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Cities feel pressure of water ruling too

By Michelle Danlop
Times-News writer

JEROME — It could wipe away nearly one-third of Jerome's tax base. The city of Wendell wouldn't function. Gardens and lawns in cities around Magic Valley would simply disappear. And so might businesses.

Some say it's Chicken Little's "the sky is falling" scenario, but not Travis Rothweller, Jerome city administrator.

"Our strategy is, should the worst happen, we want to be able to respond to it," he said.

Rothweller and representatives from other cities in the region have been discussing the potential effects of water shortages along the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer.

In the past few years, surface water users have asked the director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources to shut down groundwater pumping to deliver the senior users' full water rights. Just last irrigation season alone, the director determined that the Twin Falls Canal Co. ran short of water to the tune of 152,200 acre feet of water, enough to cover that many acres one-foot deep in water. The uncertainty felt by groundwater users — including farmers, dairymen and city water users — only increased recently when a district court judge voided the rules that guide how the state manages ground and surface water jointly.

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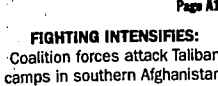
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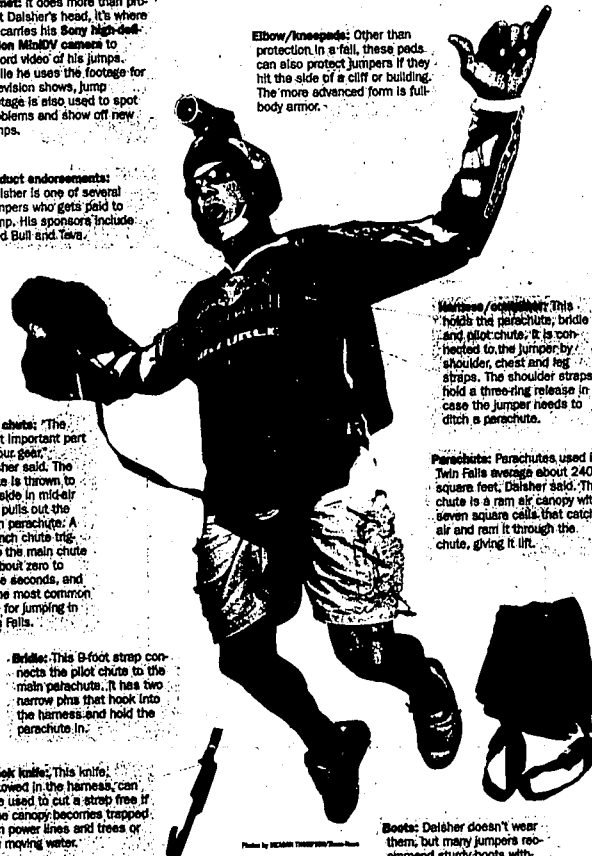
BASE JUMPING RUSH & RISK

Local jumper Miles Daisler uses this equipment when he goes jumping:

Helmet: It does more than protect Daisler's head, it's where he carries his Sony high-definition Hi8DV camera to record video of his jumps. While he uses the footage for television shows, jump footage is also used to spot problems and show off new jumps.

Product endorsements: Daisler is one of several jumpers who gets paid to jump. His sponsors include Red Bull and Teva.

Elbow/kneepads: Other than protection in a fall, these pads can also protect jumpers if they hit the side of a cliff or building. The more advanced form is full-body armor.



Pilot chute: The most important part of your gear, Daisler said. The chute is thrown to the side in mid-air and pulls out the main parachute. A 42-inch chute triggers the main chute in about zero to three seconds, and is the most common size for jumping in Twin Falls.

Rigging: This 8-foot strap connects the pilot chute to the main parachute. It has two narrow pins that hook into the harness and hold the parachute in.

Hook knife: This knife, stowed in the harness, can be used to cut a strap free if the canopy becomes trapped on power lines and trees or in moving water.

Harness/equipment: This holds the parachute, bridle and pilot chute. It is connected to the jumper by shoulder, chest and leg straps. The shoulder straps hold a three-ring release in case the jumper needs to ditch a parachute.

Parachute: Parachutes used in Twin Falls average about 240 square feet, Daisler said. The chute is a ram air canopy with seven square cells that catch air and rent it through the chute, giving it lift.

Boots: Daisler doesn't wear them, but many jumpers recommend sturdy boots without hooks that could catch on lines and equipment.

Serious impact

BASE jumper Jason Cooper was going about 110 mph when he hit the ground beneath the Perrine Bridge May 26. Somehow, he lived.

By Nita Poppo
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In the 466 feet from the Perrine Bridge to the Snake River, a human body can reach speeds up to 120 mph.

The plunge creates quite a rush for BASE jumpers — until something goes wrong. Ask Jason Cooper. On May 26, the 29-year-old Canadian plunged from the bridge, his parachute streaming unopened behind him.

He hit the Snake River at about 90 to 110 mph, by his

calculations. He suffered a broken scapula, half a dozen broken ribs, four fractured vertebrae and one punctured lung.

His injuries required two weeks of treatment in three hospitals. But he is expected to fully recover, and to jump again.

What saved him was a combination of luck — he landed on the muddy edge of the river — and foresight — he was wearing body armor that helped absorb the impact.

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Math teacher Luke Miller laughs along with his class as he works math problems on the overhead projector, adorned with a small American flag, in his classroom at West Junior High School in Boise on June 8. Miller is a reservist with the Idaho National Guard and recently returned from serving in Iraq.

Veterans prized as teachers

By Jesse Harlan Alderman
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Within a year, Luke Miller went from raiding insurgent strongholds in Iraq's volatile Anbar province to preparing final exams for his 7th and 6th grade students.

"The focus of the military is mission accomplishment and that translates to teaching in so many ways."

— Luke Miller, teacher, veteran
After a roadside bomb struck a tank in his unit, Miller, 26, rescued three wounded soldiers. He was awarded the prestigious Military Vanguard Award and a Bronze Star. He now spends his days teaching pre-algebra classes at West Junior High School in Boise, though he recently began his summer break.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Lots of sunshine and very tawny temperatures for Father's Day. Highs, upper 80s.
Tonight: Mostly clear skies and quiet weather conditions. Lows, mid 50s.
Tomorrow: Not quite as warm, but still very pleasant with a low scattered clouds. Highs, upper 70s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Very warm to hot and sunny for Father's Day. Highs near 90.
Tonight: Clear and quiet. Lows, lower 50s.
Tomorrow: Cooler, more comfortable temperatures. Highs, mid to upper 70s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High/Low).

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Weather statistics including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Moonrise and Moonset.

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BOISE Today Highs: 87 to 92; Lows: 29 to 40. Mother Nature will crank up the heat today as high pressure stays overhead. A weak front coming through Monday will cool our temperatures again, but precipitation is not expected.

NORTHERN UTAH Other than a slight chance for an isolated thunderstorm on Monday, the next couple of days will be warm with mostly sunny skies. Includes a map of Northern Utah.

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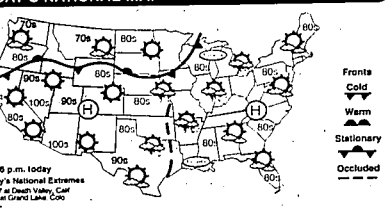
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'Doctor Jekyll, No Place to Hide' comedy presentation by the Snake River Community Players, 7:30 p.m., Wendell High School Auditorium, 750 E. Main in Wendell, \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens and children 12 and under and \$25 for families, call 536-2100.

'Captain Noah's Traveling Zoo,' a musical for the whole family, 2 p.m., Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls, \$10 for adults, \$5 for youth 13-18 and no cost for younger children, call 737-4667.

CHURCH EVENTS Jazz Mazza, a morning of live jazz, the next of the evening Father's Day, 10 a.m., the Episcopal Church of the Ascension in Twin Falls, 371 Eastland Drive N., no cost, call 733-1248.

FESTIVALS Buhl Centennial 2006 Summer Concert Series, featuring musical group the Clumsy Lovers and a potluck picnic in the park (beverages provided), 1 to 3 p.m., Alta Gannon Stage in McClusky Park in Buhl, no cost, call 643-6682.

HOME AND GARDEN The 2006 Parade of Homes, showcasing 28 properties in Kimberly, Jerome, Buhl and Twin Falls, 1 to 5 p.m., no cost, call 736-8991.

Correction Wrong name published for Montanus' musical A story Friday gave the incorrect title for Jim Montanus' musical play being performed at Roper.

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Jumping

Continued from page A1 In a series of e-mails, Jason and his twin brother, Michael, described to the Times-News what happened that day. The descriptions are remarkably unemotional. As Jason Cooper plunged to what should have been his death, his life didn't flash before his eyes. He didn't panic or black out. Instead, he calmly tried to fix his chute and then prepared himself for impact.

The day of the jump had started off well enough. It was Memorial Day weekend, and the bridge was packed with jumpers raising money for Twin Falls Junior paramedic center. The evening of May 26, a Friday, Jason and Michael were preparing for a five-person jump off the Perrine Bridge.

The Coopers would be left and right of center in the jump. Their pilot chutes were in the hands of the center jumper, Nick Riggs, who would release the chutes for them. That would be after Riggs completed a "roll-over" in which his parachute was already unpacked and he jumped out and over it, letting the air catch it and pull him up in an arc.

Problems developed immediately. "The exit went poorly, resulting in the center jumper going low, extracting our canopies too early and putting me in a barrel roll," Jason said. "Still, he thought he could correct it."

"I felt myself being pulled over, but relaxed," he said. "I've seen jumpers accidentally deploy on their backs and it can work out. By two or three seconds in, I realized it wasn't going to work and started trying to free anything that was tangled on my body."

By this time, he was falling at a speed approaching 100 mph.

"I watched over my shoulder to see how close the ground was," he said. "When I felt that my best option was to get ready for impact, about half a second before I hit, I rolled out on my back, something I had decided, in advance, would be the best bet in that situation."

When I felt that my best option was to get ready for impact ... I rolled onto my back ... — Jason Cooper

Meanwhile, his twin Michael was floating above him watching helplessly as his brother plunged to certain death. Again, his mind recorded the facts but held at bay the emotion.

"When my canopy opened, I immediately saw Jason and his canopy hurtling away from me toward the river," he said. "There was a moment of watching this, and then a big splash when he hit. The whole time he was falling, I think I was waiting to see if things got better. When he hit, I knew time had just run out."

Michael landed 10 seconds later, and ran to his brother's aid.

"I didn't seem to have a lot of time to think," Jason just went in. "I was aware of this on a basic level, but there wasn't time to get emotional about it," he said. "I noticed relevant pieces of information. His head was above water, face-up. It was breathing shallow and making noises with each breath. I wasn't so much relieved by this information as I was simply informed. I ran over to him and stabilized his head and neck, and asked him how he felt, where it hurt ... Can you move your fingers and toes?"

Although Jason never lost consciousness, he does not remember hitting the water. After rolling on his back, his next memory is of arms supporting him.

The emotions of the moment came later in the intensive care unit at Saint Alphonsus in Boise.

"Sitting in the waiting room, I thought it occurred to me for the first time that night that Jason might actually live," Michael said. "It was probably the first time I really dared to hope for it, but that brought with it the fear that he might not live ... I think now that's the way it is — what

Doctors and jumpers examine sport's safety

By Nate Poppo Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Accidents such as Jason Cooper's attract perhaps the most attention to BASE jumping. But are they the norm? Dr. Paul Workman of Twin Falls intends to find out.

Cooper's accident and the other incidents over the Memorial Day weekend upset Workman.

"The (paramedics) made five or six trips on Sunday at six grand a pop," he said. "I don't mind if people are stupid, but I don't understand why that has to inconvenience me."

He shared his feelings with fellow physician Cheri Williams and her husband, Tom Aiello, who teaches BASE jumping through the Snake River BASE Academy. The three decided to write a paper on the sport when a medical journal search turned up nothing.

"We got kind of thinking and talking about how many people have jumped off the bridge and how many injuries there were," Workman said. "If there were only a few mortalities after so many thousands of jumps, it must be safe."

Now Workman is preparing to comb through 90 medical charts, searching for data to help answer such questions as how severe injuries are, how many jumps injured jumpers have made and whether injured jumpers are insured.

Meanwhile, Williams and Aiello are contacting causes us the greatest stress is to hope for something other than which we have no control. Both men say they will jump again. "Every BASE jumper needs to be prepared, as much as they can be, for the

jumpers, both in person and online, to find out when the injured stayed in the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and search for their charts.

The three have a huge pool to draw from. The boat service operated by Don Mayes has carried about 50,000 jumpers in the past six or seven years, Aiello said. Combine that with anywhere from six to 10 jumps a day from each

Wiggins said she thinks the results will support the argument of most jumpers that serious accidents are extremely rare.

"My experience is we're going to see that most accidents are sprained ankles, she said.

The question of insurance may be the most important to Workman, but both Wiggins and Aiello said it's not an issue. Most jumpers have steady, well-paying jobs and insurance, they said, and those who don't are responsible for any injuries. Cooper, for example, was insured through a company that offers travel insurance and specifically covers BASE jumping.

"I don't think there's yet an accident in Twin Falls in which someone was uninjured and left (without paying)," Aiello said. "It's not like the county's having to foot a big bill."

eventuality that they will lose friends to the sport," Michael said. "That said, I think this is one of those things where it's one thing to be prepared, and a whole other thing to experience it."

For more

To read full interviews with Michael and Jason Cooper, including why they BASE jump, visit http://www.magicvalley.com/misc/permaarch/Poppo.Intervie w.pdf

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L.A. awaits elusive alligator's awakening from hibernation

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Who's the biggest? The elusive alligator who became the hero of song, shirt and short story hasn't been seen since the fall, but officials are ready to try more trapping efforts in the reeds around an urban lake. Eight wranglers have failed

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AROUND THE WORLD

Coalition forces attack Taliban camps in southern Afghanistan, killing 45

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Afghan and coalition troops killed about 45 insurgents in attacks on Taliban camps in southern Afghanistan as U.S.-led forces pressed on with their largest offensive since 2001, military officials said Saturday. A total of about 85 suspected militants have been killed in the past week as some 10,000 U.S.-led troops spread out over four southern provinces in the campaign dubbed Operation

Mountain Thrust aimed at quelling a Taliban resurgence. An estimated 40 fighters were killed Friday when coalition forces surprised militants as they gathered at a camp in Khod Valley, part of Shuhid Hassas district of Uruzgan province, the military said. "Coalition forces have delivered a quick and severe blow to the enemy today," said spokesman Lt. Col. Paul Fitzpatrick.

Among those killed were financiers, members of a bomb-making cell, and leaders in the area responsible for attacks against Afghan civilians and the army, the military said. Afghan and coalition forces also raided a Taliban compound near Tirin Kot, the capital of Uruzgan, killing five insurgents, the military said. Troops also seized about eight pounds of opium. One U.S. soldier was wound-

ed in the raid. He was later listed in stable condition. Two coalition soldiers were killed Friday in eastern Kunar province by a roadside bomb as they conducted a security sweep of the area, the military said. The soldiers' nationalities were not released. Earlier this week, coalition forces said they killed an estimated 40 militants in a remote, mountainous area of southeastern Paktika province in

operations supporting Mountain Thrust. One coalition member was wounded. Afghan soldiers, along with American, Canadian and British troops, are spreading out over the provinces of Helmand, Uruzgan, Kandahar and Zabul to hunt down Taliban fighters blamed for a recent surge in ambushes and bombings. The offensive, which began with limited raids in mid-May,

rolled out in earnest this week over of military control to NATO forces; later this summer. More than 500 people have been killed in the past month as insurgents stepped up attacks against coalition and Afghan troops, particularly the south, in the bloodiest campaign since 2001 when the country's Taliban rulers were ousted by U.S.-led forces.

IRAQ

Insurgent blasts kill at least 27 in Baghdad

BAGHDAD — Insurgents fanned heightened security in Baghdad and killed more than two dozen people Saturday after an al-Qaida threat to avenge the death of Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, dealing a blow to the Iraqi government's pledge to bring peace to the capital. Eleven more Iraqis, including four in Baghdad, died in shooting attacks across Iraq.

U.S. military searching for 2 missing soldiers

BAGHDAD — U.S. troops on Saturday searched for two soldiers missing after an attack that killed one of their comrades at a checkpoint in the so-called "Triangle of Death" south of Baghdad. U.S. Maj. Gen. William Caldwell said four raids had been carried out since Friday's attack and that ground forces, helicopters and airplanes were taking part in the search. He said a dive team also was going to search for the men, whose checkpoint was located by a Euphrates River canal near Yuossifiyah, 12 miles south of Baghdad.

RUSSIA

Chechen rebel leader slain by Russian police

GROZNY — Police killed the Chechen rebel leader Saturday acting on a tip from within his network, a possible blow to efforts to spread the increasingly Islam-inspired insurgency throughout southern Russia. Abdul-Khalim Sadulayev was shot during a raid on a hideout in his Chechen hometown of Argun, nine miles east of Grozny. He had been planning a terror attack in Argun to coincide with the Group of Eight summit of leading industrialized nations in St. Petersburg in mid-July, the Moscow-backed Chechen premier said.

CANADA

Ontario officials plan two new nuclear plants

TORONTO — Ontario officials have announced plans to build two nuclear reactors. In what would be the first new nuclear plant construction in North America in three decades, and refurbish several old ones. The decision made last week puts Canada at the leading edge of what the nuclear industry calls a "renaissance" of support for nuclear power by governments caught between soaring demand for electricity and commitments to lower the greenhouse gasses given off by coal and gas-driven power plants.

NORTH KOREA

North Korea might test long-range missile today

TOKYO — Japan's foreign minister and the U.S. envoy to Japan called North Korea's possible missile test a provocative action, a news report said Saturday. Foreign Minister Tarō Aso met Saturday with Ambassador Thomas Schieffer amid speculation the North may conduct a missile test soon, Kyodo News agency said. The Pentagon and South Korean media reports said North Korea loaded booster rockets onto a launch pad in preparation to test-fire a long-range missile that could reach as far as the U.S. mainland, with the launch expected as early as today.

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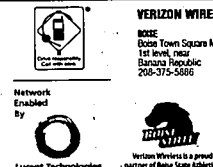
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WORLD

Mexican presidential candidate Lopez Obrador is not without his charms

By Hector Tobar
Los Angeles Times



Mexican presidential candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, of the Democratic Revolution Party, waves to the crowd at a campaign rally in the northern city of Torreon, Mexico, Thursday.

MEXICO CITY — The candidate has a certain sex appeal. Imagine a mestizo Bill Clinton: cappuccino-colored skin, a full head of white hair and a charismatic stage presence. Sometimes, his arrival at a campaign stop will provoke a scream from a woman who, a second later, realizes she's too old to be acting that way.

Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador is the candidate of the common man (and, clearly, of the common woman) in this year's presidential campaign. His critics call him an irresponsible populist who will ruin Mexico's precarious economic stability, but to millions of others, the 52-year-old standard-bearer for the leftist Democratic Revolution Party is hope incarnate, a warrior and father figure rolled into one.

He fought off impeachment as mayor of Mexico City, took care of the capital's "little grandmothers" with a monthly subsidy check and launched the most ambitious transportation projects in a traffic-choked capital in the generation. Now he's on a crusade to bring the most ambitious social and economic reforms Mexico has seen in decades.

As mayor, he drove a white Nissan Tsuru, the kind of unassuming vehicle favored here by penny-pinching office workers. Today, while his opponents charter jets, Lopez Obrador crisscrosses the country on commercial flights and in a caravan of white SUVs.

From the Indian villages near the Guatemalan border to the barries of Tijuana, he revels in oddities of local protocol. They give him silly belts to wear in Jalisco and crowns of pink roses in Chiapas, and he never hesitates to put them on. Very often, women line up near the front of his rallies wearing yellow T-shirts emblazoned with

In fact, Lopez Obrador's rough-and-tumble campaign has many Mexicans wondering exactly what kind of president he might be if were to win the election July 2.

Is he a demagogue in waiting? Or is he a democratic reformer who will finally earn the poor a seat at the table with the country's political elite?

Or will he simply continue to be Lopez Obrador, the son of a humble Tabasco family who's never quite shaken his provincial air, but who is widely acknowledged to be the most talented political fighter in Mexico?

Lopez Obrador was born in 1953, the oldest of eight children of a lower-middle-class family in the village of Tepetitlan, a place of slow-moving rivers where baseball, not soccer, is the favorite pastime.

"Back then, Tepetitlan had 600 people or so," Lopez Obrador recalled in a recent interview with filmmaker Luis Mandoki. "There was no high school, no roads. All the communication was by river. Tabasco is water. We have as much water as sky."

His parents ran a small store. Andres Manuel the child was as headstrong as Lopez Obrador the politician would grow up to be. Because he tensed up every time his parents found fault in his behavior, he earned the family nickname "The Rock."

The young Lopez Obrador's dream was to make it to baseball's major leagues, said Luis Alonso Torres, a childhood friend. "We weren't from rich families. Like every public-school student, he had to make a lot of sacrifices to continue his education."

In the 1960s, his family moved to the nearby oil-patch boomtown of Villahermosa, and he joined the party that dominated, at least in terms of Mexico's political life, the Revolutionary Institutional Party, known by its Spanish

initials, PRI. Lopez Obrador was a true believer in the PRI and even wrote the lyrics to the PRI's Tabasco anthem. But by 1988, he and other dissenters were accusing the party of betraying the poor and soon formed the new Democratic Revolution Party, or PRD.

Lopez Obrador became the PRD leader in Tabasco. In 1994, he ran for governor and lost to the PRI candidate, Roberto Madrazo. He denounced the result as a fraud and launched a protest campaign to force the federal government to overturn the result. It left him bloodied by police.

The fight in Tabasco helped propel Lopez Obrador to national prominence. Two years later, he was elected national president of the PRD. And in 2000, he won election as mayor of Mexico City.

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WORLD

Gypsy women confront Czechs with an ugly legacy of communist times

By Karol Janicki
Associated Press writer

OSTRAVA, Czech Republic — Just hours after her second child was born, 19-year-old Helena Ferencikova's joy was dashed. In the recovery room, she discovered that the paper she had signed, not knowing what it said, had allowed doctors to sterilize her.

The Vitkovicka hospital in the northeastern Czech Republic says further pregnancies might have killed her. But Ferencikova believes the reason was her ethnicity — Gypsy. Now a court ruling and a high-profile official inquiry have backed her up, and the country is facing to confront the charge that an abuse many thought had died with communism is still being practiced.

The uproar goes to the broader issue of entrenched European prejudice toward Gypsies, or Roma as they prefer to be called, especially in the former communist bloc, where most of the country's 7.3 million Gypsies are concentrated. The Czech ombudsman, Otakar Motel, began investigating allegations that Roma women and girls were being surgically sterilized after 10 of them approached him in September 2004. He said he received 87 complaints, nearly all filed by Roma.

"The ombudsman is convinced that in the Czech Republic, the problem of sexual sterilization — carried out either with an unacceptable motivation or illegally — exists and that Czech society faces the danger of coming to grips with this reality," Motel's 74-page report concludes.

In all the cases, "no consent for sterilization was given that would be free of error and fully unrestrained," he said. In all but one case he has in common, with no exception at all, "Under communism, which ended in 1989, sterilization was a semi-official tool to limit the population of Roma, and in all the cases here were seen as a burden on the state."

Today, doctors defend the procedure on medical grounds, saying it is recommended after a second abortion. In the Ferencikova case, the hospital said both her births had been Caesarean, her uterus was weak and another pregnancy could have ruptured it.

Motel's advocates counter that the women have a right to choose for themselves, that they are not properly told their options, and that the practice is rooted in racism.

"I'm convinced that the doctors and people who have stereotypes and prejudices against Roma and who don't consider patients to be their partners but mere subjects," Motel's deputy, Anna Sabatova, told The Associated Press.

Elena Gorolova, another Roma woman from Ostrava, 220 miles east of Prague, said she was about to give birth to her second son at a Roman section on Sept. 24, 1990, when she was handed a paper and told by the attending physician to sign it. "Sign this or you'll die — those were the words," she said.

Doctors "didn't bother to explain anything to me," said Gorolova, adding that she didn't learn what exactly had happened until a pediatrician visited her at home. "It was pretty sad to learn when you're 21 that you'll have no more children," she said. "What else was it other than racial discrimination against just the ones that didn't want Roma children to be born."

Gorolova and Ferencikova now belong to the Group of Women Harmed by Sterilization, an 18-month-old support group of three dozen members from the region who meet monthly. "They suppressed their feelings for years, and many of them haven't told their husbands about it for fear of breaking up their relationships," said Kumar Vashwanathan, head of the Ostrava-based Life Together association, which works to reconcile Czech society with

the country's estimated 200,000-250,000 Gypsies. The Czechs are not the only offenders. Savelina Danova of the Budapest-based European Roma Rights Center said in a telephone interview that scattered cases have been identified in Hungary, Bulgaria and Romania, but "nothing to compare to what happened in the Czech Republic or Slovakia," the two countries

that were Czechoslovakia until they split in 1993.

But while the Czech Republic's ombudsman has confronted the issue, head-on, Slovakia has been accused of ducking it.

Last year, it announced that a 2003 investigation had found no crime of genocide was committed in connection with sterilizations.

The Roma rights center

protested, saying it had never claimed genocide.

Ombudsman Motel says the law should mandate informed consent and give women seven days to weigh the consequences of sterilization.

The Health Ministry should publish a clear description of sterilization and its effects, and doctors should be more forthcoming with their patients, his report says.



Helena Ferencikova, 24, poses in Ostrava, Czech Republic, on Jan. 16. Dozens of Gypsy women, including Ferencikova, have been illegally sterilized — a practice that dates to communist times, yet is still carried out.

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MINI-CASSIA

Women's shelter marks anniversary Volunteers want to increase domestic violence awareness

By Jennifer Sandmann
Times-News correspondent

BURLEY — The local safe haven for victims of domestic violence has sheltered 10 families since opening in July. Establishing it was a coup for the volunteer effort led by individuals who saw an urgent need. They say much work remains.

The shelter has operated on grants and donations. It needs permanent funding. It needs office space and equipment. It needs landscaping and outdoor play equipment for children.

Most of all, a systematic approach to targeting domestic violence is needed in Minidoka and Cassia counties.

It has been rewarding to make progress, said Delores Brewerton, board president of the Mini-Cassia Shelter for Women and Children Inc. and a member of a local task force against domestic violence. The shelter is just the beginning.

"I think our main emphasis is on helping — education to help victims of domestic assault and violence," Brewerton said.

In 2004, there were 133 domestic violence cases reported in Cassia County and 71 in Minidoka County, Idaho State Police crime statistics show.

In the two counties, more than 1,000 cases were reported between 2000 and 2004. Statewide nearly 6,000 cases were documented during that five-year period.

Typically, only two out of eight domestic violence cases are reported to authorities, said Sgt. Dan Bristol, a Heyburn police officer who has carried the torch for domestic violence awareness.

Bristol helped start the Minidoka and Cassia Community Task Force Against Domestic Violence. The shelter is part of that effort and was established through community donations.

The shelter has been an asset to law-enforcement agencies, Bristol said. In the past, victims who needed a safe place to stay were sent to a Twin Falls shelter.

Some victims, particularly women with children, did not want to leave the area, he said.

Community education and support services are vital to targeting the roots of domestic violence, Bristol said. Other types of crimes often stem from an unstable home life.

"The community has been great as far as financial contributions, but we need volunteer contributions. We need people to help with this," he said.

Children who grow up in abusive family settings may experience violence as their definition of normal. Bristol has arrested men who were surprised to learn that it is illegal to hit their wives.

A small victims' advocate program exists, but more volunteers are needed, Bristol said.

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Police officers are not always available and in some cases victims won't contact police, he said.

Pamela Harris, the shelter's executive director and chairwoman of the task force, said the community backing to start the shelter has been wonderful.

"Both Minidoka and Cassia counties have been very supportive of us," she said.

Some success stories come to mind, she said.

Two individuals who stayed at the shelter have since earned high school equivalency diplomas and landed jobs.

They found the support to break away from partners who told them they couldn't amount to anything. It's exciting to hear them anticipate the future, Harris said.

Jennifer Sandmann can be reached by e-mail at local_mcnews@hotmail.com or by phone at 208-735-3233.

Burley man dedicated time, effort to his teaching career

By Trena Tegan
For the Times-News

BURLEY — Lee L. Glenn was very involved in education and enjoyed his teaching career in Mini-Cassia.

Lee passed away on April 14 in Anaheim, Calif., at the age of 78.

Lee was born March 17, 1928, to Leslie and Emma Glenn of Burley. He attended Burley High School and graduated with the class of 1946. While at Burley High he was a member of the Hi-Y Service Club. He also served as editor of the school newspaper, which was called the "Bur-Har."

"He often spoke fondly of Burley High and the many good times he had there," Kenneth McBride said. McBride was a close friend of Lee for many years and remained in contact with him, even after the two moved to different areas.

He worked at the Orpheum and Burley Theatre for many years, both while in high school and after graduation. He worked as manager of the Orpheum and very much enjoyed his job there.

Following graduation, he attended Albion State Normal School for a short time before transferring to Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

He had enjoyed being in school and planned to make education his career.

After receiving his teaching degree from BYU he went to work at the school in Oakley. He taught there for several years before transferring to the Overland School in Burley. After a year of teaching there, he moved to the position of principal, which he held for several years. He felt education was very important and stressed this belief to his students.

In the mid 1950s he moved to Concord, Calif. He resumed his teaching career



Lee and Helen Glenn

there and carried on this legacy for many years.

He met and married Helen Baker of Anaheim and they were together for 21 years prior to his death. He was the father of four daughters from a previous marriage and was stepfather to Helen's son and daughter.

"He was very happy living with Helen in Anaheim,"

McBride said. Teaching and working in education was the highlight of Lee Glenn's life. He enjoyed teaching and he enjoyed learning from those he taught.

Trena Tegan writes for the South Idaho Press in Burley. She can be reached at 677-8771.

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Float participants should wear their Relay For Life Survivor T-shirt if they have

one. Some shirts will be available for those who do not have one. For more information, call Tracy Haskin at 679-3713.

Historical society presents summer lecture series

BURLEY — The Cassia County Historical Society presents a summer lecture series.

Indians and Cassia County will be presented July 13. Keith Grone, an avid collector of Shoshone Indian artifacts will give a presentation and display his collection. Sharon Harleman Tandy, a quilt historian from Boise, will

give a presentation that helps quilt owners to accurately date their own quilts and properly preserve them. Those attending are invited to bring their own quilts and she will individually examine them.

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U.S. Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Herman Agnero is shown at his home in Burley on May 24. Agnero was a nuclear biological and chemical warfare specialist stationed in Okinawa, Japan, after serving in Desert Shield, Desert Storm and Somalia, when exorcising pain in his head laid him low.

Looking for answers

Marine living in Burley tries to recover from encephalitis

By Laurie Welch
For the Times-News

BURLEY — U.S. Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Herman Agnero was a nuclear biological and chemical warfare specialist stationed in Okinawa, Japan, after serving in Desert Shield, Desert Storm and Somalia, when exorcising pain in his head laid him low.

Unable to find a cause, the military base emergency room doctors sent Agnero home with pain medication. The headaches only worsened.

He began vomiting, the pain driving him to the emergency room a half-dozen times before he was hospitalized.

It took just seven days for the illness to rob the Mini-Cassia native of his motor functions and speech. He has since regained some limited speech, but it is still hard for him to communicate.

The doctors diagnosed encephalitis, a baffling ailment, which according to the Mayo Clinic's Web site, is an inflammation of the brain caused by viruses like herpes, measles or

mumps, toxic chemicals and insect or animal bites. It can also occur in people with weakened immune systems or after vaccinations.

But despite repeated MRIs, CAT scans, blood draws and spinal taps, no cause for Agnero's encephalitis was ever identified, and not much hope for a cure was offered.

"It was like looking for a needle in a haystack," Agnero said. Encephalitis can be either mild or severe and cause loss of memory, inability to speak coherently, lack of muscle coordination and paralysis as well as hearing and vision defects and sometimes even death.

Eight years later, after a dizzying ganlet of hospitals and doctors, 38-year-old Agnero spends his days surfing the Internet looking for answers to the bewildering diagnosis on his own.

Deemed 100 percent disabled by the Veterans Administration, he now receives only maintenance treatment.

"It has affected me drastical-

ly. I can't drive myself and have to rely on others. I can't make things to eat and if I drop something, sometimes it just has to stay there," Agnero said.

"I lost my wife because of the illness, my career and my health in general."

Agnero said one bright spot is the burgeoning research being conducted in adult stem cells.

In 2001 he traveled to Bethesda, Md., to the National Institutes of Health with high hopes of being placed in a stem cell clinical trial. They were unable to place him, but he remains in the database.

Agnero said he refuses to give up and is not going to just sit in his wheelchair.

"I'm fighting daily. I believe if you don't like something, then you do something about it," he said.

Earlier this year, he began researching the overseas company Cells 4 Health, which specializes in adult stem cell transplants using the patient's own cells harvested from bone marrow.

Agnero was accepted for

treatment at the German clinic and plans to have the transplant in July.

Bone marrow will be removed from Agnero's hip and taken to a lab where the stem cells will be isolated and frozen. They will be transported back to the clinic and injected into Agnero's spine.

Agnero remains hopeful the transplant will cause the tissue damaged by the encephalitis to regenerate.

Since the treatment is not approved in the U.S., Agnero must pay the \$15,000 cost out-of-pocket, which includes the transplant, hotel, airfare and meals, for himself and a traveling companion.

Childhood friend, Mary Silvas, said Agnero's pride for his country is clearly visible and he would gladly serve in the military again, if only he were well.

Agnero says he is optimistic and has nothing to lose by trying the transplant.

"We are praying that this will be the little touch, that one miracle we are all praying for," Silvas said.

State Supreme Court taking up scout case

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The state's highest court will consider a lawsuit filed against a local Boy Scouts organization over a child-molesting camp counselor.

Benjamin and Adam Steed brought the suit against the Grand Teton Council, contending the organization should be held accountable for the actions of Brad Stowell, a former camp leader.

Stowell pleaded guilty seven years ago to two counts of sexual abuse of a minor.

Sixth District Judge Ronald Bush ruled in January that the group could be held liable, but the Grand Teton Council appealed and the Idaho Supreme Court has agreed to hear the case.

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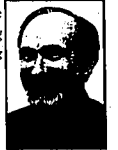
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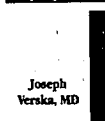
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Wyoming schools go on spending binge

By Mead Graver
Associated Press writer

PINEDALE, Wyo. — Every fifth grader has a new laptop, and where teachers once stood at the front of their classrooms and got chalk dust all over their hands, lessons now are streamed onto \$30,000 "smart boards" over the Internet.

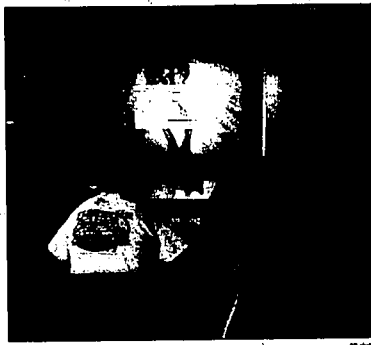
If that doesn't sound fancy for a tiny school district way out in sagebrush country, check out the plans for a \$17.2 million aquatic center — current channel, three-story climbing wall, two racquetball courts and, yes, a competition-sized pool.

