonprofit, founded last year with offices in Boston and New York. It hopes to help exceptional works of fiction, literary nonfiction and poetry find their readership; they deserve — by using an economic model more frequently associated with Silicon Valley.

"It's a wonderful idea," says Jonathan Karp, who runs the Warner Twelve imprint of Warner Books and is on LVF's board. "Basically they're trying to use the idea of venture capital and apply it to literary publishing — to view books as individual enterprises that would benefit from special attention."

"It's a courageous venture and I'll see how it goes," says publisher Jonathan Galassi of Farrar, Straus and Giroux, which has recently negotiated LVF investments in two of its upcoming titles. "I don't really know of any other projects quite like it."

Here's how it's supposed to work:

LVF invests in books it believes to have both literary merit and commercial potential. But that might go unrealized without an added push. So far, its investments (fewer than 10 to date) have been made in partnership with the books' publishers, though it plans to work directly with authors as well. The extra money, along with LVF's connections and expertise, can be employed in many ways, with the most obvious being increased marketing to help cut through the noise of a crowded marketplace.

If its investment pays off, LVF will take a cut of the book's profits. If it doesn't — like a venture capitalist funding a high-tech start-up — it will swallow the loss.

"Publishing is a ridiculous model and we're trying to fix it," says the fund's executive director, Jeffrey Lependorf. "Not that we think we can single-handedly change the way all publishing works."

Its initial investment pool is \$250,000. With this, it is trying to influence a blockbuster-obsessed enterprise willing to throw that much cash at a single crock of chick lit by a teen-age Harvard plagiarist — not to mention 34 titles as much at a book by Alan Greenman, that well-known Washington literary.

"Everyone who I talked to felt passionate about what they're doing," Jim Bildner says. "Everyone who I talked to felt despair over the economic world around them and what was happening to literature."

Bildner, chairman and founder of LVE is also the source, so far, of 100 percent of its cash. In an interview, he recalled the conversations he had with people in publishing as he was doing his "due diligence" before launching his new enterprise.

The idea for LVE, he says, grew out of a midlife shift fueled by tragedy.

Bildner grew up in a family that owned a New Jersey-based chain of supermarkets and went on to build a couple of businesses of his own. A few years ago, he discovered that his college-age son, Peter, had a heroin addiction that eventually would kill him.

Shun, Bildner decided that "the last thing the world needs is another person who's spending all their time and energy creating new widgets." He enrolled in a creative writing program at Cambridge's Lesley University, where he was told, "Write from your heart." Out poured the story of Peter and his family's failed efforts to help him.

Bildner found himself moved by the talent and passion of the writers he was meeting. Then he and his fellow students attended a publishing panel, where he found himself arguing to "five of the most arrogant folks ever meet" selling them what he luckily to have an editor at a major publishing house even so much as look at their stuff.

So, he quit his job at an independent publishing company that would treat writers differently. Convinced there were too many struggles in the industry already, he decided to invest in individual projects,

catalyzing literary efforts without replicating the infrastructure that was already in place.

The goal would be to "help more things faster, with lower dollars." But the venture-capital model was important for another reason: If the fund worked, it would be "sustainable." Not every investment would pay off, but enough would so its pool of capital would replenish itself — and LVF wouldn't have to deal with "donor fatigue."

Bildner met with Lependorf,

who headed the Council of Literary Magazines and Presses, a nonprofit that offers technical assistance to independent publishers. The council eventually merged with Bildner's organization. And Zeilman, a magazine editor turned consultant, came aboard as editorial director.

They met with Amanda Urban of International Creative Management, one of the best known agents in publishing. Zeilman saw this as a real check: If someone like Urban

thought LVF's plan was silly, they'd know they were in trouble.

Urban didn't. "Promotional dollars are really tight," she says, and for many books, \$10,000 or \$20,000 in additional marketing money can make a significant difference. So "anybody who wants to come along and amplify dollars is fine by me."

Not everyone jumped at the LVF scheme. Some publishers told Bildner in essence: Nice idea, but we won't be doing

deals with you. Enough responded positively, however, for him to recruit a varied list of publishing names to the LVF board. Among them were Karp, National Book Foundation Executive Director Harold Augenbraum and novelist Heidi Julavits, who edits the literary magazine the Believer. Others, including authors Susan Orlean and Tobias Wolff, signed on less formally as advisers.

In February, the fund announced its first round of in-

vestments. Sums of \$10,000 or so (LVF did not release specific amounts) went to support small-press books such as Elias Khoury's much lauded Palestinian novel "Gates of the Sun," published in translation by Archipelago Books; Sam Savage's "Firmán, Adventures of a Metropolitan Lowellite," from Coffee House Press; and Lynn Tillman's fifth novel, "American Genius: A Comedy," which Soft Skull Press will publish in October.



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Honoring the troops

M.V. residents will celebrate Armed Forces Day Saturday

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

MURTAUGH — Pat Branch of Kimberly was a crew chief and gunner on a Huey gunship with the Army's 48th Assault Helicopter Company in Vietnam.

He was shot down four times in one three-month period. He came home in 1971 with three Purple Hearts.

Branch said he has a lot of respect for the men and women serving their country today, especially those serving on the front lines in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"We need people on guard who are vigilant and of good character," Branch said.

So Branch will be in Murtaugh on Saturday — Armed Forces Day — for a daylong tribute to the troops that will include a parade and a "God Bless America Rally."

According to the U.S. Department of Defense, there are about 140,000 American troops serving in Iraq and 18,000 serving in Afghanistan.

As of Thursday, 2,452 troops had lost their lives in Iraq and 291 had been killed in Afghanistan. A total of 18,814 troops had been wounded.

Branch said military paychecks are a little better today than they were in his day, but you could never pay troops enough for the sacrifices they make.

"How much would you pay someone to go and fight a battle for you?" Branch asked. "When you have an Army private in the field being shot at, how much money is enough? How much is pain worth?"

Branch said it's important to not only support the troops, but their families as well.

"They have families that support them and we need to support those families," he said.

Radio and television personality Zeb Bell said he expects close to 3,000 people from across the state will attend Saturday's "God Bless America Rally" in Murtaugh.

The rally will be in the middle of town, Bell said. "We're going to close off Boyd Street and have it right in front of the general store."

Bell said getting together for a rally is the least people can do for the men and women serving their country.

"We just feel our troops aren't getting the respect that's due to them and we feel this rally will be a positive note for Armed Forces Day," he said.

Times-News writer Sandy Miller can be reached at 735-3264 or by e-mail at smiller@magicvalley.com.

Celebration

Saturday is Armed Forces Day, and a special celebration is planned in Murtaugh. The festivities will get under way at noon with a parade down Boyd Street followed by a "God Bless America Rally" downtown. Retiring House Speaker Bruce Newcomb will share a few words and entertainers will include Burt Hulsh, Keith Ramsey, Lin H. Franke and a U.S. Twenty percent of food sales will go to the Disabled American Veterans.

Donations also will be accepted. The event is sponsored by Magic Valley Les Schwab Tire Centers.

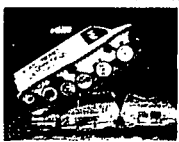
History

In 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army, Navy and Air Force days. The Marine Corps League declined to drop support for Marine Camp Day but supports Armed Forces Day, too. The single-day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under one department — the Department of Defense.

The first Armed Forces Day was held on the third Saturday of May in 1950. It has since been celebrated annually to recognize individuals who are in the service of their country all over the world.

Source: United States Department of Defense

YOUR WEEKEND



Vroom at the top

What: The National Mud Bog and Monster Showdown monster truck show will be held in Filer.

Where: Twin Falls County Fairgrounds.

When: Saturday, 7 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$15 for adults and \$9 for children, are available at Napa Auto Parts in Twin Falls. They can also be purchased at the gate at \$16 for adults and \$12 for children.



Bojangled

What: The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band will perform in Jackpot.

Where: Cactus Petes Resort Casino.

When: Today and Saturday, 8 and 10 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$30, \$35 and \$40, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.



Social climber

What: The Magic Valley School of Performing Arts will present "Disney's Cinderella Kids."

Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center Theater, Twin Falls.

When: Today, 7 p.m., and Saturday, 1 and 7 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children, are available at the door or by phoning 734-0266. Matinee tickets are \$5.

Star trekking

What: Faulkner Planetarium will present "Journey to the Edge of Space and Time," a multimedia show.

Where: Herrett Center for Arts and Sciences on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

When: Today and Saturday, 7 p.m. Other Saturday shows include "Star Signs" at 2 p.m., "Mysteries from the Depths of Space" at 4 p.m. and "Pink Floyd The Wall" at 8:15 p.m.

How much: Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families. Children under 4 are not admitted.

10-year-old celebrates five years cancer-free

By Jami Whitced

Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — When Clark and Desiree Berg first noticed a lump on their 5-year-old son Wyatt's neck, they thought it might have been a side effect from a coughed. When medicine failed, a biopsy was performed. And then came the bad news.

He had Hodgkin's lymphoma, which is basically cancer situated in the lymph nodes.

"He knew something was wrong, but he didn't quite understand what was going on," said his mother, Desiree.

Luckily, the disease was caught early enough and they were able to stop it. The cancer was underneath his neck muscles so they took a piece of it out, but they couldn't remove it completely through surgery.

"You just pray for the best and take it one day at a time," Berg said.

This October will mark Wyatt's fifth year of being a cancer survivor and doctors remain hopeful that the cancer will not return.

While he doesn't need chemotherapy or have to trek to Boise and other places for treatments, he looks forward to attending Camp Rainbow Gold and Camp Magical Moments every year.

"He comes home exhausted and talks about how much fun he had," said Berg.

It's a welcome respite from all the time he's spent in the hospital during his treatments.

Wyatt remembers one time, while suffering puffiness and loss of hair from treatments, that a kid rudely remarked that he (Wyatt) was fat. Berg said that made a lasting impression on her son.

"The family got involved with the Wishing Star Foundation about the same time Wyatt was diagnosed with cancer, that's just got along with everybody," Berg said. "The volunteers are wonderful."

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Wyatt Berg, 10, teaches his sister Madelin, 4, how to skate Thursday at their home in Twin Falls. Wyatt, who had Hodgkin's lymphoma when he was 5, has recovered from the disease and has been cancer free for five years.

"He's aware that cancer is out there and being involved with Wishing Star and going to meetings and doing the activities we've done, he sees how much it (cancer) is out there. He knows to be nice to other kids because we know what they're going through."

—Desiree Berg, Wyatt's mother

It helped Wyatt to have a strong family for support as well.

During his first chemotherapy treatment, Wyatt's dad, Clark, spent the night in the hospital with him. When

Wyatt was having blood drawn, dad's lap became a comfortable chair.

"And when Wyatt lost his hair because of treatments, dad joined his son in the world of the hairless by taking

razor to scalp.

From the start of Wyatt's diagnosis, the family has been active in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life annual fundraising event.

They took one year off, but this year the Bergs' friends and family are actively participating as the Moonlight Miller's Team and will walk with Wyatt on Friday evening.

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Voters approve school bond and levies

For The Times-News

Mini-Cassia voters cast a resounding yes vote for their schools in Tuesday's election.

Both Mindoka and Cassia counties saw their school districts' supplemental levies pass with hefty margins, according to the unofficial results.

In the Mindoka County School District's \$14 million school bond also passed, with

72.7 percent of the 1,762 voters in support of it, according to the unofficial results.

"I think that this is a strong message of support from our community," Superintendent Scott Rogers said.

Mindoka's \$1.2 million supplemental levy passed with a similar margin of 79.9 percent.

In Cassia County, the \$642,138 supplemental levy passed with 81 percent of the

vote. The unofficial tally was 849 votes for the levy and 204 against.

The Cassia Joint School District also had two trustee seats up for election.

In Zone 4, Dec. Lon Jones had 192 votes to win the seat. His opponent, Bob Blakeslee, garnered 64 votes, according to the unofficial results.

Results for the Zone 3 race between incumbent Rex Day-

ley and write-in candidate Linda Petersen were made available Wednesday.

After consulting with the attorney general's office about the state guidelines for the write-in ballots, district officials' counted 103 ballots cast for Petersen and 95 for Dayley.

The board of trustees will canvass the ballots at its 13 meeting and declare the official results then.

Appeals court overturns one search warrant case, upholds another

By Rebecca Boone
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The Idaho Court of Appeals handed down rulings in two search-warrant cases this week, upholding a search that found evidence of a marijuana-growing operation after a fire and siding another that found evidence of methamphetamine manufacturing after a fire.

Both rulings focused on the appropriateness of searches made by emergency workers.

In the first case, the three-judge panel unanimously agreed to uphold the conviction of John Michael O'Keefe, a northern Idaho man who was convicted of trafficking in marijuana and conspiracy to traffic in marijuana.

In July 2003, Coeur d'Alene firefighters showed up at a warehouse O'Keefe had rented to battle a grass fire. The fire started in a power line running between a power pole and the metal warehouse began arcing and sparking, eventually

melting the line. The grass fire began when the molten metal fell to the ground.

