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## Wildfires spread in Nevada

### Elko County declares fire emergency

**By Scott Sommer**  
Associated Press writer

RENO, Nev. — Nevada Gov. Kenny Guinn declared a state of emergency Tuesday as state and federal crews put practically every available piece of equipment on the lines to combat dozens of lightning-sparked fires that have burned 125 square miles in the state.

More than 1,000 firefighters were battling dozens of fires, from a 57,000-acre fire on uninhabited rangeland in northeast Nevada to a complex of a dozen smaller fires around Reno and Carson City.

"We're stretched about as thin as possible," said Jeff Aramberger, assistant fire management officer for the Bureau of Land Management in Elko, where the largest fires were burning. "Thankfully our neighbors from around Nevada and across the country are giving us a hand."

No injuries were reported in any of the fires and no buildings burned. However, the blazes at times closed two major highways, scorched part of the training grounds at the state fire academy and forced evacuations of homes and businesses, including a legal brothel.

The Sizzle Fire 10 miles north of Elko was the biggest.

It had scorched across 57,000 acres of sagebrush and grass, and closed Interstate 80 for about three hours on Monday.

Just east of that was a 12,600-acre fire, and a third burned 6,000 acres of grass and brush.

In the more heavily timbered area east of Carson City, a fire grew to 6,000 acres overnight and had looped north around Carson City, sending a mile-long snake of fire down a hillside near McClellan Peak.



A P-3 Orion Air Tanker drops retardant onto the Sizzle Fire about 15 miles north of Elko, Nev., Tuesday afternoon.

**By Doug McElhardo and John Seitz**  
For the Times-News

ELKO — The Sizzle Fire moved perilously close to the northwest part of the city Tuesday and pumping capacity could be restricted if the fire destroys Sierra Pacific Power Company's transmission line at eight-mile. It is the last power line providing service to the community, according to Jay Elquist, the company's Elko area service manager.

City engineer Ferron S. Konakis imposed a mandatory watering restriction until further notice. Additionally, the city asks residents to restrict indoor water use, including laundry and dishwashing, so a sufficient water level needed for fire protection may be maintained.

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## City water use swells

### Officials look for new sources

**By Michelle Denlop**  
Times-News writer

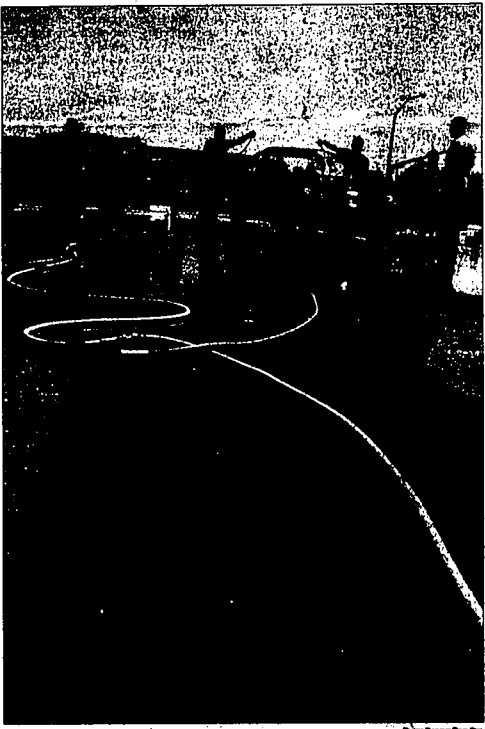
TWIN FALLS — After two years of watching their water use, Twin Falls residents have taken their eye off the prize.

"There is still a large need out there for people to conserve," says Gretchen Scott, a city staffer.

Roughly two years after the Twin Falls City Council implemented a water conservation ordinance, city water use is on the rise again — jumping roughly 20 percent over 2005. While the region benefited from a wet winter, now is not the time to ease up on conservation efforts, city officials say.

As waters over water heat up on the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer, a federal water quality rule also has taken its toll on the city's water outlook. The city continues to look at its options for increasing its water supply — options that range from roughly \$15 million to nearly \$50 million.

Twin Falls' water supply has been declining by about 3 percent annually while the city's growth rate has averaged about 2.25 percent. Residents of the city also consume more water per person than the national average. In 2004, the City Council restricted residents' landscape watering to certain times of day and days of the week in an effort to protect Twin Falls' supply.



A local church group holds a car wash Saturday near Five Points to raise money for a youth program. It is estimated that it takes about 50 gallons of water to wash one car.

**Conservation efforts**

After the ordinance went into effect, city water use decreased in both 2004 and 2005, dropping by 19 percent, or 467 million gallons, during the summer of 2004. Yet, in April and May 2006, the city used about 20 percent more water than it did during those months in 2005, Scott said.

"We don't know if it's because we had a wet winter," Scott said.

Roughly 10 percent of city households have received a written warning about

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## Income growth slows



Farmers are finding it harder to make ends meet. Personal income growth in Idaho slowed to a crawl during the first three months of 2006, stymied by a dramatic decline in estimated first-quarter farm earnings, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. For more on this story, see Money on page B4 in today's edition of the Times-News.

## Surgeon general: Only smoke-free places fully protect nonsmokers

**By Lauren Hoergard**  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Steer clear of smokers and any of their drifting fumes. That's the advice of the surgeon general, who on Tuesday declared the debate about the dangers of secondhand smoke over.

"The science is clear: Secondhand smoke is not a mere annoyance but a serious health hazard," said Richard Carmona.

There is no safe level of secondhand smoke — even a few minutes inhaling someone else's smoke harms nonsmokers, he found.

And separate smoking sections, even the best ventilated ones, don't protect enough. Carmona called for completely smoke-free buildings and public places to lessen what he termed "involuntary smoking."

More than 126 million nonsmoking Americans are regularly exposed to some-

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## To be a superhero

If you could have superpowers, what would you do with them? We asked, you answered.

**Jerry Beck, 67**  
CBA president

"I would bring equality to the world. Think it would stop a lot of the bad things that happen."

**Harriet Dea, 90**

"I would bring businesses back to downtown Twin Falls. I've lived here all my life, and I would just like to see it like it used to be."

**Kyle Hodges, 20**

"I would have unlimited strength because no one would mess with me."

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Another scorcher with plenty of sunshine. Highs 90s. Tonight: Mostly clear and comfortably mild. Lows near 60°

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: More sunshine and summer-time heat expected. Highs 90s. Tonight: Dry and mild with light nighttime skies. Lows upper 50s

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Thunderstorm coverage will gradually increase in the days to come. Those with plans to be outdoors should be aware of potentially stormy skies developing

Map of Idaho with weather forecasts for various regions including Boise, Idaho Falls, and Mountain Home. Includes temperature ranges and weather icons for different areas.

Gregg Middlekauff's Quote of the Day: "Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul."

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table showing 5-day forecast for Twin Falls with columns for Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Includes high/low temperatures and weather icons.

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Almanac data for Twin Falls including temperature, precipitation, humidity, and barometric pressure.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases for July 3, 11, 17, and 25, including moonrise and moonset times.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Table showing sunrise and sunset times for various days of the week.

POLLEN COUNT

Table showing pollen counts for various allergens like Ragweed, Grass, and Birch.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table for various Idaho cities including Boise, Idaho Falls, and Pocatello.

NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table for various states including California, Oregon, and Nevada.

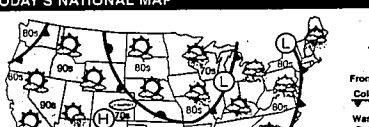
U.V. INDEX

U.V. Index information for the day, including a scale from 1 to 10.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table for various international locations including London, Tokyo, and Sydney.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Today in the Magic Valley advertisement featuring Arts and Entertainment, Business, Exhibits, Government, Museums, and Water sections.

To add to this calendar advertisement with event listings for Twin Falls, including youth options, ribbon cutting, and museum exhibits.

Elko advertisement regarding fire safety and the Sundance area, mentioning fire departments and safety equipment.

Wildfires advertisement discussing fire threats in the area, mentioning fire departments and evacuation procedures.

Times-News advertisement listing contact information for the newspaper, including phone numbers and website details.

Water advertisement discussing water conservation, utility services, and the importance of maintaining water infrastructure.

Elko advertisement regarding fire safety and the Sundance area, mentioning fire departments and safety equipment.

Water supply and conservation ordinance advertisement detailing the city's water supply and conservation measures.

Smoking advertisement discussing smoking cessation, health risks, and available resources for smokers.

Super advertisement featuring Little League games and other community events in Twin Falls.

Water advertisement discussing water conservation, utility services, and the importance of maintaining water infrastructure.

Elko advertisement regarding fire safety and the Sundance area, mentioning fire departments and safety equipment.

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# Freedom to burn flag protected by one vote

By Laurie Kellman  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A constitutional amendment to ban flag desecration died in a Senate cliffhanger Tuesday, a single vote short of the support needed to send it to the states for ratification and four months before voters elect a new Congress.

The 66-34 tally in favor of the amendment was one less than the two-thirds required. The House surpassed that threshold last year, 286-130.

The proposed amendment, sponsored by Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, read: "The Congress shall have power to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States."

It represented Congress' response to Supreme Court rulings in 1989 and 1990 that banning and other desecrations of the flag are protected as free speech by the First Amendment to the Constitution.

Senate supporters said the flag amounts to a national monument in cloth that represents freedom and the sacrifice of American troops.

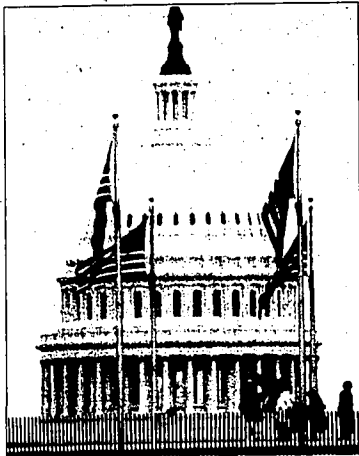
"Countless men and women have died defending that flag," said Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., during two days of debate. "It is but a small humble act for us to defend it."

Opponents said the amendment would violate the First Amendment right to free speech. And some Democrats complained that majority Republicans were exploiting people's patriotism for political advantage in the midterm elections.

"Our country's unique because our dissidents have a voice," said Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, a World War II veteran who lost an arm in the war and was decorated with the Medal of Honor.

"While I take offense at disrespect to the flag," he said, "I nonetheless believe it is my continued duty as a veteran, as an American citizen, and as a United States senator to defend the constitutional right of protesters to use the flag in nonviolent speech."

Northwest lawmakers voted along party lines. Republican Sens. Gordon Smith of Oregon and Larry Craig and Mike



Flags fly around the Washington Monument as the Capitol Dome is seen in the background, Tuesday in Washington.

Craig of Idaho supported the amendment, while Democrats Ron Wyden of Oregon and Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell of Washington state opposed it.

"When Americans desecrate our flag in the name of free speech, they destroy the very symbol of the freedoms they seek to celebrate, inciting fellow Americans," Craig said. "While our Constitution protects speech, it does not protect every conceivable expression. I wish we did not have to enact this amendment, but the

courts have driven us to it." Cantwell said she understands the desire to protect the flag, but added: "The strength of our nation lies in our ability to tolerate dissent even when we do not agree with what is being expressed. While I do not condone it, there is simply no more basic or potent statement of freedom of expression than the destruction of a national symbol."

Among possible presidential contenders in 2008, six voted yes: Democrat Evan Bayh of Indiana and Republicans

## ROLL CALL

The 66-34 roll call by which the Senate rejected a constitutional amendment to ban flag desecration. The vote was one short of the two-thirds majority needed. A "yes" vote was a vote for the amendment.

Voting "yes" were:  
52 Republicans and  
14 Democrats.  
Voting "no" were:  
30 Democrats; 3  
Republicans and  
one independent.

ARIZONA: Kyl (R) Yes; McCain (R) Yes.  
CALIFORNIA: Boxer (D) No; Feinstein (D) Yes.  
IDAHO: Craig (R) Yes; Crapo (R) Yes.  
MONTANA: Baucus (D) Yes; Burns (R) Yes.  
NEVADA: Ensign (R) Yes; Reid (D) Yes.  
OREGON: Smith (R) Yes; Wyden (D) No.  
UTAH: Bennett (R) No; Hatch (R) Yes.  
WASHINGTON: Cantwell (D) Yes; Murray (D) No.  
WISCONSIN: Kohl (R) Yes; Thomas (R) Yes.

All 100 members present.  
Present: 100  
Absent: 0  
Excused: 0

George Allen of Virginia, Sam Brownback of Kansas, Frist, Chuck Hagel of Nebraska, and John McCain of Arizona. Five, all Democrats, voted no: Joseph Biden of Delaware, Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York, Christopher Dodd of Connecticut, Russell Feingold of Wisconsin, John Kerry of Massachusetts.

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## Scientists give thumbs up to Gore's global warming movie

WASHINGTON — The nation's top climate scientists are giving "An Inconvenient Truth," Al Gore's documentary on global warming, five stars for accuracy.

The former vice president's movie — replete with the prospect of a flooded New York City, an inundated Florida, more and nastier hurricanes, worsening droughts, retreating glaciers and disappearing ice sheets — mostly got the science right, said all 19 climate scientists who had seen the movie or read the book and answered questions from The Associated Press.

The AP contacted more than 100 top climate researchers by e-mail and phone for their opinion. Among those contacted were vocal skeptics of climate change theory.

Most scientists had not seen the movie, which is in limited release, or read the book.

But those who have seen it had the same general impression: Gore conveyed the science correctly; the world is getting hotter and it is a man-made catastrophe-in-the-making caused by the burning of fossil fuels.

"Excellent," said William Schlesinger, dean of the Nicholas School of Environment and Earth Sciences at Duke University. "He got all the important material and got it right."

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# States brace for new welfare regulations

By Kevin Fraking  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — No more bed rest, going on errands for a friend or reading the "Seven Habits of Highly Effective People" to fulfill work requirements for welfare.

The Bush administration will issue new regulations Wednesday that clarify what states can count when it comes to work participation under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program.

Under the law, states are supposed to have at least half of their welfare recipients in approved work activities or face cuts in funding of up to 5 percent. However, states have been on their own in defining those work activities.

Some have gone too far, the administration says.

Congress recently instructed the Department of Health and Human Services to draft regulations that would explicitly define the 12 work categories cited in federal law. For instance, on-the-job training will be defined, as will community service and unsubsidized employment.

In a recent speech, HHS Secretary Mike Leavitt signaled that he wanted stricter definitions of work. He questioned Wisconsin's use of bed rest as a work activity. He also questioned other activities, such as motivational reading.

"Needless to say, I think we can all agree we need to have a better definition of what constitutes work," Leavitt told officials at the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank.

The Government Accountability Office said last year

## Definition of work will be clarified for welfare recipients

**THE SYSTEM:** At least half of those on welfare in each state are supposed to be involved in work activities, according to federal rules.

**RULE CHANGE:** The Bush administration on Wednesday will describe what can be approved as work, a matter now left to the states.

**CLARIFICATION:** The Department of Health and Human Services will define 12 categories, including job training and community service.

— The Associated Press

there were too many differences in how states defined work.

For instance, of 10 states reviewed, five said caring for a disabled family member would meet work participation requirements. Five did not. Six states counted substance abuse treatment as work, but four did not.

Such inconsistent definitions make for unreliable com-

parisons when determining which states do a good job of helping residents find work, the GAO said.

Wade Horn, the HHS assistant secretary who oversees welfare, said in an interview that the regulations will reflect the average American's definition of job training, community service, or any of the other work activities already established in law.

"The average person doesn't believe that bed rest is what they would understand as a job-readiness activity," Horn said. "The danger in not using commonsense definitions for these categories is that the American people start to believe that the government is playing games with them."

But some social services analysis worry that the new approach could stifle innovative programs undertaken by the states. They say such approaches have helped reduce the welfare rolls by 57 percent over the past decade.

"Every state's economy is different and states are dealing with different challenges among the welfare recipients that remain on the caseload," said Sheri Stiesel, director of human services policy for the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Stiesel said there can be logical explanations for some activities the administration has ridiculed. Consider the administration's example of bed rest, she said.

"If a woman is in her ninth month of pregnancy, some states, for example, used bed rest as a way of making sure the recipient didn't lose their welfare assistance while they were either out ill or on bed rest, similar to the real world where sometimes women have to go on leave prior to the birth of a child," Stiesel said.

Changes approved to the nation's welfare program in 1996 set limits on how long people could obtain cash assistance. Since the law went into effect, the welfare rolls have dropped from about 4.4 million families to under 2 million.

# Found: A tropical Stonehenge

Early inhabitants of rain forest more sophisticated than previously thought, archaeologists say

By Stan Liebman  
Associated Press writer

SAO PAULO, Brazil — A grouping of granite blocks along a grassy Amazon hilltop may be the vestiges of a centuries-old astronomical observatory — a find archaeologists say indicates early rainforest inhabitants were more sophisticated than previously believed.

The 127 blocks, some as high as 9 feet tall, are spaced at regular intervals around the hill, like a crown 100 feet in diameter.

On the shortest day of the year — Dec. 21 — the shadow of one of the blocks, which is set at an angle, disappears.

"It is this block's alignment with the winter solstice that leads us to believe the site was once an astronomical observatory," said Mariana Petry Cabral, an archaeologist at the Ampa State Scientific and Technical Research Institute. "We may be also looking at the remnants of a sophisticated culture."

Anthropologists have long known that local indigenous populations were acute observers of the stars and sun. But the discovery of a physical structure that appears to incorporate this knowledge suggests pre-Columbian Indians in the Amazon rainforest may have been more sophisticated than previously suspected.



Granite blocks are seen in Ampa, Brazil, on May 10. A grouping of 127 granite blocks along a grassy Amazon hilltop may be the vestiges of South America's oldest astronomical observatory, according to archaeologists

"Transforming this kind of knowledge into a monument; the transformation of something ephemeral into something concrete, could indicate the existence of a larger population and of a more complex social organization," Cabral said.

Cabral has been studying the site, near the village of Calcoene, just north of the equator in Ampa state in far northern Brazil, since last year. She believes it was once inhabited by the ancestors of the Palikur Indians, and while the blocks have not yet been submitted to carbon dating, she says pottery shards near the site indicate they are pre-Columbian and maybe older — as much as 2,000 years old.

Last month, archaeologists working on a hillside north of Lima, Peru, announced the

discovery of the oldest astronomical observatory in the Western Hemisphere — giant stone carvings, apparently 4,200 years old, that align with sunrise and sunset on Dec. 21.

While the Incas, Mayans and Aztecs built large cities and huge rock structures, pre-Columbian Amazon societies built smaller settlements of wood and clay that quickly deteriorated in the hot, humid Amazon climate, disappearing centuries ago, archaeologists say.

Farmers and fishermen in the region around the Amazon site have long known about it, and the local press has dubbed it the "tropical Stonehenge." Archaeologists got involved last year after geographers and geologists did a socio-economic survey of the area, by foot and helicopter, and

noticed "the unique circular structure on top of the hill," Cabral said.

Scientists not involved in the discovery said it could prove valuable to understanding pre-Columbian societies in the Amazon.

"No one has ever described something like this before. This is an extremely novel find — a one of a kind type of thing," said Michael Heckenberger of the University of Florida's Department of Anthropology.