Money is a gas these days for Pinedale schools. Natural gas,

that is. It's flowing from Wyoming as fast as pipelines can carry it — more than 1.5 trillion cubic feet a year, enough for one in three homes in the United States — generating revenue that stands to vault Wyoming above the rest of the country in per-student K-12 spending.

While educators in other states talk wistfully about what they'd do if only they had the money, Wyoming has moved well beyond such daydreams.

"We have the money,"



Calculus teacher Shane Costello uses a 'smart board' to teach his class May 23 at Pinedale High School in Pinedale, Wyo. Costing up to \$30,000 apiece, these 'smart boards' are touch sensitive and linked to high-speed Internet.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Jim McBride said.

Gas has graced Wyoming with a \$1.8 billion budget surplus. Divvying it up last winter, the Legislature boosted K-12 spending 24 percent to more than \$12,400 per pupil. That's close to the top state, New

Jersey and its \$12,981, without even counting the \$1 billion Wyoming has started pouring into school construction.

It also doesn't include a new \$400 million endowment to provide scholarships for Wyoming high school graduates; those with a 3.0 grade

point average and 21 ACT will receive nearly a free ride to the University of Wyoming or one of the state's seven community colleges.

The big money makes McBride, appointed last year and now campaigning for his job, full of bold predictions.

"We probably will have the nation's No. 1 graduation rate, maybe college attendance rate. We probably will have the highest NAEP scores, which is the only national assessment that you can compare state to state," he said, referring to the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

Even before the additional K-12 funding has begun flowing, teacher pay has emerged as Wyoming school districts' top priority.

Most have already sharply increased teacher salaries, boosting the state's average starting pay 23 percent to \$36,000, about 20 percent above the national average. Topping that list could be Jackson, where the school board voted Wednesday night to increase the starting salary of new teachers to \$50,000 — a 48 percent increase.

The pay increases have been a long time coming. Wyoming ranked sixth for

teacher pay during a coal and oil boom in the 1980s. But the boom fell flat in the late 1990s and early 1990s and Wyoming slid to 42nd; the state lately has ranked around 37th for teacher pay, according to the Wyoming Education Association.

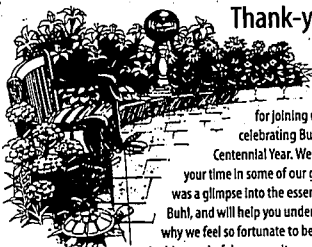
Pinedale's recruits received a relatively modest 17 percent

raise to \$41,000. But even in an exceptional state for school funding, Pinedale is very much an exceptional case.

Wyoming redistributes local revenue from wealthier districts to poorer ones, but there's an exception: the very wealthiest districts are still allowed to keep some of their above-average local funding.

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Study: Pronghorn affected more by habitat fragmentation

Growing number of roads and human infrastructure hurt animal more than gas wells, five-year study says

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Pronghorn found grazing among gas wells are healthy, but the overall growing number of roads, wells and human infrastructure associated with natural gas development is affecting the way pronghorn use habitat, according to preliminary results from a study on the animals.

Scientists from the Wildlife Conservation Society released results this week of the first year of a five-year study on pronghorn in the Upper Green River area in western Wyoming.

"Pronghorn habituate to human presence when not hunted or harassed, but the continued fracturing of previ-

ously undisturbed lands is leading to reduced use of abandoned small parcels," the study said.

The study, conducted by scientists Joel Berger, Jon Beckmann and Kim Murray Berger, is a \$1.8 million project by Shell Exploration and Production Co., Ultra Resources Inc., Anschutz Petroleum and the Wildlife Conservation Society.

The goal of the study is to determine how natural gas development in the Upper Green affects pronghorn. It is hoped the study will help land managers and energy companies better manage for wildlife in the Rockies.

The study aims to record

first-year baseline data, and results may change as the study continues.

Berger said one of the most valuable parts of the study will be determining the point at which pronghorn abandon habitat because the land is too fragmented by roads, wells, buildings.

Shell employee Deena McMullen said energy development does not appear to affect the health of animals, and pronghorn appear to be able to coexist with development. She also agreed habitat fragmentation appears to be important, although it is still early in the study.

"We believe our long-term management proposal for the

Antelope allows for cooperative arrangements that minimize surface fragmentation by using multi-well pads in concentrated development areas, thereby leaving large contiguous blocks of land available for wildlife use," she said.

The study also noted that none of the pronghorn collared by the study team — a total of 50 females — used the increasingly developed Jonah Field.

Leigh Work, associate conservationist with the Wildlife Conservation Society, said there are pronghorn in that field, but only the day the animals were captured for the study there were not significant groups in Jonah to capture. This year's study does include animals from Jonah, she said.

The study also said body mass of animals captured in and around gas fields did not

differ from those captured away from development.

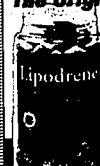
The study will also examine how the indirect human

impact from the gas boom, including new homes, roads, fences and dogs affects pronghorn movement.

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Y N	CONGRESSIONAL PAY RAISE: Voting 249 for and 167 against, the House on June 13 affirmed a 2 percent congressional pay raise that is scheduled for January 2007, increasing rank-and-file House and Senate salaries to \$168,500.
N N	U.S. AIRLINES OWNERSHIP: Voting 291 for and 137 against, the House on June 14 amended HR 5576 (above) to block proposed Department of Transportation rules that would enable European airlines to buy into and help manage U.S. airlines. A yes vote backed the amendment.
N N	AMTRAK SURVIVAL: Voting 266 for and 158 against, the House on June 13 increased the fiscal 2007 Amtrak budget in HR 5576 (above) from \$900 million to \$1.14 billion. The rail passenger agency needs at least \$1.3 billion to avert bankruptcy, according to debate.
N N	VEHICLE FUEL STANDARDS: The House approved, 234 for and 190 against, a sixfold increase in spending for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration office that promotes fuel-efficient vehicles.
N Y	CUBAN ECONOMIC EMBARGO: Voting 183 for and 245 against, the House on June 14 refused to end U.S. economic sanctions on Cuba and thus allow free, two-way trade with the Communist state.
Y Y	WAR BUDGETING: Voting 98 for and none against, the Senate on June 14 amended the fiscal 2007 defense authorization bill (S 2766) to require the administration to begin funding war in Iraq and Afghanistan through the normal budget process.
Y Y	IRAQ WAR POLICY: Voting 256 for and 153 against, the House on June 16 reaffirmed support for the administration's military and strategic policies in Iraq. The Republican measure (H Res 861) rules out any deadline for removing U.S. troops, promises American victory in the international war against terror and stipulates U.S. staying power to help the Iraqis achieve "a sovereign, free, secure and united" country.
Y Y	WAR, KATRINA SPENDING: Voting 351 for and 67 against, the House on June 13 approved the conference report on a \$94.5 billion emergency spending bill for actions in Iraq and Afghanistan, \$19.8 billion for Gulf Coast hurricane recovery, \$2.3 billion to prepare for Avian flu, \$1.8 billion for border security and hundreds of millions of dollars for lawmakers' pet projects back home.
Y Y	WITHDRAWAL FROM IRAQ: Voting 93 for and six against, the Senate on June 15 tabled (killed) a Republican amendment to the 2007 defense budget (S 2766) calling on the administration to begin major U.S. troop withdrawals from Iraq late this year.
Y Y	WAR, KATRINA SPENDING: Voting 98 for and one against, senators on June 15 sent President Bush the conference report on a \$94.5 billion emergency spending bill (HR 4939, above) that includes \$65.8 billion for actions in Iraq and Afghanistan. This raises total appropriations for the two theaters to about \$409 billion since 9/11, according to the Congressional Research Service, with \$320 billion approved for Iraq and \$89 billion for Afghanistan.

Key Votes Ahead: Next week, the House will take up the fiscal 2007 defense budget, voting rights and a line-item veto, while the Senate will continue to debate the fiscal 2007 defense budget.

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Murderer agrees to stop selling memorabilia

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mark Hacking has voluntarily agreed to stop selling autographs, inmate forms and other memorabilia related to his conviction for murdering his wife in Utah.

"He's voluntarily discontinued trying to sell anything on the Web," Department of Corrections spokesman Jack Ford said.

Hacking is serving a sentence of six years to life in the Utah State Prison for the 2004 murder of his wife, Lori. He claimed his wife disappeared while jogging, then admitted shooting her and dumping her body in the garbage.

Lori Hacking's body was found in the Salt Lake Valley landfill.

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More Hispanics joining crews to fight wildfires

By Joseph B. Frazier
Associated Press writer

AUMSVILLE, Ore. — Rosario Franco and many in his family have fought wildfires across the West for years. His brother and cousin are both firefighters. His father is a contractor for fire crews.

Across the country, a growing number of Hispanics are taking on the hot, dangerous and dirty work because the demand is high in season and it usually pays better than farm work.

Many — nobody knows how many — are undocumented, a problem Franco claims does not concern him.

"I think our crews are legal," he said at his home in this Willamette Valley town. "My job is to do my job and that's what I do."

Nevertheless, it is clear Hispanics dominate many wildland fire crews.

Debby Miley, executive director of the National Wildfire Suppression Association, an umbrella organization for fire crew contractors, said 75 percent of the contract crews in the United States come from the Pacific Northwest.

And Oregon Department of Forestry spokesman Rod Nichols said about 85 percent of the crews in Washington and Oregon are Hispanic. His office administers firefighting contracts with private companies for the two states.

It is not the same everywhere. The South Dakota-based International Association of Wildland Fire says the Hispanic percentage in Northwest crews is generally considered to be well above the national average; the Forest Service region covering California and Hawaii is under a federal consent decree to bring its Hispanic participation in fire crews up to about 31.5 percent, from about 10 percent now.

In Oregon, Nichols said, the Forestry Department tries to run a legal operation — but at the same time we worry about the possibility of losing all those crews" if an immigration crackdown scoops up big numbers of undocumented firefighters.



Joel Hernandez, from Ontario, Ore., works along the fireline against the 240,000-acre Florence Fire on Aug. 5, 2002 near Selma, Ore. Together immigrant crews have some farmers worried about harvests. But as forest fire season approaches, other people worry about available firefighters.

While there usually are enough firefighters, Nichols said, there are problems in bad years such as 2002, when National Guard troops and crews from Canada and Australia were needed.

The Pew Hispanic Center estimates about half of the 800,000 or so Hispanics in Oregon are undocumented. If that percentage applies to the crews, an immigration crackdown could sideline thousands of firefighters.

Miley said government agencies are expected to monitor contractors under their control but contractors and employees are too numerous to keep perfect track. She also said some smaller operators knowingly hire illegal immigrants and take advantage of them, and that can undercut legitimate contractors.

The U.S. Forest Service inspector general has launched an effort to identify illegal immigrants who are working for contract crews.

"We do not have sufficient information to estimate the amount of undocumented workers on contract firefighting crews," the inspector general's office said in a March audit of the contract crew system.

The report said firefighting contractors don't get "routine support from federal immigration authorities in the detection of falsified or counterfeit immigration and/or identification documents."

Employers need only ask for basic documents such as a Social Security card or a "green card" work permit. If they look real, that's enough pending later verification. But pristine laptop-generated fakes are easily and cheaply available.

Federal verification of a Social Security number can take months, but that too is changing. Jim Walker, Oregon Department of Forestry training manager, said his office will begin this year using Web sites that can quickly verify a Social Security number.

There's no estimate yet on how many will come up dirty through the faster verification.

Aside from the legal status of immigrants, firefighting raises another important issue: language. Firefighters in dangerous situations must be able to understand instantly the orders and warnings they receive from commanders.

National standards require the crew boss and the three squad leaders on each 20-man crew to speak sufficient English and the language of the crew.

But the audit found no guarantee that non-English-speaking crew supervisors can talk to incident coordinators who oversee firefighting strategy, and there is no standard language assessment for crew members.

The region is boosting efforts for firefighters who need bilingual skills. Clackamas Community College in Oregon City is launching a program for Hispanic firefighters and to certify that crew bosses can communicate with both coordinators and their crews.

Such certification will be mandatory in 2007 in Oregon, Washington and a small sliver of western Idaho.

Tom Laugle, who directs wildland firefighting programs at the college, sees the certification programs as an integral part of standardizing training now often done by contractors' groups. He said he has been told to expect up to 2,500 students and certification candidates.

Bilingual vocabulary and more will be available online, so candidates can arrive better prepared, and the standard firefighters' pocket guide is being translated into Spanish.

Laugle said the program is still being polished but likely will eventually be a model for others.

"If you do it right you can save one or two lives on the fire line," he said. "You can never prove it but you've got to believe it."

Laugle chafes at the recent emphasis on illegal immigrants, noting that the program began long before the issue arose and that the program will have no ties with immigration authorities. "He said he would close it down if that happened."

He recalled the 2002 Big Fire near vacation communities in Central Oregon.

"There were million-dollar homes in there," he said. "I don't think one of those owners cared if there were illegal firefighters on that fire line."

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Utah's official Web site to include Spanish pages

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The state's official Web site will resume displaying some pages in Spanish next week, but only in a few limited circumstances.

Information will be posted in Spanish about driver licenses, health programs and how to file work or housing discrimination claims. But information about state libraries and how to pay taxes won't be translated into Spanish.

Gov. Jon Huntsman's staff made the announcement Friday, more than a week after pulling a Spanish-language site to conduct a legal review triggered by complaints.

The problem with posting documents in Spanish is that English became the state's official language in 2000.

"Our job is to make certain that what our agencies and departments disseminate is in compliance with the law," said Mike Mower, Huntsman's spokesman.

Utah Interactive, a private contractor, began rolling out a Web site redesign a few weeks ago. As part of that redesign, the firm created www.espanol.utah.gov, which had 10 pages of information.

Within days, Huntsman's office started receiving complaints from people who said that providing information in Spanish violated the English-only law. Mower said Huntsman's office decided to take down the site and review those "legitimate questions," over the objections of critics who claimed the governor bowed to pressure from anti-immigration activists.

Utah's English as an Official Language law provides several exemptions allowing government information to be translated into other languages. Those include public safety and health, education, court proceedings and tourism.

Huntsman released a policy Friday that takes another look at the law and Mower promised the governor's office would review any further

information before posting it online.

State Rep. Ross Romero, D-Salt Lake City, applauded the governor's decision, though he would like to see the English-only law tweaked.

"Information that is understood in one's native language or the language they know best is always in the state's and the individual's best interest so there are no communication problems," Romero said.

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EDITORIAL

Keep Idaho mercury free from cap-and-trade deals

Grass-roots citizen groups are unanimous, and so are most of their elected representatives in the Idaho Senate...

Our view: The state needs to stay out of the federal mercury credit program to study emission problems. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Environmental Quality Board to discuss the program, has said he will thoroughly study the issue before making a decision in late summer.

Meanwhile, among those lobbying Risch to jump into cap and trade are the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry, as well as Idaho Power Co.

Last March, IACI official Dick Rush pushed for the House committee to defeat the opt-out bill, because he said "the Legislature doesn't have the facts to opt out of the federal rule."

But that's backward logic. If we don't have all the facts about mercury, why should we opt in to something that we cannot opt out of at a later time?

And even by opting out, Idaho still has alternatives to mercury limits in the future, according to Courtney Washburn of the Idaho Conservation League.

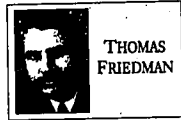
Idaho could come up with its own cap for mercury. So if Idaho Power wanted its plant, the state could set a cap to allow it. But if we opt straight in, there is no (state) cap and we're opening ourselves up for anyone who wants to locate here."

Opting out of the program — even if it is to allow for more study — is consistent with decisions already made for a two-year coal-fired plant moratorium and an interim committee for energy studies.

Risch and the DEQ Board should see that haste is unwise on this critical issue.

Loopholes in gas guzzlers' defense

On May 31, I wrote a column accusing General Motors of acting irresponsibly by offering unlimited gasoline at \$1.99 a gallon for one year to anyone who buys certain of its mid-size sedans, big SUVs or gas-guzzling Hummers in California or Florida.



THOMAS FRIEDMAN

At a time when we are at war in the Middle East, with an enemy who is indirectly financed by our energy purchases, it seems to me that every American, and every American company, has an obligation to reduce oil consumption.

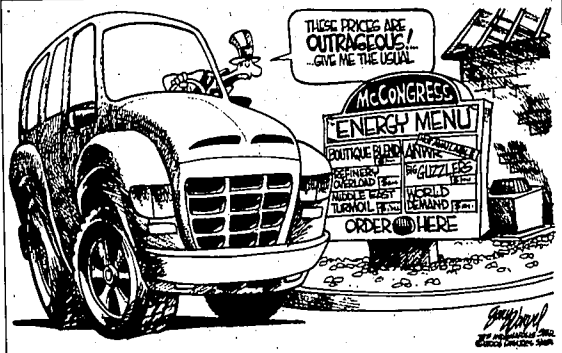
After the May 31 column appeared, GM's vice president for dealer communications, Steven J. Harris, and his colleagues denounced my argument in a formal statement and on GM's corporate blog.

To begin with, I would much prefer to see GM thriving and growing U.S. jobs — not selling itself off, limb by limb. But as long as GM is giving away \$1.99 gasoline for its gas guzzlers, I will be a harsh critic.

Pardon me if — at a time when China is imposing higher mileage standards than America — I don't want to join in the many congressmen and senators in drinking GM's Kool-Aid and not demanding that it become the most fuel-efficient automaker in the world.

GM says that the cars chosen for its \$1.99 gas giveaway were chosen because of "their outstanding fuel economy and great consumer appeal."

Fact: GM also sells more cars that get 9 to 12 mpg than Hummer — than any other company. And even though GM justified the \$1.99 program as giving consumers a chance to drive some of its most fuel-efficient cars, it did not include its best-selling, most fuel-efficient model, the Chevy Aveo (35 mpg highway), in the program.



Stephanie Salter, a columnist writing in the Terre Haute Tribune-Star, did a spoof about GM's \$1.99 gas giveaway by imagining what other less-than-healthy consumer companies might now do: "Today R.J. Reynolds Corp. announced a new 'smoke more/pay less' instant rebate program for most of its cigarette brands. Time-dated coupons will be included in every pack of RJR cigarettes. Tobacco consumers who collect 10 same-brand coupons in five days can redeem them for a pack costing \$1. The only brands not covered by the coupon program are the company's cigarettes with very low tar and nicotine content."

Next, GM's Harris asked: "How is offering a gas card that may be worth \$1,000 any different or more sinister than the \$2,000 cash rebate that Toyota's offering right now nationwide on its full-size SUV, the Sequoia?"

Fast. Reading that question you'd think that GM was giving away cheap gas instead of big SUV rebates. The truth: We called GM dealers in California who said that under the new program they were authorized to offer \$5,000 discounts on the 2006 Suburban and Tahoe SUVs — which are like the Sequoia — in addition

to GM's unlimited \$1.99 gas for a year. I guess Harris just forgot that.

Yes, Toyota makes trucks and SUVs, just like GM. I am not against either. Some people need them, others enjoy them. But I don't think we should be subsidizing gasoline so people who don't need them will buy them or buy the most gas-guzzling versions. GM says its full-size SUVs get better mileage than Toyota's. All I know is that Consumer Reports rates all size SUVs for fuel efficiency, reliability and performance. Toyota and Honda SUVs are its top picks in every size category.

Ah, says Harris, but we offer nine vehicles that can run on E85 ethanol-gas blends, and have made 1.9 million such cars and trucks. Toyota makes none.

The truth: The Big Three U.S. automakers started making flex-fuel cars in the mid-1990s after they were given a shameful federal loophole.

As the Des Moines Register explained in an article on May 26: "The loophole works this way: A dual-fuel vehicle that can run on either gasoline or 85 percent ethanol, or E85, is credited with a much higher mileage rating than it really gets. That keeps the overall mileage of the cars and trucks that a company like Ford or General Motors makes in any given year within the government's mileage limits."

By agreeing to build flex-fuel vehicles credited with phony mileage, Detroit gets to make many more bigger, heavier gas guzzlers, the paper explained, "without having to pay fines for exceeding the federal mileage standards." For instance, the 2006 GMC two-wheel-drive Yukon 1500 actually gets 15 mpg city and 20 mpg highway. But under

this loophole it is rated as getting 33 miles per gallon to meet the government's fleet fuel economy standards. "The Union of Concerned Scientists called that the loophole increased U.S. oil consumption by 80,000 barrels per day in 2005 alone," the paper said.

If GM, Ford and Chrysler really care about saving oil and the environment, why exploit this loophole? And by the way, even though GM has made 1.9 million flex-fuel vehicles, it and the other automakers for a long time did little to inform customers that their cars could run on ethanol — because their real interest was the mileage loophole to make more big cars. Most people didn't know they were driving a flex-fuel car.

It's necessary the only way to tell was by checking the vehicle-identification number," the paper noted.

Recently, General Motors has put yellow gas caps on its dual-fuel vehicles to alert customers.

I'm not a car expert, so let me leave the last word to Automotive News, the industry's top trade magazine. Its June 5 editorial said: "General Motors' promotion that reimburses some buyers for gasoline purchases is ill-advised for an automaker that is trying to burnish its green image. The program should be dropped, not expanded. It's simply a subsidy for vehicles that burn a lot of gasoline. And it's one more example of GM's tone deafness on environmental issues. Yes, GM can make vehicles that are as fuel efficient as anybody else's. But it acts as though its future depends on gas guzzlers."

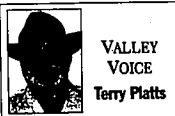
Thomas Friedman is a syndicated columnist for The New York Times.

Leave police powers out of federal hands

The recent theft of a high powered military style rifle left unsecured in a Bureau Land Management vehicle points out the dangers of supporting federal police agencies for land use managers. Federal lands in Idaho already have an umbrella of law enforcement including the State Police, Idaho Fish Game, county sheriffs, and the FBI.

Of these agencies the local county sheriffs are the most appropriate. They generally know the federally managed areas as well as the federal land managers. They have year-round resources, intel on potential law breakers, and are equipped to deal with rural crime. Meanwhile both the Forest Service and the BLM have a seasonal and train year-round law enforcement for less than six months access to the enforcement areas.

As reported by the 9/11 Commission, coordination of law enforcement agencies has been a failure, supporting another unnecessary level of enforcement is counter productive. A single patrolling federal officer without backup can be a danger to himself and to the general public. Federal police agencies are associated with Ruby Ridge and other



failures that have generally made any problem worse. A federal cop doing a minor possible infraction stop like checking for firewood permits immediately makes the problem worse. The local being stopped looks on the federal cop as an intruder or outsider on his lands, the cop is viewed as overpaid busy body tooting around in a \$40,000 SUV.

Local sheriff deputies are viewed as friends and neighbors associated with EMTs and Search and Rescue, minor stops are generally routine without causing blood pressure to go up for either party. The crux of the problem seems to be federal land managers are willing to spend millions to support a growing bureaucracy then to spend hundreds to use existing local law enforcement. The argument that specially trained officers are needed is as empty as the past argument about road maintenance on

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When federal land managers employed their own road maintenance crews and equipment. Many counties have taken on road maintenance within federal lands at a cost savings and improved results. Likewise, law enforcement should be focused on existing local enforcement with reasonable reimbursement to the counties.

When federal land managers communicate with local governments future misunderstandings may be eliminated. The ridiculous 10-year, ego-driven grid match over a couple of miles of access road on the Fairbridge River could probably have been avoided if communication and respect for local governments had existed.

Education can be more successful than law enforcement. The problem with people shooting the birdhouses volunteers have erected could be reduced or even eliminated with a few small signs describ-

ing the birds and successes, like describing mating pairs, and how it helps the species.

An 8-1/2-by-11 inch printed sheet enclosed in Lexan could last for years or be updated every year. The cost of signs like this equal less than one hour of law enforcement and it may be surprising how the general public can be self policing and helpful in reporting vandalism to the county sheriff. The county sheriffs have 24 hour dispatch and the ability to respond immediately to a call. Federal land managers are closed on weekends and evenings when vandalism usually occurs.

Decades ago local communities were a part of federal land management decisions. When these federal agencies became more centrally managed by Washington D.C. and management decisions were made from on high, local communities were left out or ignored in the decision making process. Depending on county sheriffs for local federal land law enforcement may be a step in the right direction.

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Pinch back by purchasing fewer luxuries for the home

I'm writing in response to the article on the front page of Wednesday's "Money" section titled "Feeling the pinch." After seeing the picture and reading its caption, I couldn't help but laugh. These people are going to sell their minivan (which, with two very young children, they don't even need) because \$78 per fill is too expensive? What about the big screen TV in front of them (anywhere from \$2,500-5,000 new) which, by the way, is showing Nickelodeon (meaning, either cable or satellite subscription, at minimum, \$40 per month, though probably more like \$70-\$100 per month)? Or, the Xbox gaming system (\$300 new) with a couple game con-

trollers and games (\$50 each)? Not to mention (OK, I'll mention it) the couple is only in their 20s and both are both overweight people whose lives together have just begun. Two kids aren't exactly helping to lower costs either, as studies indicate each child costs its parents \$1 million over the first 18 years... In contrast, my parents, in their mid-40s just replaced their 16-year-old TV only four years ago. I was born a year after they married and never had cable or satellite television. If we wanted an Xbox, we (kids) had to purchase it ourselves. My mother drove the same old minivan for years and my father purchased

his first "brand new" vehicle in 1997 — when he was almost 40. Instead of Amy and Jacob Lopez selling their minivan (which is too big for them anyway), they need to cut other costs — more than just switching to a cheaper shampoo. Getting rid of Sponge Bob Squarepants would be a start. With all the money they save on cable, they could invest in their board games "Monopoly" and "Clue." This way they could learn about finances and get a "clue" at the same time. **NICK BARRY** Twin Falls (Editor's note: Nick Barry is a junior business student at the University of Idaho.)

Fathers are the awesome-est

We've reached an odd place in Western history when a case has to be made for fatherhood, but here we are.

I'm a shameless "Daddy's girl" even though I'm well past the age of a "girl" and "Daddy" is 10 years in the grave. I'm even past grieving at this point and struggle sometimes to bring his face into focus. What I have no trouble recalling is the power of his influence in my life and the utter impossibility of imagining a childhood without him. It's not that he was perfect — who is? — but he was mine. And because my mother died young, he was mostly mine for much of my childhood.

This particular happenstance is probably what led me to become a champion of fathers. If my father had died young instead of my mother, maybe I'd be a champion of motherhood, but I doubt it. Motherhood doesn't need a champion.

The sanctity of motherhood is intact and manifest, as irrefutable as the umbilical bond between mother and child. Fatherhood is something less certain. Until the advent of DNA to prove paternity, fatherhood was a bond of faith founded in trust.

He says, "The baby's yours." Unlike women, who know with inescapable certainty that they are the parent of their



KATHLEEN PARKER

own child, men have had to place their faith in the integrity of their sexual partner. Thus, fatherhood was a voluntary commitment, a quintessential offering of self-sacrifice and surrender to mother and child.

His selfish interest, of course, was tied to his wish to propagate and protect his own bloodline. Even so, sticking around requires a leap of faith that borders on the mystical.

It's really rather sweet when you think about it — man surrendering his less laudable nature, tamping down his more natural inclination to play Johnny Applesseed in order to mow grass on weekends and patch skinned knees for the added privilege of working hard for little credit.

Fathers, in a word, are awesome. Things have shifted a bit in recent years, you may have noticed, and "awesome" isn't a word you hear much in describing men, unless you've got some little moon-faced twit gapping at a guy's pees or the angle of his jeans. More often they're deadbeats, losers, rapists, murderers and abusers. Oh, and idiots. Name a TV dad who can tie his shoes

without assistance from his far-smarter wife or kid. Fathers aren't only morons, they're expendable.

Today's women — armed with degrees and checkbooks, not to mention easy access to sperm banks — enjoy the social freedom to have children with or without dear ol' dad counting contractions and are increasingly opting out of the paperwork. Gone is any shame associated with having children out of wedlock.

Picture Angelina Jolie — goddess/mothering their collection of global offspring with unwed Brad-Dad in tow, shuffling along like a bashful Shreya. You get the feeling he's a bit player in the larger narrative, a cameo father with a little "L." How long before mother becomes bored with the father she thus far hasn't bothered to marry?

Obviously, celebrities occupy a demographic all their own, and celebs of Jolie-Pitt status dwell in a niche apart. Who else gets to shut down a country while they give birth? But the broader celebration of these faux-unions and loveables creates a new storyline that trickles down to the street and gets re-enacted by the uncels in among us.

Advice to Jolie wannabes: If you're going to have babies outside of marriage, it's best to have a few millions stashed in el banco. Barring that, it's best to have a father who cares that his offspring are more than the

result of a random sprint around the fallopian track.

To say that children want, need and deserve to have a father seems as unnecessary as insisting that they want, need and deserve oxygen. How did we arrive at not knowing this?

That some marriages aren't good enough to preserve is understood and regrettable. But why we would willingly fashion a society in which men are denigrated and fathers minimized is a mystery that escapes me.

The even greater mystery is that men continue to sign up for the job, to sublimate themselves to the higher charge of being a father even in the face of a culture that belittles them. That's what fathers do, of course: take the grief and keep on keeping on.

Which is why we love them.

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The plan being advanced to "save" the Boulder-White Clouds wilderness in Central Idaho has a lot of opposition, from both environmental groups as well as from open-access advocates. Why is that? The plan has bars and horses. It won't help mountain communities very much. Even environmental groups oppose it. The Central Idaho Economic Development and Recreation Act (CIEDRA) isn't the right wilderness solution for Idaho. It's not good for the land, for the people, or for Idaho. That's why groups as diverse as these are all opposed to CIEDRA.

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Don't let an apocalypse get you down

On June 27, cable TV's History Channel will broadcast a docu-drama about the perils of real estate speculation in southern Idaho and western Wyoming. It's about the eruption — sometime in the future — of a galactic-sized volcano in Yellowstone National Park, which sits astride Idaho's border with Wyoming and Montana.



DON'T ASK ME
Steve Crump

"The Yellowstone 'Mega-Volcano' will create a global cataclysm beyond human comprehension," says the network's promotional material. "Everything within 150 miles will be hit by an 800-degree blast of heat and 200 mph winds. Half the U.S. will be buried beneath a blanket of volcanic ash. Crops in the Midwest — the world's breadbasket — will be destroyed. And it will take years before crops can grow again. Starvation, epidemics and social chaos won't be long in coming."

I did a little research on the Internet, and most geologists seem to be a bit less worried about Yellowstone than The History Channel is. But there's no doubt that, sooner or later, your house is gonna lose some of its value, what with three feet of ash on the roof and all.

So I'm thinking maybe we need to be a little proactive on this deal. The last mega-eruption at Yellowstone, 2.1 million years ago, sent a plume of ash 10 miles into the air and poured out at least a thousand cubic miles of ash. That's enough to jeopardize the whole dangled elk-hunting season.

We can't stop it, but maybe we can sort of manage the next eruption. Maybe we can lasso that volcano sort of like the folks in Soda Springs tamed their geyser.

Soda Springs is a Ketchum-size city in eastern Idaho that sits on top of a bubbling geothermal kettle. In 1937, some well diggers were working in the middle of town hoping to find enough hot-springs water to fill a proposed municipal swimming pool.

Instead, they struck a geyser, caused by carbon dioxide mixing with water beneath the ground. They were showered by a 100-foot-high plume of natural club soda.

It was a dandy tourist attraction for a Depression-sapped town on what was then the major east-west highway across the northern half of the country. But the sulfur in the water did nasty things to nearby buildings. So they capped the geyser, and someone came up with the brilliant idea of putting it on a timer. Ever since, every hour on the hour, the Soda Springs geyser has erupted, unremarked by the locals.

I spent my summers in Soda Springs as a youngster, and as you can imagine the geyser was the epicenter of local kid mischief. It's just west of one of the major streets in town and the prevailing winds are from the west, so back then if you stood on the sidewalk on a windy day, you'd get drenched.

As kids we'd wait for unsuspecting tourists to come along, and then find a pretext — "You wanna see something cool?" was popular — to get the visitors to stand on the sidewalk at just the right moment.

They'd get soaked, we'd laugh uproariously and run away. That's entertainment.

So what if we had a pipe down to the stumbling Yellowstone volcano, put it on a timer and let it vent a little? A gigantic flyer geyser going off every hour or so wouldn't do much for local real estate values, but think of the tourist potential!

I don't guess we should try to lure them downwind, though.

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Jazzing the canyon



The Perrine Bridge is illuminated by late afternoon sunshine Saturday as Paul Tillotson, a Boise native at left on the piano, and his band play at the Jazz in the Canyon festival in Twin Falls.

Musical festival will benefit new arts center

By **Wm Sias**
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — On what was often described Saturday afternoon as a perfect day for a party in the park, the 9th Annual Jazz in the Canyon Festival was a successful finale to three days of musical performances.

Sponsored by the Twin Falls and Blue Lakes Rotary clubs, the event showcased multiple jazz talents from near and far. "I'll probably take a week off, then it (organizing) starts again," said Rotary event organizer Dr. Chris Scholes. "There's a lot of people that put this together, I just book the groups."

Scholes said this year's musicians may be the best since the canyon bash began in 1998. "It has been better every year." Ditto that from those soaking up sun and sound in the early afternoon as B3 Sides took the stage, one of seven acts that entertained a crowd that was anything but purely local.

"You have a wonderful community spirit — it's a special part of the world here."

— Gail Philipp, who moved to Magic Valley from New York

"This is our first time at the jazz festival," said Gail Philipp from her spot in the shade. "We sold our Long Island (New York) home in July and now we're full-time RVers. You have a wonderful community spirit — it's a special part of the world here."

Dave Sherman, a former resident of Jerome now rooted in Idaho Falls, enjoyed the music while admiring Twin Falls' growth. "This is my first year here (at the festival) and I'm glad I came," said Sherman from his sun-drenched locale on the lawn. "I can't believe how much Twin Falls has grown. It's nice."

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Nate and Naky Warren of Albion dance Saturday evening at the Jazz in the Canyon festival at Centennial Park in Twin Falls.

We Love Moo!

Wendell celebrates annual Dairy Days

By **Blair Koch**
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — In this north-side community, no one has to ask: "Got milk?"

Wendell residents celebrated Dairy Days Saturday with a parade, car show, entertainment and other activities in the city park.

Families crowded the main thoroughfare through town for the parade and then headed to the park for an afternoon filled with food, music and fun.

For many, the event, in its 18th year, has become an annual tradition.

"Dairy men do a lot for our community," Sandy Nelson, a lifelong resident, said. "And they are passing out free cheese and milk. Where else can you go to get that?"

Her parents, Ron and Donita Lancaster, both graduated from Wendell High School in 1956.

After high school the sweethearts married and moved to Jerome, but both still enjoy returning for the weekend activities.

Ron Lancaster's ties to milking cows runs a bit deeper than most, giving him perspective of the industry many lack.

"Fifty years ago I was milking 22 head where the Rietzick Dairy now is, east of town," he



Blair Koch, 3, of Wendell tries to get her windmill to turn Saturday during the Dairy Days parade in Wendell.

said. "Back then we only had machines for milking two cows at a time. Now they milk hundreds and thousands of cows a day. It is amazing how the industry has changed."

He got out of dairying around the time of his marriage but still "talks shop" when given the opportunity.

"He was talking about milk prices with someone just a minute ago," Nelson said. "And how the market has really changed."

Dairy Days gave John and Nair Teixeira of Wendell's Azores Dairy the opportunity to show off a couple of red and white Holstein heifers in the parade.