Once the fire was contained, the fire captain decided that an electrical problem inside the warehouse could have caused the arcing. Though the warehouse did not appear to be on fire, he wanted to check inside to make sure the electrical problem was resolved.

The warehouse's windows were blackened, and a man who said he was a warehouse employee told officials that he

didn't have a key and no one would be able to unlock the building until the following day. The captain sent another firefighter to climb through a second-floor window and open the locked warehouse from the inside.

Once inside the building, that firefighter discovered several marijuana plants.

The firefighters called police, who got a warrant to search both the warehouse and O'Keefe's home. They found more than 2,500 plants in the ware-

house and a computer and financial records indicating a drug operation in O'Keefe's home.

After his conviction, O'Keefe appealed, contending the search warrants were invalid because the firefighters didn't have authorization to enter the warehouse in the first place. He also said that finding drugs at the warehouse did not justify a search of his home, and that because the wrong address was listed on the warehouse war-

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Myrna Rae Bell



TWIN FALLS — Myrna Itee Bell, 75, passed away May 16, 2006, at her home following a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

She was born Feb. 28, 1931, in Paul, Idaho, to Myron Lowell Hunter and Adelaide Jane Cozzens Hunter. Myrna graduated from Paul High School in 1948 and went to work in Rupert as a telephone operator. She married Dwight Deane Bell in Paul on June 24, 1953, in a double wedding ceremony with her sister, Jeanne Hunter and Dallas Clark. Dwight and Myrna were later seated in the Idaho Falls Temple on May 23, 1963. They made their home in Twin Falls, where they raised five children.

Dwight and Myrna opened Bell's Family Books in 1979, and Myrna managed the store until she became ill. She also worked as an election official for many years.

Myrna was a devoted wife to her husband, Dwight, and a very loving mother to her children. In addition to being a great homemaker and talented seamstress, Myrna especially enjoyed quilting and made many beautiful quilts for her family. Myrna liked to play tennis and softball in high school and continued this tradition of shooting hoops with her children and grandchildren.

100 percent into whatever she was doing. Myrna was a very fun-loving, quick-witted person with a great sense of humor and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Myrna is survived by her husband, Dwight; children, Reedene (Bruce) Kulm, Kevin (Lailene) Bell, both of Jerome, Teresa Hafen of Caldwell, Greg (Wendy) Bell, and Chad (Sheryl) Bell, both of Twin Falls; 19 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren; one sister, Jeanne (Dallas) Clark of Bountiful, Utah; and one brother, Edward Hunter of Inyokern, California. She was preceded in death by her parents and five sisters and brothers.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 20, at the 10th Ward LDS Church, 229 Park Ave. in Twin Falls. There will be a viewing for friends and family on Friday, May 19, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, or at the church one hour prior to the funeral service.

The Bell family would like to thank Hospice Visions for their many countless hours of support and services. Donations may be sent to Hospice Visions, 209 Shop Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

Lillie Mae Baker



TWIN FALLS — Lillie Mae Baker, 96, formerly of Filer, Idaho, passed away Monday, May 15, 2006, of natural causes.

Lillie was born March 30, 1910, to Annie Elizabeth and John Larnie Nellis in Kansas, (Kishwaukee). Lillie was married to Luther Baker in 1934, in Jay, Okla. In 1938, Lillie moved to Idaho, bringing their three small children to Kimberly where Luther found employment. In the years following their move, they were blessed with four more children. Lillie loved to quilt, work in her garden, read, fish, and enjoyed a lot of the outdoors. However, more than any of these, she was a wonderful, loving wife, mother, grandmother and a true friend.

Lillie is survived by her six children, Wesley (Peggy) Self of Kennewick, WA, Barbara (Don) Richards of Twin Falls, Sus Miller of Kimberly, L.D. Baker of

Luther, an infant son, and a very special son-in-law, Archie Miller.

Funeral services for Lillie will be held Friday, May 19, 2006, at 10 a.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating. Interment will be held following services at the Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, May 18, 2006, from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. There will be a potluck lunch at the Kimberly City Park following the interment service. The family will provide meat, salad and beverages. Please bring your own table settings and come and join with them for a time of fellowship and sharing.

Contributions can be made in Lillie's name to the Bull Senior Center, where she spent quiet hours with special friends quilting.

Etholean Kay



Buhl — Etholean Kay, 80, of Buhl, died Monday, May 15, 2006, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

She was born Dec. 23, 1925, in Poinsett, Ark., daughter of Orpha Mae and Charles Flowery Cole. On July 4, 1943, she married Hansom Albert Kay in St. Louis, Mo. They lived in the Magic Valley for 47 years. Etholean enjoyed camping, hunting and fishing, but her greatest love was her family. Etholean will be dearly missed by her many friends and family.

Survivors include five daughters, Peggy Kay, Betty Kay, Hollister, Millie Diane (Jack) Hoover of Filer, Viola Kay of Tacoma, Wash., Linda (Dean

of Filer and Kevin Kay of Buhl; 29 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; two brothers, Carl Cole and Frankie (Catherine) Cole both of Harrisburg, Ark.; and two sisters: Elsie (Ed) Foster of Jonesboro, Ark., and Gene (Bill Newberry) Clay of Harrisburg, Ark.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, one daughter, and one grandson.

Funeral services will be conducted 2 p.m. Friday, May 19, 2006, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," with the Rev. Robert Parr officiating. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call at White Mortuary on Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m.

SERVICES

Laura Alzara Starnes of Jerome, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome Cemetery, 300 W. Ave. 1 (Tarnswey Mortuary). The family would like to thank their special friends at Comfort Care, especially Teresa Murdock, who along with Mickie's family and family helped John take care of mom during her last days.

Judith Marlene (Davis) Damant of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary; luncheon at 12:30 p.m. at St. Edward's parish hall.

Logan Timothy Souza of Jerome and formerly of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 F St. (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Ether Viola Korb of Rupert, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley; friends may call from 10 a.m. to noon today at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley.

Donald Lee Frazier of Twin Falls, graveside memorial service 4 p.m. today at Sunset Memorial Park (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home).

Duane "Hutch" Hutchison and Jerri Hutchison of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Malta LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel; friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Warren E. Lehmann of Wendell, remembrance service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the American Legion Hall.

Larose Ashby Reese of Hagerman, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Hagerman LDS Church; memorial graveside service follows at the Hagerman Cemetery; viewing before the funeral at 10 a.m. at the church (Demaray's Gooding Chapel).

Madalyn Elizabeth Chadwick Olague of Twin Falls, funeral today Saturday at the LDS Church on Eastland Drive; friends may call from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (White Mortuary).

Lloyd Michael "Mike" Wilson of Boise, memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the American Legion Hall in Richfield; burial service at the Richfield Cemetery and a reception at the

Richfield Senior Center will follow.

Shemed Denise Norman Cantu of Rupert; funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Rupert LDS 1st Ward Church on Eighth and G streets; friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel, 710 Sixth St., and one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church.

Kent Eugene Giles of Boise, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Indian Lakes Country Club in Boise, Idaho.

Orin Dean Moore of Filer, celebration of life and gathering of family and friends from 6 to 7 p.m. Sunday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Ray E. Wilson of Burley, memorial service at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Heyburn LDS Ward Chapel, 520 Villa Drive (Payne Mortuary).

Helen Grubbe Bourdeau of Coalinga, Calif., and formerly of Hagerman, memorial service Friday, May 26, 2006, at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Coalinga, Calif.

DEATH NOTICES

Wesley Walter Jones

AUBURN, Calif. — Wesley Walter Jones, 91, of Auburn, Calif., died Thursday, May 18, 2006, at Sierra Care Center in Auburn, Calif.

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

Mae Dunlap

PAUL — Mae Dunlap, 91, of

Brea, Calif., formerly of Paul, died Thursday, May 18, 2006, at her home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Flamussen Funeral Home in Burley.

Candice Lynn Slevers
RUPERT — Candice Lynn Slevers, 36, of Rupert, died Thursday, May 18, 2006, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Richard C. Smith
PAUL — Richard C. Smith, 62, of Paul, died Thursday, May 18, 2006, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Judge throws out settlement in Spokane diocese bankruptcy

SPokane, Wash. (AP) — A federal judge rejected a \$45.7-million settlement Thursday for 75 people who have filed sex abuse claims against the bankruptcy trustee of the Spokane Catholic Diocese of Spokane.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Patricia Williams threw out the agreement during a telephone hearing on Thursday, according to lawyers who took part. The judge urged the dozens of lawyers representing the diocese to return to court to negotiate with other parties to enter into mediation.

The judge, noting that bankruptcy law calls for settlements to be "fair and equitable" to all parties, decided the deal favored the 75 people over other alleged victims, lawyers for both sides said.

The deal, announced earlier this year, was controversial from the start because it covered only a fraction of those who had filed lawsuits claiming they were abused by priests in Spokane. About 185 individual claims have been filed against the diocese, although Williams has said some are duplicates and others are invalid.

"I think the elements of the settlement we proposed with the 75 victims still have merit. It's a very clean, focused concern with some elements," said Shaun Cross, a lawyer representing the diocese.

Spokane Bishop William Skjold, president of U.S. Catholic bishops, is among the clerics accused of abuse in the bankruptcy claims. He has previously denied having sexual relations with a woman in the 1960s.

The diocese filed for bankruptcy protection in 2001, citing about \$100 million in claims against assets of about \$11 million. Spokane is one of three U.S. dioceses that have

offer will hurt victims who thought they would be compensated.

"Our hearts ache for the dozens of deeply wounded and still hurting victims who thought a deal with the bishop was a deal," Clohessy wrote. "Equality is a valuable goal, but, so too is healing and closure."

Gayle Bush, a Seattle lawyer who co-wrote an alternative victim payment plan, said the diocese's proposed settlement failed to take into account victims who did not sue, or those who come forward in the future.

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Officers testify at polygamy trial

Towns' police services closed for a day

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Police services in Colorado City, Ariz., and Hildale, Utah, were shut down for at least one day this week when all five officers were called to appear before a state grand jury in Phoenix, the Mohave County, Ariz., sheriff said Thursday.

Sheriff Tom Sheahan said his office served subpoenas on Chief Fred Barlow and his four officers over the past two weeks.

Andrea Esquer, spokeswoman for Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard, said she could not confirm or deny the existence of a grand jury, the proceedings of which would be secret.

The hearing was held Wednesday in Phoenix at Maricopa County Superior Court.

Chief Fred Barlow, who like his officers is certified in both Arizona and Utah, did not return multiple telephone calls from The Associated Press seeking comment.

Colorado City resident Isaac Wyler said he telephoned police dispatch Wednesday seeking help from an officer and was told "no officers are in town today."

Mohave County deputies, however, stepped up patrols in Colorado City on Wednesday to cover for local police, Sheahan said.

Washington County deputies did the same on the Utah side, said Lt. Jake Adams.

Wyler said police appeared to be back on duty Thursday, as patrol cars that were idle Wednesday were again circulating in the two communities.

It's unknown what officers might have been asked or what case Arizona state attorneys might be developing.

However, throughout the past year questions have been raised about whether police have placed their loyalties with the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints — of which all are believed to be members — ahead of their duty to uphold the law.

The church, which practices polygamy, and its practice leader, Warren Jeffs, have come under increased scrutiny by officials in both states.

Jeffs, 50, is wanted in both Arizona and Utah on felony charges alleging his involvement in arranging underage marriages between young girls and older men. He was recently placed on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted fugitives list.

Most church members, whose numbers are estimated at 10,000, remain loyal to Jeffs. In June 2005, a Utah court froze the assets of the church's United Effort Plan trust. But many of the faithful have refused to comply with related court orders, including refusing to pay taxes on the trust-held property.

Some Utah authorities say local police have supported that defiance by failing to intervene and uphold the court orders.

Rich Townsend, director of Utah's police academy POST — Peace Officers Standards and Training — said he has discussed the issue with Barlow and Hildale Mayor

David Zitting.

"The conflict lies in when they are asked if they are going to uphold the (federal) Constitution or are they going to follow the dictates of Warren Jeffs," said Townsend, who added that he was aware of the grand jury proceedings. "Rather than answer the question, they are choosing silence."

That silence was evident in depositions of Barlow and two other officers taken last month by attorneys representing the court-appointed accountant now in control of the UEP trust.

The officers dodged questions about the disappearance of a grain elevator, a modular building and other equipment from trust property in January. The trust holds most of the property in Colorado City and Hildale, including homes and businesses.

Barlow also failed to answer when asked if he is a Jeffs follower or if he would follow orders from church leaders before upholding the law.

On Thursday, a Mohave County Superior Court judge in Bullhead City, Ariz., said the officers and two men connected with the Colorado City-based Four Square Mill must answer questions from trust attorneys, said Steve Garwood, the official court reporter.