He said that while carbon dating and further excavation must be carried out, the find adds to a growing body of thought among archaeologists that prehistory in the Amazon region was more varied than had been believed.

## Washington cleanup crews pump out flooded buildings

WASHINGTON (AP) — With rain falling again, cleanup crews were busy Tuesday piling sandbags and pumping water from the basement of the IRS building and from steam tunnels under the city after days of heavy rain flooded the capital.

In Maryland, dozens of residents were evacuated from homes in Laurel, Bowie and Maryland City because the flood gates were opened at a dam on the Patuxent River.

The Potomac River —

which runs through Washington — was also rising and expected to approach flood stage on Thursday but not past it, the National Weather Service said.

The more than 7 inches of rain fell on the nation's capital in a 24-hour period Sunday and Monday, shutting down several federal buildings and closing some of the city's busiest tourist attractions just days before the Fourth of July weekend, and forecasters warned that more rain was likely every day this week.

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## Oglala Sioux threaten a beer blockade

SILOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — In a desperate effort to fight the ravages of alcoholism on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, leaders of the Oglala Sioux tribe are threatening to set up roadblocks Wednesday and stop members from bringing in beer bought at four outlying stores.

Alcohol has long been banned on the 16,500-member reservation, where drinking has been a scourge for generations. But four stores in Whiteclay, Neb., a dusty village a few hundred feet outside the reservation, sell an estimated 4

million of cans of beer every year, mostly to Indians.

Tribal members said that from now on, they will confiscate beer bought in Whiteclay.

"We are the last line of defense when it comes to protecting our people," said Duane Martin of the reservation's Strong Heart Civil Rights Movement.

Alcoholism is frighteningly high on the reservation, though how high is unclear. The effects can be seen in nearly every family, in accidents, violence, sexual abuse and suicide, said Terry Blue-

White Eyes, director of the alcohol and drug program for the reservation.

The youth suicide rate on the reservation is the highest in the nation, and most of the suicides involve alcohol, she said.

Shannon County, where most Pine Ridge residents live, is home to less than 2 percent of South Dakota's population but had 19 percent of the fatalities caused by drunken driving in 2005 — 14 of the 74 deaths statewide, according to the South Dakota Department of Public Safety.

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# OPINION

## EDITORIAL

### Voters prefer an open system with primaries

Perhaps Idaho Republicans should remember that old Groucho Marx line: "I don't care to belong to any club that will have me as a member."

The same reluctance would be repeated if Republicans successfully push a plan to close primary ballots to party members only. Voting for a Republican or Democrat is one thing — being a member of the club is entirely another.

A plan to close Idaho primaries was on the docket at both the Republican and Democratic state party conventions held in Idaho Falls earlier this month. While Republicans embraced the idea, Democrats held off on putting a closed-primary plan into their platform.

Idaho is one of the few states that still have an open ballot for its primary election, meaning voters are not required to prove party affiliation to cast a primary ballot.

The open ballot appeals to a wide swath of Idaho voters who do not affiliate themselves with either party. Instead, they cling to the idea of being an independent (although not a member of the Independent Party).

Who's to blame them? Politics is a sport of nuance where voters commonly lean toward the lesser of two evils. Additionally, why would the state tinker with a primary system that already has a 24 percent turnout — an embarrassing low for Idaho. Then there's the money argument. If parties close their primaries, they could be required to help pay costs associated with those elections. (In Idaho, the cost of primaries is carried by the taxpayers.)

Although the idea of closed primaries didn't fly among Democrats at their convention a week later, closed primaries do have support among both par-

ties. By making voters declare which party they vote with, the parties can more clearly read where voters are in Idaho. Some in the parties say that with genuine party members involved, the parties' top priorities would also take shape.

**Our view:** The benefits of an open primary election process outweigh Republicans' push to close it.

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

Then there's the mischief factor. A sizeable chunk of Democrats and moderates vote in the GOP primary because there's a relatively open primary race among Dems. By crossing over, those non-Republican voters can have an impact on the final vote. GOP Superintendent of Public Instruction candidate Tom Luna nearly lost the May primary because of those voters, and he's one who spoke in favor of the closed primary.

But some Republicans are suspicious of any plan that could chip away at the independent contingent. Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, served as a precinct committee chairwoman before serving in the Legislature. The experience enlightened her to how Idaho's political party rely on a motley mix of philosophies.

"I had a large file of friends who were independents and who were Republican, or Reagan independents, or Andrus Republicans," she recalled. "I think if you get right down to being signed up, some will say 'I'm not sure I want to be a Republican or Democrat.'"

"The proposal really disturbs me. I just don't think you can get a group of people to agree 80 percent of the time." If Idaho Republicans think they're attractive to voters, they're shooting too high. But if unaffiliated voters agree with one party on six issues, and the other party on four, it's wise to let them into the party's primary, without the requirements of membership.



## A personal era of U.S. isolation

SEBASTIAN MALLABY

The question about loneliness is: Why do people do this to themselves? Why do Americans, who reported an average of nearly three close friends in 1985, now report an average of just over two? And why does one in four have nobody with whom to discuss personal issues? This is the age of Oprah and MySpace, of public emoting on television and the Web. Apparently people want "Friends," but don't actually have many.

When the new loneliness numbers appeared Friday in the American Sociological Review, some experts cautioned that the problem can be overstated. Americans say they feel close to an average of 15 others, according to Barry Wellman and Jeffrey Boase of the University of Toronto. But there's a chasm between extensive networks and deep ones.

If you get sick, stressed or just plain sad, you are going to want the sort of friend you can rely on. Maybe you'll be able to convert an acquaintance into a soul mate when you discover you need one. But this just-in-time approach to emotional crises isn't always going to work. Look at the way the slow decline of friendship has been mirrored by the rise of emotional problems. Over the past half-century, the prevalence of unpopular depression in affluent countries has jumped tenfold. People's myopia on friendship is like their myopia on

saving. They know that jobs are insecure, that a health problem can cause bankruptcy, that retirement is fabulously expensive; but the household savings rate has fallen below zero. Equally, people know that spouses aren't immortal and that divorce is common. But nearly one in 10 — a much higher share than in 1985 — reports that their husband or wife is the only person they confide in.

People are taking these financial and emotional risks even as they neurotically avoid other risks. Today's consumers buy bike helmets and ski helmets and antibacterial soap; they fret about partially hydrogenated fats and consume less tobacco than their parents. But by some reckonings social isolation is as big a risk factor for premature death as smoking.

You can see how this American isolationism sets in. Modern society creates the tools that allow you not to save — if you have to pay for the kids' college, you can refinance your home — while doing little to change the need to save for old age and misfortune. In the same way, modern society creates tools that extend your casual networks — e-mail, instant messaging, social-networking Web sites — while doing nothing to remove the basic need for soul mates.

Meanwhile, people work more hours. They commute longer because they've moved to the suburbs in search of larger homes; they've got spacious entertainment rooms but no mental space for entertaining. And then there's the subtle effect of the culture. "Family time" is endlessly extolled, and lovers emit poetry and song about every facet of their relationships. But when was the last time a rock singer or a new man waxed lyrical about friendship?

Yet the biggest reason for American loneliness, and perhaps the clue to some kind of cure, lies in path dependency. People know that tending to friendship is important, but their behavior follows the path created by countless other decisions — and friendship is neglected. Social science experiments reveal lots of behavior of this kind. People who agree with their doctors that they need hip replacements seldom get around to having the procedure.

There are ways to beat path dependency, however. Another experiment has shown how undergraduates who agree to get a tetanus shot seldom actually do so, but if you make them an appointment and hand them a map to the clinic, the odds that they'll comply leap tenfold. Savings habits are equally sensitive to slight tweaks in incentives. Invite workers to sign up for 401(k) pensions and many will procrastinate.

Tell workers they are part of the program unless they opt out and the participation rate rockets.

Can Americans be prodded to invest more in friendship? It's hard to imagine American companies organizing regular Japanese-style drinking sessions for the staff; it's hard to believe that a French-style cap on working hours would do more than encourage yet more lonely Web surfing.

Twenty years ago, remarks Princeton's Eldar Shafir, a concerned European might have prescribed an emergency program of safe construction: a reverse Marshall Plan for cappuccinos. But now Starbucks has run that experiment for us. American caffeine addicts demand lattes to go — or to sip as they pore over the company of Wi-Fi-enabled laptops.

But there's one antidote to loneliness that is at least intriguing. In an experiment in Austin, Princeton's Daniel Kahneman found that commuting — generally alone, and generally by car — is rated the least enjoyable daily activity, but commuting by car pool is reasonably pleasant. Measures that promote car pooling could make Americans less isolated and healthier.

So here's my slogan for 2008: Gas taxes make you happy.

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## Editorial lacked clarity on fuel tax

Regarding "Road to higher fuel tax filled with bumps," Friday, June 23, 2006:

The Times-News editorial staff used an Associated Press news release by the *Lexington Tribune* in writing the referenced editorial above. The Tribune story focused on issues associated with recommendations by the Forum on Transportation Investment for future investment in Idaho surface transportation infrastructure.

The *Lexington Tribune* was incorrect in several assertions made in its press release. The same errors were replayed in the *Times-News* editorial. No *Times-News* editorial staff contact was made with the Forum chairman, the consultants who prepared the majority of the report or individual members of the Forum.

The Forum consisted of 58 members gathered from a wide spectrum of volunteers who have varied interests in Idaho surface transportation. Membership included representatives of the trucking industry, automobile users, state police, mayors and county commissioners, public transit organizations,



READER COMMENT  
JIM KEMPTON

commensurate with growth through 2035. Part of the consideration includes looking at the state's current revenue collection structure.

Typically, 70 percent of state revenues collected for surface transportation funding originate in the fuel tax. Because Idaho has not raised the fuel tax since 1985, state revenue acquired for surface transportation has increasingly diminished over the past decade.

More specifically, revenue from the fuel tax goes through the Idaho Highway Distribution Account to state highways (57 percent), cities, counties and local highway districts (38 percent) and the state police (5 percent). Since 2000, fuel tax funding to each has remained flat.

The Idaho Highway Distribution Account formula is a legislative funding scheme that has been largely ignored with the state's trend toward use of ever-increasing Federal Highway Trust funds. Consequently, there are now six years of foregone Highway Distribution Account revenue that must be addressed if local highway

jurisdictions are not to soon begin dismantling existing local highway infrastructure. This is particularly true in rural areas of the state.

Forum recommendations do not include a 12-cent gas increase and neither do I support such an increase. No toll-road considerations in the "base regions of Idaho" are specifically addressed in the recommendations and the divisive issue of GARVEE funding is not a consideration in Forum recommendations. It is, finally, a specious argument to suggest "... the need for additional revenue was a dubious myth just six months ago."

I strongly recommend the publication of the *Times-News* editorial staff, access the Idaho Transportation Department Web site (<http://tid.idaho.gov>) and "click" the Forum on Transportation Investment icon. The Forum report and all miscellaneous information on the Forum can be found at that online site.

Jim Kempton is the chairman of the Forum on Transportation Investment.

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### A quid pro quo for pom?

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DENIS PERRON  
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OPINION

Security v. freedom in a mad world

Hey, buddy, can you spare a towel? Not since Gujo showed up for a billed date with Lassie has so much froth and sizzle saturated the airwaves. This time, it's Big Government and Big Media circling the hydrant.



KATHLEEN PARKER

Hysteria is the only word to describe reaction from all sides to the recent New York Times revelation that the U.S. government has been monitoring international financial transactions in an attempt to track terrorists.

Without defending the Times' decision to publish classified information, a reasonable person could begin to wonder whether everyone has gone barking mad.

The dots, man, why aren't you connecting the damn dots? All of which underscores how ridiculous American political debate has become.

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program, and safeguards were in place to protect Americans' privacy.

Only if you believe President George W. Bush is determined to rule the world's oil supply is it possible to believe that he's interested in your recent wire transfer to your Swiss mistress.

Even so, all Americans should be concerned when executive powers are expanded, especially when predicated on something as amorphous as the "war on terror."

To judge the debate thus far, there are apparently only two possible schools of thought: Bush, Cheney and Rumsfeld are the axis of evil and therefore everything the administration does is bad and must be exposed as such.

Claiming that the Times violated anti-espionage laws, King has called for an investigation and possible criminal prosecution of Keller, as well as Times publisher Arthur Sulzberger and the reporters and editors who worked on the story.

King's outrage is doubtless shared by many Americans who simply hate the Times for its perceived elitist, left-leaning coverage of the war and other issues. But regardless, we're really quite ready for our government to put reporters and editors to death for revealing government activities that pre-9/11 would have been beyond unacceptable.

Breathing deeply, we might ask ourselves: Is it possible that no one is evil or treacherous, but that both the White House and Times are right — and by degrees wrong — in their own way? That both, in doing their jobs, are trespassing on sacred turf?

But the media also have a job to protect the public interest against unchecked government power.

Each side is both partly right and partly wrong. But the greatest risk to our country is us, as Pogo would put it. Our increasingly polarized and draconian nature weakens us as it strengthens our enemies, who have no quarrel with the gallows for a free press.

Kathleen Parker is a syndicated columnist for the Orlando Sentinel.

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Store made poor addition to downtown

I am writing this letter in response to Nate Poppino's story, "Naughty, naughty." It seems to me that myself and an employee at Cobble Creek are the only people downtown concerned with the addition of an establishment providing the much-needed bargain pornography.

vision for downtown never changed, although his part had come to an end.

In that time, I have watched with hope and excitement the growth and hard work going into the one-day environment. With the addition of O'Dunkens, Rudy's, Inspired Living, Cobble Creek and many other new or enhanced businesses, I could see the shift toward our downtown becoming a destination point once again. I do not however, see where an adult-only store fits into that vision.

and that of the other established businesses would not be entering the common entryway under a large awning depicting the Naughty but Nice logo.

With pride I have given directions to my new clients and to visitors using the "Old Paris Building" as a reference point. I am hard pressed to explain to my new clients that I am now operating in the Naughty but Nice building. I bet ol' Earl is rolling in his grave.

Had the arrival of the Roberts been discreet, my clientele

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# Confessions at center of Duncan trial

By Nicholas K. Ceramics  
Associated Press writer

**COEUR D'ALENE** — Registered sex offender Joseph Edward Duncan III has confessed several times to crimes against the Groene family, including kidnapping Shasta and Dylan Groene, according to documents filed by Kootenai County prosecutor Bill Douglas.

But Duncan's lawyer contends those confessions were made after Duncan had requested an attorney, and cannot be used in his triple murder trial scheduled for October.

"This is the type of trial practice that ensures decades of appellate litigation in capital cases," public defender John Adams complained in his reply to Douglas' motion that seeks to use Duncan's statements in court. Those motions are among several issues that will be discussed during a hearing scheduled in mid-August.

Adams contends that comments Duncan made in the hours and days after his July 2, 2005, arrest to local police officers, a chaplain, FBI agents and

a mental health expert are inadmissible because of the Miranda rights that allow those arrested to demand an attorney, and remain silent until one arrives.

Douglas argued that Duncan, 43, was told his rights and voluntarily chose to talk.

Many of Duncan's comments would be damaging to his case, according to the prosecutor's brief. For instance, at the time of his arrest, Duncan allegedly told officers he was returning Shasta Groene, who had been missing for nearly seven weeks after the slayings at her home, to her father in Coeur d'Alene.

During the booking process, Duncan told officers that he and Shasta, 9, had been through a lot.

"All that matters is that she's o.k.," court documents say Duncan told Sheriff's Deputy Art Dollard while they sat in an interview room at the Kootenai County Jail shortly after his arrest. "You don't know how much danger she was in."

The next day, Duncan asked to meet with Chaplain Robert Smalley, who informed Duncan

that anything he said could be used against him.

Duncan admitted to crimes against Shasta and members of her family, court documents said. On July 6, Duncan met with social worker Cheryl Hodgson, who was doing a mental health evaluation.

"Duncan proceeded to tell Hodgson details amounting to an admission of kidnapping

Shasta and Dylan Groene, and returning Shasta to this area," the documents said. "He admitted some details of planning the crime."

Duncan is charged with using a hammer to kill Brenda Matthews Groene, the children's mother; her fiancé, Mark McKenzie; and Groene's 13-year-old son, Slade. Douglas is seeking the death penalty.



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## Donors to pull money from Nampa library over sex book snafu

**NAMPA (AP)** — Last week's decision by the Nampa Public Library Board to retain two sexually explicit books could make it more difficult for the city to raise money for a new library building.

Larry Knapp, a Nampa businessman, said he is withholding \$10,000 and others who usually give large donations to city projects will not do so because of the books.

"Why would you want to create a larger problem," Knapp told the Idaho Press Tribune. "If it were a company I owned, I would be more swift in responding."

In December, after being rebuffed by the library board, Knapp asked the Nampa City Council to remove "The Joy of Gay Sex" and "The Joy of Sex" from the Nampa library. The books contain drawings and photos of sexual activity.

The board declined to

remove the books at a meeting last week but agreed to move the books as well as about 60 others with sexually oriented topics to higher, more inaccessible shelves, which are out of the reach of children.

"The board decided they shouldn't tailor their policy because of political pressure," said Karen Ganske, director of the library.

In Idaho under state law, library boards set policies independently. Board members can only be removed when a city council votes unanimously to do so.

Sharia Arledge, a Nampa city spokeswoman, said, "I pledge to the library have been rescinded."

Knapp said that the library board and director made a decision that most locals did not support.

"From a business perspective that's a bad policy," he said.

## Man held on \$10 million bail in serial rape investigation

**COEUR D'ALENE (AP)** — Bail has been set at \$10 million for a man being held in what investigators believe is a serial rape case in north Idaho.

Paul Earl Hawkins, 33, of Coeur d'Alene, remained in custody after a court appearance Monday on charges of raping a 53-year-old Post Falls woman, another sex crime, burglary and robbery on April 7, 2003, and of breaking into

the home of another Post Falls woman.

He has been under investigation in at least seven home-invasion rapes in Kootenai County in 2003, and Deputy Prosecutor Lansing Haynes said more charges would be filed Tuesday. The delay in filing additional charges resulted from the amount of information gathered by detectives in recent days, Haynes said.

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# SPORTS

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## 'Do 'em proud': Agassi wins opener at Wimbledon

The Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — A home-made necklace, proclaiming "Daddy Rocks" has replaced the thick gold chain and dangling earring Andre Agassi sported when he won Wimbledon in 1992. A shaved head glitters where tresses once flowed underneath a sponsorship ballcap.

And when Agassi stepped out Tuesday for the first match of his final Wimbledon, he lingered a moment, taking in the raucous standing ovation.

All the applause and whistles and hoots of good will got to him, so much so that Agassi played an awful opener set before righting his racket and beating 71st-ranked Boris Pashanski of Serbia 2-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-3.

"To feel that sort of support — it just meant the world to me. I just wanted to get on my feet," Agassi said. "I got a little nervous about trying too hard early, overhit a lot. Took me awhile to settle down."



Andre Agassi returns a shot from Boris Pashanski of Serbia, during their Men's Singles, first-round match on the Centre Court at Wimbledon, Tuesday.

Long a crowd favorite, he's drawing extra interest and adulation this fortnight. He missed Wimbledon in the past two years with injuries, and, more significantly, he announced Saturday he'll retire after the U.S. Open.

