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Search continues in river for Bliss girl

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — An early afternoon excursion on the Snake River along Bell Rapids turned deadly Saturday for a 15-year-old Bliss girl.

The girl, her boyfriend, and dog were swimming at 1:30 p.m. in the Fall Hole area below the Salmon Diversion Dam, said Tim Peterson, Hagerman Quick Response director.

Authorities were not releasing the girl's name Saturday night. "We have an idea where the body is but it is in an area that is extremely secluded," said Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough. "We are dealing with steep cliffs and can't get to the area easily."

The terrain is where the river falls into deep canyons, he said, and search equipment would need to be taken to the spot by helicopter. Search and rescue teams from Gooding and Twin Falls counties, the Hagerman Fire Department, and Hagerman Quick Response unit were on the scene.

"We are hoping to have the body recovered tonight and if not we'll start again first thing in the morning," Gough said. Fall Hole, although a popular spot for youth willing to make the roughly 300-yard trek, is extremely dangerous. "It is used a lot, by area youth," Peterson said. "With the high water flows we are seeing this year it is more dangerous

than normal." Vance Gerrish of Filer was at Owsley Waterfront Park, just north of where the girl is thought to have drowned, when rescue personnel arrived. "We saw ambulances and the Life Flight Helicopter come down," he said. "The area they were at is secluded and kind of dangerous."

Into the firestorm

Shoshone dispatch center directs traffic on 10.5 million acres

By Will Sites  
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — In a nondescript building on the southwest side of this small Lincoln County town, a handful of professionals attack one of Mother Nature's most feared elements — fire.

Wildfire, to be precise. With more than 10 million acres of potential hell on Earth, the South Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center has the responsibility of moving bodies and machinery to kill flames from northern Utah and Nevada to the pine forests north of Ketchum.

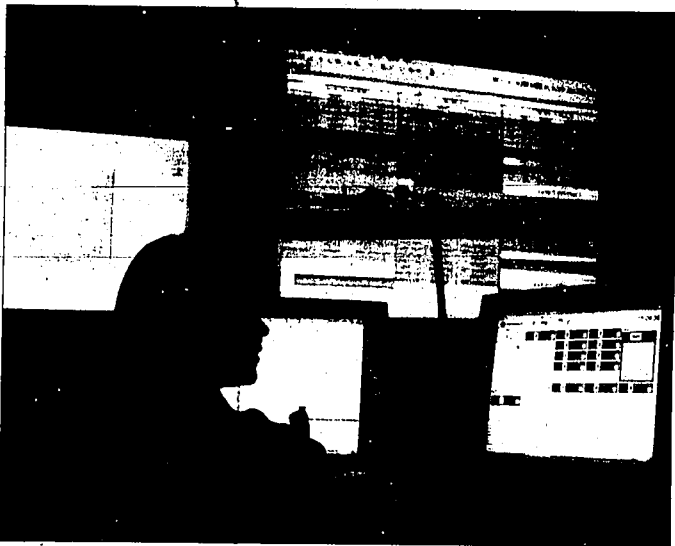
In an area that makes up a huge chunk of southern Idaho's public lands, the dispatch center exists because of one simple reason: it works.

"This (dispatch center) is very efficient because we get the closest forces to the fire," said Hol

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Dispatch center

For more information on the South Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center, go to <http://www.southidahofire.blm.gov>. To report a fire call: (800) 974-2373, (208) 886-2373 or #Fire (cell).



Courtni Klucken, an initial attack dispatcher for the Bureau of Land Management, collects weather data Friday at the South Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center in Shoshone. Weather information is reported twice a day to all engine crews within the 10.5 million acres covered by the dispatch center.

Foreign companies buying U.S. roads, bridges

By Leslie Miller  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Roads and bridges built by U.S. taxpayers are starting to be sold off, and so far, foreign-owned companies are doing the buying.

An Australian-Spanish partnership paid \$3.8 billion to lease the Indiana Toll Road. An Australian company bought a 99-year lease on Virginia's Peachmont Parkway, and Texas officials decided to let a Spanish-American partnership build and run a toll road from Austin to Seguin for 50 years.

Few people know that the tolls from the U.S. side of the tunnel between Detroit and Windsor, Canada, go to a subsidiary of an Australian company — which also owns a bridge in Alabama.

Some experts welcome the trend. Robert Poole, transportation director for the conservative think tank Reason Foundation, said private investors can raise more money than politicians to build new roads because these kind of owners are willing to raise tolls.

"They depoliticize the tolling decision," Poole said. Besides, he said, foreign companies have purchased infrastructure in Europe for years; only now are U.S. companies beginning to get into the business of buying roads and bridges.

Gas taxes and user fees have fueled the expansion of the nation's highway system. Thousands of miles of roads built since the 1950s changed the landscape, accelerating the growth of suburbs and creating a reliance on motor vehicles to move freight, get to work and take vacations.

Israel batters Lebanese ports, roads

By Sam F. Ghatas  
Associated Press writer

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Warplanes bombed Beirut's southern suburbs again early Sunday, witnesses reported, after a day in which Israel tightened a noose around this rich nation with the heaviest air strikes yet in the four-day-old conflict.

The Israeli air force on Saturday hit strongholds of the Hezbollah Shiite Muslim guerrilla group, bombed central Beirut for the first time, and pounded seaports and a key bridge. Then, in Sunday's early

morning darkness, a dozen thunderous explosions shook southern Beirut, where Hezbollah is headquarters and much of the intensifying air assault has been targeted since cross-border hostilities erupted Wednesday.

Hezbollah's TV aired footage showing two long columns of smoke rising from buildings into the night sky. Lights were out across large sections of Beirut because the Israelis bombed power stations and the fuel depots feeding them.

Trying to defuse the crisis, Lebanon's prime minister indicated he might send his army to take con-

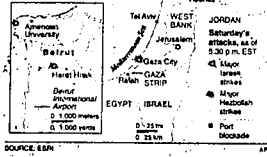
trol of southern Lebanon from Hezbollah — a move that might risk civil war.

In a more ominous sign that the struggle could spread, Israel accused Iran of helping fire a missile that damaged an Israeli warship, a charge both Hezbollah and Iran denied. Hezbollah, meanwhile, fired waves of rockets ever deeper into Israel, and Israeli officials warned that Tel Aviv, 70 miles inside Israel, could be hit. The death toll in the four-day-old conflict rose above 100 in Lebanon, and stood at 15 in Israel.

ISRAELI-LEBANON CLASH

Strategic attacks

Beirut was targeted by Israeli warplanes Saturday, as homes and offices used by both Hezbollah and Hamas officials were hit. Hezbollah rockets continued to pour into Israel. The death toll has reached more than 120.



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Today: Sunny skies, hot and dry. Highs in the upper 90s. Tonight: Mostly clear with mild temperatures overnight. Lows in the lower 60s. Tomorrow: The summer heat continues with mostly sunny skies. Highs in the upper 90s.

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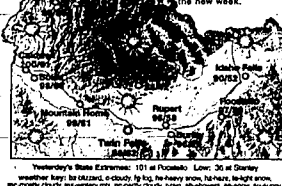
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SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. The weather will be very nice today and Monday for outdoor activities. Expect mostly sunny skies, dry conditions, and warm temperatures. A thunderstorm could develop Tuesday afternoon.

BOISE Not much change is expected in the weather over the next few days. Skies will be mostly sunny with very hot daytime temperatures continuing. No rain is in the outlook through the week's end.

NORTHERN UTAH Other than hot summer temperatures, nice weather will finish out the weekend. Dry and hot weather will continue into the new week.



Yesterday's State Exports: 101 at Pocatello, 106 at Shoshone. Weather: Very hot and sunny, with a few clouds. Wind: Light to moderate. Humidity: Low to moderate. Rain: None. Snow: None. Fog: None. Ice: None. Thunder: None. Lightning: None. Hail: None. Tornado: None. Other: None.

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Weather forecast table for Today, Tonight, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. Includes icons for sun, moon, and clouds, and temperature ranges.

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Today IN THE MAGIC VALLEY

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center dance, with music by the Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m. at the center, 530 Shoshone St. W., 54, call 734-5084.

'Sensational Musical,' a Junior Musical Playhouse production featuring Dr. Souss's Cat in the Hat, 8 p.m., Roper Auditorium on the campus of Twin Falls High School, \$6 general admission and \$9 reserved seating, call 539-2335.

Donald Margulies' drama 'Sight Unseen,' presented by the Company of Fools, 7 p.m., Liberty Theatre, 110 N. Main St. in Halley, \$25 for reserved seating, \$18 for students and seniors, call 578-9122.

CHURCH EVENTS

'Adoration' in concert, a musical group from Hobe Sound Bible College in Hobe Sound, Fla., 6:30 p.m., at the Wesleyan Holiness Church, 203 Madison St., Twin Falls, call 543-6897.

OUTDOORS

Redfish Lake Visitor Center Activities, including Junior Ranger 'The Hunt Is On' at 11 a.m., Rock Shelter Auto Tour at 2 p.m., Campfire at 8:30 p.m. and 'A Night at the Movies' at 8 p.m.,

Dispatch

Parkhurst, the center's manager, "We don't care what color (the vehicle) is." Prior to implementing interagency dispatch, field offices were primarily responsible for sending crews to fires. But that proved to be inefficient, thus the birth of this interagency. "It really expanded in 2001 and the Forest Service joined in 2003 - now everybody's on board," said Parkhurst, a Shoshone native who began his career with the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise. "Everybody includes the ubiquitous federal BLM and Forest Service, as well as lesser-known federal and state agencies and the air force base at Mountain Home. "We also work with the rural fire departments," said Parkhurst.

The typical southern Idaho fire season runs from mid-June to Oct. 1, with an average of 100,000 acres burning before tapering off. But wildfire is anything but typical or average. As of July 13, the Interagency Dispatch Center's logistics expert, Dee Jennings, reported 26,332 acres burned during the current fire season. Last year, one early fire burned more than 200,000 acres. "We had some early fires this year up north of Ketchum," said Randy Richter, the fire management officer (FMFO) for the South Boise National Forest, Twin Falls Ranger District. "We're seeing a pretty active season." And that makes for some hectic days at the dispatch center.

Life at the dispatch center

When wildfires flare, technology and interagency expertise go a long way in determining a course of action. "We rely heavily on other agencies for their expertise, such as fuels, and we load the data into computers and decide then what to send out that day," said Jill Leguineche, a BLM division manager at the dispatch center. Her job is just one of many here

FIRE DANGER TODAY IS VERY HIGH SOUTH CENTRAL IDAHO. Includes a map of the region and contact information for the Interagency Dispatch Center.

Fire warnings are based on data collected from remote automated weather stations that report conditions every hour, which is then fed into specialized software that determines current fire danger levels. "We have some early fires this year up north of Ketchum," said Randy Richter, the fire management officer (FMFO) for the South Boise National Forest, Twin Falls Ranger District. "We're seeing a pretty active season." And that makes for some hectic days at the dispatch center.

Technology helps

Parkhurst, the dispatch center's manager, is quick to note the role technology plays in creating a more predictable environment when battling wildfire. Other than studying vegetation growth and moisture levels every year, southern Idaho weather managers utilize software and strategically placed weather-monitoring stations to determine daily fire dangers. "We use RAWWS, which is remote automated weather stations that report every hour the weather conditions in our area," said Parkhurst. According to a Forest Service Web site (http://www.fs.fed.us/rawws/), RAWWS units collect, store and forward data to a computer system at the national fire center in

South Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center includes: Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, National Park Service, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Idaho Department of Lands, Idaho State Parks and Recreation, U.S. military.

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Roads

Continued from page A1. The Bush administration's plan to let a foreign company manage U.S. ports met a storm of protest in February. But plans

IDAHO LOTTERY advertisement for Wild Card 450, Wild Card 104, and Wild Card 500.

Correction

A story about a pavilion being built at El Miraglo migrant housing complex published Thursday in the Times-News incorrectly stated that welders were using acetylene.

Government, said the government can take over a highway in an emergency. But he objects to selling roads to raise cash. But that is just what Chicago has done. Last year, the city sold a 99-year lease on the eight-mile Chicago Skyway for \$1.83 billion. The buyer was the same consortium that leased the Indiana Toll Road - Macquarie Infrastructure Group of Sydney, Australia, and Cintra Concessiones de Transporte de Infraestructuras de Transporte de Madrid, Spain. Chicago used the money to pay off debt and fund road projects. Skyway tolls rose 50 cents to \$2.50. By 2017, they will reach

\$5. The Indiana Toll Road lease is a better deal, Fosite thinks, because the proceeds will pay for urgent projects such as road and bridge improvements. That need is precisely why cities and states have begun to look to foreign investors. Between 1990 and 2004, people drove 94 percent more highway lane miles rose by only 1 percent. Washington is not likely to produce more money to build roads. The federal highway fund - which will have a balance of about \$16 billion by the end of 2008 - will run out in 2009.



Flames from a backfire approach a home in a canyon during the Sawtooth Complex Fire near Morongo Valley, Calif., on Friday. The 53,000-acre wildfire, which had destroyed more than 150 homes and buildings in Southern California's high desert, was within a half-mile of an 8,300-acre fire in the national forest, authorities said at a morning briefing for firefighters.

# Firefighters battle huge California fires across rugged wilderness

By Jeremiah Marquez  
Associated Press writer

**YUCCA VALLEY, Calif.** — Nearly 4,000 firefighters worked in blistering temperatures Saturday to corral a huge complex of fires in rugged wilderness as authorities found a body in a blackened part of the desert.

The body of Gerald Guthrie, 57, was found by a search-and-rescue crew, said Cindy Beavers of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. Guthrie had been missing since Tuesday, when fire swept through Pioneertown, a former Western movie locale.

His body was found in a charred area at the base of a small hill less than a half-mile from his two-story domed-home, which escaped the flames.

A family member last heard from Guthrie when he called from his 10-acre property and said the fire was close and he was preparing to evacuate, authorities said.

The cause of his death remained under investigation but sheriff's Detective James Porter said it appeared to have been fire-related.

There were no other reports of missing persons affected by the fire, authorities said.

Fire officials reported some progress on the fires, which covered more than 110 square miles in Southern California about 100 miles east of Los Angeles.

A 60,000-acre fire was 50 percent contained, its eastern flank no longer a problem but its western side still a major concern. An evacuation

remained in effect in one area but were lifted in several others ignited by lightning a week ago it rained to life a few days later, destroying 58 desert homes.

An adjacent complex of fires that merged with the larger fire Friday grew to more than 15,722 acres but was 10 percent contained. Crews protected a handful of homes in a canyon, but there were no evacuations.

The fires were burning below the flanks of the San Bernardino Mountains, but as of Saturday were not considered immediate threats to resort communities in the Big Bear Lake region atop the range.

"There is no evacuation or potential evacuations at this time for Big Bear," said Wayne Harringer, a fire information officer for the California Department of Forestry.

Firefighters were being airlifted to the inaccessible western flank of the larger fire or were being driven in and hiking the rest of the way. Some crews were having to camp in remote locations.

Cate Baker-Hall, 55, an artist, said her three-story home burned to the ground. She lost a collection of more than 100 paintings, lithographs and other art, and a manuscript of a book she had just completed on the 1960s British band, The Zombies, she said.

"The house 'is just gone,' she said. 'I'm trying to take the Buddha approach and deal with today. There's only so many tears you can cry.'"

Gov. Arnold Schwarzeneg-

ger, who visited a command post at Yucca Valley High School with wife Maria Shriver, said, their helicopter tour had flown close enough to see firefighters working on the ground.

"It is a huge fire. It is really extraordinary how quickly it has spread out," he said. "And that's why I say it is very dangerous and they have to contain it as quickly as possible."

Fire commander Rick Henson told the governor the threat to structures in Yucca Valley communities was over, but he noted that when the fires merged they began moving a bit north and west, toward the mountains.

"It's really not moving toward Big Bear right now but it is a threat," he said.

Elsewhere in Southern California, a 500-acre blaze in Redlands was 20 percent con-

tained after destroying one building. It broke out Friday night and threatened 100 homes but there were no evacuations.

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IRAQ

# Echoes of an Empire

## Former British air force hub now a sprawling American military base



A U.S. Army soldier walks past a gravestone at a military base in Habaniyah, Iraq, April 30.

By Antonio Castaneda  
Associated Press writer

**HABANIYAH, Iraq** — Lying at the edge of this vast military base, the quiet cemetery of 300 tombstones is a crumbling vestige of the British Empire. Once a Royal Air Force hub, the base now serves U.S. forces.

To historians, the base at Habaniyah, 50 miles west of Baghdad, represents one of many parallels between past and present.

"Older Iraqis remember the British base as a symbol of foreign domination that stoked the country's nationalist movement. Today, Habaniyah's American occupants face similar hostility as they struggle to stabilize Iraq."

"Habaniyah was the focus of the most intense Iraqi resentment toward the Brits," said Professor Rashid Khalidi, a professor of Arab studies at Columbia University and a critic of the U.S.-led invasion. "If you thought (Iraqis) weren't going to resist — when they spent a good part of the 20th century trying to get the British out of there — you're out of your mind."

The insurgency in the western province of Anbar feels of Sunni Arab fear of being dominated by the Shiite majority in the east. Saddam Hussein era. But historians and veterans of Habaniyah's British times detect far deeper roots.

Neil Turnbull, who served in

Habaniyah as a corporal and left on the second-to-last plane out of the base, remembers nearby Fallujah as particularly hostile.

Fallujah was "very anti-British the whole time. They would throw stones at buses and wagons that would pass," said Turnbull, now 69.

Arriving in Iraq after World War I the British quickly ran into resistance. In 1926, in Fallujah, an Iraqi assassinated a senior British commander, Gerald Leachman, sparking a violent uprising against British rule. RAF warplanes crushed the uprising, but Fallujah remained the capital of anti-British resistance.

Today, the grandson of Leachman's assassin is secretary-general of the Sunni Muslim Scholars Association, the influential group linked to the insurgency.

"This is an old-area-with-an-old, ancient Sunni Arab population," said Amazin Baram, a professor of Middle East history at the University of Laifia. "If you hurt them and their interests ... they're not going to like you."

Britain had not come intending to make Iraq a full-blown colony in its vast empire. It wanted access to its oil and its port at Basra to protect its interests in India and Palestine. In 1922, Iraq became an independent monarchy, but then came World War II and the British military dug in, worried that the Arabs were allying with Germany.

In 1941, pro-German Iraqi rebels besieged the Habaniyah base for several days. The British eventually broke through and marched on Baghdad to crush the uprising, but not before encountering stiff resistance in Fallujah.

"Habaniyah has such memories for Iraqis of a former generation. It was infamous in the same way that Abu Ghraib is today," said Ihab Fattah, director of the American Academic Research Institute in Iraq.

There's another echo of the past in the bridge across the Euphrates River at Fallujah, from which a mob hung the charred torsos of two U.S. contractors in March 2004. The bridge was built by the British in the 1920s to move troops more quickly to Baghdad and became a point of frequent conflict.

Complicating matters for the British in the heyday of their empire, and for the Americans today, are Iraqi society's complex allegiances and tribal connections. Historians say many in Anbar have strong cultural, religious and family ties to Syria and Saudi Arabia.

Throughout the 18th and early 20th centuries, Sunni Wahhabis from present-day Saudi Arabia regularly marched through Anbar to attack Shiite cities in southern Iraq. In 1803, Wahhabis raided Karbala and destroyed one of the holiest Shiite shrines.

Five months ago, insurgents thought to be from the same fundamentalist movement



U.S. Army soldiers look at the remains of a historic theater built by the British at a military base in Habaniyah, Iraq.

bombed the gold-domed Shiite Askariya shrine in Samarra.

Since then, the U.S. military has redeployed troops to tackle a wave of sectarian violence, just as the British did in the 1920s, using warplanes and a proxy army to stop Wahhabis raids.

Christopher Morris was a 10-year-old living on the Habaniyah base when his father was stationed here in 1955.

At one point it was the RAF's largest overseas base, with dozens of planes and up to 3,000 Britons, he said. It had an Olympic-size swimming pool, soccer fields, tennis courts, theater, horse racing track, three churches and gardens of roses and hibiscus. Morris was a choirboy in a base church and listened to children's radio programs, including one transmitted from London.

Habaniyah, he said, "was a jewel in the desert."

Christians and Kurds serving as Britain's proxy soldiers lived in a separate part of the base — an arrangement similar to the present one in which Iraqi and American soldiers live separated by barbed wire.

The British era ended when rebels executed Iraq's royal family and closed in on Habaniyah's base. The next year, the British military withdrew entirely, leaving the bases to the new Iraqi government.

"On the day of the revolution, they just took over the camp, took over the armory, the transport," said Turnbull, the ex-corporal, who remembers being pushed into one corner of the camp as rebels took over most of Habaniyah. "They weren't shooting us, but they were hostile."

The abrupt takeover was a shock.

"We thought we were going to be there permanently," Turnbull said. "Everything seemed fine and normal and then the revolution came out of the blue."

Saddam came to power in 1979, and in the spring of 2003, Habaniyah was taken by coalition forces. It is now a sprawling logistics hub supplying U.S. Marines.

British forces are also in Iraq, though not at Habaniyah. This time they serve in the south.

Today, the swimming pool holds murky rainwater. Only one of the churches still stands, stripped of its crosses and converted into a mosque. Propaganda murals from the Saddam era adorn the theater. The headstones on most of the British graves lie in the dead grass. But at the request of British relatives of the dead, U.S. soldiers have cleaned up the cemetery and laid wreaths.

### Rebellion's city

Prior to Saddam Hussein's rule, Habaniyah, Iraq, was once a British Royal Air Force base. Today, it serves U.S. forces.



SOURCES: ESRI, AP

## Gunmen seize chairman of Iraq's Olympic committee in daylight attack

**BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)** — Gunmen kidnapped the chairman of Iraq's Olympic committee and at least 30 others Saturday in a brazen daylight raid on a sports conference in the heart of Baghdad. Armed clashes erupted elsewhere across the capital.

Parliament extended the national state of emergency as at least 27 people

including two American soldiers — were killed in sectarian or insurgency-related violence.

At about 1:30 p.m., gunmen in about dozen vehicles pulled up outside the meeting of the Iraqi National Olympic Committee, police and witnesses said. They entered the conference center, blindfolded and handcuffed participants and bodyguards, hustled them into the vehicles, and sped away.

Those kidnapped included Ahmed al-Hijji, chairman of the Olympic Committee, and the presidents of the taekwondo and boxing federations, according to police Lt. Thamer Mahmud. The bodies of two of the bodyguards were found later, dumped along a street.

The International Olympic Committee in Switzerland, condemned these acts against the sports community and called for the immediate release of the hostages.

The abduction came a day after Iraq's national wrestling team withdrew from a tournament in the United Arab Emirates; the team's Saudi coach was killed Thursday in a Shiite district of Baghdad.

It was unclear how many were kidnapped, though police officials placed the figure as high as 50. Other details also were unclear. Some wit-

nesses said the attackers were masked and wore police uniforms. Others said the gunmen were unmasked and wore civilian clothes. Interior Minister Jawad al-Balouti denied any police involvement.

Nonetheless, the mass abduction illustrates the rapidly deteriorating security situation in the Iraqi capital, despite a much-heralded security plan

for the city unveiled last month by Prime Minister Jawad al-Maliki.

Sectarian killings have been on the rise, and Iraqi politicians have complained that the police and army seem powerless to stop them. The violence has undermined confidence in al-Maliki's government, which took office May 20, and in the U.S.-trained

Iraqi police and army.

Parliament on Saturday OK'd a one-month extension of the state of emergency that has been in effect since

November 2004. The emergency had been renewed every month by the prime minister, but the new constitution gives that power to the legislature.



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# Mount St. Helens reopened for climbing

By Gene Johnson  
Associated Press writer

**MOUNT ST. HELENS, Wash.** — For all the talks interpretive guide Nick Racine has given to visitors about this volcano, standing on the crater rim and watching as the mountain pumps out tons of rock in its own rebirth left him nearly speechless.

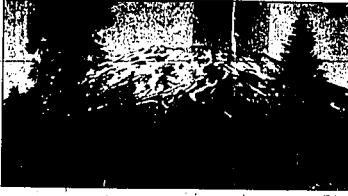
"Holy cow, it's incredible," said Racine, who is normally assigned to the Johnston Ridge Observatory on the other side of the volcano. "It's hard to describe."

Racine joined a group of rangers, scientists and journalists in a five-hour ascent of 8,363-foot Mount St. Helens on Thursday, about a week before the crater rim is scheduled to be opened to climbers for the first time since the mountain began quietly erupting in 2004.

Dust, steam and blue-tinted sulfuric gas rose from the horseshoe-shaped crater left by St. Helens' 1980 eruption, which killed 57 people and blasted more than 1,300 feet off the peak. Near the crater's center, the volcano is rebuilding itself, churning out a cubic yard of rock per second — a rate that could see the volcano return to its pre-1980 size in 100 years.

As the cooled lava reached the top of the bulging dome, it fractured and fell in rock avalanches that sounded like crashing glass. The region's impact volcanoes — Mount Rainier, Mount Adams, Mount Hood — loomed above the distant clouds, serving as a reminder of St. Helens' once-impressive profile.

Then climbing was resumed in 1987. St. Helens became one of the most popular climbs in the country, attracting about 12,000 people a year.



Right: A line of climbers leaves the tree-line of the south flank of Mount St. Helens Thursday on the south slope of Mount St. Helens. The volcano is scheduled to re-open for climbers on a permit-only basis July 21, 2006, after being closed since volcanic activity resumed on the magma in September, 2004.

Above: The south flank of Mount St. Helens is shown Thursday.

### On the 'Net

Mount St. Helens: <http://volcano.wuogg.gov/Volcanoes/MSH/>  
Permits through the Mount St. Helens Institute: <http://www.mshinstitute.org>

But in September 2004, the volcano reawakened with a near-constant drumbeat of little earthquakes. Tourists flocked to the visitor centers to witness the billowing clouds of ash and steam as the U.S. Forest Service closed trails around the mountain.

Since then, the volcano has settled into a pattern of constantly extruding lava with a low gas content, said Tom Pierson of the U.S. Geological Survey. Dissolved gas in lava is what drives most explosive eruptions, so the chances of an eruption sending rock to the crater rim appear remote.

"It's lost its fizz," Pierson said. "It just doesn't contain enough gas that would make climbing dangerous."

Still, the Forest Service cautions anyone who makes the

arduous, but not technical, five-mile hike to the crater rim beginning July 21.