"I'm a dairy man and from where we are from this is tradi-

tion," he says of participating. His family likes being in an area that has embraced their way of life, he said.

"We have a small, 300-cow family-run dairy," he said. "We like being here. Wendell is really good to us, to all of us in the dairy industry."

Nonetheless, there have been adjustments as Wendell has become a community heavily populated with cows and the odor they produce.

"We have gotten used to the smell," Nelson said. "Some say it smells like money but it smells like ice cream to me."

Blair Koch lives in Buhl. She can be reached by e-mail at blair_20@hotmail.com or by calling 316-2607.

City of Jerome seeks comments on transportation

Times-News

JEROME — The city of Jerome invites area residents to attend the first public workshop on the Jerome Transportation Plan.

The workshop will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday at Jerome City Council Chambers, 100 East Ave. A in Jerome.

People are encouraged to drop in any time during the event to share their thoughts on Jerome's existing and future transportation system and learn about the transportation planning process.

The workshop is the first of three opportunities during the 10-month study for people to share their thoughts on Jerome's transportation needs for the next 25 years.

The meeting also will include information on the condition of Jerome's existing transportation system and highlights of issues that have already been identified.

Attendees will also learn about the project steps and schedule and opportunities for addi-

tional public participation in the development of the plan.

City representatives and project consultants conducting the study will be on hand to answer questions and record comments for use in the plan.

The purpose of the Jerome Transportation Plan is to understand the existing transportation system and identify recommended improvements to meet user and transportation system needs through the year 2026.

Some of the issues to be addressed in the plan include traffic safety and congestion, bicycle and pedestrian needs, truck access needs, street maintenance needs and development of transportation facilities to accommodate Jerome's growth.

For more information on the Jerome Transportation Plan or to provide comments if you can't attend the upcoming meeting, contact Mike Pepper, KMP Planning, at 734-6208, or Jon Pascal, The Transpo Group, at (425) 821-3665.

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Stanley L. Moore



TWIN FALLS — Stanley L. Moore, 69, of Twin Falls, died May 28, 2006, at his home. Stanley was born on May 28, 1937. He married Janice L. Blackburn on October 25, 1963. Stanley served his country proudly in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1955 until he was honorably discharged in 1962. He was a former sergeant with the Twin Falls Police Department. After he left the Police Department, Stanley owned and operated the Deadman Gulch Tandy Leather Shop until he retired. Stanley was preceded in death by his wife, Janice

L. Moore and his parents, Allen O. Moore and Gladys

Whited Moore. Graveside services for Stanley will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, 2006, at the Twin Falls Cemetery with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating. Military honors by Area Veterans and Auxiliary. Services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the Twin Falls City Police Benefit Fund. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

DEATH NOTICES

Josephine R. Blick

CASTLEFORD — Josephine R. Blick, 90, of Castleford, died Thursday, June 15, 2006, in Everett, Wash.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 23, 2006, at the Castleford United Methodist Church. Interment will follow the service at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. No public viewing will be held. Arrangements are under the direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Helen Lacey Bryngelson

RUPERT — Helen Lacey Bryngelson, 77, of Rupert, died Friday, June 16, 2006, at her daughter's home in Buhl. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home in Buhl.

Eva Montoya Magana

BUIHL — Eva Montoya Magana, 26, of Buhl and for-

merly of Burley and Malta, died Friday, June 16, 2006.

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

Sean Ramirez

BUIHL — Sean Ramirez, 16, of Buhl; died Friday, June 16, 2006.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

Donald L. Carrico

TWIN FALLS — Donald L. Carrico, 82, of Gooding, died Friday, June 16, 2006, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

Inez Leon Schmidt

BUIHL — Inez Fern Lutz Leon Schmidt, 79, of Burley and formerly of Riverton, Wyo.

died Friday, June 16, 2006, at the Warren House in Burley.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Joann Lawrason

BLISS — Joann Lawrason, 53, of Bliss, died Saturday, June 17, 2006, at her home after an extended illness.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

Lydia Schiffer

TWIN FALLS — Lydia Schiffer, 97, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, June 17, 2006, at Birchwood Retirement Center.

A service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 21, 2006, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary. A complete obituary will appear at a later date.

SERVICES

Donald E. Welch of Carmichael, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1:30 p.m. today at the Arden Christian Church, 4300 Las Cruces Way in Sacramento, Calif.

Vert O. Jones of Almo, graveside service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Sunny Cedar Rest Cemetery in Almo; friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

Ferris Tolman Freestone of Hansen, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; friends may call from 3 to 5 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Llewellyn G. "Lew" Charles of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel; viewing for family and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today and one hour before the service Monday at the chapel.

Katherine Dean of Buhl, graveside service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Larkin Sunset Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Sandy, Utah; friends may call from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at Larkin Sunset Mortuary in Sandy (Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).


LaMonte "Herb" Herbold of Boise and formerly of Rupert, celebration of life at 4 p.m. July 15 at his son's home at 425 Warm Springs Ave. in Boise (Summers Funeral Homes, Ustick Chapel in Meridian).

Evelyn Inene Whiting of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Rupert LDS 1st Ward Church; viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; and one hour before the service Monday at the church.

Bette Grace Bubak of Jerome, service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome; visitation for family and friends from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Monday at chapel.

Rose Love Mills of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 3 p.m. Monday at the Rock Creek Community Seventh-day Adventist Church, 131 Grandview Drive; reception and meal for family and friends following service in the Seventh-day Adventist School cafeteria (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

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TWIN FALLS CITY COURTS

TWIN FALLS — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included the following:

Driving under the influence sentencing

Ryan D. Wilson, 27, Kimberly; one count driving under the influence, excessive; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 365 days in jail with 335 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol; attend court alcohol school; one count failure to stop/leave the scene of a damage accident; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended, credit for one day served; concurrent; 24 months probation. Jordan D. Latham, 19, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for one day served, one day work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation. Rory L. Davis, 19, Twin Falls; one count driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; credit for two days in jail already served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol; attend court alcohol school; one count failure to stop/leave the scene of a damage accident; amended to failure to provide information of an accident; pleaded guilty; 60 days in jail with 58 suspended, credit for time served; 24 months probation; consecutive; \$4,319.49 restitution. Francis W. Towns, 63, Kimberly; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

attend court alcohol school. Victor S. Miller, 57, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; attend court alcohol school.

Misdemeanor sentencing

Chase P. Hornaday, 22, Twin Falls; petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 365 days in jail with 357 suspended; 12 months probation. Hazel K. Thomas, 26, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; 16 hours community service. Roger N. Evans, 38, Twin Falls; one count driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 30 days in jail; one count no insurance; \$116.50 costs. Charles O. Shoup, 28, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 180 days in jail, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days. Angela G. Haase, 27, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation. Millie J. Cosentino, 21, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; second offense; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended, 30 days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 12 months probation. Camille D. Ginkel, 24, Boise; petit theft; found guilty; withheld judgment; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 29 suspended, one day work detail; 12 months probation. Martin J. Anzending Jr., 16, Buhl; one count driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs; one count provide false information to an officer; pleaded guilty; 10 days in jail with balance suspended; two days work detail; 24 months probation; one count reckless driving; 30 days in jail with balance

suspended; 24 months probation.

Shawna L. Barnes, 27, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs. Sherryl T. Hill, 29, Twin Falls; one count driving without privileges, second offense; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 180 days in jail, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 720 days; one count driving without privileges, two or more; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 180 days in jail, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 720 days; one count driving without privileges, two or more; pleaded guilty; costs waived; 180 days in jail, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 720 days; concurrent. Severo Hernandez-Garcia, 18, Twin Falls; driving without privileges, second offense; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 720 days; 24 months probation. Kendra P. Galvan, 20, Twin Falls; one count driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with balance suspended; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; one count inattentive/careless driving; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs. Kimball B. Raburn, 42, Twin Falls; petit theft; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 29 suspended, one day work detail; 12 months probation. Everisto S. Ramirez, 35, Rupert; violation of no contact order; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for time served; 24 months probation. Benjamin N. Walton, 22, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with balance suspended; 24 months probation.

Misdemeanor dismissals

Luke C. Woodhouse, 24, Buhl; one count driving without privileges and one count open container; dismissed by prosecutor; in the interest of justice. Misdemeanor acquittals Byron D. Drake Sr., 46, Twin Falls; domestic battery; found innocent. Ernest R. Watts Jr., 41, Jerome; reckless driving; found innocent.

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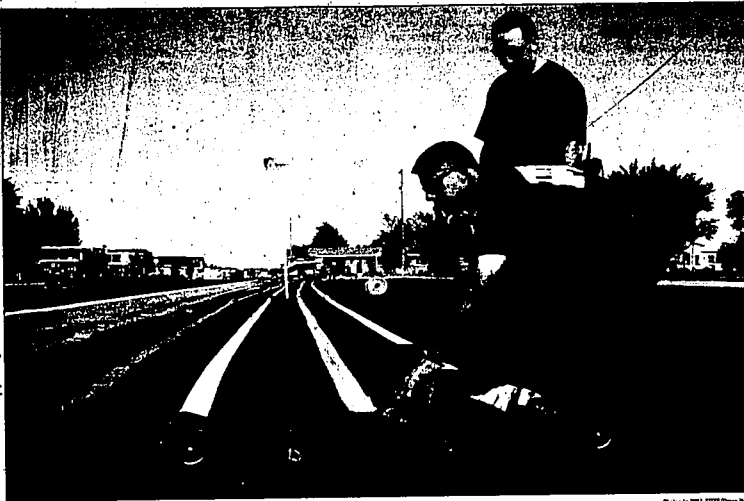


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Members of the Twin Falls Fire Department conduct an annual hose test Saturday morning at Robert Stuart Junior High School. The hoses are pressure tested to 250 p.s.i., which is about 100 p.s.i. more than the normal force. Any leaks or bad connections in hoses are fixed before being put back into service.

Wildfire burning near Utah border

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A fire that initially threatened at least one Central Utah home was burning away from residences Saturday night, while a fire near the Utah-Arizona border was 45 percent contained.

The 75-acre Summit fire broke out just after 3 p.m. on private land about 10 miles north of Cedar City, east of the town of Summit, fire spokeswoman Anne Stanworth said. The cause of the fire was unknown.

Initially several structures were threatened, but the fire burned to the southeast and away from homes, she said.

Eight fire engines, a water tanker and one hand crew were fighting the fire on the ground, with air support from two helicopters and an air tanker, Stanworth said.

"It's in pretty good shape," Stanworth said. "They think

they've got it caught." Fire crews planned to monitor the blaze through the night and hope to begin mop-up work by Sunday, she said.

Mop-up work is also under way on the Navajo Mountain fire, burning on both sides of the Utah-Arizona border in a corner of the Navajo Indian Reservation, fire information officer Jim Whittington said.

The 3,350-acre fire, however, was partially contained and burning away from the nearest community. Fire managers plan to begin releasing some of the 465 firefighters working the blaze on Sunday and send them to other fires, Whittington said.

"We've made some really good progress over the last few days," he said.

Endangered rhino project gets boost with pregnancy

CINCINNATI (AP) — Emi the Sumatran rhino is pregnant again, and that's big news for conservationists from Ohio to Indonesia who are trying to save the critically endangered species.

It is believed that fewer than 300 Sumatran rhinos survive in Southeast Asia. Emi is the only one to give birth twice in captivity; her first delivery in 2001 was the first by a Sumatran rhino bred in captivity since the 19th century.

The Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden was preparing to announce Saturday that Emi is 175 days into a 16-month pregnancy, adding hope to efforts to save the species.

"We have a long, long way to go, but we do see some glim-

mers of hope," said Terri Roth, who heads the zoo's Center for Conservation and Research of Endangered Wildlife.

The center has relied on close monitoring of hormone levels, use of ultrasound, and years of patient observation and trial-and-error to learn how to successfully mate the Sumatran rhinos.

Jazz

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And Sherman, like the majority of the large crowd that strolled their way down into the canyon, gladly supported the myriad of food and beverage vendors. "We've been steady, selling a little of everything," said Twin Falls Rotary volunteer John Miller while pulling drafts at the Hayden Beverage Co. beer stop.

"I've poured beer this shift (2 p.m.) every year. It's usually

3 in the afternoon before the crowd rolls in."

Sure enough, shortly after the midpoint of the afternoon business traffic was on a high note. From solomo sandwiches at the Elmore Kitchen to tacos at El Sombrero, the sounds of commerce made the event a success for merchants.

The proceeds from Jazz in the Canyon ticket sales will go towards building a new arts center in Twin Falls.

Thank you for the many expressions of sympathy to our family in the sudden loss of our Susan due to a brain aneurysm. Special thanks to Bishop James McBride for conducting her service, the Acacia Relief Society, Doug and Marlyce Thuma for the luncheon, Bev and Galen for the video, the singers and speakers. We will never forget her sweet smile.
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Dairy represents thriving industry

By Patrick Rozrost For the Times-News

The Ted Miller Dairy in Jerome has been thriving for years, along with the dairy industry elsewhere in Idaho.

This month, the United Dairywomen of Idaho celebrate "June Dairy Month." This event spotlights the dairy industry's economic clout.

Dairies play a big role in the local economy. The Ted Miller dairy helps provide milk, cheese, and other products to consumers nationwide.

Today, the dairy is family-owned by Greg and Jane Ledbetter, and has been operating at its current location for 26 years. It was originally founded at another location by Ted Miller, who was Jane Ledbetter's father.

The dairy often puts out about 10,500 gallons of milk per day. Most of that milk is sold to a factory to make cheese. Since Idaho has such a low population, the demand for fluid milk can be very low, according to the Ledbetters.

Ted Miller Dairy employs about 20 people in various jobs, including foreman, milk-

ers, feeders, calf raisers, a man who treats the cows, a secretary, and other laborers.

The work can be challenging. The most challenging aspect of her job is just dealing and managing a large group of people, Jane Ledbetter said.

But the most important and hard-working employees are the cows.

"I really like the cows!" Jane Ledbetter said. "I like their curiosity and their gentleness."

The dairy is also intent on giving back to the community. Every year it donates up to \$25,000 in scholarships to students who may speak English as a second language, as an incentive to go on to college and further their education.

The scholarships were started years ago by Ted Miller, and in addition to being encouragement to students, were intended to give back to the Mexican community that had always been such a big part of the success of his dairy, Jane Ledbetter said.

Education is very important to us, she said, adding that it is also one of the keys to the success at Ted Miller Dairy.

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Hunter Hervey, 9, gives his dog Woogle a kiss at Dancesand Days at the Montana ExpoPark, on Saturday in Great Falls, Mont.

Grangeville school district will split

GRANGEVILLE (AP) — The Idaho Board of Education has approved a plan to split Grangeville-based school District 241.

If a majority of voters approve the plan this fall, the consolidated district — including schools in Riggins, White Bird, Grangeville, Elk City and Kooskia — will be split in two.

Some district patrons began pushing for the split after voters twice failed to pass a \$1 million levy. Proponents believe such levies will be more likely to pass in smaller districts.

"I'm excited," former Riggins school board member Cindy Carlson said after the state board's vote Friday. "I believe that most people are ready to split."

If voters approve the change, it would be only the third time in state history that a consolidated district has split.

The former Whitepine School District in 2000 divided Troy and Deary schools from those in Bovill and Elk River. In 2003, Priest River schools seceded from the former Bonner County School District.

Ogden mayor drops request to UTA for gondola funding

OGDEN, Utah (AP) — Mayor Matthew Godfrey says he has dropped a request for \$8 million from the Utah Transit Authority to help fund a gondola system that would extend from downtown to Weber State University.

Godfrey said the \$8 million originally requested from UTA is no longer needed because developer Chris Peterson says he can provide enough money for the project.

Peterson wants to buy Mount Ogden Golf Course from the city, redesign it, purchase about 150 adjoining acres from Weber State University and put upscale homes on some of the combined land.

The sale of Mount Ogden Golf Course and the adjoining property would be used by the city to fund its leg of the gondola, Godfrey said.

Godfrey said discussions with UTA are now centering on how the gondola, estimated to cost at least \$20 million, would connect with the authority's bus system and proposed commuter rail.

Talks have also focused on ways that proceeds from transfer tickets enabling passengers to ride UTA buses, commuter rail and the gondola could be used to help offset gondola costs, Godfrey said.

"We are noodling through the details," he said. "We are exploring options."

UTA General Manager John English said in a letter to Godfrey that before he could make a recommendation to the authority's board of trustees authorizing the \$8 million he would have to be assured the gondola funds would be used for public transportation.

Peterson also wants to purchase some additional city

property adjoining the golf course and proposes to extend the gondola from Weber State University to his proposed resort at Malans Basin and possibly farther up Mount Ogden.

Jerome student receives internship with NASA

Collin Petersen, son of Gary and Patricia Petersen of Jerome, will intern at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in

Pasadena, Calif., for a second year. He will work at the Optical Communications Telescope Laboratory with JPL scientist Keith Wilson.

Idaho interns previously have worked on a variety of

NASA priorities, ranging from the Cassini-Huygens probe to aspects of Mars rover projects.

Peterson graduated from the University of Idaho with a degree in mechanical engineering. He is one of eight

undergraduate and graduate students from Idaho interning at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, while five other Idaho students received NASA internships across the country.

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GRANGE AWARDS



Three candidates nominated by the Albion Grange to this year's Idaho State Grange Citizen of the Year contest were selected for the state awards. Pictured, Keith Amesado, second from left, on behalf of the grange, presented wooden artwork plaques from the state grange to, from left, Don Gauderson, State Fireman of the Year; Dawn Koenig, State Teacher of the Year; and Albion Chief of Police Bruce Bristol, State Policeman of the Year.

ELKS SCHOLARS



The Rajer Elks presented scholarships to five seniors at Minico High School. The San Diego Technical Scholarship was presented to three students, each for \$500. Pictured from left are Exalted Ruler Tony Baird, David Carrillo, Beane Tackness, LaDawn Brown and scholarship chairman Mike Zankle. The Curtis Ricker Memorial Scholarship was presented to Brenner Antone and Laura Bidenstiese, each for \$800.

SERVICE NEWS

Airman 1st Class Cody A. Goodnight graduated April 25 from Security Forces Academy at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. He currently is stationed at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City. He is scheduled for overseas deployment in September.

Goodnight is a 2004 graduate of Twin Falls High School and a 2005 graduate of the College of Southern Idaho law enforcement program.



Goodnight

He is the son of Danny and Kay Goodnight, and brother of Jen Goodnight, all of Twin Falls. His grandparents are Larry and Eleanor Walls of Nampa, Ruthie Goodnight of Heyburn and the late Pee Wee Goodnight.

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Building boom slows work on Jerome schools

Work starts after bids accepted

By Brandon Fala For the Times-News

JEROME — A building boom throughout the state threatens to disrupt construction of two new schools in Jerome.

Work on the schools was already delayed about a month because of unexpected high bids.

Crews have started preparing 44 acres at Birch Street and 10th Ave. W. near the Tiger Stop for the construction of new elementary and middle schools. More than 70 percent of voters approved bonds totaling about \$26.5 million in October to build them.

"The bid for ground work came in a lot higher than expected — about \$500,000 more," said Kelly Baugterter, Jerome School Board chairman. "We as a board decided to break up the bid into small projects to get more bidders. We had a few more bidders but together they actually came back higher."

Baugterter said the board couldn't return to the original — and cheaper — bid. They accepted the second bids.

The contract for ground work total about \$3.5 million, said Rick Ames, Jerome School District construction coordinator. The bids were awarded to Idaho Sand and Gravel, Ben Genesa Construction and Stutzman Excavating.

Despite the month delay, the schools could still be finished on time.

"We're still shooting for a completion date of December 2007," Ames said. "That's the hope."

Ames said the building schedule will be revised after construction bids come in.

Bids will close later this month for the actual construction of the schools.

Because the school district is using a construction management style — the district is the general contractor — all components of construction are put to bid.

"We may end up to 55 separate contracts with the trades," Ames said.

But the school district isn't managing those contracts alone — it hired Starr as its construction-management firm.

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Jessica Bastow, a senior communication major who is an office assistant in the Department of Communication, has been named the Boise State University Student Employee of the Year.

Bastow, who graduated in May, has also been employed with Idaho Dance Theatre for three years and performed in the company's recent show.

Her additional assignments above and beyond those of office adviser include department assistant, assistant to (Laurel) Traynowicz, Undergraduate Research Initiative director, and assistant to Sherri Ruda, equipment room manager.

She is a 1999 graduate of Twin Falls High School and received an associate's degree from the College of Southern Idaho.

Joshua Coulter of Hansen was selected to represent Hansen High School at this year's American Legion Boys State Convention in Boise.

He has served as Student Body secretary and treasurer his junior year and is president-elect of the senior class. He has been a Natural Helper for the past four years and has participated in track his sophomore year.

He is the son of Ross and Dennis Coulter of Hansen.

Dr. Jason M. Chesley graduated from the Medical School of Wisconsin on May 19. He was one of 200 graduates to stand and take the Hippocratic Oath.

Chesley had many accomplishments in high school, including all-state football player, state gold medalist in track, valedictorian and champion in BPA computer graphics. He served a two-year religious-humanitarian mission to Santiago, Chile. At medical school, he was noted for honors in microbiology.

His next five years will be in radiology residency in Spokane, Wash.

He is the son of Mike and Christine Chesley of Burley. He is married to Gretchen Liffirth of Payson, Utah, and they have one child.

Danielle Maloney, daughter of Bob and Janell Maloney of Twin Falls, has been named to the spring semester dean's list at Carroll College in Helena, Mont.

A student must receive a 3.5 grade point average or higher for the semester and take at least 12 credits to be included on the dean's list.

Local students receive Promise A scholarship

TWIN FALLS — Three local students are the recipients of the Robert E. Lee Promise Category A Scholarship, sponsored by the state of Idaho.

Local professional-technical students receiving the scholarships are: Shilby Andersen, Burley High School; and LesDawn Brown and Cherie Wigley, both of Minico High School.

The \$3,000 per year, renewable Promise A scholarship is based on academic achievement. To apply for the scholarship, students must be in the top 10 percent of their graduating class with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and an ACT score of 28 or above.

The scholarship also includes awards for professional-technical students. To apply for the professional-technical award, students must earn a cumulative GPA of 2.8 or above and take the Compass test (reading, writing and algebra scores required).

Students must use the scholarship to attend institutions of higher education in Idaho.

Mitchell Dame of Hansen has been named an All-American Scholar At-Large Award winner.

He will appear in the All-American Scholar Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

Dame, a student at Kimberly High School, is the son of Brent and Patty Dame of Hansen. His grandparents of Ken and Jean Crandall of Kimberly and Clyde and Helen Dame of Rumsey, Ky., and Maxine Dame of Calhoun, Ky.

Connor McComas of Twin Falls has been named to the spring semester dean's list at Carroll College in Helena, Mont.

A student must receive a 3.5 grade point average or higher for the semester and take at least 12 credits to be included

on the dean's list.

Jessica Seppi of Twin Falls has been named to the spring semester dean's list at the University of Portland.

Seppi is a sophomore, majoring in mathematics. Students need at least a 3.5 grade point average to be included on the dean's list.

Victoria Joyce Iversen of Twin Falls received a fall 2005 Associate of Arts degree May 19 from Western Wyoming Community College in Rock Springs, Wyo.

She also was honored as a member of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society.

Phi Theta Kappa members must be degree-seeking students who complete a minimum of 12 credit hours with a minimum 3.8 grade point average.

Meghan Boettcher of Rupert has been named to the spring semester dean's honor roll at Western Wyoming Community College in Rock Springs, Wyo. Students named to the dean's honor roll must be full-time students who complete a minimum of 12 credit hours during the semester with a letter grade and with a grade point average between 3.25 and 3.99.

Sunny Louise Muirhead, a 2002 graduate of Kimberly High School, graduated June 17 from Eastern Washington University in Cheney, Wash. She will receive a bachelor of social science degree in psychology with a minor in counseling — educational and development.

Muirhead also has been recognized as a member of Sigma Alpha Lambda, a national lead-

ership and honors organization at Eastern Washington University. She is the daughter of Cindy and Rick Glaxdor of Kimberly and granddaughter of Maxine Wagner and Jean Muirhead, both of Buhl.



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TWIN FALLS ARRAIGNMENTS

TWIN FALLS—Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included the following:

Victor J. Jimenez, 26; arrested on the 11th; failure to purchase/maintain driver's license; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 25; released on own recognizance.

Angel Sanchez-Perez, 20; counts drug trafficking methamphetamine; two counts drug stamp tax violation; destruction, alteration or concealment of evidence; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for June 23; \$25,000 bond.



Freddie L. Dussett, 41; Twin Falls; failure to appear domestic battery; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for June 23; posted bond.

Shawn D. Martin, 36; Wendell; two counts grand theft by possession of stolen property; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for June 23; \$50,000 bond.

Chad Snyder, 26; Twin Falls; two counts lewd conduct with a child under 16; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for June 23; \$50,000 bond.

set for June 23; \$50,000 bond; failure to appear two counts issuing a check without funds; no plea entered; public defender appointed; preliminary hearing set for June 23; \$2,000 bond.

Matthew S. Smith, 31; Twin Falls; domestic battery with child present; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 25; \$5,000 bond.

Cory L. Thompson, 28; Twin Falls; littering; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 25; released on own recognizance.

Robert K. Wooten, 49; Twin Falls; petit theft; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for July 25; \$300 bond.

LEWISTON — Lewis-Clark State College announced its President's List and Dean's List for the 2006 spring semester.

To qualify for the president's list, students must have at least a 3.75 grade point average for the semester and take at least 12 graded credits in level 100 or above classes. The dean's list uses the same requirements but students must have a 3.25-3.74 GPA.

Lewis-Clark honors students

President's list:
GOODING: Danielle Houser
HAILLEY: Dubra Evans
MOUNTAIN HOME: Magdalena Vega
TWIN FALLS: Michael Bybee, Sarah Evans and Matthew Wilson.

Dean's list:
BURLEY: Chelsin M. Lynch
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JEROME COUNTY COURTS

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Angela Sanchez-Perez, 20; counts drug trafficking methamphetamine; two counts drug stamp tax violation; destruction, alteration or concealment of evidence; no plea entered; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for June 23; \$25,000 bond.

Corey Lane Baker, 44; two counts trespassing.

Christopher Scott Quintana, 41; violation of a non-contact order; no driver's license.

Joseph Ristorucci, 49; drug trafficking methamphetamine; drug stamp tax violation.

Ramatio Calinaua-Panizo, 31; resisting officers.

Celso F. Rosales, 32; possession of drug paraphernalia.

Sebastian A. Millan, 57; inattentive driving; no driver's license; no insurance.

Walter J. Wilcox, 57; domestic assault.

Johnnie L. Lutz, 22; attempted strangulation; two counts battery.

Irwin Ryan Adams, 16; reckless driving; no driver's license; no insurance.

Andrea R. Aguirre, 17; DWOP. Plead guilty, fined \$222.50; driver's license suspended 180 days; 30 days jail time, 98 suspended; 1 year unsupervised probation.

Jose Giovanni Arriaga, 19; providing false information; minor consumption of alcohol; possession of a controlled substance.

James C. Ball, 41; DUI; open container; no driver's license.

Phillip Bethke, 44; counts illegal discharge; dog at large.

Gregory Brennan, 21; providing false information; possession of drug paraphernalia; possession of a controlled substance; no driver's license; no insurance.

Deborah Rae Chandler, 55; inattentive driving; Plead guilty, fined \$207.50; 5 days jail time, 5 suspended; 6 months unsupervised probation.

Louis J. Corbitts, 49; unlawful accumulation of garbage, rubbish; refuse.

Rogelio Corona, 18; minor consumption of alcohol.

Kody Benjamin Cowen, 18; lewd scene of an accident.

Martin Bradley Davis, 32; alteration, destruction or concealment of evidence.

Alyssa A. Dennis, 65; inattentive driving. Plead guilty, fined \$207.50; 5 days jail time, 5 suspended; 6 months unsupervised probation.

Lana Kay Dick, 35; DWOP. Consumption of alcohol. Plead guilty, referred to Youth Court.

Michael David King, 19; seven counts lewd conduct with a child 16-17 years of age.

Rafael Mares Mireles, 22; open container; possession of a controlled substance; no driver's license.

Michael J. Moreno, 21; DWOP.

Jose R. Ortiz-Cisneros, 24; DUI; open container; speeding. **Octavio Ortiz-Vega, 20;** DUI; open container; no driver's license.

Bryant Andrew Pierce, 24; DWOP. **Timothy Craig Sauer, 46;** DUI; no driver's license.

Louis Smothers, 42; malicious injury to property.

Keith Louis Thomas, 41; resisting officers.

Vernon A. Thomas, 19; resisting officers; disturbing the peace.

Alfonso Toral-Mercado, 21; DWOP.

Francisco Trejo-Garcia, 25; no driver's license; no insurance; providing false information.

Francisco J. Treyes, 40; leaving scene of an accident.

Thomas J. Ulrich, 20; resisting officers.

Wendy Nicole Vanhook, 24; manufacturing a controlled substance.

Juan P. Villa-Cabello, 20; DWOP.

William T. Walters, 23; DWOP. No insurance; failure to stop when emerging from an alley.

Randal James Williams, 52; DUI.

Michael David Withers, 30; speeding. Plead guilty, fined \$62. No seat belt, fined \$10.

Joseph Emanuel Yergensen, 25; DUI.

David Cortez-Garcia, 35; sexual battery of a minor 16-17 years of age.

Mario Alberto Morales-Jimenez, 23; three counts drug trafficking methamphetamine; possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver; three counts drug stamp tax violation.

Steven Olsen, 28; possession of stolen property.

Kristine M. Stoneberg, 32; possession of a controlled substance; obtaining a controlled substance through fraud, forgery, etc.; obtaining a legend through fraud, etc.

Ricky A. Stoneberg, 33; possession of a controlled substance; obtaining a controlled substance through fraud, forgery, etc.; obtaining a legend through fraud from a pharmacy through fraud, etc.

Cassandra Evilla Reyes, 23; DUI; injury to a child; DWOP. Sentencings.

Javier Macias-Garcia, 18; burglary. Fined \$347.50; withheld judgment 3 years; 60 days discretionary; 3 years supervised probation.

Wavren Scott Young, 43; insufficient funds check fraud. Fined

\$37.50; 3 indeterminate years penitentiary, credit for 18 days served.

Jorge L. Alvarado-Munoz, 28; DUI. Fined \$387.50; driver's license suspended 180 days; 180 days jail time, 178 suspended, credit for 1 day served; 1 year supervised probation.

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Irinco Gomez, 64; DUI. Fined \$487.50; driver's license suspended 180 days; 180 days jail time, 167 suspended, 10 days determinate, credit for 3 days served; 2 years supervised probation.

Simon Medrano-Camilo, 40; DUI. Fined \$437.50; driver's license suspended 180 days; 180 days jail time, 168 suspended; 10 days discretionary, credit for 1 day served; 2 years supervised probation.

Bryant Andrew Pierce, 24; DUI. Driver's license suspended 180 days; 180 days jail time, 148 suspended, 30 discretionary, credit for 1 day served; 1 year supervised probation.

James Brian Farley, 42; possession of a controlled substance. Fined \$597.50; 5 years penitentiary, 2 years determinate, 3 indeterminate, credit for 74 days served.

Javier Macias-Garcia, 18; burglary. Fined \$347.50; judgment withheld 3 years; 60 days discretionary; 3 years supervised probation.

Freddie L. Dussett, 41; possession of a controlled substance. Fined \$97.50; 5 years penitentiary, 1 determinate, 4 indeterminate, sentence suspended; 180 days retained jurisdiction; credit for 6 days served.

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MAGIC VALLEY

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Presentation on Internment camp takes place Thursday

BURLEY — A presentation entitled, "Minidoka: A Japanese-American Prison Camp in World War II" will be given at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Best Western Burley Inn, 800 N. Overland Ave.

The presentation will be given by Robert Sims, professor emeritus, at Boise State University.

The presentation is free and open to the public. It is made possible with support from the University of Idaho Extension and the Idaho Humanities Council, the state-based affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

People with disabilities who require alternate means for communication of program information or reasonable

accommodations should call 364-4016.

Hansen Community Library holds book sale Wednesday

HANSEN — The Hansen Community Library will hold a book sale from 1 to 6 p.m. Wednesday at the library, 120 W. Maple.

All types of children's and adults' books, including genres such as mystery, Christian fiction, romances, children's fiction and more will be available.

Former Jerome woman celebrates 75th birthday

TWIN FALLS — An open house will be held for Betty Young in honor of her 75th birthday from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Woodstone Retirement Center's Garden Room, 491 Caswell Ave. W.

Young was born June 19, 1931, in Dayton, Ohio, to Earl and Louise Baldwin. She grew up in Dayton and later moved to California where she met and married the Rev. Floyd Young (now deceased). She and Floyd were pastors of Nazarene churches in Washington, California, Idaho and Utah. They retired after 30 years of ministry and returned to Jerome. She worked for Northside Bus, helping children with disabilities for many years. She also participated in the Foster Grandparent Program, reading to and helping children learn to read.

She raised four children: Dave (Karen) of California, Dan of Texas, Pete of California, and Tim (Melody) of Jerome. She has six grandchildren: Sandra, Stacy, Amanda, Austin, Shaylyn and Matthew.

Library celebrates expansion

By Patrick Breaux
For the Times-News

JEROME — The Jerome Public Library celebrated its new expansion on June 7 with more than 100 people coming to admire the new facility.

The expansion was made possible by a donation of nearly \$1 million by the late Evelyn Crowder, librarian Susan Jacobson said.

Crowder was fond of libraries, and also donated a similar amount to Jerome High School for a new library.

"It has a lot more books; new ones," Jacobson said of the expanded library. It also has a meeting room twice the size of the old one, new restrooms, a larger staff area and check-out desk, new computers for the public and for staff, and more space for new books.

The expansion started in October and was nearly wrapped up in February. The project was slowed by a flood that occurred when a pipe broke and covered most of the floor of the library in water.

"The carpets were ruined, but fortunately, the books were undamaged," Jacobson said.

Much of the effort in the expansion came from local businesses and individuals.

"Almost every company that worked on this project either donated material or labor," Jacobson said.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Local residents inducted into ISU Phi Kappa Phi

POCATELLO — The Idaho State University Branch of Phi Kappa Phi announced its inductees for the academic year.

Local inductees include: senior, Romy V. Simpson of Ketchum; senior, Tara L. Drexler of Twin Falls; and graduate student, Kristen M. Roemer of Twin Falls.

Juniors, seniors and graduate students are eligible for induction into Phi Kappa Phi. Juniors must achieve a 3.75 grade point average or higher, seniors must graduate with a 3.7 GPA or higher and graduate students must achieve a 3.9 GPA or higher.

Students named to ISU business dean's list

POCATELLO — The Idaho State University 2006 spring semester dean's list for the College of Business has been announced by Bill Stratton, dean of the college.

Local students on the dean's list include: Michael D. Blauer, Jared C. Howard and Derek B. Moss, all of Burley; Todd M. Huffman of Filer; William M. Humphries of Kimberly; John J. Schorzman of Malta; and Leah E. Denton, Patrick W. Fullmer and Ryan S. Thomas, all of Twin Falls.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must complete at least 12 semester credits and receive a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

VFW Post marks 75th anniversary in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — James R. Mueller, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, announced the presentation of a Diamond Jubilee Award citation to VFW Post 2136 in Twin Falls. The post celebrated its 75th anniversary May 29.