That made Agassi the focal point at

the All England Club on a day filled with all manner of matches thanks to rain Monday that permitted only about 30 minutes of play. With bits of blue sky peering out between the clouds on Day 2, fans wandered the grounds to sneak peeks at star players everywhere.

Among the winners were three-time defending champion Roger Federer, 1997 champion Martina Hingis, and Grand Slam champions Rafael Nadal, Marat Safin, Justine Henin-Hardenne and Kim Clijsters.

Federer completed a 6-3, 6-2, 6-2 victory over Richard Gasquet for his 42nd win in a row on grass, breaking Bjorn Borg's record set in 1976-81.

"It's nice, isn't it?" said Federer, who next faces four-time semifinalist and local favorite Jim Courier. "To get any streak is obviously nice. I'm still going, so even better."

Federer worked only 37 minutes Tuesday; he led 6-3, 1-2 when action was suspended Monday. Hingis, who won Wimbledon at age 16 in 1997, also took a one-set lead into Tuesday, and she polished off Olga Savchuk of Ukraine 6-2, 6-2. Hingis hadn't played at Wimbledon since 2001; she was off the tour for three years because of assorted

foot and ankle injuries before coming back full time in January.

Agassi came to Wimbledon having played one match the past three months because of back problems; he also missed the Australian Open with an ankle injury.

Other past major champions who won Tuesday included Svetlana Kuznetsova and Juan Carlos Ferrero, while No. 8-seeded James Blake of the United States fended off qualifier Kristian Pless' rally to win 6-3, 7-5, 5-7, 6-4.

One past major champion exited: 2002 Australian Open champion Thomas Johansson, a Wimbledon semifinalist a year ago and seeded 12th this time, lost to fellow Swede Jonas Bjornkman. Other seeded losers: No. 20 Dominik Hrbaty, No. 21 Gael Monfils, No. 29 Paradorn Srichanpak, No. 31 Nicolas Pietrangeli, and No. 32 Paul-Henri Mathieu, who went down to 2003 Wimbledon finalist Mark Philippoussis.

## Who will Raptors take No.1?

By Mark Heiser  
Los Angeles Times

Welcome to the all-time guessing game.

The normal NBA draft has a drop-off after the first few picks, after which it's hard to separate the prospects. This time, the drop-off comes before the first pick.

### DRAFT

Under normal circumstances, everyone would have known who was going No. 1 a month ago. In this NBA draft, it's fluid. ESPN Insider's Chad Ford went into the final weekend with seven scenarios and four players in the top slot.

This is a transition draft, the first under the NBA's 19-year-old minimum-age rule. Otherwise, everyone would have known the top pick: 7-foot Greg Oden, who'll attend Ohio State instead. Two more prep big men, Texas-bound Kevin Durant and Washington-bound Spencer Hawes would have been projected as lottery picks.

Further weakening this draft, Florida's 6-11 Yaoqui Noah, the next top pick designee, stayed in school, as did three more projected lottery picks: teammate Al Horford, Josh McRoberts of Duke and Tyler Hansbrough of North Carolina.

Further complicating it is that Toronto's new general manager, Bryan Colangelo, who has the top pick, is holed up and sending out confusing signals.

One team says Toronto is telling people it will choose among Andrea Bargnani, LaMarcus Aldridge and Adam Morrison. Another team says it just heard, the Raptors are taking Rudy Gay.

Meanwhile, Colangelo, who began the process focused on Bargnani, the 6-11 Italian

# Jerome sweeps Buhl



Jerome's Joe Rocha is congratulated by teammates after scoring a run Tuesday afternoon against Buhl in an American Legion A baseball game. Jerome won both games.

## Edwards' grand slam highlights Tigers' day

Times-News

JEROME — With one swing of the bat, Ben Edwards made sure it was going to be Jerome's day. Edwards boomed a grand slam in the fourth inning off Buhl ace Austin Laing and the Tigers went on to sweep the Tribe in American Legion action.

Jerome took the opener 11-5 before winning Game 2 17-2 in five innings. "We feel good about beating such a great pitcher," Koopman said of the nine hits his team had against Laing in Game 1.

The opener was tight until the fourth inning when Edwards' swing changed the day. "That put them on their heels a bit," Jerome coach Jesse Koopman said of Buhl.

Jared Sauer had a triple for the Tigers, while Preston Hills and Nathan Bobrow also added doubles.

The nightcap saw Jerome connect for 14 hits and jump to a 7-0 lead after one inning and 16-0 after three.

"We came out swinging," said Koopman, whose team is 12-4 (10-1). Travis Cooley and Tucker Thompson had doubles in the win, while five Tigers had multiple hits. Buhl totaled five hits, including Nick Hamilton's double.

Game 1  
Jerome 11, Buhl 5  
Jerome: 100 200 100 100 100  
Buhl: 100 100 100 100 100  
Light and Shaver, Thompson and Hills, W. Thompson, Littlepage hit; 2B - Bobrow, Jerome, Hills, Jerome, 3B - Sauer, Jerome.

Game 2  
Jerome 17, Buhl 2  
Jerome: 100 100 100 100 100  
Buhl: 100 100 100 100 100  
Light and Shaver, Thompson and Hills, W. Thompson, W. Sauer, Littlepage hit; 2B - A. Hamilton, Buhl, Cooley, Jerome, Thompson, Jerome.

## Cowboys dust off Pocatello

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Cowboys A squad was looking for some momentum as they head to the Boise Tournament this weekend and got in the form of a strong sweep against the Pocatello Rebels on Tuesday.

The Cowboys dominated 10-3 in Game 1 as Jacob Coos picked up a win. The Cowboys connected 15 times against the Rebels. Braden Box had an aggressive game as he batted

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## Curtis finally wins Booz Allen Classic

The Associated Press

POTOMAC, Md. — After making the winning putt, Ben Curtis pumped his fists and joined his playing partners in a bow of gratitude to the volunteers and superintendents behind the 18th green.

He had reason to give thanks. After all, it took him six mostly waterlogged days to win the Booz Allen Classic, his first title since the 2003 British Open at Royal St. George's. The Tuesday finish was the first on the tour since the 1980 Tucson Open.

"It was just a big relief to get it done and finally get this win," Curtis said. "I've been waiting three years for it and it finally came. We bowed to the superintendents because they did a wonderful job getting the course in the best shape."

But there was hardly anyone to see Curtis complete the five-stroke victory. Fans were not allowed on the course Tuesday because the tournament didn't anticipate six days of security arrangements.

That left about 40 people, including a handful of fellow golfers, to watch Curtis tap in for his second bogey of Tuesday morning. The two harmless bogeys concluded a 1-under-par 70 in an event that dragged on because of rain.

Curtis began Tuesday on the 17th hole facing a 28-foot par putt, which he missed. He failed to get up and down for par on the 18th and wound up at 20-under 264, one short of the tournament record.

Curtis, who earned \$900,000, was five shots ahead of Billy Andrade (64), Padraig Harrington (66), Nick O'Hern (67) and Steve Stricker (68).

The tournament, already fighting for its existence, was depleted because most top players skipped the event because it followed a week of tough play at the U.S. Open. The tour plans to move the event to the fall in 2007, but a monthlong search for a new title sponsor has yielded no results. If a sponsor can't be found, the tour's only stop in the Washington area

probably will disappear.

Curtis said he would defend his title if he gets the chance, but he wasn't given a proper trophy presentation on the 18th green. That was done in the clubhouse.

Rain wreaked havoc on the schedule Saturday, Sunday and Monday. By the end of play Monday, the TPC at Avenel course had been hit with more than 9 inches of rain over 1 1/2 days, and more rain fell Monday night and early Tuesday morning. There were small ponds around the 18th green, and every sand trap was a mini lake. Officials scheduled a 7:30 a.m. start Tuesday, but that was delayed by about an hour. The bad weather also forced Tuesday's British Open qualifier at nearby Congressional Country Club to be canceled.

There wasn't much drama at the start of the day — Curtis already had a big lead before he missed the 28-foot putt for par at the 17th hole. Brett Quigley made the day's most exciting shot by holing a 45-foot birdie putt on 18 to earn a tie for sixth.



Ben Curtis kisses the Booz Allen trophy after finishing the tournament at 20-under par Tuesday at Avenel Golf Course in Potomac, Md.

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SPORTS

Brazil brings end to Ghana's impressive World Cup debut

The Associated Press
DORTMUND, Germany — Brazil ended Ghana's scrappy World Cup debut Tuesday with three streaking goals, the first an early flash by Ronaldo that made him the most prolific scorer in tournament history.

second round was in 1990 in Italy, when it lost to archrival Argentina. Brazil will face either France on Saturday in Frankfurt.
Ronaldo put Brazil ahead early, breaking the offside trap near midfield and receiving a perfectly timed pass from midfielder Kaka. With a brilliant stepover move he beat advancing Ghana goalkeeper Richard Kingson at the top of the box, then right-footed the ball into the net just as falling defender John Pantisil arrived.
Adriano added to Brazil's lead in a breakaway one minute into first-half injury time, using his left thigh to complete a right-flank cross from captain Cafu.

difference in the 83rd minute. It curled into the goalmouth, where it eventually found an onrushing Patrick Vieira, who headed it off the body of Spain's Sergio Ramos and into the net.
A few minutes later Zidane scored a goal of his own.
Spain first got its hopes up in 28th minute, when Lilian Thuram stepped on the foot of Pablo Ibanez in the penalty area, giving referee Christiano Copelli no option but to point to the spot. Valencia's David Villa slotted it perfectly, low in the left corner just out of the reach of Fabien Barthez.
The game turned France's way in the 41st minute.
Vieira sent a lightning-quick Frank Ribery into open space with a pass, and the winger swept the ball past Iker Casillas with his right foot and put it home with his left, just ahead of two onrushing defenders.



Brazil's Zinedine Zidane, left, chases Ghana's Stephen Appiah during the World Cup Round of 16 soccer match between Brazil and Ghana in the World Cup stadium in Dortmund, Germany, Tuesday.

France 3, Spain 1

HANOVER, Germany — Zinedine Zidane took the free kick that made the

Tigers take down Clemens, Astros

The Associated Press
DETROIT — Roger Clemens threw six strong innings before giving up a pair of one-out walks in the seventh and the Detroit Tigers made him pay for it.
Craig Monroe hit an RBI double off reliever Dan Wheeler in the three-run seventh and Nate Robertson threw seven scoreless innings to give Detroit a 4-0 victory over the Houston Astros on Tuesday night.
In his second start this season, Clemens allowed two runs — one earned — and three hits with two walks in 6 1-3 innings. He struck out three consecutive batters over the fifth and sixth innings, but didn't fan another Tiger in his 84-pitch outing.
The seven-time Cy Young winner left the mound very angry.
Robertson (8-3) gave up six hits and three walks while striking out four. He has lost only one of his last 13 starts.



Detroit Tigers pitcher Nate Robertson reacts after getting the third out in the sixth inning against the Houston Astros in Detroit on Tuesday.

Braves 5, Yankees 2

NEW YORK — Horacio Ramirez won for the first time in three weeks, allowing eight hits over eight innings for Atlanta.
Jeff Francoeur drove in runs with singles in the second and eighth innings and Adam LaRoche had a solo homer in the seventh for the Braves, who are 5-20 in June.
Ramirez (3-2), making his first career start against the Yankees, gave up one run, walked one and struck out two.
Jaret Wright (4-5) allowed five hits over six innings, walked two and struck out four. He gave up the run in the second when the Braves got two of the five hits.
Melky Cabrera homered for New York.

Blue Jays 6, Nationals 0

TORONTO — A.J. Burnett pitched a shutout in his second start since returning from the disabled list, leading the Blue Jays over Washington.
Burnett (1-1) allowed six hits, struck out seven and didn't walk a batter in just his fourth start of the season.
Aaron Hill homered and drove in three runs, and Lyle Overbay also homered for the Blue Jays.
The Nationals dropped to 1-6 on their nine-game road trip. They've been held to three runs or fewer in all seven games.

Marlins 8, Devil Rays 4

MIAMI — Miguel Olivo hit two home runs and Miguel Cabrera added another to help the Marlins to their eighth consecutive home

victory.
Ricky Nolasco (6-4) allowed three runs and seven hits, walked one and struck out five in 6 1-3 innings. He left after giving up three solo home runs in the seventh.
Scott Kazmir (9-5) allowed six runs and six hits in five innings. He walked three and struck out eight while failing to become the youngest pitcher to reach 10 wins by June 27 since Greg Maddux did it at 22 years, two months on June 7, 1998.
Olivo and Cabrera combined to drive in all eight runs for Florida. Olivo with a career-high five RBIs.

White Sox 4, Pirates 2

PITTSBURGH — Mark Buehrle limited Pittsburgh to two runs over seven innings and the White Sox ran the Pirates' record-tying losing streak to 12 games.
The Pirates' losing streak matches a 12-game slide in 1939 as the club's longest in baseball's modern era, which began in 1900. The only longer streak in franchise history was a 23-game slide in 1899, a season so bad that the club changed its name from the Pittsburgh Alleghenies to the Pirates a year later.
This time, the team with the second-best record in the majors met with a predictable result. The White Sox led 3-0 before Pirates starter Ian Snell (7-5) got out of the second inning, and never lost the lead in improving to 11-2 in interleague play.
Red Sox 9, Mets 4
BOSTON — Mike Lowell and Alex Gonzalez homered to back rookie Jon Lester and the Red Sox won

their 10th consecutive game — all against the NL.
Lester (3-0) eked out five innings, allowing two runs and four hits with five walks — one with the bases loaded. He struck out Chris Woodward with the bases loaded in the fourth and fanned David Wright on a 3-2 pitch with the bases loaded in the fifth, hopping off the mound and punching the air as he left the field.
Alay Soler (2-2) gave up eight runs, 10 hits and walked three in 4 1-3 innings. Carlos Beltran went 2-for-2 with two walks and a homer, and Carlos Delgado and Ell Marrero also homered for the Mets.
The Red Sox swept three-game series against the Braves, Nationals and Phillies — all teams with double-digit deficits in the NL East — and improved to 12-1 in interleague play. But Boston was expecting a bigger challenge when the first-place Mets came to town.
Twins 9, Dodgers 2
MINNEAPOLIS — Joe Mauer had a career-high five hits and Francisco Lirio had three seven sharp innings to help the Twins beat Los Angeles.
Lirio allowed two runs and five hits. He struck out eight for the Twins, who have won six straight, 14 of 15 and 16 of 18. They are 12-2 in interleague play.
Lirio (8-1), who moved into the Minnesota rotation May 15, has won six of seven starts. His ERA is 1.76 and opponents are hitting .170 against the 22-year-old over that span.
Minnesota, 26-10 at the Metrodome, has won nine straight at home, holding each opponent to less than four runs, the first time the team has done that since it relocated from Washington in 1961. The

team ERA in those games is 1.39.

Royals 9, Reds 8

CINCINNATI — Emil Brown drove in four runs to lead Kansas City's comeback, and Matt Stairs hit a two-run homer in the ninth that gave the Royals a rare road victory.
Brown, one of the three homers off left-hander Eric Milton, digging the Royals out of an early 5-1 deficit. Stairs' two-out, pinch-hit homer in the ninth off closer Todd Coffey (3-2) was the deciding hit in a game that came down to the majors' two worst batters.
Kansas City's relievers were last in the AL with a 5.55 ERA heading into the game, while Cincinnati held up the bottom of the NL at 5.07.

Indians 3, Cardinals 1

ST. LOUIS — C.C. Sabathia worked eight dominant innings to help Cleveland win consecutive games for the first time since the beginning of June and send the Cardinals to their eighth straight loss.
Ronnie Belliard hit a two-run homer in the first for the Indians, who clinched their first series win since taking three of four from the Chicago White Sox from May 29-June 1.
The Indians, who are 9-15 this month, last won consecutive games on May 31-June 1. They're 10-3 all-time against the Cardinals, including 6-2 in St. Louis.
Sabathia (6-4) allowed one run and five hits with four strikeouts and no walks.

National League

Brewers 8, Cubs 5
CHICAGO — Ryan Dempster and Ronny Cedeno each committed a costly run-scoring error for Chicago and Milwaukee scored four unearned runs in the ninth to beat the Cubs.
The Cubs have lost nine straight at Wrigley Field, and 12 of 14 overall to fall a season-high 20 games under .500.
Dempster entered the ninth with a 5-4 lead. Corey Koskie ricocheted a hit off Dempster's left arm and Damian Miller walked with no outs. Dempster then fielded Gab Griss's sacrifice bunt and tried to get the lead runner at third. His throw sailed into left field, allowing Koskie to score to tie it.
Corey Hart then hit a hard grounder through Cedeno's legs at shortstop and Miller came around to score. Rickie Weeks hit a sacrifice fly and Bill Hall singled before Dempster (1-4) was taken out of the game. He has converted just four of his last eight save opportunities.

Legion

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3-for-3 with a double and four stolen bases. David Lish hit .500 with a double and two steals.
Game 2 was a true blowout. Twin Falls routed Pocatello 17-1 in five innings off the strong pitching performance of Nick Yergenson. He gave up only three hits in game, but batted 3-for-3 with three doubles himself. Connor Watkins also batted 1.000 with a double and three runs scored.
"We had a problem sweeping teams, but today we did a good job of that," Twin Falls head coach Devin Kuz said. "We don't want to be in a play-in game. Our goal is to be in the top eight."
The Couglows (14-7, 9-7) face Borah at 2:30 p.m. Thursday during the first day of the Boise Tournament, followed by an 8 p.m. game at Capital.

Game 1
Twin Falls 17, Pocatello 3
Pocatello: 010 000 1 2 3
Twin Falls: 004 000 10 14
Machon and McClure; Jacob Costa and Lane Reeves; W. Coats; L. Machon; Chris Rasmussen; 2B, Ryan Foster; 1B, David Lish; Catcher, Connor Watkins.

Kimberly picks up two against Minico IV

KIMBERLY — Kimberly picked up a couple of wins against the Minico IV squad on Tuesday, taking Game 1-1 and Game 2-1.
Nick Ucker picked up his first win of the season as he allowed only four hits and one unearned run against the Spartans. Evan Jenke went 2-for-4 with a double and four RBIs for run support. Brandon Soderquist also hit .500 and catcher Joe Mason scored two runs.
During Game 2, the Bulldogs went through four Minico pitchers as the Spartans gave up numerous walks. For Kimberly, Anthony Merkle also picked up his first win.
Bulldogs head coach Gary Krumm said he hopes this is the first of a string of wins. Kimberly (6-7, 4-7) plays at Shelly on Thursday for a 3 p.m. conference doubleheader.
"Before putting a lot of stock in Thursday's games," Krumm said, Jerke and Nate Harmon will be the likely starters.

Game 1
Minico IV: 000 001 1 2 3
Kimberly: 000 025 1 7 7
Chris Schindler; 1B, Matt Henke; AJ Schroeder (R); W. Coats; W. Mason; Willie Murren (L); W. Line (L); L. Christensen; S. Schroeder.
Extra-base hits - 2B, Kimberly; 1B, Matt Henke.