In addition to basic back-country necessities such as a compass map and plenty of water, the service recommends that climbers bring an ice-axe, sunglasses that seal around the eyes to keep dust out, a dust mask and a climbing helmet, just in case the volcano sends rocks soaring above the rim.

The entire south side of the mountain is being reopened to climbers, as are trails through the blast zone on the north side. The crater itself remains off-limits.

Permits are required to hike above tree line and cost \$22 each.

The Forest Service will issue up to 100 permits a day, and reservations can be made on the Internet through the Mount St. Helens Institute.

The most popular climbing route begins on the south side at Climber's Bivouac, elevation 3,800 feet. An easy trail through fir and huckleberries on an ancient lava flow leads to tree line at Monitor Ridge



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Peter Frenzen, a St. Helens specialist with the Forest Service

at 4,800 feet. That's where the scrambling starts, up broken rocks and pumice, through sparse patches of subalpine grasses and flowers, to 7,000 feet, where the trail soon becomes a thick field of ash — like hiking up a steep, sandy dune. When climbers reach the

narrow rim and look into the 1.2-mile-wide crater, the ascent's difficulty is quickly forgotten — especially when they consider that nearly everything they see on the floor 2,000 feet below has built up since 2004.

"Everything in our perspective here is new. It's all been erupted over the last year and a half," Peter Frenzen, a St. Helens specialist with the Forest Service, said as he gazed into the crater. "Everything we're standing on is less than 3,000 years old, so we shouldn't be surprised that this thing can pump out rock."

# Mission accomplished, Discovery bound for Earth

By Seth Roedel  
Associated Press writer

**HOUSTON** — Separated from the international space station, their heat-shielding inspected one last time for damage and all their goals accomplished, the crew of the space shuttle Discovery was ready to come home Saturday.

NASA considers the flight an unblemished success, something the shuttle program hasn't had in nearly four years.

With just a few more last-minute radar data images remaining to be examined, NASA engineers could find no problems with the shuttle heat shield.

They had used several methods to look for flaws over nearly two weeks.

An official, final "good to go" decision for landing is expected Sunday.

Discovery will try to land at a possibly cloudy and rainy Kennedy Space Center on Monday, at either 9:14 a.m. EDT or 10:50 a.m. EDT.

Discovery must land by sometime Wednesday, and if it can't complete its flight Monday, NASA will consider the backup landing site at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

Early Sunday, Discovery's crew will farewell to the international space station, taking pictures and leaving European Space Agency astronaut Thomas Reiter behind for a six-month stay.

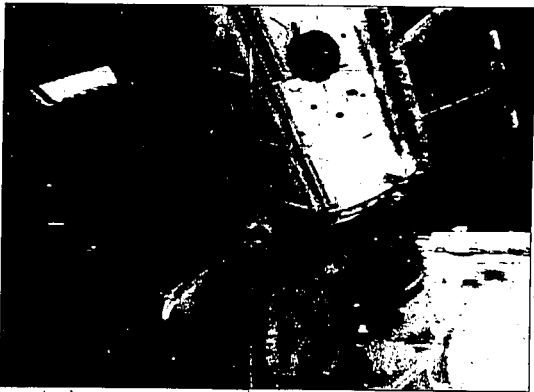
Then, pilot Mark Kelly freed up the shuttle's steering jets, slowly backing Discovery away from the station as the two passed over the Pacific Ocean more than 220 miles below.

"Have a safe journey back, soft landing and we'll see you on the ground in a few months," space station flight engineer Jeff Williams radioed to Discovery.

Discovery commander Steve Lindsey responded: "Thanks, Jeff. We enjoyed it tremendously."

Lindsey said chief flight director Tony Ceccacci.

After moving 45 miles away from the space station, the Discovery astronauts used the



This image made from NASA TV, shows the Space Shuttle Discovery and the International Space Station prior to undocking Saturday.

shuttle's 50-foot robotic arm and its new 50-foot extension boom to inspect the orbiter's right wing and nose cap — the fourth precautionary examination of the 13-day mission. The shuttle stayed close enough to the space station that it could dock again if necessary to await a landing clearance from mission managers reviewing the inspection images.

There remained only one concern that could affect the astronauts' landing plans: a slow leak in one of the shuttle's three units that power hydraulic systems used for

steering and braking.

"There was no way of knowing whether the leak involved harmless nitrogen or flammable hydrazine, so the power unit with the leak will be turned on early Sunday as part of its normal testing and engineers will watch to see if the leak rate changes."

If it does, NASA may burn off the hydrazine and shut the unit down before the landing to eliminate any fire hazard, said John Shannon, the shuttle program's deputy manager.

That scenario was unlikely, Shannon said. But if the power unit were shut down,

the shuttle could land with just two power units for the first time in the spacecraft's history.

The shuttle needs only one power unit to land.

Try as they might, NASA engineers could not find any damage to shuttle heat shields.

The lack of apparent damage was a contrast from the last two shuttle missions. It was a crack in Columbia's wing — caused by a chunk of insulating foam that fell from its external fuel tank — that allowed hot re-entry gases to burn into that shuttle, leading

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to its fiery disintegration and killing seven astronauts in 2003.

Last year's first postvolcanic flight, again involving Discovery, also had unexpected heat shield problems, including more foam hits.

This time the biggest piece of foam to come off Discovery's external fuel tank weighed less than an ounce and was no worry. The most noticeable blemish on Discovery's heat shield was a deposit of bird droppings that triggered more snickers than worry.

Ceccacci beamed Saturday morning as he checked off the goals accomplished for this

flight:

- No shroud problems caused by falling foam.
- Heat shield repair technique, which astronauts could use in case of emergency, was tested.
- Technique for applying heat shield repair patches was tested.
- Repairs were made to the space station's external rail car, needed for station construction.
- Reiter was transferred to the station, boosting its crew to three.

Associated Press writer Mike Schneider contributed to this report.



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NATION

# Statehouse elections get new attention after ruling

By Robert Tanner  
Associated Press writer

State legislators, always the underdog of the nation's elections, are suddenly important.

The U.S. Supreme Court's ruling last month that states probably remain rare even with the high court ruling, since one party needs to control both the legislature and governorship, and the process is exhausting and tends to dominate a legislative session. Not all state constitutions would allow it. But it does open the door, and it means state races can have a much greater national impact.

Statehouse control has seen a shift for the past decade. Solidly Democratic for a quarter-century, legislatures were put into contention by the 1994 Republican landslide.

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ruled that states could conduct redistricting whenever they wished, rather than the traditional once-a-decade schedule following release of new census figures. Texas' new congressional map helped the GOP win statehouse seats. Such shifts will probably remain rare even with the high court ruling, since one party needs to control both the legislature and governorship, and the process is exhausting and tends to dominate a legislative session. Not all state constitutions would allow it. But it does open the door, and it means state races can have a much greater national impact.

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elections," said Alex Johnson, who heads the Republican Legislative Campaign Committee, a Washington-based group that provides help and funding for statehouse elections.

"But the polling also showed that when our candidates get out and get their message out, that beats back the national mood," he said. "If they're lazy, they'll get swept up."

Johnson said the average over the past 30 years is that 12 chambers — either a state House or a state Senate — switch parties. He's hoping to fall only slightly behind and lose a net of one or two chambers.

"It's going to be a tough year," he acknowledged.

States targeted by one or both parties include Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, Oklahoma,

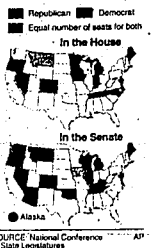
Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Wisconsin.

Democrats see an opportunity driven by the lack of popularity for President Bush and the GOP-led Congress. "There's always a tide," said Fitz-Gerald in Colorado. "You're either swimming with it or against it. This time, I think we're swimming with it." One troubling sign for the GOP is that over the past six months special elections saw 13 seats change hands from one party to the other — and Democrats won 11 of those.

Johnson's Democratic counterpart in Washington, Michael Davies of the Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee, said internal polls show voters identifying with Democrats more than they did two or three years back. "We're poised to have a good year," he said.

### A shift of power

A change of three or fewer seats could shift control in 16 state senates. There are 12 state house elections where power could change hands if five or fewer seats shift.



# Authorities hit the Everglades to catch alligator feeders

By Brian Skoff  
Associated Press writer

IN THE EVERGLADES, Fla., Crusty's days are numbered. The well-known 8-foot alligator has become so accustomed to people feeding him that his demise is certain. Because state wildlife managers worry all this snuggles will make him aggressive, they will have to remove him from a canal along Florida's Alligator Alley in the Everglades and euthanize him.

To keep from having to kill even more alligators, officers with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission launched a three-day undercover sting operation in Broward County on Friday aimed at catching gator feeders in the act.

It's a second-degree misdemeanor punishable by a fine and up to 60 days in jail.

Jeffrey Bush, 43, of Fort Lauderdale, learned the hard way. Officers say they caught him tossing a fish to Crusty on Friday morning.

"I wasn't really trying to feed the dumb animal," Bush said. "I was just throwing stuff at him to get him to move and one of those things happened to be a fish."

Bush will now have to argue his case in court.

"People think that throwing one hot dog in the water, a fish, a piece of bread or an M&M means nothing, but the fact is that act modifies the animal's behavior and now you have a potentially dangerous, feral situation," said officer Chuck Ehrismann. "They start to see humans as a food source."

Officials estimate there are up to two million alligators in Florida, many living in a wetland area that have encroached on their natural habitat. Three people were fatally attacked by alligators in Florida during one week in May.

"People see an alligator as this slow beast that can't possibly take a large mammal. Even though it swims gracefully, it is an animal that in the wild on a 100-pound pressure per square inch," he added.

By 2 p.m. on Friday, only about four hours into the operation, two citations were issued.

Officer Jorge Pino said the alligators may live in a water area that have been desensitized to humans because they are territorial and it could upset the balance of nature elsewhere.

"We want people to enjoy alligators from afar," Pino said. "Just don't jeopardize their existence."

In 2004, more than 7,000 alligators had to be killed after becoming too accustomed to people and too dangerous to leave in the wild, according to the commission. Figures for 2005 were not available.

"These people feeding the alligators, they're actually contributing to their deaths," Ehrismann said.

And Crusty, too, soon will become another casualty of carelessness.

"His days are numbered, no fault to him," Ehrismann said. "It's a shame."



An alligator eats a marshmallow thrown from an aircraft during a tour of the Florida Everglades, in 2004.

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# Even for free, Quantico's metal houses lack magnetism

By Nick Merrill  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The offer was for free houses. Free.

You'd think such a giveaway would be enough to set off a stampede in today's real estate market. But when the houses are made entirely of metal, weigh 11 tons and have to be meticulously disassembled — all 30,000 parts — takers don't exactly come running.

That's what officials at the Quantico Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Va., discovered recently in their quest to rid themselves of 58 houses known as Lustrons. Sturdy, rich in history and heavier than elephants, Lustrons were named for their exterior sheen. They rolled off the assembly line in the late-1940s as a cheap, efficient solution to the postwar housing crunch.

Advertisements touted them as fireproof, rustproof, termite-proof and easily washable with a garden hose. The Marine Corps placed a big order, leaving Quantico with the largest collection of Lustrons in the world.

Over the decades, the two- and three-bedroom ranch-style houses have been as durable as billed. Painted in bright tones of sea green, powder blue and pink flamingo, they appear today like something out of "The Jetsons," a cartoon anomaly on a modern-military base. At about 1,000 square feet, Lustrons are considered too small to accommodate today's Marine families, so Quantico decided to get rid of them.

Clark Realty Capital, the real estate and development arm of Bethesda, Md.-based Clark Enterprises and its partners, has a \$240 million contract to build more than 1,100 new houses on the base. All but two of the Lustrons are slated to go, having outlived their welcome.

"They're quirky and fun to talk about," said Beretket Selassie, a Clark executive. "But they no longer meet the needs of today's military families."

Selassie and other Clark executives worked with preservationists on a plan to save the Lustrons, offering them free through a Web site. There was a detailed application process and a refundable \$15,000 deposit. Clark received hundreds of e-mail inquiries, and its Web site registered tens of thousands of hits. But when the deadline passed in April, Clark had only six viable applications.

Why the drop in interest? As it turns out, the estimated cost to remove, transport and reassemble a Lustron is \$80,000 to \$100,000. Suddenly, free was not so free. Each individual metal part must be labeled and ordered. And if something bends or breaks, you won't find a replacement

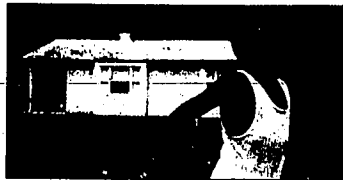
at the hardware store.

"It's not like getting together with your beer buddies" to tackle a weekend project, said Colin Strayer, one of the few preservationists who has successfully transplanted a Lustron. "You're taking a whole house apart."

Strayer said Lustrons were never meant to be disassembled and moved. He estimates that a three-person crew needs four weeks to properly dismantle one of the

houses. That's fine for a jigsaw-puzzle enthusiast or fastidious design buff, but not for someone looking for a cheap portable home. By comparison, a new, similarly sized modular house costs less than \$50,000.

After the disappointment of the initial Lustron offering, Clark elected to move forward with its building plans and recently demolished 23 of the 60 Quantico Lustrons.



Kevoree Ward plays outside a Lustron house at the Quantico Marine Corps Base in Quantico, Va. Over the decades, the two- and three-bedroom ranch-style houses have been as durable as billed but have outlived their usefulness at the base south of Washington.

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By The Associated Press

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**CBS' "Face the Nation"** — Rice; Richard Haass, Council on Foreign Relations president; Rep. Jane Harman, D-Calif.

**NBC's "Meet the Press"** — Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del.; former House Speaker Newt Gingrich; columnist Robert Novak.

**CNN's "Late Edition"** — White House counselor Dan Bartlett; Israeli Vice Premier Shimon Peres; Iamad Moustapha, Syrian ambassador to the U.S.; Sens. Trent Lott, R-Miss., and Dennis Feinstein, D-Calif.; Moussaoui al-Rubaleh, Iraqi national security adviser; Pakistani Foreign Minister Khurshid Kasuri; Russia's foreign minister, Sergey Lavrov.

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NATION

# Online video boom raises concerns over crude clips

By May Wang  
Associated Press writer

As if porn sites and pedophiles in chat rooms weren't frustrating enough for parents whose children use the Internet, now online postings of amateur video featuring skin and violence are raising concerns.

The explosion in online video-sharing sites, where clips of any nature can be easily uploaded for the world to see, has become the latest challenge for parents trying to protect their children and for Web sites coping with obscene submissions.

Carol Klesman, a mother and teacher in Houlton, Maine, enrolled her 14-year-old daughter in a cyberpace club called "Zoey's Room," so the teen could chat away online with other girls in a gated community where all participants are screened.

Imagine then how Klesman cringed when she saw her daughter, 10-year-old son and fourth-grade students recently encounter homemade videos online that included nudity and animal cruelty.

"I don't like that innocent kids can click on stuff like that," Klesman said. "What you view as entertainment as an adult shouldn't be entertainment for 12-year-olds."

Popular Web sites such as MySpace, YouTube, Yahoo, Google and soon also Microsoft Corp.'s MSN are featuring user-generated videos that quickly have become a phenomenal form of entertainment. YouTube, the leading video site that helped catapult the genre with its public launch in December, attracted more than 40 million visitors in May. The company says it averages 50,000 new video uploads per day.

The infectiousness of the video-sharing sites — users can quickly e-mail friends and family to alert them to favorite videos — has created feverish sensations: The uncanny star of "The Evolution of Dance," a comedic performance of different dance styles, has amassed more than 25 million page views in two months to become the all-time most viewed video on YouTube, and the explosive backyard science experiment of melting Mentos candies with Diet Coke has snowballed into hundreds of copycats, remixes and spin-offs.

Within minutes, an auteur's work could be viewed by thousands. At some Web sites, videos garnering the most page views are automatically pushed to a highlighted list or "most popular" section.

But alongside the cute animal tricks, comic sports bloopers and carry lip-synching sessions are extremely weird antics and crude clips of bondage or masturbation. There's a plethora of videos of people yling for some attention and young women flaunting their bodies.

Some viewers, including Ellen Harris of Palo Alto, Calif., consider the raucous posts as an outgrowth of today's culture. "We certainly shake our heads when we see certain stuff, but there's stuff like that on prime-time TV as well," said the mother of three teenagers.

Harris thinks the homemade video explosion is an exciting new form of creativity; her family has gathered to watch some hilarious online clips together. The risky byproducts have simply become another source for family discussions — alongside television and movies — on matters such as sex, violence or exploitation.

Still, for now, she's asked her youngest, a 12-year-old daughter, to stay away from MySpace, the leading social networking Web site, which added video-sharing features this year.

To raise parents' awareness that explicit or inappropriate videos could be accessible to children through popular Web video sites, the New York State Consumer Protection Board last month issued a consumer alert pushing Google Inc. to do more to protect children.

"Parents have a hard enough time policing the Internet without Google Video making it easier to see and to save these types of videos," said Teresa Santogio, the board's chair.

While catering to a mass audience whose entertainment tastes run the gamut, the online video Web sites are aware of the challenges they face in welcoming uncensored clips. They strive to be an open stage for budding musicians, comedians and filmmakers, but they also don't want to drive away offended viewers or advertisers.

"We are concerned about this issue and are aware that it affects most services that make video available on the Internet," Google stated in response to the New York consumer board alert.

One dilemma is that while some videos could be considered offensive or inappropriate for underage viewers, they don't necessarily amount to pornographic or obscene material, which is denounced on YouTube, MySpace, Yahoo and Google.

The Web sites require that those uploading a video sign on an agreement acknowledging the prohibition of obscene submissions, such as pornogra-

phy or nudity. But users who click to agree to those terms can ignore it and post anyway, slipping the clips online for a while before they get pulled.

Those top Web sites all rely on viewers to alert them to objectionable clips — a form of community policing that has been used for years by other Internet stalwarts such as auctioneer eBay Inc. and classifieds ads provider Craigslist.

YouTube spokeswoman Julie Supan said "the really objectionable material gets flagged very quickly" — and is pulled from the site usually within 15 minutes. Supan did not disclose specific figures but said "a small percentage" of daily uploads are removed, including those marked for copyright violations.

But not all flagged content gets pulled. If the site's editorial team doesn't think it violates the user agreement.



Ellen Harris, left, points to a video clip from the web to her kids, Grace, 13, right, Malcolm, 17, second from right, Zach, 15, second from left, at their home in Palo Alto, Calif., July 5.

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## Utah home invasion thwarted by baseball bat

CLEARFIELD, Utah (AP) — A SUNSET man's attempt at breaking into a home ended after the home owner beat the intruder on the head with a baseball bat as he climbed through a window.

The home owner used a Louisville Slugger, with the words "are you feeling lucky," written on it, said Assistant Clearfield Police Chief Greg Krusi.

The beating sent the intruder to Davis Hospital and Medical Center in Layton with head injuries, Krusi said. Daniel Baird has been charged on suspicion of aggravated robbery, a first-degree felony; discharging a firearm at a building, a third-degree felony; and a class B misdemeanor assault because he allegedly punched a woman in the face at an earlier gathering. Krusi said the incident

began early Friday morning at a Clearfield home.

Baird was drinking at a woman's home when a fight broke out over his status as a registered sex offender, according to a Clearfield Police Department news release.

Baird allegedly punched the woman in the face and left, but returned and fired a gun at the house, the release said.

By then, the woman was at a neighbor's home. Police said Baird returned to the woman's house, but left.

He then went to another neighbor's home with a hatchet and knocked on the door, the release said. Baird then tried to enter through a window and was promptly beaten with the baseball bat, the release said.

It wasn't until Baird was hit over the head with the bat that police were called, Krusi said.

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## Finding new life for Albion's normal school

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**ALBION** — The rural community of Albion, hidden in the hills of Cassia County, was a college town during the first half of the 1900s.

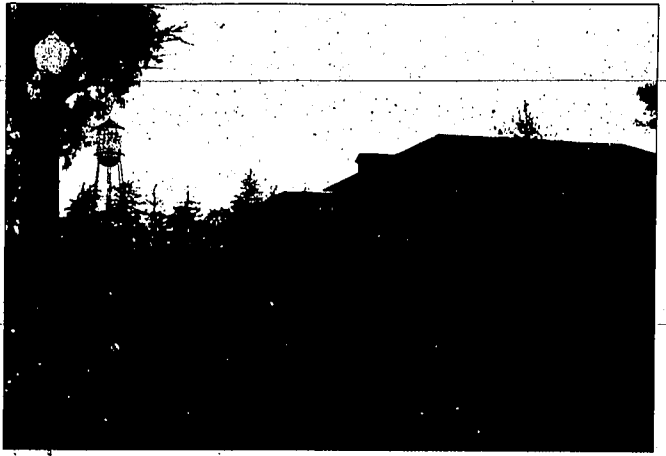
The picturesque Albion State Normal School with its expansive lawns and brick buildings educated teachers. The school produced 6,460 teachers from 1894 until 1951, when the state closed it. Albion residents objected to losing the college, but the responsibility of educating Idaho teachers was turned over to what is now Idaho State University in Pocatello.

Magic Valley Christian College operated the campus between 1958 and 1969. The buildings have been vacant since the Christian college closed. Vandals have defaced the interiors.

Today the city of Albion owns the campus, which was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1980.

Attempts have been made to find the school a new purpose.

The general sentiment of "what a shame" that the collegiate campus sits idle is shared by Albion residents and visitors to the Albion Valley.



Dormitories of the Albion State Normal School are among eight historical buildings on the campus, which the Albion City Council plans to put up for sale. The buildings remain structurally sound but have been badly vandalized.

## Albion City Council sets sale price for college

By Jennifer Sandmann

Times-News correspondent

**ALBION** — Albion City Council plans to put the town's historic teacher's college up for sale with a minimum asking price of \$500,000.

But how much is the campus really worth? It's a question for which it may be hard to find a satisfying answer.

The eight historical buildings of the Albion State Normal School remain structurally sound, many more than a century-old, although thoroughly vandalized. Professional appraisers can't place a value on them, city officials say. An appraisal done a few years ago estimated the nearly 37-acre campus at about \$160,000, but that didn't include the buildings.

The City Council held a public hearing Thursday to hear what residents had to say about selling the campus to the highest bidder. No one spoke for or against a sale.

Many community members consider the campus a grand asset and attach sentimental value to it. It is hallowed ground where their parents and grandparents were educated. If left vacant for another 37 years it could become a liability.

Ultimately, the council held off setting a sale date. Council members want to consider hiring a private auction firm to help the city advertise the sale far and wide. A potential sale date could either be in September or October.

"I would suggest to the council that there is some urgency to this," former Mayor Don Danner said after the



Miller Hall is among eight historical buildings on the campus of the Albion State Normal School that remain structurally sound but have been badly vandalized. The Albion City Council plans to put the campus up for sale.

brief public hearing.

There have been at least four different offers in recent years, he said. Buyers may lose interest if the process

drags on too long, he said. He also questioned the rationale for the \$500,000 minimum when at one time a potential buyer offered \$700,000 for

the campus.

That offer didn't get far in part because the city wasn't ready to sell the campus. It had to follow legal

requirements to sell city property, not to mention proceed with caution since the city has seen its share of snake-oil salesmen and failed ventures.

At least one prospective buyer didn't actually have financial backing, Councilman Roger Jenkins said.

Council President Lynda Anderson said that setting the minimum bid at \$500,000 gives potential buyers more leeway for investing in restoration of the campus.

Councilman Dwight Parlish suggested no minimum bid. The value is what someone is willing to pay for it, he said.

"That's going to show us the real price of the property," Parlish said.

His proposal didn't gain momentum with other council members.

There is at least one local group interested in buying the campus. Albion resident Sharon Hardy-Mills, who is a member of the Albion Campus Foundation, said the organization hopes to open a nonprofit program that turns the college into a family destination for recreation. The group is seeking investors.

"This is my home. I want it to flourish. I want it to have options," Hardy-Mills said.

Her grandmother Althera Hardy was educated at Albion and taught in Oakley for years. Her father, Allan Hardy, was among Albion's final graduates.

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## Work was a family joy for Heyburn woman

By Tessa Tegan

For the Times-News

**HEYBURN** — For Carolyn Schaefer, work was not a chore, but a joy to be shared with her family.

She died June 23 at the age of 81 from the effects of Alzheimer's disease.

She was born Oct. 25, 1924, in McCook, Neb., the daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Walters. Her parents were German immigrants and worked as migrant farm workers. When Carolyn was still a child the family moved to Brush, Colo. After completing the eighth grade, Carolyn left school to go to work cleaning houses to help supplement the family income. When World War II began she left for California to work at the Arsenal in Stockton as a forklift operator.

After the war ended she returned home to Brush and began working at a local sugar beet factory. It was during that time that she met the man she would be married to for the next 43 years. She and Donald G. Schaefer were married Feb. 21, 1946. They moved to California while he pursued his education, but they later returned to Brush, which is where their seven children were born.

In January 1965 they moved their family to an area near Paul. Donald Schaefer had a brother living in the area, and it seemed like an ideal place to

raise their family. They purchased a plot of land, where they placed a single-wide trailer house and developed the surrounding area into farm land.

Nine people living in a single-wide trailer was a little cramped, so they built a home on the land that would allow room for the children to grow. They built the house themselves and operated the 300-acre farm with only the children as extra labor. Carolyn would work out in the fields all day, setting water, driving a tractor or truck or doing whatever else needed done, then come home and cook and clean. She not only taught her children the value of hard work, she taught them how to have fun doing it. She would often help the children make up games to play while working in the fields to help the day pass faster.

"We used to love it when it rained," said her daughter, Debbie Kniep of Heyburn. "We could come in from the fields and Mom would bake and we would play games. It was like a party."

After 16 years, they sold the farm and purchased land in Heyburn. There again the family worked together to build another house. Carolyn Schaefer went to work at Orinda Foods after moving to Heyburn. She worked there for 10 years.

She did a lot of baking, cook-

ing and canning. They had a large garden and nothing went to waste. Even at the end of the growing season she found ways to use up the last of the produce. Even old watermelons would be boiled down to make syrup. She made homemade jams, wine, root beer, and even lye soap.

Even as technology for the home advanced, she still preferred to do many things "the old-fashioned way." Even after she had a new washing machine, she would take her blankets and quilts outside and wash them in the old wringer washer. She never owned an electric sewing machine, but made many

blankets, dresses, shirts and miscellaneous clothing were sewn or mended on an old treadle sewing machine.