In a news release, Mueller said, "The Diamond Jubilee Award recognizes dedication, determination, hard work and a lot of patriotism. And it recognizes 75 years of serving the needs of local veterans and their families, and 75 years of service to the local community, and 75 years of contributing to the strength, power and influence of our national organization."

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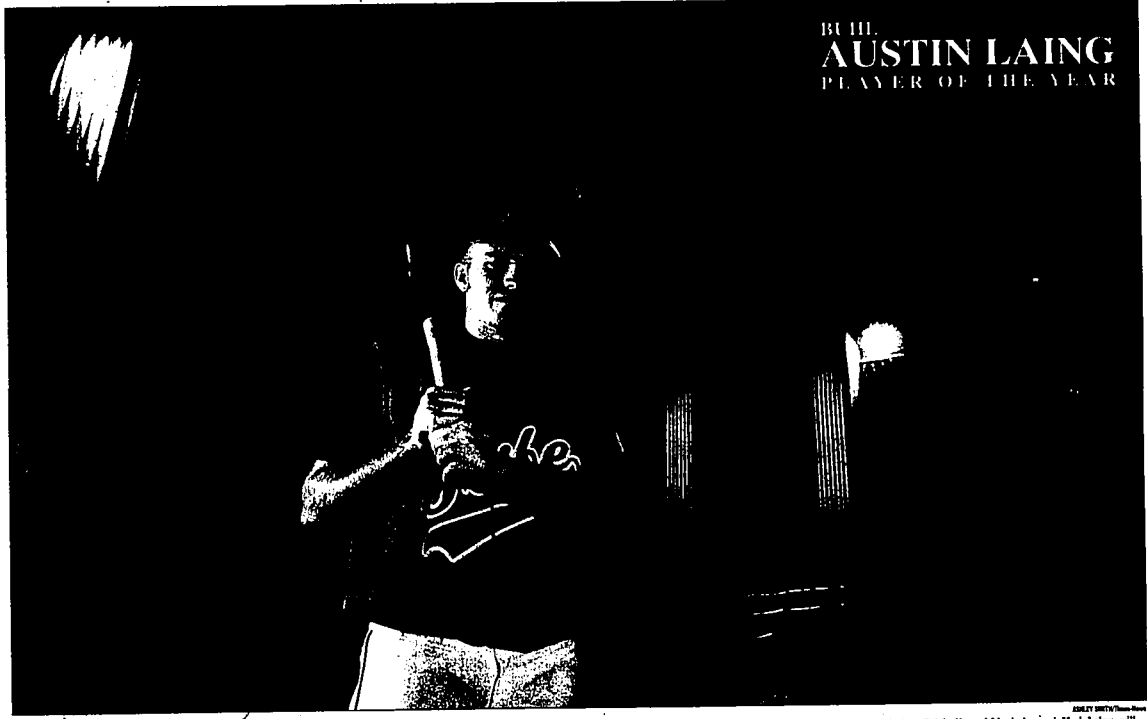
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SPORTS

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BUHL
AUSTIN LAING
PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Buhl Indians pitcher Austin Laing, pictured here inside the Orpheum Theater in Twin Falls, helped lead his team to a Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference championship and a Class 3A third-place finish. He and his dad, coach Mark Laing, will be back next season in search of a state title.

Father and son team leads Buhl baseball to new heights

By Brad Galbre
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — For any baseball dad, what could be a better Father's Day present than opening today's sports section to read that his son is the 2006 Times-News Player of the Year?

Perhaps it's knowing that he guided his son to a great junior season and this honor. (Being named Coach of the Year can't hurt either.)

That's the case this year as Buhl Indians pitcher Austin Laing is this year's Player of the Year and Buhl head coach Mark Laing is Coach of the Year.

Austin simply dominated the plate in 2006, hitting .605 with 52 hits, one home run, 11 stolen bases and 28 RBIs. From the mound, he also ruled with a 1.62 ERA and 58 strikeouts in 52.0 innings pitched. Now, the batting stats and pitching stats by themselves are impressive,

but the fact that one player did both was insurmountable.

And it all started when Mark coached Austin's PeeWee League team when Austin was 8-years-old.

'It's coach, it's not dad'

The Laings have played baseball together for almost 10 years now, and know each other's strengths and weaknesses better than anyone else. "I played as a kid and love

2006 Times-News All-Area

Baseball Team Player of the Year

Austin Laing, Buhl (.605 BA, 52 H, 1 HR, 11 SB, 28 RBIs; 1.62 ERA, 52.0 IP, 58 K)
Pitchers — Andy Carlisle (8-0, 1.20 ERA, .360 BA, 4 HR); Mitchell Dame, Kimberly (.380 BA; 4-3, 2.50 ERA, 71 K); Chance Elam, Twin Falls (.400 BA, 13 RBIs; 5-2, 4.82 ERA, 51.0 IP, 33 K); Matt Tracy (.370 BA, 24 RBI, 12 SB, 6-1, 1.50 ERA); David Zito, Glenns Ferry (2.26 ERA, 77.3 IP, 7-5, 152 K)
DH — James Osterkamp, Buhl (.464 BA, 3 HR, 50 RBIs)
Catcher — Cody Darrington, Glenns Ferry (.444

BA, 8 2B, 3 HR)
First base — Travis Cooley, Jerome (.429, 16 SB, 13 extra-base hits)
Second base — Joey Rocha, Wendell (.458 BA, 2 HR, 20 RBIs)
Third base — Kenny Steelman, Twin Falls (.341 BA, 20 RBI, 11 SB)
Shortstop — Craig Betman, Burley (.367 BA)
Right field — Em Powell, Jerome (.317 BA, 0 errors as OF)
Center field — McCoy Worthington (.450 BA, 22 SB)
Left field — Brandon Bartolo, Filer (.486 BA, 5 HR, 29 RBIs)
Coach of the Year
Mark Laing, Buhl

baseball," Mark said. "There was an opportunity there when he was 8 to coach, and I definitely wanted to do it. It kinda took off from there —

year in, year out."
Mark rose through the coaching ranks parallel to Austin's rise through the various little league, junior high

and high school levels. This is his first year as a varsity coach with an impressive third-place Class 3A finish as a debut. Please see CURTAIN, Page C2

Cowboys round up Rangers

By Brad Galbre
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Cowboys A played with heart and picked up an ugly win on Friday. Come Saturday, the Cowboys shot for the heart of the Meridian Rangers in a not-even-close 14-1 run-rule win at the Donnelley's Classic at Bruin Field in Twin Falls.

The Cowboys put up 17 hits in the game. Now, remember, this is wood-bat baseball.

"I wish we could play with them all the time," Twin Falls head coach Devin Kunz said. "It's the way the game was meant to be played."

Right off the bat, the balls came off those wood bats as Twin Falls put up five runs in the first inning. Again, they waited until they had two men out to kick it into gear. Although the Cowboys had four hits in the first inning to pick up two earned runs, the Rangers committed three errors and allowed Twin Falls to pick up the other three unearned. Meridian pitcher Craig Baker couldn't find a way to pitch around the Cowboys.

The Cowboys put the lumber to good use again in the second with five more hits for two runs. It just wasn't enough as they hit six more times in the third for six more runs. Jacob Coats led off the inning with a single, followed by a double from Braden Box. Both were batted in by tournament MVP Lane Reeves' single.

Midway through that fiasco, Rangers head coach Bill Swartley put Matt Lomborg on the mound to relieve starting pitcher Craig Baker. Baker gave up two of the six that inning, but Lomborg didn't fare



Second baseman Braden Box for the Twin Falls cowboys grips the bat after catching a line drive for the third out in the first inning.

much better. Of the Cowboys' four other runs, he allowed three runs to score and the other came on error. Reeves batted 3-for-4 with three runs scored and two RBIs. He finished with 10 runs in the tournament for the MVP honor. Please see COWBOYS, Page C2

Cache Valley edges Minico at journey

Times-News

RUPERT — Even the hard hits are caught sometimes.

The Minico Spartans American Legion AA baseball club pounded out nine hits — four for extra bases — but watched more of their ropes end in the gloves of the Cache Valley, Utah defense during Saturday's 7-3 loss in the Rupert Baseball Invitational Tournament championship game at Warburton Field.

"We came out and that first inning, hit the ball well, just everything right at them," Spartans assistant coach Erin Runyon said.

Cache Valley gained the advantage they'd win with by plating five runs in the bottom of the second, seemingly finding the open space in the field the Spartans couldn't.

"They put the ball in play on us and started finishing the gaps," Runyon said. "That was their big inning, really. We played defense well and pitched well, but they're just a tough team. We never really got it going offensively as far as finding the holes."

Colton Douglass finished 2-for-4 with a pair of doubles for

Minico, while McCoy Worthington went 2-for-3 with a single and a triple. Colby Anderson added a double for the 13-6 Spartans, who head to Pocatello on Wednesday.

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Tribe picks up two wins in Boise

BOISE — The Buhl Tribe picked up a pair of wins Saturday at the Boise Barons Invitational, winning a 14-10 slugfest over Sparks, Nev. in eight innings and a 12-2 drubbing of the host Barons in six.

"We started off slow against Sparks and woke up in the fourth or fifth inning and started to hit better," Tribe head coach Allyn Reynolds said. "They booted the ball around late, and that helped us out too."

Austin Laing finished 4-for-4 with a triple in the game, while Remington Daniels added a

Please see MINICO, Page C3

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

American League

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SPORTS

Level pecking for U.S. and Italy

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany (AP) — Bloodied but not beaten, the United States bounced back to hold Italy to a 1-1 tie Saturday night in an ugly World Cup game with three ejections, a disallowed American goal and wide-open play.



Italy's Gianluca Zambrotta challenges for the ball with USA's Landon Donovan, right, during their World Cup Group E soccer match in Kaiserslautern, Germany on Saturday.

With thousands of fans in red, white and blue cheering the United States on a warm night, the Americans hung on while playing most of the second half at a man disadvantage to gain their first World Cup point in Europe.

U.S. goalkeeper Kasey Keller saved the Americans with a pair of point-blank stops on Alessandro Del Piero in the final 20 minutes.

"We gave everything, but it was difficult after the second red card," captain Claudio Reyna said. "We gave everything at the end to get a point."

The American team, harshly criticized for lackluster and nervous play in their opener, went to a corner of the stadium after the final whistle to salute their fans at Fritz-Walter-Stadion, a group that was reportedly equal in size to supporters of the famous Azzurri, a three-time World Cup champion.

Italy (1-0-1) leads Group E with four points, one ahead of the Czechs and Ghana (both 1-1) and three ahead of the Americans (0-0-1).

The United States, seemingly deflated after a 3-0 loss to the Czech Republic, now finds itself with a chance to advance to the second round if it beats Ghana on Thursday in its final first-round game.

For the United States to reach the round of 16, it must win, coupled with an Italian victory over the Czechs, or there would have to be an Italy-Czech tie along with a U.S. victory by a margin of several goals.

"It's very simple, we have to win," Reyna said. "We have a super chance now."

The draw marked a milestone in the history of U.S. soccer. The Americans were 0-0 in World Cup games played in Europe, and they had never gotten as much as a single point in Europe in any match against the big five nations of

Italy, England, Germany, Spain and France.

By the end, players were exhausted from running in the wide-open space left by the ejections of Americans Eddie Pope and Pablo Mastroeni, and Italian Daniele De Rossi. The United States, which brought on Jimmy Conrad

after Pope was sent off, ended the match in a formation of four defenders, three midfielders and one forward while the Azzurri used three forwards to apply pressure.

But thanks greatly to Keller, the Americans didn't buckle. Pope and Mastroeni will miss the game with Ghana.

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First ROUND

Group A			Group E								
W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
x-Ecuador	2	0	5	0	6	Italy	1	0	1	3	4
x-Germany	2	0	5	2	6	Czech Rep.	1	0	3	2	3
Poland	0	2	0	3	0	Ghana	1	0	2	2	3
Costa Rica	0	2	0	2	7	USA	0	1	1	4	1

Friday, June 9

At Munich, Germany
Germany 4, Costa Rica 2
At Gelsenkirchen, Germany
Ecuador 2, Poland 0

Wednesday, June 14
At Dortmund, Germany
Germany 1, Poland 0

Thursday, June 15
At Hamburg, Germany
Ecuador 3, Costa Rica 0

Tuesday, June 13
At Berlin
Ecuador at Germany, 8 a.m.
At Nuremberg, Germany
Costa Rica vs. Poland, 8 a.m.

Monday, June 12
At Gelsenkirchen, Germany
Czech Republic 3, United States 0

At Hanover, Germany
Italy 2, Ghana 0

Saturday, June 17
At Cologne, Germany
Ghana 2, Czech Republic 0
At Kaiserslautern, Germany
Italy 1, United States 1, tie

Thursday, June 22
At Hamburg, Germany
Czech Republic vs. Italy, 8 a.m.
At Nuremberg, Germany
Ghana vs. United States, 8 a.m.

Group B			Group F								
W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
x-England	2	0	3	0	6	Australia	1	0	3	1	3
Sweden	1	0	1	0	4	Brazil	1	0	0	1	3
Trinidad	0	1	0	2	1	Croatia	0	1	0	1	0
Paraguay	0	2	0	2	0	Japan	0	1	0	1	0

Saturday, June 10

At Frankfurt, Germany
England 1, Paraguay 0
At Dortmund, Germany
Trinidad and Tobago 0, Sweden 0, tie

Thursday, June 15
At Nuremberg, Germany
England 2, Trinidad and Tobago 0

At Berlin
Sweden 1, Paraguay 0

Tuesday, June 20
At Cologne, Germany
Sweden vs. England, 1 p.m.
At Kaiserslautern, Germany
Paraguay vs. Trinidad and Tobago, 1 p.m.

Monday, June 12
At Kaiserslautern, Germany
Australia 3, Japan 1

Tuesday, June 13
At Berlin
Brazil 1, Croatia 0

Sunday, June 18
At Nuremberg, Germany
Japan vs. Croatia, 7 a.m.
At Munich, Germany
Brazil vs. Australia, 10 a.m.

Thursday, June 22
At Dortmund, Germany
Japan vs. Brazil, 1 p.m.
At Stuttgart, Germany
Croatia vs. Australia, 1 p.m.

Group C			Group G								
W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
x-Argentina	2	0	8	1	6	S. Korea	1	0	2	1	3
x-Netherlands	2	0	3	1	6	France	0	0	1	0	1
Ivory Coast	0	2	2	4	0	Switzerland	0	1	0	0	1
Serbia-Mon.	0	2	0	7	0	Togo	0	1	0	1	0

Saturday, June 10

At Hamburg, Germany
Argentina 2, Ivory Coast 1

Sunday, June 11
At Leipzig, Germany
Netherlands 1, Serbia-Montenegro 0

Friday, June 16
At Gelsenkirchen, Germany
Argentina 6, Serbia-Montenegro 0

At Stuttgart, Germany
Netherlands 2, Ivory Coast 1

Wednesday, June 21
At Frankfurt, Germany
Netherlands vs. Argentina, 1 p.m.

At Munich, Germany
Ivory Coast vs. Serbia-Montenegro, 1 p.m.

Group D

W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
x-Portugal	2	0	3	0	6
Mexico	1	0	1	1	4
Angola	0	1	0	1	1
Iran	0	2	0	1	0

Sunday, June 11

At Nuremberg, Germany
Mexico 3, vs. Iran 1

At Cologne, Germany
Portugal 1, Angola 0

Friday, June 16
At Hanover, Germany
Mexico 0, Angola 0, tie

Saturday, June 17
At Frankfurt, Germany
Portugal 2, Iran 0

Wednesday, June 14

At Leipzig, Germany
Spain 4, Ukraine 0

At Munich, Germany
Tunisia 2, Saudi Arabia 2, tie

Monday, June 19

At Hamburg, Germany
Saudi Arabia vs. Ukraine, 10 a.m.

At Stuttgart, Germany
Spain vs. Tunisia, 1 p.m.

Friday, June 23
At Berlin
Ukraine vs. Tunisia, 8 a.m.
At Kaiserslautern, Germany
Saudi Arabia vs. Spain, 8 a.m.

Group H					
W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Spain	1	0	0	4	3
Saudi Arabia	0	1	2	2	1
Tunisia	0	1	2	2	1
Ukraine	0	1	0	4	0

Ronaldinho is still the man for Brazil

MUNICH, Germany (AP) — The most dazzling player at this World Cup isn't even the most talked about member of his own team.

Two-time FIFA player of the year Ronaldinho is still widely popular with fans and even foes. Only the wane of fellow Brazilian star Ronaldo have spared him center stage during the tournament's first round.

Still, on a team of world-class players, the man who orchestrates Brazil's attack stands apart.

Just how big is Ronaldinho? — A serum of about 50 international journalists jockeyed around him Friday. They didn't want to ask questions — they wanted his autograph, a violation of FIFA rules.

After one of Brazil's warm-up matches last month, players from Swiss club FC Lucerne sprinted toward the midfielder following the final whistle. They wanted his jersey.

Fans twice invaded the team's training sessions to get near him. A Brazilian woman received a hug and a German boy escaped with an autograph.

"We understand that people want to get close and have contact with us," the soft-spoken Ronaldinho said recently. "All we can do is try to give back by playing well."

The man who led FC Barcelona to the Spanish league and European club championships got off to a slow start in Germany, his sec-



Brazil's soccer team player Ronaldinho is watched by spectators as he plays with the ball during a training session at the World Cup stadium in Munich, Germany on Saturday.

ond World Cup. His performance was subdued in Brazil's 1-0 win over Croatia on Tuesday. Only a few of his usual jaw-dropping moves worked and he described the outing as "nothing good nor bad."

That's not what the world has come to expect from a 26-year-old who has won the last two FIFA player of the year awards and earned praise from soccer greats such as Diego

Maradona and Pele. The little Ronaldinho is central to Brazil's "magic quartet" scheme, responsible for controlling the game and setting up strikers Ronaldo and Adriano.

"We need Ronaldinho to have liberty to do what he does best, which is create scoring opportunities," Brazil coach Carlos Alberto Pereira said. Ronaldinho said he's confident of finding top form Sunday when Brazil plays Australia.

"We have put the anxiety of the opener behind us," he said, "now we should be able to improve for the rest of the competition."

Ronaldinho grew up poor and playing soccer in the southern Brazilian city of Porto Alegre. When he was 8 years old, his father died of a heart attack. His elder brother Assis, now his agent, helped raise him.

He was only 16 when he got his professional start in 1996 with two-time Brazilian champion Grêmio. He moved to France's Paris Saint-Germain in 2000, then to Barcelona in 2003 in a deal worth \$38 million.

That move came after a breakout World Cup in 2002. Ronaldinho played five matches in Japan and South Korea, scoring two goals as Brazil captured its fifth World Cup title.

Ghana upsets Czech Republic

COLOGNE, Germany (AP) — Ghana pulled off the biggest upset of this World Cup and might have helped the United States along the way.

The first win for Africa in this tournament was a stunner. 2-0 over the same Czech Republic team that routed the Americans in their opener. Asamoah Gyan scored in the second minute Saturday night as the Ghanaians peppered star goalkeeper Petr Cech before getting the clincher in the 82nd.

With the victory, Ghana assured that the United States would not be eliminated from

contention even with a loss later Saturday against Italy. A U.S. win would put all four teams even at three points in Group E. Sulejki Muntari added the second goal after Cech made save after save. He seemed to have intimidated the shooters until Muntari sent a rocket of a shot into the upper right corner of the net with the Czechs down to 10 men.

Portugal 2, Iran 0

FRANKFURT, Germany — Deco scored with a powerful

first-time shot from outside the penalty area in the 63rd minute and Cristiano Ronaldo made a penalty kick 10 minutes from the end as Portugal advanced past the first round in the World Cup for the first time in 40 years.

Portugal last got so far in 1966 behind its greatest player, Eusebio.

Portugal has six points in Group D; it beat Angola 1-0 in its opening match.

Iran remained winless, having lost its opener against Mexico 3-1, and was eliminat-

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For transplant patients, it's often death by geography

By Alan Zarembo
Los Angeles Times

In the world of organ transplantation, location is everything.

After waiting more than a decade for a liver, Jonathan Van Vlack was deteriorating. His gut swelled with fluid, and toxins accumulating in his blood made him forget his own name.

Still, he wasn't sick enough — not in New York, where about 2,000 people statewide were vying for the same scarce liver.

"He's having a very difficult time right now," his wife, Laura, e-mailed a friend in March 2005. "We really need that liver to come."

It never did. Van Vlack died in December, on his 53rd birthday.

Frank Evannac was stalled in the same line. By age 53, he had been waiting four years for a liver, and he needed a kidney as well. After getting a tip at a Fourth of July party, he gave up on New York. Without telling his doctors, he moved in with his sister outside Jacksonville, Fla., and joined a new waiting list.

"Fourteen days later, a surgeon sewed in his new liver and kidney."

Two very sick men. Two locations. Two fates.

The national transplant system has long prided itself on the principle of fairness: Organs should go to the sickest or those who have suffered the longest.

So sacred is this code that violations forced three transplant programs in California to close in the last seven months: At St. Vincent Medical Center in Los Angeles, the staff took a liver designated for one patient and gave it to another person further down the waiting list; At the University of California, Irvine, viable livers were refused as waiting patients died; At Kaiser Permanente in northern California, hundreds of kidney patients hastily reassigned to a new program were

pushed back in line.

But a far greater inequity is inherent in the U.S. transplant system: When, and sometimes whether, you get an organ depends largely on where you are.

For transplantation purposes, the United States is divided into 58 territories, each with its own supply of organs and demand for surgeries. To protect local access to organs, most donated within a territory go to patients waiting there, even if sicker patients are waiting elsewhere.

This design has led to deep disparities, because supply and demand are not evenly spread across the country.

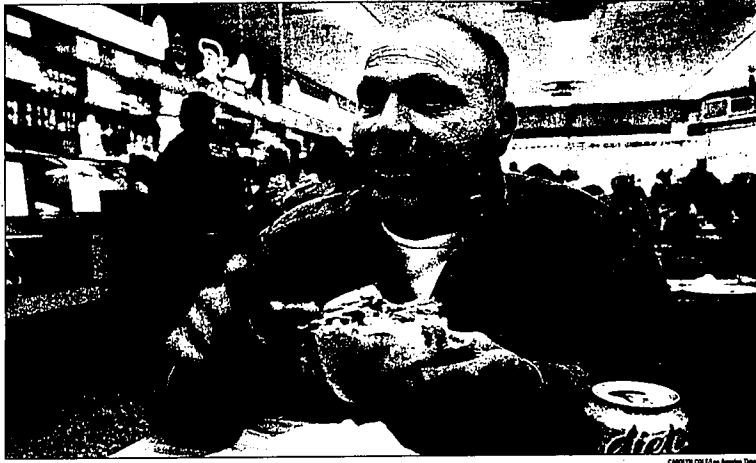
In big cities, for example, social blight boosts disease rates — and thus the need for organs — but makes it more difficult to recruit donors. At the same time, transplant centers in less crowded territories are often choosier about who joins their waiting lists. Varying ethnic compositions, car accident rates and the skill of organ recovery agencies all play into whether a territory is flush or deprived.

Sometimes all that separates a wait of years from one of months is a line on a map.

Take the Hudson River. On the New Jersey side, transplants are routinely given to patients much less sick than Van Vlack. In Manhattan, patients must reach the brink of death.

The boundaries often defy logic. Even though it has just 29 patients waiting for livers, the University of California, Davis, gets first choice of most of the organs recovered in its territory, a circle surrounding Sacramento, Calif., with a population of 2.4 million people. It is an island of privilege in a sea of need. The rest of northern California is a single territory with a population of 11.1 million, with 1,975 people awaiting livers.

These geographic inequities exist for all organs. But the consequences are direst for liver patients. Kidney patients



Frank Evannac enjoys a sandwich at a New York deli. He is strong enough to climb onto his backhoe again.

can survive on dialysis for years, and drugs and artificial devices can help keep heart patients alive.

Without transplants, most patients with liver disease deteriorate until they die.

Evannac was a rare exception. Fewer than 2 percent of patients are savvy and well off enough to leave town and join waiting lists in other territories.

National regulators acknowledge the disparities but say at least some are inevitable, given a nationwide shortage of organs.

"We think the system is working very well," said Dr. James Burdick, transplant division director at the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration. Still, he said, "we think it could be improved."

It is feasible, at least scientifically, to have another system,

one in which livers regularly move across territory lines to the sickest patients. In an ice-cold preservation solution, livers suffer no significant damage in the first 12 hours after harvesting.

But in most cases, nothing forces organ-rich territories to share. As a result, the system has evolved into a collection of self-interested fiefdoms.

The longest lines for livers are in the territories surrounding New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco, which together account for 30 percent of the approximately 17,220 people waiting nationwide. The University of California San Francisco Medical Center has the nation's longest list, followed by the hospitals of New York University, the University of California, Los Angeles, and Stanford University.

How this came to be is a case of demographics, hospital economics and regional politics.

The national system grew out of a 1984 bill sponsored by then-Sen. Al Gore, D-Tenn., to regulate what had become a free-for-all among kidney surgeons. Essentially, they found organs by networking with colleagues and forging alliances with hospitals.

The legislation sought to increase donation, prevent organ trafficking and distribute organs "equitably among transplant recipients according to established medical criteria."

Most details were left to the United Network for Organ Sharing, a Richmond, Va., nonprofit that won a government contract to set up and run the system.

With the network governed and financed primarily by transplant centers, localism prevailed.

In 1993, the year before the organ bill passed, there were 12 liver transplant centers. Without competition, they could draw organs from around the country.

But as more and more hospitals sought the prestige and profits of transplantation — the average liver transplant costs more than \$350,000 — the large urban programs found organ supplies depleted. Livers increasingly were dispatched to patients at newer centers in less crowded territories, even as demand rose at urban centers.

Today there are about 120 liver centers. Although 25 hospitals accounted for half of all liver transplants last year, large programs are vastly outnumbered by smaller well-supplied centers that, together, have come to define — and defend — the rules of organ distribution.

"Most of my patients come from the Appalachian Mountains," with some too poor even to afford tele-

phones, said Dr. Dinesh Ranjan of the University of Kentucky. Without a guaranteed local supply of livers, he said, "they are not going to travel to Boston or L.A. to get a transplant. They are going to stay here and die."

Now the focus is on refining the system. There are efforts to encourage more splitting of livers, using part of one lobe for a child and the rest of the organ for an adult. A six-state region — from Missouri to Wyoming — is considering sharing livers more broadly for the sickest patients, said Dr. John Lake, a University of Minnesota transplant surgeon who heads the national organ network's liver and intestine committee.

"You can look at it one of two ways," he said. "Let's ram this down people's throats, or let's try to do this more slowly, demonstrating that we are saving more lives with smaller steps."

In the meantime, the system produces winners and losers. A Jacksonville hospital saw an opportunity in the inequity and so did Frank Evannac.

He had come to the superintendent of liver transplantation, St. Luke's, a Mayo Clinic hospital, achieved this status by capitalizing on its location, turning the national system's dis-

parities to its advantage.

Florida has long been flush with organs, thanks to some of the highest donation rates in the country. The state's organ agencies say they are among the best at tracking down potential donors.

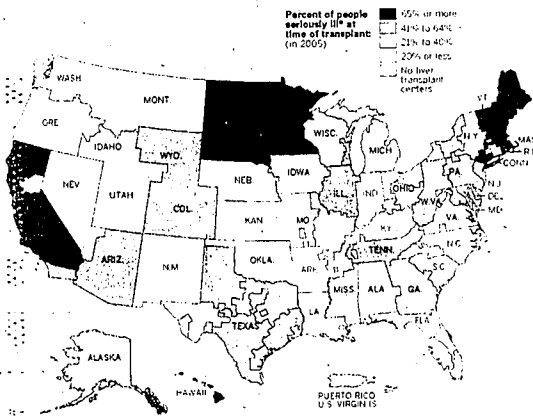
But St. Luke's has an extra advantage: It is surrounded by territories in which hospitals are extremely choosy about which livers they accept. So it vacuums up many of the organs other centers refuse. Last year, its six surgeons procured at least 95 livers from Mississippi, Georgia, South Carolina and Arkansas. Puerto Rico, which has no liver transplant centers, provided 32.

The result is the shortest waiting time in the country — a median of six weeks, compared with a nationwide figure of a little more than three years. The hospital performed 246 liver transplants in 2005, leading the nation for the second straight year. There are rarely more than 65 people on the waiting list at a time.

More than half the transplants at St. Luke's last year were for patients from outside Florida. Nine patients came from Massachusetts, eight from California, eight from Colorado and five from New York — all states with extreme organ shortages.

Waiting for a liver transplant

The U.S. is divided into 58 transplant territories, each with its own supply of organs from deceased donors and demand for transplants. In some parts of the country, most patients become very ill before they receive liver transplants. In others, patients spend less time on dialysis lists and are still relatively healthy when organs become available for them.



A sample of transplant centers

Center	% waiting 3 years or more**	No. on current waiting list	No. of transplants performed, 2005***
New York (Mount Sinai Medical Center)	100	471	147
Durham, N.C. (Duke University Medical Center)	99	291	39
San Francisco (UCSF Medical Center)	98	996	143
Boston (Massachusetts General Hospital)	99	212	46
Los Angeles (UCLA Medical Center)	66	161	200
Newark, N.J. (University Hospital)	33	889	87
Davis (UC Davis Medical Center)	14	28	22
Charleston, S.C. (Medical University of S.C.)	5	38	45
Jacksonville, Fla. (St. Luke's Hospital)	3	63	246
Indianapolis (Clarian Health Methodist/10/Riley)	1	78	176
U.S. total (all centers)	41	17,222	6,321

* 25% or higher in a variety of 640 scale that uses three blood tests to gauge urgency. Also includes cases of organ liver collapse or organ death. ** As of June 2, 2005. *** Does not include transplants from living donors.

How the system operates

The U.S. organ allocation system consists of 11 regions, which are broken down into 58 territories. When a liver from a deceased donor becomes available, it is generally offered first for patients of compatible blood type in the territory where it was recovered, starting with the sickest and moving down the list until the organ is accepted.

The order of the list depends on three blood tests used to assign each patient a number, from 6 to 40, known as a MELD score. The higher the score, the sicker the patient. If two patients have the same score, waiting time breaks the tie. Subpar quality is the main reason doctors turn down livers. If all the transplant units in a territory refuse a liver, it is offered for outside patients, first in the region, then nationwide.

Some exceptions:

- Although most people needing livers have chronic diseases that cause slow deterioration, some have suffered sudden liver collapse — for example, from a Tylenol overdose. These patients, who face imminent death, get first choice of livers regionwide. They accounted for 552 of the 6,121 U.S. transplants of livers from cadavers last year.
- If a territory has no patient with a MELD score of at least 15, a liver recovered there is offered first for candidates across the region. This policy, implemented last year, is based on studies showing that in patients with MELD scores of less than 15, the risk of death during surgery is greater than the risk of death from liver failure.

- At backlogged centers, patients typically do not receive transplants until they reach MELD scores of 25 or higher.
- Florida, which is divided into four territories, requires that livers be offered statewide before they are offered across the region, which includes five other states and Puerto Rico, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Tennessee and Ohio also have rules limiting the flow of livers outside their borders.
- In New York, which has four territories, livers go to the sickest patients statewide. Most are in the New York City area, where four of the state's five liver transplant units are located.
- Patients younger than 18 get an advantage in priority for organs from all minors.

— Los Angeles Times

'It could all be history'

Plan to expand Army site sparks fears in Colorado

By Colleen Slavin
Associated Press writer

KIM, Colo. — Steve Wooten drives his Ford pickup over red dirt roads that wind through his ranch near the Purgatoire River, careful to stay on the same old tracks because the marks can last for decades in this dry corner of southeastern Colorado.

Near a towering rock outcropping, Wooten and his wife, Joy, point to ancient American Indian drawings of antelope and deer. Go up a handmade ladder to a deep pool of snowmelt and rainwater and you can see three names of Western explorer Kit Carson scratched into the rock.

The couple is the fourth generation of the family to raise cattle on this 27,000-acre ranch. Steve Wooten's great-grandfather, an Irish immigrant, once boasted he had more land in New Mexico and Colorado than there was in all of Ireland.

Maybe it wasn't enough: The Wootens and many of their neighbors fear the Army is about to change their lives forever with a sprawling expansion of the Pinon Canyon training site used by troops at Fort Carson.

The post wants to expand Pinon Canyon by up to 418,000 acres, or 653 square miles, an area about two-thirds the size of Delaware. The Army says expansion is closely linked to growth at Fort Carson. 10,000 more troops over the next few years — and the post will soon be a training site for National Guard units around the West.

Having a big training area between Simulacris and the Wetlands, an Irish immigrant, said Karen Edge, the Pinon Canyon outreach coordinator at Fort Carson. The terrain and hot conditions in Pinon Canyon are similar to what soldiers fight in Iraq and Afghanistan, she said.

It's the land itself that's the cornerstone of live training," she said. Earlier, larger expansion proposals fueled talk of a government land grab. One military map showing a proposed 2.5 million acre, multiyear expansion was leaked to the media, but Edge said that proposal is old.

The Army isn't expected to decide on Fort Carson's request to expand until at least the end of the year and then any move would face a Defense Department review. Yet there is deep concern about the plan from the homeowners in the tiny general stores in towns that still serve as a touchstone for farmers and ranchers facing another dry year and shrinking profits. There's a fear that their way of life doesn't fit anymore in fast-growing Colorado.

Fort Carson officials haven't detailed which exact parcels they might want but they have released a map of their "area of interest," a circle that stretches out up to about 25 miles from Pinon Canyon. The Wootens, among others, are inside that circle.

Back at the Wooten home, wedding portraits of the couple's two daughters rest on top of a television hutch, flanked by the girls' first pairs of cowboy boots. Arin was married next to the barn on a windy day. Nikki was married in the same church as her parents. First Baptist in Kim, population 73.

Both daughters are gone — Arin in Nebraska and Nikki in New Mexico, both ranching with their husbands — but they've been calling home lately for news on Pinon Canyon.

The concern is that lost agricultural land would have a domino effect on businesses and schools that depend heavily on tax dollars.

"Kim, our community, our churches and schools. It could



Joy Wooten, left, and husband, Steve, stand on an outcropping of rocks above the Purgatoire River on their ranch that borders Pinon Canyon in southeastern Colorado on May 17. The Wootens and other ranchers in the area are concerned about Army plans to expand a training site for National Guard at the canyon.

all be history," Joy Wooten said during a chat in their kitchen at the end of a seven-mile-long dirt driveway. "It's beyond said."

Residents predict some landowners will sell to the Army either because there are no children to work the ranch or because the owners are outsiders who aren't so tied to the land.

Those considering selling keep a low profile. Edge said she and three recent calls from landowners, but all asked her to keep their names secret because they feared being pressured by their neighbors.

Bill Wilkinson, whose ranch borders Army land, said friends have been treating him coolly after he was quoted as saying he'd consider selling if two neighboring properties were bought. Even though he's against the expansion, he said he wonders what will happen if the Army takes over access roads to his ranch.

"Maybe I am public enemy No. 1, but the fact is I'm realistic. If my family becomes surrounded, I would have to say I'd have to consider my options," he said. "Ultimately the decision to sell or not to sell to the Army, if they don't invoke eminent domain, is going to be a personal thing decided at the kitchen table."