Coming Wednesday

Sneak Peek at the upcoming football seasons for Boise State and Idaho

Draft

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sharpshooter is cloaked with his newly arrived assistant GM, Maurizio Gianardi, who just happened to be Bargnani's GM at Treviso.
And that's only the top pick.
At No. 2, Chicago GM John Paxson might get his choice of his two top picks, Aldridge and Tyrus Thomas. Paxson reportedly likes Thomas, but Coach Scott Skiles would prefer Aldridge. Tune in Wednesday to see which way they go.
At No. 3, new Charlotte co-owner Michael Jordan, a gambler in and out of the casino, just took over, meaning they could do anything, like writing off Coach-GM Bernie Bickerstaff's investment in Emeke Okafor and Primo Brzezick and taking a big man.

Meanwhile, Philadelphia is aggressively shopping Allen Iverson and Utah is looking for a taker for Carlos Boozer. If Iverson gets traded, people may forget there even is a draft.
The projected Top 5 picks are listed below.
1. Toronto — Andrea Bargnani, 6-11, 245, Benetton Treviso (Italy). No one else would take him here, but a big man who can shoot is a major piece of the puzzle in GM Bryan Colangelo's plan to open the floor the way his old team, the Suns, do.
2. Chicago — LaMarcus Aldridge, 6-10, 234, Soph., Texas. Slender frame and thin legs mean he won't be dominating, but his length and athleticism still set him apart.
3. Charlotte — Rudy Gay, 6-7,

222, Soph., Connecticut. Michael Jordan, the new boss, likes athletes and Gay is the most gifted player in the draft. Still, Jordan has to discount the fact that Gay hasn't done much with it.
4. Portland — Adam Morrison, 6-6 1/2, 198, Jr., Gonzaga. People divvied off the bandwagon after the NCAA tournament, but his fiery competitiveness impressed teams in workouts. Larry Bird comparisons are ridiculous, try a less peppy, more skilled Wally Szerrbiak.
5. Atlanta — Sheldon Williams, 6-7 1/2, 258, Sr., Duke. GM Billy Knight wants someone who can help fast, while he's still GM. Williams isn't a great athlete and his modest size and standing reach (8-8) suggest he won't be a big shot blocker.

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# SCOREBOARD

## BASEBALL

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

Team	W	L	Pct
Seattle	42	42	.500
New York	42	42	.500
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**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

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## GAME PLAN

### TV SCHEDULE

**BOXING**

8 p.m.  
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**MMA**

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## SOCCER

**2006 World Cup**

6:00 p.m. **USA** vs. **France**  
8:30 p.m. **USA** vs. **France**  
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### WRESTLING

**Wrestling**

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**Tennis**

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### TRANSACTIONS

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**Baseball**  
New York Yankees: **Acquired** pitcher **Tim Lincecum** from Seattle Mariners for **minor league pitcher** **Tim Lincecum**.

### GOLF

**Golf**

**PGA TOUR**  
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### BASKETBALL

**Basketball**

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## Northwest passage: Beavers are college baseball trailblazer

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Parity, all the talk in college baseball, is now for real with Oregon State the national champion.

"This should be done," Oregon State athletic director Bob De Carolis said. "You get the right kids and you live the dream and keep fighting and working hard at it, it can work for you."

Northern teams have proved they can compete with their southern counterparts during the season. But until Oregon State came to Omaha, the only other Northern schools to reach the College World Series since 2000 were Nebraska and Notre Dame.

Nebraska was the only Northern team among the national top eight seeds in the 2005 season's NCAA tournament. The others were Clemson, Rice, Texas, Alabama, Cal State Fullerton, Georgia and Georgia Tech.

Can a pattern?

The Beavers, who beat North Carolina in the best-of-three College World Series championship series, became the first Northern team to win the title in 1966 to win the national title.

Oregon State did it after losing its CWS opener (1-1) to Miami — a school with 22 appearances in Omaha — and then rolling Sun Belt teams Georgia, Miami and Rice twice to reach the final series.

A growing number of schools have begun to emphasize baseball because of the sport's revenue potential. Talent has spread the last 20 years because of scholarship reductions. The limit now is 11.7 per team.

In Oregon State's case, the consolidation of the Northern and Southern Divisions of the Pacific Northwest in baseball in 1993 made the Beavers' program more attractive to prospective players. De Carolis said.

Annual series with traditional college baseball

## Cycling

### Ulrich cleared to ride in Tour de France

PARIS — Jan Ullrich has been cleared to ride in the Tour de France — for now.

Four organizers decided Tuesday that accusations against the star German cyclist in the widening Spanish investigation into doping were too weak to kick him out.

"For the Tour de France, for now, there is no

## Sports Shorts

### NFL

**Amphetamines added to steroid policy**

NEW YORK — The NFL has toughened up its drug policy, adding amphetamines to the list of banned performance-enhancers starting in 2007.

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# MONEY

## Fed faces tough choices on rate levels

### Market Watch

June 27, 2006

Dow Jones Industrials	-120.54
Nasdaq composite	2,100.25
Standard & Poor's 500	1,239.20
Russell 2000	686.94

### Stocks of local interest

Albertsons	25.16	▲	06
Can Agri	21.83	▼	03
Dell Inc.	23.71	▼	13
Idacorp	33.54	▼	26
Lithia Motors	29.60	▼	16
Micron	16.03	▼	65
Supervalu	30.08	▼	22

### Commodities

Oil, by barrel	71.92	▲	.12
(Aug., light sweet crude)			
June live cattle	86.07	▲	.77
June gold	581.60	▼	3.2

### Marshall named to ICF board

TWIN FALLS — Joe Marshall, former chief executive officer and chairman of the board for Idaho Power and a Twin Falls native, has been named a director of the Idaho Community Foundation, a statewide public charity organization with assets of approximately \$60 million, according to a news release from the Foundation.

Under Marshall's tenure, Idaho Power was one of the original corporate donors to the Foundation when it was created in 1989, the news release said. Today, the Foundation has more than 350 different funds and a total distribution record of more than \$27 million for programs and projects.

Marshall, son of the late Dr. Joseph W. Marshall, one of the founders of the former Twin Falls Clinic and Hospital, was with Idaho Power in Twin Falls for 32 years.

### Council recommends approving grant

HURLEY — The Idaho Economic Advisory Council on Monday decided it will recommend that Governor Jim Hirsch approve the city of Burley's request for a \$500,000 Rural Development Block Grant.

The governor is expected to make a decision within the next couple weeks, according to Idaho Commerce and Labor.

The grant is in connection with the decision by Dutchmen RV of Indiana to open a production plant in Cassia County. The city requested the grant through the Rural Idaho Initiative to buy the industrial waste system now serving the site the recreational vehicle manufacturer is converting to its new production facility. The rural grant would be matched with \$305,000 from the city and money from a privately financed business development program, according to a news release.

### Cellular customers get additional services

TWIN FALLS — Former US Cellular customers now have access to all Alltel Wireless services, said Harry Bruns, senior executive for Alltel. Alltel acquired US Cellular's assets in southern and eastern Idaho in late 2005.

"We've now converted all the billing systems and back office systems," Bruns said Tuesday in a phone interview with the Times-News.

That means former US Cellular customers now with Alltel have access to Alltel's entire wireless network and they can take advantage of Alltel's latest data and handset services, such as live television and radio over their wireless phones, Bruns said.

— compiled from wire reports

By Randi F. Marshall  
Times-News Staff

A 17th consecutive interest rate increase by the Federal Reserve at its meeting this week — almost universally expected — would leave economists, policy-makers and consumers to wonder:

Is the Fed's Open Market Committee going too far? Will the committee push the economy into a slowdown? Will it have to reverse course and

lower rates again? Or, is another rate increase exactly the right move? Are the Fed's members finding the perfect stopping point for rate hikes and striking the perfect balance between economic growth and inflation?

The answers, of course, are anyone's guess, for now. But the two-day meeting, beginning Wednesday, could be the committee's most important since the summer of 2004, when interest rate increases

began, said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com in West Chester, Pa.

"Raising interest rates from such a low level (1-percent) in a relatively good economy is easy," Zandi added. "Tightening monetary policy now, with rates as high as they are, is much trickier and risks putting the economy under pressure that will be hard for it to bear."

Indeed, the Fed is in a tough

position as it approaches this week's meeting. Inflation continues to be a legitimate concern, as the core rate rose at an annual clip of 2.4 percent last month, and the overall rate, including food and energy costs, increased 4.2 percent for the year, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

But further increases in short-term interest rates could lead the economy to slow significantly, potentially weakening both wage and job growth,

and consumer spending, which may decline as the cost of borrowing grows.

"We're not talking about a recession, we're talking about a soft landing, like in 1995 ...," said Alan Levinson, the chief economist at F. Lowe Price, a national investment firm. "The economy is still fundamentally healthy in most respects."

But there's particular concern about the housing sector,

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# Growing slowly

## Idaho personal income growth sluggish on dramatic drop in Q1 farm earnings

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Gary Champlin comes from a long line of farmers. His family started working the land back in 1914.

For the past dozen years, Champlin has been growing sugar beets, hay, barley, wheat, beans and corn on a 420-acre spread just east of Twin Falls. Farming has never been the easiest way to make a living, and it's getting harder all the time. Rising fuel prices, coupled with the higher costs of labor, fertilizers and chemicals, have made it increasingly difficult for Champlin and other farmers and dairy operators to make ends meet.

"Commodity prices haven't come up at the same rate as the expense side has," Champlin said.

So Champlin and his family do the best they can to make ends meet.



Gary Champlin cultivates a bean field east of Twin Falls Tuesday. With higher prices at the gas pump, Champlin says he's trying to conserve more fuel and be more efficient. Personal income growth in Idaho slowed to a crawl during the first three months of 2006, stymied by a dramatic decline in estimated first-quarter farm earnings, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

My wife has a job and I have a winter job," Champlin said. "We're lucky in the fact that my dad has a house we live in and we don't have to pay a mortgage. It's tight. That's the bottom line."

Champlin is not alone. Personal income growth in Idaho slowed to a crawl during the first three months of 2006, stymied by a dramatic decline in estimated first-quarter farm earnings, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis in a news release from Idaho Commerce and Labor.

For dairy operators, it comes down to the simple law of supply and demand. A year ago, milk prices were between \$13.75 and \$14.25 per 100 pounds of milk. Now, they're down to \$10.50, said Bob Naeberoth, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association.

And that has dairy operators concerned.

"It's like lowering your wage by 26 percent," Naeberoth said.

According to the news release from Idaho Commerce and Labor, personal income in Idaho for January through March rose just 0.5 percent from the final three months of 2005, barely a third of the national increase, to rank 46th among the states. That growth rate was driven by over a 1.4 percent drop in projected total farm earnings.

While 47 of the 50 states reported farm earnings declines, Idaho's was the third highest behind Montana and Iowa, the news release said.

Prices for milk, cattle and

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# Organic dairy farmers, consumers wary over growth of big operations

By Steve Karowski  
Associated Press Writer

JORDAN, Minn. — The cows on Pam and Jeff Biesgraf's farm clomped happily away on lush green grass on a warm, sunny afternoon. Their milk would soon find its way to grocery stores, where organic dairy products are a hot item.

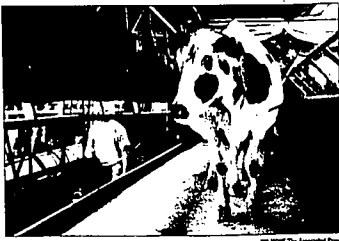
The Biesgraf farm represents one vision for organic dairy — the small- and medium-sized family farms where the cows have names and spend the growing season on pasture.

A different kind of organic dairy farm is emerging out west — corporate-owned feedlot operations with thousands of cows that are fed

organic grain but, according to critics, get little chance to graze.

Fears that big operations will muscle out family farms have produced a backlash, including a boycott by the Organic Consumers Association against the country's biggest organic milk brand, Horizon Organic.

Organic farmers and consumer groups are hoping the U.S. Department of Agriculture will level the field. The agency is considering whether to mandate that milk bearing the "USDA Organic" seal come from cows that have significant access to pasture, a



A cow heads to a milking station at Cedar Summit Farm near New Prague, Minn., May 31, as milker Scott Lambert, left, follows. The farm milks about 160 cows in its organic milk business and sells the milk in return-able glass bottles through upscale grocery stores and food cooperatives.

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## Mutual funds' exposure to equities is increasing

By Ellen Simon  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — With stocks shaky, investors have pulled billions of dollars out of mutual funds during the last two months. At the same time, equity funds' exposure to stocks is much higher than it was a year ago. That increased market exposure could look smart if the market rebounds, but very foolish if it falters.

Exposure can be defined as vulnerability to the market's fluctuations. A fund that's completely invested in Standard & Poor's 500 stocks would have a market exposure of 100 percent, explained Robin L. Carpenter, who runs CarpenterAnalytix.com, where he measures exposure with a statistical analysis of mutual fund activity.

But buying investment vehicles like derivatives can ratchet a fund's exposure higher or lower, bringing it either below or above 100 percent. Borrowing money to buy stocks can also increase a fund's exposure past 100 percent, as can shorting stocks. A fund could change its exposure by buying futures contracts that commit it to either buying or selling securities at a set price.

During the market's 2002 lows, large-cap growth equity funds' market exposure was about 85 percent, according to Carpenter. He calculates the same group's exposure is now 121 percent.

With 85 percent exposure, a fund might go up or down 85 percent of the total moves by the larger market. So, if the wider market saw a 10 percent increase, for instance, a fund with 85 percent exposure might expect to see an 8.5 percent increase.

Exposure is increasing across many styles of funds, including small-cap growth and mid-cap value, Carpenter said. The increased exposure can happen a number of ways. For instance, a reduction in hedged positions could result in greater exposure. So could a decline in cash or an increase in buying equities.

The increased exposure "is not, in itself, an earthshaking finding," Carpenter said. But, he added, "it sets up a vulnerability."

In 2004, equity funds reached a similar level of exposure and "it turned out fine within weeks," he said. But in 2000, equity funds ratcheted up their exposure

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### Looking elsewhere

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Domestic	Domestic
Recent change in cash flow	-\$3.2B
to mutual funds	-\$1.3B
selected categories	-\$11.5B
Non-domestic	\$1.5B
Finance	\$1.2B
NOTE: Based on a four-week moving average ending June 21	
Emerging markets	-\$0.7B
Technology	-\$0.8B
Health care/biotech	-\$0.2B
Energy	\$1.0B

SOURCE: BANK OF AMERICA

Income

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Some crops slipped from the higher levels of 2005, and those higher prices last year also resulted in a decline in federal support payments to farm operators. That combination drove estimated earnings down. Personal income is the total of all wages, business owner profits, investment earnings and transfer payments like Social Security. Wages and profits account for about 70 percent of personal income, while investment earnings and transfer payments make up about 15 percent each. Excluding the farm sector, total earnings in Idaho for the first three months of this year rose more than 1.8 percent, exceeding the national rate of just under 1.7 percent. That ranked Idaho 14th nationally in nonfarm earnings.

The first-quarter performance in the nonfarm sectors was much weaker than during the closing months of 2005. Construction posted the strongest showing with a quarter of a percent increase from the previous quarter. Health care, professional, technical, administrative and management services and other services all posted gains between a tenth and two-tenths of a percentage point while the other sectors showed only marginal changes from the final quarter of 2005.

But their combination was enough to offset the decline in farm earnings, the economy's most volatile sector with estimates that are subject to radical revisions as information becomes clearer, according to the news release.

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Income

- Q1 2006 growth in Idaho — earnings by sector
These percentages compare first-quarter earnings with the final three months of 2005:
Farm: 3.44
Nondurable goods manufacture: 0.05
Real estate, rental and leasing: -0.02
Military: 0.02
Utilities: 0.01
Educational services: 0.01
Information: 0.02
Arts, entertainment, recreation: 0.03
Transportation and warehouse: 0.04
Accommodation, food services: 0.06
Services other than public administration: 0.06
Federal government: 0.08
Durable goods manufacture: 0.08
Wholesale trade: 0.09
Management: 0.10
Finance and insurance: 0.15
Administrative, waste services: 0.15
Professional, technical services: 0.16
Retail trade: 0.18
Health care, social assistance: 0.19
State and local government: 0.22
Construction: 0.25
Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

Dairy

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More smaller producers say they are willing to pay more because they believe it's produced to higher ethical standards that benefit the environment, the animals and family farmers.

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However, Mark Kastel, senior farm policy analyst with the research group Cornucopia Institute, is just trying to get the "exponential" growth in a market where demand outstrips supply by some 20 percent, he said.
Horizon, part of Fort Worth, Tex.-based Dean Foods Co., sells about half of the organic milk in this country, through stores including Wal-Mart Stores Inc. Its president and CEO, Joe Scalzo, said Horizon is a strong supporter of family farms, helping hundreds make the transition to organic.

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# FOOD & HOME

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## You are what you eat



### A look at southern Idaho food and culture

By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

**BUHL** — Ever had kolache pie? How about homemade sauerkraut? Wine made from grapes grown in the backyard?

No? Chances are your ancestors have.

Culinary curiosities such as Czechoslovakian kolache pie (a fruit pastry), German sauerkraut and Italian wines were staples for Magic Valley's melting pot of pioneers. And this summer, a Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibit invites you to the dinner table of these founding families.

"Key Ingredients: America by Food," examines, through photographs, artifacts and illustrations, the evolution of the American kitchen. It also shows how immigrants shaped our menus, recipes and culinary ceremonies.

Sponsored in part by the Idaho Humanities Council, the exhibit will stop in Buhl and Halley.

Each community plans supplementary activities including dances, lectures and displays.

In Buhl, museum director Holly Langdon, with the help of Buhl families, has assembled a turn-of-the-century kitchen — pots, pans and gadgets so peculiar, you'll probably need a historian to decipher their purposes.

Third-generation Buhl resident Shirley Anderson lent the museum more than a dozen artifacts, including some from her grandmother's 1908 kitchen.

Anderson knows her Buhl history — and the food that formed it.

Her grandfather was one of the town's first mayors, from 1911 to 1915.

Anderson's 103-year-old mother passed down kitchenware — including a set of Bavarian chins — in addition to recipes and stories about Buhl's early fare.

"Those early pioneers were mostly Midwesterners with Midwestern tastes: meat, potatoes and gravy," Anderson said.

"They were used to having nice things. But when they got out here, they had to make do with what they could get."

A cast-iron skillet, such as one in the new display that arrived on the first freight



Tamara Satterwhite, 9, on an educational trip with the Boys and Girls Club of Twin Falls on June 13, peers through the window of a Buhl Museum display case holding china glassware that was owned by some of Buhl's founding families.

Top: An elaborately decorated teacup and saucer from one of Buhl's founding families is on display at the Buhl Museum as part of the "Through the Kitchen Window" exhibit showing now at 206 Broadway in Buhl.

wagon to Buhl, was probably a luxury.

Still, those early cooks managed to recreate the recipes they brought with them from the East, or farther.

The display features a cabbage shredder tacked together from thin wood, a clay sauerkraut-curing pot, an apple peeler with more gears than a grandfather clock and dozens of other curious gadgets.

The early cooks put these doodads to good use.

Anderson remembers town gatherings that featured food from most corners of the globe.

Basque lamb and rice, Eastern European pastries, homemade sausages, wine.

Then, the settlers began to invent new recipes with Western twists: pies made from freshly planted fruit trees not available in the Midwest, trout, wild game.

Langdon and Anderson hope folks visit the Smithsonian exhibit as well as the displays at the Buhl Museum.