A tradition she passed on to her family was making German sausage. Even as the family grew and moved away, they would still gather once a year to make the authentic sausage from the recipe that was brought over from Germany by her parents.

Although she had only an eighth-grade education, she made sure that her children completed school and attended college.

"Education was very important to her," Judy Taylor of Rupert said of her mother.

Carolyn K. Schaefer

Born: Oct. 25, 1924

Died: June 23, 2006

Survivors: Her children, Tim

(Kathy) Schaefer, Tom (Charalotte)

Schaefer and Ron (Cindy) Schaefer,

all of Boise, Debbie (Gary) Kniep of Heyburn, Judy (Norman) Taylor

of Rupert, Donna Schaefer of Rupert and Philip (Sharon) Schaefer of

Heyburn; her brother, Ruben Walters of Rupert; her sisters, Gladys

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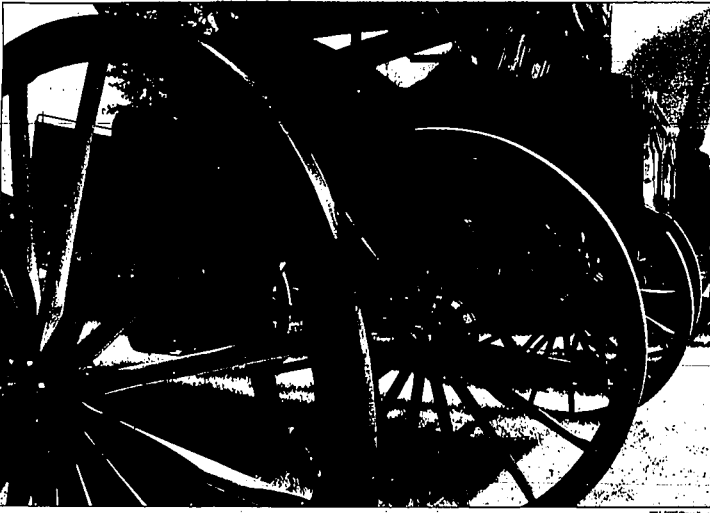
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# Forest Service will let wildfires burn in N. Idaho backcountry

**CÓEUR D'ALENE (AP)** — The U.S. Forest Service has drafted a plan that would allow fires to burn freely in northern Idaho this summer — a departure from past years, when firefighters quickly snuffed out blazes in the Bitterroot Mountain backcountry.

If lightning sparks blazes on 86,500 acres of the 2.5 million-acre Idaho Panhandle National Forests, the agency will allow those naturally caused wildfires to burn.

Mark Grant, fire management officer for the forests, told The Spokesman-Review newspaper in Spokane.

The largely roadless area is south of the St. Joe River and includes the rugged Mellard-Larkins Pioneer Area.

The plan is expected to rejuvenate wildlife habitat in the remote headwaters of the St. Joe River. Wildfires will also thin undergrowth, making the forest less prone to erupt in massive, uncontrollable fires, Grant said.

"Sooner or later it's going to burn," he said. "If you let it burn under conditions that are more favorable, it gives you fuel breaks later on. Those burns act as barriers."

But the plan unnerved officials in nearby Shoshone County. One lightning strike is enough to cause a fire that could wipe out tens of thousands of acres, as well as homes and bridges.

Jon Cantamessa said.

He pointed to aggressive fires in 1910 that burned much of the county, including the city of Wallace, into a charred moonscape.

"Everything Mother Nature does isn't always good," he said. "I don't subscribe to the idea you can always control (fire) when you decide to."

The new policy applies to less than 4 percent of the forests, but it remains a dramatic shift in policy.

For the past century, the Forest Service has been largely successful in battling fires on a national level. Last year, lightning ignited dozens of fires in these forests, but an aggressive policy of suppression contained the damage to only 46 acres, according to agency records.

The region's vast forests once were shaped and defined by a natural cycle of fire and regrowth.

In recent years, the agency has come to understand that successful suppression set the stage for even bigger fires by allowing underbrush and other fire-fanning fuels to build up, he said.

Under the new plan, the agency will allow lightning-caused fire to burn only after fire managers conduct a complicated risk-assessment procedure, Grant said.

Within the first eight hours, they will consider such factors as weather, topography and the proximity of dwellings.

"This is something brand-new for the Idaho Panhandle," he said. "We wanted to start in an area we could be confident we'd be successful."

In the next few years, the Forest Service hopes to expand the policy to include the Scotchman Peaks near Sandpoint and the Salmopriest area northwest of Priest Lake, he said.

The areas are already designated as recommended wilderness, which means logging and road-building are off-limits.

"We'll move forward and expand at a reasonable pace," Grant said.

# Bonner County orders property valuation rollback

**SANDPOINT (AP)** — Bonner County commissioners thwarted a wave of discontent over rising property valuations by rolling back this year's assessments to 2005 values — effectively canceling months of work by the assessor's office.

The commissioners, acting as the Board of Equalization for Bonner County, voted Friday to deem assessor Judie Conlan's 2006 county assessments "incomplete and inaccurate."

To do so, the commissioners dusted off an arcane state code that gave them authority to nullify "defective assessments."

In a special hearing packed with more than 100 residents at Sandpoint Community Hall, the board directed Conlan to send out corrected notices to every property owner by Aug. 31. Those revised notices will reflect values calculated in December 2005.

"We one has ever done anything like this before," deputy prosecuting attorney John Topp told the Bonner Daily Bee. "It's sort of like starting a Boston Tea Party, and it could have blown up in the Idaho Tax Commission or some litigation against our county clerk as well."

But the real issue is equal and fair treatment for all taxpayers, not just the few who appealed.

Topp spent the last several days ironing out details of the resolution with Commissioner Karl Dye.

This year, Bonner County property owners filed 2,742 appeals with the Board of Equalization, complaining that their assessments had been excessively overvalued.

The board heard only 400 as of July 11, despite three deadline extensions from the state. In more than 60 percent of the appeals, property owners received lowered adjustments.

"This is about standing up for what's right and bringing fairness and equality to Bonner County property owners."

— Commissioner Karl Dye

lems in re-gathering 2005 data as well as a tight deadline to print the assessments. "We'll work it out," Dye said. "If we need to throw more people at it or pay overtime, we will get it done. We have an obligation to get it right."

Dye stressed that the board's reconsideration was not a personal or political attack against the assessor's office. Commissioners have been at odds with Conlan's office over new construction that the assessor said she was unable to appraise because her office was understaffed.

"This is about standing up for what's right and bringing fairness and equality to Bonner County property owners," said Dye. "Just looking at a lot of facts, we have serious concerns about the accuracy and validity of these 2006 real property assessments."

Commissioner Marsha Phillips said between 90 percent and 95 percent of the 100 appeals filed last year were upheld at their assessed values.

This year, there have been hundreds more appeals and so far, a majority have been successfully overturned, leading to lower assessments.

However, the county's reversal could open commissioners to lawsuits from the state.

Topp — who negotiated earlier this week with the state tax commission and the attorney general's office — said Idaho tax officials were willing to extend the deadline for appeal hearings until Aug. 11.

Dye found that offer unacceptable.

"I'm offended by the state's offer," said Dye. "We know the system is not working, but they're saying they'll extend our hearing period anyway. It's clear to me that this isn't right, and I'm ready to move forward."

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# On slackwater Snake, beavers plague fruit growers

**LEWISTON (AP)** — Fruit farmers near the Snake River say slackwater created by a federal dam built 30 years ago has brought on a beaver plague, with the chewing water rodents destroying apple and pear trees whose replacements take years to bear fruit.

Lafe and Joe Wilson's family has operated an orchard near Alpowa Creek, just over the border in Washington state, for 100 years.

But they say it's been only since the Lower Granite Dam was built in 1975 that they've had to fend off the buck-toothed, bark-eating mammals.

Last week alone, they say, the beavers destroyed 20 pear trees.

And the two men, who run Wilson's Banner Ranch, weren't happy about a story that garnered headlines last week touting a beaver rescue. The Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine successfully recovered an injured beaver and released it into the wild near Chief Timothy Park at the confluence of the Clearwater and Snake rivers.

"People love these animals. They are beautiful, but when they start causing significant damage they get a little upset."

— Bill Foreyt, a professor at the Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine in Pullman.

brothers said. But when beavers attack a tree, replacement fruit does not return for at least six years.

On Thursday, the Wilson brothers walked through their orchard and counted more than 20 pear trees pillaged and chomped by beavers in the last week.

"The animals also had chewed off the limbs of several apple trees."

"I think they like the red delicious," Joe Wilson said.

Beavers were of no worry to Wilson's grandfather, Melton, when he planted the orchard's first seeds more than 100 years ago.

But in 1975, the Lower Granite Dam turned the nearby Snake River to slackwater. The dam destroyed the riparian habitat on the river and the beavers migrated up Alpowa Creek and started eating trees, the Wilsons said.

"You can't even knock out the darn dams but we've been doing it," Joe Wilson said.

Melton, a deer sports-woman for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife in Spokane, said officials where unaware of the Wilsons' problems.

The department does not have a policy of releasing beavers in the area, she said.

"Typically they don't relocate anything anymore in Washington state," Luers said. "With the development, there is just not a lot of places to put critters."

Instead, most beavers, skunks or raccoons that are trapped are euthanized, she said.

But trapping is more difficult today than it was 30 years ago when Lafe and Joe Wilson's father killed seven beavers.

In 2002, voters in Washington passed an initiative limiting the types of traps farmers can use to snare beavers.

Initiative 713 banned the use of leg and steel traps.

Bill Foreyt, a professor at the Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine in Pullman, works as a nuisance animal trapper as a side business.

He said demand for private trappers has increased as the number of pesky animals has

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# Micron case sticky for Idaho officials, businesses

BOISE (AP) — A day after Idaho joined California and 33 other states in an antitrust lawsuit against Micron Technology Inc. and its computer chip companies, some state officials are grumbling that the move will provoke the state's largest employer.

Idaho is lead plaintiff in the lawsuit filed Friday in U.S. District Court in San Francisco. The complaint contends the chip companies conspired to manipulate the number of dynamic random access memory or DRAM chips released to market in a scheme to inflate prices.

New York's attorney general filed a similar lawsuit Friday, claiming the price-fixing operation drove up the price of per-

sonal computers and other electronics.

Idaho's deputy attorney general, Brett DeLange, said Friday the lawsuit is aimed at protecting Idaho consumers, not retaliating against Micron. "We're optimistic an amicable resolution can be reached," DeLange said.

Retiring state Sen. Hal Burderson, R-Meridian, a longtime supporter of Micron, questioned the move.

"I believe the attorney general's office is following the law, but the question I have is the quality of the case," Burderson said. "It's an unusual case and given the volatility of the commodity, I don't know how you can fix the price of computer chips any

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Gov. Jim Risch and Commerce and Labor Director Roger Madsen both declined to answer questions about the case from the Idaho Statesman. Jim Schmit, Incoming president of the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry,

which counts Micron as a member, also refused comment.

The lawsuits follow a long-running U.S. Justice Department investigation that has resulted in more than \$730 million in fines and guilty pleas from four companies — Samsung Electronics Co., Elpida Memory Inc., Infineon

Technologies AG and Hynix Semiconductor Inc.

Micron was granted immunity from criminal charges in this case in exchange for its cooperation. However, the amnesty does not shield the company from lawsuits filed by individual states.

"The case is a nettlesome issue for Idaho. Micron employs 10,000 of its 18,000 employees at its Idaho headquarters. The company wields considerable influence in Idaho's economy and politics."

In 2005, the Legislature passed a bill capping Micron's property-tax bill, to encourage the company to stay in Idaho. Utah, another party to the lawsuit, has a Micron plant with

2,000 workers.

Dan Francisco, a spokesman for Micron, declined to comment specifically about Idaho's involvement in the case.

"We've disclosed previously that state attorney general investigations have been ongoing for many months and we've been in discussions with state attorneys general for a lengthy period of time," Francisco said. "It's our understanding they wanted to get these cases on file as we continue to discuss the potential for resolution."

The lawsuit doesn't seek specific damages said.

DeLange said if the case goes to trial, damages will be determined by a jury based on the evidence.

## 'Mormon professional BMX biker from Ireland' arrested for BYU thefts

### Stopped in Pocatello in stolen car

PROVO (AP) — A 32-year-old man who claimed to be a Mormon professional BMX biker from Ireland was arrested in Pocatello, Idaho, after his former roommates at Brigham Young University said he had stolen about \$7,000 of their belongings.

Police pulled over Joshua Shelley in a stolen car Friday on the Idaho State University campus.

Former roommates in Idaho they were told the same story as those in Provo: that Shelley was from Ireland, a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and a professional BMX racer. Shelley even had an Irish accent, his roommates said.

Shelley's ex-wife, however, said he was raised in Colorado.

Brendan Rowland, who roomed with Shelley in Provo, reported the theft to police on July 8. On Thursday, he was given a phone call from Shelley's roommates in Rexburg, Idaho.

"The students that were

there, the resident assistant, he called me and told me that he had found some stuff that I didn't know had been stolen but it had my name on it," Rowland said.

Police in Rexburg tried to apprehend Shelley at his BYU-Idaho apartment but he fled out a back door when they knocked.

Tips led Pocatello police to look for Shelley on the ISU campus. Lt. Bruce Wheatley said.

The BYU roommates' belongings were recovered from the Rexburg apartment.

"It's never happy when anyone has to go to jail, but it's good if he's not out to get somebody else," said David Lewis, one of the former roommates.

Wheatley said Shelley was arrested and booked into the Bannock County jail. In addition to the arrest warrant, Shelley is wanted on warrants in California and Colorado both related to alleged thefts.



Justin Rogers and his daughter Jessica, 12, look over a burned haystack behind their house Friday, near Hardin, Mont., after flames from the Pine Ridge fire burned up to 20 yards from their home on Thursday. The Pine Ridge fire, consisting of the Pine Ridge and Waco fires, had burned an estimated 84,000 acres on Friday, the equivalent of about 130 square miles; a revised figure wasn't immediately available.

## Gary Gilmore's gun available on murder auction site

By Debbie Hammel Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — The gun that executed killer Gary Gilmore purportedly used to commit his crimes is being offered for sale on a murder collectibles auction site for \$1 million.

Dennis Stilson, a Spanish Fork bail bondsman, says he wants to use money from the sale to open a youth center, but the state would likely confiscate the proceeds under a Utah law that prohibits profiting from crime.

The gun was put up for auction on the site [murdercollectibles.com](http://murdercollectibles.com) Wednesday with a minimum bid of \$1 million and a description reading: "The actual pistol used by Gary Gilmore for two murders. Absolute documentation. Gilmore was executed by a Utah firing squad in 1977 for the shooting death two years earlier of Provo motel clerk Bennie Bushnell. Gilmore also was charged with capital murder, but never tried — in the killing of Brigham Young University law student Max Jensen, a part-time Oregon gas station attendant, the night before the Bushnell murder.

In the country executed after a U.S. Supreme Court decision allowed states to restore the death penalty in 1978 after a 10-year moratorium. His story was the subject of the Norman Mailer book, "The Executioner's Song," which was later made into a movie of the same name starring Tommy Lee Jones as Gilmore.

After the Gilmore case was closed, authorities returned the gun to the owner of the Spanish Fork gun store from which Gilmore had stolen it. Stilson says he tried to sell the

gun for the owner, Gordon Swan, but eventually bought the gun himself in 2002.

Stilson won't say how much he paid for .22-caliber Browning pistol, but says he turned down an offer in 2002 of \$500,000 through a different internet auction.

The gun still has a law enforcement evidence tag attached, Stilson said. He also has the FBI evidence file for the gun and a 2006 letter from the John A. Brown Firearms Museum in Ogden, he said. The director of the museum wrote the letter saying the serial numbers on the gun don't appear to have been altered.

Stilson, 50, said he wants to sell the gun to raise money to open a youth center. He said over the years he's met a lot of troubled teens.

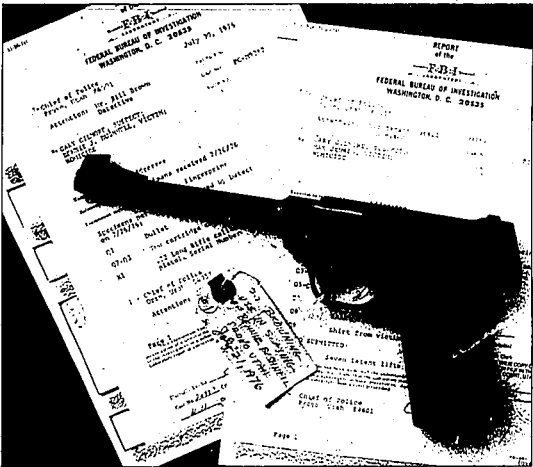
"I want to be the guy to help them. Just give them somewhere they can go to learn life skills, have art and music. Kids need to have something," he said.

Dave Larsen, a salesperson at a local gun store, said the model of pistol Stilson has would sell for between \$250 and \$350 depending on its condition. Stilson suspects the amount is more like \$1,000, but because of his gun's historical value he can't guess at the price it could fetch.

"There's people out there, that if they were aware this gun is out there they'll pay that," Stilson said of his \$1 million minimum bid on the Web site.

If the gun sells, it's unlikely that Stilson would be able to leave the money.

In 2004, Utah enacted a law prohibiting a person from profiting from the sale or transfer of memorabilia that is any tangible property of a person convicted of a first-degree



The gun that executed killer Gary Gilmore purportedly used to commit his crimes, which still has the evidence tag on it, is shown in this January 2002 photo taken in Provo, Utah.

felony or capital offense, said Sharel Reber, an assistant attorney general for Utah.

"According to the law, the money from such a sale would have to go to the Utah Crime Victims Reparation Fund, she said. Anyone caught profiting from the sale of that kind of item could be assessed a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per item sold or up to three times the amount of the profit over fair market value, Reber said.

"It appears he's on notice about the law," said Cheryl Luke with the Utah Department of Public Safety and the attorney who would likely file any case for the crime victims fund.

Luke said she would not file anything official unless the gun is sold for well over its fair

market value.

Stilson said he first learned of the law when a newspaper reporter contacted him about the auction Wednesday.

"If that's the case, I guess I'd move to a state that doesn't have that law," he said.

Stilson has tried to sell the gun before. Once at a Las Vegas gun show. A second time, he established an essay contest offering the gun as a prize for entrants willing to pay the \$108 entry fee. He called off the contest after he didn't get enough entries to merit awarding the gun and returned the fees he had collected.

Stilson has also written a book about the gun called "The Gilmore Gun and I." He said he has recently finished a

second version, "The Gilmore Gun: My Side of the Story." He is looking for a publisher.

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WORLD

# Disputed election has Mexico adrift, and not just its politics

By Traci Carl  
Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — The stock market is dropping. Protesters are marching on the capital. Citizens are lighting candles in hopes of divine intervention.

Two weeks after a still-undecided presidential election, the suspense is testing Mexico's young democracy. The highly respected Federal Electoral Institute is charged with making sure that the tug of war doesn't reverse democratic gains made since President Vicente Fox's stunning victory six years ago ended 71 years of one-party rule.

Mexican stocks have given up nearly all of the huge gains made after the July 2 vote, and the peso, which initially rallied on news of conservative Felipe Calderon's apparent victory, has stalled amid confusion over who won.

Leftist Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, who refused to concede, has given Mexico's electoral court what he says is evidence of fraud. He calls Calderon a fascist, and is demanding a nationwide, vote-by-vote recount.

Lopez Obrador will lead hundreds of thousands — perhaps millions — in Mexico City march to demand that electoral officials review all 42 million ballots cast, something those officials say they can't do. Thousands of his supporters have converged on Mexico City in caravans after scattered nationwide protests.

Some of his supporters have been adorning their windshields with white candles normally reserved for saints, praying that the former Mexico City mayor will reach the presidency.

Calderon is building a transition team and planning a victory tour, even though his 244,000-vote advantage — just

## Evolution of a revolution

Mexico's political evolution began with the revolution in 1910 and the creation in 1929 of the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, that would rule for nearly 71 years. The result of the July 2 elections are still disputed.

### Some historical landmarks in Mexico's history

Sept. 19, 1985 Two earthquakes level parts of Mexico City; opposition parties gain strength	1989 PRI acknowledges an opposition party victory for governor for the first time	Jan. 1, 1994 Mexico joins the North American Free Trade Agreement; rebels seize towns in southern Mexico, demanding Indian rights	July 6, 2003 Congressional elections held
1988 Allegations that PRI stole election prompt demands for fairer elections	1990 Mexico creates the Federal Electoral Institute to monitor elections	December 1994 Peso devalues, forcing U.S. to create \$20 billion bailout	July 2, 2000 Election of Vicente Fox ends years of one-party rule
	1997 PRI loses congressional majority		July 2, 2006 Presidential elections held



under 0.6 percent of the vote — isn't official until the elections court weighs all appeals and issues a final decree.

This week, the electoral court will hold public sessions to sift through claims by both sides of irregularities — including a television juice advertisement whose blue background matching the ruling party's color allegedly sent subliminal messages supportive of Calderon. On Friday, electoral officials from around the country were turning over to the court electoral materials.

Lopez Obrador's Democratic Revolution Party has handed over a nearly 900-page legal challenge claiming the election was tainted by fraud and that his rival's attack ads — including spots that were eventually banned for comparing Lopez Obrador to Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez — were illegal.

Calderon's ruling National Action Party has filed its own appeals using an army of about 1,000 lawyers, most of them volunteers. It alleges human error at 500 polling places, and has also filed responses to Lopez

Obrador's allegations.

The court could uphold Calderon's victory, rule that Lopez Obrador really won, or annul the election completely and order another. Since 2000, it has annulled election results in two gubernatorial races: in Lopez Obrador's home state of Tabasco in 2000, and in the western state of Colima in 2003.

No decision is expected for weeks. The Federal Electoral Tribunal, which handles appeals and certifies the presidential race, has until Aug. 31 to rule, at which point the magistrates will add up the votes that survived challenges.

The court's decision is final, and a president-elect must be declared by Sept. 6. He will take office on Dec. 1.

Meanwhile, tensions are ris-

ing between the supporters of the candidates. Illustrating the divide the race has caused, a local television station recently aired a homemade video of an angry confrontation between a middle-class, middle-aged Calderon supporter and a crowd of Lopez Obrador followers.

The woman, a Calderon campaign sticker stuck to her shiny new sport utility vehicle, was shaking and, some tears, screaming hysterically that the Lopez Obrador supporters were being manipulated by the leftist campaign and that the country needs to wake up.

The Lopez Obrador supporters yelled back that she was crazy, shaking their heads in disbelief and laughing until she drove away.



Electoral officials from around the country have their districts election paperwork checked at the offices of the Federal Electoral Tribunal in Mexico City, Mexico on Friday.

## AFGHANISTAN

### Coalition troops wrest desert town from Taliban

KANDAHAR (AP) — More than 40 insurgents were killed Saturday as hundreds of coalition troops, many dropped by helicopter, wrested a desert town from the Taliban and U.S. forces battled militants across southern Afghanistan, officials said.

The U.S. military, meanwhile, agreed to assist an Afghan government probe into reports that a coalition air raid killed civilians Monday in southern Uruzgan province. The military said the operation killed 40 extremists, but residents said at least four civilians died.

President Hamid Karzai also ordered new inquiries into fresh violence in Helmand province — the air assault Saturday on the insurgent stronghold of Sangin and Wednesday's fighting in nearby Nawzad. At least 29 insurgents died in the two clashes.

Widespread violence across southern Afghanistan has killed about 800 people, mostly by militants, since May, according to an Associated Press tally of coalition and Afghan figures. The bloodshed marks the deadliest period since U.S.-led forces toppled the Taliban regime in late 2001.

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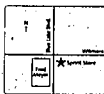
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# Bush blocks Russia's entry into the World Trade Organization

## Presidents spar over democracy at G8 news conference



Russian President Vladimir Putin, left, shares a word with U.S. President George W. Bush at Petrodvorets, a royal palace founded by Peter the Great in the early 18th century, near St. Petersburg, Russia, Saturday.

By Terence Hunt  
Associated Press writer

—ST. PETERSBURG, Russia— In a chilly summit, President Bush blocked Russia's entry into the World Trade Organization on Saturday. President Vladimir Putin mockingly said Moscow doesn't want the kind of violence-plagued democracy the United States has fostered in Iraq.

Alternately joking and poking at each other, the two also showed differences at a news conference on the explosion of violence in the Midwest.

Bush held Israel blameless for its punishing attacks in Lebanon and said it was up to the militant group Hezbollah to lay down its arms. Putin was critical of Israel's use of force and said the violence "should stop as soon as possible."

The two leaders met for two hours before the opening of the annual summit of eight

major world powers, which was expected to focus on nuclear problems with Iran and North Korea and the escalating fighting between Israel and the Islamic guerrilla group Hezbollah.

There was a quick handshaking but little warmth between Bush and Putin during a photo opportunity opening their talks. For the second day, Bush spent part of it mountain biking.

Despite the sparring, there was none of the tension and anger that cracked in Bratislava, Slovakia, 17 months ago when Bush challenged Putin over Russia's crackdown on dissent and retreat from democracy and the Russian president slipping back. After that jarring meeting, Bush concluded that lecturing Putin in public was unproductive. Still, Bush said he offered Putin some suggestions.

"I talked about my desire to

promote institutional change in parts of the world like Iraq where there's a free press and free religion," Bush said at the news conference. "and I told him that a lot of people in our country would hope that Russia would, do the same thing."

Putin, in a barbed reply, said: "We certainly would not want to have the same kind of democracy as they have in Iraq. I would say you quite honestly, I wish face reddened as he tried to laugh off the remark. "Just wait," Bush replied about Iraq.

Putin also said Russia would not take part "in any crusades, in any holy alliances" — a remark seemingly intended to win points with Arab allies. Bush's national security adviser, Stephen Hadley, said he was perplexed by the comment.

Hosting the Group of Eight summit for the first time, Putin clearly wanted to win approval

for Russia's admission to the World Trade Organization, the 149-nation group that sets the rules for world trade. The United States is the only country that has not signed off on Russia's membership in the WTO, and Bush dashed Putin's hopes for getting in now.

"We're tough negotiators," Bush said, adding that any agreement would have to be acceptable to the U.S. Congress.

U.S. Trade Representative Susan Schwab said "significant progress" had been made in narrowing differences over the protection of U.S. copyrights and patents and boosting the sale of American manufactured goods. She said negotiators were unable to resolve a dispute over Russian barriers to the sale of American beef and pork. She said the hope was that the agreement could be completed "in the next couple of months."