Another round of depositions was ordered and will now be scheduled, trust attorney Jeff Shields said.

"We think they know who took the grain elevator and about 10 other items that have been pulled out of (Colorado City and Hildale) in the last few months," Shields said.

Search

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The appeals court disagreed.

The firefighters had a duty to ensure that there was no fire inside the warehouse and that the electrical problem would not cause another blaze, Chief Judge Darrell Perry wrote for the unanimous court. Additionally, he said, even though the warrant listed the wrong address, it correctly described the warehouse property so that a reasonable person would have known it was the site targeted by the warrant. The court also concluded that police were correct in assuming that O'Keefe may have evidence at his home of his large drug operation.

In the second case, the appellate court unanimously agreed to vacate the conviction of Bran Bunting, a northern Idaho man who was convicted of possession and trafficking in methamphetamine after emergency workers responded to a garage fire in September 2003.

In that case, the fire was started by an explosion and Bunting and his neighbor, Gerald Blake, were able to extinguish the blaze by themselves. Neighbors across the street called emergency services after the explosion, and police were first to arrive.

One of the officers asked Bunting if there was anyone else inside the home. Bunting said he didn't know and allowed the officer to check the house and garage.

The three officers who went into the home found no one. In the garage, they noticed a small propane tank, aluminum foil, an empty pill jar and other items.

Bunting told the officers that the explosion occurred near a bike in a cigarette in the garage while using kerosene to clean car parts. Bunting said he was in the house asleep at the time.

When firefighters arrived, they also entered the garage, followed by a police officer. The officer pointed to an ice chest underneath a workbench and asked the firefighters if they had checked it, according to the ruling.

The firefighters opened the cooler, revealing items commonly used to produce methamphetamine.

The police officers got a search warrant and found methamphetamine and drug-making supplies in Bunting's home. He was convicted in 1st District Court and sentenced to serve at least five years in prison.

The Idaho Court of Appeals overturned his conviction Wednesday, saying the search was illegal because the police did not have the authority to re-enter the garage, and should not have directed the firefighters to open the cooler.

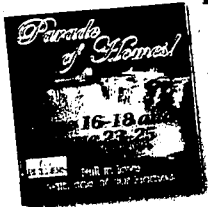
"By his own admission, the officer's second entry was investigative," Perry wrote. "Furthermore, because the firefighters never found evidence of a

crime or requested the assistance of the officer, the officer's re-entry is not exempted from the warrant requirement."

That made the evidence in the cooler "tainted," the court found, so it could not legally be used to support a request for a search warrant for Bunting's home.

Without that evidence, the warrant likely would not have been granted and the drugs in the home would not have been found, the court found — and without the drugs, Bunting would not have been prosecuted.

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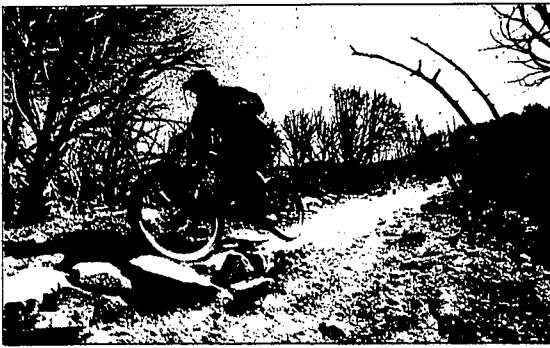
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Eastern Washington also feeling the heat

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — After basking in an unusual record-breaking heat wave all week, temperatures are expected to cool in Eastern Washington this weekend.

Temperatures in the 90s since Tuesday have shattered records across Eastern Washington, and are more than 20 degrees above normal for mid-May in some places.

The Spokane area recorded record highs of 90 on Tuesday and 92 on Wednesday.

The heat wave cannot be attributed to global warming, even though old records are being smashed, said Ron Miller of the National Weather Service in Spokane.

"It's impossible to tell with only one little event like this," Miller said.

He did note that the Spokane area has recorded three straight days of 90-degree temperatures in May on only three occasions, the last in 1980.

"This is unusual, but not unheard of," Miller said.

But he acknowledged that temperatures 25 degrees above normal, as they were Wednesday in Spokane, "is huge."

The heat has caused mountain snow in the Okanogan and Wenatchee national forests to melt rapidly, raising

fears of flooding.

The majority of rivers and streams in the Wenatchee forest are running at or above bank capacity and spilling into the floodplain and side channels, the Forest Service said.

The Naches, Wenatchee, Entiat and Methew rivers were all in flood stage Thursday, the agency said. With thunderstorms predicted over the weekend, rivers might become even more swollen.

Walla Walla broke a record high Tuesday when it hit 94 degrees. That beat the 89-degree high set the same date in 1985.

Wednesday's high temperature in Yakima of 97 degrees beat the same-day record of 93 set in 1973, according to the National Weather Service in Pendleton, Ore. Yakima's high temperature of 97 on Tuesday was also a record for the date.

Sunnyside reached 99 on Tuesday, breaking the record of 93 set in 1973.

The Tri-Cities hit a record high of 99 on Wednesday. The previous high on that date was 94 degrees, set in 1953.

That's about 20 degrees higher than normal.

More normal spring weather will return by the weekend, with highs in the upper 70s and lows from 45 to 50 degrees.

Two killed in morning Rupert crash

For the Times-News

RUPERT — Two local people were killed in a motorcycle crash early Thursday just west of the Wayside Cafe.

Richard C. Smith, 62, of Paul, and Candice Lynn Sievers, 36, of Rupert, were pronounced dead about 2:30 a.m. at the scene at 300 West 275 South.

Witnesses said the pair had been at the Wayside Cafe and left to return to Paul.

According to an incident report issued by the Blaine County Sheriff's Department, Smith was driving a 2002 blue Harley-Davidson motorcycle at a high rate of speed when he left the cafe. As he attempted to negotiate a curve, he apparently lost control and the bike went onto its left side, the report said. When it hit the gravel, it flipped to its right side, throwing the riders into a nearby fence.

Chief Deputy Vic Watson said the investigation is continuing into the crash.

Bill aims to save Boise Foothills from development

BOISE (AP) — A bill sponsored by U.S. Sen. Larry Craig could keep 5,000 acres in the Boise Foothills from being developed.

The Idaho Land Enhancement Act would swap ownership of more than 19,400 acres of public land owned by the state of Idaho, the Bureau of Land Management or the U.S. Forest Service.

The swap would protect some public land while allowing other property to be used to generate revenue for the state school endowment fund.

The bill would trade some timberland in northern Idaho to the state in exchange for the foothills property. The move would eliminate the possibility of development in that part of the foothills.

New resident Jody Orr said the plan has reassured her that moving to Boise was the right thing to do.

"My main concern about moving to Boise from Ketchum was a sense that I was going to effectively lose touch with nature and not get to hike or ski or be outdoors as much," Orr said.

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Competing security forces face off

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Security forces loyal to moderate Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and a Hamas-led militia run by the Hamas-led government paraded through the streets with assault rifles Thursday and stared each other down, competing for control of the Gaza Strip.

Abbas ordered the Islamic militia off the streets, but Hamas refused. Officials in Abbas' office said he would not use force, fearing a civil war, but his restraint risked making him look weak and increasingly unable to keep the militants in check.

Thursday's confrontation was confined to shouting and strutting, but both sides feature expert gunmen and a flare-up could be only another insult away.

About 2,000 Fatah supporters in military formation, many bare-chested, fought their way through a main street of Gaza City, shouting, "Jerusalem, the president, the homeland." They chanted and waved as they passed Hamas gunmen.

Similar scenes played out up and down the seaside territory. Competing forces paraded, snarling and shouting at each other.

The power struggle began after Hamas was the surprise winner of a January parliamentary election. The Islamic militant group formed a government several weeks later to replace Fatah, the movement that ruled Palestinian politics for decades under Yasser Arafat, who died in 2004.

Abbas, elected to replace Arafat in January 2005, has an-



Members of the Palestinian security forces riding trucks are followed by Fatah supporters during a demonstration against the Hamas-led government in Gaza City. Thousands of police marched in a show of force Thursday, a day after the Hamas-led government deployed an army of militants.

other three years as president, regardless of who controls the Cabinet. He has been systematically trying to reduce Hamas power while persuading the world to deal with him directly — including funneling vital foreign aid through his office to bypass the Hamas-led government, which is facing a Western boycott.

Hamas is not making direct threats against Abbas. Its tactic has been to go about its business and ignore the demands of the 70-year-old Fatah leader, who has yet to cut an impressive figure as Arafat's successor.

Hamas called Abbas' bluff Thursday, flatly refusing to follow his order to take its new 3,000-strong force off the streets. Abbas aide Tayeb Abdel Bahim said the president would deal with this as a legal matter, ruling out an armed confrontation.

Interior Minister Said Slyam

of Hamas deployed the unit Wednesday in defiance of Abbas' orders. Hamas militants armed with assault rifles, grenades and anti-tank missiles took up positions in the streets, and in one case stopped a peaceful protest by college graduates seeking teaching jobs.

Fatah responded with demonstrations in Gaza City and stepped-up patrols throughout the territory.

Gen. Salehman Hilles, commander of Fatah-dominated Palestinian security forces in the West Bank and Gaza, said the forces were deployed to send a message that "the Palestinian police is the only side that can maintain law and order."

However, the lines were not clearly drawn. Since some of the police officers also back Hamas. Several hundred police officers met Thursday with Palestinian Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh

of Hamas and professed their loyalty to the government. Haniyeh told the officers the new unit of militants was formed legally and that it would work alongside the security forces.

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Terry Krumer for Commissioner, Les Prader, Treasurer

Former teacher completes solo 'wrong way' sail around world

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Dee Caffari became the first woman to sail alone and nonstop the "wrong way" around the world Thursday after an often harrowing 179 days at sea.

The 33-year-old British former school teacher crossed the finish line in the English Channel, claiming the record as the first woman to make the solo trip against prevailing winds and currents.

The record was set by the World Speed Sailing Records Council before it becomes official.

Caffari set off from the English Channel on Nov. 22 aboard her 72-foot yacht Aviva on a 28,000-mile voyage around the world from east to west.

Sailors call it "beating against the wind," because the yachts are subjected to near-constant lashing from wind and waves.

"The most difficult thought I have to get my head around is the fact that tomorrow Aviva and I will sail into the history books alongside others that I have read books about and admitted from afar," Caffari wrote by e-mail Wednesday.

She claimed the record on the same day that a 32-year-old Dutch sailor, Hans Hornvoets, died after being swept from the deck of the yacht ABN AMRO TWO during the Volvo Ocean Race, — another — around-the-world competition.

In a statement, Caffari's team expressed sympathy and said "all those involved in the Volvo Ocean Race will be in our thoughts."

Caffari's voyage took her through some of the world's harshest waters, including 77 days in the treacherous Southern Ocean of Antarctica. That region is notorious for its icebergs, storms and waves of up to 60 feet.

In early April, Caffari passed southern Africa's Cape of Good Hope, turning north toward home. She spent about a week trapped in the heat in the doldrums near the equator.

"This morning I had got to the point where I just wanted to sit on deck and cry in frustration. In tiredness and just because I was still out here trying to get home," she wrote on her Internet log of April 30. "The last two days had felt more difficult than the entire journey so far."

Two days later, she finally fought the wind that would take her back to the English Channel.

Caffari started sailing with her father as a child, and, after a short stint as a physical education teacher, pursued professional sailing.

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President Bush speaks at Yuma Sector Border Patrol Headquarters, Thursday in Yuma, Ariz.

Bush says border fencing makes sense sometimes

YUMA, Ariz. (AP) — President Bush said Thursday it makes sense to put up fencing along parts of the U.S.-Mexico border but not to block off the entire 2,000-mile length to keep out illegal immigrants.

During a visit to one of the busiest crossing sectors, Bush did not declare his support for either of two competing proposals in Congress — one approved by the House that would build 700 miles of fencing and one in the Senate that would build half that. Instead, he said the Border Patrol should guide the decisions.

"Right here we're at a place where we're using fencing," Bush told Fox News in an interview with a Border Patrol truck and fencing in the background. "And it makes sense to use fencing here. It doesn't make sense to use fencing in other parts of the border. And the best people to pay for us design the program are those who are in charge of enforcing the border."

Earlier, Bush spokesman Tony Snow told reporters that the White House supported the Senate measure, which would build 370 miles of fence in areas "most often used by smugglers and illegal aliens" as determined by federal officials.

"We don't think you fence off the entire border," Snow said ahead of a Fox News interview to the inspection visit. But, he added, "there are places when fences are appropriate."

Bush's visit to the border was designed to build support for the immigration plan he outlined Monday night in a nationally televised address. It came as he sent Congress a \$1.9 billion request to pay for, among other things, temporary deployment of up to 6,000 National Guard troops to help increase security at the border.

Speaking in a packed room at the Yuma Sector Border Patrol headquarters, Bush said the troops would "complement the work of the Border Patrol to get immediate results. It's time to get immediate results."