Kyle Lopschire, 9, on a Twin Falls Boys and Girls Club field trip, walks through the Kitchen display at the Buhl Museum on June 13. Museum director Holly Langdon says many of the items on display have been passed down from ancestors who founded the city of Buhl.

"Food is important because food tells us who we are as a people," Anderson said. "We

are what we eat, you know." Times-News features writer

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### Good eats

"Key Ingredients: America by Food," a Smithsonian, Institution-sponsored traveling exhibit examining the relationship between culture and food, will make two stops in Idaho this summer: the Halley library and the Eighth Street Center in Buhl. In addition to the exhibit, each community plans activities to showcase local cultural food connections.

#### Halley

"Key Ingredients," July 15 to Aug. 8, Halley library

Other activities include:  
• **The Clotheshline Project:** An invitation to businesses and community members to decorate aprons that will be displayed during the exhibit.

• **Kitchen Mania:** Know your kitchen gadgets? Check out this display to find out.  
• **Attired Cookbooks:** Community members are invited to make a scrapbook-style art project from cookbooks.

• **Recipes in Context:** Featured memoirs from a previous workshop chronicling favorite family recipes.

• **World War II Food Rationing Party:** Dance featuring war-era music, rationing-recipe treats and a screening of "Make Mine Music," a 1946 Disney movie set to the music of Benny Goodman, Dinah Shore and the Andrews Sisters. The party begins at 5 p.m. July 18.

In addition to these activities, the library will host lectures from local food experts. To find out more about the lectures or the Key Ingredients exhibit, call the Halley library at 788-2038 or visit [www.keyingredients.com](http://www.keyingredients.com).

#### Buhl

"Key Ingredients," Sept. 8 to Oct. 14, Eighth Street Center and the Buhl Museum

Other activities include:  
• **Through the Kitchen Window:** A look at a turn-of-the-century kitchen. On display now at the Buhl Museum.

The museum, at 206 Broadway, is open 1-5 p.m. Fridays and 1-5 p.m. Sundays; it will have extended hours during Sagebrush Days, July 1-4. For information, call Holly Langdon at 731-4879. Admission is free.

• **Local Linens:** Kitchen fabrics from Buhl's founding families. On display now at the Buhl Museum.

• **BSU Potato Sacks:** Boise State University's collection of Idaho potato sacks. At the Eighth Street Center in August.

• **Local Food Corporation Displays:** Booths from local food companies. At the Eighth Street Center in August.

Buhl will also host lectures by local food experts. For more information about lectures or the Key Ingredients exhibit, contact the Buhl Arts Council at 543-2888 or visit [www.keyingredients.org](http://www.keyingredients.org) or [www.buhllibrary.org](http://www.buhllibrary.org).

## New Food & Home feature highlights local foods

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

No strawberries are so sweet as the ones I picked just exactly ripe in a Jerome field this month.

I've found no bread that produces such beautifully browned French toast as the Boston loaves I buy from an immigrant couple at the Twin Falls Farmers Market.

And every year I yearn for the first harvest of apples from a Buhl man's orchards. So crisp. So juicy. So delectable.

The common factor? All of these foods are local, purchased directly from the producers. Yes, all are superior products, yet I'm pretty sure that buying them from familiar folks increases the culinary pleasure.

For reasons that range from seasonal eating to livestock conditions to the environmental costs of transportation, the local-foods movement is gaining ground around the country. California-based LocalHarvest, founded in 1998, maintains an online nationwide directory of

small farms, farmers' markets and other local food sources and has grown to about 9,000 members.

Its Web site, at [www.localharvest.org](http://www.localharvest.org), offers this philosophy: "The richness, variety and flavor of our communities, food systems and diets is in jeopardy.

The quest for economic efficiency has brought us low prices and convenience through large supermarket chains, agribusiness and factory farms, while taking away many other aspects of our food lives, like our personal relation

with our food and with the people who produce it."

Family-owned, small-scale businesses, LocalHarvest contends, are consumers' best guarantee against "long-shelf-life tomatoes and diets elicited from corporate boardrooms."

Whatever your views on economic politics and picketed fruits, we hope you'll enjoy a new weekly Times-News feature that you'll find inside Food & Home today.

Each week, we'll highlight an individual who grows, raises, harvests, makes or bakes food

in Magic Valley for sale to local consumers.

In our first "Local Foods" feature — on page C3 — you'll read about a Gooding pie maker who's a familiar vendor at local farmers' markets.

No, the foods we feature won't all be organic. They won't all be about sustainable agriculture, and they won't all be health food. But they will all be local — produced by individuals in Blaine, Camas, Cassia, Gooding, Jerome, Lincoln, Minidoka and Twin Falls counties. Buy from these folks, and

you can ask them directly how the meat was raised or how long ago the vegetables were picked.

Certainly, we hope this weekly feature will — in some small way — boost the local economy and the future of family farms. But our main motivation is the simple pleasures of good food and connection with our neighbors.

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FOOD & HOME

# Men are staking out their own spaces

By James H. Burnett III  
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You just can't make up scenes like this one in the large backyard of Val Prieto's Kendall, Fla., home on a recent Monday afternoon.

Prieto and pal Steve H. Graham grin ear to ear and grip cold Pilsner beers as they proudly survey the 8-by-10-foot, wood chip-covered space where they stand. Both men glance up and nod with satisfaction at the sight of the sturdy white awning covering their heads. A few feet away, gentle waves from a canal lick the bank of Prieto's property.

This is ManCamp. Prieto's answer to the Average Joe, age-old nemesis: lack of private, personal space at home. And ManCamp is enough to make Al Bundy and his fellow members of the "Married ... With Children's" No Ma'am group cry tears of joy.

As crude as ManCamp's design may seem on the surface, trend experts say Prieto is ahead of the curve in a growing movement of guys — mostly married men — who want their privacy but not at the expense of their "manly" credentials.

Indeed, ManCamp, which was built and "furnished" with donated materials, boasts storm-proof "counter tops"

constructed of railroad ties secured to the ground with steel rods. And there are five barbecue grills of different sizes and styles. On this day, two of the grills are loaded with Polish sausages and bacon-wrapped prawns.

On one side of the camp there is a homemade entertainment center, complete with cable TV, mini-fridge, a dart board mounted inside one cabinet door and a Miami Heat cheerleaders poster pinned to the other door. There's also a singing fish wearing a Miami Dolphins helmet.

Patio chairs and a couple of bar stools complete the actual furniture. Just a few feet away, two fishing rods are propped up on tree stumps, their lures bobbing gently in the water.

And just when you think ManCamp can't get any cooler, there's a slight rustling. Eyeballs peer over the privacy fence separating Prieto's yard from the neighbor's. Then a section of the fence pops open like the entrance to the Bat Cave. And another man, a neighbor, also smiling big, slips through before the hidden gate swings shut.

There was a time, says Steven Saint-Onge, Phillips Electronics' home and style designer, that a man's private space was designed to be big

## Not much room?

Debbie Mandel, Los Angeles radio host and stress management expert, says all guys want a little private space, but not all of them are up for decorating.

For those guys with little space and little patience for frills, Mandel offers these tips for where and how to stake out private space at home:

**Establish relaxation cues** — This could be a fragrant like cinnamon, citrus or peppermint, a knickknack, a photograph and an iPod at a corner desk or comfortable chair.

**A recliner with a Japanese screen for privacy.**

**A closet that is gutted and has a desk with a computer — the photo on the screen, the wall hangings and "the stuff of the desk" create the cues for relaxation. Because the desk takes in rather than out, he will feel that he is in his own world.**

**The cart**

and elaborate. But that was when women had more say in what a home office or entertainment room looked like.

"Certainly it's interesting that in the past five years what I've seen a lot of is men are more involved than ever in home design in general," Saint-Onge says. "And they have fully taken ownership of their personal space."

Saint-Onge attributes the change to the boom in home design-themed reality TV shows, more men watching these shows and fewer men being ashamed to admit it.

"Women would approach me before, and say 'I loved this item you used,' or 'I tried this

decorating thing you suggested,'" he says. "Now, I'm in the airport and guys approach me, too."

Recently, more of his clients are couples who don't live in McMansions, Saint-Onge says. "They're people in smaller apartments in New York, for example."

One such client had Saint-Onge help him convert a walk-in closet to a home office, because he didn't need all that space for clothes. The man still managed to make the closet feel like home by painting the walls a rich chocolate brown, one of last year's most popular home interior colors.

"I realize that it's a matter of

comfort level, now that guys have more of a say," Saint-Onge says.

As far as having a say goes, Prieto believes he and his wife, Maggie, made the perfect compromise.

"If you think about it, it's usually your wife who decides what you can have at home," says Prieto, a 41-year-old architect. "I know right away I wasn't going to get anything."

He says that last part with a good-natured laugh, because while his wife decided pretty quickly there was no room for a guy-only space when they bought their house nearly three years ago, she hadn't factored in the backyard.

So with a vision like Moses, Prieto designed ManCamp.

"It ain't pretty," Prieto laughs, "but it didn't take long for my wife to love it, because it made me happy, it kept me occupied, and it was less clutter in the house. Now, when she's out and sees different little items that would go nicely in ManCamp she'll pick them up for me."

"Seriously, it helps to find a balance in your life if you have personal space at home," says Maggie Prieto, a real estate agent. "So ManCamp's a good thing. I may not go back there, but I'll call him on his cell and ask what they have on the grill when they're barbecuing."

## Check your pressure lid Thursday

Times-News

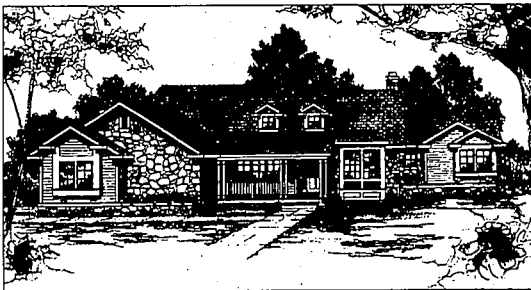
RUPERT — As canning season approaches, make sure your pressure canner gauge is accurate.

The University of Idaho Extension Service will offer pressure lid testing from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday at the McGregor Center, 85 E. Baseline Road in Rupert. Dixie Walker will perform the tests, which cost \$5. Bring only the lid of your pressure canner. Call Extension educator Donna Gillespie, 436-7184, for more information about Thursday's test in Rupert.

In Twin Falls each week, Extension educator Rhea Lanting offers pressure lid testing on Wednesdays. Cost is \$4. People can drop off their lids at 246 Third Ave. E. in Twin Falls and come back for them later, or call Lanting for appointments at 734-9590, ext. 21. The Twin Falls office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The U of I recommends testing pressure lids annually. "Foods that are incorrectly preserved can be extremely harmful to us and our families," said Grace Witman, an Extension educator in Cassia County.

## Cameron has airy spaciousness



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The ranch-style Cameron is a large home, designed for construction over a full basement. Vaulted ceilings in the owners' suite and gathering spaces add to the airy sense of spaciousness.

All on one level, this plan is easily adapted for wheelchair accessibility.

It's traditional having the living room and dining room flank the entry, but the rest of the plan is clearly contemporary.

And for families who prefer a home office to a living room, the location next to the entry is ideal.

This plan is naturally illuminated throughout. High dormers spill soft light down into the entry and dining room. Both living room and dining room have wide, multipaned windows, and the entire rear of the home is more windows than walls.

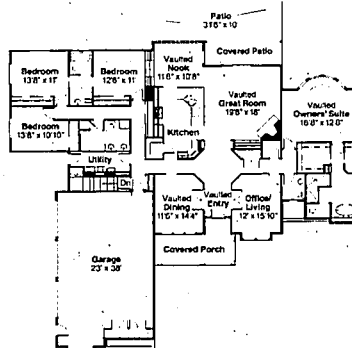
Skylights in the nook make this space so bright, you'll only need electric lighting at night. Kitchen and great room flow together, bounded by a raised eating bar.

A masonry fireplace and an entertainment center nestle into the corner and wall farthest from the windows.

Comfortably roomy, the kitchen offers plenty of storage and enough counter space for a family of cooks to work together.

The built-in desk is convenient for keeping household business details well organized.

The Cameron's sleeping areas are widely separated. The owners' suite dominates at the right wing while three



more bedrooms, two baths and a utility room fill the opposite wing. In the owners' suite, a window seat wraps around the wide, curved window bay.

Other amenities include: his 'n' hers walk-in closets, double vanity, walk-in shower, private toilet, and a spa tub with plant shelf.

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## Making soft chocolate cookies

By Julie Rothman  
Special to The Baltimore Sun

Kathleen Dibase from Cranbury, N.J., was looking for a recipe for a soft chocolate chip and oatmeal cookie.

Mary Ann McKoon of Mount Airy, Md., sent in a recipe that was given to her by a friend. She says that her daughters love these cookies. In her recipe, either chocolate or butterscotch chips can be used.

I tested the recipe using chocolate chips, since that was what the reader was looking for. I used unsalted butter for the shortening. I'm a big believer in butter, particularly in baking.

As expected, the cookies were delicious, soft and chewy, both right out of the oven and after they had cooled.

My son's Little League team and their parents gobbled them up.

### OATMEAL CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

- 1 3/4 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup shortening
- 3/4 cup brown sugar
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon hot water

- 2 cups rolled oats
- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 1 1/2-ounce package chocolate or butterscotch chips

Preheat oven to 365 degrees. In a small bowl, combine flour, salt and baking soda. Set aside. Cream shortening with brown and white sugars; add eggs, one at a

time, then water. Add flour mixture and mix until the batter is smooth.

Fold in oatmeal, nuts and chocolate or butterscotch chips.

Drop by rounded tablespoons onto ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake for 10 to 12 minutes. Makes 48 to 60 cookies.

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# Pies aplenty

The secret to hot-selling pies? It's the crust," said farmers' market vendor Linda Money. Made with the same old-fashioned lard that Grandma used.

The lard occasionally turns away a potential customer, the Gooding pie maker said. "But it makes it so flaky and wonderful."

At the height of the summer market season, Money expects to bake about 140 fruit and berry pies a week for three local markets combined. Plus other baked items. Starting from scratch in her home kitchen, and working alone, she can assemble three pies an hour — not including even time.

"Monday, Wednesday and Friday are for cooking; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday are for selling. I need to have my head examined," Money said at a recent Saturday-morning market in Twin Falls.

An Amish cookbook supplied her carrot cake and cinnamon roll recipes. Mashed potatoes in the latter make them moist.

"Here, the cinnamon rolls are going like crazy," Money said. "Twin Falls likes the cinnamon rolls."

—Virginia S. Hutchins



# Where to buy

During summer, Money sells her baked goods at three farmers' markets but sets different prices at the various markets to cover her transportation:

- Gooding market, 3 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays: on Main Street across from Riddley's. A sampling of her prices: Whole pie, \$7; 8-by-8-inch pan of cinnamon rolls, \$4; piece of carrot cake, \$1.50.

- Twin Falls market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays: on North College Road, north of the College of Southern Idaho. Whole pie, \$7; 8-by-8-inch pan of cinnamon rolls, \$4; piece of carrot cake, \$1.50.

- Halley market, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursdays: on Main Street in the middle of town. Whole pie, \$12. In Halley, Money's best-selling pie, by far, is Marionberry.

Rhubarb combinations are popular at all three markets, and peach pies sell well in Twin Falls and Gooding.

- Or, order direct from Money: 934-8904.

This feature will appear weekly in Food & Home this summer. To nominate an individual who produces food in Magic Valley for sale to local consumers, send an email to [virginia.hutchins@lee.net](mailto:virginia.hutchins@lee.net) with "Local foods" in the subject line. Or call 735-3242.

# LOCAL FOODS

## A sensational salsa from Guapo's

By Leigh Lambert  
The Washington Post

Guapo's Restaurant in Washington is my neighborhood watering hole, kind of like the Mexican version of "Cheers" — where everybody knows your name. The girls and I meet there so often our waiter, Luis, greets us with a kiss on both cheeks. We consider it our hangout, but I suspect the highchair family to our left and the after-office crowd to our right think it's theirs as well.

The busby brings two bowls of the spa's addictive salsa. We dig in. In a world that makes you pay for everything, it seems a small luxury to have a bottomless bowl of salsa with your drinks.

The building blocks of salsa are simple: tomatoes, onions, cilantro and peppers. Guapo's raises this simplicity to an art form. Theirs is fresh, never cooked; it bears no resemblance to the stuff from a jar. This is the classic salsa purists search for — its pleasing warm heat is perfect with chips, but equally at home atop grilled fish or standing in for the dressing on a Tex-Mex salad.

As many times as I've eaten Guapo's magical creation, my efforts to recreate it at home always fell short. Something in the balance of high notes and spice becomes more than the sum of its parts. So I decided to go to the source, asking co-owner Hector Rincon Jr. what goes into their spicy concoction. I was writing down the expected ingredients when he got to the one that took me by

surprise. Cumin. I never would have placed it.


The cooks at Guapo's make so much salsa, they're pros at proportions. But for those of us less familiar with making the summer essential, Rincon offers these guidelines and stresses being flexible. If you like it chunkier, add more tomatoes and onion. If you like it hotter, add more jalapeno peppers. The salsa will keep, tightly covered, 2 to 3 days in the refrigerator.

### GUAPO'S SALSA

- 4 to 5 jalapeno chili peppers, stemmed (if you prefer less heat, halve and remove the seeds)
- 1 quart tomato juice
- 2 medium white onions, chopped
- 2 medium tomatoes, cored and chopped
- 1 cup coarsely chopped cilantro leaves
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt
- 2 tablespoons freshly ground

- black pepper
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 1/4 cup to 1/2 cup vegetable oil

Place the jalapeno chili peppers in a food processor and pulse until almost smooth. Transfer to a medium bowl and add the tomato juice, onions, tomatoes, cilantro, salt, pepper, cumin and oil, stirring to combine. Taste and adjust seasonings. Serve with tortilla chips. Makes about 5 cups.



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FOOD & HOME

# Insulated concrete forms produce energy-efficient houses

**DEAR JIM:** I am thinking of building one of those concrete/foam block houses for efficiency, security and strength. Since concrete feels so cold, is it really energy efficient and will I be limited on house styling? — Scott W.



**SENSIBLE HOME**  
James Duley

**DEAR SCOTT:** You mentioned "concrete/foam block" houses, but that is just one subset of a construction method called "stay-in-place-forms." Another term for this construction method is insulated concrete forms. This type of construction produces one of the strongest and most energy-efficient houses possible. Even hurricane-force winds cannot blow one down.

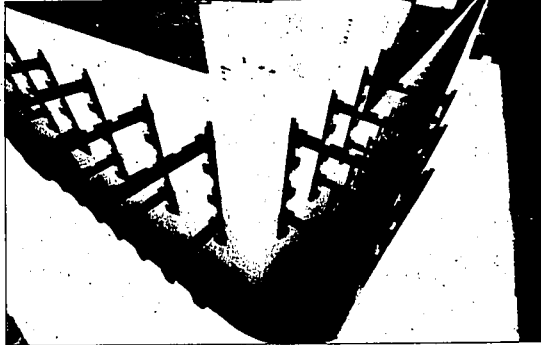
It is true that concrete is not a good insulator and feels cold, but with this method the concrete is totally encapsulated in rigid insulating foam. The foam provides the energy efficiency, and the concrete provides the strength. The concrete inside the foam also adds thermal mass to the house. In addition to efficiency, very little exterior noise penetrates the walls.