# WTO plan reshapes Vietnam

By Alan Sipress  
The Washington Post

HANOI, Vietnam — A pair of eager workers gaze skyward from a billboard at the main gate of the Hanoi Textile and Garment Co., arms raised in proletarian zeal, a tableau of industry unfolding behind them. Bold slogans across the bottom urge worker solidarity and diligent labor.

But if the billboard is a socialist throwback, the front lobby faces the future. Pestoed above the reception desk are the flags of 40 countries with American red, white and blue strategically positioned in the middle.

As Vietnam, one of Asia's fastest-growing economies, prepares to join the World Trade Organization, it is redoubling its efforts to look abroad. The country is making fundamental changes, from the halls of the national assembly to factory floors where row after row of sewing machines churn out trucksets and pants and polo shirts for American shelves.

WTO membership will open new markets abroad, but it also will compel Vietnam to reduce protections for its own companies. "The impact on us will be very heavy," said Doan Duy Khuong, vice president of the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry. "To be stronger, we have to learn how to compete."

Hanoi Textile and Garment, has recently installed new machinery in its spinning and knitting factories and begun retraining its sales staff. It is predicting sharp increases in exports.

"The vast majority of that change has been positive.

The vast majority of that change is still to come."

— Jonathan Pincus, U.N. Trade Program

Already, slightly more than half of what the company produces is shipped abroad, with nearly two-thirds of the exports bound for the United States.

Vietnam and the United States reached a pact on market access in late May, opening the way for Vietnam to join the WTO as early as the end of this year. The bilateral agreement set the terms for Vietnam's membership, laying out specific steps for deregulating its economy and further opening the way for foreign goods and services.

If entry is to happen, the U.S. Congress must also endorse the deal and grant Vietnam a legal status known as permanent normal trade relations. Supporters have been urging a vote before the August recess.

In preparation for joining the Geneva-based organization, Vietnam has adopted a pair of laws restructuring how enterprises and investment are regulated. For the first time, all firms must be treated equally, whether domestic or foreign, state-owned or private. Further laws are being drafted to overhaul the pharmaceutical industry, social

security and taxation.

WTO seems to be motivating quite a considerable amount of change in Vietnam," said Jonathan Pincus, senior country economist for the U.N. Development Program. Entry to the WTO would follow nearly two decades of economic liberalization that helped transform Vietnam into one of Asia's fastest-growing economies. Despite widespread corruption and bureaucratic lassitude, Vietnam's economy has expanded by 50 percent in the last five years.

Vietnam reshuffled its top leadership last month in a move likely to reaffirm that trend while keeping politics under the tight control of the ruling Communist Party. Vietnam's legislators named Nguyen Minh Triet, a corruption fighter and Communist Party chief in Ho Chi Minh City, president in January. He followed Nguyen Tan Duc, an economic reform minister.

As membership approaches, Vietnamese business managers are bracing for potentially unsettling changes. Tariffs on imported goods, for instance, are to be slashed to 15 percent or less under the deal negotiated with the United States. Some local firms are trying to form alliances with foreign companies in order to be competitive.

Textiles and garments are already Vietnam's second-largest export, after crude oil, and could expand substantially along with other industries that rely on cheap labor, such as footwear and electronics, analysts say.



Workers in the sewing shop at Hanoi Textile and Garment Company in Hanoi, which is predicting sharp increases in exports.

The new trade system could fall much harder on state-owned industries that have depended on government protection to succeed and may now face strong competition from abroad. These include pharmaceuticals, cement and fertilizer.

Vietnamese banking, dominated by inefficient, under-

capitalized state institutions, could also come under pressure as limits on foreign ownership are lifted. But Pincus and other analysts said this sector remains small and of limited interest to large foreign banks, perhaps giving the domestic industry a few years to adjust before facing an onslaught from abroad.

# North Korea blasts U.N.

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — North Korea said Saturday that it "totally rejects" a U.N. resolution imposing sanctions for its missile tests, and vowed to continue the launches to bolster its self-defense.

North Korea's U.N. Ambassador Pak Gil Yun accused the U.N. Security Council of trying to isolate his country, known officially as the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, or DPRK.

The delegation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea resolutely condemns the attempt of some countries to misuse the Security Council for the despicable political aim to isolate and put pressure on the DPRK and totally rejects the resolution which was adopted at the current meeting of the Security Council," he said.

# India wants strong G8 response to train bombing

BOMBAY, India (AP) — India warned Saturday that attacks like the Bombay train bombings are jeopardizing its peace process with nuclear rival Pakistan, and demanded an "unambiguous" response from

the Group of Eight summit.

Authorities held randomly frisking commuters, and installed closed-circuit TV cameras at six busy train stations, saying all stations eventually would be monitored.

Investigators rounded up more than 300 people for questioning in connection with the attack on Bombay's commuter train network, but freed most of them later.

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# Stem cell debate has consequences

**WASHINGTON** — The stem cell debate this week on stem cell research is freighted with consequences for the future health of humanity and for the politics of 2006 and 2008.

No deal with first things first, when the House passed stem cell legislation in May 2005 by a margin of 238-194, 50 Republicans joined with almost all the chamber's Democrats in support. The House bill would expand the supply of embryonic stem cells by allowing federally funded research on cells derived from embryos created for fertility treatments or donated from in vitro fertilization clinics. These embryos would be in excess of the clinical needs for infertility treatments and otherwise destined to be discarded. They would have to be obtained with written consent and acquired without any payment to the donors.



DAVID BRODER

Despite all these precautions, opponents say the destruction of the days-old embryos is the taking of human life—the equivalent of murder.

President Bush shares that view and that is why he issued an executive order in 2001 limiting federal funding to the few lines of stem cells already in existence. He has threatened his first veto if the Senate approves the House bill.

Nonetheless, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, himself an opponent of abortion, has yielded to the pleas of the legislation's supporters and scheduled it for Senate debate. Frist, a physician, has said, "It isn't just about life; it's a matter of science," thus siding with the researchers who say that the embryonic cells are far more useful for their experiments than those derived from adults or from other animals. Frist has also scheduled two other bills affecting stem cell research.

One would direct the National Institutes of Health to push ahead on research that someday could yield stem cells without destroying embryos, yet be as flexible in their potential as embryonic cells. And the other would ban fertilizing eggs in women or in test tubes specifically to yield embryos for research.

Debate on the three bills will be limited to two days, and a filibuster-proof cloture will be required to pass any of them. Proponents of the House bill say they will muster that number and they are not fighting either of the other measures so they should pass easily. The odds are that President Bush will carry through on his pledge to issue his first veto on the stem cell bill. Given the narrow margin of Republican control, it is unlikely that both the House and Senate would produce the two-thirds majority needed for an override. So the issue will probably carry over

# Who let the dogs out? Haynes did

**W**hat better time than the dog days of summer to watch a dog-torture advocate get hounded?



MAUREEN DOWD

As three female protesters in Abu Ghraib-style orange jumpsuits and black headscarves stood vigil in the back of the Senate Judiciary hearing room, like the supernatural chorus in "Macbeth," William Haynes was grilled about his willingness to ascend to the federal bench when his main claim to the promotion is complicity in letting Dick Cheney dance a jig on the Geneva Conventions.

The State Department characterizes the use of dogs as an interrogation aid as torture, cruel, inhumane and degrading treatment. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., said to the chairman of the Judiciary Committee, expressing "profound concern" about Haynes and arguing that he promoted policies that "compromised military values, ignored federal and international law, and damaged America's reputation and world leadership."

"The Department of Defense's own investigation concluded that this technique migrated from Guantanamo to Iraq and Abu Ghraib. At least two members of the armed forces have now been convicted under the Uniform Code of Military Justice for using dogs to frighten detainees. It is striking that as our soldiers were prosecuted, you were being promoted. What message are we sending our troops? And what message are we sending the world, in light of your role in promulgating abusive interrogation techniques, like the use of dogs, stress positions and forced nudity. What message are we sending if you promote you to the second highest court in the land?"

They asserted that the policies "fostered animosity toward the United States, undermined rather than enhanced our intelligence-gathering efforts, and added significantly to the risks facing our troops serving around the world."

Lindsay Graham, R-S.C., who is a military lawyer, a member of the Armed Services Committee and is close to the JAG Corps lawyers, is reported to be opposing Haynes behind the scenes. Speaking to reporters, he echoed Durbin's fear that soldiers should not take the fall for superiors' decisions: "We just need to make sure that what we do in terms of promotion, in a civilian, who was part of policies that have led to military members being prosecuted and having their careers ruined, needs to be thoughtfully considered."

Haynes, 48, lamely resorted to the argument that Abu Ghraib was simply a few bad

apples, "the work of the night shift, without any authority whatsoever."

Even as the Bush administration was forced to concede; after being slapped back by the Supreme Court, that terrorism suspects must be accorded the rights enshrined in the Geneva Conventions, W. was trying to reward those who helped shred them. He nominated Haynes to sit on the 4th Circuit court, the conservative Virginia go to court for contentious cases on civil liberties and detention of foreign prisoners.

A group of 20 retired military officers sent a letter to Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., the chairman of the Judiciary Committee, expressing "profound concern" about Haynes and arguing that he promoted policies that "compromised military values, ignored federal and international law, and damaged America's reputation and world leadership."

Republican is willing to vote no, the nomination could stall on a 9-9 vote. If it is reported to the full Senate, the Democratic leader, Harry Reid, warned, "Democrats might try to filibuster it."

When Alberto Mora, the former Navy general counsel, recently won the Kennedy Foundation "Profiles in Courage" award for trying to warn Haynes and others that unleashing dogs for psychological torture and turning America into a law unto itself would hurt the nation, he said this:

"Cruelty disfigures our national character. It is incompatible with our constitutional order, with our laws, and with our most precious values. Cruelty can be as effective as torture in destroying human dignity, and there is no moral distinction between one and the other."


He easily summed up something that the president, vice president and their lieutenants can't seem to fathom: "Where cruelty exists, law does not."

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## This is why a man's work is never done

I need a domestic tranquilly ruling here, fellas. Two years ago, before we were married, I repainted my wife's bedroom. It still looks positively swell, except that I inadvertently got some paint on the baseboards.

Now Victoria claims that because of that, the job is not done, which I find to be just silly.



**DON'T ASK ME STEVE CRUMP**

Of course it's finished. I cleaned the brushes and everything. But this, it seems to me, is yet another men-are-from-Mars, women-are-from-Venus argument. The stature of lionsdins is just longer for women.

When my Uncle Howard came home from the Army after World War II, he and my Aunt Louise bought a house in American Falls. Howard put in a lawn and Louise promptly planted gladioluses.

The glads won prize after prize, year after year, at the Power County Fair, and they were my aunt's pride and joy. Then one summer, Howard put in a concrete carport in place of the old gravel driveway.

He leveled it off, erected a plywood form and summoned the cement truck.

Unfortunately, the driver clipped the back fender of Howard's new Studebaker coupe while he was backing up to dump his load. He turned on the liquid concrete and then went around to check out on the damage to Howard's fender.

An argument ensued, and by the time tempers cooled, the wet cement mixture had lapped over the top of the driveway form and swamped Aunt Louise's glads.

My aunt and uncle were married for 50 years after that, but the last time I visited Louise in the nursing home she was still complaining not only that Howard had ruined her glads, but that he never cleaned up the mess.

By then, of course, the glads, the driveway and the yard were long since underneath a strip mall.

I have a couple of theories as to why women are better at keeping score than men are. First, obviously, they just have better memories.

But secondly, I think females are a glass-half-empty gender. Especially when it comes to men, their theory goes, it's just best to plan for the worst and hope for the best.

Kind of mean-spirited, if you ask me. It was men, after all, who first started but completed the Sistine Chapel, the Great Wall of China and the Mona Lisa.

And so what, if Leonardo daVinci didn't bother to tell us Mona's real name? Undoubtedly, he wrote it down on a matchbook cover, which is in his other silk sheets.

Obviously, all will be revealed as soon as they come back from the cleaners.

Provided, of course, that Leonardo remembered to take them to the cleaners. He was, after all, a guy.

Hmmm. Maybe I'll work on the baseboard on the bedroom next weekend.

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## Roping, riding and smiling

### Friends, family gather for man fighting cancer

By Will Sites  
Times-News writer

FILER — If you were diagnosed with a life-threatening illness and someone threw a party in your honor, how many friends would show?

Hal Peterson found out on Saturday.

"This has exceeded my expectations," said Vicki Leatch of Filer, an organizer of A Day With Hal Peterson, which served as a fundraiser and tribute for a man well-known within the team-roping community. Peterson, 46, is undergoing treatment for cancer. On Saturday, many of his old friends trokked to the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds with

trallers full of team-roping horses and hearts and minds full of memories. And they came from Nevada, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Wyoming and just down the road.

Rob Juker of Gooding said that he and Peterson go back to the days when their fathers raced horses together. "We'd go to the races together and do all kinds of things," said Juker, while standing with several of Peterson's buddies from yesterday. "I just can't imagine that this day could be any better."

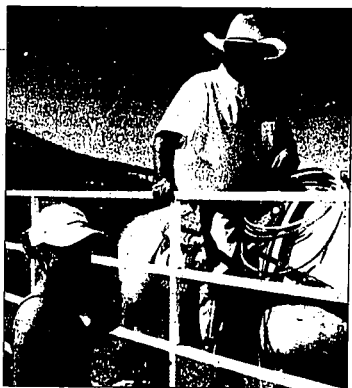
That seemed to be the consensus from the crowd watching team roping, munching on barbecue or looking at the

myriad of auction items that would help raise funds for Peterson's treatments.

But for the most part, friends and family members simply came together to lend support.

"Helping him out financially is the secondary part of this today," said Leatch. "It's a party for Hal and the people he loves and that love him."

Peterson's parents are Harold and Jeanette Peterson, who many know as the owners of the exotic animal farm east of Filer off U.S. Highway 30. Understandably concerned for her son, Jeanette Peterson embraced Saturday's tribute as a testament to the power of supportive family and friends. "The roping community is a



Hal Peterson takes a break from team-roping competition Saturday during A Day With Hal Peterson tribute at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. His daughter, Josie, left, is on the Filer High School rodeo team.

small one, but very, very close," she said in-between handshakes and hugs from friends. "Isn't this great? What a turnout."

What a turnout. Indeed. More than 300 teams registered for team roping, and that

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## Hot doggin' it!



Rob Huse, 37, of Twin Falls and Kasey Jeppsen, 16, of Utah, scarf down hot dogs Saturday at the Magic Valley Mall for a hot dog eating contest. Huse came in second after eating 12.5 hot dogs.

## Out-of-towner is top dog at Twin Falls eating contest

Big gulpers

By Will Sites  
Times-News writer

- 1st: Austin Burroughs, Oregon 15 dogs
- 2nd: Rob Huse, Twin Falls, 12.5 dogs
- 3rd: Jared Nielson, Utah, 11 dogs

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TWIN FALLS — Fourteen-year-old Austin Burroughs entered this city as just another visitor. He'll leave it as a champion hot dog eater.

The young man from Christmas Valley, Ore., beat 19 other contestants Saturday afternoon at Magic Valley Mall by chowing down 15 hot dogs and buns in 10 minutes.

Unknown to Burroughs, several contestants in the chow-down were veteran eat-for-speed racers. Rob Huse of Twin

Falls is a local legend when it comes to quaffing edibles at a record pace.

"I've won four eating contests, including the cow pie eating contest at Western Days and the hot dog-eating contest at the Twin Falls centennial," said Huse prior to winning second place with 12.5 dogs. Huse said that he practiced and was hoping to get at least 10 dogs in 10 minutes.

The hot dogs were provided by Falls Brand, with sales manager Dane Bourquin providing

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Austin Burroughs, 14, of Oregon, accepts his trophy Saturday after winning a hot dog-eating contest at Magic Valley Mall. Burroughs ate 15 hot dogs in 10 minutes for the win.

## Jerome senior center seeks aid

By Brandon Fala  
For the Times-News

JEROME — Imagine a restaurant that loses money on every meal it serves: It wouldn't stay open long.

But that's the situation at the Jerome Senior Center, which loses money on the meals it serves. To help make up the cost, officials at the center are asking the city of Jerome for help.

"Part of the reason I took this job is that I want these programs available for my parents in 10 years," said Kris Shelton, center site manager and bookkeeper. "We want to the city asking for money to stay open."

The main problem: It costs the center \$6 per meal, but it only brings in \$4.02 per meal. Delivering meals to shut-ins also costs more because of rising gas prices.

The center asks for a \$3.50 donation per meal, but only gets \$2.87, according to Shelton.

Uncle Sam pays \$1.95 per meal, so the center gets a total of \$4.82 per meal.

Because the federal government pays for part of the meals, the center must serve everyone regardless of ability to pay.

The center provides about 100 meals each day. There have been more than 5,800 meals served this year.

So far this year, the center has lost \$10,135, according to Shelton. Last year, it lost about \$3,000.

## From Buhl to Madagascar: School donates books to island nation

By Joska Palmer  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Where do people speak Malagasy? Madagascar.

Soon, the children of that island nation will be learning English thanks to a donation of more than 17 hours of books from Poppewell Elementary School in Buhl. The books — and the

prospect of learning English — are motivating students on the other side of the world to stay in school.

"The donation was done through the Shama Foundation of Madagascar. The books were used textbooks that the school was not using anymore, but they remain a valuable resource for elementary students studying English on the other side of the world.

"A lot of the time they drop out of school," said Shannon Capron, who started the foundation with her husband. "So we try to keep the motivated by giving them something to help make it more interesting."

She said this was the first time a school donated materials to the foundation. Previously, it relied on donations from private companies. "The donations have been



really great because the schools in Madagascar, literally, have no supplies," Capron

said. "They have a small room and dirt floor, and that's about it."

**OBTUARIES**

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Grant Lester Anderson**

**TWIN FALLS** — Grant Lester Anderson, 86, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, July 15, 2006, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

**Hilda Eichelberg**

**GOODING** — Hilda Eichelberg, 92, of Gooding, died Saturday, July 15, 2006, in Emmett. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

**Ronald E. Robertson**

**MOUNTAIN HOME** — Ronald E. Robertson, 69, of Mountain Home, died Friday, July 14, 2006, at his home.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2006, at First Funeral Home, McMurry Chapel. Burial will follow at Mountain View Cemetery in Mountain Home.

**Juanita Kinchele**

**RUPERT** — Juanita Kinchele, 88, of Rupert, died Saturday, July 15, 2006, at the Minidoka Memorial Hospital. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

**Alyce L. Wargo**

**TWIN FALLS** — Alyce L. Wargo, 75, of Twin Falls, died Friday, July 14, 2006, at her home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary of Jerome.

**SERVICES**

Nancy A. Major of Buhl, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Buhl Methodist Church, Valley Funeral Home and Crematory in Wasilla, Alaska.

Libe V. Valdez, of Rupert, funeral at 10 a.m. Monday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; family and friends may call at 7 p.m. today and one hour before the service Monday at the mortuary.

Milton Davidson of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave.; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

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**JEROME** — Harold William McNutt, 91, of Jerome, went to be with the Lord on July 3, 2006, in Twin Falls. He was born April 15, 1915, in Canton, Ohio, the son of Harry Edgar McNutt and Edna Leona Perkins McNutt. He came to Idaho as a small child, first to Burwood and then settled in Wendell where he graduated from high school. He was among the first Wendell boys called to serve in the United States Army dur-

**JEROME** — Gail P. Hendrickson, 88, of Jerome, passed away July 15, 2006, at his home.

He was born Nov. 17, 1917, in Glenwood, Utah, the son of Niels Peter Hendrickson and Emma Pearl Bell Hendrickson. He was one of eight children.

Gail graduated from Richfield High School in Richfield, Utah, and attended BYU.

He served in the Texas Louisiana Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

On Oct. 15, 1941, he and Arvela Martin were married in the Mantil LDS Temple.

Gail served in the U.S. Army Signal Corps and Army Air Corps, for four years during World War II. He was stationed in California and India. After the war, he and Arvela moved to Jerome, Idaho, and joined the Jewish cleaning business of his brother, Ted. In 1948, Gail and Arvela opened Hendrickson's Sewing Center, and ran it together until 1986.

He was a member of the Kiwanis Club and served as president. Gail and Arvela served in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, including high counselor in the Blaine Stake, bishop of the 1st Ward, counselor in the Gooding Stake presidency for 14 years, and gospel doctrine teacher. Together, Gail and Arvela served in the

**Gail P. Hendrickson**



Pennsylvania Philadelphia Mission for the LDS church and for seven and a half years in the Boise, Idaho Temple.

Gail enjoyed hunting, fishing, golf and woodworking. Most of all, he enjoyed being with his family. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

Gail is survived by his wife, Arvela Hendrickson of Jerome and their four children, Sylvia (Joel) Lyman of Twin Falls, Ron (Toni) Hendrickson of Jerome, Robert (Lola) Hendrickson of Twin Falls and Mark (Annela) Hendrickson of Bremerton, WA. He is also survived by his brother, Kenneth (Doradean) Hendrickson of Richfield, Utah, 16 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, three brothers and his grandson, Joshua Hendrickson.



The family wishes to thank Dr. James Irwin, nurse Lori Butters, and hospice nurse Jeannie Benson and all the aides who worked to make Gail comfortable during his last days.

Gail was hard-working and enthusiastic, with a positive and cheerful disposition. He will be greatly missed!

A visitation will be Tuesday evening, July 18, 2006, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338, where family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m., and again one hour prior to the service at the church on Wednesday. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 19, 2006, in the Jerome LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 825 E. Ave. B in Jerome, with Bishop Michael Dixon officiating. Interment will follow in the Jerome Cemetery in Jerome, Idaho.

**Carmen Perry Pearson**

*Quiet But Strong*



**BURLEY** — Carmen Perry Pearson, a 90-year-old resident of Burley, died Friday, July 14, 2006, at Bountiful, Utah. He was born May 19, 1916, in Mink Creek, Idaho. He was the oldest son of Perry Emil Pearson and Hannah Henrietta Nelson Pearson. He graduated from Preston High School. He married Beth Holbrook on Oct. 8, 1943, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

He was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, where he served in many callings. He served for a time in the Civil Conservation Corp. (CCC) and expressed many times his love for his country. Dad farmed in West, Utah, and in 1955, moved his family to Burley, Idaho, where he continued his occupation until his semi-retirement in 1981.

Carmen and Beth emphasized Christ-like living, education and hard, productive work in their home. Farm work was a schoolmaster. The children, along with others, helped to establish the Opportunity School in Burley. He served on its board.

Carmen and Beth are the parents of five children, Ann

Marie (Jack) Pickrell of Centerville, Utah, Steven C. (Joanne) Pearson and Ryan H. (Jackie) Pearson, both of Burley, Calvin H. (Heidi) Pearson of Grand Junction, Colorado, and Laura Lee Pearson of Declo. He has 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Other surviving relatives are his siblings, Thelma (Ray) Russell of Roy, Utah, Dean N. (Rebecca) Pearson of Cedar City, Utah, and Colleen (Howard) Hawkins of Kaysville, Utah.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Cecil, Roy, Ray and Doug; and by a sister, Thora Montgomery. We wish to thank the compassionate staff members at The Inn on Barton Creek Assisted Living, Lakeview Hospital and VistaCare Hospice.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 18, 2006, at the Pella LDS First and Second Ward Chapel, 401 S. 160 W. in Burley. Burial will be in Pella Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

**Robert Eugene Thompson**



**TWIN FALLS** — Robert Eugene Thompson, loving father and grandfather, 82, of Twin Falls, formerly of Reno, Nevada, died Wednesday, July 12, 2006, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

He was born June 20, 1924, in Gibbs, Missouri, to Edward and Eva Demoss Thompson. Robert was one of 11 brothers and one sister. His family moved to Idaho in 1937. Robert joined the Navy on April 27, 1944, and was honorably discharged on January 18, 1946. He served aboard the USS Essex during World War II and received a citation for extraordinary heroism in action, along with several other awards for bravery.

Robert was a very gentle and caring man. He always had a twinkle in his eye and his family was always the bright spot in his life.

Robert had always been a carpenter by trade, which included many hospitals, homes and buildings in Las Vegas, Los Angeles and Lake Tahoe. He also enjoyed being outdoors, including fishing and traveling.

Robert is survived by three children, Sandra (Ted), Dean of Hazelton, Brent (Jill) Thompson of Truckee, CA, and Brenda Thompson of Reno, NV; four brothers, Bernard Thompson of Yuba City, CA,

Harold Thompson of Jerome, Delbert Thompson of Sacramento, CA, and Lloyd Thompson of Boise; five grandchildren, Patsi (Eric) Williams, Jack (Stephanie) Dean, Corrina (Jeremy) Bourque, Barbara (Thompson) and Mary Eugate; and six great-grandchildren, Landon Greenhalgh, Mitchell Greenhalgh, Kylee Bourque, Isaac Bourque, Jacob Bourque and Dominique Fugate.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents; six brothers, Ralph Thompson, Lonnie Thompson, Ed "Junior" Thompson, Joe Thompson, Dale Thompson and Emery Thompson; and one sister, Blanche Davis.

A graveside memorial service will be held at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, Idaho, on Monday, July 17, 2006, at 10:30 a.m. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park.

**Harold William McNutt**

**ing World War II.** Harold worked many different jobs during his life, but he was always a cowboy at heart. He was born April 15, 1915, in Canton, Ohio, the son of Harry Edgar McNutt and Edna Leona Perkins McNutt. He came to Idaho as a small child, first to Burwood and then settled in Wendell where he graduated from high school. He was among the first Wendell boys called to serve in the United States Army dur-

Parsons, Kan., Dory Yberna of Deming, N.M.; and many nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, four brothers and stepson, Ronnie Wills. Harold will be sadly missed by his family and his many friends. No formal services will be held. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary and Crematory, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

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## Friends

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Includes just those with horses. Many people came to not only support Peterson, but to bid on a large assembly of auction items. As for Peterson, most of his day was spent on the back of a horse — a pleasure he's been without for four months. "I haven't been on a horse for four months and today I've already ridden with 25 partners," said Peterson while stopping his horse just long enough to grab a cold drink from his daughter, Josie, who rode with her dad as his first partner of the day. "There are some guys here that I haven't seen since high school and college. It has been an amazing,



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"It has been an amazing, beautiful day."