"The Border Patrol, of course, will be in the lead," Bush said.

He said improved border security must be combined with a guest worker program that would allow foreigners to walk across legally to get jobs, rather than risk their lives to sneak across. He said the current system "degrades the human soul."

"This is a rational way to deal with people who are God-fearing, decent people and respect their dignity," Bush said.

Bush signaled opposition to widespread fencing in the past, and the White House's support for the plan approved Wednesday by the Senate showed how eager he is to win over Republican conservatives who want to take a tough approach toward keeping illegal immigrants out.

When Bush was asked whether he supports the House or Senate fencing proposal, he was not as direct as his spokesman. "Whatever works," Bush told Fox. "And that's what I'm down here talking to these commanders on the ground to find out exactly what they need to get the job done."

Bush has spoken repeatedly about building fences along the border in urban areas, but he told CNN Espanol in March that "it's impractical to fence off the border."

Bush rejected the idea that racism was a factor in calls for a tough law-and-order approach on the border.

"I think it would be too harsh a judgment to say that somebody who doesn't support a comprehensive immigration plan is a racist," the president told CNN from the border. "I don't believe that. I do believe citizens have got legitimate concerns, realizing that parts of this border have been open for anybody who wants to come across. And we've got to stop that. We must enforce the border."

Bush's border tour took him to the tiny, hard-scrabble town

of San Luis, filled with modest homes and many signs in Spanish as well as in English. The area economy is heavily reliant on agriculture, and farmers are eager to employ immigrants at low prices to harvest fresh crops that are increasingly in demand across the country. The remote outpost is also one of the hottest places in the country, and a growing number of Mexicans die each year trying to make it into the United States.



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Saudi detainees released from Guantanamo

By Lolita C. Baldor
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Fifteen Saudi Arabians were released on Thursday from the detention center at the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and transferred to their home country, the Pentagon said.

The announcement came Thursday evening after their plane landed in Saudi Arabia.

According to Pentagon spokesman Navy Lt. Cmdr. Jeffrey Gordon, there are now 120

detainees remaining at Guantanamo who are considered eligible for transfer or release.

Their release, he said, is subject to discussions between the United States and other nations.

The Saudis were released after an administrative review process determined they could be transferred.

They were among an estimated 100 Saudis held at the U.S. military prison in Cuba, some of them for more than four years. Their detention has

been an irritant in the otherwise improving relationship between the Bush administration and the Saudi kingdom, which U.S. officials say has been helpful in tracking and stopping terrorism since the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Most of the 19 hijackers were from Saudi Arabia.

So far, 192 detainees have been released from Guantanamo and 95 more transferred to other governments including Albania, Afghanistan, Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Denmark, France, Great Britain,

Kuwait, Morocco, Pakistan, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sweden and Uganda.

About 460 detainees remain at Guantanamo.

"The United States does not desire to hold detainees for any longer than necessary," Gordon said. "The department expects that there will continue to be other transfers or releases of detainees."

A total of 759 inmates have been held over the years at Guantanamo, according to Defense Department documents.

Also in Kandahar, the U.S.-led coalition said up to 27 Taliban militants were killed in an airstrike Thursday near the village of Gaddard.

The deadliest fighting since the ouster of the Taliban was in June 2005, when 178 people were killed in an offensive between Afghan forces and militants in the Miana Shien district of Kandahar province.

Battle, bombs kill more than 100 in Afghanistan

By Noor Khan
Associated Press writer

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — Islamic militants, some armed with machine guns, battled Afghan, U.S. and Canadian forces and exploded two suicide car bombs Thursday south of the deadliest violence in Afghanistan since the fall of the Taliban.

More than 100 people were killed in the string of attacks that started Wednesday: dozens of insurgents, at least 15 Afghan police, an American civilian training Afghan forces, and the first female Canadian soldier to die in combat.

The violence started Wednesday in the small remote town of Musa Qala in Helmand, when an estimated 300-400 militants with assault rifles and machine guns attacked a police and government headquarters.

The attack sparked eight hours of clashes with Afghan security forces, the fiercest in Helmand since U.S.-led forces ousted the Taliban in 2001 for hosting al-Qaida, said Deputy Gov. Amir Mohammad Akhuzaba. He said the fighting started at 10 p.m. Wednesday, though the Interior Ministry

put the time at earlier.

He said the bodies of about 40 Taliban militants were recovered and that 13 police were killed and six wounded in the fight, some 280 miles southwest of Kabul.

Afghan police reinforcements forced the militants to flee. British soldiers helped evacuate casualties but did not provide military backup, in part so Afghan forces could prove themselves, said British military spokesman Capt. Drew Gibson.

"If they're the ones who are seen heading off the Taliban, there's a lot of credibility for them," Gibson said. "The ANP (Afghan National Police) did admirably in the circumstances, proven by the fact that Musa Qala is now back under ANP security."

In neighboring Kandahar province, Canadian soldiers were supporting Taliban fighters on a mission to oust Taliban fighters outside Kandahar city late Wednesday when militants attacked with rocket-propelled grenades and small-arms fire, Canadian military spokesman Maj. Scott Lundy said.

Those killed included 18 milit-

ants and Capt. Nichola Goddard. Although Canadian women died in action in both world wars, Goddard, from Calgary, Alberta, was the first killed in a combat role, Lundy said. About 35 militants were detained.

Defense Ministry spokesman Gen. Zahir Azmi said the impending handover of power in the south to NATO troops could be fanning the southern violence.

President Hamid Karzai said the violence emanated from

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Protesters flee as police crack down on demonstrators in central Cairo, arresting 100 members of the Muslim Brotherhood, including one of its leaders, during a protest Thursday near a Cairo court where two hearings for pro-reform figures were scheduled.

Egyptian police beat protesters, arrest hundreds

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Despite U.S. criticism, police beat protesters in the streets and arrested more than 300 for the second week in a row Thursday as Egyptian courts dealt new setbacks to activists seeking greater democracy.

While club-wielding police charged protesters in downtown Cairo, a court rejected the appeal of prominent opposition leader Ayman Nour, the runner-up in last year's presidential elections. The ruling means Nour will have to serve a five-year prison sentence on forgery charges he says are intended to eliminate him from politics.

The United States sharply criticized the ruling, saying it and the violence "raise serious concerns about the path to democracy in Egypt."

"The Egyptian government's handling of (Nour's) case represents both a miscarriage of justice by international standards and a setback for the democratic aspirations of the Egyptian people," State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said.

Also Thursday, another court issued a reprimand against Hesham el-Bastawisy, a judge on Egypt's highest court who went public with accusations of fraud during parliament elections monitored by judges in November and December. A second judge was cleared by the disciplinary court.

The day's events were a new blow to already fading U.S. hopes that Egypt, a top ally, could be a centerpiece of a new strategy for greater democracy in the Middle East.

For Egypt's reform movement, the violence and court rulings only fueled their belief President Hosni Mubarak had reneged on

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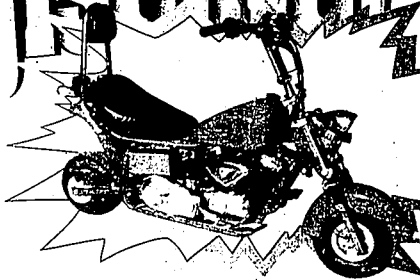
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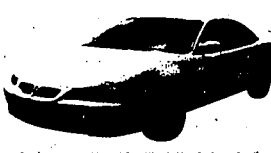
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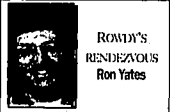
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A bronze statue of Sacagawea and her son John Baptiste at the Salmon Interpretation Center.

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Frankie was poised, poised and as a youth often is, pathetic. Frankie, a teenage black-belt, eyed the male deer doe. Frankie seemed to emit an intimidating spell, a method yet unproven but developing, as we watched.

I needed a nap, after all I was only 21 and had been tagging along behind an determined adult wildlife biologist, Brad. Old guys love to humble youth. Today was the third eventful day of the hunt for the Moon National Monument, in September 1983.

ROWDY'S
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Ron Yates

My father had met Brad on a ranch near Antelope, Ore., where Brad compiled a study about the ranch's herbivores and other such-like mammal-like amphibian-like and bird-like. Dad had called me and said, "Ron you ought to meet this fellow, tag along and learn a few things." Brad used multisyllabic Latin names for what I would call buck-brush, fish, ducks, rock-chucks, deer (big and little), quakes and other unmet birds.

I still remember the foggy morning Brad and I parted during our last day together. We were three miles south of the paved loop road. Brad asked, "Think you can find your way back, Ron?"

"Sure," I said, looking at a distant spatter-cone landmark. I watched him as he was hiking away, (hoping) with a full pack. This was the start of his three-day survey into the southern reaches of the monument. His pack was a pad and pencil. All data that was entered was legible too, more-so than a textbook's print.

Brad was collecting data about male deer. Male deer habitat, residency habits, and migration routes throughout the monument and surrounding areas.

Daily, at first light, we made his rounds. Little Cottonwood Canyon. Cinder cone this, cinder butte that. Windy point here, fast lava flow there. Over to a local shovels gallery.

"Buckshot Draw." A well-traveled road dead-ended there. If a deer strayed out of the monument it would be poached there. We counted deer. Once we counted a band of 30 or so. I'm sure Brad counted their legs and divided by four. I just looked for big bucks. I never saw the big one that Brad saw. I know it was big because Brad knocked me over getting to his spotting scope.

One of the many tasks Brad accomplished was to trap deer and fit them with radio collars. He was taking triangulations and locating deer constantly. So, there we all were at the deer. There were Brad, two monument workers, and Frankie, the son of one worker. We all had this doe surrounded. Well, the net did too.

The second net device worked like two slices of bread. A deer would venture in for the bait and stand in the trap. The trap was folded out flat and when triggered it would close around the deer like a pair of jaws. A trapped deer would wriggle for awhile and then clam down, until approached by humans, then it was anyone's guess what might happen.

Four of us were opening the net, sitting on the deer, grabbing its hooves, getting ready to take the deer. I was not, and otherwise alter this deer life forever. That's when all of us looked up and saw Frankie poised.

Frankie said, just like a true hero would, "OK guys let it go. I'll take care of it."

We all knew from our own foolish youth what Frankie thought he was doing. We were speechless. Brad spoke first. "Frankie, we don't want you, her dear; just help us hoist her up and scale her."

Ron Yates is an outdoors columnist and writer from Twin Falls. He welcomes e-mail at yatesrnm@yahoo.com

By Karla Barnes
Times-News correspondent

The Bicentennial celebration of The Lewis and Clark Expedition has taken my family and I to some unbelievable places. As we traced the trails of The Corps of Discovery we were launched into territories that we would have never explored otherwise.

Beginning at Camp Wood DuBois just outside of St. Louis, and traveling to the Pacific Ocean in view at Ecola State Park in Oregon, we've reveled in beautiful landscapes and stimulating history that continues to stir our souls.

Some of the most striking, diverse places to discover on the Lewis and Clark trails are right here in Idaho. Fantastic views from the Lemhi pass have given us and thousands of other "Lewis and Clarkers" a look at some of the most awesome high country experienced by the group. This location remains a pristine example of what the explorers discovered when they unfurled our nation's flag here in 1805. Not far from the Lemhi pass is Salmon, the home of the Sacagawea Interpretation Center.

The center offers an interpretive approach to a better understanding of Sacagawea, the Lemhi Shoshone girl who was an asset to the expedition.

Other Idaho towns like Weippe have also been active in the bicentennial. Weippe is mentioned in the journals as the place where the expedition first met the Nez Perce. Today in Weippe, you can enjoy beautiful murals depicting this moment in history at the Weippe Discovery Center.

The native people of Idaho were key players in the success of the Corps of Discovery. The Nez Perce Indians offered friendly assistance to the Corps on both the trip to the west and again on their homeward journey in 1805. The Nez Perce were instrumental in helping the Corps during some of their most difficult days on the expedition. Sacagawea, one of the most important members of the Corps. She, along with her son John Baptiste Charbonneau, gave the group a sense of peace as they traveled through many hostile environments.

She also brought cultures together as she recognized her long lost brother, a leader of the Lemhi Shoshone people, Chief Cameawai. These spots along the trail as well as many other fascinating Idaho locations offer wonderful opportunities to share in the excitement and celebration of the bicentennial of Lewis and Clark in Idaho.

Idaho will also be hosting two major events in the months ahead. The first will be a 10-day Boise event sponsored by the National Park Service known as the Circle of Cultures.

The second is a signature event called the Summer of Peace: Among the Nimiipuu hosted by the Nez Perce Tribes.

The Circle of Cultures will take place in Julia Davis Park in Boise May 20 to



Re-enactors come into a port for a celebration during the bicentennial event in Atchison, Kan.



Capt. Bud Clark, right, a progenitor of William Clark, stands next to actors representing Meriwether Lewis, left, and the corps' guide York, center, in a ceremony in Atchison, Kan.