People often think of efficiency as strictly insulation-level, but air infiltration (leaking) into and out of a house is also a significant efficiency factor. With interlocking foam blocks or long continuous panels,

there will be very little air leakage. Also, concrete will not settle over time as lumber homes sometimes do, so these houses remain airtight.

Other than a thick wall, which is only noticeable at window and door openings, these foam/concrete houses look like any other. In fact, with the superior strength of concrete, you will actually have more design flexibility. One company, Lite-Form, also makes a horizontal system to be used for floors. Concrete floors seldom squeak and they block floor-to-floor sounds.

There are several designs of foam/concrete houses you can consider. The finished walls of all are equally strong and efficient. Your builder can recommend which is best for your specific house design. Insulation levels are typically in the R-24 range, but they can be as high as R-40 depending upon the thickness of foam you select. Thicker foam and concrete increase construction



These insulated concrete forms use webs between the foam sides to create the width of the gap for the concrete.

costs proportionately. The design you mentioned uses large hollow foam blocks which are stacked and interlocked together. Openings for windows and doors are cut into the blocks and framed. A special concrete truck, with a pump attachment, pumps concrete into the top, and it flows throughout the cavities in

the hollow blocks. This forms a solid concrete wall inside of the blocks.

Other designs use foam panels which are separated by plastic or metal webs or ties. You have a selection of foam thicknesses and widths of the webs (determines thickness of concrete). Another option uses much larger foam panels separated

by the webs. These are also often used for basement walls and foundation walls on sloping lots.

The following companies offer foam/concrete housing materials: Conform Pacific, (800) 266-3676, www.smart-block.com; Eco-Block, (800) 595-0820, www.eco-block.com; ICF Industries,

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**DEAR JIM:** I have a fiberglass front door and I would like to add an efficient screen door over it. I was told this is not a good idea with a fiberglass door. Is this true, and if so, why is it a problem? — Thomas O.

**DEAR THOMAS:** Installing a screen door over a fiberglass front door is not a problem. It may detract from the attractive appearance of the front door, but it will not harm it. It will allow for free natural ventilation.

Installing a glass storm door can be a problem. Fiberglass doors are usually stained a dark color. If the storm door seals well and the front door is in the sun, the fiberglass skin gets quite warm. Check with the manufacturer's recommendations.

Send inquiries to James Duley, 6906 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.duley.com.

## How to burglar-proof your home

By Terri Szapcza  
The Washington Post

Nearly five million homes are burglarized every year, often while homeowners are away on vacation, according to the National Burglar and Fire Alarm Association.

Taking sensible steps to burglar-proof your house makes it less of a target all year round, and adds to a worry-free getaway.

The National Crime Prevention Council suggests the following for your pre-vacation checklist:

- Make your home look lived in while you're away. The key is to make it appear that people are coming and going, says Jim Wright, a director at the council.

But leaving lights on all day is an indication that no one is home. Instead, put a porch light and an inside light or two on timers.

If you set them to turn on and off with different patterns, it will help create an impression that someone is

home. Also, have someone pull your trash can to the curb on garbage day and park in your driveway occasionally.

- Have a friend or neighbor check your house. Better still, have them house sit. Also, alert your neighborhood crime group or the local police department of your departure and ask them to give your home extra attention while you're away.

- Stop newspapers and mail or arrange to have them collected. If a friend or neighbor is doing this for you, be sure to have them also retrieve circulars that may pile up. The post office will mail hold for up to 30 days; see www.usps.com for more information.

- Secure all window and door locks and make sure they work. Sounds obvious, but Wright says that people often overlook this step while caught up in pre-vacation preparations.

- Six of every 10 completed burglaries take place through unlocked doors or windows," he says. And don't forget about the garage.

- Trim bushes. Overgrown shrubs provide hiding spots for potential intruders and can interfere with the line of sight for police or anyone else checking your house.

- Invest in electronic security. House alarms are always a good investment. Even security signs and stickers are effective deterrents.

## A touch-up brush-up

The Washington Post

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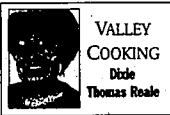
**A** dios, auf Wiedersehen, au revoir, ciao, bye-bye. It has been a great dozen years writing the Valley Cooking column.

I wrote my first column in April 1994 when Nancy Joy Jones retired, and this will be my last.

Although I am not retiring from writing freelance stories for the Times-News, the features department is taking a different direction and replacing Valley Cooking with another format called Local Foods.

I hope to contribute to the new feature and look forward to visiting with interesting cooks and food producers around the valley.

As I look back over the years, a few of my all-time favorite recipes seem to jump out at me. Here they are.



**VALLEY COOKING**  
Dede Thomas Reale

and chopped  
1-pound imitation crab, chopped

Mix well and add:  
2 cups mayonnaise (you can use fat-free)  
Sprinkle of garlic powder  
Salt to taste

Mix well again. Chill for at least an hour before serving.

### FRIED GREEN BEANS

Serves 2 to 4

2 cups fresh green beans, cleaned  
1 tablespoon olive oil  
1 tablespoon soy sauce  
Salt and pepper to taste

Remove bean stems and strings but otherwise leave whole.  
Heat oil in skillet. Place the green beans in the oil and cook on medium to high heat for about 5 minutes. Stir frequently. Cook until beans just start to sizzle a bit on the skin. You want them about half crunchy. Remove from heat, add soy sauce and salt and pepper to taste.

### HOMEMADE FRUIT COCKTAIL

Cut up whatever fresh fruit you have available into bite-sized pieces — watermelon, bananas, cantaloupe, casaba melon, grapes, cherries, apricots, peaches, apples, berries, pears, pineapple, oranges. The variety of fruit, the better your fruit cocktail will be.  
Mix the fruit together and use sour cream for dressing. If you are concerned about the

calories, use low-fat or fat-free sour cream. Serve in a hollowed-out watermelon rind for a festive presentation.

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2 beaten eggs  
1 1/3 cups light cream  
Butter or margarine to butter cake tops

Stir the dry ingredients together, cut in butter to form coarse crumbs.

Mix eggs and cream. Stir into dry ingredients. Spread in 2 greased 9-inch round pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes. Remove from pans, cool for 5 minutes. Butter the tops of the cakes while still warm.

**Filling or topping:**  
1 cup whipping cream  
3 to 4 cups sliced fresh strawberries

### Grilling tips

The Washington Post

**Question:** Last night I grilled sweet potato slices with olive oil/salt/pepper until crisp on the outside and tender on the inside. DELISH. What other not-normally-grilled foods would you recommend I throw on my grill?

**Answer:** Thick wedges of radicchio, fava beans in the pod and plump black mission figs.  
After a drizzle of olive oil and seasoning, the radicchio and beans will require about five minutes. Be gentle with the figs. Sweet and smoky works well with a variety of fruits. Try pineapple, banana, peaches and grapes on a skewer.

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## License To Build

By Andrew McLothlin

You're planning to renovate your home. You're planning to build a new home. You have a major project to do on your home that you don't think you can handle by yourself. If any of these situations apply to you, you are probably in need of a contractor. How do you find the right contractor? Well, it all depends on how you do your research.

When you begin your research, take into account the scope of your project. What projects will you need done? Will they require electrical, plumbing or other special knowledge? You can start with the yellow pages of your local phone book or by calling the Better Business Bureau (BBB).

Most contracting companies should be licensed through the BBB. Using their recommendations, make a specific outline of your plan and present it to the contractors. You may require an architect's help on this if you are working on a large-scale project. Having a written architectural plan can help reassure that contractors are all bidding and commenting on the same thing and keep you from getting confused comparing apples to oranges. Also make sure that the contractors you are considering have workman's compensation and insurance that covers all of their employees. Without this, you could be liable for accidents that occur during your project.

Once you have talked to your potential contractors for the first time, ask them for references. Check with the people they have worked for and ask them about the quality of their experience. Was the job finished in a timely manner and to their satisfaction? Were they able to work with the contractor effectively? How was communication at the beginning of and throughout the project? All of these are important

questions that you should have addressed in order to ensure that your contractor will be someone that you can work with who will get you the results you want rather than just try to finish another job.

About this time, you should start receiving bids from your potential contractors. Examine each bid in turn. Keep in mind as you are looking at payment and pricing that you don't want to give your contractor all of the money up front, but they may need some funding during the project. Receive a portion of the final payment roughly equal to 10 percent of the project until all inspections have been passed and you have proof that all liens are removed from your house. This way you can be certain your contractor will finish the job.

Throughout the process, be sure to communicate with your contractor. Let them know any concerns you have or if they are exceeding your expectations. By keeping in constant communication with the contractor, they will feel more comfortable coming to you if something goes wrong or if they have a new idea. The relationship can also pay off if you have a project in the future for which you need a contractor again.

In the end, you just have to be a careful consumer and be conscious of what you are signing when you enter into a contract. Choosing the right contractor can make your building experience easier and more enjoyable.

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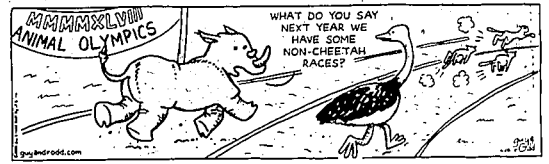
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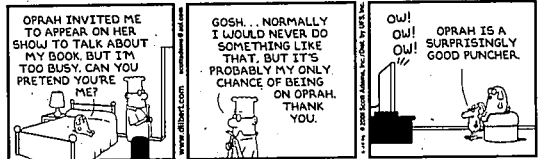
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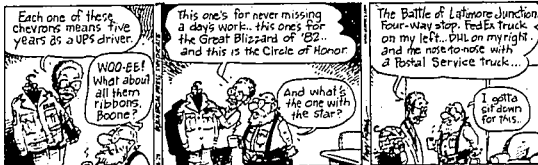
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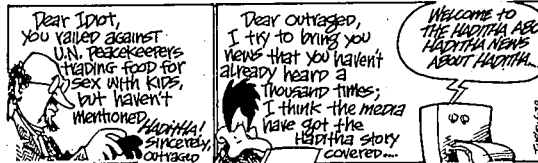
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## Friends and lovers are important, Cancer

**IF JUNE 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** Your benevolent nature will be reflected in many of the choices you make in the coming year. There is a small chance that your tendency to give others the benefit of the doubt could become problematic as others may take advantage of your optimism. Especially in money matters, do not substitute trust for adequate scrutiny. Time spent with friends can be a wonderful resource, but take time alone, too, if you start to become impatient with them. The year ahead will be an important year for thinking through and refining your long-term goals. Precise attention to detail and a strong ability to focus will give you success in all of your endeavors.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Your efforts are likely to be more effective than they were earlier in the week. Forge ahead by building consensus and enlisting cooperation. A romantic new beginning is a possibility through Saturday.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Doing good is never a wasted effort. You can sell anything to anyone now. Finances should be taking a positive turn, and you could reap benefits from an unexpected source.

### HOROSCOPE

Jerakline Saunders

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** An important lesson is ready to be learned. Stand ready to defend your rights, but don't borrow trouble. The rest of this week supports love and romance strongly-enjoy!

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Friends and lovers play important roles. Don't let yourself get caught up in an emotional web of your own making. Be afraid to move forward now, the stars are shining on you and total success is likely.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Make short-term plans to see loved ones and long-term plans for your romantic future. Don't be afraid to move forward now, the stars are shining on you and total success is likely.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** The power of your mind is a beautiful thing, but can be a bit of a double-edged sword. Take care not to bully others intellectually and to avoid broken-record worrying about figments of your imagination.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Your belief in creating a better world will lead you in the right direction. Romantic possibilities continue to heat up. Make

sure you're not too lost in the clouds to take care of business.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You are in a long cycle of creativity and dreams. Make sure your plans are grounded and realistic. With friends, keep things clear to avoid misunderstandings.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Your heart and mind are turning to love. Make time to spend with your beloved for the next few days, if you are not attached, but all means take advantage of every opportunity to meet a new flame.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Moderation may be the hardest thing of all right now - but extremes will probably not serve you well. New vistas can be opened up that will promise improvements in your life.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Feelings could be somewhat uneven, and your sensitivity could make you snappish. Get plenty of rest and relaxation, and just work on staying loose and easy.

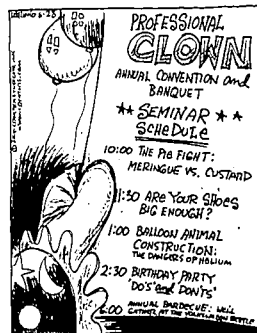
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You are not satisfied with superficiality in any form now. Go deep into your heart - the next few days are important for love whether you are available or attached. Don't let fear hold you back.

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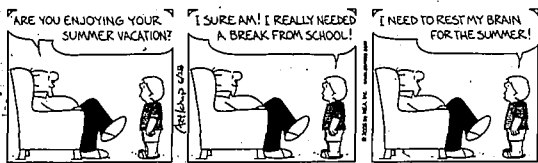
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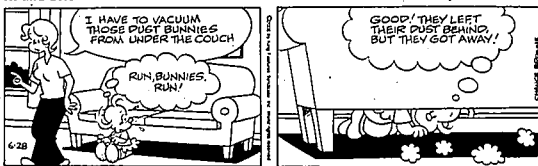
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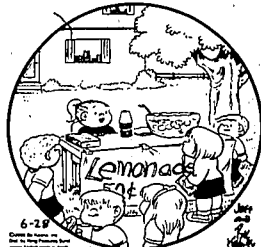
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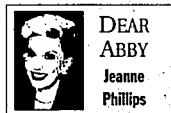
THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



# Gay brother takes a stand by boycotting man's wedding

DEAR ABBY: I am being married this summer to my fiancée of five years, "Beth." I had always assumed that my brother, "Mike," who is also my best friend, would be my best man. Mike is gay.



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Phillips

This woman is in her 40s. Most of my classmates are in their 20s and 30s. Is she mentally unstable or just socially inept? How should we deal with someone who grates on everyone's nerves? I have tried ignoring her and giving her unsuitable hints that she's being out of line. Some of my classmates have talked to our instructors about her and nothing came of it. I'm at the end of my rope. I dread every class I have with her. Please help.

—DESIGN STUDENT IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR DESIGN STUDENT:

You have described a person who is sorely lacking in social skills. She appears to be unable to pick up on the normal "clues" that guide most people's social interaction, which is very sad for her, because if she plans a career in interior design, she will have to successfully interact with many different kinds of people.

You and some of the other students should go back to your instructors and explain to them how disruptive and distracting the woman's behavior has been. If nothing is done, complaints to the head of the department. However, if the problem can't be remedied, you may have to grit your teeth, remember that these classes are not forever, and keep as far away from her as you can.

When I asked him, I was stunned at his response. Mike said he loves me and Beth, but refuses to be part of a ceremony celebrating something for which he is discriminated against emotionally, financially and socially. He refuses even to attend.

Now that I have been forced to confront this issue, I realize my brother is right. Both think he should "get over it," and he needs to accept that it's just "the way things are in the world."

As hurt as I am, I can't hold against my brother his refusal to participate in what he refers to as a "reminder that he is considered a second-class citizen without the same civil rights" as I have.

How can I handle this without turning it into something that could overshadow what is supposed to be one of the happiest days of my life?

—DISAPPOINTED IN WESTLAKE, OHIO

DEAR DISAPPOINTED: By respecting your brother's decision, and reminding your bride-to-be that accepting the status quo is not always the best thing to do. Women were once considered chattel, and

slavery was regarded as sanctioned in the Bible. However, western society grew to recognize that neither was just. Canada, Belgium, the Netherlands and Spain have recognized gay marriage, and one day, perhaps, our country will, too.

DEAR ABBY: I'm in college for interior design. A woman I have many classes with is making class time unbearable. She frequently interrupts the instructor, or says "uh-huh" repeatedly during lectures. It's very distracting. I counted once, and she did it 100 times in one class — no exaggeration.

She also laughs very loudly at things that are not remotely funny, eavesdrops on other people's conversations and interjects when her opinion is not asked for or wanted. Even our instructors are frustrated with her. When we have criticisms of our work — which is quite often — she's rude and uncalled-for in her critique, which is funny because her work is less than remedial, at best.

## Honeymoon's unlucky for history's rulers

You think your honeymoon was a night to remember? Consider Napoleon. His new wife Josephine's dog, thinking its owner was being attacked, bit Napoleon in the leg and he spent the rest of the evening writhing in pain and fretting that he had rabies. Of course, that's nothing compared to Attila the Hun. He got a nosebleed on the night of his honeymoon and hemorrhaged to death.

This day in history: On June 28, 1491, future King of England and notorious lady-killer Henry VIII was born. On the same day in 1997, boxer Mike Tyson was disqualified after biting off a piece of opponent Evander Holyfield's ear.

Trichophobia is the fear of hair. It's true: Idaho has only one area code for the whole state: 208.

The organization with the most members is the American Automobile Association, or AAA.

Besides a horse, did any people survive Custer's last stand? asks a reader. Quite a few, actually. Not only did many of the Indians on the other side survive the battle, but also one person from Custer's party. He was Custer's translator, also a native American.

Reader Alma Gloom asks why a poop deck was called



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS  
Erin Barrett & Jack Mingo

that, and guesses several unsavory theories. Sorry, Alma, but in Middle French, *poupe mer* meant the back of the boat.

Kabuki is the traditional Japanese theatre where all the

roles are played by men. However, it was originally invented by a woman. As a matter of fact, all of the parts were originally played by women until a 17th century shogun decreed it immoral for women to dance in public.

The Leaning Tower of Pisa leans because it's built on spongy sand. Part of the foundation sank after it was built.

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FOOD & HOME

# Pork stands in for alligator

By Marcia Kramer  
The Washington Post

Not to worry, you're not actually going to cook alligator. Instead, slightly more accessible pork loin cutlets admirably stand in for the alligator meat, which we're told has the texture of fish and the flavor of veal.

Fact is, the best part of this dish is the creole sauce. Unlike so many overcooked versions, this one boasts a fresh taste: It's cooked just long enough to soften the vegetables and warm the tomatoes. Each ingredient retains its identity; the red bell pepper especially shines. Serve with noodles to soak up the sauce.

Adapted from "Tom Fitzmorris's New Orleans Food" (Stewart, Tabori & Chang, 2006).

## ALLIGATOR CREOLE

4 servings

- 1/4 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt, plus more to taste
- 1/4 teaspoon ground white pepper, plus more to taste
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup plain or seasoned

dried bread crumbs

- 1 pound pork loin, cut into 1 1/4-inch-thick cutlets and pounded to 1/8-inch thickness (may substitute veal cutlets or boneless, skinless chicken breasts) (see note)
- 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 red bell pepper, cored, seeded and chopped
- 1 rib celery, chopped
- 1/2 medium yellow onion, chopped
- 1/2 fennel bulb, cored and chopped

- One 28-ounce can Italian plum tomatoes
- 1/4 cup dry white wine
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 4 sprigs flat-leaf parsley, chopped
- 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Place the flour in a shallow dish and mix in salt and white pepper. In a separate shallow dish, place the eggs, and in a third, the bread crumbs. Dust the pork cutlets lightly with the flour mixture. Shake off excess flour, dip in to the beaten egg and then coat with bread crumbs.