Lon Robertson left home because there wasn't enough income on his dad's ranch to support him, too. He worked in Texas before returning to Colorado, where he has a cattle ranch, runs the Kim Outpost store and has formed a coalition of opponents to the Pinon Canyon plan. He recently organized a meeting at a community hall in Hoonah, pop. 150, which could disappear in the expansion.

"If we don't stop it now, in 10 years it will be some of the rest of you," rancher Mack Louden told the group.

Rancher Lonny Jackson called the plan a grab for land where "we make very little income but it's part of us." His grandson, he said, was wounded in Iraq and now he might not have a ranch to come home to. "We're fighting in foreign wars because we don't think they're treating their people right and look what's happening here." Distrust of the Army dates

back to when the Pinon Canyon site was created in the 1980s. The Army acquired some 250,000 acres, about half by eminent domain, and military officials promised never to use live fire during training or swallow up any more ranches, according to residents. They say the site is barely used now and the Army has not given a good reason for the expansion.

Mike Heredia, chief of Fort Carson's strategic planning group, said more land is needed so a growing number of soldiers can train using new technology, including unmanned small aircraft, ground systems and updated radars.

Fort Carson is also scheduled to get three heavy brigade combat teams in its upcoming expansion, which include tanks, Bradleys and other heavy equipment. And while live fire of smaller weapons is allowed at Pinon Canyon, Heredia said bigger weapons could be part of an expanded training site.

"The Army has got to be able to fight against anybody anywhere in the world," he said.

A quiet conservatism prevails here, one that values military service, patriotism and personal responsibility but doesn't want government to have a heavy hand or rack up debt.

While Colorado's population and economy exploded in the 1990s, the agriculture-based eastern plains has been steadily losing people. This corner of

Colorado, a short drive from the New Mexico line, is struggling through drought and a loss of manufacturing jobs. Some ranchers offer hunting trips to help sustain their bot-



Lon Robertson closes a gate separating two pastures on his property near Kim, Colo., May 15. Robertson and other ranchers in the area are concerned about Army plans to expand a training site for National Guard at the canyon.

tom line: the Wootens are building a lodge to attract more hunters.

Opponents say a Pinon Canyon expansion of even 418,000 acres would swallow up 172 ranches and farms that generate about \$6 million a year and account for 30 percent of the county's agricultural output.

Even if the Army paid the going rate for land in the area — between \$250 and \$350 an acre — many ranchers say there wouldn't be any place for them to go where they could replicate what they have. Cattle need a lot of land — between 30 acres on the flatlands and 75 acres in the rockier canyon land per animal.

Ranchers have had to sell off cattle or send them to out-of-state pastures because there wasn't enough grass to feed them in the lingering drought. The Wootens sold 100 cows in 2001, then moved the rest to Kansas.

Today, the farm is only two-thirds stocked.

The last stop on the tour of their ranch is a red rock cave overlooking the Purgatoire River, which legend says got its name because some Spanish settlers were attacked by Indians and died without being able to receive last rites, sending them to purgatory.

Pinon Canyon is just across the next ridge, three-quarters of a mile away with a silver of Forest Service land in between.

Steve Wooten said he doesn't understand how the Army can drive tanks and other heavy equipment on such sensitive land but fears they may take his ranch to gain access to the flatter lands just beyond.

"And if it's not this time, he fears there could be a third and a fourth round of expansions."

"We'll never spend a day not wondering when that hammer is going to fall," Steve Wooten said.

"We will forever be watching our backside's wondering when those guys are coming after us again."

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AROUND THE NATION

WWII sub found in Gulf of Thailand

By Andrey Mckoy
Associated Press writer

HONOLULU — For 60 years, Nancy Kenney wondered what happened to her father. The submarine that William T. Mabin was in disappeared while he and his crewmates were on a mission to attack a Japanese convoy in the last months of World War II.

Now, the Navy says a wreck found at the bottom of the Gulf of Thailand appears to be the sub, the USS Lagarto.

"I have never in my life, unequivocally, felt such a high," said Kenney, who was 2 years old when her father and the submarine did not return from their mission in May 1945.

"We can just feel a sense of relief and a sense of peace in knowing what happened and where they are," said Kenney, of Lake Leelanau, Mich.

Navy divers on Friday completed a six-day survey of the wreckage site. They took photos and video of the 311-foot,

9-inch submarine for further analysis by naval archeologists.

The divers found twin 5-inch gun mounts on the forward and rear parts of the ship — a feature believed to be unique to the Lagarto.

They also saw the word "Manitowoc" displayed on the submarine's propeller, providing a connection to the Manitowoc, Wis., shipyard that built the Lagarto in the 1940s.

Eighty-six sailors died when the Lagarto sank in May 1945. The Japanese mine-layer Hatsuzuki reported dropping depth charges and sinking a U.S. sub in the area, though it was never known what ship it destroyed.

The Navy sent its divers to examine the ship to provide the sailors' families with some answers after a British professional shipwreck diver last year found what looked like the Lagarto, said Lt. Cmdr. Jeff Davis, a spokesman for the U.S. Pacific Fleet Submarine Force.

"It was important to bring a sense of closure to these families and it was important to do it in a way that would honor our fellow submariners," Davis said.

The Navy wouldn't do anything with the ship even if it conclusively determined it was the Lagarto, considering the sea to be a proper final resting place for "our people who are killed in action," he said.



This photo provided by the U.S. Navy shows the submarine USS Lagarto in 1944.

NEW ORLEANS

Five teenagers killed in street shooting

Five people ranging in age from 16 to 19 were killed in a street shooting early Saturday, the most violent crime reported in this slowly repopulating city since Hurricane Katrina hit last August.

All were believed to have been gunned down in a volley of bullets on a street in the Central City neighborhood just outside the central business district. Three of the victims were found in a sport utility vehicle rammed against a utility pole and two were found nearby on the street.

Authorities said they were looking for one or more suspects but did not elaborate.

IOWA

Four GOP presidential contenders make visit

DES MOINES — Four Republicans considering running for president in 2008 courted activists Saturday and pledged GOP success in the November elections despite the party's sagging support in polls.

"The theme is we are right on the issues, not just for Iowa but for the country," said New York Gov. George Pataki. "I understand what the experts are saying, but if we stick to Republican principles we will succeed."

Also at the Iowa Republican convention, Kansas Sen. Sam Brownback said, "The voters want this election to be a referendum election. But the best thing we can do for the Iowa Republican Party is show that this is not a referendum. It's a choice."

Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and Virginia Sen. George Allen joined them at the convention attended by nearly 2,000 people. Aides to Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist of Tennessee were there, too.

The event is the traditional kickoff of the fall campaign.

FLORIDA

NASA picks July 1 for next shuttle flight

CAPE CANAVERAL — NASA managers on Saturday picked July 1 to launch the first space shuttle in almost a year, despite recommendations against a flight attempt by the space agency's chief engineer and safety officer.

The decision to launch Discovery on a trip to the International Space Station was made after two days of meetings by NASA's top managers and engineers at the Kennedy Space Center.

The flight would be only the second shuttle mission since the Columbia disaster in 2003.

CALIFORNIA

Pet cemetery to give ways to human graves

COLMA — Nilla Negri grieved her two dogs and a cat years ago, when they were

buried at the lone pet cemetery among 17 human graveyards in this town known as the "City of Souls."

Now she is back at the Pet's Rest cemetery, sitting on a gravestone, head in hands.

Some 1,000 animals buried here have to be dug up and moved because they were buried on leased property and the landowner, a local real estate firm, wants to use it for human graves.

For Negri and the other owners, the prospect of seeing the animals exhumed stirred up grief they thought had been put to rest.

"I don't want anybody touching my pets," said Negri, who has lived in San Francisco since 1949.

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Golden buffalo to roam again as new U.S. coin

The golden buffalo, the legendary symbol of the American West, will soon roam again — this time as the nation's first pure gold coin.

The U.S. Mint will start taking orders in the coming week for the coins. Officials believe they have found a winning combination that will appeal to nostalgia buffs and investors.

The coin will be slightly larger and thicker than a Kennedy half dollar, will contain one ounce of gold and will be designated a \$50 gold piece. The actual price will depend on the market price of an ounce of gold, plus markups.

The design is a replica of the popular buffalo nickel that was minted from 1913 to 1938. The 1913 nickel was designed by famed artist James Earle Fraser.

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MONEY

Hot on the trail

Private eye sniffs out secrets of the rich and famous

By Rachel Abramowitz
The Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — It's 10 p.m., and John Nazarian, a burly 53-year-old private eye, is hurtling around Beverly Hills in his red Scion looking for garbage.

Nazarian treats trash as his private archeological site, the detritus of human existence that exposes hidden vulnerabilities — financial documents, prescription bottles, booze bottles and anything that might sport DNA.

"I would love to find condoms," he said.

It's a dirty job being a private investigator, but Nazarian is prepared to do it. As he likes to say, he is one of the most expensive private eyes in L.A., charging \$10,000 to \$20,000 as a retainer and \$400 an hour for his services. He's racked up celebrity clients, including singer Peggy Lee, Dean Martin, billionaire Doris Duke and her butler, Bernard Lafferty. He's caught stalkers for CBS Chairman Les Moonves and former "NYPD Blue" star Andrea Thompson.

Then there are the unnamed Hollywood wives with philandering husbands for whom Nazarian and his crew of 22 ex-cops and sundry specialists seem to be working in perpetuity.

Nazarian is part of a long tradition of Hollywood private eyes, from fictional antiheroes such as Sam Spade and "Chinatown's" Jake Gittes, to real-life swaggerer Fred Goetz, the investigator for Confidential Magazine, and Anthony Pellicano, the infamous gumshoe who sits in jail awaiting trial on more than 100 counts of wiretapping and witness intimidation.

This is why Nazarian keeps no records. Nothing. Tonight's game plan mercifully consists of a 3-by-5 card with an address. "We've had our documents requested, and I said I don't have 'em."

For this particular jaunt around Beverly Hills and Bel-Air, Nazarian has opted for a black shirt and slacks. He is dressed down, having left what he calls his costume at home. That includes a hat, over-size designer shades and bling — most notably his trademark rings, hunks of gold and platinum that look like smashed golf balls. He designed them himself, as he did the idiosyncratic cut of his dyed black beard. It looks as if his goatee sprouted two slender butterfly wings. He shaves what's left of his hair, like Kojak. The look suggests menace, and that's the point.

"As a private detective, the more bad things you say about me, the more valuable my trade becomes," he said.

Things have cooled down in Nazarian's line of work since the Pellicano indictment.

"I said to the lawyers, all the good

wire guys, they've all gone to Chicago for the summer. Anybody who goes out and wiretaps and does bugging now, they've got to be out of their minds."

Nazarian said he doesn't bug because "I'm too old to go to jail." As a former cop, he insisted he knows how to push the boundaries without going over the line.

"I have a huge amount of sympathy for Anthony," he said. "If I was his office manager, I would have made sure that none of that happened."

As for the lawyers who employed Pellicano, he groaned theatrically. "I feel horrible for those guys. A lawyer always trusts me to do the right thing. Not that we break the law, but a private eye, by the mere fact of what we do, it's not like we're a bunch of choirboys. We're not."

Nazarian is upfront about the people who don't like him — the California Association of Licensed Investigators, for one, which recently suspended him from its e-mail list server for 30 days after he sent a

nasty e-mail. Nazarian said most private investigators are "clowns" who rack up bills and don't deliver.

"I saw what all these other private eyes were doing, and I thought I shared nothing in common ... that's why I don't associate with any of them," Nazarian owns a Bentley and a Rolls-Royce, and, as he said, "I don't go to their conferences, because where am I going to park this Bentley in a parking lot full of Camrys?"

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Private investigator John Nazarian says he shares nothing in common with most others in his profession. "I don't go to their conferences," he says, "because where am I going to park this Bentley in a parking lot full of Camrys?"

CAROL CHERRY/LA English News

Developer proposes to add to homes in Ketchum

Property owners call 'vacating' idea a land grab

By Susan Bailey
The Wood River Journal

KETCHUM — Three years ago, few people knew Second Street perched at the edge of a plunge that overlooked Trail Creek. Then, the developer of a project called Lodges at Trail Creek removed trees and contoured property formerly owned by the Marge Heiss family, and voilà.

Currently, a new project has been added to the roster to add more homeowners on Second Street to look down upon houses at Bitterroot Road below and watch waters that were formerly hidden.

Using a proposed public park to attract city officials, developer Jack Bariteau, whose Colonnade and Christiania buildings on Sun Valley Road are imposing structures, wants to turn the former Borden Stevenson house at 100 Walnut Ave. into townhouses. The development has been mapped out with a city park near Trail Creek and one 1,500-square-foot community housing unit.

Along with attorney Ed Lawson as the representative for Bariteau, neighbors turned out for the public hearing Monday in City Hall along with an attorney for the Lodges at Trail Creek.

In addition, Ketchum's city attorney had a few words of warning for members of the Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission about their duties. Part of the proposal from Bariteau involves building on unused street areas and part of an alley. If the P&Z approves.

"This plan involves vacating portions of a street and an alley," said Ben Worst, city attorney. "Your standard is the street has no other public purpose. You can't see this as a land exchange, or a benefit received. We are not exchanging or selling the public right-of-way under any circumstance."

Planner Beth Callister said the Ketchum Street Department has not addressed whether First Street, the city right-of-way under consideration, functions for city services, transportation or utilities.

P&Z Commissioner Anne Corcock noted 9,000 square feet of property would pass to Bariteau if the city agrees to the "vacating" deal.

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Superstores are for the birds

Feathered friends fly in for some 'home improvement'.

By Tom Dunkel
The Baltimore Sun

BALTIMORE — The birdhouse has gotten super-sized.

Fowl are homesteading inside big-box mega-stores, enticed by the safe environs and possibly free food, and, in the process, enhancing the experience of shoppers on the prowl for gas grills or lawn spreaders.

"There's a nest up there you can see," says Rachel Woodall, nodding toward a glob of grass and twigs wedged between metal roof rafters at the Home Depot store in suburban Baltimore.

"And there's a bird on top of the light fixture!" Sure enough. That's a nest. That's a sparrow. Woodall, an assistant manager, is on an early-morning nature walk of sorts.

At 6 a.m. Home Depot is as much wildlife habitat as retail space, especially in the garden department where she is stepping among potted ferns and ferns, flushing a few lazy birds out of bed.

"You very rarely see them down the other end of the building," says Woodall.

"I guess they like the plants and the bird seed."

Actually, they love the plants and the bird seed.

Come wintertime, these birds don't migrate to Wal-Mart in Florida. They're loyal Home Depot birds. Born and bred.

One assistant manager says there might be as many as two dozen active nests in the store and the nursery.

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A sparrow looks for nesting material in the garden department of the Home Depot in Timonium, Md.

MONEY

Private eye

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Nazarian unabashedly loves the limelight and has just wrapped his first film role, playing a version of himself opposite Anthony Hopkins in "Fracture," directed by Gregory Hoblit. (Nazarian once found someone who had been stalking Hoblit's wife, actress Deborah Farentino.)

He's worked for the tabloid show "Extra," which recently sent him to Mexico to hunt for Olivia Newton-John's boyfriend, Patrick McDermott, who disappeared a year ago.

Nazarian employs experts to do what he can't: a former Beverly Hills cop for handwriting analysis, a forensic accountant, a lab guy, tech guys for debugging or to apply Global Positioning System tracking devices to cars (the latest way to follow spouses), a European detective to handle cases that go Continental. For people worried about wiretapping, he offers simple advice: Buy a bag of disposable cell phones.

Nazarian tries to work with the police, particularly Los Angeles Police Department's Crime Management Unit, which deals with celebrities and stalking.

"I always tell my clients whenever I have the police involved, if you're lying to me and they pull out a big body skeleton, I'm getting up and leaving you there," Nazarian said.

Although he does a smattering of criminal cases, family law accounts for about 70 percent of his business.

He is the only investigator used by 79-year-old attorney Sorrell Trope — often referred to as the dean of L.A. divorce lawyers. Trope, who has represented Cary Grant and Nicole Kidman, among other stars, has employed Nazarian to serve subpoenas and to get background information in searches for hidden assets.

"The principal wife, it's honest," Trope said. "He's legitimate."

Family law attorney Lisa Helfend Meyer says she tried a lot of private eyes before she met Nazarian.

"I wasn't happy because most of them are flaky ... I trust John, and I don't trust the majority of private investigators I've worked with."

In one case, Nazarian tracked down a husband who'd gone to Mexico with his wife to reconcile their marital differences but vanished after five days. Nazarian found the husband with his girlfriend.

In another case, a doctor claimed that he couldn't pay his child support because he was too ill to work; he was healthy enough to treat Nazarian, though, when he came in posing as a patient.

Attorney Cary Goldstein, who specializes in pallimony cases, uses Nazarian for questioned documents and handwriting analysis, surveillance.

"Investigators are kind of interesting characters," Goldstein said. "What they do is self information, and sometimes you just want to know things about people, and you don't want it to be the same

kind of baloney that anyone can pull off a Google search. You want to know the real stuff. ... John has a way of operating and a way ... of casually obtaining relevant information about people. That's what you pay for with someone like Nazarian."

Not everybody admires Nazarian's methods.

One family law attorney, Lynn Soodik, says Nazarian tried to intimidate her while she took his deposition. "He sent me a greeting card at home. On the surface, it was not threatening, but you knew he was saying, 'I know where you live.' I just thought it was unprofessional," Soodik said.

Nazarian pulls up in front of a red brick house. The flag in the garage is on, and the trash is, unfortunately, behind a gate.

This is the second time Nazarian has hit this house, but the night is still young. He decides to come back later, and scoots over to Bel-Air to check on a husband his client thinks is cheating.

"Trust me. Just like Bugs Bunny gets a carrot, I'll get my ... trash," Nazarian dabbled in many professions before he became a private eye, including mortician, prison guard, a heavy equipment operator, a lawn business, a sheriff's deputy in San Francisco and a small-town cop in Mendota.

In San Francisco, he was well known as one of the first openly gay police officers. Nazarian says he's bi-sexual, although he generally doesn't discuss his sex life.

"To classify myself, I would never say gay, but I consider myself fairly happy. I'm an across-the-board lover of trees, women, men, dogs, horses," he said.

When he started out as a private eye, he worked often for people who were dying of AIDS and wanted to find lost loved ones.

"All my friends who came on the department with me died of AIDS. It was a big part of the reason I left San Francisco. I lost all my friends when I was in my 30s."

Now infidelity pays the bills. He's driving up to a client's house in Bel-Air, a \$12 million mansion surrounded by foliage and obscured from the street except for a portico with cars. Nazarian gets excited because one is gone, the BMW that belongs to the spouse he's keeping tabs on. He calls his client only to learn that the missing husband is not missing at all ... but with her.

The majority of Nazarian's clients are women, and it's easy to see why. Nazarian is like a pit bull — ferocious to strangers but deeply loyal and solicitous to his masters. "Women gravitate toward him because they feel comfortable with him," Meyer said. "It's hard when a woman goes through a divorce. They've relied on their husbands, and now they're adrift. John comes through for them."

Nazarian also caters to the wealthy women who don't want to give up the jaguar and the Beverly Hills mansion — they just want to know where



John Nazarian excels at "casually obtaining relevant information," an attorney says.

their husbands are sleeping.

"They basically want to keep track of the flavor of the month," Nazarian said as he cruised back to the Beverly Hills house to see if the trash was out. "The men think they're in charge, but the women are always in charge."

Nazarian earns a lot of money because of men who can't stay faithful. He loves to find people's secrets, and he reels off discoveries like a hunter bragging about his kills

— the wealthy couple's box of sex toys, the nude photographs that had been shredded but that his team managed to piece back together.

"It's not an honorable profession," he said, sighing. But he's no Pellicano, the disgraced avatar of Hollywood gunshows.

"Some of the stuff Pellicano did was overboard," Nazarian said. "It was like putting too much garlic in the sauce. He didn't need to do that."

Superstores

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House sparrows. House finches. Mourning doves. Starlings. Pigeons. The occasional crow or owl.

For the most part the birds are common birds, says James Millenson, president of the Maryland Ornithological Society.

Characteristically aggressive and adaptable, these birds are used to nesting in buildings, light poles or traffic signal poles.

They aren't classic songbirds. The morning air in Home Depot is filled with simple rattling and tweeting, peeps and coos.

"It's kinda neat," says Michael Mitcherling, who works in the paint department. "It gives you that springtime effect in the store."

The birds of Home Depot swoop down aisles and carve stealth-bomber turns over patio furniture displays, perch on overhead beams and quench their thirst from puddled water.

Being that birds are small, quick and smart enough to have figured out motion-detector technology they hover near store entrances waiting for shoppers to trip (sensors) large public buildings make inviting shelters. Birds find their way inside shopping malls, supermarkets, even airport terminals. They usually present no health hazard because those structures get cleaned so often.

"If you go into any open warehouse store, you're going to have what I call 'interlopers,'" says Gary Thompson, a supervisor in the disease control division of the Baltimore County Health Department. "I don't know if it would be any more dangerous than birds that nest over your deck or porch. From a health department standpoint, there would be some concern in a food store."

Thompson thinks of home-improvement centers such as Lowe's and Home Depot as "birdie Hiltons." They're the size of airport hangers and have high, unfinished ceilings. The extra-wide doors are constantly in use. Yummy grass seed and bird seed are predators in the store. There are no producers to speak of. And the landlords are bird-friendly.

"We have a catch-and-release policy," says Don Harrison, a spokesman for Home Depot corporate headquarters in Atlanta. "We don't use any poison or anything."

Some stores trap peaky birds in nets. Some have staked



A pair of mourning doves has built a nest up under the roof of the garden department at the Home Depot in Timonium, Md.

ed stocking seed that's packaged in hard-plastic containers instead of bags. Others hang artificial owls as a deterrent. But birds are generally welcome to stay as long as they don't become a nuisance. In fact, a majestic red-tailed hawk once took up residence inside a North Carolina Home Depot store and became a media folk hero. He developed a fan base.

"People would come in and say, 'Where's the hawk at?'" Harrison recalls.

Jim Sowards, manager of a Lowe's in suburban Baltimore, says he used to see high-quality store birds when he worked in Kentucky: blue jays and cardinals. He also notes that customers think the stores are stocked with birds the way ponds are with fish: "They'll ask, 'How do you bring the birds in here?'"

Not everyone is enthralled. Phil Miller is a sales representative for a company that makes high-end products carried by Home Depot. His job takes him to hundreds of locations.

"It's a pain in the neck," he says of store birds, which leave droppings on high-stacked inventory boxes that he has to move. Miller was recently in a Delaware Home Depot that had caught the fancy of a mockingbird, a breed notorious for its singing ability.

"That thing was going for hours and hours," he says. "You couldn't even hear the radio. It made every sound possible."

Customers rarely complain. "I think it's pleasant, especially when you're near the gardening stuff," says Janet Hays, who is stocking up on cleaning supplies.

Ketchum

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Barry Lubovisky, attorney for property owners at the Lodges at Trail Creek, called the proposal for vacating part of a city street and alley "a most amazing land grab I've seen around here in a long time." In addition, Lubovisky said the scale of the building proposed for construction in part on city land was "incredibly massive" and out of sync with its neighbors.

The Lodges at Trail Creek borders on one side, with the townhouse development Sun Valley Seasons on the other.

The Lodges at Trail Creek was developed by P&Z member Jack Rutherford prior to his appointment to the Commission. Rutherford excused himself from the hearing to sit in the audience.

Lubovisky wasn't the only one talking negatively about the Bariteau proposal made under the name Stevenson Ketchum LLC.

Deborah Bohrer, a property owner on Bitterroot Road directly across the creek from the Bariteau land, spoke about the impact on her neighborhood. She said the townhouse street not only towers over the street below, but placing its pool on the rooftop would prove a noise nuisance.

"Bitterroot Road in Sun Valley is a quiet neighborhood of very big, very old trees," said resident Bohrer. "You're looking right into kitchens and living rooms and bedrooms and I've got some concerns."

Bohrer also brought up the issue of removal of old trees, a sore subject after the cutting down of vintage spruce at Halley's Forest Service Block and the Sun Valley Athletic Club this month.

Rob King, Clemens & Associates, said all trees in the riparian area would be preserved. He said some others labeled unhealthy by Jennifer Smith, city arborist, would be removed.

"We'll preserve a significant number of trees," King said. Kate Gliese, Wood River Land Trust, said she was concerned about access for the Wood River Land Trust property adjacent to the proposed development.

"It will be a great chance for people to have a park and we want to be sure access isn't closed off," Gliese said.

Drew Sanderford, associate director of Blaine State Historic Authority, said BKH was pleased with the community housing unit proposed for the development. Community housing is not required in the project.

P&Z Chair Harold Johnson said he didn't think simply being given a community housing unit and a city park was enough reason to allow the proposed zoning change to increase density.

"Granted, we are getting a community housing unit but is that enough to upgrade it to the GRH?" said Johnson. "I don't think it really justifies the increase in this case."

Lawson said the zoning

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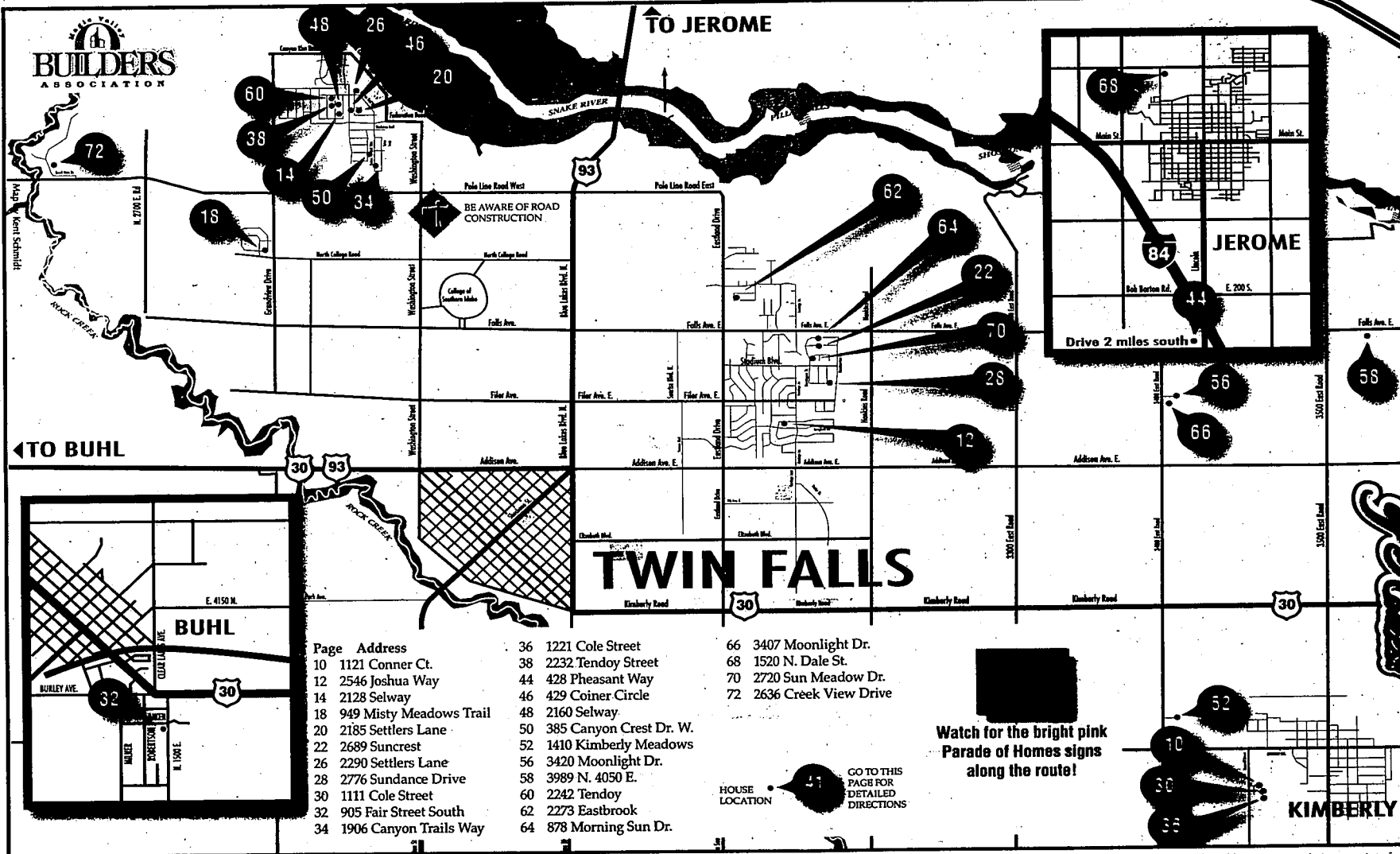
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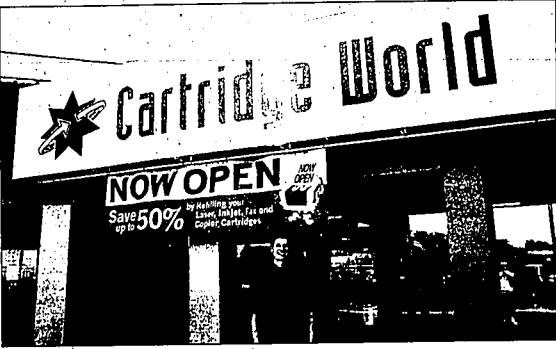
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YOUR BUSINESS

Milestones

CARTRIDGE REFILLER OPENS T.F. STORE



Lance Jensen is the franchise owner of the new Cartridge World in Twin Falls. Cartridge World, the largest retailer of cartridge refilling services in the printer cartridge industry, announced the opening of its newest franchise at 647 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. in Twin Falls. Consumers and businesses can drop off their cartridges for inkjet and laser printers, photocopiers and fax machines at the Cartridge World store, where they are refilled with knowledgeable and fast customer service. This quick and easy cartridge refill service allows customers to refill their printer cartridges with as much ease as they refill the gas in their cars. They get back the same printer cartridge that they brought in, with a money back guarantee, for about half the cost of a new cartridge. Cartridge World estimates that it will keep 9 million cartridges out of landfills this year. For more information, contact the Twin Falls Cartridge World store at 736-8667 or visit www.cartridgeworldusa.com.

Contributions

Glanbia Foods awards four scholarships

TWIN FALLS — The Glanbia Foods Inc. Scholarship Program has selected four scholarship winners for the 2006 school year.

Four graduating high school students were selected from a pool of applicants submitted by both Glanbia employees and patrons to continue their education training beyond the high school level.

Glanbia Foods established its scholarship program in 1997 to encourage sons and daughters of full-time Glanbia employees and patrons to continue their education training beyond the high school level.

"Our scholarship program supports college-bound students with education-related expenses," said Shawn Attorney, director of human resources and organizational development at Glanbia. "We're proud to encourage and assist in the educational pursuits of the children of Glanbia Foods employees and patrons, and congratulate this year's recipients."

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of application essays, academic record, participation in school and community activities and work experience. Winning graduating high school seniors must enroll in a full-time course of study at an accredited or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school. Scholarship monies must be used in the school year following the award.

This month, Glanbia will give a \$1,000 scholarship to each of the following students:

- Employee-related recipients:

Nikki Carnell graduated from Jerome High School with a 4.0 GPA. She is the daughter of Millie Satterthwaite who works in Glanbia's Twin Falls office. Nikki hopes to gain admission at Lewis and Clark College to major in business with a minor in advertising or marketing.

Megan Bullers graduated from Valley High School with a 3.43 GPA. Megan is the daughter of Angie — who works in Glanbia's Twin Falls office — and Richard Bullers. Megan's goal is to attend Lewis-Clark State College and study elementary education.

• Patron-related recipients: Travis Miller, son of Blaine and Carolanne Miller of Blaine Miller Dairy, graduated from Valley High School with a 3.43 GPA. Travis wants to follow in his father's footsteps and get a degree in Animal Science from BYU Idaho, and ultimately own his own dairy farm.

Christen Fitzgerald, daughter of Christen Fitzgerald, and Denise Fitzgerald of 4 Bros. Dairy, graduated from Shoshone High School with a 3.41 GPA. She plans to pursue a degree in fashion at the University of Idaho in Moscow.

PMT SCHOLARSHIP



Jerry Rodabaugh of Twin Falls received a \$1,500 scholarship from Project Mutual Telephone to purchase the assistive technology that will allow him to continue his education at the College of Southern Idaho. Rodabaugh is a visually impaired student working toward a rehabilitation counseling degree. The money will help buy JAWS for Windows (Job Access for Windows and Speech), a screen reader that allows people who are blind to access information on their computer. Pictured are PMT president and chief executive officer Charles Creason (left) and Rodabaugh.

MDA HOP-A-THON



The families from Christine's Home-Away-From-Home Preschool and Daycare in Twin Falls recently raised \$660 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association in the MDA Hop-a-Thon. Owner Christine Schmidt's group of children have participated in the Hop-a-Thon since 1999. This year the group set a goal to raise enough money to send one child to summer camp for one week. The cost of the camp is \$600. The remainder of the balance will go towards wheelchair maintenance. Pictured from left to right: top row, Kyle Carter, Jackson Shaver, Sabyna Schmidt; middle row, Cameron Carter, Alysa Gabert, Naomi Schmidt, Kelsey Gabert; bottom row, Dakota Sozino, Landen Sozino, Payton Mendonca and Arianna Galan.

Career moves

Sharon Thueson

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Health Clinic announced the addition of Sharon Thueson to their staff as a physician's assistant.

She has 25 years of experience in family practice, most recently in Longview, Wash. She has almost 10 years of experience as a lactation consultant. She holds degrees from the College of Southern Idaho, the University of Idaho and Pennsylvania State University. Thueson has three children and enjoys gardening, camping, photography and sewing.



Thueson

peers and administrators. Hunt has taught computer graphics design, Photoshop, typography, vector drawing and electronic publishing. He is working on his Master of Instructional Technology degree through Idaho State University. He received a plaque, \$1,000 check, and the opportunity to attend a workshop or professional development conference of his choice.

Hodges, Heston

TWIN FALLS — Idaho Legal Aid Services Inc. announced its election of officers for 2006, held during the annual Meeting on May 20.

Mick Hodges of Justice Law OJCS PLLC in Twin Falls was elected president. He was appointed to the board by the Twin Falls District Bar Association. Connie Heston of Twin Falls was elected secretary. She was appointed to the board by the Crisis Center of Magic Valley.



Hodges



Heston

She and her husband Harry Fitzgerald live in Albion. She has two children and three grandchildren.

Alvin Andrews

OAKLEY — Alvin Andrews, a teacher at Oakley Junior and Senior High School, has been selected by Honeywell to participate in a month in the prestigious 2006 Honeywell Educators at Space Academy program at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Ala.

Andrews will join 200 science and math teachers from 19 counties and 43 U.S. states to complete an intensive educator curriculum focused on space science and exploration in addition to participating in real-life astronaut training. The teachers will participate in a variety of activities including 40 hours of classroom, laboratory and field training. Honeywell Educators will also have the unique opportunity to participate in astronaut training exercises, including a high-performance jet simulation, scenario-based space missions, land and water survival training, and a state-of-the-art flight dynamics program.



Andrews

Marilyn Mills

TWIN FALLS — Liberty Care Services, a mental health clinic, announced the addition of Marilyn Mills to their staff.

She is a professional mental health worker, currently assigned to provide psychosocial services. These services are designed to provide support and education for the mentally ill who are living in the Twin Falls community and surrounding areas.