Lemhi Pass near Salmon is the point where the Corps of Discovery first descended into what is now Idaho.

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Sun., May 28, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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*Please note: Organizers of the Circle of Cultures expect large crowds during the school hours on weekdays. To avoid these crowds, plan your visit around these hours.

SUMMER OF PEACE

Several communities will host activities for nearly two weeks, June 5 to June 17, with key signature events scheduled June 14 to June 17. The event will be hosted by the Nez Perce Tribe (Nimiipuu).

Events will be held at Lewis and Clark State College campus, Lapwai and the Nez Perce National Historical Park (Spaulding). For more information and schedules go to:

www.lewisandclarkidaho.org and click on Events, follow prompts to Circle of Cultures and Summer of Peace.

Rockwell will give a lighted presentation entitled "A Nez Perce Meets Captain William Clark."

Specimens found by Meriwether Lewis and early editions of the journals of Lewis and Clark will be on display at the Idaho Historical Museum. An 80-foot art carving of Lewis' Newfoundland dog Seaman will be dis-

play at the Boise Zoo along with "Wildlife along the Lewis and Clark Trail."

This exciting event is a once in a lifetime opportunity. Release yourselves from your easy chairs and experience some of our country's richest history in Idaho this spring and summer.

Devils Tower to mark centennial

By Becky Bohrer
Associated Press writer

DEVILS TOWERS NATIONAL MONUMENT, near Janes and Belinda Livingston didn't plan to come here as part of their spring vacation. The Chicago couple didn't even know it existed until someone they met on their travels suggested they take the drive to remote, northeast Wyoming to check it out.

As they passed along the Tower Trail and watched three climbers try their luck on the

867-foot rock column, they said they were glad they came.

"This is amazing," Belinda Livingston said. Her husband added: "I think it's one of the wonders of the world."

It's accidental tourists, people within driving distance and the merely curious that state tourism officials want to see at Devils Tower in droves this summer, as America's first national monument marks its 100th anniversary. Diane Shoemaker, director of Wyoming Travel & Tourism, said it's all

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Visitors walk toward the base of Devils Tower National Monument in Wyoming.

AP photo

OUTDOORS

Farmers, dairymen can help care for young owls

Question: "I saw a nest of box turtles destroyed in a haystack at a dairy. The hay was being fed out when the nest was torn apart and the young turtles exposed. I found another barn owl nest in a haystack what should I do with the baby owls?"

Answer: Barn owls are one of those owl species worth their weight in gold to the agricultural community. Anyone that has seen a barn owl nest in a haystack knows they are literally lined with the carcasses of dead mice. The adult owls and their young consume enormous quantities of rodents that are pests for farmers.



ASK THE OFFICER Gary Hompland

1 encourage all farmers and dairymen to do what they can to accommodate barn owls and their young.

Many times when a haystack is being fed out, the nest will be destroyed.

The young owls are rarely killed at the dairy but it often fails to carefully move the

young away from the haystack. If the dairyman can frame a small cubby or A-frame of bales to get them off the ground a short distance from the haystack, the nest will continue to be used or raised the young. Once the young have fledged and left the area the bales can be picked up.

Biologists in the Magic Valley region are experimenting with nesting platform designs that could be used by landowners when relocating young barn owls.

We also often see several small downy great horned owls brought into the office in the spring. These young owls are

often blown out of nests during spring wind storms.

There is also tremendous sibling rivalry between young great horned owls in the nest. Since the eggs are not all laid at one time but in sequence, it's common for the first born to be the largest and get the most food. While competing for food the largest usually also frequently pushes its sibling competitors out of the nest.

As in the barn owl example the parents will continue to care for the young owls even if they are out of the nest. I recommend trying to put these young owls back into the nest tree as high off the ground as

possible. If that's not possible the parents will tend them in a nearby tree as well.

Our ultimate goal with all these young owls is to help keep them wild and give them a chance as young adults. As with our own children, no one can raise and teach them as well as their own parents.

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F&G proposes increased rainbow fishing

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is proposing a plan that will allow anglers to fish for Lake Pend Oreille trophy rainbow trout in spawning tributaries.

Officials say decreasing the number of rainbows in the lake is key to reducing the pressure of the dwindling kokanee population.

"These are desperate times for trying to bring back that kokanee fishery," Chip Corsi, Panhandle Region supervisor for Fish and Game, told the Coeur d'Alene Press. These are part of the desperate measures we're going to in trying to get there.

The four tributaries are the lower Clark Fork River, Pack River, Lightning Creek and Grouse Creek.

"These are productive tributaries," Corsi said. "We know they are full of rainbows."

The proposal would have the lower Clark River open for fishing all year with no limits on rainbows.

The other three tributaries were open to fishing about two months earlier, on April 1 instead of the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. The three tributaries would close Aug. 31 to protect bull trout.

Members of the Lake Pend Oreille Idaho Club aren't sure about allowing fishing for spawning rainbows.

"It feels premature in that we do not have a rainbow population estimate," said the club's president, Bill Friedman. "All indications based on the derby and recent years are that the population is down."

At the nine-day K&K Spring Derby, which ended May 7, anglers caught 845 rainbows and 700 lake trout.

"The lake draws many anglers, putting charter boat operators to work finding rainbows for their clients."

"They are going to be looking for some other trick if you don't meet the rainbow population," Friedman said.

The club gives patches to anglers who catch rainbows of lake trout over 25 pounds. The large rainbows would be easier to catch while spawning in streams, said Jim Carothers, a member of the club.

"It's going to be difficult for the club to give a patch, because it's not exactly getting a fish a spawning way," he said. "It puts records for fish caught and our patch program in jeopardy."

North Idaho marina raises issue of moorage rights

By Becky Kramer The Spokesman-Review

COEUR D'ALENE — "Own your own boat slip on CDA Lake!" reads the real estate ad. "Privately owned marina. Showers, bathrooms & security."

For sale: Two slips in the 11th Street Marina in Coeur d'Alene. Asking price: \$99,900 and \$110,000.

Recently acting Gov. Jim Risch said anyone trying to sell permanent moorage rights on state-owned lakes would be perpetrating a "scam."

People who buy into the marina to state land leases at Priest Lake. People buy \$500,000 cabins on Priest Lake, he said, realizing that the structure they purchased is on land belonging to the state of Idaho.

The 11th Street Marina operates under the same general concept, he said.

People who buy into the marina "don't own anything other than a right to lease," he said. "We don't sell slips; we don't sell anything."

He acknowledged that advertising by individual association members seems to indicate otherwise. But by the time buyers sign the papers, it should be clear that they are purchasing a marina membership, not a boat slip, Dodson said.

Each member has exclusive use of a boat slip, contingent on renewal of the marina's lease, he said.

Since the Land Board meeting last Tuesday, however, state officials have fielded at least one phone call from an individual who thought the 11th Street Marina boat slips were owned by the purchaser.

Roger Jansson, operations chief for the Department of Land's northern region, said it's unclear whether the discussion at last Tuesday's meeting will

have any bearing on the 11th Street Marina's operations.

"We really won't know until we get further into it," he said. "This whole issue is evolving."

Jansson said Holland's proposal for co-op ownership is under review by the state to see if it complies with Idaho code.

Holland cited the 11th Street Marina in a letter to tenants outlining plans to sell boat slips in the Vista Bay Marina, referring to recent 11th Street sales as the basis for Vista Bay slip prices of \$100,000 or more.

Holland attempted to sell permanent boat moorage rights on state-owned property," the letter said.

Draft documents that Holland filed with the state clearly state that there is "no proposed sale of individual slips," Wezsel's letter said. Risch has not had time to respond to the letter, according to his press secretary.

Dodson said that all new members of the 11th Street Dock Owners Association receive a booklet with the copies of the marina's leases. In addition to the 10-year lease with the state, the marina operates under a 99-year lease with landlorder JSB LLC, which owns the marina's riparian rights.

Dodson said he's confident that the 11th Street Marina's lease with the state will be renewed when it expires at the end of 2007. The leases have been renewed for at least 40

years, he said.

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The most popular trail, Tower Trail, winds around the massive, boulder field at the tower base. Indians leave prayer cloths in the trees along it; climbers use it as a starting point for the more than 100 miles to Devils Tower. Other tourists use it to stretch their legs, get impressive camera angles or read about the tower's history and significance on colorful exhibits.

Officials envision a natural plaza eventually replacing the asphalt parking area just below the tower and a mass-transit system shuttling tourists between the tower, visitor center and existing shops near the park entrance. But any such changes are still years off, McEwen said.

In the meantime, park managers are preparing for a busy summer, cognizant that weather is always a wildcard. Chief Ranger Scott Brown said the thunderstorm season could scare some visitors away from the monument, which is a good hour from any city of size and best experienced up close and outdoors.

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Photo courtesy of Tracy Anami

In this undated photo, Anami, a 7-year-old female bald eagle, is shown. Anami, who is blind in her left eye and had been missing from Tracy Aviary in Salt Lake City for more than two weeks, was found Monday in Idaho Falls.

Missing eagle found after 200-mile flight

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A 7-year-old bald eagle that is blind in her left eye and had been missing from Tracy Aviary for more than two weeks was found Monday, more than 200 miles away in Idaho Falls.

The female eagle, Anami, was practicing for the free-flight portion of a bird show April 30 when she flew away, worrying aviary officials, who said she could last one to two weeks without food.

Anami had lost one pound, or about 10 percent of her body weight, when she was caught by Idaho wildlife officials, said Julie Brown, community relations director for the aviary in Liberty Park.

"She's very dirty, but looks to be in good health," she said. Brown said she wasn't surprised the eagle made it to Idaho. The aviary's bird trainer

said Anami would likely be found in Idaho or Wyoming, Brown said.

Eagles tend to fly north during the summer, and Anami might have been following her instincts, Brown said.

Birds participating in the aviary's free-flight program have a transmitter attached in case they take off, but the transmitter only has a range of 100 miles.

Aviary officials had gotten reports that Anami was seen in Wyoming, but it turned out to be a golden eagle.

Anami is expected to be back in Utah on Tuesday, where she will be quarantined for 30 days.

Brown said the eagle would have to be retained before performing in any more shows.

"We have to take her back to kindergarten so she can start all over again," Brown said.

Tower

Continued from D1 about seeing people connect to the park.

For some, that might entail seeing Devils Tower for the first time; for others, simply taking in the monument, walking on the seven miles of trails, Coeur d'Alene picnic — with their kids or grandkids.

The state tourism office plans to spend \$75,000 advertising the summer-long centennial celebration, using TV, radio, newspapers, magazines and a billboard along Interstate 90 to catch visitors' attention. Devils Tower also figures prominently into the agency's overall \$3 million summer ad campaign and is featured on the state's state highway map, Shober said.

"If you're coming for the first time, we'd say, This is a place you want to see," he said. "This isn't manmade; it's very authentic, and real."

Every year, about 400,000 people visit Devils Tower. The visually jarring monolith that rises above the gentle hills, valley farmland and nearby prairie dog town is sacred to many American Indians and is a mecca of sorts to climbers.

That's a fraction of the visitors that tour Yellowstone National Park. But it's still sufficient to create congestion, noise and headaches for park managers.

Within the next five to six weeks, park officials hope to have replacement visitor center built, or well under way, near the monument entrance station — about three miles below the tower and the current visitor center, which was built in

If you go ...

Devils Tower National Monument is open year-round. The entrance fee is \$10 for a car and \$5 for a motorcycle, good for seven days. Entrance fees will be waived during summer centennial events — an Old Settlers' Picnic, June 18; Independence Day celebration, July 4; Cowboy Festival, July 22-23; American Indian Heritage Weekend, Aug. 25-27; and formal anniversary celebration, Sept. 22-24.

GETTING THERE: Devils Tower is located in northeast Wyoming. From Interstate 90, westbound travelers can exit at Sundance and travel 27 miles northwest on U.S. 14; eastbound travelers exit at Moorcroft, also on U.S. 14, and travel 32 miles. From the north, Devils Tower can be reached on Wyoming 112, 10 miles south of Hulett, Gillette and Rapid City, S.D., have air service. The monument is 64 miles from Gillette and 107 miles from Rapid City.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Devils Tower National Monument, http://www.nps.gov/devto/, or (307) 467-5283. For information on the centennial events, http://www.devilstowercentennial.com/, or you can call the same number.

In the 1930s to accommodate about 20,000 visitors a year, acting monument Superintendent Jeannine McEwen said.

A goal is limiting traffic and noise near the tower, spreading visitors between the new learning center and trails that wind

around or near the tower, she said.

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Bounty fishing

BPA pays anglers to catch salmon predator

By Jeff Barnard
Associated Press writer

CHINOOK LANDING, Ore. — On his first cast of the northern pikeminnow season this year, Jim Walker pitched a black and silver lure resembling a baby salmon into the dark green waters of the Columbia River and — BAM! — hooked a 29-inch fish with a \$4 bounty on its head.