— Hal Peterson, Filer

beautiful day." On the medical front, Peterson says he's doing well. Last month he made it through 21 chemotherapy treatments and now he's receiving five-hour treatments at the Huntsman Cancer Center in Salt Lake City. The doctors, he says, think he's doing better than he should be. "Your attitude has to be great."

Another old friend, Curtis Urbig of Halley, seemed sum up the sentiments best. "If it was one of us, he'd be the first in line waiting to help."

Times-Tribune writer Will Sites can be reached at [wsites@magicalvalley.com](mailto:wsites@magicalvalley.com) or 735-3233.

## Kimberly school registration coming up

The Kimberly School District will hold registration for the coming school year in early August. The elementary school will register returning students from noon to 8 p.m. Aug. 2 in the school cafeteria. All new students, including kindergarten, will register from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 1, noon to 8 p.m. Aug. 2 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 3. Kimberly Middle School will register for all grades from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 2 and from noon to 7 p.m. Aug. 3. New high school students

will register from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 8. Please bring a transcript of grades and proof of residency.

On Aug. 9, seniors will register from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., followed by juniors from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sophomores will register from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., and freshman orientation/mandatory registration begins at 6:30 p.m. all on Aug. 10.

All new students must present an official/certified birth certificate and an up-to-date immunization record at registration.

## Hot dog

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insight as to why the contestants would be slinging the goods with deliberate speed. "I would imagine it will be easier for the contestants to eat more because they're so good."

So good, in fact, that Bourquin brought 600 hot dogs to steam — just in case. As for the rules, well, that was the easy part.

Each contestant started with nine hot dogs, a cup of water for dunking the buns and ketchup and mustard. Also included was a used hot dog depository — aka barf bucket. Hosted and broadcast by local radio station KTFZ 59.1, and disc jockey J.R. Madness, the contestants began the feast with a variety of strategies. The young ones chose lots of ketchup or mustard, or both. Two big guys who looked all too serious about the challenge stood side-by-side, maybe even talking a little

lighthearted smack. And the large crowd loved every painful minute of it. But in the end, it was the unassuming kid from Oregon who went home with the trophy, and certainly no need for dessert.

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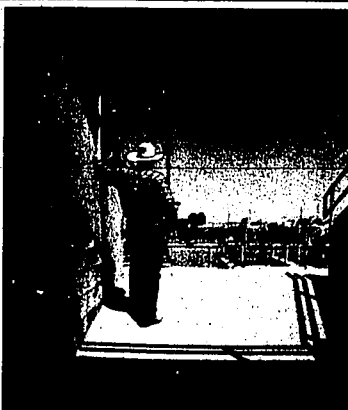
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TOM SAWYER VISITING OAKLEY



Tom Sawyer, center, played by Brown Baker, and Ben Rogers, left, played by Jonathan Hale, lead the boys from St. Petersburg, Mo., in a scene from "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer," Oakley Valley Arts Council's summer production, which will open July 19 and run through Aug. 5, at Howells Opera House in Oakley.

TWIN FALLS CITY CASES

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

**DUI sentencings**

Duan Lua, 17, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$600 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 178 suspended; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 186 days; 12 months probation.

Matthew H. Divine, 24, Dietrich; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 178 suspended; credit for one day served; one day work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Jose L. Vazquez-Laredo, 29, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$600 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended; credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Joshua A. Warren, 22, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; pleaded guilty; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; credit for one time served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol.

**Misdemeanor sentencings**

Tyler J. Warburton, 24, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded guilty; costs waived; credit for jail time served.

Randall D. Estes, 46, Filer; resisting or obstructing an officer; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; \$72.50 costs; one day in jail; credit for time served.

Andra M. Norris, 52, Twin Falls; open container; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$141 fine and costs; 12 months probation; one count no insurance; pleaded guilty; \$100 fine; five days in jail with five suspended; 12 months probation.

Steven Nevarez, 23, Gooding; destruction of telecommunication line; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 29 suspended; credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Francisco M. Gonzalez Jr., 32, Twin Falls; obstructing an officer; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 29 suspended; credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Cindy Fuqua, 24, Jerome; resisting or obstructing an officer; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation.

Mary A. Patterson, 65, Twin Falls; assault or battery on certain personnel; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 30 days in jail with 26 suspended; credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Amy K. Whitmore, 21, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; amended to

failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

James E. Tyree, 31, Buhl; open container; pleaded guilty; costs uncollectible; 10 days in jail; credit for time served.

Richard G. Pena Jr., 30, Twin Falls; obstructing an officer; pleaded guilty; costs uncollectible; 90 days in jail; credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Chad I. Hall, 18, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation.

Loren W. Levesque, 39, Kimberly; resisting or obstructing an officer; amended to disturbing the peace; pleaded guilty; costs uncollectible; 30 days in jail; credit for time served.

April L. Jones, 25, Twin Falls; domestic battery; amended to disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$200 fine with \$200 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 88 suspended; credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Brittany A. Climer, 20, Kimberly; possession of a controlled substance; pleaded guilty; \$300 fine with \$400 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; credit for time served; 12 months probation; \$366 court compliance fees.

Fernando Contreras, 27, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; amended to frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 179 suspended; credit for time served; 24 months probation.

Michael L. Caraway, 22, Twin Falls; frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; pleaded guilty; costs uncollectible; 30 days in jail; credit for time served.

Rick R. Cobb, 41, Twin Falls; disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; pleaded guilty; \$400 fine with \$300 suspended; \$72.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 30 days in jail with 29 suspended; credit for

time served; 12 months probation.

Debra M. Flynn, 57, Twin Falls; peft theft; amended to willful concealment; pleaded guilty; withheld judgment; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$72.50 costs; 12 months probation.

Cody L. Garrett, 21, Wilder; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded guilty; \$141 costs.

Darren G. Miller, 21, Twin Falls; one count under the influence of a controlled substance is a public place; pleaded guilty; credit for jail time served; one count obstructing and delaying an officer; dismissed by prosecutor.

Robert Moser, 21, Buhl; one count open container; pleaded guilty; \$10 fine; \$72.50 costs; one count driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$700 fine with \$500 suspended; 90 days in jail with 85 suspended; credit for one day served; four days work detail; 12 months probation.

Anthony J. Knefel, 31, Boise; one count driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; credit for one day served; one day work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; one count failure to appear; pleaded guilty; 10 days in jail with 10 suspended; 12 months probation.

Antonio E. Peraito, 32, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; second offense; pleaded guilty; \$600 fine with \$400 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 70 suspended; credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 12 months probation.

Roei R. Arambula, 49, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; second offense; pleaded guilty; \$2,000 fine with \$1,500 suspended; \$87.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 12 months probation.

Kyle D. Hodge, 20, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended; credit for one day served; one day work detail; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation.

HOW YOUR LAWMAKERS VOTED

Idaho Tally



Rep. Mike Simpson, R  
Rep. C.L. Bruch Oakes, R  
Sen. Mike Crapo, R  
Sen. Larry Craig, R

Y	Y	<b>VOTING RIGHTS ACT:</b> Voting 390 for and 33 against, the House on July 13 sent the Senate a bill (HR 9) to extend the Voting Rights Act for 25 years beyond its scheduled expiration next year. A yes vote was to pass the bill.
Y	Y	<b>FOREIGN-LANGUAGE BALLOTS:</b> Voting 185 for and 230 against, the House on July 13 refused to strip the Voting Rights Act renewal (HR 9, above) of its requirement that certain jurisdictions provide ballots, notices and other voting materials in languages in addition to English. A yes vote backed the amendment.
N	N	<b>PRE-CLEARANCE OF VOTING CHANGES:</b> Voting 96 for and 318 against, the House on July 13 defeated an amendment to HR 9 (above) making it easier for certain states and localities, situated mostly in the South, to be freed of the pre-clearance requirements of the 1965 Voting Rights Act. Under pre-clearance, voting-law changes proposed in jurisdictions with a history of systematic voting discrimination must be approved in advance by the Department of Justice. A yes vote backed the amendment.
Y	Y	<b>INTERNET GAMBLING LIMITS:</b> Voting 317 for and 93 against, the House on July 13 sent the Senate a bill (HR 4411) to limit Internet gambling over the Internet. The bill would bar credit cards, banks and other companies from processing most types of online wagers, and would make it a felony for most gambling operations to do business via the Internet or wireless communications. A yes vote was to pass the bill.
N	N	<b>COMMUTER RAIL SECURITY:</b> On a tie vote of 50-50, the Senate on July 12 defeated an amendment to increase by more than sixfold fiscal 2007 spending to protect mass-transit and inter-city rail systems against terrorists. The amendment sought to increase the 2007 rail-security budget from a committee-approved figure of \$150 million to about \$1.15 billion. A yes vote backed the amendment.
Y	Y	<b>GUN CONFISCATION:</b> Voting 84-16, the Senate on July 13 passed an amendment to HR 5441 (above) to bar law enforcement officials and other first responders from seizing citizens' legally possessed firearms in official disaster zones such as post-Katrina New Orleans. A yes vote backed the amendment.
Y	Y	<b>MEXICAN BORDER FENCE:</b> Voting 29 for and 71 against, the Senate on July 13 rejected an amendment to HR 5441 (above) authorizing the Department of Homeland Security to build 370 miles of fencing and hundreds of miles of vehicle barriers on the U.S.-Mexico border. A yes vote backed the amendment.
N	Y	<b>PRESCRIPTION DRUG IMPORTS:</b> The Senate on July 11 voted, 68 for and 32 against, to permit American citizens to import food and Drug Administration-approved prescription drugs from countries such as Canada without interference from the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol. The amendment was attached to HR 5441 (above). A yes vote backed the amendment.

Y - Yes N - No X - did not vote  
 Key votes ahead  
 In the week of July 17, the House will take up a Pledge of Allegiance measure and a constitutional amendment to outlaw gay marriages. The Senate will debate stem-cell research.

The Times-News and Magic Valley Arts Council have joined forces to provide this unique opportunity for Magic Valley artists:

**Congratulations, Artists!**  
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The entries are in, and these artists were selected to start painting their final designs on our Times-News racks! We are excited by the quality of entries that were turned in and look forward to sharing the results with all of you when we present these on August 30.

- Lillie J. Brown
- Lori Reith
- Nancy Prawdzik-Steinbach
- Brandon C. Stoker
- Vinny Evans & Slick Minard
- Chady Ward
- Carl Younklin
- Eric Geisler
- Carolyn Palmer
- Robin Dober

On August 16, members of the Magic Valley Arts Council will choose the top three overall winners from these entries to be displayed in the Times-News booth at the Twin Falls County Fair! After the Fair, we will place 15 painted racks in high-traffic locations throughout the Magic Valley.

Read more about these artists at [www.magicvalley.com/misc/artists](http://www.magicvalley.com/misc/artists)

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# Mini-Cassia Christmas Council seeking help

By Tresa Tegan  
For The Times-News

**BURLEY** — The Mini-Cassia Christmas Council, an organization that helps the needy during the holiday season, is in need itself.

For the past eight years, it has been headquartered in the building at the corner of Almo Avenue and 10th Street.

The building's owner, Tom King, leased the building to the organization free of charge, with the Christmas Council paying only utilities and upkeep, six months ago, however, the building was sold.

The new tenant has allowed the council to continue to store its inventory until it can find a new location, but new accommodations have yet to be found.

Council committee members have looked at several places and even talked with the Burley mayor but just haven't had any luck, said Verlee Frost, one of the members. The council is seeking at least 6,000 to 8,000 square feet, if they can find it.

The space is needed for storage, sorting and cleaning

### If you'd like to help:

With ideas or information on a possible location for the Mini-Cassia Christmas Council, call Verlee Frost at 878-7940.

the donated items and where families can pick up their packages for the holidays. Ideally, it would "like to have a permanent location. Donations are accepted throughout the year and the council has a large inventory of clothing and gifts items. Any contribution is tax deductible.

The council provides boxes for 500 to 600 families each year, each containing food, including certificates for fresh meat. Churches, service groups, businesses collect or create items to donate.

"It really is a community effort," Frost said. "Without the help of the community we wouldn't be able to do the things we do."

Until new accommodations are found, however, the council prefers to limit the number of donations they accept.

"Someone suggested that we just let it go, but if you had seen the faces of the people we help you would understand how important it is."

— Verlee Frost, Christmas Council member

"We don't want to turn anything away, but without a place to call our own, we don't have the space for more," Frost said. The Christmas Council is made up of an eight-member committee who work on the project year round. During the holidays, more than 150 volunteers help.

The building is not the only thing the organization needs. The committee seeks new members.

"Someone suggested that we just let it go," Frost said, "but if you had seen the faces of the people we help you would understand how important it is."

### THFS class of 1961 meets later this month

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls class of 1961 will celebrate a 45-year reunion at 11:30 a.m. July 29 at the Twin Falls City Park.

Lunch will be served. The festivities will continue with dinner and dancing at the Turf Club.

For more information, call Annette at 735-8797 or Charlene at 734-4949.

### State vet service office makes appointments

**BURLEY** — Mill Smith, the state service officer from Boise, will be at the Burley Veterans office at the Burley Airport on Wednesday.

For appointments, call Dick Dalton at 678-3599 or 678-2655.

If no answer, leave name and number and the call will be returned.

### THFS class seeks alumni

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls High School class of 1936 is looking for classmates for its 10-year reunion on Aug. 19.

Send contact information to twinfalls96@hotmail.com so organizers can send information about the event. For more information, call Nicole at (208) 336-2800.

### Buhl Library's teen summer reading program under way

**BUHL** — The Buhl Public Library's second summer teen reading program, "Creature Feature," is in full swing on Wednesdays, through Aug. 2, where teens explore everything to do with creatures.

This Wednesday at 1:30 p.m., "Call of the Wild" looks at nature and wildlife photography.

Buhl's Bob McDonald will share his photos and stories about stalking the perfect picture.

He has won a number of awards including Popular Photography's in 1998 and the International Wildlife Film Festival Award in 1997 in Missoula, Mont.

So far, teens have explored movie and stage "monster creature" makeup; snakes, spiders and other assorted creepy crawlies; rescue animals; and working dogs, including a canine with the Buhl Police Department and guide dogs.

The summer reading program includes weekly prizes.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### and giveaways.

The Buhl Teen Summer Reading Program is partnering for the second year with Buhl Kiwanis and the End Men's Association to help get a good book in the hands of a teen.

### M.V. Duplicate Bridge announces winners

**TWIN FALLS** — The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club has announced its weekly winners:

July 11, first, north-south, Mary Kienlen and Jessie Lingnaw; second, David and Gwen Stoker; and third, Veeta Roberts and Betty Sisko. First east-west, Patricia Cooper and Beverly Reed; second, Riley Burton and Bobette Plankey; and third, Madeline Sawaya and Mary Ann Siegel.

July 12, first north-south, Beverly Reed and Barbara Burk; second, Marilyn Nesbit and John Furler; and third, Jan Fitzhugh and Gladys Hartruff. East-west, first, Kay and Nathan Higer; second, Herb Burgess and Don Rube; third, Patricia Cooper and Wilma Driscoll; and fourth, Joyce Astorga and Sue Skinner.

Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the Moose Lodge, 835 Falls Ave. and 1 p.m. Saturday at 2679 Pole Line Road E.

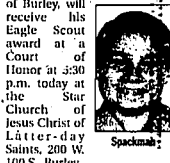
All bridge players are invited.

For partners and more information, call Max Thompson at 735-8308 or

David Stoker at 736-3840. Anyone of any age who would like to learn how to play bridge, call David Stoker at 736-3840.

### Burley Scout receives Eagle honor tonight

**BURLEY** — Jared Spackman, 15-year-old son of Russ and Gaylyn Spackman of Burley, will receive his Eagle Scout award at a ceremony on Tuesday.



He has completed 27 merit badges. For his Eagle project, he refurbished the Cassia County Sheriff's Office drug and weapons cases. The project took 100 personal hours and 50 hours from those helping with the project.

He was assisted by seven Scouts, his parents, DARE officer Jeff Fackrell, Star's Ferry Building Supply, Shannon Tibby and Burton Anderson.

Jared is a member of Scout Troop 15. His leader is Burton Anderson.

He has completed the ninth grade at Burley High School where he participated in orchestra and is active in softball and various service projects.

## Riders to hold fundraiser Aug. 26

**TWIN FALLS** — Sober Riders M.C. will hold its fourth annual free Kick Start Bike Show beginning with registration from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Aug. 26 at Montana

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The show is a fundraiser for the Utah/Idaho Kidney Foundation.

Entry is free for all makes of

motorcycles. There will be a raffle, along with music and vendors. For information, contact Brandon Harvey by e-mail at brandon@arvey.com or @qwest.net.

## Twin Falls Job's Daughters group receive honors at Grand Session

**OTWING FALLS** — Members of Bethel No. 56, International Order of Job's Daughters, Twin Falls, attended the Grand Session in McCall in June and received several awards:

### Group awards

- Bethel Ritual Corps, Large Division, first
- Bethel Choir, Large Division, second
- Messenger Team, first
- Vocal Duet, third
- Instrumental Small Group, first

### Individual awards

- Story of Job, ages 17 plus, Katie Carr, second
- Individual Ritual, ages 14-16, Tami Craig, first
- Individual Ritual, ages 17 plus, Jessie Jensen, second
- Stitchery and Artwork, Katie Carr, Sweepstakes
- Painting and Art, ages 14-16, Claire Chow, second
- Color Photography, ages 4-16, Dede Craig, third
- Literary Booklet Cover, Claire Chow, first
- Short Poem, ages 14-16, Andrea Carr, second
- Long Poem, ages 14-16, Andrea Carr, first
- Vocal Solo, ages 17 plus, Jessie Jensen, first
- Instrumental Solo, ages 14-16, Claire Chow, first
- Piano Solo, ages 17plus, Jessie Jensen, first



Photo courtesy of Bethel No. 56

Above: Girls Installed in Grand Bethel and adults Installed in Grand Council offices were, from left, Associate Bethel Guardian, Grand Junior Custodian, John Boyer; Grand Bethel Representative to California No. 4, Corey Mason; Grand Bethel Senior Princess, Jessie Jensen; Grand Bethel Representative to Brazil No. 3, Kelsey Petersen; and Bethel Guardian, Grand 4th Messenger, Robin Mason.

Right: Members of Bethel No. 56 who attended a Grand Session include, from left, back row: Azilee Jenkins, Dicie Craig and Katie Carr; center row: Claire Chow, Jessie Jensen and Tami Craig; front row: Nicole Petersen, Kenna Nielson, Andrea Carr, Rachel Tilley and Kelsey Petersen.

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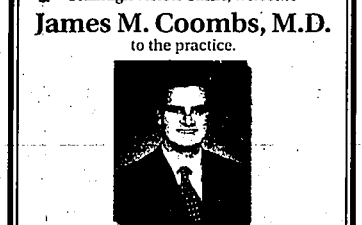
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**Volunteers** — Hospice Volunteers Inc. is in need of volunteers willing to help with cleaning, running errands, maintenance, patient care and other miscellaneous chores for the Hospice House in Jerome. Call Edith at 735-0121.

**Drivers** — Retired Senior Volunteer Program is in need of volunteer drivers, age 55 and older, for the Shoshone, Jerome and Mini-Cassia areas. Transportation is needed for senior citizens' medical appointments and grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and covered by general insurance. Call Edith at 736-2122; ext. 320; or Kitty at 878-0727.

**If you need help**  
If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-2122, ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho. Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday for Sunday publication.

participants will receive 32 hours of specialized training to help children who are currently under the protective jurisdiction of the courts, due to neglect and/or abuse in the home. CASA currently advocates for 467 children in care throughout eight counties in south central Idaho. Volunteers must be at least 21 with no criminal background. For more information, call the CASA office at 324-6890.

**Volunteers** — La Posada Tax Clinic, a service of La Posada Ministry, Sisters of Mercy, is in need of volunteers with special skills. The tax clinic needs a media relations and marketing volunteer to help spread the word about the free services provided year round, and a fundraiser volunteer who can find grant opportunities and write grant requests. Call Robert at 735-1189.

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**Area residents show skills at conference, earn honors**

**KANAS CITY, Mo.** — Several area residents earned honors at the annual National Leadership and Skills Conference and Skills USA Championships held June 23-

Scott D. Manning received the gold Internet working paper award at the conference. Manning of Twin Falls is a 2001 graduate of Burley High School and the son of Dennis and Jan Manning of Burley.

A team consisting of Richard Wheeler, William Rose and Briddon Brower from the Cassia Regional Tech Center in Burley, was awarded the secondary bronze medal in Automated Manufacturing Technology.

Sean Spearin, of Oakley and a student in Idaho State University's College of Technology in Pocatello, was awarded the post secondary bronze medal in electronics technology.

A team consisting of Tim Blanchetti and Dane Miller from Twin Falls High School was awarded the secondary gold medal in Web design.

Mike Keeth, a student at Twin Falls High School, was awarded the secondary gold medal in computer maintenance technology.

Hallie Ramsey, a 2006 graduate from Raft River High School and daughter of Blair and Teresa Keeth of Malta and Keith and Bev Ramsey of Burley, competed as one of 50 state representatives in the National Convention of Skills USA, representing Idaho as a gold medalist. She placed fourth in the leadership division, giving a prepared speech. This was the second year Ramsey had won the state's gold medal for prepared speaking and competing nationally.

Ramsey was recipient of the state of Idaho Torch Award recipient for Business Professionals of America and National Torch Award. She also decorated and donated a Christmas tree for the Festival of Trees and designed, quilted and raffled a quilt to raise funds for care packages for servicemen. At school, she was National Honor Society president, letterman in volleyball



Scott Manning Hallie Ramsey

and basketball and member of the cheerleading and dance team at school. She received her LDS Young Women recognition award, earned a Certified Nurses Assistant license and is attending Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg to further a career in nursing.

The SkillsUSA Championships is considered the largest single day of corporate volunteerism in America, organizers say. More than 500 industry judges participated this year. All winners receive medallions and frequently, tools and/or scholarships.

The event is for high school and college-level students who are members of SkillsUSA. More than 4,700 students from every state and three territories competed in 84 contests in technical, skilled, and service occupations, including health occupations this year.

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FUND-RAISING STUDENTS



Stacey Hunsaker and Maria Fazzetti's class at Big Valley Elementary School in Rupert raised the most money for Coats for Kids. The students were rewarded with a pizza party. From left are, Jackie Braxton Hill, Jade Laxon, Eloisa Gonzalez, Derek Vega, Leslie Hurtado, Maria Fazzetti and Sam McElroy; center: Markus Baggett, Michael Hernandez, Teighlor Helmer, Brittgett Sparks, Kobi Vega and Isayah Jaquez; front: Ashlin Fuentes, Elizabeth Guzman, Sean Barnes, Salena Martinez, Zachary Mootrya and Robert DeLano.

Students help raise money for Coats for Kids program

RUPERT — Thanks to a fund-raiser Big Valley Elementary School students will have warm coats this fall if they need them. Before the end of the school year, Big Valley Elementary received several coats last fall from the Mini-Cassia Kid's Community Chest where it will be used to buy new coats for children this fall. Big Valley Elementary received several coats last fall from the Mini-Cassia Kid's Community Chest. Children who did not have coats when the weather turned cold were able to get a new coat, and the children were thrilled to receive them, school staff says.

ALBION SCHOOL REUNION



A reunion for all former Albion Training School and High School students will be held July 29 at the senior center (the old training school) in Albion. Registration and light refreshments will be at 9 a.m., followed by discussion led by Bob Price at 10:30 a.m. Dinner will be at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$12.50 per person. Reservations and payment must be by July 24. For registration or information, call Heleen Sorensen at 673-6692; Bob Price at 673-5368 or Norman Sawyer at 654-2310.

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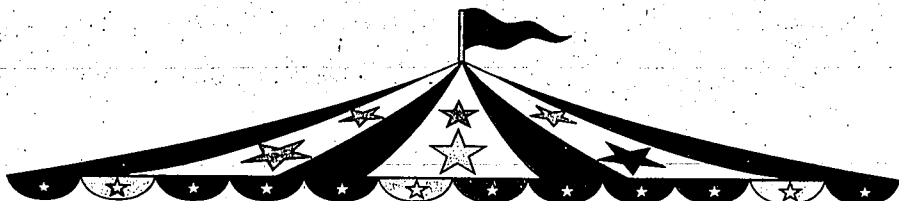
**BURLEY MUSIC CLUB**



Photo courtesy of Burley Music Club  
The Burley Music Club held a 'Lilac Luncheon' and installed officers for 2006-07. From left are Charmaine Ralphs, past president; Jane Rasmussen, parliamentarian; Lillian Jensen, historian; Edie Adams, treasurer; Donna Olver, secretary; Verlee Burch, second vice president; Danielle Coltrin, first vice president; Audrey Holston, president; and Audrey Wilson, board member. The club also had a raffle for a quilt to raise money for scholarships to be given to area students pursuing an education in music. Charmaine Ralphs won the quilt donated by Loretta Shaw.

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Head Start is recruiting families for openings. Contact the center in your location for consideration. Classes begin at the end of August.

Head Start centers are located in Twin Falls, 734-5550; Buhl, 543-5618; Jerome, 324-2385; Hansen, 423-9883; Burpee, 436-4553; Wendell, 536-1547; Shoshone, 886-7784; Halley, 788-0082; Burley, 678-3669; and American Falls, 226-2806. For information, inquire at the central office, 324 Second St. E., P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, ID 83303-1238; phone 736-0741 or toll-free, (877) 736-0741.

**NIC announces dean's list for spring semester**

**COEUR D'ALENE** — Justine Williams of Twin Falls earned a spot on the North Idaho College dean's list for spring semester 2006.

**Daughter of Buhl residents earns design degree**

**CORVALLIS, Ore.** — Chelsea Anne Mackey, the daughter of Janet and Rob Franklin of Buhl and Roger Mackey of Caldwell, was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in apparel design from Oregon State University on June 18. She is a 2002 graduate of Caldwell High School.

**Declo grad is promoted to USAF captain**

**TWIN FALLS** — Sam C. Kidd, a 1999 graduate of Declo High School, was recently promoted to the grade of captain in the United States Air Force.



Kidd has also been selected as one of only eight officers to attend law school as part of the Air Force's Funded Education Program.

He and his wife, April, and daughter, Keely, are currently stationed at Hill Air Force Base in Utah, and are moving this fall to Madison, Wis., to attend the University of Wisconsin School of Law.