Mills studied at the Idaho State University and California State University. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology, and is currently working towards a Master of Science in Mental Health Counseling. She was previously a licensed vocational nurse.



Mills

Russell Tremayne

TWIN FALLS — Russell Tremayne was honored as the College of Southern Idaho's Academic Instructor of the Year at the college's commencement ceremonies. He was nominated and chosen by his students, peers and administrators. Tremayne has taught history at CSI since 1999 and recently published "A History of Twin Falls Canal Company 1905 - 2005". His bachelor's and master's degrees are from Boise State University and his Ph.D. is from University of Washington. He received a plaque, a \$1,000 check, and the opportunity to attend a workshop or professional development conference of his choice.

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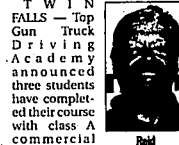
TWIN FALLS — Bridgeview Estates announced the addition of Larry Kelley as director of nursing services.

He has 34 years of long term care experience, 22 of those years in management. He was appointed as director of nursing services, and recently moved to Twin Falls from Yucca Valley, Calif. He will lead over 100 nurses and certified nursing assistants.

Kelley and his wife Renea have two children. He enjoys collecting and restoring antiques.



Kelley



Reid

Edith 'Edie' Fitzgerald

RUPERT — Edith "Edie" Fitzgerald is the Mindoka County School District's Employee of the Year.

She worked at East Middle School for 14 years and has been awarded classified employee of the year at the school on two occasions. In addition to work, she is very active in the community through the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Helping Hands Freedom Trails and the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life.



Fitzgerald

Daryl Hunt

TWIN FALLS — Daryl Hunt was honored as the College of Southern Idaho's Technical Instructor of the Year at the college's commencement ceremony. He was nominated and chosen by his students,

Small farmers grapple with decision to go big or get out

By Megan M. Roe
The Herald Journal

LOGAN, Utah — When Brandon Anderson thinks of his future, he sees a big, black hole. A hole that could someday swallow his hobby, his livelihood and the century-old dairy farm that he's worked on since he was 9.

"It's just a big black hole gaping at me," Anderson said. "The smaller dairies such as my own are going to just drop off like flies."

That is, if fuel and machinery prices continue to rise and the price he receives for selling his milk continues to plummet, according to Anderson.

Yet the 32-year-old College Ward farmer continues to toll 10-hour days on his father's 100-cow dairy and hopes to purchase it soon. The hard work built character, he said, and his kids will gain valuable attributes while they labor

among the cows. "This is the hope that, if he lives on a tight budget, he can expand the dairy enough that his operating costs won't exceed his earnings and he can stay out of that hole."

Anderson's sentiments are echoed by many small farmers here who feel forced to get big or get out. Others have made themselves unique by focusing on a niche market for a leg up. Whatever they choose to do, small farmers must not be complacent, Anderson said; they must always be thinking ahead.

"That's ever so much on our minds," Anderson said. "You have to be so fine-tuned as a businessman and as a farmer."

But even with business savvy, a farmer has very little control over the market. Because most farm-produced products are sold to the buyer — not the seller — decides the purchase price,

said Clark Israelsen, Utah State University extension agent for agriculture.

"We're price-takers instead of price-makers," Israelsen said. "If I get offered \$12 per hundredweight (\$12 per 100 pounds) for milk, and I don't think it's high enough, I can't put it in storage and wait for the price to go up."

Currently, Gossner Foods is buying milk for around \$11 per hundredweight, according to Robert Stephenson, milk procurement accountant for the company. Gossner gets its prices from a market administrator in Seattle, then makes local adjustments.

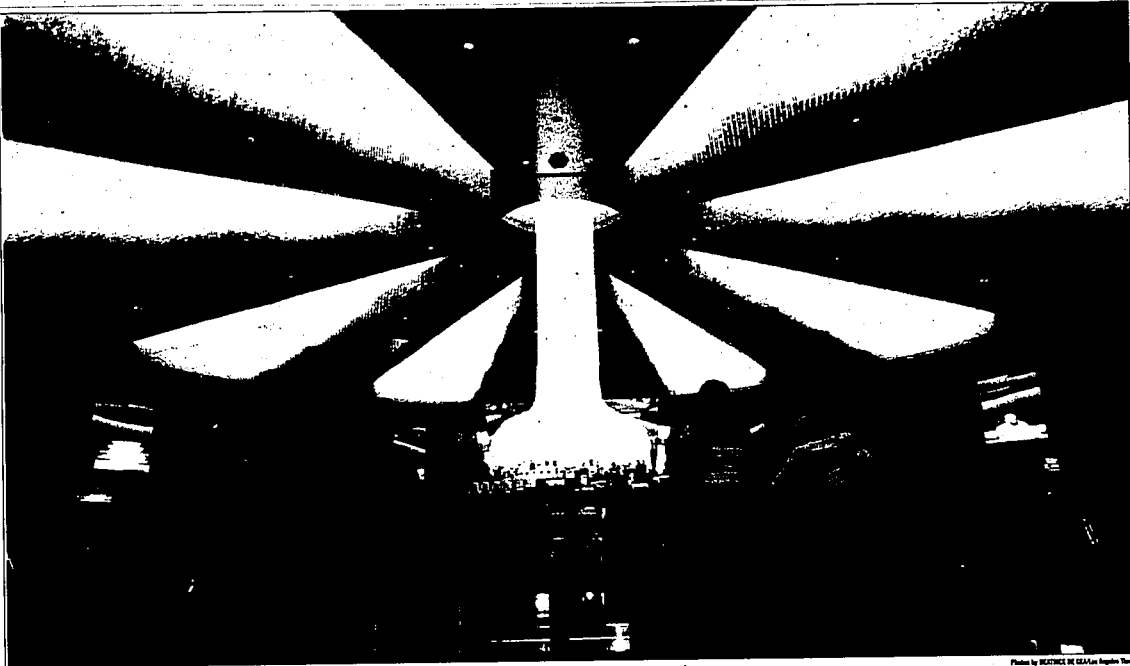
Anderson is not making money on the milk he sells at that price. To make ends meet, his wife took on a full-time job. He said milk prices have plummeted, and he's worried they might stoop to what market prices were in 2003 — around \$9.50 per hundredweight.

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TRAVEL

YOUR GUIDE TO THE WORLD

Red Rock lights up Vegas



Photos by MICHELLE DE GRASSI/Seattle Times

A dramatic chandelier is a centerpiece of Red Rock's Lucky Bar. Decor at the Vegas casino and resort is midcentury Modernism done up big.

Red Rock Casino Resort caters to VIP community

By Carina Chocano
Los Angeles Times

LAS VEGAS — The Red Rock Casino Resort and Spa is about 10 miles west of the Las Vegas Strip in Summerlin, "the No. 1 master-planned community in the United States."

I don't know what the master plan is, but it looks like upscale suburbia reduced to bare essence. There are Starbucks, Borders, LInens 'n Things and, now, a brand-new, billion-dollar entertainment complex done in high hipster style.

The resort is located not just off-the-Strip but also close to Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, a majestic and pristine desert preserve.

Designed with a wink and nod to the 1950s and '60s, and an elbow to the ribs of the '90s, Red Rock has a style that could be described as mid-century Modernism with a thyroid problem. It's enormous but by local standards elegant, low-key and even boutique-y. Still under construction, the resort will grow from 414 rooms to 850 and add a shopping mall and several new restaurants by December. Unlike the mutant Roman senate, Venetian palace and Tuscan villa across town, the Red Rock uses curvilinear shapes and organic materials of red sandstone and rosewood to integrate nature.

On the inside, a lowered ceiling in the lobby evokes Frank Lloyd Wright, and countless crystals hang in clever deconstructions of the traditional grand chandelier. Otherwise, it's a reverent pastiche of late 20th-century design — part Zen wellness retreat and part iPod-populist design temple.



Rattan lounge chairs appear to be floating as a fountain splashes over them in the main pool area of Vegas' Red Rock Casino Resort and Spa.

Our room is pure bachelor pad. The walls are covered in brown woven fiber, the bathroom is gray-and-white marble and brown leather. A 42-inch, high-definition plasma TV faces the king-size bed.

The hotel and casino are separated by a 3-acre "backyard" with pools and decks, the nicest part of the resort. It's studded with rattan lounge chairs topped with orange cushions, and speakers blare dance music, reggae and pop. Through a small space

at one end, you can glimpse Red Rock Canyon to the west.

One deck serves as the lounge for the T-Bones Chophouse. Others constitute a VIP pool section, which also has cabanas in the early-'60s style.

T-Bones Chophouse and Terra Rossa, an Italian restaurant, are fully booked for Saturday night. So we make a reservation at Terra Rossa for Sunday and grab a seat at the T-Bones bar, where the full menu is served. We order steaks, which eventually arrive with a sprig of rosemary. The place is packed, the wait is long, and the martinis are very good.

It's hard to put a finger, exactly, on the clientele, so we decide to check out Cherry, a dance club from "night-club impresario" Rande Gerber, who brought us L.A.'s Skybar, among others. Sauntering to the door, we are told by a bouncer to get in line. It does not matter that we are hotel guests. We get inside an hour later, and head for one of the comfy white poolside mattresses, only to be told by another bouncer (nicer, this time) that these and all other lounge chairs are reserved for VIPs.

"What makes someone a VIP?" I ask. Making a reservation and paying up, apparently, I felt stupid for not reserving, but then, I'd assumed that as a key-flashing guest I'd get prefer-

ence over people off the street. But no.

Clearly, Red Rock is all about VIPs — there are even VIP elevators.

The visitors center has lots of maps, and we take a lovely hourlong hike of the Calico Hills, where a teenager hiking with her parents wears a T-shirt that reads "Die Hipster Scum."

We spend the next few hours by the pool, struggling to flag down a waiter and nap through the blaring dance music. In the VIP section, hipsters frolic. The park keeps calling out, so later we take the 13-mile scenic drive of the canyon, the best part of the trip. Maybe it's the more relaxed vibe, but everything seems better on Sunday.

At the Lucky Bar, the friendly bartender comps our drinks. Dinner at Terra Rossa is another high point, the food good and the service excellent. It is the first time all weekend that we feel like grown-ups, and we savor it with a fond look back at that teenager in the T-shirt, wondering if and how her anti-establishment statement will be co-opted in the future.

If you go ...

Red Rock Casino Resort and Spa GETTING THERE: From Los Angeles, it is 270 miles to Las Vegas; the drive in light traffic takes about 4 1/2 hours.

Nonstop flights to Las Vegas are plentiful from Southern California. From Los Angeles International Airport, American, America West, United and Southwest fly nonstop. From Burbank, Southwest files non-stop. From Long Beach, JetBlue does. Southwest and America West fly from Ontario, and America West also files from Orange County. Restricted round-trip fares begin at \$99.

WHERE TO STAY: Red Rock Casino Resort and Spa, 11,011 W. Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas; (702) 797-7777 or (888) 767-7777. www.redrocklasvegas.com. New off-the-Strip resort from Station Casinos, creators of Green Valley Ranch, has high hipster style but a varied crowd. Rooms from \$129-\$425. Suites, \$750.

WHERE TO EAT: T-Bones Chophouse at Red Rock, (702) 797-7576 for reservations. Popular steakhouse with good steaks and martinis. Everything is priced a la carte. Entrees \$19-\$145.

Terra Rossa at Red Rock, (702) 797-7576 for reservations. Bright, spacious, Tuscan-style decor and excellent service. Pizzas, pastas and other Italian fare. Entrees \$12-\$38.

WHAT TO DO: The Spa at Red Rock has traditional body treatments like massages and facials, and an "adventure spa" menu. The latter arranges activities, including hiking, rock climbing and horseback riding. The fitness center offers free classes as well. Reservations (702) 797-7878.

Cherry, the dance club, is packed with singles, especially on weekends. A reservation (and extra fee) helps get you in the door and take a seat. More lowkey are the resort's other lounges, particularly the Lucky Bar. Information: (702) 797-7180. For table reservations, contact a VIP coordinator, (702) 860-2759 or (702) 423-3112.

Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area is about a 10-minute drive from the resort, and the best part of staying west of the Strip in the Summerlin neighborhood. Passes are \$5 per vehicle.



Red Rock's Terra Rossa restaurant bar in Las Vegas.

TRAVEL

TRAVEL BRIEFS

Bill Clinton, tour guide?

LITTLE ROCK — The museum at the Clinton Presidential Library has begun offering a new option, tours guided by former President Bill Clinton. The former president won't be doing the guiding in person, though. Instead his voice will narrate a recorded audio tour.

Museum officials say Clinton wandered the halls of his presidential library late at night, recording his thoughts on some of the major milestones of his presidency. The tour was Clinton's idea and is a first for a presidential library, said Jordan Johnson, a spokesman for the William J. Clinton Foundation.

Visitors who pay an extra \$3 will get a device shaped like an oversized cordless phone. Each exhibit corresponds with a number, and the visitor can punch in the exhibit number to hear Clinton's thoughts and memories on this issue.

In the audio tour, Clinton says the Oval Office was "the best place in the world to work." However, he had another favorite spot in the White House: his private office.

"I restored it to look the way it did after the Civil War and I brought in a desk, which was *Ulysses Grant's cabinet table*," Clinton says in the tour. "And I would go in there, often after Hillary went to bed, or late at night (and) play my music, and that's where I did my reading and thinking and that's where my daughter would find me late at night when she called me from Stanford."

At an exhibit on Clinton's impeachment hearings, "The Fight for Power," Clinton describes the constitutional battle that went overboard.

"They went into overdrive fighting me," he says on the tape. "They weren't accomplishing anything, just banging away." Then they did what people who care too much about power do. They overdid it."

Buddha tourism blossoms in India

NEW DELHI — Looking to cash in on those seeking spiritual enlightenment, Indian tourism authorities plan to highlight the country's rich Buddhist heritage to attract tourists in the run-up to 2,550th anniversary of Buddha's birth in November.

Under the slogan, "Come to India. Walk with the Buddha," the campaign aims to attract tourists who would travel to Buddhist heritage sites across India, an official said.

"The emphasis will be on 'spiritual' tourism that is 'aimed at uplifting the soul and finding peace by following in the footsteps of the Buddha,'" said a top Indian tourism official, Amitabh Kant.

Buddhism was founded in India at around 500 B.C. by Buddha. He was born in southwestern Nepal and spent a large part of his life in India, and a number of sites associated with him are located in north and eastern India.

Despite its proximity to countries with sizable Buddhist populations, such as Japan and Thailand, India has not been able to attract large numbers of Buddhist tourists, a fact widely attributed here to bad airline connections, potholed roads and inadequate hotels.

However, Indian tourism authorities hope to change the image with a \$1 billion plan to upgrade roads, highways and hotels around 22 Buddhist sites, particularly in the holy cities of Bodhi Gaya, Bodhi Gaya and Nalanda in eastern India, Kant said.

Bodhi Gaya is home to Buddhism's most sacred shrine, the Mahabodhi temple, where Buddha is believed to have attained nirvana, or enlightenment, 2,500 years ago. The temple was declared a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2002.

The celebrations will end with an international seminar in November in the northern city of Kushinagar.

— compiled from wire reports

WORLD'S STALLEST



Mark Mason, owner of Team Sandtastic of Sarasota, Fla., works on a walkway on a giant sand castle on June 6 at the Myrtle Beach Pavilion in Myrtle Beach, S.C. It took six professional sand castle builders from Team Sandtastic eight days to build the castle, which contained 130 dump truck loads of sand. It set the record for the world's tallest sand castle. The sand sculpture event was part of the Sun Fun Festival.

US Airways may not save e-mail alerts for cheap fares

By Keith L. Alexander
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Every Thursday for the past five years, Allan R. Clyde would monitor his e-mail for the latest weekend getaway flights offered at steep discounts by US Airways. He'd look for a last-minute trip to Minneapolis to see family or to Connecticut to see his goddaughter. He would even forward the e-mails, called "e-savers," to friends and co-workers whenever he saw a destination he knew they liked.

More than a million US Airways frequent fliers, like Clyde, have come to rely on the e-savers, which promise tickets as much as 40 to 60 percent cheaper than regular US Airways fares.

But the e-mails have disappeared for the past month. US Airways quietly stopped sending them as company executives focused instead on further blending its operations with America West. Since the two airlines merged, US Airways executives have been concentrating on combining their workforces, integrating their Web sites, and making sure the combined frequent-flyer programs, totaling some 10 million members, were seamlessly stitched together. Weekly e-mails about cheap fares, though a small revenue generator, were not at the top of the list.

"It would seem like they'd

let us know that the e-savers were going to be discontinued for a while. I mean, you subscribe to the service for a reason," said Clyde, director of peripherals for the Council on Foundations here.

For about 10 years, airlines have sent out weekly e-mails to their loyal customers highlighting cheap weekend fares. The carriers would review where the available flights were for each weekend and discount the seats to sell them quickly.

US Airways says the e-savers will return by June 22. But the carrier's enthusiasm for the e-mails does not seem quite as high as it once was. US Airways, like most airlines, now operates smaller and fewer aircraft to a diminished number of destinations.

As a result, there are fewer seats available to discount, especially on popular routes — and especially during the busy summer travel season.

"The e-savers are not as lucrative as people think," says Travis Christ, US Airways' vice president of sales and marketing. "The vast majority of people who are going somewhere this weekend or next weekend already know it and have already bought their tickets."

While it says it would like to resume its e-savers, the airline has actually been considering doing away with them in favor of something similar to Southwest's "ding" alert system. Southwest cus-

tomers get an alert on their browsers' toolbars each week when destinations go on sale.

Air fares increase

By Keith L. Alexander
The Washington Post

Several carriers, including American Airlines, Continental Airlines, United Airlines and Northwest Airlines, have raised their fares by \$5 to \$10 each way as part of an effort to offset rising fuel costs.

The increases were primarily on advance-purchase tickets, used mostly by leisure travelers, says Tom Parsons, editor of Bestfares.com. It's the sixth fare increase this year. But business travelers

escaped the fare hikes. Last week, the airlines did raise prices for their last-minute, walk-up tickets, but by the weekend most had backed off after Delta Air Lines failed to match the increase.

Parsons says the airlines are trying to narrow the gap between how much business and leisure travelers pay and are having better luck getting the increases to stick on fares aimed at vacationers during the heavy summer travel season.

Delta did raise its surcharges on trans-Atlantic flights by \$10 each way.

FEARLESS TRAVELER

Wales-watching and scuba diving

By Andrea Sachs
The Washington Post

Q. We will be in London in July and would like to tour Cardiff, Wales. Can we do this on our own or is there a company offering tours?

A. For travelers in the United Kingdom, the Welsh capital of Cardiff is a welcome respite from the summer crush in London. "It's crowded only if there is a football match, but not in the same way as London," says Anna Hegedus, a travel consultant with Visit Britain, the U.S.'s official tourism office. "It's a nice place to get away."

Cardiff is less than two hours by rail, and trains leave frequently from London's Paddington station. For schedules and other details: National Rail, www.national-rail.co.uk. Once in Cardiff, you can opt for a tour (check with Visit Wales for a list of operators) or explore the city independently.

For solo tours, the Wales Tourist Board publishes a guide that highlights the top attractions, including the Millennium Stadium and its cutting-edge architecture; the Wales Millennium Centre, an arts complex featuring opera, theater and other performances; and the National Museum Cardiff, which has the second-largest collection of impressionist paintings after Paris. For a more in-depth or specialized experience, Hegedus recommends going with a tour group such as Blue Badge Tourist Guides (www.bluedadguides.com), whose guides are certified by the British tourist board. For a more unusual ride, Dragonride Trike Tours (www.dragonride.com) shows visitors the city sights, castles and Welsh countryside from the seat of a two-passenger Revaco 1155 family trike (like a domesticated Harley). And if you decide to extend your

trip in Wales, Hegedus says Cardiff is "a nice base for a trip to other parts of Wales," but warns that "it is not a destination for the week, like London or Manchester." For more information on Wales: Visit Wales, 011-44-8708-300-306, www.visitwales.co.uk or Visit Britain, 800-462-2748, www.visitbritain.com.

Q. We're looking for a warm locale with excellent scuba diving and spa options within a three-hour flight from Florida or the East Coast. Any suggestions?

A. Divers looking for tropical fish, reefs and seaweed wraps don't have to fly off to Fiji — not when there are scuba and spas a couple of hours south of Miami. "Stay in the Caribbean," says Buck Butler, editor of Scuba Diving magazine, although he points out that "Little Palm Island in the Florida Keys has good diving." The Caribbean is a fall-safe diving destination, thanks to its warm, crystal-clear water, colorful marine life and mix of reefs and wrecks.

The islands also cater to upscale travelers and honeymooners, so many properties offer full-service spas, fine dining and other luxuries. What's tougher is the flight-time restriction, since some Caribbean islands require two plane changes or hours-long layovers (Tortola, for example). But in many cases, you can be in the water by afternoon or early evening. Below is one of Butler's recommendations for dive-and-indulge destinations and resorts:

• The Little Palm Island Resort and Spa (800-3-GET-LOST, www.littlepalm-island.com) sits on the five-acre, private Little Torch Key, a three-hour drive south of Miami's airport. The resort has a swank spa, dining and dives to the Looe Key National Marine Sanctuary and nearby wrecks.

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On Dutch-flavored Curacao, ill winds rarely blow

By Gary Lee
The Washington Post

All the way to Curacao, I feared the worst. My long-planned trip to this Dutch-flavored Caribbean island came in late September last year — the height of hurricane season. A day before my departure, Hurricane Rita was veering toward the Florida Keys. I knew that Rita was barreling north and that Curacao was comfortably out of the center of major storm activity. Still, I worried that in this stormy season I would spend the entire time watching rain pelt the beach from my hotel window.

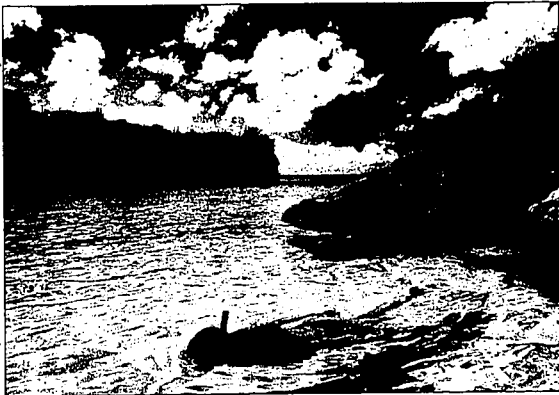
But two hours after landing, I was ambling along Mambo Beach, a popular hangout for Curacao sunbathers. The temperature was 81. A soft breeze floated in from the west. The sky was a cloudless cornflower blue. And a cluster of revelers boogied to Latin and American Top-40 tunes along the beach.

During my visit — and by most accounts all year long, with allowances for slight temperature shifts, a brief rainy season and an occasional change of dance songs — that blissful report would hold strong.

June marks the beginning of hurricane season, and Caribbean-bound travelers seeking safe harbor from the threat of storms (the season runs through November) would be hard-put to come up with a safer bet than this southernmost Caribbean outpost. Leading Aruba and Bonaire as the largest of the so-called ABC islands, it lies in a narrow ocean region at the southern tip of the Lesser Antilles, where hurricanes rarely tread.

While cheaper lodging and good air deals are attracting more travelers to the Caribbean in the summer and fall, the threat of tropical storms and hurricanes makes it a more precarious time for an island vacation. Choosing your destination wisely, based on location, can minimize the risk.

The close proximity of the ABCs to the equator helps stave off the complex wind



Visitors can snorkel on Curacao with little fear of hurricanes because of the island's southern location. The close proximity to the equator helps stave off the complex wind patterns that drive hurricanes. The imposing land mass of Venezuela, 40 miles away, is another storm deterrent.

patterns that drive hurricanes. The imposing land mass of Venezuela, 40 miles away, is another storm deterrent. Although the long reach of Hurricane Ivan left a little damage on Aruba in 2004, and Tropical Storm Joan punished the coast of Curacao in 1988, the last major hurricane to hit any of the ABCs head-on was in 1877, according to the Meteorological Service of the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba, or Meteo.

If the hope of avoiding foul weather lures visitors to this lesser-known island, I quickly discovered the main attractions that will keep them here: nearly 40 beaches covered with silky white sand giving way to shaly white coral stand shoulder-high and still see your toenails. Although most of the best beaches are a drive of at least 20 minutes from the concentration of resorts in and around the capital of Willemstad, getting there is worth it.

There's a seaside scene for

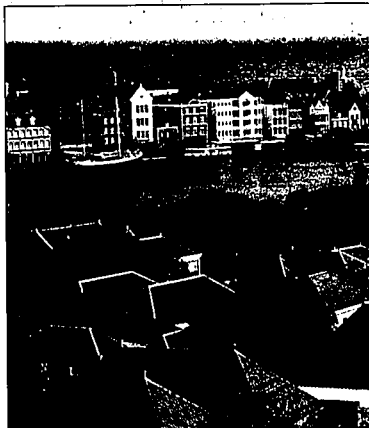
every mood. On the wild side: Mambo Beach, a lively stretch of revelry, including a funky club by the same name, on the western side of the island, with killer tropical cocktails and nonstop dancing. For escapists: Playa Lagun, an isolated, romantic cove framed by imposing cliffs in the island's northwestern stretch. For families: Playa Knip, near the town of Westpunt. Two covers there provide a great perch to lounge in beach chairs while the kids play in the water.

For those not content to laze in the sand, Curacao (pronounced CUR-a-sow) is also one of the Caribbean's top scuba and snorkeling destinations. I took a dip off Playa Lagun and was wowed by coral reefs loaded with staghorn, an exotic tropical fern, and red-dotted barracuda. Another afternoon, I walked from my room at the Curacao Marriott Beach Resort straight out to the ocean and dove in. In minutes I was face to face with a school of brightly colored butter hamlets, yellowhead wrasse and other exotic creatures.

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The Dutch-inspired mansions perched like crown jewels on avenues and hilltops across the island are another Curacao marvel, legacies of an era when this was the tropical back yard of wealthy industrialists and traders. They range from Willemstad's low-rise merchant houses made of coral, painted in bright island colors and capped with gables, to stately great houses decorated with imposing mahogany balustrades and other ornate features, mostly in the countryside.

Then there's the food. From the bowl of spicy Cuban soup I devoured at the bar of the Gouverneur de Rouville Restaurant and Cafe Willemstad to the escargot casserole and grilled red lobster in the elegant courtyard of the Astoria's Observatory, every meal was a delight. Sampling iguana soup, goat stew, cactus flowers and other beloved Curacao dishes was one of my favorite adventures.



The capital of Curacao, Willemstad, retains its Dutch character, albeit with a Caribbean streak.

Storm warning: Choose your Caribbean island carefully

By Gary Lee
The Washington Post

A summer trip to the Caribbean has definite advantages. Cheap low-season flights to the region pop up constantly, and many of the region's hotels offer sharp seasonal discounts.

But summer and early fall also are hurricane season. And at least one study is predicting that the run of storms in 2006 will be almost as treacherous as last year's record season.

According to a Colorado State University team headed by hurricane analyst William M. Gray, nine hurricanes will sweep through the Caribbean and United States this year, five of them major ones. In addition, 17 named storms and other less forceful tropical storms and depressions are expected.

In its own hurricane forecast issued late last month, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) predicted that slightly fewer storms will hit this year than last, but still far more than average; at least eight hurricanes, four to six of them serious, and 13 to 16 named tropical storms. The question is "not whether the season will be above average, but how much above normal it will be," NOAA's report said.

The forecast stress that where and when storms will hit in the coming months is impossible to predict. While the official hurricane season extends from June through November, according to past patterns the heaviest activity is generally concentrated between mid-August and

mid-September in the eastern Caribbean and between mid-September and mid-November in the western Caribbean.

Still, "compared to the beauty of the region, the risks of something untoward happening are small," said Chris Landsea, a NOAA hurricane specialist. "If somebody offered me a trip to the Caribbean in the middle of hurricane season, I'd jump on it." There is no shortage of data designed to help travelers plan where to go and when. "No one would head to Antarctica without studying the weather patterns and how to protect themselves," said NOAA spokesman Frank Lepore. "Why should they go to the Caribbean, in a time of high storm activity, without making preparations?" Among the resources available:

- Caribbean Hurricane Network (www.Stormcarib.com), maintained by storm watchers throughout the Caribbean, has satellite maps of daily weather patterns and an island-by-island account of hurricane hits dating to the 1800s.

- NOAA's site, www.noaa.gov, is packed with useful information, including weather reports, historical data and news. One page features maps showing which Caribbean regions are most hurricane-prone during each month of the season.

- The Weather Channel's home page, www.weather.com, offers maps that track a hurricane's path and has a regular update of airport closings, among other useful details.

Rating guides to bringing the pooch along

By Elana Leibowitz Poma
The Washington Post

That look on your pooch's face when you drop him at the kennel before leaving the beach is enough to ruin a vacation. We say: Bring him along. We compared two guidebooks that advise you on bringing your pet on vacation to see which is worth your while.

On the Road With Your Pet

(Mobil Travel Guide, \$17.95)
Summary:

This 470-page guide lists more than 4,000 pet-friendly accommodations in the United States and Canada, with a smattering of tips.

Treats: First aid and health advice is so helpful, the book could act as an at-home guide, too. Best tips: Check pet health insurance policy (yes, they exist) to make sure he's covered away from home. And while you're at

it, check your homeowners policy to see if it covers whatever damage Kitty might do to the legs of the hotel room sofa.

Lodging Choices: Descriptions of lodgings (mostly motels) aren't always more pet-oriented than those in other Mobil guides. Typical descriptions are like this one of the Super 8 in Luverne, Minn.: "This accepted, some restrictions, fee." That's it.

Animal Activities: The guide directs you to online sources for finding dog parks and canine camps. Otherwise, activity listings are not included.

Bottom Line: While the tips on pet care are top, this guide is the least fetching of the three.

Traveling With Your Pet: The AAA Pet Book

(AAA Publishing, \$17.95)
Summary:
Beyond the 14,000 lodging

listings, the 720-page guide has a meaty advice section.

Treats: Recognizing that some folks bring their pets to Canada with them, the book offers specific advice for travel there. For instance, you must bring along a health certificate and a document showing proof of rabies vaccination; your pet's collar tags won't cut it. You'll need these documents to get in and out of the country.

Lodging Choices: Like most AAA guides, the book uses a dizzying array of symbols to describe each property, including a paw print to dog beds or pet menus. Other helpful info includes size of pet allowed, whether crates or

supervision is required, deposit fee, even whether you can leave Fluffy in the room while the housekeepers tidy up. Listings are mostly chain hotels and motels, with some vacation homes, rentable con-

dos, cabins and B&Bs as well.

Animal Activities: Who knew that not all dog parks are open to the general public? Some only allow locals, but this guide lists parks that welcome traveling dogs, including the Calabasas Bark Park in California, which has doggie water fountains. The guide tells of more than 230 national parks and other public lands that allow dogs, including Nez Perce National Forest in Idaho. And who knew so many theme parks have kennels?

Bottom Line: Always reliable on the road, AAA has produced a guide that could be man's second-best friend.

Tour companies remain strong despite poor exchange rate

By Amy Forth
Associated Press writer

MINNEAPOLIS — Carol Hennings and her 18-year-old niece will be touring France by bus this July, seeing the D-Day beaches of Normandy, basking in the sun on the Riviera, and taking in the medieval sites of Avignon. The 14-day tour costs \$1,380 per person — less than \$100 a day — including hotel accommodations, breakfasts and five dinners.

"I'm not sure I could get cheaper for the number of days that we're there," said Hennings, 43, of Apple Valley, who purchased a direct-separate tour. The rise of the euro against the U.S. dollar hasn't stopped Americans from taking their dream vacations to Europe this summer, but it has

led many to plan trips carefully so they can stretch their budgets once they get there.

That puts tour operators in a good position. Companies offering packaged hotel and airfare deals, sightseeing and transportation tours say business is up. Tours offer cost-effective vacations by setting prices in advance and negotiating rates that individual travelers may not be able to get.

Marc Kazlauskas, president of Insight Vacations, based in Rye, N.Y., said his tour company is having the best year in its 28-year history, with revenue of more than 30 percent from last year.

Insight charges an average of \$175 per day for its European tours, including hotels, tour directors, most

meals, most sightseeing, taxis, transportation, and gratuities to hotel bellmen, he said.


"It's a pretty good rate," he said. "Especially these days."

The euro hit a one-year high of \$1.2979 against the dollar June 5 and has fallen only slightly since. At that exchange rate, the smallest latte at Starbucks costs about \$4.55 in Paris, compared to \$3.36 in New York City.


The currency is used in 12 nations in the European Union: Belgium, Germany, Greece, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal and Finland.

But tour companies say exchange rates don't negatively affect their businesses because they negotiate prices well in advance.


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Indian tours give unique view of Glacier Park

By Sarah Cooke
Associated Press writer

HELENA, Mont. — Go to Montana's Glacier National Park and you'll want to drive the scenic, winding Going-to-the-Sun Road or take the ice-sculpted peaks and alpine valleys. But for a different experience, some visitors are booking tours that view the park through the eyes of the people who originally called it home — the Blackfoot Indians.

To the Blackfeet, the land they know as the "Backbone of the World" is a sacred place filled with abundant wildlife and medicinal plants that sustain their ancestors. The park's mountains are included in tribal creation stories and legends, and the modern-day Blackfoot Indian Reservation adjoins the park's eastern border.

"Traditionally, the Blackfeet believe we have always been a part of that location," said Ed DesRosier, a 53-year-old tribal member who spent his childhood hiking the park and surrounding land with family.

Thirteen years ago, DesRosier started Sun Tours, the East Glacier-based company that runs the bus trips, as a way to draw on Blackfeet knowledge of the area and provide park visitors with an often-overlooked perspective.

"I think people nowadays that are savvy travelers are seeking a little higher quality experience in their travels," he said. "We provide a service that can fill part of that."

The tours typically start in June, when Going-to-the-Sun Road fully opens for the season, and run daily through September from Browning, East Glacier, St. Mary and West



Elan West-Badminton, 4, right, of Monteverde, Costa Rica, enjoys the cool waters of Lake McDonald with her mother, Kim West, in this July 15, 2004, file photo, near Spearhead Creek in Glacier National Park in northwest Montana.

Glacier. Hiker shuttles also are available.

DesRosier's Blackfeet guides frame the scenery with stories of Napi, the tribal creator, and the medicinal value of park plants and flowers. They tell how Montana's Indian populations endured the changing seasons and environment, from before Europeans arrived, through the days of the trappers and traders, the coming of the railroad and the development of Glacier as a tourist destination.

They also talk about the history behind Glacier: how the Blackfeet, named after the color of theiroccasins, sold the eastern slope of the park to the federal government in

1895 for mining development and how, when that venture fell through, the park was created by Congress in 1910.

Tribal meanings behind some of the park's well-known features are also shared. St. Mary Lake, for example, is known to most visitors as a popular boating and picnicking spot along the eastern stretch of Going-to-the-Sun Road.

Area tribes, however, call it and Lower St. Mary Lake, which sits just outside the park, "Inside Lakes" and used them as traditional hunting and camping grounds.

"We try to shed a little bit of light on the sacredness of things" that people really

respect," DesRosier said. "You can feel the magnitude of the beautiful nature."

The tours include a lunch break, as well as frequent stops for photos and highlights like Logan Pass and the Jackson Glacier overlook.

DesRosier's tours have grown in popularity over the years, as have park-run Indian music and culture programs, spokeswoman Melissa Wilson said.