"I thought we were really going to get into them," the 73-year-old retired manufacturing supervisor from Troutdale said from his boat in the Columbia River. "We didn't hook another one all day."

For bounty fishermen, size means nothing, numbers are everything, and there is no such thing as catch and release when it comes to the most voracious predator on baby salmon in the Columbia Basin — the northern pikeminnow.

As long as they are 9 inches long, the Bonneville Power Administration, which sells the power generated by federal hydroelectric dams in the Columbia Basin, pays \$4 apiece for the first 100 fish, \$5 apiece for the next 300, and \$8 for every one after that.

There are also more than 1,000 \$500 bonus fish, marked with a wire through the dorsal fin, scattered through the 450 miles of the lower Columbia and Snake rivers in the bounty zone to attract more fishermen and help biologists estimate the impact of what is believed to be the only bounty fishing program in the country.

"Fishermen have to turn in the pikeminnows to claim the bounty. The fish are then ground up into fertilizer. Pikeminnows are not good eaters; they are bony and the flesh is usually as tasteless as flour."

Bonus fish really work a program, 12 to 18 hours a day and seven days a week, can gross \$20,000 during the May to October season. Two of the 1,900 people who sent in vouchers more than once last year got paid close to \$40,000 each.

"It does take a lot of work, and it does take some knowledge to really catch 'em consistently," said Tim Caldwell, 46, of



Above: Jim Walker shows off the lure he uses to catch northern pikeminnow on May 5 in Chinook Landing, Ore. Top: A pair of northern pikeminnows are shown in a measuring tray.

Cascade Locks, who was 10th on the money list with \$19,094 for 2,425 fish, two of them bonus fish. "I'm after it for the money. If it just comes to fishing for myself, I'd rather be fishing for salmon or walleye."

Caldwell has been bounty fishing since the program started in 1991, full-time for the last three years. His best day was 141 fish, but it was no casual outing — up at 2 a.m. and fishing until 10 p.m.

"For some people this gets pretty competitive," he said. "There's been problems with people where they want to fight over spots to fish. I mean bad enough to get the police involved. I've actually had my life threatened."

The "sport reward fishery" — the folks running it don't like the term bounty fishing — brought in 241,000 northern pikeminnows last year as part of the program, which is financed by BPA to make up for harm caused salmon by the network of federal hydroelectric dams on the lower Snake and Columbia rivers in Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

"A bounty is when you are trying to exterminate a species,"

said Russell Porter, spokesman for the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, which coordinates the program for BPA. "We're not trying to do that. We're trying to reconstruct it. They are a native fish. They are part of the ecosystem. But with the advent of the dams, salmon smolts (the young salmon migrating to the ocean) became easy food for the fish."

The dams slow down the river, and bunch up the salmon, giving the pikeminnows a better shot at dinner. And the salmon that go through turbines or over the spillways are sometimes stunned, making them easier prey.

In 1980 Congress gave BPA responsibility for mitigating the harm to salmon from the dams. Researchers found that of all the big fish eating little salmon on their migration to the ocean, the northern pikeminnow was the champ, far out-gobbling small-mouth bass and walleye.

A big pikeminnow, they may eat about 25 inches — will eat a half dozen baby salmon a day.

Now BPA spends \$3.8 million a year keeping them in check. Oregon Department of Fish

and Wildlife biologist Tom Friesen figures bounty fishing has cut pikeminnow predation by 22 percent, which translates to about 3.8 million baby salmon, or about 2 percent of all the baby salmon that swim down the Columbia to the ocean each year.

That hasn't been enough to keep 14 populations of Columbia Basin salmon and steelhead off the threatened and endangered species lists, but it helps. That 2 percent translates into 76,000 adults coming back to spawn. An economic impact report estimates the extra fish generate \$2.7 million to \$9.9 million and 446 jobs from Alaska to California.

The official Web site, www.pikeminnow.org, has plenty of tips for beginners, but "the main thing is to stick with it," said Paul Dunlap, a Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife technician who checked in Ocean's fish.

"When it comes to size, Caldwell prefers the little ones, as long as they're big enough for the bounty."

"You get a lot more of those in your cooler," he said. "And they're easier to reel in."

erage is 133,000.

"I had faith in our forecast and it looks like it will be better than that," said Cindy LeFleur, policy coordinator for the Columbia River Compact with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

For Idaho anglers, it's only a matter of time before more fish enter state waters.

"Some fish can make it here from Bonneville in two weeks," said Riccann Zimmerman of the Hook Line and Sinker Tackle Shop in Riggin.

As of Tuesday, though, only about 700 spring chinook had passed Lower Granite Dam, the uppermost of the eight dams that salmon must pass to reach Idaho. But many of the chinook that have gone up Bonneville are expected to work their way upstream over the next several weeks. The 10-year average at Lower Granite Dam is about 28,000 for this time of year.

If a season is approved Friday, Idaho will have avoided its first year without a spring chinook season since 1999. A 2001 survey found that anglers spent \$16 million pursuing spring chinook in Idaho.

Jerome Gun Club hosts clays shoot

JEROME — The Jerome Rod and Gun Club Range will host another clays shoot, sponsored by Sportsman's Warehouse.

The club is located east of Highway 98 at mile marker 64. Sign-up will start at 10 a.m., shooting starting at 11 a.m. Shooting 100 targets for \$20. Non-members cost \$23. The cost for juniors (16 and under) is \$14. Non-member juniors will be \$17.

If you have never shot sporting clays at Jerome Gun Club, your first 50 targets are free.

We will be giving away prizes at no cost to the shooters. This is a skins game. A prize will be given to the highest shooter on each station. Also, HOA, High Lady, High Vet, and High Junior prizes will be given on a total of 100 targets. The prizes are gift cards to Sportsman's Warehouse.

Hot coffee, hot chocolate, soda pop, and water will be available. The club's next shoot is June 16.

Winners of the April skins game shoot were: HOA: Curt Lerke, 91; High Lady: Stephanie Newweek, 74; High Vet: Lynn Messman, 80; Station 1: Don Woelfle, 10; Station 2: Matt Dunn, 10; Station 3: Blaine Lerke, 10; Station 5: John Courtney, 10; Station 6: Russell Weston, 10; Station 7: Don Dunn, 10; Station 8: Fred Fiegel, 9; Station 9: Ted Schlecht, 10; Station 10: Ron Wood, 10. All these winners received gift certificates to Buck Creek Restaurant.

New sporting clays league

The Jerome Rod and Gun Club will start a sporting clays league on June 10. It will run for six weeks, shooting 50 targets each week. For more details or information call Kenny at 733-6045. Come out and bring a friend.

Parks and Rec host float trip, scuba class

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls Parks and Recreation is offering

Black bear mauls cyclist

BANFF, Alberta (AP) — A black bear chased, caught and mauled a bicycle rider on a mountain trail in Canada's oldest and most popular national park, and was shot and killed when it refused to leave the area, a warden said.

The biker, Greg Flaaten, 41, a Web administrator for the town of Banff, was being treated for severe arm injuries at Foothills Hospital in Calgary following the attack and reconstructive surgery in the biceps and triceps

Outdoor in brief

A 10-mile rafting trip along the Hagerman section of the Snake River and enjoy some whitewater action. The trip is on Saturday from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Registration must be made today at the Twin Falls Parks and Rec office at 136 Maxwell Ave.

State parks host local cleaning project

HAGERMAN — Thousand Springs State Parks will host Take Pride in America, a river clean-up event in conjunction with National River Clean-up week.

"We are proud to be hosting two river clean-up events this year," said Kathryn Hampton, IDPR Volunteer Services Coordinator. "Both efforts are also Take Pride in America projects."

The Department of Parks and Recreation is Idaho's representative for Take Pride in America on state lands and organizes events annually.

"Our goal with these events is to create awareness and increase the public's sense of responsibility for public resources," said Robert Meinen, IDPR Director. "It's also a way to invite the public to help maintain and enhance our shared spaces."

IDPR Sponsored Take Pride in America River Clean-Up Dates:

Thousand Springs State Park
Saturday, May 20 — 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Volunteers must register to participate, to ensure that there are enough tools available for the event. Those interested can contact Kathryn Hampton at khampton@idpr.state.id.us or miltonkhampton@pr.state.id.us or (208) 334-1100 ext. 242. Event participation details and meeting locations will be provided at time of registration.

— compiled from staff reports

Officials might open chinook season in Idaho

By Keith Ridler
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Idaho anglers could be casting for spring chinook this weekend.

But only by a surge of fish past Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River in the last week and a half, biologists with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game plan to propose a sport fishing season today at the state Fish and Game Commission's meeting in Coeur d'Alene.

"If we have good biological information to support the proposal, we hope they will look upon it favorably," said Sharon Klefer, anderson fishery manager for Fish and Game.

The seven commissioners, who each represent a region of the state, will vote to accept or reject the proposal, modify it or consider it further.

Klefer said commissioners generally accept proposals from staff biologists. She said the sport fishing proposal for Idaho was still being worked on, but would be likely resemble last year's season.

Last year, the season opened on parts of the Snake River, Lower Salmon River, main stem of the Clearwater River, North Fork Clearwater River, South Fork Clearwater River, and the Lochsa River.

Klefer said she was not sure when a season might open if approved, but it could be as early as this weekend.

"It's always possible," said Klefer. "But I don't know that there would be too many fish there this weekend."

After lowering run estimates last week to a range of 65,000 to 88,000 fish reaching Bonneville Dam, fishery scientists on Monday raised predictions to 95,000 to 125,000.

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eries manager with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and a member of the Columbia River Compact.

Last year's spring chinook run was late in arriving, and this year's run trailed it all spring until recently shooting past it. As of Tuesday, about 77,000 spring chinook had passed above Bonneville Dam, compared to 57,000 at this time last year. The 10-year av-

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Zimmerman said how much is spent in Higgins depends on what opens.

"If they open the big river (Salmon River) that's a major boon to Riggin," she said. "It brings in the jet boats and the money. Even if they just open the Little (Salmon) River, it's amazing what it does for Riggin."

She said anglers come from Washington, Oregon, Utah and Montana.

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Nasdaq composite	-16.48
Standard & Poor's 500	-6.61
Russell 2000	-7.38
SP 500	718.47

Stocks of local interest

close	change
Albertsons	\$25.42 ▲ .04
Con Agira	\$22.55 ▲ .10
Dell Inc.	\$23.95 ▲ .32
Idacorp	\$32.78 ▲ .06
Micron	\$15.36 ▼ .27
SuperValu	\$29.04 ▼ .20

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Commodities

close	change
Oil, by barrel	\$69.45 ▲ .76
(June, light sweet crude)	
Live cattle	\$77.80 ▲ .07
Gold (May)	\$679.60 ▲ .09

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Burger King shares rise in first day trade

MIAMI — Shares of Burger King's parent company rose nearly 6 percent above their initial public offering price by Thursday afternoon in their first day of trading.

"It's a historic day for Burger King," CEO John Chidsey said. "We've been waiting 52 years for this day. It's an honor for us to finally be public."

Burger King Holdings Inc. sold 25 million shares of common stock at \$17 each in its IPO that was completed late Wednesday. The shares represent about 19 percent of the company's total, putting its overall value at about \$2.25 billion.

But that still leaves the nation's second biggest hamburger chain far behind its two biggest rivals — McDonald's Corp., which has a market value of about \$43 billion, and No. 3 Wendy's, which is worth about \$7 billion.

Court strikes a blow to tobacco defense

IT'S FIN — The state's highest court on Thursday rejected one of the tobacco industry's most successful defenses in wrongful death lawsuits, ruling the companies cannot shield themselves from liability simply by claiming that smokers know cigarettes are dangerous.

The ruling came in a wrongful death lawsuit filed against Philip Morris Inc. by Brenda Haglund, whose husband died of lung cancer in May 2000.

The lawsuit was dismissed by a lower court judge.

But the state Supreme Judicial Court reinstated Haglund's suit, ruling that the so-called "personal choice" defense often used by tobacco companies cannot be used by Philip Morris in Haglund's case. The court ruled that type of defense can only be used if a reasonably safe product was used in an unreasonable way.

Mortgage rates at highest point in years

WASHINGTON — Rates on 30-year mortgages climbed this week to their highest point in nearly four years, helping take the exuberance out of the housing market.

Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reported Thursday that for the week ending May 18 rates on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 6.60 percent, up from 6.58 percent last week.

This week's rate was the highest since the week ending June 20, 2002, when 30-year mortgages stood at 6.63 percent.

"While financial markets try to decipher the spate of recently released economic reports, mortgage rates drifted slightly higher," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist. "The current debate is between rising inflation and slower consumer spending. Until the market finds out which influence will be the strongest, mortgage rates should continue to fluctuate," he said.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

By Renee Wells
For the Times-News

RUPERT — Kraft's announcement to close its Rupert plant next January has prompted a barrage of brainstorming in Mini-Cassia.