In a large skillet over medium-high heat, heat the oil until

it begins to shimmer. Add the pork and cook for 1 to 1 1/2 minutes on each side. Transfer to a baking dish and keep warm in a 200-degree oven.

Your off any excess oil from the skillet. Add the bell pepper, celery, onion and fennel and cook until tender, 2 to 3 minutes. Drain the tomatoes, reserving 1/2 cup of their liquid. Add the tomatoes and reserved liquid to the skillet, breaking the tomatoes into

smaller pieces with a spoon. Add the wine, lemon juice, parsley and cayenne and black pepper. Cook just until heated through. Add salt and white pepper to taste. To serve, divide the pork among individual plates and spoon the sauce over it.

**NOTE:** If you're determined to try alligator meat, order online at [www.cajuncrawlfish.com](http://www.cajuncrawlfish.com).


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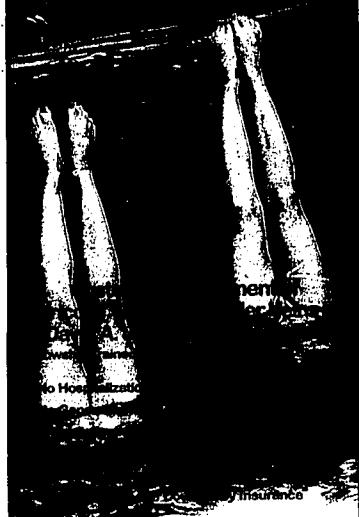


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## Born to be 'eco-stylish'

By Liz Seymour  
The Washington Post

Danny Seo's birth on Earth Day 1977 propelled him into environmental activism at a young age and led to a career as an ecologically conscious designer.

At 29, he's a seasoned self-promoter with a Web site, radio program and upcoming cable television show describing his designs.

Now comes a fifth book from the enterprising New Yorker, "Simply Green Parties" (Callins, \$19.95), with recipes, craft projects and other ideas for what Seo calls "eco-styl-

ish" entertaining.

Here are a few examples:

- Use Twizzlers instead of plastic straws in drinks (gotto like licorice for this one).
- Turn oversize paint chips into place cards. Make a slit about one-third of the way down in a champagne cork to hold the paint chip with the guest's name.
- Laminate your new home's blueprints for an easy-clean tablecloth or runner.

Though some ideas seem tired, silly or both, they have the virtue of being inexpensive and fun.

And the eco-message is a good one.

## EPFX (Electro-Physiological Feedback Xrroid) & Neurofeedback

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### What is the Procedure?

The EPFX detects weaknesses such as viruses, nutritional deficiencies, allergies, abnormalities, and food sensitivities by calculating the biological reactivity and resonance in the body. This data offers an understanding of the

body's possible needs, dysfunctions, and vulnerabilities. The information is much different from those provided by more standard medical tests (e.g. blood tests and x-rays) because these tests focus on the body's energy. Once the EPFX has made these measurements, it then compares these figures against the "norm" and like previous biofeedback equipment, the EPFX feeds back its own frequencies to redress or neutralize destructive wave patterns.

EPFX and Neurofeedback training are not dangerous. Both offer painless and even relaxing procedures. In Neurofeedback, brain waves will be monitored by sensors placed on the scalp and ears. These sensors pass the signal into a computer-based system that processes the data and provides informative feedback. The client watches a video display and learns to make the video display change; movement on the screen is based on changes in the brainwaves. The practitioner assists the client in using these instruments to the highest advantage. Gradually, the brain will respond to the information by learning a new pattern which is closer to that found in most individuals with no disabilities. The outcome is usually positive and long-lasting.

### How Can Quantum Biofeedback Affect So Many Problems?

The brain controls the central nervous system, our behavior and our thinking. It is not surprising that when you improve how your energy gets and gives messages, it can affect many different functions, from headaches to depression. Small changes have always had a great impact on how healing works - from alcohol and drugs which temporarily impair brain and body function, to learning how to play the piano, which is a permanent enhancement of brain function: We know that if we get anxious or scared, there is an instant effect on our body and mind. Quantum Biofeedback helps the brain and body learn about itself and improve its own self-regulation.

We can learn to heal ourselves by processing information feed back to the thinking brain about inside-the-body events. The thinking brain can then learn to give subtle instructions to change these internal activities.

It is recommended that a client train with 10-20 sessions and it is also acknowledged that Quantum Biofeedback can be a complement to other therapies, as well as integrated with other therapies, including prescribed medications.

### What Is the Cost? Does My Insurance Pay?

The charge is \$125/hour. Some insurance companies and HMO's will pay on an individual case-by-case basis. Even though Biofeedback has been around almost 50 years and Quantum Biofeedback (using the EPFX) has been around for nearly 10 years, most medical professionals are not fully aware of the successful research in this area. Currently, there are hundreds of clinicians across the U.S. including psychologists, psychiatrists,

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## Utah drivers and various other outrages

**A**s a native of eastern Idaho, it's my ambition to prove that Utah drivers are the worst in the world. See, it is the perception among eastern Idahoans — and especially non-Mormons from eastern Idaho — that Utahans consider the sixth most dangerous between Tremonton and Riggin to be a vast, trackless colony to be traversed at the highest possible speed.



**DON'T ASK ME**  
Steve Crump

My dad, my uncles and my late father-in-law all would utter astonishingly strident oaths whenever they were passed by cars sporting gigantic fins and blue-on-white license plates (Utah's current orange, brown and light blue tags have been in use only since 1996).

I paid little heed until five years ago when I started dating a woman in Boise (I married her last year). That meant I spent a lot of time on Interstate 84, and it very quickly became apparent that the most reckless motorists were Utahans.

Once between Glenns Ferry and Mountain Home, I was passed on the right by a Utah Hummer doing about 90. I still have the uncontrollable twitch.)

Trouble is, I looked it up: Statistically, Utahans are actually better drivers than Idahoans.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, there were 1.2 deaths for every 100,000 vehicle miles traveled in Utah in 2004. Nationally, it was 1.44 per 100,000 miles.

And in Idaho, it was 1.77 per 100,000.

But then again, all of the accidents that Utah drivers cause here would go on Idaho's tab, wouldn't they?

Besides, Idaho has about 5,000 more highway miles than Utah does. There are simply more roads to run off.

I questioned three of my Utah contacts about this. Two confessed that they always drive faster here than they do at home because Idahoans all act like they're driving turnip trucks.

Ah-ha! The third said he drives faster in Idaho because there are fewer freeway rest areas — and even fewer bushes.

Point taken, but it seems to me that's indicative of an unfortunate colonial mind-set which our southern neighbors are only too willing to exhibit around us.

When I was a kid, my uncle took me fishing at Hawkins Basin Reservoir, a lake about 40 miles south of Pocatello.

We arrived at 9 o'clock, laid out a blanket on the bank, sprayed on mosquito repellent and cast our spinners into the water.

About the middle of the day — 7:30 a.m. or so — a gaggle of Utahans arrived. They backed their huge motorboat into the lake — and then their truck.

There they were, flailing around, scaring the fish, as their rig slowly settled into the mud. The visitors abandoned their truck and their 8-track tape system, which was playing polka music at impressive volume.

I'm not sure anybody has caught a fish at Hawkins Basin since.

My half-brother, who was a policeman in Pocatello, once pulled over a Utah car for speeding on the outskirts of town.

When he walked up to the driver's-side window, the motorist seemed astonished.

"Why did you stop me, officer?" he asked. "I'm licensed to drive this automobile. Down home in Utah you have to have a license."

My brother thought about that for a moment.

"It's good here in Idaho too, sir," he said. "You can use it to drive back into town and wait for the justice of the peace."

"It's gone fishin'."

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# Shores testifies in murder trial

## Defense resumes today with witnesses

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — When Johnny A. Shores hit the defense with his testimony in the Pina murder trial Tuesday, the public defender who had been hammering the jury that Shores is getting a deal for his testimony traded in her hammer for a shovel.

Then she started digging. "We are entitled to inquire what his state of mind is," Public Defender Marilyn Paul told the judge, once the jury

had left the room. "That is exceedingly germane to what motive he may have... to testify."

Shores, 18, was chipping away at Paul's client from the witness stand roughly two weeks after pleading guilty to voluntary manslaughter with weapons enhancement. That charge carries with it a maximum penalty of 30 years in prison.

Paul seemed determined to expose Shores' reason for testifying against her client, Juan Carlos Fuentes Pina, 32. Both

men are charged in the Nov. 29 shotgun slaying of Jesse Naranjo. Shores for pulling the trigger; Pina for initiating the kidnapping that led to Naranjo's death.

At the outset of the witness's testimony, Fifth District Judge G. Richard Bevan told Shores he had the right to remain silent.

Shores chose to testify. Despite numerous insinuations, the defense turned up no evidence of a deal.

Bevan ruled he would allow Paul to ask Shores whether

**Witnesses that may testify today:**  
Philip Warren  
Joel Peterson

anyone had led him to believe he might get a deal for his testimony. Anyone, that is, but his lawyer Greg Fuller.

"Did you get that from the state?" Okay. But, "Did you get that from your attorney?" is inadmissible," Bevan ruled. He said it would violate Shores' confidentiality with his lawyer.

Paul's cross-examination of Shores followed his delivery

**Coming up**  
Dennis Pullin, Twin Falls police  
Debbie Heck  
Philip Fleger

of testimony that scathed the defense far more than the handful of other testimonies. He had provided the only complete, firsthand account of Pina's alleged crime. Shores was the curtain closer. After him, the state planned to call no more witnesses.

Shores' story began with Pina standing over Naranjo wielding a shotgun and

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## ATV crash sends two to hospital

By Nats Poppino  
Times-News writer

**SHOSHONE** — Two people were treated at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a pickup truck hit an ATV near Shoshone.

Heather Dawn Sant, the 24-year-old driver of the red 1992 Nissan pickup, and the unknown driver of the ATV were treated in the MVRMC emergency room for injuries following the crash shortly after 2 p.m. Tuesday. The crash happened at Four Brothers Farms at 420 N 250 W in Lincoln County, said Rick Ohnsman, Idaho State Police public information officer.

The crash highlights the problem with driving ATVs on roads, Ohnsman said.

The vehicles are not street-legal unless they sport a license plate, meet height requirements and have proper lighting, among other things. Those factors can also cause deadlier crashes when ATVs are involved.

"It is possible for them to be legal under certain circumstances," Ohnsman said, "but typically they can't be and they aren't."

## Father faces charges after injury to infant

By Renee Voles  
For the Times-News

**BURLEY** — A Burley man has been arrested and charged with felony injury to a child and aggravated battery following a June 19 incident in which a six-week-old child was brought to the hospital with a broken femur.

The father, Jonathan Hooker, 20, told officers he was changing the baby's diaper when the child's leg "popped," according to a press release issued by Cassia County Sheriff Jim Higenes.

Hooker said he felt the baby's leg and it was "crackling like the knee," so he called his father-in-law to come and take them to the hospital.

Hooker told officers he thought the infant had a bone disease. He said he had the same thing happen to him when he was an infant, but later admitted to his father that he had lied to police about that.

After interviewing Hooker and his wife, officers also interviewed medical personnel who cared for the infant and Hooker's father, who told officer that Hooker said while he was changing the baby, the infant twisted and he tried to grab the leg.

Health and Welfare officials determined the child was in imminent danger and removed him from the home, placing him in foster care after Hooker's wife said her husband has a temper and has often handled the baby in a manner which she felt was too rough, the release said.

## A SENSE OF DIRECTION



J.L. Dye, with the Idaho Transportation Department, paints arrows Tuesday on Addison Avenue West in Twin Falls. Today's forecast for the Magic Valley is a high in the low 50s with clear skies.

## Airport seeks to fill two board vacancies

Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — The Joslin Field, Magic Valley Airport Advisory Board is looking to fill two vacancies.

The positions include one county and one city board member, which will be opening in September.

The positions are for three-year terms. Representatives must live in the city or county of Twin Falls.

The Airport Board holds lunch meetings at the airport the first Tuesday of each month to discuss issues concerning the operation and development of the airport.

Applicants should complete an application and return it to the Magic Valley Airport by Friday July 28.

For applications and inquiries call the airport at 733-5215 ext. 0.

## I-84 crash kills two

Times-News

**MOUNTAIN HOME** — A head-on crash on Interstate 84 Tuesday resulted in two deaths.

A woman driving a blue 1993 Cadillac reportedly entered the freeway at exit 95 and headed westbound in the eastbound lane, Idaho State Police said.

Just before noon, her vehicle hit a 2006 Pontiac Vibe heading east, killing both her and the man driving the Pontiac.

There were no passengers in either vehicle. Officers are still determining if a third vehicle was involved.

ISP officers are still investigating the crash, and the names of the victims are being withheld until family members are notified.

## Rodents nibble at Idaho gardens, trees

By Nats Poppino  
Times-News writer

**HAILLEY** — A recent plague of voles in northern Nevada isn't limited to that state.

The small rodents, also known as meadow mice, are a nuisance from Twin Falls to Blaine counties. Blaine County extension educator Ron Thuermer said.

"Voles are a nightmare here as well," he said. "We get phone calls on a daily basis."

Voles have a compact See **VOLES**, Page D6

## Have voles? Need help?

Call one of these University of Idaho extension educators:  
Ron Thuermer, Blaine County — 788-5585  
Jo Ann Robbins, Jerome County — 324-7579  
Steve Hines, Lincoln County — 886-2406  
Twin Falls office — 734-9590



The meadow vole is the most common type of vole that eats garden plants and tree roots and is causing problems from Nevada to Blaine County.

Photo courtesy University of Idaho

# OBITUARIES

## DEATH NOTICES

### Elsie Pearl Hamilton

**BUHL** — Elsie Pearl Hamilton, 94, of Buhl, died Sunday, June 25, 2006, at Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 1, 2006, at the Free Will Baptist Church in Buhl. Friends and family may call from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, June 30, 2006, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

A complete obituary will be printed in Thursday's newspaper.

### Alyce Stretz

**BOISE** — Alyce Stretz, 64, of Boise, died Wednesday, June 21, 2006, at home.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Aclasa Chapel and Tribute Center of Boise.

### Helen Hunnicutt

**BUHL** — Helen Hunnicutt, 101, of Buhl, died Sunday, June 25, 2006, at Woodstone Assisted Living in Twin Falls.

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

### Thomas D. Revai

**TWIN FALLS** — Thomas D. Revai, 81, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, June 27, 2006, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary.

### Opal J. Richards

**TWIN FALLS** — Opal J. Richards of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, June 27, 2006, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls.

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

### Nila E. McAfee

**BOISE** — Nila E. McAfee, 96, of Boise, died Monday, June 26, 2006.

Arrangements pending and will be announced by Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

### Dona E. Allen

**WEWELL** — Dona E. Allen, 80, of Wewell, died Monday, June 26, 2006, in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome.

## SERVICES

**Be Theatron of Burley**, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Burley LDS West State Center, 2420 Parke Ave.; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary).

**Lynia Ann Parks of Buhl**, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Farmer's Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

**Florence P. Shank-Sheridan of Bluff**, funeral at 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

**Inez Leon Schmidt of Burley**, funeral at 11 a.m. Friday at Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 Eighth St. in Rupert; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church.

**Donald E.A. Rose of Twin Falls**, celebration of life at noon Friday at the Gooding LDS Church, 1228 Main St. (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

**Merlene Boatright of Centennial, Colo.**, graveside interment at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls; luncheon for family and friends follows at 2:30 p.m. at Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

**FAIRFIELD** — Orville Ralph, beloved citizen of Fairfield, died peacefully on June 24 of old age in Weiser, Idaho.

Orville was born Oct. 9, 1912, in Stillwell, Okla.; to Henry and Irene MacDonald Ralph. He was the next-to-the-youngest among 11 kids. When Orville was young, the family moved downstate as far as they could go, to the border town of Brownsville, Texas, where the Rio Grande River ends in the Gulf of Mexico. They made the move because Orville's dad took a position with the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad.

After high school, Orville attended a two-year community college in Brownsville, and with the passionate support of his older brother, Friday, who was Orville's second father in many ways, made the big move to attend Texas A&M University in 1935. Orville was the first of his family to go to college. Texas A&M was then (and still is) a legendary engineering school. Texas A&M is one of those schools that can inspire a fanatical bond of loyalty among its alumni, and Dad went for it. Up to the moment he died, he was Aggie to his daughter, Barbara, on June 22: "I am an Aggie!" Orville graduated from A&M in 1937, having worked his fanny off and having had generous support from Friday and from a group of anonymous A&M alumni who helped poor students with money and part-time jobs.

After graduation, Orville hired on with Shell Oil and shipped out to Venezuela on a Dutch freighter with a bunch of other newly minted engineers to accomplish Shell's development of a new oil field in the interior of Venezuela, in the headwater basin of the Orinoco River. For the next four years, until Pearl Harbor attacked, Orville acquired the "durable" nickname "Tex" and put the Aggie stamp on Venezuela's jungle roads, well sites, pipeline routes, camps and seismographic exploration lines.

Many years later, he told stories of monkeys, man-eating mosquitoes, natives dressed only in strategically located clusters of twigs (ouch!), attacks from poisonous snakes, payroll shipments in bags of gold coins, airplane crashes, getting a truck high-centered on a giant snake, self-

administered flying lessons, the pilot dropped dead in the tent, a terrible dynamic accident that made his entire seismograph crew disappear, etc. In the middle of all this, Orville contracted terrible and nearly fatal malaria that required him to convalesce for months (on the Shell payroll) in a hut on an island on Lake Maracaibo. (Honest, that's what he said.) Just when he was ready to return to work among the monkeys, he was struck down by appendicitis and had to have an emergency appendectomy performed picnic-fashion by a Dr. Eichelbaum, a German Jewish surgeon who had just fled Nazi Germany with his family and somehow turned up at Lake Maracaibo. Orville remembered Dr. Eichelbaum and his family fondly for the rest of his life, though he had a lifelong fear of anesthesia after that.

Orville's odd four-year camping trip came to an end in 1941 when he returned home to work on the war effort. He was assigned to road and airfield construction engineering in the Canadian Yukon Territory and Alaska. There, he met and dated an outspoken young woman from California — Alberta York — also assigned to war work. Eventually, they moved back to California and were married in 1944 in Sonoma County. Their first kid, Anita, was born there in 1945.

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Aggie heaven there, with hundreds of miles of wildly dirt roads on which to perfect his skills in dangerous driving. Orville quickly burnished his terrifying driving practices to a high art, resulting in two spectacular wrecks that left him perfectly functional but not his skills in dangerous driving. Orville quickly burnished his terrifying driving practices to a high art, resulting in two spectacular wrecks that left him perfectly functional but not his skills in dangerous driving. Orville quickly burnished his terrifying driving practices to a high art, resulting in two spectacular wrecks that left him perfectly functional but not his skills in dangerous driving.

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### Francis Eugene Rick



**TWIN FALLS** — Francis "Bud" Eugene Rick, 68, of Twin Falls, died at his home with family on Sunday morning, June 25, 2006.

Bud was born the second of six children on March 16, 1938, in Lewellen, Neb., the son of Eugene Samuel and Orpha Nash Rick. He grew up and attended schools in Powell, Wyo., and graduated from Powell High School in 1956. Throughout high school, Bud worked at Safeway Grocery and was transferred from Whyton, Idaho, to Hardin, Mont., in September of 1956. On June 21, 1959, Bud married Sondra Ebeling in Hardin, Mont., and adopted her daughter, Reshelle Renae (Shelly), Bud and Sondra had two children, Cathy Ann (1960) and Sheryl Lynn (1961). They were divorced in 1991.