More programs highlighting the Blackfeet, as well as other area tribes like the Kootenai and Salish, are planned in Glacier this year, and officials plan to erect a teepee at the St. Mary Visitor Center as they did last year.

If you go ...

SUN TOURS: <http://www.glacierinfo.com> or 800-786-9220.

Bus tours typically start in June and run daily through September from Browning, East Glacier, St. Mary and West Glacier, Mont. Cost is \$35 to \$65, depending on the tour. Reservations are recommended.

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK: <http://www.nps.gov/glac> or 406-888-7800. Park entrance stations are located at Many Glacier, St. Mary, Two Medicine, West Glacier and Polebridge. Entrance fee is \$25 per car or \$12 per person for a seven-day pass.



A mountain goat rests on a cliff in Glacier National Park, Mont., in this May 14, 2004, file photo.

Illuminating the darkness Montana caves get new lights

By Susan Gallagher
Associated Press writer

WHITEHALL, Mont. — Sixty-five years ago the Civilian Conservation Corps snaked electrical wire through Lewis and Clark Caverns to illuminate the magnificent limestone formations and narrow footpaths in a Montana mountainside's pitch-black hole.

The lamps enabled visitors to view limestone columns, catfish-like spires and formations named for the things they resemble: popcorn, bacon and soda straws. Today, the annual 55,000 visitors taking two-mile, guided cave tours still rely on those Depression-era lights.

Not for long, though. Designers are at work on a new electrical system that accounts for most of an \$800,000 improvement project at Lewis and Clark Caverns State Park. Preparations include the expertise of a cave cartographer from Texas and a lighting designer for the Smithsonian Institution. Officials expect reworking to start this fall and continue into the spring.

"We want to take advantage of the technology that has developed since the 1940s," said Tom Reilly, assistant administrator of the Montana Parks Division.

The project presents some extraordinary challenges besides the tight spaces and other constraints of an underground environment.

Because oil from human hands harms limestone formations, the electrical workers must wear gloves. Soldering or other work that produces fumes may not take place in the caves, and the lighting project must take into account the delicate western big-eared bat, a cave inhabitant.

The caverns' remoteness in the mountains of southwestern Montana presents some logistical hurdles as well.

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lines and phone lines," said Lynette Kemp, park manager. "We don't have a lot of utilities up here."

The park in the London Hills 10 miles from the mining town of Whitehall is near the Jefferson River, which Meriwether Lewis and William Clark traveled with their Corps of Discovery in 1805.

Although there is no evidence the explorers ever actually saw the caves 1,400 feet above the river, they were named Lewis and Clark Caverns by President Theodore Roosevelt, who designated the place a national monument in 1909. The government provided no funding, however, and in 1937 the site was dedicated as Montana's first state park.

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Lewis and Clark event in Lewiston

By Nicholas K. Geramos
Associated Press writer

LEWISTON — During their return trip from the Pacific Ocean, members of the Lewis and Clark expedition spent nearly a month rejuvenating themselves among the Nez Perce Tribe.

That time will be commemorated starting Wednesday at the Summer of Peace, one of the last remaining national signature events in honor of the bicentennial of the expedition.

The gathering will run through Saturday at various locations in and near this northern Idaho community, and could draw some 50,000 visitors. Most of the area's 1,000 hotel rooms are booked.

"It was a time of peace and friendships and they played old Nez Perce tribal games," said Farren Penney, a Nez Perce tribe member. "We want to recreate that same kind of friendship within cultures."

Many Indian tribes ultimately regretted the aid they gave the explorers, because it cleared the way for settlers to

On the Net

<http://www.thesummerofpeace.org>

move in and displace them. For that reason, the Nez Perce do not consider this a celebration, Penney said.

"It's a commemoration," she said. The area around Lewiston and its neighboring city of Clarkston, Wash., both named for the explorers, played a major role in the expedition, as Lewis and Clark passed through twice.

When the expedition first stumbled out of the Bitterroot Mountains in 1805, after crossing along the Lolo Trail blazed by the Nez Perce, many of the men of the tribe were away on a raid.

But the Nez Perce were not frightened of the white men and gave them buffalo meat, dried salmon, and camas bread. The Indians also told Clark about the route ahead.

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days, making canoes. The captains traded for horses, which they temporarily left in the Indians' care.

On their way back to St. Louis in May 1806, the corps returned to the lodges of the Nez Perce for their horses and to prepare to cross the mountains. The corps stayed near the Nez Perce from May to June, waiting for the snow to melt in the mountains. The two groups met frequently. In exchange for food, Clark treated the Indians' illnesses and diseases and became, as Lewis wrote, their "favorite physician."

Opening ceremonies were set for 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Nez Perce National Historical Park Visitor Center in nearby Spalding, Idaho. There's plenty to see and hear.

Tribal members will speak about issues such as language preservation, keeping culture alive, tribal legends and traditional fishing. "Surviving Lewis and Clark: The Nimipuu Story" will be shown at a film festival. A two-day healing conference, led by Indian and non-Indian facilitators, will discuss reconciliation between cultures.

Visitors can also talk to members of the 4,000-person tribe about the legacy of the Lewis and Clark expedition in the "Fort of Many Voices."

Two Lewis & Clark re-enactor groups will be on the Lewis-Clark State College campus. The two groups will have a full Lewis and Clark encampment with accurately detailed tents, weapons, trade goods and gear.

Rock slide closes a route to Yosemite

By Juliana Barbassa
Associated Press writer

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. — Primitive Garcia's commute to the hotel restaurant he manages at Yosemite National Park's western edge was a scenic 20-minute drive through the narrow, winding canyon of the Merced River.

That was before a massive rock slide covered state Highway 140, a main route into Yosemite, with 3 million cubic yards of dirt and rocks.

Now, the journey from Garcia's home in the town of Midpines to Cedar Lodge takes him nearly 100 miles through a different gate and into Yosemite Valley, then back down 140 to El Portal — a round trip of five to six hours on torturous mountain roads and through the traffic-choked park.

"I'm going to do this until my car dies," said Garcia, who estimates he's spending almost \$200 a week to get to work. The cheapest gas in El Portal was selling for \$4.02 a gallon last week.

Because there are other routes into Yosemite, the still-active rock slide hasn't



A massive rock slide covers a section of Highway 140 June 9 in El Portal, Calif. Because there are other routes into Yosemite, the still-active rock slide hasn't blocked the through of summer visitors who flock to one of the nation's most popular national parks. But the blockage is hurting businesses in and around the park that have been cut off from their employees and supply chain by the debris.

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The road closure is devastating to towns like Mariposa, which lies outside Yosemite and relies on park visitors for its livelihood. It's now a four-

hour round trip to the park by alternate routes.

Park employee Lloyd Sheetz and his wife, Linda Niles-Sheetz, work in El Portal, where their two daughters also attend elementary school. They live in Mariposa, on the other side of the slide.

They wake up the girls at 5 a.m. for a day that includes five hours of driving, adding about 1,000 miles a week to their

Nissan Sentra. "We're just exhausted," Niles-Sheetz said. "The cost is incredible. ... I don't know what we can take."

Geologists are studying the crumbling hillside, trying to determine what made it start moving. Heavy rainfall in April may be to blame, but for now the slide remains too active to install monitoring equipment, making it difficult to reach any conclusions.

"This is a prehistoric slide," said Debbie Santiago, spokeswoman for the team of 12 federal, state and local agencies working on the slide. As she spoke, rocks continued to tumble down the slope. The shower seems to be slowing down, but relief doesn't seem possible any time soon, she said.

Tourists don't seem to mind the hassle. But officials in Mariposa County, which includes Yosemite Valley and Highway 140 as it climbs through the foothills and into the Sierra Nevada, estimate businesses there have lost about \$4 million in tourism dollars.

If the blockage lasts through the summer, which appears likely, that number could escalate to \$14.5 million.

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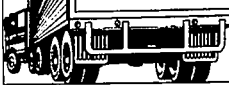
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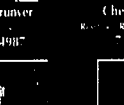
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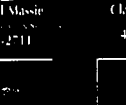
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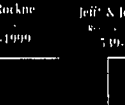
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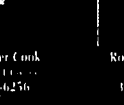
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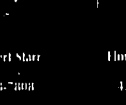
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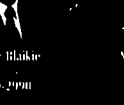
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Sunday, June 18, 2006

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Bobby Wolff

Dear Mr. Wolff:

What criteria do you suggest for making a one-no-trump overall of RHO's opening bid of one of a spade? I assume 15-18 HCP plus a stopper or two is appropriate, but what about length in RHO's suit? I have read that with extra length, it may be better to make a trap pass.

Trapper John, Charleston, S.C.

ANSWER: Yes, my wife and I are now sampling the delights of Las Vegas (not too many visits to the Casino yet). And I am pleased to say that the standard of bridge here is strong. Many New Yorkers are retiring here instead of going to Florida — something to do with taxes, I suspect.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Holding ♠ 6-6-2, ♥ A-Q-J, ♦ K-9, ♣ A-Q-7-4-3. I heard my RHO open one diamond. Could you weigh the choices for me — I assume pass is not one of them — double, two clubs, or one no-trump?

Thumb on the Scale, Albany, Ga.

ANSWER: You must bid, and there are merits to all three of the actions you describe. Two clubs shows the long suit, but makes it harder to reach major, and the clubs are a little feeble for my liking. Double gets most of the values across, but I'd rather have at least one major. One no-trump is not so risky, and you can always run to two clubs, I suppose, if doubled. Plus it does show your range nicely, so it gets my vote.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Is anyone allowed to touch the dummy? Or should all cards be called by declarer and played by the dummy? What happens if the cards in dummy are put down wrong, or arranged untidily?

Neatness Counts, Midland, Mich.

ANSWER: I tend not to stand on ceremony here. If the dummy's cards are not easy to see, I will ask him to straighten them up. If he appears unable to do that, I will take on the task myself.

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ANSWER: Most people these days tend to overcall rather than trap with balanced or semibalanced hands, even those with real length in an opponent's suit. So with, say, A-Q-J-fith in the opponents' suit, you might trap, but you might also elect to make a one-no-trump overall, worrying that you will never get to show your hand unless you bid at once. I think this is a sound approach.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Holding ♠ K-9-6-4, ♥ A-Q, ♦ A-J, ♣ Q-7-4-3-2, would you open one no-trump to protect the red-suit tenaces or would you bid one spade?

Tough Choice, Grand Forks, N.D.

ANSWER: I have a rule NEVER to open one no-trump with a 5-4 pattern and spade length — either four or five cards, since I have an easy rebid. But if ever there was a hand that would make me break the rule, this is it! My rule in full is not to open one no-trump with 5-4 shape unless it is 15-18 points with five of a minor, plus four hearts or diamonds. With 17 I can reverse, and with five in a major I bid my long suit.

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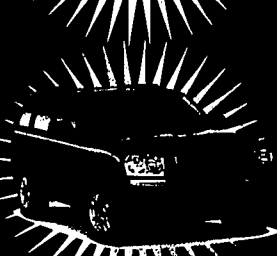
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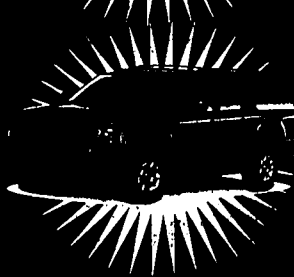
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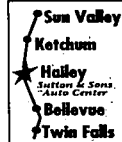
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Times-News writer

GOODING — All over America this Father's Day, dads are standing with furrowed brows in home-improvement stores trying to figure out how many sheets of 8-by-4-foot plywood they need to get their kids off their backs.

"Dad, we want a treehouse!"

Wasn't an issue at the Rigby household. Eight years ago, Matthew, Bayden and Gavin Rigby built a treehouse in two days, and 2 1/2 years ago, they remodeled it.

And their dad wasn't even home when they did it.

"He just happened to be out of town when they decided to do it," said their mom, RaeLyn.

The Rigby annex has two stories, a slide and a railing, and there are plans for a third, ground-level tier to serve as a play area for the grandkids.

"We haven't gotten around to that yet," RaeLyn said. "Too busy with Eagle (Scout) projects."

Their treehouse illustrates the fact that you don't have to have a lot of money or experience — Matthew was a high school freshman, Bayden and Gavin were preschoolers, when they built their first treehouse out of a freight box they found at the Wendell dump.

"We spend a lot of time up there as a family," RaeLyn said. "And the boys use it a lot."

Treehouses are a tradition in small towns like Gooding, but only recently have they become an industry in America. Big-box improvement stores sell books about and plans for treehouses, and dozens of Internet sites offer plans and construction tips.

"Whether they are palaces or planks, treehouses always have a sense of magic and the feeling of a secret hideaway," screenwriter Jill

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How much?

We took a list of recommended supplies for a basic 6-by-6 treehouse to three Twin Falls home-improvement stores, and averaged the cost:

- Lumber, \$603
 - Hardware, \$151
 - Other components (rope, electrical, etc.), \$118
 - New tools (drill bits, sanding disks, etc.), \$54
- Total, \$926**

Will it hurt the tree?

Trees do not heal wounds, but seal them off and grow

over old injuries. Once wounded, the tree is wounded for life. Minimize the number of separate injuries inflicted, especially to the trunk. Branches are disposable compared with the main stem and should bear the majority of any wounds. In other words, mess with the branches, not the trunk.

Select trees that have large, strongly connected limbs on the lower part of the trunk. Selectively prune away branches, sprouts and twigs that, when weighed with rain and propelled by winds, will slash sideways or up and down into the area of a tree-

house. Make proper pruning cuts to remove branches. Don't use pruning paint.

Source: Warnell School of Forest Resources, University of Georgia

How to pick a tree

Choose one with a circumference of at least 5 feet. Oak, beech, ash, maple, hemlock, chestnut and mature fruit trees are best, or you can build in a sturdy evergreen. Avoid birches and poplars, because they have shallow root systems and can't support great weight.

Source: thetreehouseguide.com

Taken by mom, sought by dad, left in a life of uncertainty

By Sue Anne Pressley Montez
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Thinking back on it now, Carl Dodd realizes he expected too much, but who could blame him? He had waited 13 years to see his daughter again. He wanted to hug her and take her home with him.

But the teenager who greeted him at the police department in April was distant, doubtful. She asked him pointed questions: Why had her mother been arrested? Why were so many reporters around? Sunglasses partially hid her eyes, and when Dodd

asked her to take them off so he could really see her, she refused. She made it clear she intended to stay with her grandmother in Wilmington, Del.

The reunion may have ended Dodd's determined search for his daughter, Marilyn Byrd, who disappeared with her mother from Washington when she was 4. But it was just the beginning of the long road back to a relationship with his only child, now a young woman of 17.

For people who spent their childhoods hiding out with a distraught parent, taking on new identities, the hardest part comes when they are

recovered and so-called normal life resumes. That is when they finally can afford to get angry about being used as a pawn in a nasty battle between the two people they loved the most.

Few understand Marilyn's conflicting emotions better than three people who spoke recently about their lingering bitterness over childhoods on the lam:

• **Rebekah Ford, 28**, of Wisconsin, still shudders as she recalls the most shocking moment of her childhood: the day the FBI came to her elementary school and showed her a milk

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"I guess I could have made her come by force," Carl Dodd says of his daughter, "but I didn't want her to come down here and be miserable." For people who spent their childhoods hiding out with a distraught parent, the hardest part comes when they are recovered.

Source: www.washingtonpost.com

FAMILY LIFE

SENIOR CALENDAR

Twin Falls Senior Center

530 Shoshone St. W.
Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m.
Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. Cost is \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Pool room open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.
Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading.
Bangalo Center open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Menus:
Monday: Meatloaf or liver, baked potato, corn, salad, bread, pie
Tuesday: Chicken-fried steak, potatoes and gravy, green salad, bread, cheese-cake
Wednesday: Barbecue pork on a bun, au gratin potatoes, beans, three-bean salad, dessert
Thursday: Enchiladas, refried beans, Mexican corn, salad, brownie, fruit
Friday: Frank's and sauerkraut, fried red potatoes, vegetables, carrot salad, baked apple

Activities:
Sunday: Ballroom dancing, 2 to 5 p.m.
Monday: Quilling Monday Bridge Club
Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday Blood pressure
Wednesday: Elks Card Club Quilling
Exercise class
Board meeting
Fiddlers
Foot clinic
Thursday: Center pinocle
Friday: Blood pressure
Lunch bingo
Texas Hold'em
Exercise class
Quilling
Saturday: Super bingo

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl
Menus:
Sunday: Pork roast dinner, 1 p.m.

Monday: Soup and sandwich
Tuesday: Macaroni and cheese casserole, hot dogs, salad, vegetables, roll, dessert
Wednesday: Salad bar, chicken strips, dessert
Thursday: Beef stroganoff with noodles, green salad, carrots, Jell-O with fruit, salad, bread sticks, dessert

Activities:
Today: Buffet, 1 p.m.; \$4 for seniors, \$5 for people under 60 and \$3 for children 12 and under
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Cards and dominos, 6 to 9 p.m.
Tuesday: Board meeting, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.
Thursday: Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.

Filer Senior Haven

222 Main St.
Dinners served at noon.
Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each meal-time.

Menus:
Tuesday: Cabbage, sausage, carrots, Jell-O with fruit, green salad, bread, pudding
Wednesday: Smorgasbord
Thursday: Pork chops, baked potatoes, peas, applesauce, coltslaw, bread, strawberry shortcake

Activities:
Monday: Skateland 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Bingo, 7 to 9 p.m.
Tuesday: Walking club, 9 a.m.
Exercise, 10 a.m.
Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Cards, 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Walking club, 9 a.m.
Exercise, 10 a.m.
Puzzles, 11:30 a.m.
Cards, 1:30 p.m.
Thursday: Walking club, 9 a.m.
Exercise, 10 a.m.
Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.
All dinners served at noon.

Suggested donation is \$3.50.

Menus:
Monday: Tomato soup, turkey salad sandwich, pickled beets, fruit, cookies
Tuesday: Fish brown casserole, mixed vegetables, fruit salad, pineapple upside-down cake
Wednesday: Chef salad, fruit, tapioca pudding, garlic bread
Thursday: Meatloaf, potatoes and gravy, creamed corn, green salad, fruit, peanut butter bars
Friday: Roast turkey, potatoes and gravy, scalloped corn, three-bean salad, fruit, birthday cake, ice cream

Activities:
Monday: Fitness class, 11 a.m.
Bowling
Gem State Fiddlers
Tuesday: Gem State Fiddlers Pinocle, 1 p.m.
Bingo
Snack bar, 6 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday: Fitness class, 11 a.m.
Cooking with Ada Summer Pinocle, 7 p.m.
Thursday: Bingo, 1:15 p.m.
Friday: Birthday dinner
Tuesday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.
Saturday: Pool tournament

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly
Milk, coffee, juice and tea served.

Menus:
Full-serve salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; take out available: \$3.50 for seniors, \$4.50 for non-seniors
Monday: Wieners and sauerkraut, potatoes, corn, salad bar, ice cream, cookie
Wednesday: Lasagna, green beans, salad bar, applesauce, cake
Friday: Meatloaf, potato casserole, peas, salad bar, fruit, cake

Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
AA meeting, 8 p.m.
Al-Anon meeting, 8 p.m.
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: NA meeting, 7 p.m.
Friday: Exercise, 10:30 a.m.
Bingo, 11:50 a.m.
Pinocle, 1 p.m.

Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Senior Ave.
All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.

Menus:
Monday: Chef salad, Jell-O, cauliflower, peaches, bread
Tuesday: Lemon pepper corn, au gratin potatoes, stewed tomatoes, carrot raisin salad, custard, bread
Wednesday: Malibu chicken sandwiches, stuffed celery, carrot salad, Swiss apple cake
Thursday: Roast turkey with dressing, potatoes and gravy, Prince Edward vegetables, cranberry Jell-O, pumpkin pie, roll

Activities:
Monday: Open pool Pinocle, 12:30 p.m.
Wild one, 6 p.m.
Tuesday: Open pool Hand and foot, 6 p.m.
Bridge, 6:30 p.m.
Activity night
Wednesday: Open pool Shuffleboard, 6 p.m.
Thursday: Open pool Quilt social, 9 p.m.
TOPS, 4 p.m.
Pinocle, 7 p.m.
Friday: Silver City trip Bridge, 1 p.m.
Bowling, 1:30 p.m.
Saturday: Rebecca bridge, 7 p.m.

Hagerman Senior Center

140 E. Lake
Open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; lunch is served at noon.
Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors; \$4 for other adults; and \$2 for children

under 12.
Menus:
Monday: Malibu chicken on a bun, potato wedges, vegetables, salad, fruit, dessert
Wednesday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salad, fruit, bread, dessert
Friday: Pork spareribs, sauerkraut, potatoes, vegetables; salad, fruit, bread, dessert

Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden
Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

Menus:
Tuesday: Hot dog bar, potato salad, macaroni salad, fruit, dessert
Thursday: Spaghetti, green beans, salad, fruit, dessert
Activities:
Wednesday: Bake day
Bingo, 7 p.m.
Saturday: Pancake breakfast, 10:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Hazelton fire station: \$4 for adults, \$2 for children under 10. For information, call Therese at 825-5662.

Gold's Years Senior Citizen Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

Menus:
Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily
Tuesday: Meatballs with gravy, mashed potatoes, Normandy vegetables, homemade bread, green salad, cinnamon rolls
Wednesday: Chef salad with dried ham and turkey, cheese, egg and tomato, crackers, watermelon, apple pie
Friday: Baked potato bar with chili, cheese, hamburger, broccoli, salsa and sour cream, homemade rolls, applesauce, cookies

Activities:
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.
Quilling, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Bingo, 2 p.m.
Friday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.

Richfield Senior Center

Menus:
Fruit juice, milk and coffee served daily.
Monday: Popcorn chicken, fries, green salad, buttered corn, homemade rolls, cookies, fruit
Thursday: Turkey sandwich, split pea soup, pear crisp

Blaine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Hailey
Menus:
Tuesday: Barbecue chicken, buttered corn, potato planks, biscuits, carrot gelatin salad, strawberry shortcake
Wednesday: Cook's choice
Friday: Baked ham, au gratin potatoes, English peas, hot rolls, lime Jell-O salad, apple pie, ice cream

Activities:
Monday: Dinner and movie, 5 p.m.
Tuesday: Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.
Exercise, 1:15 p.m.
Concert at Heagle Park, 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Board meeting Poetry group, 12:30 p.m.
Thursday: Bingo, 5:30 p.m.
Friday: Table games, 10:45 a.m.

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry
Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals. Rides are available by phoning the center at 366-2051.
Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors; \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.
Menus:
Monday: Sweet and sour chicken, rice, Oriental vegetable

bles, tossed salad, ambrosia, bread
Tuesday: Salmon loaf with cheese sauce, au gratin potatoes, spinach, Jell-O with fruit, bread
Thursday: Roast beef with gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, pears, bread

Activities:
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.
Cardio, 10 a.m.
Saturday: Pancake breakfast, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Camas County Senior Center

127 E. Willow, Fairfield
Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on meal days. Cost of the meal is \$3.50; children under 10 pay \$2. The suggested donation for those 60 years and older is \$2.50.

Menus:
Tuesday: Sloppy Joes, raw vegetables, fruit, cookies
Wednesday: Baked potato bar, carrot salad, fruit, pudding
Friday: Roast, potatoes, carrots, fruit, bread, dessert

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert

Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Menus:
Monday: Sloppy Joes, potato casserole, vegetables, salad, apple crisp
Tuesday: Chicken sandwich, tater tots, salad, fruit
Wednesday: Taco salad, fruit salad, Texas toast, cheese-cake
Thursday: Bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwiches, green beans, salad, sherbet
Friday: Smorgasbord

Activities:
Monday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sidewalk seniors on the bike trail, 10 a.m.
Strength training with institute on Aging, 10:30 to 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Thursday: Pool, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tax aid, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; call 436-9107 for appointment
Sidewalk seniors on the bike trail, 10 a.m.

SHIBA and Medicare assistance, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call George Schwindeman at 436-9107 or Kitty Andrews at 878-0727 for appointments
Strength training with institute on Aging, 10:30 to 10:45 a.m.
Friday: Pool, 1 p.m.
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.
Bingo, 7 p.m.

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley
Menus:
Monday: Hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, apple cinnamon cheese-cake
Tuesday: Pastrami sandwich, black bean soup, Jell-O with fruit, pudding, cookies
Wednesday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, corn, mixed Jell-O salad, roll, applesauce cake
Thursday: Lasagna, fruit cup, french bread, vegetables, Black Forest cake
Friday: Salisbury steak, noodles with gravy, Key West vegetables, assorted salads, assorted desserts

Activities:
Monday: Pool Pinocle, 1 p.m.
Tuesday: Pool Woodcarving, 8:30 a.m.
Community bingo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Pool Pinocle, 1 p.m.
Thursday: Pool Community pinocle, 6 p.m.
Woodcarving, 6 p.m.
Friday: Pool Pinocle, 1 p.m.
Bingo, 1 p.m.

Dad's heart overflows with love for his sons

DEAR READERS: Today is Father's Day, and I would like to offer my good wishes to fathers everywhere — whether they be birth fathers, stepfathers, adoptive fathers, foster fathers, or caring men who mentor children whose fathers are deceased or absent. The importance of your role cannot be overstated. Children who are fortunate enough to have loving, actively involved fathers should thank their lucky stars because not all children are so fortunate. Read on:

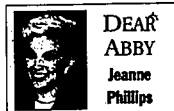
DEAR ABBY: I am writing to share an essay that was written by my son, Anthony. He spent a couple of days taking care of his two sons, ages 5 1/2 and 3, while his wife was out of town. One night, after putting them to bed, he began thinking about the day and their activities, and was so moved with emotion that he sat down and put on paper what he was feeling.

You might want to share his beautiful, loving essay with your readers.

—MARYANN RETTINO, HUNTINGTON, N.Y.
DEAR MARYANN: Indeed I would. Your son's essay expresses the emotions of caring fathers everywhere. Read on:

A Father's Wish, by Anthony Rettino
I gaze at my two sons — and the feeling is indescribable. So much innocence and so much joy, yet I know there are challenges ahead, mountains to climb, emotions to deal with.

How can I best prepare them for life? How can I prevent them from making the same mistakes I made? How can I protect them from the evil in the world? Considering this, I realize the best thing I can do is to let them be themselves, accept them for who they are, encourage them along the way, and wish for them the best that life can offer.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

I wish that they will find happiness where there is sadness, hope where there is despair, and meaning where there is confusion.
I wish that one day they can know the love of a child, hear their footsteps as they walk through the door, and gaze upon them as they sleep.

I wish for them that they will find true love, as I have found it with their mother. I wish that they will be happy and fulfilled in their chosen professions, that they will be able to balance work and family, and find the time to help others less fortunate than they are.

As for me, I wish that I can be every bit the man they see when they look at me with their adoring eyes.

DEAR ABBY: My three siblings and I live with my parents. My brother, who is two years younger than I am, wants to move out. I'm the middle child, and Mom says I should wait until I'm 30 before moving.

When I try to talk to my parents, they blow me off. I'm getting sick of it when she starts talking with my brother about moving out on his own. Please help me.

—MIXED UP IN MONTANA
DEAR MIXED UP: You didn't mention your age, but if you are 21 and self-supporting, you can move out on your own whenever you wish. You do not have to wait until you are 30 — regardless of how much your mother might wish otherwise.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MORTON B. IN MINNEAPOLIS: A happy, healthy Father's Day, Pop!

Education linked to dads' parenting skills

By Rob Stein
The Washington Post

They don't teach fathering skills in school, but education has a big influence on how dads interact with their kids, according to a new government survey.

"Fathers who have higher levels of education are more involved in their children's daily lives," said Gladys M. Martinez of the National Center for Health Statistics, which conducted the survey. Remarkably, the survey marks the first time the government has questioned men about issues related to family life. It involved about 4,800 men age 15 to 44 nationwide who were interviewed in 2002 and 2003.

Based on the findings, researchers estimated that about 28 million American men have children under the age of 19, and that about 75 percent live with their kids. Of fathers who live with their children under age 5, more than 80 percent say they played with them every day in

the past month. Those with more education tend to interact the most, the survey found. Among those who had attended college, about 87 percent said they played with their kids daily, compared with about 76 percent of those who had a high school diploma or less.

Similarly, about 65 percent of more educated fathers say they routinely bathe or dress their children, compared with 42 percent of those less educated. About 32 percent of more educated men read to their kids daily, compared with about 20 percent of less educated men. About 79 percent of the more educated fathers regularly eat meals with their children, as opposed to 70 percent of those with less education.

Education also makes a dramatic difference in a man's likelihood of fathering a child outside of marriage. Nearly half of those without a high school education have done so, compared with about 6 percent of college graduates.

Postpartum

Exploring the depression of that joyful time.
NEXT WEEK IN FAMILY LIFE

LOOSE DENTURES?

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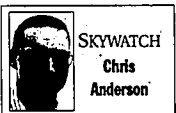
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The year's longest day doesn't begin with the earliest sunrise

You'd think that the summer solstice — the longest day of the year — would also be the day with the earliest sunrise and the latest sunset. But it isn't so. The earliest sunrise happens less than one minute earlier than on the summer solstice (and the latest sunset is less than one minute later than on the summer solstice). But because the times of sunrise and set change so slowly this time of year, the earliest sunrise will occur six days before the solstice, and the latest sunset six days after.

This counterintuitive solar behavior results from the interplay of two phenomena that affect sunrise and sunset times. The first is the sun's apparent north-south motion, a manifestation of Earth's axial tilt (which is responsible for our seasons).

The second is Earth's varying speed in its noncircular orbit throughout the year, moving fastest in early January and slowest in early July. The sun's apparent north-south motion also makes its apparent daily eastward



SKYWATCH
Chris Anderson

progress against the stars very noticeably. Consequently, sundials run fast or slow at various times of the year.

In early June, the sun is moving northward, making the days longer and sunrises earlier. As Earth approaches aphelion (farthest point from the sun), its orbital speed slows rapidly, causing the sun to go from "running fast" to "running slow." This tends to counteract the effect of the sun's northward motion on the time of sunrise. Thus, this year's earliest sunrise came last Thursday.

After the solstice this Wednesday the sun will head south again, which would tend to make sunsets earlier. But the slowing Earth makes the sun "run slower" each day, thus delaying the latest sunset until June 27.

Sky calendar through Saturday

• **Planets:**
One hour before sunrise: Venus: ENE, very low
One hour after sunset: Mercury: WNW, very low
Saturn: WNW, very low
Mars: WNW, low
Jupiter: S, mid-ely
• **Moon:** Third quarter 6:08 a.m. today.
• **Other dates:** Summer solstice, 6:26 a.m. Wednesday, longest day of the year (15 hours, 18 minutes, 39 seconds).

If this isn't confusing enough, the year's shortest solar day (time between successive noontimes as shown on a sundial) occurs on July 3. More about that in two weeks.

Next week: Lunar mountains of eternal light.

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It's potty rhyme



MAN OF THE HOUSE
Chris Erskine

The toddler slept late on Saturday, his little gift to the rest of the family so, tolerant of his toddler quirks. Like when he filled in some spots on the beanie one morning with pink fabric marker. Or the occasional missed appointments with the potty.

He's trying, that's the important thing. I mean, who gets everything in life right the first time?

"Just look at all those Kennedy kids," I tell the toddler.

"OK, Daddy."
"You'll do better," I tell him.
"I will!" he asks — though he was a slower starter myself," I say.

This doesn't comfort him as much as you might think. He worries that he's not carrying his own weight around the house, worries that — though he can now dress himself — he has no great feel for tying his shoes. When he squirts toothpaste on the brush, he makes a mess of things, getting blue Sesame Street toothpaste in the grooves his mother just scrubbed.

With a toddler, there is rarely a quiet moment, a minute of repose or reflection. If he stands staring at someone while I approach him with a washcloth or a comb and attempt to groom him to an unrealistic degree. At which time he will let out the most-ostentatious howl.

"Ooiee!" someone yells, usually his brother.

"OK!" the toddler yells back.

"You know, he was 3 once too," I assure the toddler.

"He was 2!" he asks, not quite understanding.

"And 3 also," I say.

Then there are the potty problems. Someone gave him this handsome new book "Tinkle, Tinkle, Little To," full of little rhymes to help toddlers understand potty training

erature, is a sense of forgiveness. It also has cool little cartoons on every page.

"He went all day Friday and announced at dinner (in our house; there is no inappropriate time to discuss toddler bathroom progress).

"Great job, buddy," I say. "You've worked really hard."

"What about me?" his mother says.

"You went all day too?" I ask.

"Hey, we're making more real progress around here. Soon, I will never have to lug along a diaper bag to the hardware store. I figure that, with four kids, I've spent approximately \$12,000 on diapers over the years.

With this last kid, I've become more casual about dragging along supplies. In a pinch, I once crafted an emergency diaper out of a Sports section and duct tape. Try that with your stinkin' laptop. The diaper was remarkably absorbent, compared with most other media. Plus, there's something very satisfying about seeing Barry Bonds' photo on someone's little tush.

But I digress. The important thing is that, despite no real role models, the toddler is making giant strides to improve himself every way he can — as an artist, as an entertainer, as a man.

With me at his side, singing to the tune of "Humpty Dumpty sat on the pot, Humpty Dumpty tinkled a lot, Now all the king's horses and all the king's men, Will never dress Humpty in diapers again."

Chris Erskine's new book "Man of the House," a collection of new essays on fatherhood, is available in bookstores nationwide.

A tow-truck driving man

The tow truck is finally pulling up the driveway that way that God, so, really, the only thing I'm concerned about now is making pleasant conversation.

The driver hops out, smiles, says his name is Mike. He's tall, muscular, with a goatee. "What's the matter with your car, and why do we have to take it so far?" he asks, bluntly.



PERSONAL FILE
Jeanne Marie Lasakas

I explain about the garage I recently used when I was mulling thinking at the outlet mall, which is about an hour from my home. I had just wanted an oil change, but what I got was a car that regurgitates oil in a most violent and overt manner. "They said to just bring the car back in," I say.

"Let's do it," he says.

Well, I'm sort of disappointed we got through that story so fast, seeing as that was my main topic of pleasant conversation. What are we going to talk about for an hour? Riding in a tow truck is nothing like riding on a bus or a train, where there are expectations of silence and anonymity. Or even in a taxi, where the seating arrangement gives everybody an excuse to zone out. No, in a tow truck you sit in the front, right there next to the driver, the two of you on a shared journey.

Mike hands me a clipboard, asks me to sign. All at once he winces, says, "Awwww!"

"You OK?"

"I banged my knee the other day climbing into the other truck," he says. "Now that I'm 30, the injuries don't heal as fast." He says he has a girlfriend, 18, who's making fun of his limp. "I say, 'Somebody you're going to be hobbling around, too,' and she says, 'If you're still with me when I'm all gimpy, just do me a favor and shoot me.' He laughs, shakes his head. "I have pre-arthritis knees."

do that to my girlfriend because she should have time to be a kid herself. On Monday the wife picked the kids up; an hour later she's calling me to come get them: "I can't do this! I need space!" I was at work, so I told her I'd send someone over. I called my mom, but she wasn't home. Finally, I called my girlfriend, and she went over. That was a bad idea. They got into it. Later, I said to my girlfriend, "Why did you beat her up on the porch like that?" She said, "Where should I beat her up? It wasn't funny then, but it's funny now."