Economic development specialists — and a number of other community officials — met Wednesday to discuss how to best minimize any negative impacts the closure will have on Kraft employees, the city of Rupert and the community as a whole.

The 18 business people and civic leaders agreed that Kraft's announcement is not good, but came at probably the best time it could have in years.

Evolving Con Paulfus in saying that this can become an

opportunity instead of a tragedy, Mini-Cassia Economic Development Director Bob Shepard said the closure is not a Kraft, a Rupert or a Mini-Cassia issue.

"This is a big issue for the whole Magic Valley and for the state," Shepard said. "Other communities have survived this kind of thing, and we will, too, but we have to pull together to do it."

Shepard suggested a rapid response team be developed, both to assure Kraft employees that they are going to get com-

munity support and to begin the process of looking for jobs to replace those being lost. He suggested studying a case scenario.

Mini-Cassia Economic Development Commission Chairman Dave Westfall said Mini-Cassia experienced probably the most appropriate case scenario when the J.R. Simplot Co. closed the doors of its Iloayburn processing facility in 2003.

Idaho Commerce and Labor Mini-Cassia Director Brent Tomlin reminded the group that more than 1,000 jobs have

been created since the Simplot closure and said today's employment rates are the lowest they've been in years.

An impact study released Wednesday by regional economist Greg Rogers indicated that lost wages annually following the closure could be in the range of \$3.5 million. Taking into account a 2.5 times multiplier, the total income loss effect, including other sectors, could be about \$8.7 million annually, the report said.

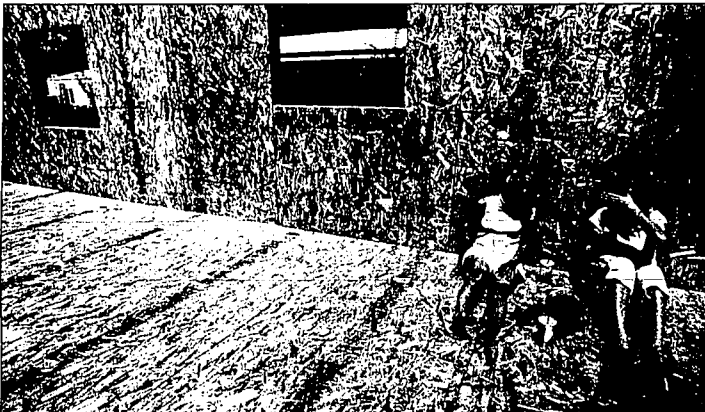
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Building leadership



Dawn Soto of Wells Fargo Bank, at left, and Tara Grover of Stevens Plorce share a laugh in the sun at a Habitat for Humanity construction site in Twin Falls. The women are participating in the Magic Valley Adult Leadership program, which toured a number of nonprofit organizations Thursday as part of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Social Service Day.

Volunteering teaches business people what makes the community tick

By Bob Kirkpatrick
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sweat rolled down foreheads and jokes rolled out tongues as a crew of willing — but inexperienced — construction workers attempted to frame a wall.

Two hours' labor probably didn't develop their carpentry skills much, but they did learn something about the value of volunteering.

More than 30 Magic Valley businessmen and women put down their pens and calculators and picked up hammers and cordless screwdrivers, while braving the scorching heat Thursday afternoon, to lend a helping hand on a Habitat for Humanity home-building project.

It was one of several scheduled stops along a tour of nonprofit organizations that members of the Magic Valley Adult Leadership program made as part of the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Social Service Day.

"I think it's awesome that so many people showed up," said Linda Fleming, administrative assistant for Habitat for Humanity. "I hope the stature of the community-minded people here will help get others involved in our program."

The group kicked off the tour with breakfast at 7:30 a.m. at the Twin Falls Boys and Girls Club.

After listening to several speakers from the Rotary, Optimist, Kiwanis and Lions clubs discuss the role of community leadership, the group set out for a visit to the Humane Society. The day's tour also included stops at the senior citizens center and the Valley House homeless shelter.

Shawn Barigar, the chamber's president and chief executive, said the Social Service Day is more than a glorified field trip — it is designed to give business leaders a taste of what's going on in the

community and to build relationships with the more than 30 members who are participating.

"People who go through the program learn the many different aspects of what makes the community tick," Barigar said. "I grew up in Buhl, and I thought I knew everything there was to know about our business community, but that wasn't the case. I learned so much in leadership."

Barigar said he has known several others who have lived in Magic Valley all of their lives and didn't know certain businesses existed in the community.

"The Magic Valley Adult Leadership's 21 years, more than 700 members have successfully completed the two-year program, designed to expand the role of business professionals in the valley by improving communication and problem-solving skills. The program also teaches members how to establish networking contacts."

Mike Pohanka of Idaho Power Co., this year's co-chairman of Magic Valley Adult Leadership, offered his viewpoint of the program.

"The leadership program allows us the opportunity to understand the inter-workings of government agencies, the banking industry and many other businesses in the Magic Valley," Pohanka said. "Today's Social Service Day gives us a chance to physically do what we've been planning all year."

Pohanka said he couldn't think of a better way to volunteer his services to the community than to help build a house with Habitat for Humanity. He said, however, that the most rewarding part of the adult leadership program was "meeting

Magic Valley Adult Leadership program

- Members must own or work for a business that belongs to the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.
- The two-year program teaches members about the role of community leadership.
- The program runs September to June each year.
- Cost of the program is \$700 per person.



Lisa Wagner of Idaho State University drives a nail into the floor of an unfinished Habitat for Humanity home Thursday in Twin Falls as part of the Magic Valley Adult Leadership training.

new people and learning about their business and personal aspirations."

For information on the chamber's adult-leadership program, contact Bob Pyle, membership coordinator of the Twin Falls chamber, at 733-3974.

Times-News business writer Bob Kirkpatrick can be reached at 735-3376 or by e-mail at birkpatrick@magicvalley.com.

Atlanta runway could fix delays across U.S.

By Daniel Yee
Associated Press writer

ATLANTA — As a business traveler who flies 100,000 miles a year on Delta Air Lines, Jay Spencer is used to flying through the world's busiest hub at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

"As a result, he's very familiar with the airport's notorious delays — anything, he says, lasting from 15 minutes to three hours.

"They say you don't go to heaven or hell without flying through Atlanta," said the 45-year-old real estate investor from Salt Lake City.

Thanks to a new 9,000-foot runway scheduled to open in Atlanta on May 27, the airport's officials are pledging to cut those delays in half, which also could reduce the number of delays throughout a cross-air transportation network in the United States and possibly around the world.

That's because no other airport in the world handles more passengers.

Nearly 86 million people pass through the Atlanta airport each year on more than 980,000 flights — one taking off or landing about every 30 seconds. They fly direct to 157 cities in the U.S. and 65 others in 43 different countries.

The runway is part of a major overhaul at the airport that also includes the tallest air traffic control tower in North America, standing 318 feet and an "end-around" taxiway — the first of its kind in the country — that will help keep arriving flights from being delayed by having to wait to cross busy runways before reaching their gates.

The airport's new fifth runway and a new runway monitor system will help it bring in three different streams of planes at the same time, even during foul weather. The reduced delays should reduce operating costs for airlines by an estimated total of \$5 million a week, said Ben DeCosta, the airport's general manager.

Air traffic has gotten so congested at the Atlanta airport that a quarter of all scheduled flights are delayed — ranking fourth worst among the nation's major airports, according to federal Bureau of Transportation statistics.

Runway to cut delays by half

MORE RUNWAY: Airport officials say a new 9,000-foot, \$1.284-billion runway that will open on May 27 will help to reduce delays by half and save airlines a total of \$5 million a week.

LESS DELAYS: Analysts say the runway will provide some help in reducing delays, but a greater problem is upgrading the nation's air traffic control equipment and maintaining proper staffing. Passengers say nothing can be done to offset the weather, which is responsible for most of Atlanta's delays.

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Apple's retail strategy pays off

By May Wong Associated Press writer

When Apple Computer Inc. opens its newest store today on the same New York shopping strip as Prada, Tiffany & Co. and Saks Fifth Avenue...

...the attraction is Apple itself. The company, with its Macintosh computers and iPod music players...

2005, making it one of the fastest growing retailers in the world, according to Retail Forward, an Ohio-based consulting...

helped Cupertino, Calif.-based Apple reach a record of nearly \$14 billion in revenue last year.

Bernanke: Housing market should have a 'safe landing'

By Jeannine Aversa Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The housing market, after flying high for five years, has lost altitude and appears headed for a safe landing, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke said Thursday.

Many economists predict growth will moderate to around 3 percent in the April-to-June quarter, still a good pace.

Unemployment claims rise sharply

By Jeannine Aversa Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of new people signing up for jobs benefits rose sharply last week mainly due to the lingering effects of a partial government shutdown in April...

...the total number of people continuing to collect unemployment benefits went up by 8,000 to 2.389 million for the week ending May 6...

prices are more likely to ignite worrisome inflation. If policymakers think slower growth is the more probable course, then a pause would be favored.

After a government report recorded Wednesday showed consumer prices holding steady in April, many economists said the odds are now increasing that the Fed will bump up rates again at its next meeting, June 28-29.

Some economists believe the odds are growing that the Fed will bump up rates again at its next meeting, June 28-29.

What's more, saying you shouldn't make these loans. What we're saying is that they be done the right way.

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Stocks slide in late-day sell-off

By Christopher Wang Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Wall Street extended its losses Thursday, a day after an inflation report sent the Dow Jones industrial average on its biggest one-day drop in three years and put the Nasdaq composite index in the red for 2006.

A fresh rise in oil prices added to Wall Street's inflation troubles and overshadowed a recovery in the bond market after a stabilizing U.S. dollar after its recent tumble against the Japanese yen.

According to preliminary calculations, the Dow dropped 77.32, or 0.65 percent, to 11,121.23.

On Wednesday, the Dow had its worst session since sinking 307.97 points on March 24, 2003. Broader stock indicators also declined.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index lost 8.51, or 0.67 percent, to 1,611.41, and the Russell 2000 index lost 15.48, or 0.7 percent, to 2,180.32.

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"We're here," Prados said. "We're a team player." Kraft Human Relations Manager Pablo Pinyero told the group the company had a contract on site and was providing counseling services to employees and their spouses.

The expressed appreciation for the community stepping quickly to the plate and said he was looking forward to working with the leaders to get through the transition.

Weekly team meetings are planned for the group to help facilitate effective communication. Rupert's Economic Development Director Sheri Miles was chosen to act as liaison with the several entities in attendance.

"This closure is more complicated than some because of the effort we will have to do to cut budget and fix our wastewater treatment center," said Jan Rupert, Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization director.

There was some talk about squelching rumors concerning the closure with severer plant improvements and tie hikes, but the group was not citing a press release issued by Kraft, said the decision was based on "the company's ef-

orts to ensure that its asset base is being used as efficiently as possible" and not a reflection on the employee efforts, nor on the community.

While a study of the network of plants making products similar to those made in Rupert has been underway for several months, the decision to close this plant was only made last Friday," Penu said.

Councilman Robert Christensen said that while the community may believe rumors that the plant closed because of the severer plant efforts.

"It's a tendency for people to want to blame blame," Rogers said in answer to Christensen's concerns. "Kraft has said again and again that this is a business decision based on their market."

After nearly two hours of discussion, the team agreed they should meet on a weekly basis with two goals in mind — first, to coordinate and help the way to market the Kraft facility and second, to move forward with a positive attitude.

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House votes to keep offshore oil, natural gas drilling prohibitions

By H. Josef Hebert
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The House rejected an attempt late Thursday to end a quarter-century ban on oil and natural gas drilling in 85 percent of the country's coastal waters despite arguments that the new supplies are needed to lower energy costs.

Lawmakers from Florida and California led the fight to maintain the long-standing drilling moratorium, contending that energy development as close as three miles from shore would jeopardize multibillion-dollar tourism industries.

"It's a grievous assault on Florida and other (coastal) states," said Rep. Adam Pataki, R-Fla., of attempts to end the drilling prohibitions that Congress first imposed in 1981 and

has reaffirmed every year since. The moratorium bans oil and gas development in virtually all coastal waters outside the western Gulf of Mexico, where most of the country's offshore oil and gas wells are concentrated.

A measure, offered by Putnam and Rep. Lois Capps, D-Calif., to continue the prohibition on drilling for natural gas — which some lawmakers argued was less of an environmental threat than oil — was approved 217-203 and inserted into a \$25.9 billion Interior Department spending bill.

Earlier, the House, by a 279-141 vote, rejected an attempt by Rep. Ted Poe, R-Texas, to lift the long-standing moratorium as it applies to oil drilling.

The offshore drilling issue dominated much of the debate over the Interior spending legislation. The overall bill was approved 293-128 and sent to the Senate.