Bud owned a family egg ranch from 1964 to 1970. After selling the farm, he worked for the state of Montana in the GVV division for the next 10 years. On April 1, 1979, Bud began his career with Transystems in Great Falls, Mont. With Transystems, Bud worked in Great Falls, Mont.; Stockton, Calif.; Billings, Mont.; Grand Forks, N.D.; Magna, Utah; Columbus, Mont.; and Twin Falls, Idaho, in January of 2006, health forced him to retire after 27 years. Bud enjoyed working, driving, woodworking, golf, boating and motorcycles. He loved spending time with family and friends.

Bud is survived by his two daughters, Shelly Rick of Chatsworth, Calif., and Cathy Rick of Pembroke Pines, Fla.; five siblings, Darlene (Johnny) Hyatt, Frieda (Dave) Green, Dixie (Bill) VanHorne, Larry (Sheryl) Rick, and Leonard (Revelia) Rick. He was preceded in death by his father, Eugene Samuel (1938); his daughter, Sheryl Lynn Rick (1986); his stepfather, Carl Matthew (1983); and his mother, Orpha (1994).

At Bud's request, there will be no public memorial. A private family interment service will take place at the Fairview Cemetery in Hardin, Mont., at a later date. Arrangements and cremation are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given to Bud's name to the MVRMC Home Health and Hospice. Contributions may be mailed directly to MVRMC Home Health and Hospice or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

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In 1963, Chevron assigned Orville and Alberta to a series of new posts: the Red Wash and Bluebell oil fields in Utah, and then the Scary and Sactico fields in Texas. With the kids now moved out and in school, Orville and Alberta retired from Chevron and moved to new gardening and truck-farming adventures in Espanola, N.M.; Farmington, N.M.; Twin Falls, Idaho; and finally Fairfield, where they bought their house on West Camas in 1978.

Alberta died in 1980, and Orville missed her deeply the rest of his life. Orville became a familiar part of the Fairfield-Camas Prairie community as a surveyor, maker of chevy bread and Rocky Road candy, city council member, county planning and zoning administrator, ambitious gardener, admirer of chili peppers, usher at the Community Church, companion to his devoted cat Pepper, senior center advocate, hummingbird observer and frequent host of spectacular chimney fires. In the 1990s, Orville befriended Ruth Price of Boise, and the two became steady companions and helpmates until her hospitalization and death in 2004.

Orville Ralph is missed by countless friends: his grandchildren, Shane, Todd, Wendy and Jeff; by his kids and kids-in-law, Anita, Marshall, Barbara, Barbara and Bill; by his surviving in-law family, Helen, LeAnne, Carolyn and Chuck. For all of us, he was (and is) a great teacher of his favorite subjects: gallantry, generosity, laughter and love.

Orville's funeral service will be held Friday, June 30, 2006, at 2 p.m. at the Community Church, followed by a graveside Mountain View Cemetery north of Fairfield and a reception back at the church.

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**Carolyn K. Schafer**

**HEYBURN** — Carolyn K. Schafer, 81-year-old Heyburn resident, went to meet her Lord and Savior on Friday, June 23, 2006. She passed peacefully at her home from Alzheimer's.

Carolyn was a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and sister who will be missed by all who knew her. Carolyn was born on Oct. 25, 1924, in McCook, Neb., to Jacob and Elizabeth Walters, who were German descendants who had immigrated and settled in Nebraska.

Carolyn and her siblings were raised in Nebraska and Colorado. During World War II, she worked at the arsenal in Stockton, Calif., as a forklift operator. After the war, she returned home to Brush, Colo., where she worked at the sugar factory. While working at the factory, she met her husband of 43 years, Donald G. Schafer, and they were married on Feb. 21, 1946, in Brush, Colo., and made their home in California where Don pursued his education. Later, they moved to Denver and eventually farmed near Brush, Colo., until moving to Paul, Idaho, in 1964, where they farmed for 16 years. Carolyn worked side-by-side with Don, helping with the farm work and building their home, which the couple built themselves. She often helped by operating the farm equipment and performing other valuable tasks. She



taught her children — by example — the value of hard work and a good work ethic. After retiring from farming, she and Don moved to Heyburn, where Carolyn again helped Don build their home. While living in Heyburn, she took work at Ore-Ida and retired after 10 years.

She loved children and pursued her passions of gardening, reading, candlewick, baking and sewing. She would often make delicious homemade glazed donuts, which she was known for and which her family and friends loved. She loved to sew for her family and spent many hours sewing on a treadle sewing machine. She taught her children how to make authentic German sausage and watched this November last while family and friends gathered to make sausage as per the family's recipe brought from Germany. She was a longtime member of the Trinity Lutheran Church.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Don; and her



children, Jacob and Elizabeth Walters. She is survived by her children, Tim (Kathy) Schafer, Tom (Charlotte) Schafer and Ron (Cindy) Schafer, all of Boise, Debbie (Gary) Kniep of Heyburn, Judy (Norman) Taylor of Rupert, Donna Schafer of Rupert and Philip (Sharon) Schafer of Heyburn; her brother, Ruben Walters of Rupert; her sisters, Gladys Wickham of Greeley, Colo., and Alma Killeen of Denver, Colo.; 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 30, 2006, at the Hansen Mortuary-Rupert Chapel and from 12 to 1 p.m. Saturday at the mortuary. A graveside service will be held at 1:15 p.m. Saturday, July 1, 2006, at the Rupert Cemetery. A memorial service will follow at 2 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert. Donations may be made to Good Shepard Homes and Lutheran Association of Missionary Pilots.

**Mary Jean Dickerson**

**TWIN FALLS** — Mary Jean Dickerson, 84, of Twin Falls, died Sunday morning, June 25, 2006, at her home in Twin Falls.

Jean was born on July 23, 1921, in Yale, Iowa, the daughter of Everett and Nettie Holloway Hesse. She grew up and attended various country schools and graduated from high school in Pandora, Iowa. She went on to further her education at the Capital City Commercial College in Des Moines, Iowa, where she graduated in 1939. Jean moved to Washington, D.C., and was employed by the FBI as a secretary. While in Washington, D.C., she met and fell in love with the love of her life, Robert Dickerson, while he was serving in the U.S. Navy.

Jean and Robert were married on Dec. 4, 1945, in Washington, D.C. They moved to Hagerman, Idaho, where she became the mother of five children, Dorothy, Jude, Robert Jr., Georgia and Gary. In 1956, they moved to Billings, Mont., where they lived until 1962, when they moved to



Pocatello, Idaho. They lived in Pocatello for 30 years, and in 1992, they moved to Twin Falls. Jean enjoyed sewing, knitting and crocheting, but above all she enjoyed being a beloved wife and mother.

Jean is survived by her husband of 60 years, Robert Dickerson of Twin Falls; three children, Jude Jones of Twin Falls, Robert Dickerson Jr. of Twin Falls and Gary Dickerson of Jerome; one brother, Howard Hesse of Glenns Ferry; and one sister, Dorothy Hendrickson of Hagerman. Also surviving are 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grand-

children. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Bud Hesse; and two children, Dorothy Uhlund and Georgia Anthony.

A graveside celebration of Jean's life will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 29, 2006, at the Hagerman Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given in Jean's name to the American Diabetes Association. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

**Lawrence Lee Ruby**

**BLANCHARD, Okla.** — Lawrence Lee Ruby was lifted up in the Heavenly Father's arms on June 22, 2006, after a hard-fought battle against Parkinson's disease.

Larry was born Aug. 24, 1940, in Hill City, Idaho. He served in the Navy for 10 1/2 years as an air traffic controller. He joined the FAA in 1968 and worked in air traffic as a controller, instructor and manager for 27 years. He then retired in 1995.

He leaves his wife of 45

years, Wanda; his daughters, Laura Lee Parks (Daniel), Sue Ruby-Moore (Ed); his grandchildren, Sierra Avants, DJ Parks Jr., Joey Parks, Parker Moore and Paedon Moore; his beloved mother, Rosemary Lawton; his sister, Janet Tomlinson (Bud); and brother, Warren Lawton (Charlotte). He joins his father, William Ruby.

His remains were cremated. An informal remembrance gathering was at the American legion in Blanchard, Okla., at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 27, 2006.

# Memories Celebration

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# OBITUARIES

## Joseph Leo Wasko

Buhl — Joseph Leo Wasko, 94, of Buhl, died June 25, 2006, at his home in Buhl.

He was born June 19, 1912, in Georgetown, Vermillion County, Ill., to Frank M. and Mary Catherine (Chantowski) Wasko. He was the eighth of 11 children born to the Wasko family. Joe grew up and attended schools in Arkansas, where he later took up the blacksmithing trade in Kingstown. After moving to Idaho in 1936, he worked in a blacksmith shop in Castleford in 1937. There he met Dorothy O. Gilmore; they were married in Soladad, Calif., in June of 1939. Joe worked in the shipyards in the Oakland area during World War II. In 1945, Joe, Dorothy and their children returned to Idaho. He opened Joe's Blacksmith Shop in Buhl on the Castleford Road corner, operating it until his retirement in 1976. Dorothy died in 1958, leaving Joe with six young children.



Columbus Family of the Year in 1999.

In 1962, Joe married Shirley Agnes (Hollinger) Kaercher, a young widow who also had six children. Their large family has enjoyed many wonderful years, as one. Joe and Shirley recently celebrated their 44th anniversary. A lifelong member of the Catholic Church, Joe was a 70-year member of the Knights of Columbus, being a founding member of the 4th Degree of the Fr. Wersberger Church of the Buhl and Shirley were honored as the Knights of

live was a man of prayer and lived his life accordingly. When he went elk hunting, he would sit on a stump and say the rosary; in his own words, Joe prayed, "to do the right thing, not what I wanted or not." Joe once was a member of the Moose Lodge and Larrievie Grange; he was also on the board for the Catholic Church Building Board in Buhl. He enjoyed bowling, hunting,

fishing, playing cards and being around family. One of his favorite hobbies was inventing new tools. He was a very kind, gentle man that was loved by everyone and was always willing to help anyone. Surviving are his wife, Shirley of Buhl; his children, Leo (Joannie) Wasko of Virginia Beach, Wash., Kris (Carl) Geyer of Mill Creek, Wash., Marcin (Debra) Kaercher and Diana Kaercher Nichols of Seattle, Wash., Rick (Karen) Kaercher of Maple Valley, Wash., Doug (Sherry) Wasko of Stayton, Ore., Mike (Jenette) Wasko of Newport, Idaho, Marie (Mike) Heath of Buhl, Margaret Norris of Boise, Florence (John) Ostrander of Twin Falls, and Ron Kaercher of Arkansas. He is survived by one brother, Ted Wasko of Kimberly; two sisters, Francis (Don) Iuszczyk, Elizabeth (Don) Reinke of Dearborn; 26 grandchildren and a number of great-grandchildren. Family

members who are deceased include a son, Terry Kaercher; his parents; brothers, Greg, Steve, George, Louis, Frank, Servac (Edwards) or Lou, John, Andrew; sisters, Magglelena, Sr. Margaret, Julia Morgan, Victoria Campmell, Mary Surgis, Anne Iacubka; grandchildren, Sidra Lord, Ryan Wiggles; and great-grandchild, Hunter. Dad, we will miss you always.

The rosary will be cited 7 p.m. Thursday, June 29, 2006. The Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 a.m. June 30, 2006, both at the Immaculate Conception Church in Buhl. At the family's request, no public viewing will be held. Memorials may be made to the Castleford ORU or the scholarship fund at the Immaculate Conception Church. The funeral is under the direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

## Minnie Beeson

Filler — Minnie (Stewart) Beeson, age 89, of Filer, passed away Monday, June 26, 2006, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Minnie was born in Cronwell, Conn., on Aug. 1, 1916, to Elsie and Earl Hayercraft. She married William Stewart and moved to Michigan. She had three children, Jean Neubek, Wendell Stewart and Ruth Faithful. She moved to Idaho 10 years ago, where she met Lawrence Beeson and soon wed. Minnie had several grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Minnie loved to dance and play cards with her many friends; she made a fine living in Buhl. For the past couple of years, she was living with her daughter in Filer. She was preceded in death



by both her husbands, William D. Stewart and Lawrence Beeson; and her parents. At Minnie's request, she will be cremated and buried in Michigan. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory in Twin Falls.

## Marilyn Jeanne Gardner

Shoshone — On June 25, 2006, Marilyn Jeanne Gardner, 59, passed away quietly with family by her side after a courageous battle with cancer. She knew without a doubt that she was loved by many and will be missed tremendously.

Marilyn was born Aug. 26, 1946, in Belleville, Kan., to Ralph and Mary Bratcher. She was one of three siblings. She lived her life in Kansas, Illinois, California, Colorado, and in 1993, she and her family moved to Idaho. Throughout her lifetime, she had many passions to include crocheting, crocheting, painting, hiking, African vinties, Iris's fishing family get-togethers, Animal Planet, shopping, grandkids and quilting. She is survived by her hus-

band, Jerry of Shoshone; son, Ken Watters (Sonya) of Nampa; daughter, Rhonda Messick (Jim) of Meridian; stepfather, Ed of Gooding; brothers, Wayne (Carol) of Wyoming, Jim (Judy) of Nevada; and her previous grandchildren, Chandler, Jared, Tristan and Skyler. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial service will be held for Marilyn at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 30, 2006, at the First Baptist Church, 205 E. Fifth St. in Shoshone. She wanted people to know that she loved life to the fullest. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society, Demaray's, Shoshone Chapel in charge of arrangements.

## Dodger Dog creator dies at 84

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Thomas Gregory Arthur, the baseball stadium concessionaire whose foot-long Nathan's Hotdog came up short and became the beloved Dodger Dog, has died. He was 84. Arthur died of a heart attack on June 8 in St. Louis, his son

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## UNDERWATER VIEW



Wearing red goggles, Ruben Gonzales, 12, peers through the side of his grandfather's green plastic wading pool Monday, in Pasco, Wash. With all the supervision on hand, Ruben was safe swimming in the inflatable pool.

### No resolution as lawmakers meet with agency over salmon disaster

WASHINGTON (AP) — West Coast lawmakers came away empty-handed Tuesday after meeting with top Bush administration officials in a bid for a disaster declaration to help salmon fishermen suffering from a sharply curtailed fishing season.

Conrad C. Lautenbacher, head of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, told lawmakers that officials were studying the issue but had made no final decision. Lautenbacher said NOAA officials were working "collaboratively" with Congress, a Democratic lawmaker called the meeting "an embarrassment," adding that NOAA officials showed "complete disregard" for beleaguered fishermen in California and Oregon.

"Those guys are morally bankrupt," said Rep. Mike Thompson, D-Calif., referring to Lautenbacher and NOAA Fisheries head William T. Hogarth. "They sat there and just stonewalled us on all the information we are trying to get. They told us they had no intention to do anything until February," months after the fishing season ends.

Thompson said Lautenbacher and Hogarth demonstrated "a complete disregard for the lives they are helping to ruin. There's a complete disconnect between their cushy inside-the-Beltway positions and the very tough lives that folks in fishing communities are facing today."

Lautenbacher and Hogarth, trailed by a cadre of aides, at first declined to comment after the closed-door meeting at a House office building. But when pressed by reporters, Lautenbacher said, "We are still working. We want to work collaboratively with Congress."

Asked about the February timetable cited by Thompson and other lawmakers, Lautenbacher said, "I never said that."

Thompson called that disingenuous, noting that Hogarth — a Lautenbacher aide — cited the February timeline, noting that officials need time to evaluate economic data and other information before making a decision on a disaster declaration.

### Voles

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and heavy body, short legs, a short-furred tail, small eyes and partially-hidden ears. Their fur is usually a grayish brown and they can grow to 5 to 8 inches long.

The rodents burrow underground to munch on vegetable gardens, flower beds, tree roots and dry grass.

They breed quickly — females mature in 35 to 40 days and have five to 10 litters of three to six voles each year. The quick breeding serves a purpose, as the species rarely lives for more than one year, according to the University of California's Integrated Pest Management program.

The rodents tend to follow a cycle, Thaumert said, largely dependent upon habitat.

The most ideal home for them may be tall, dry grass, something the desert landscape of southern Idaho has plenty of.

But they are not exclusive to rural areas, and will go after gardens in suburban homes if tall grass is nearby.

"I have them in subdivisions up here," Thaumert said. "Where everyone's lawn is manicured down to one-fourth of an inch, that's not good habitat for voles."

Thaumert estimated there are about 150 voles per acre in some areas. The number likely isn't that high in Twin Falls County, said Richard Kelley of Kelley's Garden Center & Landscaping.

"We've never seen very much of a problem anywhere that didn't border quite a bit of farm area or desert," he said.

Travel north and the story changes. Kelley described jerome as "inundated," and

the Jerome County Extension Office has received some calls about the rodents.

People with vole problems have an array of poisons and traps at their disposal.

Such equipment can usually be found at farm and garden stores, though restricted-use chemicals such as poisoned grain require a license.

Even those may not work, Thaumert said.

"You just can't catch them and corner them," he said.

"The best thing people can do is clean up their habitat."

Residents will only have to deal with the voles for a couple of years, Thaumert said.

"Within a few years, they will die out and mellow again," he said.

Some information in this article came from the *Elko Daily Free Press*.

### Trial

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ended with his own admission of guilt for the shooting that caused the victim's demise.

In brief:

Shores said he first observed Naranjo from behind on his knees. Facing Naranjo, he saw Pina, pacing back and forth looking angry with a gun in his hand — a sawed-off shotgun belonging to Pina with a black bandana wrapped around the stock. The two were speaking in Spanish.

As Shores entered the picture, Pina motioned for Naranjo to kiss Shores' feet.

When Naranjo complied, Shores said, "I nudged him to get back up (with my) bare foot."

Shores told Pina to hand him the gun.

Pina answered, "No, (expletive) this fool."

Shores reached out to grab the gun — gently — he said. "Then he ended up giving it to me," he said.

No sooner had Shores seized the weapon, Naranjo leaped, off his knees and grabbed hold of the gun. After the three men struggled for the weapon, Shores reclaimed possession.

The other two continued wrestling.

Naranjo arrived at the backdoor. Pina slammed it closed (expletive) the day another witness had testified he could not tell if Pina was trying to open the door or close it). From four to five feet behind the pair, Shores pulls the trigger.

The shotgun fires, scarcely missing Pina.

"I was scared," said Shores. "I didn't know what to do and I just fired the gun."

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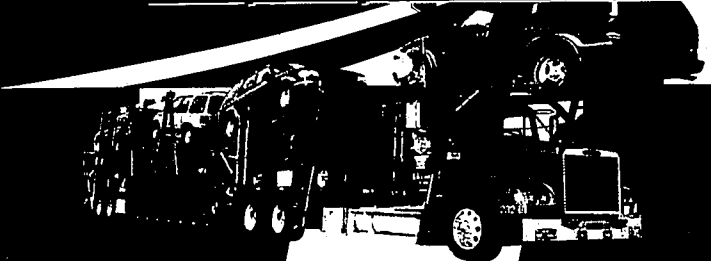
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