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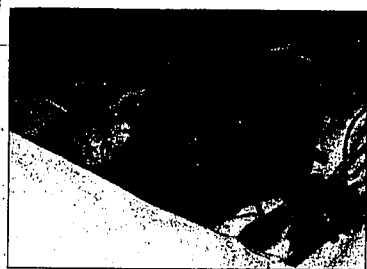
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## Five months after horrible crash, U.S. Olympic skier mulls comeback

By John Miller  
Associated Press Writer

**B**OISE — U.S. Olympian Dane Spencer rarely thought of skiing in the five months since he ripped his pelvis apart and snapped his neck in a downhill race in Montana. A doctor's visit in early May changed all that.

That's when Spencer, 16th in the 2002 Olympic giant slalom in Park City, Utah, was finally cleared to walk without support for the first time since the Feb. 14 crash at Big Mountain in Whitefish, Mont., that nearly killed him.

Suddenly, his thoughts returned to the sport that's dominated his life since before he joined the U.S. Ski Team in 1995.

Now, the 28-year-old is awaiting final

clearance from his doctors, expected by this

summer or early fall, to see if his "hangman's

fracture" is healing properly. He hopes to fol-

low the path of skiers like Austria's Hermann

Maier and Canada's Brian Stemmle, both of

whom suffered life- or career-threatening

injuries and returned to race again.

"There are some things in ski racing that

are very important to me that I still want to

achieve," said Spencer, who still has scars on

his forehead from the halo device that

held his head in place following the crash.

"I'll do it again. I'll probably do it a little dif-

ferently, but I can't say how."

On the day of his accident, Spencer was far

from Turin, Italy, where he'd hoped to be as a

member of the U.S. Olympic team. Despite a

7th place finish in the 2005 World

Championships, lackluster early season

results kept him from winning a spot on the

2006 U.S. Olympic squad alongside high-

profile teammates, including Bode Miller.

Instead, Spencer, who has never won a

World Cup race, settled for a second-tier

downhill at Big Mountain, to hone his skills

for the rest of the season in Europe.

The Montana resort is where 1984 U.S.

Olympic gold medalist Bill Johnson crashed

and suffered head injuries in a March 2001

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**TOP:** Skier Dane Spencer of Boise is seen in a Kallispell, Mont., hospital following his February skiing accident which nearly killed him. Spencer suffered serious injuries in a race in Montana. He is currently in rehabilitation and hopes to ski again in the near future.

**BACKGROUND:** Spencer slides down the slope unconscious after losing control at the launch pad section of the men's downhill at Big Mountain Resort in Whitefish, Mont., on Feb. 14.

## Cowboys earn split with I.F. Reds

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Now it's time to start thinking about a repeat performance.

The Twin Falls Cowboys Class AA American Legion baseball team finished its regular-season home schedule in style Saturday afternoon at Skip Walker Field in Twin Falls, taking an 11-1 run-rule victory to earn a doubleheader split with the Area C-leading Idaho Falls Reds.

Idaho Falls starter Josh Kuns held the Cowboys to only three hits in a 2-0 Game 1 shutout, but the Twin Falls bats came alive for 10 hits before an Angel Chapo throwing error allowed Nate Ramirez to score the winning run on a Marcus Schaal grounder in the bottom of the fifth.

There's still the matter of today's 11 a.m. doubleheader in Pocatello against the Highland Rams, but the Cowboys finished Saturday's split with an eye toward carrying over their Game 2 performance to the next time they take the field at The Skip during the Area C Tournament, which begins Thursday.

"We'll do good. I know we'll do good," Cowboys first baseman Nate Robertson said. "We've got a bunch of good players and we'll clutch up at the right time. If our pitching says in there, we'll stay all right. We just have to come up with a little offense, get some hits more often."

Robertson broke out of his month-long slump in a big way during Saturday's second



Twin Falls American Legion AA player Nathan Robertson takes a swing at the ball Saturday in the Cowboys' game against the Idaho Falls Reds in Twin Falls.

game, finishing 3-for-3 with five RBIs, three runs scored and three stolen bases. After legging out an infield single in the bottom of the first, Robertson found his power stroke in the second, blasting a three-run home run to left-center to bring in Schaal and

Kenny Steelman. "My timing's been off and I've been working on it, coming in early every day," Robertson said. "It's been making me mad lately. I just finally got back on the groove."

After spilling Mitch Dame's

complete-game five-hit, seven-strikeout performance in Game 1 with a lack of offensive production, the Cowboys didn't make the same mistake twice, giving Game 2 starter Chance Elam a 6-1 lead after two innings. Elam struggled with his control early and fell behind four of the first six Reds batters he faced, but scattered five hits and one walk over five innings to pick up the win.

"Mitchell Dame threw extremely well," Cowboys head coach Tim Stadelmeir said. "He battled all day long, but we didn't give him much help behind him. At the plate, defensively we played average behind him. ... The second game, we woke up and yeah, granted we were probably seeing their three or four guys on the mound, but you've still got to hit them."

Steelman finished the second game 2-for-3 with two runs and two RBIs, while catcher Remington Pullin roped an RBI-double and threw out both of the Reds' would-be base stealers for the 23-11 (15-9 Area C) Cowboys.

Robertson and Josh Barnes both doubled for the Cowboys in Game 1, but Twin Falls couldn't scrape a run across on Kuns, who struck out five and added an RBI-single in the top of the fourth to help his own cause.

Dame and Elam will get a chance to rest their arms before the start of the Area C Tournament and the Cowboys will look forward to the return of regular catcher Drew Bernhard after being without

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## Senden has three-shot edge at Deere Classic

The Associated Press

**SILVIS, Ill.** — He hit a wedge within a few feet of the first hole and added another birdie on the second. Not a bad start.

Now, all John Senden needs is a strong finish.

The Australian's first PGA Tour victory is in reach after he, took the lead and the spotlight at the John Deere Classic on Saturday, one day after Michelle Wie withdrew because of heat exhaustion.

With temperatures in the low 90s, Senden shot a 7-under 64 and was 16 under through three rounds.

"I'm excited to come out here," Senden said. "I can't say that I won't be nervous. I wouldn't be human if I wasn't. But I've got to manage it the best way I can and get out there and play."

He has little room for error. Heath Slocum and Patrick Sheehan were three back at 13 under after 66s. Second-round leader Joe Ogilvie (69), Alex Gilja (64), Steve Jones (66), J.P. Hayes (66) and Daniel Chopra (68) were 12 under.

With the hype surrounding Wie's bid to become the first woman in 61 years to make the cut on the PGA Tour, the rest of the field was overshadowed. The 18-year-old Wie had finished a combined five shots off the lead in the first three LPGA Tour majors this year and was back at the site of her close call in 2005, when she missed the cut by two strokes. A 6-over-77 on the first day all but dashed her hopes. And with the temperature at 88 Friday, the heat got to her: Wie was 8 over when



John Senden of Australia, smiles after putting on the eighth hole during the third round at the John Deere Classic golf tournament Saturday in Silvis, Ill. Senden finished the third round at 16-under-par.

she withdrew after nine holes, making her 0-for-5 on the PGA Tour.

She was treated at the course medical trailer and taken by ambulance to a hospital, where she was released Friday night.

And it certainly wasn't easy Saturday, with the sun baking the course. Senden just made it that way.

In a four-way tie for second and one shot off the lead through two rounds, Senden birdied the first two holes and seven in all. He saved par on No. 17, after his tee shot sailed to the right and landed beyond a walkway, and birdied the

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### SPORTS

# Gulbis shares lead at Owens Corning

SYLVANIA, Ohio (AP) — Natalie Gulbis birdied her final hole to pull into a three-way tie for the lead before play was suspended late in the third round of the storm-plagued Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic.

Gulbis, seeking her first LPGA Tour victory, birdied the par-5 17th to tie the Rally Rankin and Mi Hyun Kim at 12 under. Kim also birdied the 17th just before play was stopped, while Rankin completed 16 holes.

Paula Creamer and Se Ri Pak were a shot back, and Annika Sorenstam also made a birdie put on her last hole — the 15th — to pull within four shots of the leader. Pak is trying to match Mickey Wright's LPGA Tour record of five victories in one event.

Play was stopped at 8 p.m. to afford course workers some daylight. Play will resume early Sunday — morning — with the final round to follow.

## Roberts leads Senior Players Championship

DEARBORN, Mich. — Loren Roberts shot a boggy-free 8-under 64 to take a two-stroke lead over Lonnie Nielsen in the Senior Players Championship.

Nielsen shot a 66 to finish at 12 under. Brad Bryant and Dana Quigley were 11 under after 66s.

## Barclays Scottish Open

LUSS, Scotland — Denmark's Thomas Bjorn made a 25-foot birdie putt on the last hole to tie Northern Ireland's Darren Clarke for the lead in the Barclays Scottish Open.

Bjorn shot a 5-under 66 to match Clarke (71) at 11-under 202 on the Loch Lomond course. Bena Barham (65), Andres Romero (68) and David Drysdale (69) were 9 under.

Ernie Els shot 67 to move within four strokes of the leaders.

## PGA

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18th. It's the first time he has led after three rounds since joining the PGA tour in the fall 2001. Senden's best finish was a tie for fifth at the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic in January.

"There are a lot of other Australian players out here that have won, and to join that group would be great," Senden said.

Winning would mean "self-satisfaction, thinking that I've been out here quite a while now, five years. And I'm really looking forward to getting to that next level and satisfying

myself that way." He realizes the top golfers often skip this event, with the British Open coming up. Tiger Woods, Vijay Singh and Phil Mickelson are not here.

"The Doree is a different kettle of fish," Senden said. "But that doesn't affect scoring; it really doesn't. These guys are all in this. Every golfer in this tournament can shoot really low scores."

Cejka birdied the 10th, 11th and 12th holes. He was at 13 under for the tournament after a birdie — his eighth — on No. 17, but bogeyed the par-4 18th.

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## Cowboys

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him for eight games while he is attending his brother's wedding. That break will be especially important for the Cowboys' pitching staff, which has been stretched thin by the week's heavy schedule.

"Well, with this stretch right here, you'd like to try and rest your arm's before the district tournament, but we're in a situation where we have to many games that we need guys to go a little bit longer than normal, even if they are struggling," Stadelmeier said.

"We've done a great job all week of doing that. Chance's

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Overall leader Floyd Landis of the U.S., rear center, looks on as he pedals in the pack behind his Phonak teammates during the 13th stage of the 83rd Tour de France cycling race between Bezaire and Montelima, southern France, Saturday.

# Landis loses overall lead as Voigt wins 13th stage of Tour de France

MONTPELLIER, France (AP) — Floyd Landis is willing to gamble that his best days at the Tour de France are ahead of him.

The American gave up the race's overall lead Saturday, deciding to save his energy for next week's vital stages before the Tour reaches its finish in Paris next Sunday.

Spain's Oscar Pereiro, of Illes Balears, claimed the Jersey by finishing 29 minutes and 57 seconds ahead of Landis and the main pack of riders in Saturday's 13th stage. Jens Voigt of Germany won the stage, finishing in the same time as Pereiro.

"I don't think we need to keep the jersey every single day, and I'm happy to see Pereiro get the jersey," said Landis, who was a teammate of Pereiro's at Phonak. "It's an ex-terminator of mine, and he looked happy."

Landis slipped to second overall, 129 behind the Spaniard. Pereiro understood the logic of his former teammate's strategy.

"I don't consider it a gift, but for them it's an advantage now to see someone else have to work to control the race," Pereiro said.

For years, the strategy of many Tour favorites has been to allow other riders to temporarily take the Jersey then recapture it in the time trials and grueling mountain stages of the last week. The tactic lessens the pressure on teams to protect their leader and ride hard at the front. It was often a

rule of thumb for Lance Armstrong en route to his record seven Tour victories. Landis' somewhat risky calculation is that Pereiro, who struggled in the Pyrenees this week, won't fare well in three tougher Alpine stages in the final week and the penultimate stage time trial.

Landis said that letting Pereiro take the yellow Jersey amounted to "gambling," but he wanted to let his squad concentrate on supporting him in the Alps starting Tuesday, after a rest day Monday.

"To me, it's better to save our team," said the Pennsylvania native, who has repeatedly said his only goal is to wear the yellow jersey at the finish of the three-week race on the Champs-Élysées.

Voigt, riding for Team CSC, won the hot and dry stage from Bezaire to Montelima after he and Pereiro were among a group of five riders who broke away early from the main pack.

The huge gap of nearly 30 minutes between the two leaders and most riders wasn't far from the record 35:34 differential between a big away group and the pack in a 2001 Tour stage. At 143 miles, Saturday's stage was the Tour's longest this year, and the main pack seemed content to let the

breakaway riders go. Other potential contenders are also being biding their time. Australian's Cadel Evans, of Davitamon-Lotto, said Saturday he was "happy with where I am" — 2:46 back in fifth place.

Just a day earlier, Landis let another rider get away. Discovery Channel's Yaroslav Popovych cut his deficit to Landis by more than half in winning Friday's stage. He is now 11th, 5:44 behind Pereiro, adding the Ukrainian to the list of rivals that Landis will need to watch in the Alps.

Pereiro is no lightweight: He finished 10th in both of his two previous Tour appearances in 2004 and 2005.

He only lost 1:40 to Landis in the first long time trial at the end of the first week. And he can climb: Pereiro's other Tour stage win came last year in a punishing ride in the Alps.

But Landis and his race manager believe they know what they're doing. Pereiro lost more than 26 minutes to Landis in the harder of two stages in the Pyrenees this week.

They also say they know Pereiro's abilities well. He was on Phonak for four years before joining Illes Balears earlier this year.

Pereiro, who surprised him-

self by taking the lead, said he believes Landis can take back the yellow shirt whenever he wants.

"I have to be realistic," he admitted.

But he also said he's bounced back from his disappointment in the Pyrenees. "I feel that I'm in good condition. I've recuperated well," the 29-year-old said.

Pereiro had little preparation to be the leader. Illes Balears had planned to rely in support of team star Alejandro Valverde. But he broke his collarbone in a crash in the opening week.

Pereiro taking the lead was the latest twist in a Tour that has been weird since the beginning.

Jan Ullrich—the 1997 Tour winner, and last year's runner-up by a huge margin—was among nine riders sent home on the eve of the July 1 start because they were implicated in a doping probe.

And without Armstrong exerting his control, the race has lacked a clear leader, creating an exciting new sense of opportunity for riders who long rode in his shadow.

Pereiro is the seventh rider to take the yellow jersey this year. Only in 1956 and 1957 have more cyclists worn it eight

# McNeley misses cut at golf's junior worlds

Times-News

LA JOLLA, Calif. — Abby McNeley, an incoming Twin Falls High School senior, finished competition at the 2003 Callaway Junior World Golf Championships with a three-round total of 253, but failed to make the cut for the championships' final day. McNeley carded rounds of 85, 84 and 84 on the North Course of the prestigious Torrey Pines Golf Course near La Jolla, Calif.

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The Tigers used four runs in the fifth inning to take control of Game 1. Jerome outhit the Rockies 11-2 in the game. Kenny Koopman's triple and Ben Edwards' double highlighted the offensive showing.

The nightcap saw Jerome beat 12 more hits, including a 4-for-5 showing from Koopman, who had a triple and a double. Tucker Thompson added a double.

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## Comeback

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race, but Spencer said he wasn't thinking of Johnson as he entered the start house. Buckling his boots, his coaches told him teammate Ted Ligej had just won Olympic gold for a world away.

"Two minutes later, Spencer lay in a heap in the snow, bleeding internally after being lashed to a girlfriend, Jasmine Furnish, rushed to the bottom of the mountain.

"I feel so vulnerable, because I couldn't do anything on my own," Spencer said. "Skiing has had its own challenges, but they really didn't count."

Dr. Christian Zimmerman, the Boise neurosurgeon who fused vertebrae in Spencer's neck in March, said his patient has made a remarkable recovery.

Six weeks remain before he's prepared to give final clearance to Spencer's dream of racing again.



Nationally ranked U.S. skier Dane Spencer sits on a park bench next to his dog Clyde before taking a walk through Camel's Back Park after 7 as a part of his physical rehabilitation after a skiing accident nearly killed him. Spencer suffered serious injuries in a race in Montana in February and is hoping that he will be able to ski again in the near future.

spine, and it shows a solid bony going back, which is what I'm expecting, I'm going to leave the door open for him."

This sport where speeds exceed 60 mph.

"Major one of Spencer's rivals in the major giant slalom, won the overall 2004 World Cup title for the fourth time after a 2001 motorcycle accident that many thought would end the sporting career of the 37-year-old.

And Canada's Stemmle posted some of his best World Cup results after nearly dying in 1989 when his ski tip snagged the protective netting during Austria's famous, Hahnenkammler downhill in Kitzbuehel. Like Spencer, Stemmle broke his pelvis.

In an AP interview, Stemmle said from experience it is in the time trials and grueling mountain stages of the last week. The tactic lessens the pressure on teams to protect their leader and ride hard at the front. It was often a

"I always wondered if I didn't almost die, if I would have been a different skier racer," said Stemmle, a four-time Olympian who retired in 1999. "But it's something you have to deal with. The thought of falling again would creep in before the start. I was kind of helpless. I was almost too fearful to go. There were times when just making it down was a huge accomplishment."

Skiers who crash horribly eventually must confront what nearly broke them, said Stemmle. For him, it meant racing the Hahnenkammler again. In 1994.

For Spencer, mending may include watching the videotape of the race that nearly killed him. Though he has no memory of the accident — there's only emptiness, between when he left the start gate and his emergence from the coma — a coach caught the crash on film.

"I'd like to look at it someday," said Spencer. "But there's an appropriate time for everything."

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AUTOMOBILE RACING
TNT - NASCAR, Nextel Cup, LENOX Industrial Tools 300, at Loudon, N.H., 8 p.m.

EXTREME SPORTS
5:31 a.m.
NBC - New Action Sports Tour, Right Guard Open, at Denver

WORLDWIDE
7 a.m.
ESPN2 - NTRA, Mile-High Nationals, final eliminations, at Denver (hard-way tape)

WORLDWIDE
7:30 a.m.
ESPN - Tour de France, Stage 14, Montfermeil to Gap, France

WORLDWIDE
7:30 a.m.
ABC - PGA Tour, John Deere Classic, final round, at Silvis, Ill.

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ESPN2 - LPGA, Jamie Farr Classic, final round, at Solihull, England

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Edwards cruises to Busch Series win in New Hampshire

LOUDON, N.H. (AP) — Carl Edwards easily held off a late challenge from Kevin Harvick on Saturday to win the NASCAR Busch Series race at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Edwards has finished first or second in five of the last eight races, including all three of his Busch victories. But the Roush Racing driver remained a distant second in the season standings, 308 points behind runaway series leader Harvick.



Carl Edwards gives a 'thumbs-up' to the crowd while celebrating his victory in the NASCAR Busch Series' New England 200 race Saturday at New Hampshire International Speedway in Loudon, N.H.

Clint Bowyer, Harvick's Richard Childress Racing teammate, appeared on the way to an easy victory, building leads up to 4 seconds and leading 127 of the first 143 laps before making a green-flag pit stop, the first of the leaders to head for pit road for his final stop.

Sports Shorts

National and Magic Valley briefs

"His heart rate and pulse are normal, and his appetite is good," Dr. Dean Richardson said Saturday in a statement issued by the University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center.

Magic Valley
North Side Baseball car wash today

JEROME — North Side Baseball will hold a car wash Sunday at the Wal-Mart parking lot from 1-4 p.m. All donations will be used to send players ages 9-15 to their respective Cal Ripken and Babe Ruth state tournaments.

Bruins host volleyball camps

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School Bruins volleyball camps are approaching. A camp for girls in Grades 3-6 will be held July 17-18. The cost is \$30, while the camp for girls in Grades 7-9 runs July 19-21 and costs \$45.

Wendell hosts football camp

WENDELL — The Wendell High School football program is hosting a kids' football camp for anyone between Grades 4-8. The camp runs from 10 a.m. to noon on Monday, July 17 through Thursday, July 20. The cost of the camp is \$20 and includes T-shirt and instruction from Wendell Trojans coaches and players.

Spartan Pride football camp nearing

RUPERT — Spartan Pride 2006 Football Camp will be July 17-18 at Matthews High School Football Field. The camp is for grades 9-12 and will focus on fundamentals and techniques. The camp will run from 6-9 p.m. each night with check in at 5 p.m. on July 17.

Jerome Tigers host volleyball camp

JEROME — The 2006 Jerome Tigers Volleyball Camp will be July 17-19 at Jerome High School. Grades 5-8 will attend from 9 a.m. to noon, while grades 9-12 will attend from 9 a.m. to noon, which includes a T-shirt and prizes. Campers who participated in the CSI volleyball camp can register for only \$20. To register, or for more information, contact Rick Busch (654-9230) or Angel Harbison (539-1250). Open gym as JHS will be July 12-13 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Compiled from staff and wire reports



# Dodgers fall to Rolen, Cards in 10th

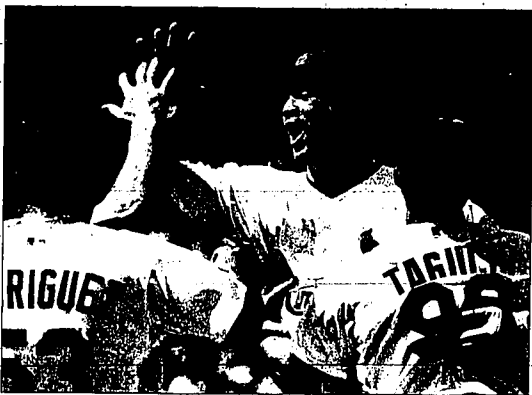
ST. LOUIS (AP) — Scott Rolen's RBI single with two outs in the 10th inning gave the St. Louis Cardinals a 2-1 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers on Saturday, their fourth extra-inning triumph during a season-best six-game winning streak.

Albert Pujols hit his NL-leading 31st home run and Jeff Suppan worked seven strong innings for the Cardinals. St. Louis had three-straight extra-inning victories, totaling 36 innings, before Chris Carpenter's two-hitter in a 5-0 victory on Friday night.

J.C. Drew had three hits and an RBI for the Dodgers, who have lost four of five.

David Eckstein reached on an infield single against Daryls Baez (5-5) with one out in the 10th. The Dodgers had him doubled up when pinch-hitter John Rodriguez lined out but shortstop Rafael Furcal's throw to first was wild for an error that allowed the runner to advance.

Baez was intentionally walked before Rolen blooped a single into shallow left-center field to drive in the winning run. Brandon Lopez (6-1) took two strikeouts and a walk in two scoreless innings for his second victory in three games.



St. Louis Cardinals third baseman Scott Rolen, center, is mobbed by teammates after hitting the game-winning RBI in the 10th inning against the Los Angeles Dodgers in their baseball game Saturday at Busch Stadium in St. Louis. The Cardinals won 2-1 in 10 innings.

four runs, and Ryan Howard hit his 30th shot of the season to power Philadelphia over San Francisco.

Cory Lidle (6-7) pitched into the second inning and won his second straight start following an eight-game winless streak. The Phillies earned their third win in 12 road games and third in four overall.

Burrell had four hits for the seventh time in his career and reached 20 homers for the sixth straight season.

Jimmy Rollins singled in the third and tripled in the seventh to become the youngest Phillies player to reach 1,000 hits (27 years, 230 days) since Greg Luzinski in 1978. Chase Utley extended his hitting streak to 16 games for Philadelphia, which had a season-high 18 hits.

Lidle beat the Giants for the first time in 12 appearances despite allowing five runs and eight hits in 5 2/3 innings.

Noah Lowry (4-6) lost for the first time in five starts.

the ninth inning, rallying Cincinnati past stumbling Colorado.

Trailing 2-1, the Reds came back against closer Brian Fuentes (2-3). He hit consecutive batters to load the bases with two outs and bring up Denorfia, who was celebrating his 26th birthday. Barnes charged. Denorfia's soft grounder and couldn't make a play, allowing two runs to score.

New Cincinnati reliever Gary Madewski blew a 1-0 lead in the eighth, when Jorge Pineda doubled home a pair of runs with two outs. Left-hander Bill Bray (2-1) pitched a perfect ninth to get the win in his first appearance for Cincinnati, 3-0 since the All-Star break.

The Rockies matched their season high with their sixth straight loss.

It was only the 23rd game without a homer in Great American Ball Park's four seasons.

## Astros 12, Marlins 0

MIAMI — Andy Pettitte struck out 10 in seven sharp innings, Adam Everett had a career-high four hits and Houston routed Florida.

Everett also tied a career high with four RBIs. Lance Berkman hit a two-run homer, and Chris Burke scored three runs for the Astros, who finished with a season-high 18 hits.

Pettitte (8-9) allowed just five hits and two walks to improve to 2-0 in July.

Josh Johnson (8-5) pitched five innings for Florida and allowed four runs and six hits. He struck out six in his first loss since June 6.

The Marlins lost for the fourth time in five games.

Brad Ausmus went 3-for-5 with two RBIs for Houston.

## Pittsburgh, Nationals 6

PITTSBURGH — Bomy Paulino hit a game-winning RBI double and Pittsburgh beat Washington to win consecutive games for the first time in more than a month.

Paulino's one-out drive with the bases loaded was off Roy Corcoran (0-1), who hadn't pitched in the majors since 2004. Jason Bay led off, the inning with a walk, Sean Casey singled for the third consecutive at-bat and pinch-hitter Jose Hernandez reached on a bunt single to load the bases.