He's thinking about getting his license, a puppy to my girlfriend, to do with my raising kids. He really wants to marry her but doesn't want to ruin her life, like his mom says he might. He wonders what to do with the engagement ring he got for her. If it's fair to lure her with a diamond.

"I can't believe I think this way about a girl; I used to be just normal, but something about her has me all messed up."

I want to ... speak. I want to say, "Give love a chance!" I want to put up a little red flag about the situation on the porch. But I'm not really there. This is like a reality TV show, only this isn't TV, and there will be no further episodes, and now here we are at the garage.

He opens the door for me, all chivalric. I thank him for the journey. I consider asking for his card, or for the location of the convenience store where the girlfriend works so I can find out what happens next. But I know the boundaries. He's a tow truck driver. I'm a customer. Nothing personal.

Jeanne Marie Lasakas writes her columns for The Washington Post.

Taurus might be a bit like Clark Kent

IF JUNE 18 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: A new perspective may alter your life in the year to come. Put significant plans into action or look for opportunities to improve your life part many levels during the last part of October and early November. As 2007 dawns you may become more of an eager beaver about getting ahead and restless to discard outworn ideas and lifestyles. What is most important to you may change as the year unfolds. The coming year could be a pivotal one in which you become more ambitious and make a key lifestyle change.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Don't forget to do something nice for someone on Father's Day. It doesn't need to be your father — an in-law, grandfather, or extended family member might need a pat on the back.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You might be a bit like Clark Kent. Who would have thought you were such enormously hot stuff under your mild-mannered disguise? Keep reports upbeat and humorous.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): What's the buzz all about? Bypass derogatory gossip, but do pass on all the news that's fit to print. Father's Day gives

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Jeraldine Saunders

you an opportunity to take a day off from the diet or try something new.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): What do you value? Make sure that family comes first on this Father's Day. The week ahead is likely to remind you that money isn't everything and that it's the thought that counts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Sincere Cinderellas can get their wish. Don't let people peek your goat. Kidding around isn't desirable under these stars, as no one is likely to see humor in a sarcastic or caustic remark.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Batten down your hatches. If you can't participate in Father's Day fun, then find ways to improve your humble nest. Spend time, not money, rearranging the furniture or dusting under the beds.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Babies when they are tired. Sometimes grownups need a nap, as well. You may be feeling your oats just when your special Romeo or Juliet has a downturn in

romantic energies.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Get physical. Kid actions can speak louder than words with your special someone. Warm embraces or sharing your innermost thoughts may put everything back into proportion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Let sleeping dogs lie. Getting the lowdown on the high and mighty could stir up things that are better left alone. You don't want to be caught in the ethics-free zone when the firing starts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Get organized. You could waste yourself into exhaustion with plicyuan details. Persistence is admirable, but even certain revered head honchos rested on the seventh day.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Zip it up. If you can't say something good, then say nothing at all. Some people have an appetite for scandal. Don't inadvertently add to it, or buy into it, during the week ahead.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't put trust in the test. You may dig the hole too deep and find that it is impossible to climb out. The week ahead holds enough pitfalls without adding unnecessarily to groundless suspicions.

Watch 'til it hurts

The Washington Post

Television can hurt children even if they're not watching. A study published in the Journal Academic Emergency Medicine suggests that hundreds of children visit emergency rooms each year for injuries from having unsecured televisions fall on them. The injuries are typically not serious, the journal reports, but the potential for severe injury does exist. The researchers cited a lack of parental awareness as a factor in cases where injuries occurred.

"Real Estate Corner"
ROOM TO NEGOTIATE

by Laura Fitzgerald
Re/MAX American Dream Realty

Most buyers expect sellers to come down a little from the asking price to close a deal. The desire to claim a bargain is so strong that there is a reluctance to paying the asking price, no matter how reasonable.

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MONDAY IN IMAGE

FAMILY LIFE

Kids and pets don't always mix

By Denise Flain
Newsway

CENTEREGE, N.Y. — More than a decade ago, Shell and Joanne Styles, who breed a much-mispronounced dog called the Bichon Frise (it's bee-SHAW-nee, from ZAY!), brought home their newborn daughter, Sammie.

Their little white lap-warmers soon accepted the new addition — all except Molly, who growled when they brought the baby home. "We started a special campaign of ignoring her," Shell remembers, only acknowledging the dog when Sammie was in the room. "We did that for six or seven consecutive days, and she would come when the light bulb went off. When that annoying person is in the room, they pay attention to me."

Molly was mollified, and all was well. Disney movies notwithstanding, dogs and kids are not always a match made in heaven — at least, not at first. If it's normal for humans to be unnerved by the snoring, whining and stream of well-wishes, why should dogs be any different? Some, like Molly, require thoughtful intervention and downtime before they come to terms with the fact that their doggie lives will never be the same again.

"And while some dogs may have bumpy transitions, experts say relatively few go the other way. "There are some dogs who are emotionally and physically incapable of putting up with the excitement and chaos that young children bring," says certified applied animal behaviorist Patricia McConnell, author of "The Other End of the Leash: Why We Do What We Do Around Dogs" (Ballantine, \$13.95). "They are not necessarily mad," but they are not as common as many parents fear.

The hard part is distinguishing a truly problematic dog from one that who just needs time to adjust — a description that fits the vast majority of dogs.

"It's really smart to let your dogs tell you how they can handle this," McConnell advises. "I see people who are concerned about what I would consider brilliant behavior on the dog's part. If the dog wants to go away, let him. Don't drag him over."

The younger the dog, and the more positive his overall experiences with children, the better his ability to adjust, says Pia Silvant, director of training and behavior counseling at St. Hubert's Dog Training School in Madison, N.J., and co-author of "Raising Puppies & Kids Together" (TFH Publications, \$16.95).

"If you've got a young dog that's been properly socialized with children and babies, and this dog appears to really enjoy your friends' kids, it's a pretty good bet he will do well," she says. "If it's now, Oops, the dog is 10 and we've never brought him around children," that

Prepare pets for change

• Create positive associations.

You want your dog to understand good things happen when the baby is around. Certified applied animal behaviorist Patricia McConnell suggests using classic conditioning to teach the baby's name. "Say, 'Boomer, where's Samantha?' and when she looks at Samantha, give her a treat," until naptime before paying attention to the dog, which makes the dog look forward to the baby's absence.

• Incorporate change, but not too much. Long before the baby comes home, get your dog accustomed to changes in his routine — delay his dinner, or make him get off your bed. But don't make the shift so seismic that you turn his world upside down. If you jogger every morning together, say, hire a dog walker to keep up the ritual. "For some dogs," McConnell says, "it's important they not lose everything."

• Don't be a breedist. "I've seen three-pound dogs attack children — it depends on how the genetics are and how the dog is raised," says Pia Silvant, co-author of "Raising Puppies & Kids Together" (TFH Publications, \$16.95). Indeed, one breed she sees all too often for resource guarding issues is that suburban icon, the Lab.

• Put grandparents in perspective. Silvant notes that older generations lived very differently with their dogs, often times not having them in the house, and close proximity, no matter how benign, might make them overprotective. Try to sort out fear from emotion, and use common-sense judgment about how the dog is really behaving.

• Don't outsource. "If you're

working full time and you've got a nanny, she should not be the dog's caretaker — it's not her job," says McConnell. And if she is not savvy about dog behavior, she may be woefully unprepared to meet the challenges ahead.

Seek expert advice

If you feel unable to handle your dog's reaction to a new baby, or there are signs that the situation is not safe:

• Consult an expert. The first and best step. Semantics are crucial here. Anyone can call themselves a "trainer." Be sure the person has experience evaluating dogs for aggression; insist on references as well as a detailed history of his or her training and professional affiliations, such as membership in the Association of Pet Dog Trainers (www.apdt.com). The safest bet is to call a certified applied animal behaviorist or veterinary behaviorist, very specific titles that reflect in-depth training in animal behavior. As a starting point, visit the directory at www.animalbehavior.org.

• Consider a muzzle. Plastic "basket" muzzles — not the fabric ones used at vets' offices — can be a short-term solution. "It's big enough so the dog can yawn, but he can't get a tooth on the kid," says Peter Borchelt, a certified applied animal behaviorist from Brooklyn.

• Find a safe harbor. "In those rare cases that I see, potentially dangerous, then we work out a deal where Uncle Joe gets the dog for a year or two," Borchelt says. The family visits regularly to keep a connection, and once the kids are older, the dog might be able to return home.

will likely be tougher, though certainly not impossible.

Those oft-recommended acclimation exercises — playing tapes of crying infants, walking around with a doll, or bringing home a blanket with the baby's scent — may be too little, too late.

"That doesn't feel a dog," says Peter Borchelt, a Brooklyn-based certified applied animal behaviorist. "It could be like if you get a maid vacation to Tahiti, and someone says, 'Let me show you the slide show.' It doesn't substitute for the real thing."

A less-obvious preparation is showing the dog that he needs to be flexible to get what he wants.

"One of the biggest problems I see are dogs who don't have a lot of emotional control, and frustration tolerance," McConnell says. "If dogs are going to live in our houses as family members, they need to learn how to physiologically handle spiraling emotions, not react like a 2-year-old who drops an ice-cream cone."

Indeed, the behavior problems that surface with the arrival of a new baby likely have been there all along. "If

the dog has any issues with the adults in the family — if you can't take objects away, or you can't disturb the dog when he's resting — that's a big red flag," Silvant says.

As for owners, they need to learn to read their dog's body language, which will help them see signs of fear or aggression early on. It also will prevent them from overreacting to minor cues, such as "I'm just nudging, or interpreting playfulness as aggression."

It might take weeks, even months, for a dog to grow comfortable with a baby's presence — only to confront new challenges.

"The problem I see typically is when the babies start crawling," Borchelt says. "The dog says, 'My God, they move, and they're coming at me.'"

A toddler's body language — the instead posture, quick movements and tendency to hang and pull — can appear to be odd and threatening to a dog. Even the friendliest pup can knock down a baby or step or sit on one. Supervision is crucial.

"You wouldn't send your 3-year-old to play touch football with 12-year-olds," Borchelt says.

Abduct

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carton with her picture on it. Until then, she did not know that she was a missing child and that her name was not Heather Ann Brown.

Sam Potash, 19, of Philadelphia, can finally speak publicly about the 8 1/2 months he spent on the run with his father. He got used to repeating the lie that his mother — who was desperately searching for him — was dead.

"Lis Hart-Haviv, 38, of Kalama, Wash., vividly recalls trying to comfort her sobbing mother in a phone booth outside a women's shelter after they had fled from her father. She was 10 and felt so old and alone. She even had a different name. "They called her call at school, (and) the first thing I did every morning was lie," Hart-Haviv said.

Three years ago, Hart-Haviv started Take Root, the first national organization for adults with such childhood experiences. More than 200,000 children are taken each year by a parent or other relative, according to the Justice Department.

"Many of our members end up losing both parents," Hart-Haviv said. Even their memories feel like mockery. "We spend a portion of our lives on the run from a parent, then we spend the rest of our lives on the run from our childhood," she said.

Hart-Haviv was 10 when she and her mother ran away from their New York City home. "I was a daddy's girl," she said. "I never once thought of him as dangerous until Mom told me on my way out of town."

Life in hiding was lonesome, she said. Her mother worked all the time to support them. "I raised myself," Hart-Haviv said. "She would come home at the end of the day, leave a microwave dinner for me and go to bed."

Meanwhile, her father was "obsessively" searching for her, she said. A drinking habit worsened, and he developed mental problems.

By the time he found her two years later through medical records, too much had changed.

"I was scared of him," she said. "I saw my mother live in extreme fear. We were in hiding. We were afraid of being followed and our phones being tapped and people wondering who we were."

She and her father never fully reconciled. His health failed, and he later died. "I was his entire world," she said. "I'm just wasn't anymore. And there was no one to tell us this, was understandable."

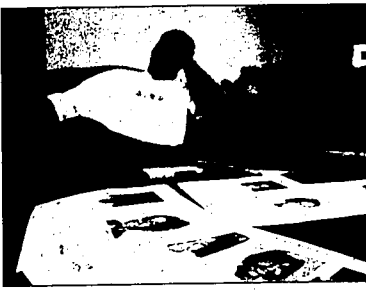
Twenty-five years later, she calls her relationship with her mother "a work in progress."

"I'm trying to get to the point of forgiveness," she said.

Potash has a friendly manner — and a matter-of-fact attitude about the nightmares and emotional problems he suffered after he was recovered.

Now a sophomore at Temple University, he talks about becoming a social worker to help youths in the same predicament. It doesn't feel like it really happened to me anymore," he said at his mother's home. "It feels like a story."

His story began in July 1997 when his father, who was sup-



Carl Dodd, 73, tracks the growth of his daughter, Marilyn Byrd, during the 13 years he searched for her after her mother allegedly abducted her. Dodd was reunited with Marilyn, now 17, in April, but the girl, who has conflicting emotions about the circumstances, continues to live with her mother and grandmother in Delaware.

posed to drop 10-year-old Sam off at camp in New Jersey, kept driving.

He drove across Canada and on to California and Texas, spending money wildly on gadgets and toys. Later, the boy would learn the source of his father had emptied Sam's \$40,000 college-savings fund. After the money ran out in less than a year, Sam's father telephoned a cousin, who notified authorities.

When Abby Potash flew to Dallas to retrieve her son, she was struck by how big he had become; he had gained 30 pounds. "I never went outside," Sam says.

He was so accustomed to calling himself Ben Davis that, on the flight home, he told the airline attendant that that was his name. His father, who lives in another state and phones Sam occasionally, served 18 months in jail.

Counseling was little help. Sam didn't think the therapist could relate to what he had been through. For a long time, he was inexplicably mad at his mother, as if he wanted to make true all the negative things his father had said about her.

"He kept trying to push me to the wall," Abby Potash said. "When she first came home, I was afraid to discipline him."

Sam, who compares the experience to surviving cancer, is still trying to sort out his emotions.

"After seven years of struggling to find out who I am, I realize I can't," he wrote on his college application essay. "All I know is, for the first time in my life, I can respond with the confident answer of at least a name: I am Sam."

Ford knew, deep down, that something was terribly off about her isolated life with her mother. But the truth struck her as "so unreal." The face of the 4-year-old on the milk carton was hers, but she, then 12, did not recognize herself. Her mother was under arrest, her father would be taking her to a suburban Chicago home, she had heard and cried. "I was so confused," she said.

Her father set the standard for how to behave, she said. He kept things light, asking her what sports she liked, telling her, "You're going to love it at our house." She liked him instantly, she said, but he was a stranger.

"We just talked," she said. "We talked about everything and anything, not, 'Do you know why your' mom took

you?' He approached things very nonchalantly, very casually."

It has taken much longer to reconnect with her mother. "There were times I had anger I didn't know what to do with," she said.

Her father made her keep in touch with her mother, but it was not until recently, when Ford spoke on the subject of parental abduction at a Nashville convention, that her mother telephoned her with the message she had hoped to hear.

"She said, 'I'm really proud of you and what you're doing, and I'm really sorry.' She said, 'I think she is sorry, but she feels justified at the same time. I think she wishes it hadn't happened.'"

For now, Dodd is taking baby steps.

She and his wife, Paula, returned to their home in suburban Fort Washington, Md., without Marilyn after their disappointing meeting. "I guess I could have made her come by force," Dodd said. "But I didn't want her to come down here and be miserable."

He mailed her a belated birthday card with money inside. He knew it could not make up for the fact that it was her 17th birthday the day U.S. marshals finally found her and took her mother, Mary Jane Byrd, to jail. But Dodd wanted to mark the event somehow, to show his daughter he remembered.

Charged with a felony, Byrd was released from a D.C. halfway house recently, a move that indicates how tangled and sensitive this issue is. Although Dodd was awarded full custody of Marilyn a few months after she disappeared, the judge allowed Byrd to return to Delaware to live with the daughter she is accused of abducting until her trial this year.

Recently, he mailed Marilyn a cell phone and asked her in a note to let him know when she had received it. When she called to thank him, he considered it a small but important victory.

Now they talk on the phone once or twice a week, no big-deal topics, nothing much more than pleasantries. She is seeing a counselor, but they do not talk about that.

"The conversations are getting better," he said. "They're still like, 'Hi, how you doing?' 'Fine.' And, 'Call me if you need anything.' But she says a couple of more words each time."

Treehouse

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Kopelman has said. "The secret is that they're not escapes, but havens, something we need now more than ever."

But how to get started? There are few — if any — treehouse construction experts in Idaho, so we consulted spokesmen for Home Depot and Michaels with children, a professor of silviculture and ecology at the University of Georgia, who's a specialist on treehouses.

Here are their recommendations:

1. Make a plan. Ad hoc treehouses often turn out to be treehouses that never get finished. You'll save time — and probably money — if you buy a plan. There are, books with treehouse plans available at home-improvement stores, and dozens of Web sites where you can buy one.

2. Pick and choose. You can compromise on quality for wanting and non-structural framing, but remember that the supports must be expected to last a long time.

3. Remember the Rule of One-Third: Always build the treehouse in the lower third of the tree. And position it so it

rests or is attached to the basal third of each branch.

4. Use wood. It's soft, strong and withstands bending — a characteristic you'll grow to appreciate in windy southern Idaho. And unless you're planning to rebuild in two years, use treated wood.

5. Use eye-bolts or lagbolts (at least 3/8-inch) in nails or screws. Pre-drill the holes, and if you're using eye-bolts also use washers and nuts.

6. Rope first. Attach the main floor pieces or braces to the supports with heavy rope in multiple wraps. Well-connected, large tree branches should support the weight of a treehouse. Use rope attachments to keep it in position on branches but not to bear its full

weight.

7. Tilt the floor slightly to shed water.

8. Don't attach pieces of wood or metal to the tree to form a ladder: most treehouse injuries happen when kids climb up and down. Use a free-standing ladder and attach it to the tree.

9. Arrange the treehouse's supports in a triangle, if possible. Triangles are the most rigid building shape. Beams should be 6 inches by 2 inches or larger, or hollow with braces that will build up in the wind.

10. Sorry, dad, but treehouses should be seasonal structures that are removed each fall. This allows a tree time to recuperate and a parent time to make repairs.

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STORK REPORT

NEWCOMB- WOODWARD

RUPERT — Ross Newcomb and Dennis and Karen Hyton, all of Rupert, announce the engagement of their daughter, McKenzie Hope Newcomb, to Shawn Lance Woodward, son of Arlen and Judy Woodward of Paul.

Newcomb is a graduate of Minico High School and attended Utah State University in Logan, Utah, majoring in agricultural systems technology. She will attend the College of Southern Idaho and is employed at Jones Farms in Burley.

Woodward is a graduate of Minico High and USU, where he earned an associate's degree in agricultural



Shawn Woodward and McKenzie Newcomb

mechanics. He will attend CSI and will start his own farming operation in Paul.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 24. A reception will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. June 24 at Cameo Special Event Center in Burley.

PASKETT-CLAPIER

BURLEY — James and Ila Paskett of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Miranda-May Paskett, to James Ripplikish Clapier, son of Tony and Jaquie Clapier of Rupert.

Paskett is a graduate of Brigham Young University-Idaho, where she received an associate's degree. She is employed at Wal-Mart in Jerome.

Clapier is a graduate of Minico High School and served a mission in Oklahoma for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is employed at A and R Construction and Air in Twin Falls.



James Clapier and Miranda-May Paskett

The wedding is planned for Friday, June 23, in the beautiful LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the Star 1st Ward building in Burley.

HURST-PLOTS

DECLO — Wayne and Sherrie Hurst of Declo announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Rae Hurst, to David Andrew Plotts, son of Robert and Nancy Plotts of Declo.

Hurst graduated from Declo High School and attended Snow College in Utah for one year where she played on the women's basketball team.

Plotts graduated from Burley High School and West Point U.S. Military Academy in New York, where he played football and baseball and majored in English.

He is an officer with the 2nd Squadron 2nd Cavalry



Holly Hurst and David Plotts

Regiment in the U.S. Army stationed in Ft. Lewis, Wash.

The wedding is planned for Tuesday, June 27, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. June 27 at the Declo LDS Stake Center.

MORRISON- BOWTHORPE

TWIN FALLS — Jim Morrison of Hailey and Bonnie Hansen of Pocatello announce the engagement of their daughter, Maria Rae Morrison, to T.J. Bowthorpe, son of Tony Bowthorpe of Riverton, Utah, and Jill Lee of Twin Falls.

Morrison is employed at Idaho Home Health and Hospice in Twin Falls.

Bowthorpe is employed at Joyce Inc. in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 1, at Centennial



Maria Morrison and T.J. Bowthorpe

Waterfront Park in Twin Falls. A reception will follow at 5 p.m. at the park.

BELL-RASMUSSEN

RUPERT — Joyce and Connie Bell of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Leigh Bell, to Trevor Owen Rasmussen, son of Keith and Sandra Rasmussen of Burley.

Bell is a 2006 graduate of the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at JC Penney in Burley.

Rasmussen is a 2006 graduate of Burley High School and is self-employed in Burley.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, June 24, at Praise Chapel in Rupert.



Trevor Rasmussen and Amanda Bell

A reception will be held June 24 at the Bell home in Rupert.

TERRONES- ANDERSON

GOODING — Andrea Marie Terrones of Robins, Iowa, and Steven Andrew Anderson of Gooding announce their engagement.

Terrones is the daughter of Charles and Diane Terrones of Robins.

Anderson is the son of Rick and Betty Boss of Wendell and the late Curtis Anderson. He is a 2006 graduate of Mount Mercy College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The wedding is planned for



Steven Anderson and Andrea Terrones

2 p.m. Saturday, July 29, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Marion, Iowa.

MCMILLAN-JONES

BURLEY — Brent and Laurie McMillan of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Abby Rae McMillan, to Jared McKel Jones, son of Chad and Bonnie Jones of Burley.

McMillan is a graduate of Burley High School and Apollo College in Boise. She is employed as a dental hygienist in Orem, Utah.

Jones is a graduate of Burley High School and served a mission in Singapore for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He attends Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.



Abby McMillan and Jared Jones

The wedding is planned for Thursday, June 22, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, June 23, at Harris Pond, 58 S. 200 W., Burley.

ANNIVERSARIES

THE MUNKS

BUHL — Dr. Albert Juan and Juanita Mae Munk of Buhl will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the Buhl LDS Church on Fair Avenue. The family requests no gifts.

He was a periodontologist, and she worked as a registered nurse. Both are now retired.

Their children are Julie (Rocky) Van Sickle of Buhl; Alan (Tammy) Munk and David (Joan) Munk, both of Winnemucca, Nev.; Ron



Juanita and Albert Munk

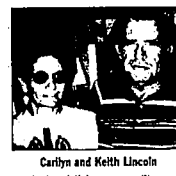
(Anne) Munk of Cotuit, Calif.; and Steve (Kaylyn) Munk of Seattle.

They have 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

THE LINCOLNS

TWIN FALLS — Keith and Carilyn Lincoln of Twin Falls will be honored at a luncheon for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at Oregon Trail Campground, 2733 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls. No gifts, please.

Keith Lincoln and Carilyn Campbell were married June 26, 1956, in Kinross, Oregon. They have lived in Idaho, Oregon, Washington and Illinois.



Carilyn and Keith Lincoln

Their children are Tamara Lincoln of Vancouver, Wash., and Kelly Lincoln of Phoenix. The couple has five grandchildren.

WEDDING

HAUETER-FARFAN

RUPERT — Brittany Renee Haueter and Bernardo Farfan were married June 16 in Oakland, Calif.

The bride is the daughter of Eric and Pamela Haueter of Modesto, Calif. She is a graduate of Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and is employed at Heyburn Elementary School.

The groom is the son of Bernardo and Elena Farfan of Rupert.

He attends Brigham Young University-Idaho.



Bernardo and Brittany Farfan

A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, June 23, at the Rupert LDS Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W.

Weekly deadline

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About kids, toys and careers

Here's what kids ages 13 to 18 said when asked to name an ideal career:

- Business person, 8.7 percent
 - Teacher, 7.0 percent
 - Doctor, 6.2 percent
 - Computers, 6.2 percent
 - Entrepreneur, 5.6 percent
 - Pro athlete, 5.6 percent
- Source: Junior Achievement Intertprise Poll

Here's the amount of money spent last year on different kinds of toys:

- Video games, \$10.5 billion
- Infant/preschool toys, \$3.1 billion
- Outdoor/sports toys, \$2.7 billion
- Dolls, \$2.7 billion
- Games and puzzles, \$2.4 billion
- Arts/crafts, \$2.4 billion

Source: NPD Group

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Jessa Morgan Fundarek, daughter of Cashanna Wikom of Twin Falls, was born May 28, 2006.

Lily Halley Rhodes, daughter of Katie Elizabeth Rhodes of Twin Falls, was born June 2, 2006.

Danillo Arevalo, son of Carla Christine and Marcos Alfredo Arevalo of Hazelton, was born June 3, 2006.

Damaris Ruelas-Cruz, daughter of Claudia Cruz and Gete Ruelas-Esqueda of Jerome, was born June 3, 2006.

Alliana Joy Jones, daughter of Autumn Joy and Mark Ivan Jones of Burley, was born June 4, 2006.

Hazel Lynn Lockwood, daughter of Rebecca Joy and Rufus Allen Lockwood IV of Twin Falls, was born June 5, 2006.

Joshua Brady Hardy, son of Jennifer Marie and Brian D. Hardy of Hazelton, was born June 6, 2006.

Kortnie Lyn Fife, daughter of Wendy Lee and Jeremy Raymond Lynn Fife of Mountainburg, was born June 6, 2006.

Olivia Jasmin Martinez, daughter of Alicia Joyce Martinez of Twin Falls, was born June 6, 2006.

Cameron Grey Isenberg, son of Victoria Marie and Joel David Isenberg of Twin Falls, was born June 7, 2006.

Makenzie Lynn Stevens, daughter of Kortney Lynn and Joseph Edwin Stevens of Twin Falls, was born June 7, 2006.

Jose Andres Cervantes Jr., son of Ana Luisa Cervantes-Gonzalez and Jose Cervantes-Lopez of Jerome, was born

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Carter Joseph Dey, son of Irene and J. Randall Dey of Filer, was born June 8, 2006.

Willie McKee Gasterknot, son of Kimberly Arca and Jamie Dean Osterhout of Rupert, was born June 8, 2006.

Madison Kay Oynn Usery, daughter of Jicette Rae and Joshua Wayne Usery of Buhl, was born June 9, 2006.

Carson Ray Dilworth, son of Denae and Aaron Reed Dilworth of Jerome, was born June 9, 2006.

Jaden Joshua Youngblood, son of Kimberly Ann and Joshua Michael Youngblood of Wendell, was born June 9, 2006.

Allya Bartholomew, daughter of Lydia and Iion Riley Bartholomew of Twin Falls, was born June 10, 2006.

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Scott Nell Davis, son of Jeremy and Patricia Davis of Jerome, was born May 26, 2006.

Giovanni Campos, son of Francisco and Estela Campos of Shoshone, was born June 2, 2006.

Damen Matthew Pitz, son of John and Celeste Pitz of Jerome, was born June 5, 2006.

Alex Miguel Garcia, son of Miguel Garcia and Sonya Davis of Wendell, was born June 5, 2006.

Tim Brennan McKnight, son of Tim and Wendy McKnight of Twin Falls, was born June 9, 2006.

Parents making use of TV despite the risks

By Lynette Clemens
New York Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Sure, Sharac Sharp knows pediatricians say children under 2 should not watch TV.

But the advice feels less than practical when, she needs to scrub the bathroom floor or has a migraine and is craving an hour of silence.

"Sometimes you just need some time," said Sharp, 39, an unapologetic about the 13-inch television she placed in her 3-year-old daughter Taylor-Shanel's room more than a year ago.

Jennifer Beck-Wilson, 36, tends to agree with the American Academy of Pediatrics. But with a 3-year-old son, a 15-month-old daughter and a full-time job, best intentions fall by the wayside. "There's my philosophy and then there's the real life," she said.

The two are hardly alone. A new study by the Kaiser Family Foundation, in which both participated, found that despite increasing debate over the potentially harmful effects of television on young children, many parents believe that the benefits of a little tube time — whether for their children's development or their own sanity — outweigh the risk of raising a generation of crib potatoes.

On a typical day 61 percent of babies 1 year or younger watch TV or videos, with average viewing of more than an hour, the study found. A third of children under 6 have a TV in their bedroom.

And more than half of parents surveyed said their main reason for putting a TV in their child's room was so that they or other family members could watch their own shows.

"There has been this sense that it is kids clamoring for media and parents trying to hold back the tidal wave," said Vicki Rideout, vice president of the Kaiser Foundation.

"But what came across is that parents themselves are very enthusiastic about using media in their children's lives. Many feel like they can't make it through the day without the assistance it gives."

For most families surveyed, television is not a replacement for other activities, the study found.

On a normal day, 83 percent of children read or are read to, the same percentage as those who watch TV or videos.

But the increasing availability of programs aimed at young children — like BabyFirstTV, a new satellite and cable channel aimed at the under-5 set — is raising parents' comfort level with electronic media and assuaging guilt over using television as a baby sitter.

The study was based on a telephone survey of parents with children 6 months to 6 years old and eight focus groups of mothers in Columbus, Ohio; Irvine, Calif.; Denver; and Washington, D.C.

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FAMILY LIFE

Here.coms the bride

By Sara Kehaulani Goo
The Washington Post

It was the moment I dreamed of my entire life. From the top of the hill, the sun poked through the clouds, illuminating the glimmering Pacific Ocean and an island in the distance. I wrapped my hand inside my father's arm as he prepared to walk me down a gassy knoll covered with orchid petals to the perch where my groom stood, waiting for me.

A bride worries about a million things on her wedding day. I knew I might mess up my vows or break down sobbing, but I was confident of one thing: My strappy white sandals would not sink into the grass and trip me on my way down the aisle.

Thanks to the power of the Internet and my online community of women, I was able to plan my Hawaii wedding, even to the smallest detail within six months and from nearly 5,000 miles away.

Through social networking Web sites such as MySpace and Friendster, millions of people have found comfort in a community that doesn't exist in their physical world. I had never jumped on the bandwagon because I thought it was odd to talk to a bunch of strangers you'd never meet. But that changed after Michael proposed to me last year. We wanted to get married soon, and we wanted it to happen in Hawaii.

The problem was figuring out all the details in between. I heard about a wedding-planning Web site, www.theknot.com, from a newly married woman I met at a cocktail party soon after our engagement. She mentioned it like it was a secret club. "Are you 'The Knot' right?" she said. "The Web site's best features, she said, are the online chat rooms where you can consult with other brides-to-be on any topic as well as local. There are groups for women who just want to talk about wedding dresses or honeymoon ideas, or even vent about future in-laws.

Groups of local brides, who call themselves "Knots in your area" or in the location where you plan to be married. Software to create and manage a budget, guest lists and gifts. Offers free e-cards announcing your engagement to guests, tools to create your wedding Web site or track your to-do list and online video of designer wedding gowns on the runway.

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The Organized Wedding www.theorganizedwedding.com. Provides reasonably priced software you can download that helps you keep track of every minute detail, from comparing catering estimates

to color-coded seating charts. The program (\$34-\$49) customizes to-do lists based on your religion or special events; you're planning, and it breaks down the numbers in graphs and pie charts for easy reference.

Biss Weddings www.bissweddings.com. This site offers creative ideas for wedding favors and reminds brides of key questions to ask when interviewing vendors. Interactive features help brides pick the right flower for the season, find reception locations by city and state and chat with other brides-to-be and newlyweds. For wedding participants, the site offers a free bridesmaid survival guide and helps generate toast ideas specific to the couple.

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Book review: 'Why Do Dogs Have Wet Noses?'

The Washington Post

If you have dog questions, chances are this book has the answers.

At 64 pages, "Why Do Dogs Have Wet Noses?" by Stanley Cohen is like a Chihuahua in the kennel of dog literature.

But there's a wealth of interesting stuff tucked inside, and enough adorable photos to keep you oohing and aaahing

through repeated readings.

What's the smallest dog in history? The biggest? The fastest and the slowest? Are dogs really colorblind? Do they dream? Why do they howl? Do they hate cats? What's with the peeing on every telephone pole, anyway? And why are their noses so wet and cold?

We're not giving you the answers, of course. You'll have to read the book.

Cat shapes with an eye toward owners

By Denise Flahn
Newswatch

An elusive trait like personality hardly seems compatible with algebra, with its trinomials, quadratic equations and all those other ghosts of 10th-grade math class.

But Karen Okura, manager of behavior and training at The Anti-Cruelty Society in Chicago, has found some cosmic cat truths in triangles, circles and squares.

At a training seminar several years ago, Okura learned about a theory that correlated cat body shape to various personalities.

"I thought it was goofy," she admits—until she started studying cats in her shelter and concluded there was something to this shape thing.

Ki Jenkins of Phoenix, the behavior trainer and animal-welfare teacher who developed and teaches the body-shape theory, stresses that it's just that: a theory. But it's a much-needed one, as potential owners need tools to select cats that are most likely to mesh with their lifestyles.

"We have the basis to do some predications on personality needs for dogs" by noting what the breed was bred to do, she says. Such "breedist" categorization is not always 100 percent accurate, but it is generally true.

And so it is for her feline body-shape theory, which suggests that cats with certain silhouettes are likely, but not absolutely, going to behave a certain way.

It's not a big leap to suggest that physical characteristics are connected to temperament. Experimental breedings of silver foxes in Russia in the 1950s showed that as the wild animals were bred solely for tameness, their appearances changed: They developed floppy ears (elephants aside, how many wild animals have them?), shorter or curled tails, and white, or piebald, markings, including star patterns on the face.

Long dismissed as aloof and independent, cats also have very real social needs, Jenkins says. Here is how they divvy up according to her body-shape theory:

The easiest to spot are triangles. This is the long, lanky cat that looks like a collection of string, Jenkins says. Lithe and athletic, with triangle-shaped heads and angular bodies, these are "cats to the third power, and

they need to rule the roost."

Classic triangles are breeds that in pre-political-correctness days were referred to as "Orientals," such as Siamese and Abyssinians.

The Energizer bunnies of the cat world, the highly intelligent triangles are constant "chase-a-cage" problem-solvers—and inevitable trouble-makers.

"I can't see that kind of cat in a household that wants a cuddler," Jenkins says. Okura adds that these cats often exhibit behavioral problems such as biting or wool-sucking when their need for stimulation isn't met.

Next up are the squares, which have a cobbler allabout, such as the Maine Coon.

Squares are social butterflies who want everyone to get along and require quality time with their owners.

"They're very demonstrative and basically very doglike," Okura says of these "frat-house boys." "Every day's a party, and they're highly social with everybody. But it's not demanding, more conversational," she says. "They tend to murrur."

Finally, there are circles. Everything about these cats is round—eyes, ears, heads. The Persian, with its curvaceous lines, is the prototypical circle.

Defenders of the status quo, "circles don't do well with a lot of chaos," Jenkins says. Not terribly active, "they would rather be throw pillows with legs." Friendly within their families but not incredibly gregarious with strangers, circles are emotionally sensitive and affectionate, but aren't as needy as squares.

Because change tends to make them anxious, circle cats are prone to housebreaking issues, Okura adds. "If you talk to vets, they'll tell you Persians always come up high on the list of litterbox problems."

Although purebred cats are used as examples, the body-shape theory also applies to mixed breeds, though they can be trickier to categorize.

"If you see one shape that jumps out at you," the theory will likely hold, Jenkins says. "But you're having to squint your eyes, then it's probably not going to help much."