Rep. John Peterson, R-Pa., argued that developing the offshore gas resources would produce none of the environmental risks — mainly the threat of a spill — associated with oil drilling. He won a victory when the drilling ban as it applies to natural gas was stripped from the Interior bill in committee.

"This country has an energy crisis," said Peterson, arguing that access to supplies of gas beneath the waters of the country's outer continental shelf will help drive down the cost of the fuel used widely by industry and for home heating.

"This is about the economy of America," said Peterson, noting that the chemical industry and makers of fertilizer as well as other industries are talking of moving operations overseas be-

cause of high U.S. natural gas prices.

But lawmakers from Florida, California and other coastal states attacked the attempt to end a 25-year prohibition. They said an oil spill could devastate their states' economies, especially tourism.

"Drilling for natural gas means drilling for oil," argued Capps, citing industry views that where there is gas, often oil is found and probably would be developed. "Drilling three miles off our coast will not lower gas prices today or anytime in the near future."

Peterson insisted that lifting the congressional moratorium wouldn't mean drilling right away. A separate drilling ban on offshore areas outside the western Gulf would not be affected by the congressional action, he said.

FBI searches for Hoffa's remains on horse farm

By Tom Kishner
Associated Press writer

MILFORD TOWNSHIP, Mich. — In one of the most intensive searches for Jimmy Hoffa in decades, the FBI summoned archaeologists and anthropologists and brought in heavy equipment to scour a horse farm Thursday for the body of the former Teamsters boss who vanished in 1975.

Daniel Roberts, agent in charge of the Detroit FBI field office, would not disclose what led agents to the farm, but said: "This is probably a fairly credible lead. You can gather that from the number of people out here."

No trace of Hoffa has ever been found, and no one has ever been charged in the case. But investigators have long suspected that he was killed by the mob to keep him from reclaiming the Teamsters presidency after he got out of prison for corruption.

The farm, just outside Detroit, used to be owned by a Teamsters official. And mob figures used to meet at a barn there before Hoffa's disappearance, authorities said.

Investigators began combing the area Wednesday, and the search continued Thursday and included the use of heavy construction equipment. Roberts said it would probably involve the removal of a barn.

Authorities also led cadaver dogs across the property, and the FBI called in anthropologists and archaeologists from Michigan State University.

Roberts said he expects the



Workers dig near a barn at a farm in Milford Township, Mich., where FBI agents were investigating Jimmy Hoffa's disappearance for a second day Thursday.

search to go on for at least a couple of weeks.

Hoffa was last seen on a night he was to have dinner at a restaurant about 20 miles from the farm. He was supposed to meet with a New Jersey Teamsters boss and a Detroit Mafia captain, both now dead.

Over the years, Hoffa's disappearance spawned endless theories — that he was entombed in concrete at Giants Stadium in the New Jersey Meadowlands; that he was ground up and thrown to the fishes in a Florida swamp; that he was obliterated in a mob-owned fat-rendering plant that has since burned down.

Child-killer gets 30 years in prison for gun offense

The Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Lionel Tate, the teenager who got a second chance after he beat and stomped a 6-year-old girl to death, was sent back to prison for 30 years Thursday for gun possession.

In plain English, Lionel Tate, you've run out of chances. You do not get any more." Circuit Judge Joel E. Lazarus told Tate, who smirked as he was led off to jail in shackles.

Tate, now 19, was convicted of beating Tiffany Enrick to death in 1999, when he was 12, claiming he accidentally killed the girl while imitating pro-wrestling moves he had seen on television. He became the youngest person in modern U.S. history to receive a life sentence.

His murder conviction was overturned in 2004 by an appeals court that said it was not clear Tate understood the charges.

He was freed under a deal in which he pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and was sentenced to 10 years' probation.

On Thursday, he was back in court over the holdup of a pizza deliveryman last May.

In a deal with prosecutors, Tate had faced 10 to 30 years in prison after pleading guilty to robbery and violating his probation by having a gun. On Thursday, the judge let him withdraw his guilty plea in the

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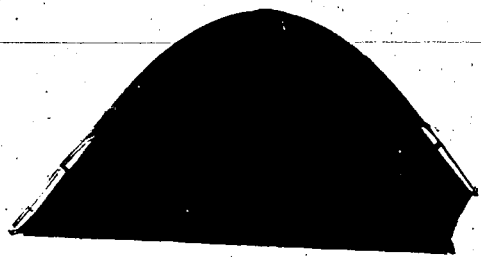
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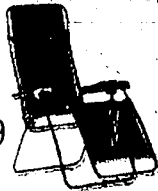
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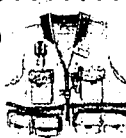
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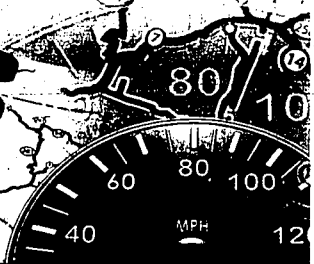


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2006 VOLKSWAGEN NEW GTI HATCHBACK

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Synthetic oil worth the cost?

Q. It seems every automobile magazine I read has a handful of ads promoting the merits of synthetic motor oil. Is this stuff really worth the price? What does it do that regular motor oil doesn't? I've got a BMW, a Suburban and a ski boat. Which, if any of these, would you recommend using the synthetic oil in?
—Doug Mosler
Waynesboro, Va.



UNDER THE HOOD
Brad Berghold

A. There's no question synthetic motor oil does a better job in many ways than petroleum (conventional) oil, but the high cost is a tough pill to swallow. What are the benefits? Synthetic motor oil flows better when cold, reducing friction. It resists thinning at a high temperature, which provides greater protection. Synthetic motor oil is also less likely to boil off, develop sludge and deposits, and can provide a slight improvement in fuel economy and engine power.

Should you use a synthetic lubricant? Sure, if you're OK with the price. With a quart of synthetic motor oil running \$4 to \$7 per quart, compared to \$1 to \$2 for conventional oil, this can add up to a several-hundred-dollar difference over 100,000 miles. Will you save this much in engine repairs or extended lifespan by using synthetic oil? It depends. Conventional oils do such a good job — under normal conditions — it's unlikely a well-maintained engine will encounter a lubrication-related failure in 100,000 miles. But engines that work hard, or are designed for high-performance cars, stress conventional oil to the limit, increasing the chance of premature wear or component failure.

Can you fudge more miles between oil changes with synthetic oil? It depends. Most oil companies tell you the protective additives in synthetic oil can be depleted, just the same as conventional oil, and it's also subject to contamination. Red Line Products, a maker of premium quality synthetic products, calls for a 10,000- to 18,000-mile change interval, or one year.

How about using full-synthetic oil in the BMW (its sweet engine deserves it), a synthetic blend for the Suburban (because of its moderate towing duty) and the boat (which is tough on oil also). Blends are moderately priced and offer some of the benefits of full-synthetic oil. For an ordinary vehicle that you might not keep forever, a brand-name 10W-30 conventional oil should do nicely.

RoadWorthy!
By Ken Chester, Jr.
Motor News Media Corporation

The goal for Volkswagen's designers and engineers was to create a dynamic all-new GTI that was completely modern, yet still pure to the Volkswagen original vision of a hot hatchback. The result is the all-new fifth-generation GTI hatchback. The "Mark 5" edition as it is known by company insiders and true GTI enthusiasts alike continues the automaker's reputation of providing affordable German engineering with unique European styling and high-value equipment levels.

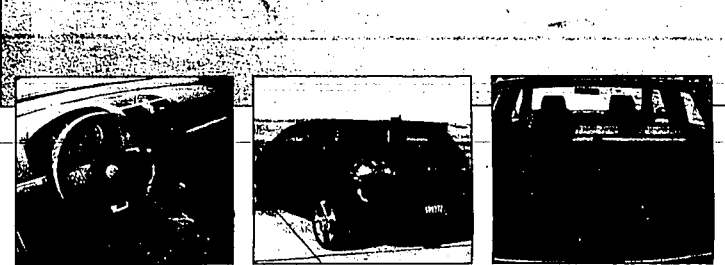
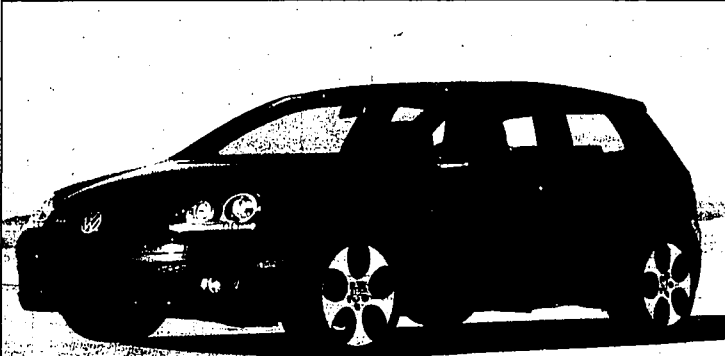
The new GTI was launched in 2005 in Germany to rave reviews and critical acclaim across much of Europe. At the core of all this modern goodness is the automaker's high-tech 2.0T FSI turbocharged four-cylinder engine mated to a six-speed manual transmission. A unique automated six-speed manual DSG transmission with Tiptronic is an available option.

The DSG gearbox utilizes direct shifting which essentially automatically depresses clutch-shift points more efficiently and quicker than even a professional driver can.

Based on the all-new fifth generation Golf platform, the GTI is built in Wolfsburg, Germany — home of Volkswagen and the automaker's high-tech production processes. The new GTI boasts dramatic improvements in dynamic and torsional rigidity over its already solid predecessor — 15 percent and 35 percent. Greater use of high-strength body panels, advanced laser-welding systems and elaborate laser-welding check points assure world class fit, finish and body integrity.

On the road, the GTI is very much precisely responsive, willing to go very fast. The driver enjoys a superior outward view of the roadway — man and machine perform as one within a few short miles. The GTI features solid bank vault body integrity that inspires confidence at speed.

GTI's independent McPherson strut front architecture is enhanced by a number of revisions including a new strut-type axle that aids in creating a more direct steering ratio; higher transversal axle rigidity; and a lowered tendency to exhibit body roll on tight turns. This new architecture also uses separate mountings of springs and dampers and allows for im-



The 2006 Volkswagen GTI — "precisely responsive, willing to go very fast"

2006 Volkswagen GTI by the Numbers

Wheelsbase: 101.5; overall length: 165.8; width: 69.3; height: 58.4 — measurements in inches.
Engine: 2.0L four-cylinder FSI turbo — 200 hp at 5,100-6,000 rpm and 207 lb-ft of torque at 1,800-5,000 rpm.
Transmission: six-speed manual, six-speed DSG automatic with Tiptronic.
EPA fuel economy: 23 city/32 hwy. (manual); 25 city/31 hwy. (automatic).
Cargo volume: 15.1 cu. ft.

Price — The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2006 Volkswagen New GTI hatchback starts from \$21,990 for the six-speed manual and \$23,065 for the DSG automatic. Destination charges add \$620.

Safety features: Dual front airbags, front seat-mounted side-impact airbags, side curtain protection, high-intensity discharge (HID) headlights, fog lights, alarm system, automatic power door locks, remote keyless entry, four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock, electronic brake force distribution, hydraulic brake assistant, anti-

invasive side door beams, anti-dip regulation, electronic differential lock, engine braking assist and electronic stabilization program.
Warranty: Basic: 4-year/50,000 mile, limited. Powertrain: 5-year/80,000 mile. Corrosion: 12-year/unlimited. Roadside assistance: 4-year/unlimited.

Inside the cabin, the German automaker filled the GTI with many surprises and delights. An excellent manual adjusting dri-

ver's seat tops many of the power seats around. Displays and controls are the best in the industry for placement and presentation. A comfortable flip-up armrest only adds to the driver's comfort. GTI-exclusive interior treatments include special alloy

providing lower wishbones mounting points and the use of twin-sleeve shock absorbers. At the rear, the GTI comes equipped with an advanced multi-link independent rear suspension for the first time. The fully independent four-link suspension includes coil springs,

telescopic shocks and a stabilizer bar, allowing for more interior space while improving the balance of sporty driving dynamics and ride sophistication.

accents throughout the cabin, from the interior door sills and handles to the pedals. Sporty brushed-metal accents also surround the HVAC controls and audio system while the instrument panel gauges are black with the metal surrounds.

The steering wheel features audio and trip computer controls as well as tilt and telescopic adjustments for optimal driving positioning. The front seats feature ample bolsters for the demands of more spirited driving, with adjustable lumbar supports in both front seats.

Rear seat passengers enjoy a hospitable environment as well. Volkswagen's Easy Entry System allows rear occupants more entry space when the front seats are recessed. The 60/40 rear seat has a novel two-step design that increases the utility of the deep, square and roomy cargo area. It is also equipped with a trunk-mounted powerpoint for the use of portable electronic devices.

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The bidding:

South West North East

1 ♣ Pass 2 ♣ Pass

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♠ K J 2 ♡ J 7 ♦ 10 2 ♣ K Q 10 7 2

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