## Major League Baseball

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American League												
East Division												
	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr			
Boston	54	35	.607	0	4-5	W3	28-12	26-23	16-2			
New York	52	36	.591	1 1/2	2-7	W3	28-17	24-19	10-8			
Toronto	50	40	.556	4 1/2	4-6	W3	30-18	20-22	9-9			
Baltimore	42	51	.452	14 1/2	1-9	W1	25-22	27-29	9-9			
Tampa Bay	39	51	.433	15 1/2	4-6	L1	22-20	17-31	11-7			
Central Division												
Detroit	62	29	.681	0	2-7	W3	29-14	34-15	15-4			
Chicago	57	33	.633	4 1/2	4-6	L2	33-14	23-19	14-3			
Minnesota	40	45	.468	12 1/2	3-8	L1	23-25	20-26	15-11			
Cleveland	41	49	.446	20 1/2	4-6	L2	23-23	18-26	8-10			
Kansas City	31	69	.344	30 1/2	4-6	L5	19-23	12-36	9-18			
West Division												
Oakland	47	44	.516	0	2-5	L1	24-22	23-22	8-10			
Texas	44	45	.489	4 1/2	4-4	W1	23-22	22-24	7-11			
Los Angeles	44	45	.489	4 1/2	W1	W4	20-23	24-22	7-11			
Seattle	44	47	.484	3	2-7	L1	24-24	20-23	14-4			
National League												
East Division												
New York	54	37	.593	0	6-1	L1	27-18	27-19	6-9			
Philadelphia	41	48	.461	12	5-4	W1	21-26	20-22	6-13			
Atlanta	42	45	.479	9	2-5	W2	20-22	20-26	10-6			
Florida	39	50	.438	14	4-6	L1	19-24	20-28	9-8			
Washington	38	54	.413	16 1/2	2-6	L5	22-22	18-30	7-11			
Central Division												
St. Louis	51	39	.567	0	7-3	W6	29-17	22-22	5-10			
Cincinnati	48	44	.523	4	4-6	W3	23-22	23-22	6-9			
Cincinnati	47	45	.511	5	6-4	W3	25-25	20-26	7-11			
Milwaukee	44	47	.484	7 1/2	4-6	L4	23-20	15-27	6-9			
Chicago	35	55	.388	16	2-6	W1	15-26	20-29	4-11			
Pittsburgh	32	60	.348	20	4-6	W2	22-24	10-36	3-12			
West Division												
San Diego	48	41	.543	0	2-6	L1	23-26	25-16	7-5			
Los Angeles	46	45	.505	3	2-5	L3	28-18	18-27	5-10			
San Francisco	46	45	.505	3	2-8	L1	24-21	22-24	8-7			
Arizona	44	45	.494	4	2-7	W4	20-23	24-22	4-11			
Colorado	44	45	.489	4 1/2	2-7	L5	22-22	22-24	11-4			
zFirst game was a win												

## Cubs 9, Mets 2

CHICAGO — Carlos Zambrano allowed three hits in six innings to give the Cubs their 10th straight victory and Chicago used a five-run sixth to send Tom Glavine to his first loss since April 24.

Showing no problems from being whacked in the elbow at the All-Star game by a fungo bat, Zambrano (9-3) held New York — the NL's highest scoring team — hitless for the first five innings.

Glavine (11-3), trying to become the NL's first 12-game winner, took a 2-0 lead into the bottom of the sixth, but couldn't hold it. It was 8-0 in his pregame 14 starts, but the All-Star left-hander ended his four starts, dating to a road victory over Toronto on June 23.

The Cubs added four more in the seventh off Henry Owens.

## Phillies 14, Giants 6

SAN FRANCISCO — Pat Burrell went 4-for-4, hit his 20th home run, and drove in

## Reds 3, Rockies 2

CINCINNATI — Chris Denorfia singled past shortstop Clint Barnes with the bases loaded and two outs in

# Jeter helps Yankees clobber White Sox



New York Yankees outfielder Melky Cabrera dives safely back to first base ahead of the tag from Chicago White Sox first baseman Paul Konerko during the fourth inning in Major League Baseball action Saturday at Yankee Stadium in New York.

NEW YORK (AP) — Derek Jeter and Bernie Williams each doubled twice and drove in three runs, leading Mike Mussina and the New York Yankees to a 14-3 blowout of the Chicago White Sox Saturday.

Andy Phillips homered and knocked in four runs — all after New York chased struggling lefty Mark Buehrle (9-7) in the fourth.

Jason Giambi hit a two-run single, leadoff batter Johnny Damon scored three times and the Yankees took advantage of some shoddy Chicago defense to build an 8-0 lead for Mussina (11-3).

Even little Bubba Crosby got in on it, hitting his first home run since a game-winning shot last Sept. 19 against Boston.

New York, which took the series opener 6-5 Friday night, has won six of seven.

The World Series champion White Sox played their fourth of five to tie the Red Sox and Yankees in a stretch that spans the All-Star break.

Jim Thome sent his 31st homer rocketing into the upper deck, trimming Chicago's deficit to 8-3 in the fifth.

Pitching on nine days' rest, Mussina yielded three runs and eight hits in six innings. He struck out five and walked one.

has a 1.07 ERA during his six-game run. He has allowed two earned runs in 36 innings over his last five starts.

Texas was 4-0 against the Orioles this season, outscoring them 27-5. Making his 10th start, Rheinecker (4-1) yielded a career-high seven runs in 3 2/3 innings.

**Blue Jays 7, Mariners 6, 14 innings** — Bengie Molina's RBI single in the 14th inning lifted Toronto over Seattle.

Scott Downs (3-0), Toronto's ninth pitcher of the game and the last in the bullpen, pitched the 14th inning to get the victory. Blue Jays starter Roy Halladay allowed four runs and eight hits in six innings.

Lyle Overbay doubled off Emiliano Fruto (0-1) with one out in the 10th. Before Molina drove him in with a base hit down the left field line.

Molina, Troy Glaus and Jeff

McDonald homered for the Blue Jays, who have won four of 10.

Toronto led 6-4 in the eighth, when Seattle's Richie Sexson and Carl Everett hit consecutive homers off Brandon League to tie it.

Raul Ibanez homered and drove in four runs for the Mariners.

## Twins 6, Indians 2

MINNEAPOLIS — Johan Santana rebounded from two poor starts by scattering five hits in seven innings and Minnesota defeated Cleveland.

Justin Morneau had three hits including a homer, and Jason Bartlett added three hits for the Twins, who have won 15 of 16 home games.

Santana (10-5) struck out seven and retired 15 of the first 17 Cleveland hitters. He had allowed nine earned runs in 12 2/3 innings in his previous two July starts.

Cleveland starter C.C. Sabathia (7-5) allowed four earned runs and a season-high 13 hits in his AL-best fourth complete game this year.

## Tigers 6, Royals 0

DETROIT — Justin Verlander allowed two hits in seven innings and Placido Polanco drove in three runs to help Detroit beat Kansas City again.

Ivan Rodriguez went 3-for-4 with an RBI for Detroit, which owns the majors' best record at 62-29. The Tigers moved 4 1/2 games ahead of the Chicago White Sox in the AL Central and improved to 11-0 against Kansas City this season.

Verlander (11-4) walked two and struck out six. He retired 11 consecutive batters from the third to the seventh innings, before Matt Stairs reached on catcher's interference in the seventh.

Walker pitched two innings to complete the three-hitter.

## Red Sox 7, Athletics 0

BOSTON — Curt Schilling allowed two hits and struck out nine in seven innings and David Ortiz snapped out of an RBI slump with his major league-leading 32nd homer and a two-run triple for Boston.

Oakland had four hits against three Red Sox pitchers.

Mike Lowell had a pair of doubles and drove in two runs for the Red Sox, who broke a three-game losing streak and avoided their longest skid of the season.

# Injuries cut short careers of Prior, Wood

By Stan Olson  
McClatchy Newspapers

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Chicago Cubs pitcher Mark Prior hurt himself again last week. He strained a muscle taking batting practice.

Prior was only just coming around. He had finally left his comfortable home on the disabled list after a month ago, and had made four starts. Although they were terrible (0-4 with a 7.11 ERA), they were becoming less terrible, and it seemed that Prior was about to become the dominant pitcher the Cubs always expect him to be but rarely see.

Prior's latest injury prompted a few shots from the satirical publication, Onion, which said in part, "Mark Prior, the right-handed pitcher who has spent the first few years of his career on the disabled list, is now considering accepting a two-year, \$8 million offer from the DL, that would keep him not playing through the 2008 season."

Prior only recently completed his sixth trip to the DL in five major league seasons, and as of Friday he's back for a seventh go-round.

If you have a sympathetic bone in your body, it aches for Cubs fans. Prior and Kerry Wood were to be the core of a Chicago team that would finally reach the promised land of a World Series championship after almost a century spent primarily in the baseball wilderness.

Wood, then 20, stunned everyone when he struck out 20 Astros as a rookie back in 1996.

And in 2003, the 22-year-old Prior looked like the second coming of Pedro Martinez, going 18-6 with a 2.8 ERA.

Wood pitched 226 innings during the past three seasons and is currently lost to this summer's duration with a torn rotator cuff. It is his 10th trip to the disabled list.

# YOURSPORTS



The Sooners took home the U14 American Softball Association title this past weekend in Nampa to become the first team from the Magic Valley to claim the state crown in their division. They'll play in the ASA regional tournament in Washington beginning July 21.

## Sooners claim U14 state crown

**TimesNews** — Kimberly — Only one of them has high-school playing experience. Most haven't played anything more than recreation league softball heading into the season. Yet, the Sooners claimed the American Softball Association U14 state title this past weekend in Nampa and are now on their way to the regional tournament in Centralia, Wash., July 21-23. With most of its players hauling from Kimberly, along with a few other locales in the Magic Valley, the Sooners played their way to a 29-7 record and outscored their foes 208-127. They took first place at

the Golden Glove Tournament in Boise and won the "U14 Falls Terrier" Tournament. They were also third at the Live Wire Tournament in Boise. The team pitched five shutouts, all while fielding a team much younger than most of its foes. With two 14-year-olds, six 13-year-olds and three 12-year-olds, the Sooners didn't just surprise their foes, they surprised their coaches as well. "We did not expect this team to come home with 3 first-place trophies," Jamie Carlton, whose husband, Jamie, coached the team along with John Sudik. "I believe the close friends they have become is what has made them a team,"

Carlton added. "And I have never seen a group of players stand behind each other the way these girls have." The Sooners are the first U14 state champs from the Magic Valley. They'll aim to continue their dream season in Washington, beginning just five days from now. Team members from Kimberly include Nellie Makings, Averie Schroeder, Whitney Carlton, Gentry Funk, Amanda Mahler, Mikykya Gardner, Jandy Altynovse and Jade Jackman. Kylee Kuest of Twin Falls; Mackenz Jaster of Filer; and Courtney Azavedo of Bull round of the roster.

## Senior Games set to begin

Plans are underway for this year's Magic Valley Hart Memorial Senior Games sponsored by the YMCA of Twin Falls, Inc. The games include track and field, swimming, pinocle, bridge, golf, tennis and, of course, bowling.

### LET'S GO, BOWLING THELMA TUCKER

Entry forms will soon be available for all dates and times, but let's tell you about the bowling times. Bowling begins Aug. 17-18 with squads at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. On Sept. 16, the squads will play at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sept. 17, bowling is slated for 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Events are singles and doubles. There are six age divisions, including 80 and older, 70 to 79, 65 to 69, 60 to 64, 55 to 59 and 50 to 54. The doubles event can be two men, two women or co-ed. Division for doubles will be determined by the oldest member on the team. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded in each division. The entry fee is \$9 per event and all play will be at Bowldrome. Mark your calendars and prepare for another great time. Each year the Sporting Goods Manufacturing Association does a survey to determine the most popular sports and recreational activities in the United States. The top 15 for the calendar year of 2005, for those age six and older, is headed by, of course, bowling. Rounded out the top

spots are treadmill exercise, stretching, freshwater fishing, tent camping, running, hiking, billiards, basketball, hand weights, weight machines, dumb bells, golf, callisthenics and barbells. Ever wonder where the coolest place to bowl is? There are many celebrity homes that have installed lanes into their basements and several larger corporations have arranged for employees to knock down a few pins during their lunch hour. But even cooler than that, many resorts have decided to add lanes to their amenities lists. From Coeur d'Alene to Whistler, and Sun Valley to the Hard Rock, there is a growing popularity within the high-class crowd to throw a few strikes while they relax. One of those is the Namale Resort in Fiji which has two lanes. The resort is owned by famed financier star Anthony Robbins. Tom Seleck and Robbin intend on bowling there during the month of July. A mechanic has been hired to fix up the pinsetters. It will be tough to endure the \$2,200-per-night accommodations and chef-prepared meals while taking on the task of tuning up the machines. We all feel sorry for him. Do you understand why so many people have offered to carry his tools? Join in the No. 1 activity: "Let's Go Bowling!" Thelma writes an article for YourSports. You can contact her at 733-4357 or by e-mail at tucker@magicvalley.com.

## TOURNAMENT CHAMPS



North Side took first place at the Jerome Invitational Tournament. Pictured, from left, front row: bat boy Jayden Bos, Keenan Allen, Logan Child, Kris Bos, Jasper Petersen, Tyler Goetscher and Logan Parker; back row: coach Jim Bos, Keith Mouny, Brett Walgamott, Kris Cook, Jared Stanger, Deon Mollitor and coach Lamy Bos.

## Kim Walton bicycle fundraiser planned

RUPERT — On April 22, Kim Walton of Heyburn completed her first Century Bike Ride. The 100-mile event was held in conjunction with the Rupert Centennial Celebration. Five days later, while out cycling, Walton was hit by a car. As a result of that accident, she is currently in a wheelchair and unable to move her legs. Walton's friends and her community have organized a special day to celebrate her friendship and to raise funds for her rising medical bills. On Aug. 26, there will be an organized bike ride with distances of approximately 15 miles, 30 miles, and 60 miles, starting at 8 a.m. at the Heyburn Chamber of Commerce and RV Park. The ride will proceed toward DeLo, Allison and the Connor Creek Store.



Kim Walton

After the bike ride 'Let's Go Dutch' will serve a Dutch Oven lunch. Live music will be played from noon to 5 p.m. A volleyball tournament will also be held at the afternoon and is being organized by Nick and Gaylynn Telleria (678-3058). All proceeds from the day go to the Kim Walton Fundraiser. Contact Rock Temple at 678-3764 with any questions. Those unable to attend that would still like to make a con-

tribution may make checks out to the Kim Walton Fundraiser and mail them to Rocks Cycling & Fitness at 334 East Main Street, Burley, ID, 83318. A benefit yard sale is also being planned for Aug. 25 at the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Heyburn, located beside the United Electric Office on Alfredo Road at 1250 21st Street. If you have items you would like to donate, you may drop them off at the church or call Tom or Patty at 300-0766 or 679-1384 for pick-up.

## Wood River volleyball keeps building

RENO, Nev. — Volleyball players from Wood River Volleyball Club recently attended the Volleyball Festival in Reno, Nevada, June 23-30. Two teams, comprised of players from Wood River and the Magic Valley, competed against teams from all areas of the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada, playing 15 matches in five days. Elissa Baker, Leah McIlhenny, Kelsey

Lidstrom, Casey Vegwert, Hannah Richards, Megan Parrish (Jerome), Shanna Astle (Filer), Kelsey Newton (Filer), and Coach Tim Richards made up the U-18 under team. Hannah Covey, Carly Ballantyne, Angela Colamer, Kylie Ballentine, Kaylee Baker, Felice Hopkins (Twin Falls), Erica Kobler (Filer), Katie Viesira (Filer), and Coach Shaun Pohlman (Filer) made up the U-

16 team. The U-18 team had a great week, finishing the tournament in 37th place, the highest finish for a Wood River team since attending their first Volleyball Festival in Sacramento four years ago. All players on the U-17 team were making their maiden voyage to the Volleyball Festival this June. They finished 177th out of 215 tough teams.

## Your Scores and Stats

**BOWLING**  
"Here's the latest bowling news from the Magic Valley." — Mike Christensen  
**MAGIC BOWL-TWIN FALLS**  
**TWIN FALLS**  
MEN'S SERIES: Joe McClure 207, Charles Lewis 177, Norm Hilde 165, Joey McDaniel 162  
MEN'S GAMES: Joe McClure 248, Joe McClure 232, Norm Hilde 227, Tom Hart 202  
**LEWIS COUNTY**  
MEN'S GAMES: Cheryl Kerr 202, Chely Summers 190, Kathy McClure 173, Marie Stewart 162  
**WYCO**  
MEN'S SERIES: Joe McClure 222, Andrew Newlan 610  
GIRLS SERIES: Andrew Newlan 254, Chris Frost 245, Ted Caputo 219, Joe McClure 230  
**DALEY FOOTBALL**  
MEN'S SERIES: Vance Mason 808, Joe

McClure 518, Brian Reich 452, Peter Jaeger 410  
MEN'S SERIES: Vance Mason 227, Brian Reich 191, Joe McClure 174, Dan Charney 150  
LADIES SERIES: Kathy McClure 484, Nancy Hilde 433, Robin Hilde 408, Thea Dancy 370  
LADIES GAMES: Kathy McClure 488, Nancy Hilde 364, Robin Hilde 355, Thea Dancy 328  
BOYS SERIES: Patrick Cornell 557, Duane Reich 534, Mike Meyers 495, Paul Jensen 488  
BOYS GAMES: Patrick Cornell 213, Duane Reich 199, Paul Jensen 176, Mike Meyers 175  
GIRLS SERIES: Kathryn Simpson 409, Jo Chumchuan 336, Brooke Hilde 296, Nancy Hilde 273  
GIRLS GAMES: Kathryn Simpson 254, Jo Chumchuan 115, Brooke Hilde 100, Nancy Hilde 73  
**BUMPER BOWLING**  
MEN'S SERIES: Bob Chavler 808, Charles Lewis 800, Ed Ditty 496, Art Robinson 488  
LADIES SERIES: Bob Chavler 221, Charles Lewis 207, Ed Ditty 180, Art Robinson 178

LADIES SERIES: Gail Gerdeland 848, Shirley Korman 451, Joan Lutz 395, Patty Heywood 292  
LADIES GAMES: Gail Gerdeland 491, Shirley Korman 471, Joan Lutz 458, Sidney Bill 249  
**BOYD-ADAPPOLE TWIN FALLS**  
LET'S GO THUNDER ROLL  
MEN'S SERIES: Bob Meyer 235, Craig Brock 264, Dennis Seckler 159, Tom Marshall 225  
MEN'S GAMES: Bob Meyer 235, Craig Brock 274, Dennis Seckler 211, Tom Marshall 204  
LADIES SERIES: Kim Lantz 978, Michelle Seckler 927, Laura Brock 496, Julie Waters 97  
LADIES GAMES: Kim Lantz 203, Michelle Seckler 197, Julie Waters 164, Laura Brock 185  
**SPECIAL FORCES**  
MEN'S SERIES: Jason Hilde 271, Leslie Searns 270, Laine Collins 251, Richard Hansen 243, Jason Miller 159, Richard Savage 153, Richard Miller 139, Richard Wray 137  
LADIES SERIES: Amber LaCott 784, Malena Jensen 616, Jeany Bolton 232, Martha Mae Drake 226

LADIES GAMES: Amber LaCott 157, Angela Hubbard 135, Martha Mae Drake 131, Brenda Gorman 130  
**SPECIAL FORCES II**  
MEN'S SERIES: Keith Lantz 245, Chris Fry 300, C.J. Brummett 252, Dale Meyers 272  
MEN'S GAMES: Keith Lantz 245, Chris Fry 300, C.J. Brummett 252, Dale Meyers 272  
LADIES SERIES: Natasha Yarrow 248, Jamie Wermert 210, Julie Brock 192, Magan Brock 150, Dawn Kretz 150  
LADIES GAMES: Natasha Yarrow 128, Jamie Wermert 122, Julie Brock 114, Dawn Kretz 97  
**BOWLAPALOOZA**  
MEN'S SERIES: Paul Owen Sr. 705, Bud Whitsoner 591, Dennis Seckler 588, Trevor Seckler 556, Steve Webb 522, Dennis Seckler 522  
LADIES SERIES: Joe Chavler 659, Michele Seckler 573, Linda Whiteford 516, Linda Whiteford 516  
LADIES GAMES: Michele Seckler 212, Ann Hubbard 208, Linda Whitsoner 202, Patie Hubbard 194

## Let us know

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Photos should be sent by e-mail attachment in .jpeg format with resolution of no less than 120 dpi.

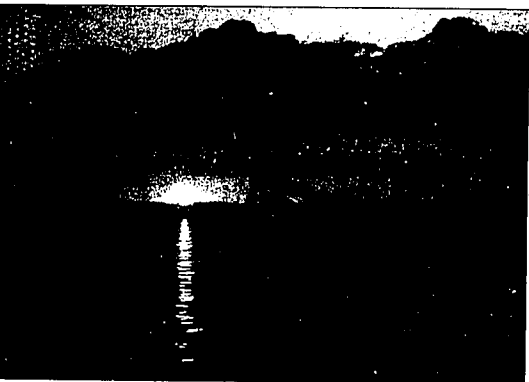
# The Rhode Island you never knew



Above: Beavertail lighthouse, the third-oldest lighthouse in America, sits at the tip of Beavertail State Park, above the rocky shore of Narragansett Bay, July 7 in Jamestown, R.I.

Right: The sun sets over Conanicut Island as viewed from the Newport side of the Claiborne Pell Bridge in Rhode Island, in this August 2005 photo.

Below: Chris and Joyce Medling, from Scotland, Conn., watch the sailboats in the distance from their lawn chairs perched on the rocky cliffs of Beavertail State Park in Jamestown, R.I., July 7.



## Oceanfront view at Beavertail Park

By Larry Price  
Associated Press writer

BEAVERTAIL STATE PARK, R.I. — The salt water breeze cools the heat from the afternoon sun and fans the sweet smell of grilled hot Italian sausages, peppers and onions, wafting around us from the portable grills. We're quickly building up an appetite for a perfect picnic.

But as we sit in our folding chairs, precariously perched on the rocky cliffs above Narragansett Bay, we're already feasting on the panoramic ocean view below.

Favorite picnic spots are special and a very individual thing, but to find a picnic place as perfect as Beavertail State Park in Rhode Island, we'd have to travel across America and find a secluded spot along the Pacific. Certainly worth the trip, but this view of New England's rocky right coast will do just fine any summer day.

Located on the southernmost tip of Conanicut Island near Jamestown — nestled between historic Newport and Rhode Island's west bay — Beavertail offers a spectacular view of the Ocean State's coastline where Narragansett Bay meets the Atlantic.

Tourists and locals come to Beavertail year-round, and every visit produces a look as different as the changing weather. But the best way to see it is perched on the rocky cliffs above pounding surf, enjoying a picnic lunch in the summertime.

I must admit, the first time I visited Beavertail, I was surprised to see people balancing these aluminum chairs on the uneven rocks. Quickly, the lasting beauty of this craggy seacoast swept away any concerns we may have harbored. Geologists say these rocks were formed over 500 million years ago, and they're not going anywhere.

Besides the front row seat to the ocean's show, the well-weathered, outcropped cliffs also provide a sanctuary for

shorebirds to raise their young and coexist with people in a protected environment. Make no mistake; the scenery is why most people come here. Whether it's adventurously sitting on the cliffs, sunbathing on the rocks below, or just viewing from your car at one of four overlooks, the vista stirs the soul and quiets the mind.

Even on peak summer weekends, chances are you'll find ample parking and rocks to call your own. On the grass above the water, against the backdrop of an old lighthouse, families gather, light grills or open picnic baskets and coolers, spread blankets or unfold chairs, and kick back. Children frolic on the grounds, and hand-holding couples carefully make their way down the paths to the rocky cliffs to view the foamy sea hurtling against the rocks.

For many, the peaceful park is a respite from more hectic outings elsewhere — see Newport's Cliff Walk or the mansion tours. Here the passing view includes a parade of scores of sailboats and a fewer number of great ships, traversing the channel with cargoes bound for Quonset Point, or the Port of Providence or heading back down into the Atlantic. The day ends in spectacular sunsets.

The 170-acre state park also offers hiking and biking trails, saltwater fishing, and a naturalist program. The park grounds, accessed by a narrow road that wraps around it, are also home to Beavertail Lighthouse, said to be America's third lighthouse in longevity and Rhode Island's first. Built in 1749, burned by the British as they fled in Revolutionary War time, rebuilt about 1856, and automated in 1972, it still guides ships passing between the Atlantic and Narragansett Bay. The Lighthouse features a small marine exhibit and museum open to the public, but it's a brief diversion to the serenity of the sea and the anticipation of each crashing wave.

### If you go...

**BEAVERTAIL STATE PARK:** Jamestown, R.I.; <http://www.tiparks.com/beaverta1.htm>. Open year-round, sunrise to sunset. Located about 10 miles from Newport, 35 miles from Providence and 80 miles from Boston. Beavertail Lighthouse and Light House Museum information at <http://www.beavertailighthouse.com> or 401-423-9944.  
**GETTING THERE:** From Providence, take I-95 South to Route 4 South, to Route 1 South, to Route 138 East, to North Main Road, to South East Avenue, to Beavertail Road. About 10 miles from Newport.

# WaterFire brings magic to Providence rivers

By Michelle R. Smith  
Associated Press writer

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — A shirtless man spinning flaming chains stands on a long, narrow platform in the middle of the Providence River.

He reaches up to ignite a stack of wood in a brazier above his head, and as the flames catch, he walks along the platform. Then he swings himself deftly around a concrete pillar, somehow avoiding a plunge into the water below, and repeats the process until a line of braziers sends sparks into the air.

So begins WaterFire, the free public arts event held several times a month between May and October, drawing 40,000 to 60,000 people each time. Its marriage of fire, water, music and performance has become one of the most popular arts events in New England since the first fire was lit more than 10 years ago.

The fires are built in braziers, metal pans that hold the burning logs, and set up along three rivers in downtown Providence

### If you go...

**WATERFIRE:** Providence, R.I.; <http://www.waterfire.org>. Held several times a month, May-October. Remaining scheduled events this year are July 15 and 29; Aug. 12 and 26; Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 26, and Oct. 7 and 21. The event is free, although some splurge on a gondola ride, which costs \$79 for two people and can be booked ahead at <http://www.gondolan.com>. Boat rides, which cost \$10 per person, can also be booked ahead through the Providence River Boat Company, 401-580-2628.

for two-thirds of a mile. The event starts at sunset with the lighting of the fires and runs until after midnight, giving this New England city a Venice-style feel.

As the fires burn, music plays from speakers mounted on walls along the river, giving the sense that, like the fire, it emanates from the water. The eclectic selection of songs sometimes sounds dreamlike, other times tribal. A song by Malian guitarist and singer Ali Farka Toure segues into Bach, Traditional Cuban and Norwegian folk songs mix with Leonard Cohen.

Marla Barnes, 70, and Ralph

Sopkin, 80, of Palm Beach, Fla., happened upon WaterFire while they were in town to visit friends. They heard the music and were drawn to the river, Barnes said.

"We're very much taken by the whole thing," she said. Volunteer fire stokers dressed in black fed the flames all night from boats bearing names like "Prometheus" — the mythological Greek god who gave fire to humans.

Josh Greenberg and Kim Walter, both 32, of Providence, sat watching the fires on a granite stoop next to the river.

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Crowds gather along the riverfront to watch WaterFire May 27 in Providence, R.I. WaterFire, an art installation by Barnaby Evans, centers on a series of 100 braziers that blaze just above the surface of the three rivers that pass through the middle of downtown Providence.

# Valley Forge spotlights role of blacks

## Performances bring stories of colonials to life

By Alison Lapp  
Associated Press writer

VALLEY FORGE, Pa. — George Washington, the Marquis de Lafayette, Hannah Tili. All three figures contributed to the American colonies' victory over Britain during the Revolutionary War. But the story of Tili, a slave who cooked for Gen. George Washington and his troops during the grueling winter at Valley Forge, has largely gone untold — until now.

Every Saturday through Aug. 19, reenactors will bring the stories of Tili and other black colonials to life with first-person performances at the Valley Forge National Historical Park, as part of the park's African American Freedom and Fun weekends.

The Valley Forge Convention and Visitors Bureau is offering packages that include five area hotels that include free admission to Washington's Headquarters museum, an outline for a self-guided tour of abolitionist and underground railroad sites, and a discount card for more than 90 shops and restaurants.

The real highlight of the weekends, however, is the opportunity to talk with black historical figures who seem to have traveled through time to tell visitors about life in the colonies.

"People get to ask the questions they've always wanted to ask but couldn't because you can't walk up to a slave anymore and say, 'How does it feel,'" said Ajena Rogers, the park ranger who plays Tili.

She said she hears everything from questions as basic as George



Park Ranger Ajena Cason Rogers, right, portraying Hannah Mason Tili is greeted by Dean Mallisa, portraying General George Washington, June 17 in Valley Forge. Pa. Tili, a slave who cooked for Washington and his troops during the grueling winter at Valley Forge, has largely gone untold until now.

Washington's favorite snack — walnuts — to more in-depth queries about what happened in Tili after the war.

Tili, who spent seven years working with the Continental Army, eventually earned her freedom, moving to Philadelphia. She lived to be 102.

Valley Forge was the site of the 1777-78 winter encampment of Washington's troops. Severe cold and inadequate resources led to the death of nearly one-fifth of the men.

Historians estimate there were as many as 5,000 soldiers of African descent in George Washington's army,

making it the most integrated American military until President Harry Truman desegregated the troops anew for the Korean War, nearly 200 years later.

Edward "Ned" Hector, a teamster and artilleryman now portrayed at Valley Forge, was one of the 5,000.

If you go ...

**AFRICAN AMERICAN FREEDOM AND FUN WEEKENDS:** Valley Forge National Historical Park, Route 23 and North Gulph Road, Valley Forge, Pa.

<http://www.valleyforge.org/quest/> or 800-442-9545. Re-enactments involving black historical figures. Saturdays through Aug. 19, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Hotel packages available.

His regiment was given the order to abandon belongings and retreat during a surprise attack at the nearby Battle of Brandywine on Sept. 11, 1777. Hector instead turned back into the fray to save arms, his wagon and a team of horses.

Educator Noah Lewis said he came upon the story of this free black man after him when researching his own genealogy several years ago. Though he is not related to Hector, Lewis said the story "broke all my stereotypes about blacks of that time."

"Like a lot of people, I had in my mind that all blacks then were poor or slaves," he said. "Hopefully stories like this will give black people a greater sense of why people helped this country to be free."

Lewis first played Hector for his daughter's elementary school class, before taking the act to other schools and finally to Valley Forge.

"It is important for people of all races to see that African American history is American history," Lewis said. "There is so much information we need to get out there, so we can all take pride in this aspect of being an American."

Hector said she hopes the packages will attract more black tourists to the park, along with anyone interested in getting a lesser-known perspective on American history.

## Interactive guide makes traveling easier for the computer savvy

By Carol Sottili  
The Washington Post

Feel more comfortable scrolling through a screen than leafing through a book? Schmap, a new series of interactive travel guides, may be your key to the city.

Think Google Earth meets Frommer's meets Mapquest. Log on to Schmap.com, and with just a few keystrokes, download the free Schmap plays and any or all of 70 interactive guides to cities across the globe (for PCs only right now; a Mac version is scheduled for release in November). The writing is dry and the content is the standard hotels-tours-sights-restaurants, but the way the info is integrated is a marvel.

With a few clicks, you can call up the street map of a specific neighborhood. Place a check on any of 20 categories, from hotels to antiques to museums, and icons marking their locations pop up on the map. Move your cursor over any of the

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icons and a picture, review and link to its Web site are displayed. Want to find out whether you can walk from your hotel to a favorite restaurant? Draw a line between the two with the distance measure tool (it'd be nice if the site used miles instead of meters, but let's not quibble).

Or click on the tour function and the program roams from place to place, showing reviews and other info as you fly over the city.

The privately owned company, which uses content from Wikites and maps from Tele Atlas, plans to cover 100 North American and European destinations by November. It charges fees for inclusion on paid advertising, but it will soon open a travel store and will link to hotel booking sites and airlines.

For now, Schmap remains in the beta testing phases, and it's not without bugs. Icons sometimes times run amok (the Oxford bar in Oxford, England, appears on the map in three places), and content sometimes outdated (the San Diego guide states that plants are underway for a new park to be completed in 2007, but considering the height and depth of the information, the occasional error can be forgiven).



Couples dance on a temporary outdoor dance floor in downtown Providence, R.I. May 27. Besides the Waterfire along the river, many other activities are available for spectators to participate in, including the outdoor ballroom with a live band.

## Waterfire

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"It's an amazingly peaceful thing," Greenberg said.

It was Walter's first time at WaterFire, and both she and Greenberg were struck that in the middle of tens of thousands of people, an air of calm prevailed. The frenzied pace of commerce is also missing, they said.

"There's a corporate sponsor, but it's not in your face," Greenberg said.

You will not see street vendors hawking their wares at WaterFire, and the handful of food and drink vendors are a bit different than what you might find at a typical summer festival. Many of the food stands feature regional specialties such as grilled pizza, littleneck clams on the half shell or Rhode Island-style clam chowder, which is made with a clear broth rather than cream like New England clam chowder.

WaterFire is family friendly, and there's plenty to do for children, but that doesn't mean the adults can't enjoy a glass of wine or beer while strolling the cobblestone pathways along the river. The low-key nature of WaterFire means it never seems like there's a danger of the crowd getting too rowdy.

The prices are also a bit lower than you'll find at other summer events. A can of soda from

one of the food vendors costs a reasonable \$1. With free admission, it adds up to a relatively inexpensive night on the town.

"This is the cheapest way of getting all kinds of people together," said Khalil Zuhdi, 53, a microbiologist from Shelton, Conn., who came with his family and friends.

If you're willing to spend a bit more, it's possible to book a seat on a boat, or even a gondola, to glide past the fires at closer distance. Thirty-minute boat rides cost \$10, while gondolas cost more.

WaterFire is often credited with being a part of a renaissance in Providence, a once down-and-out city that's seen a resurgence in recent years. The rivers, once covered up by roadways, were opened up several years ago, and WaterFire has become a sign of the city's full reclaiming of the waterways.

WaterFire was started as a single night in 1994 by artist Barnaby Essex, who says the event is a way to slow down and enjoy the details of life. It soon expanded to several times a year, mostly in summer. It was scheduled 17 times in the 2006 season, although "some" have been rained out.

Dotted along the banks of the rivers are performers and artists. One, man silently folds

origami and hands paper cranes out to children. People dressed as gargoyles and oracles stand watch over the proceedings. A sad, green mermaid looks out of sorts.

Watching the depressed mermaid are Faith and Steve Powers, and their son, Sean, 13, of Union, Conn. They have been to WaterFire three times and said they loved the music and the laid-back feeling of the crowd.

"It's really relaxed. They're enjoying themselves. We're not spending a lot of money," Steve Powers said.

Bands also perform live in stages set up near the rivers. The evening often features an outdoor jazz stage, and performances are also held in the auditorium of the Rhode Island School of Design, which sits in the middle of the WaterFire route. Some WaterFire nights feature dancing, and dance lessons if you want to brush up on your Tango or Swing dancing.

Lisa and Olad Ziv walked to WaterFire from their home in a nearby neighborhood in Providence with their 4-month-old baby, Tave. The couple, who is originally from New York, often come to WaterFire, and say it has a "big city feel with that small town flavor."

"In New York City," Lisa Ziv said, "you'd get lost in some-

## Airlines struggle to weather storms:

By Keith L. Alexander  
The Washington Post

Thunderstorms already have turned the summer into a season of delays, canceled flights and frustrations for passengers, particularly in the Northeast and Midwest.

Airlines have wrestled with getting flights out safely while maintaining customer service. US Airways had 11,177 flights delayed between June 19 and June 30 because of weather, about 40 percent of its operations. The Tempe, Ariz.-based airline was especially hard hit because it dominates the Northeast. It canceled 287, or about 2 percent, of its flights.

Phil Gee, US Airways spokesman, said the past several weeks "have presented the most challenging operations that we have had since 2004." Delta Air Lines, another major carrier along the East Coast, had its flights delayed as much as 45 minutes or longer during the peak of the thunderstorms on June 25 and June 26, said Delta spokeswoman Gina Laughlin.

Now the Federal Aviation Administration is hoping a

recently implemented system will help reduce delays and canceled flights. On Thursday, it is scheduled to unveil a system called the Airspace Flow Program that will allow air traffic controllers to more efficiently halt and delay air traffic because of weather. The system uses computers to help controllers better target flights that must be delayed because they will be headed through bad weather, such as thunderstorms. Flights that will not be affected by the weather are allowed to continue to their destination. In most situations, controllers have had to halt or delay a wider range of flights when facing severe weather systems, FAA officials said.

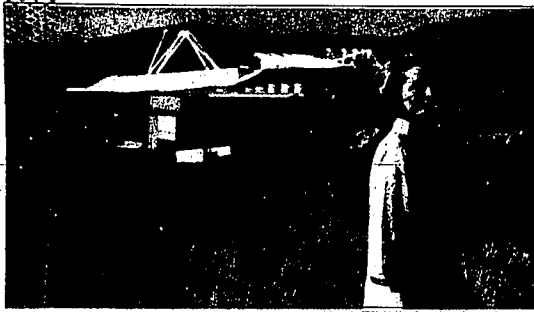
Thunderstorms, not winter snowstorms, are the most challenging for the FAA. Those storms are tougher because they can disrupt travel over a large area between destinations while snowstorms often have their biggest impact at only the affected airports during landings and takeoffs. During the recent string of thunderstorms, passengers were frustrated to see good weather at their airport and

still face delays. Some called relatives or friends at their destination only to learn that the weather was clear there, but such delays would cause thunderstorms along the route cause havoc to the aviation system.

Ellen King, manager of systems efficiency for the FAA, says she expects severe summer season to last for at least another month. "It's still early in the storm season," she said.

Travelers whose flights are delayed or canceled because of weather have little recourse, because weather is beyond the airlines' control. But some airlines — in the name of customer service — will offer a hot room and a meal voucher for connecting passengers who get stranded mid-route. Airlines have to pay whatever they put one of their passengers on another carrier's flight. But some will do it to maintain customer service. After last month's Delta flight from Myrtle Beach, S.C., through Atlanta to Norfolk was canceled last month, a Delta agent quickly found a US Airways flight to Norfolk. The Norfolk resident could arrive on time for a wedding.

# TRAVEL



Opera Singer Regina Sarfaty Rickless stands with the Santa Fe Opera House in the background in Santa Fe, N.M., Wednesday.

## Santa Fe Opera celebrates 50 years

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — It was an extraordinary notion: "To put this dusty hilltop outside a sleepy southwestern town into a destination for opera-lovers."

"Why's Santa Fe?" mezzo-soprano Regina Sarfaty Rickless remembers asking John Crosby when he invited her to join his fledgling company. "Why would you want to build an opera house in the desert?"

On opening night, in July 1957, the 22-year-old New Yorker, making her professional debut as the servant Suzuki in Puccini's "Madame Butterfly," got her answer.

"The moon was a full moon and the back (of the stage) was completely open," Rickless recalled. "And when the Humming Chorus came and we closed the shoji screens, you could still see the moon in the background. It was heavenly."

"The wooden benches in the open-air opera house were filled — tickets ranged from \$2.50 to \$4.80 — and there were 10 curtain calls."

"The Santa Fe Opera was on the map."

"As it celebrates its 50th season this year, SFO has become the largest and most influen-

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tial of American summer festivals, says Marc SCOREA, president and chief executive officer of Opera America, the national service organization for opera. Its apprentice program for singers and technical staff, championing of new works and adherence to artistic excellence have put it at the forefront, he said.

Set in the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, with the Jemez Mountains to the west providing stunning sunsets, it is "physically glorious" as well, he said.

"There is nothing like hearing the music, looking at the beautiful scenery and feeling the warm breeze off the desert. It adds yet another dimension to the sensual experience that is opera," SCOREA said.

The 50th anniversary season, which runs through Aug. 26, reflects the mix that was Crosby's formula: a new production of Bizet's "Carmen" with Anne Sofie von Otter; a new production of Mozart's "The Magic Flute" with Natalie

Dessay; a new production — and the first performance by SFO — of Massenet's "Cinderella" with Joyce DiDonato; a new production of Strauss's "Salome" with Justice Watson; and the American premiere of Thomas Ades' "The Tempest" with Cynthia Sieden.

Crosby, who died in 2002, was a musician and conductor from an Eastern family who had been sent to a boarding school in nearby Los Alamos because of his asthma.

Friends describe him as extremely shy, a stickler for detail and a financial genius.

He could tell you "how many spoons of thread were in the costume shop and how much each one cost," said Thomas Catron, a lawyer who has been on the opera's board almost continuously since it began.

Catron remembers thinking an opera was "a great idea" — he had become a fan in Italy after World War II — but he wasn't sure an out-of-the-way town of 25,000 was the ideal spot.

But Crosby "was very convincing ... because he knew exactly what he wanted and how it would work," Catron said.

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GIS classes to take place at CSI in fall

TWIN FALLS — Geographic Information Systems, or GIS, will be offered this fall at the College of Southern Idaho.

GIS is an enhanced computer-mapping tool that creates interactive data that can be analyzed, organized and stored. GIS is used in a broad spectrum of professions, including farming, law enforcement, business, health-care planning, transportation management, geology, biology, ecology, forestry and local government. Interrelated disciplines such as engineering, surveying, landscape architecture and community planning also use GIS.

Students majoring in agriculture, geology, biology, business, criminal justice, environmental studies, drafting or social sciences can add a GIS certificate to their course of study.

For more information, call the CSI Physical Science department at 732-6400.

Center states four business boot camps

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho will hold four two-hour "Business Start-Up Boot Camps" this summer.

The boot camps are designed to help those who are thinking about starting a business, but don't know where to begin.

Camps will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Room C33 of the Evergreen Building at CSI. The first camp is Tuesday. Other sessions are set for July 27, Aug. 3 and Aug. 10.

Admission is free of charge, but pre-registration is necessary due to seating limitations. For more information or to register, call Sherry Rust, ISDB training facilitator, at 732-6455 or e-mail her at srust@csi.edu.

Survey says dads long for more at-home time

TWIN FALLS — Some dads would make working offices to spend more time at home, according to a CareerBuilder.com survey of more than 225 men, employed full-time, with children under the age of 18 and living at home.

According to the survey, 40 percent of working dads say they would become Mr. Mom if their spouse provided for the family.

44 percent say they would take a pay cut to spend more time with their children.

28 percent of working dads say work negatively affects their relationship with their children.

58 percent say they have missed at least one significant event in their children's lives in the past year because of work.

Strategies on dealing with a difficult boss

WASHINGTON — William Krug, professor of organizational leadership at Purdue University, says that though each type of boss has good and bad points, there are three strategies employees should use when dealing with an angry, difficult boss.

Make sure you are accurate. If you say something inaccurate, it gives a boss ammunition, even if the way the boss is treating you is wrong.

Always document. Presenting facts is a great way to circumvent the emotional thought process that often goes on between boss and employee, he says.

Documentation has been made easier with e-mail because it gives you a clear trail of what happened, when it happened and what action was taken. It also helps prove you are not at fault.

In a dispute, allow your boss to be the decision-maker. Offer a few options to defuse the situation. Your boss can then choose among the options as if he or she is in control, he said.

—Compiled from staff and wire reports

# Business is booming

## Twin Falls sees growth in home and commercial construction



Twin Falls construction is booming both in commercial projects and single-family homes. The city last month issued building permits for projects totaling an estimated \$10.7 million for combined construction types. Gem State Acoustical and Drywall will soon build its new warehouses and office building at this site at 2280 Wright Ave.

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When Marianne Barker went to work in the city's building department a decade ago, there was one building inspector. Today, there are three. That's a good thing, since construction is booming and it doesn't show any sign of slowing down soon.

"We have been so busy for so long it's just a way of life," said Barker, who's been the city's building official for seven years. "We are in the sixth year of record-breaking home building numbers."

Construction is booming both in commercial projects and single-family homes. Values for home construction in June shot up 53 percent from the same month last year. Last month, the city issued building permits for an estimated \$10.7 million in combined construction projects. That's \$1.2 million more than in June of 2005.

Twin Falls issued 42 permits for new single-family homes inside the city limits last month. It seems word has gotten around that Twin Falls is an attractive, and inexpensive place to live.

"A lot of people are moving in from out of state," said Gregg Olsen, a local commercial contractor and Realtor. "I think what they're doing is realizing the cheaper cost of living up here along with the nice area."

And more people moving in means a greater need for office and school space. One of Olsen's current projects is a \$525,110 12,075-square-foot warehouse and office building and a \$275,280 8,000-square-foot storage shed going up at 2280 Wright Ave. It is the future home of Gem State Acoustical and Drywall, a local wholesaler.

"We've outgrown the place we're in," said the company's operations supervisor, Jeff Reichel, of the current location off Eastland Drive.

Here's a look at some other construction projects in Twin Falls:

Follow the money

Estimated cumulative values for different types of construction projects that received permits in June from the city of Twin Falls:

Type	June '06	June '05	June '04	June '03
New single-family homes:	\$8,362,683	\$4,157,161	\$3,260,700	\$4,876,578
New multifamily units:	0	\$2,134,367	0	\$1,717,024
New commercial projects:	\$3,185,307	\$2,442,395	\$990,189	0
Commercial alterations/additions:	\$843,569	\$408,000	\$371,611	\$920,580
Total (including such things as mobile homes, residential alterations and additions and signs):	\$10,746,111	\$9,559,175	\$5,411,722	\$7,823,701

Source: City building department

### New home for Idaho Commerce and Labor

The agency that, among many other things, matches job seekers with employers will move into a new, \$860,335 11,742-square-foot home at 450 Falls Ave. in the first part of December.

The new facility is actually a tad smaller than the agency's current site off College Avenue, but the design will better meet its needs, said Chris Orders, manager of the local Idaho Commerce and Labor office.

"One of the things we're really excited about is we'll have a conference room with outside access," Orders said.

That means the conference room can be used in the evening for job search workshops, employer meetings and other needs after locking up the main office, she said.

### Bank improvements

Pioneer Federal Credit Union will soon move out of its home at 659 Blue Lakes Blvd. into new, more spacious digs on the corner of College and Locust, just behind Lowe's.

"It's double what we've got now," said Terry Rowe, regional manager for Pioneer

Federal Credit Union, which has 10 locations in Idaho.

The value of the 4,261-square-foot project is \$312,203.

The financial institution rents its current location, but it will own the new one.

"We wanted the community to know that we are here to stay," Rowe said.

Rowe said the move should create between two and three new jobs for tellers and member services personnel.

Meanwhile, Banner Bank's commercial banking center, now located on River Vista Place along the Snake River Canyon Rim, is moving to a space at the Renaissance Plaza at 746 N. College Road. The move brings \$225,000 in tenant improvements.

"We wanted to be closer to our branch location which is located a few hundred yards away on Blue Lakes Boulevard," said Shane Jenkins, vice president of Banner Bank. "It will be easier access for most of our client base."

### More classroom space

When people move to Twin Falls, they often come with children in tow. And more children comes the need for more

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## Training for a trade

### Salaries are good for skilled labor

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The construction boom has sparked a huge need for more construction workers.

In fact, some contractors are finding it difficult to find skilled labor.

"We can't hire any skilled people at all," said Don Anderson, owner of a local construction company. "We've run ads, we've done everything."

Twin Falls isn't alone. "There has been a large increase in construction openings across the state," said Chris Orders, manager of the Idaho Commerce and Labor

The College of Southern Idaho is coming to the rescue. Come this fall, it will offer the first college-level residential construction program in southern Idaho. The fall semester begins Aug. 21.

Recently approved by the Idaho Board of Education, the program is a partnership between CSI, the Home Builders Institute, the National Association of Home Builders and at least eight Twin Falls-area businesses, agencies and home builders.

Students can enroll in the one-year certificate program or the two-year applied science degree program. They will include classroom and hands-on construction site experience in framing, finish carpentry, roofing, masonry.

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## New nuclear plant designs are streamlined, theoretically safer



Joe Reyes, an Oregon State University nuclear engineering professor, stands near a one-quarter-scale model reactor on the Oregon State campus. Dec. 21, 2005; in Corvallis, Ore.

By William McCall  
Associated Press writer

CORVALLIS, Ore. — It may seem a mere tangle of pipes and instruments to the untrained eye. To nuclear engineer Joe Reyes, it's a sign of a coming nuclear-power plant revival in the United States — with electricity produced more safely and for less money than the atomic behemoths built in the 20th century.

This jumble of technology is a one-quarter-scale model of the Westinghouse AP1000 power plant. Reyes heads a team at Oregon State University that built the model to test

the AP1000's so-called passive safety systems, under contract with the U.S. Department of Energy and Westinghouse.

"We've conducted 20 tests for the AP1000," said Reyes. "We found the simple passive system could replace entire batteries of pumps that are normally used for cooling of the nuclear core."

This kind of safety system, Reyes said, would make nuclear leaks far less likely, and virtually eliminate the threat of a meltdown of the nuclear core.

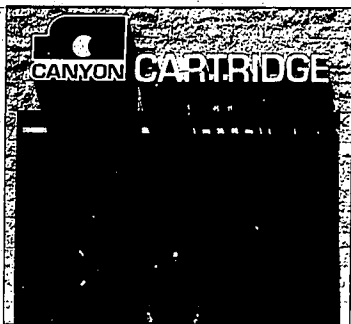
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# YOUR BUSINESS

## MILESTONES

### Canyon Cartridge opens in Twin Falls

Canyon Cartridge Inc. opened in Twin Falls in December and offers refilled and compatible ink and toner cartridges for printers, copiers and fax machines. Located in the WinCo Shopping Plaza, Canyon Cartridge carries an extensive in-stock selection of cartridges with savings of up to 50 percent, all with a 100 percent guarantee, according to a news release from the company. Waiting is not necessary as the automated refilling process is already complete. Credit is given for qualified empty cartridges, but exchange is not required. Carlos Kelly, owner of Canyon Cartridge, is always available to help with printing questions. Free delivery to local businesses is provided. Canyon Cartridge carries businesses by selling refurbished laser printers and copiers, and offers service and repair by a factory certified technician. Visit the store, call 234-7878, or e-mail sales@canyoncartridge.com.



Canyon Cartridge Inc. in Twin Falls offers refilled and compatible ink and toner cartridges for printers, copiers and fax machines.

### SIGN BUSINESS OPENS



Advantage Signs and Banners has a new location at 488 Blue Lakes Blvd N., Ste. 110, Twin Falls. They recently held a ribbon cutting with the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's Ambassadors. Pictured left to right Aricks, charitable donation to St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center Auxiliary of Ketchum in support of the construction of additional maternity suites. St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center serves the health care needs of people living in the greater Blaine County area.

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### Community helps beautify Gooding hospital

Thanks to the generosity and dedication of the community, Gooding County Memorial Hospital has made significant strides in beautifying and equipping their inpatient rooms in early spring. The Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation held benefit dinners to raise necessary funds to upgrade and beautify the rooms. The dinners brought in over \$150,000 towards the project. Now three rooms are complete and the remaining rooms are scheduled for completion by September.

Every inpatient room received a new, top-of-the-line patient bed; new overhead table; new bedside table and a new individual patient phone. The rooms are also getting a wall-mounted, articulating-arm television, as well as paint, flooring, window coverings, wiring and individual heating units.

If not for the dedication of our Foundation and the generosity of our community, this beautification project would not have been completed for several years," said Earl Fitzpatrick, the hospital's chief executive officer.

Fitzpatrick said the entire staff, board of directors, medical staff and administration would like to extend a sincere thank you to Foundation members and community members who made the project possible.

## CAREER MOVES

### Scott McClure

TWIN FALLS — Scott E. McClure, professional engineer, has been appointed as chairman to the Idaho State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. He has served on the state board in varying positions for the last eight years. The Board regulates the practice of professional engineering and professional land surveying in the state of Idaho. McClure is the president of McClure Engineering Inc. which provides mechanical, structural and industrial design.

### Chris Polow

TWIN FALLS — Chris Polow has received his professional engineer's license for the State of Idaho in the field of mechanical engineering. He is a Twin Falls native and has experience in the design of HVAC, refrigeration and boiler systems. Polow is employed by McClure Engineering Inc.

### Housing awards

KETCHUM — This year's Community Housing Week Leadership Awards were presented in two categories —

Unsung Hero and YIMBY (Yes In My Backyard). The Unsung Hero Award is given to a resident who has consistently advocated for affordable housing in the Wood River Valley. The YIMBY Award is given to a person or group who embraces and supports community housing in their own neighborhood. Here are this year's winners:

The Unsung Hero is Dale Bates. In 1998, Bates firm, Living Architecture, designed one of Blaine County's first community housing projects, The Fields. Bates persisted despite initial opposition, and the positive reviews toward that project have substantially changed the stereotypes and misconceptions people have on the subject of affordable housing. Bates and his firm have gone on to create community housing in other developments. His exemplary designs have changed the face and image of affordable housing in the Wood River Valley.

The winner of the YIMBY award is Len Harlig. Harlig has given decades of service to the community, initially helping the Blaine Ketchum Housing Authority get off the ground. Individually and as a member of Whole Communities, Harlig is a constant presence at meetings and public forums supporting, urging and advocating the creation of affordable housing and the adoption of city and county ordinances to require and encourage the development of community residences. He has been and continues to be one of the most vociferous advocates of affordable housing in the Wood River Valley.

### Bank of the West opens branch in Ketchum

Bank of the West opened its newest Idaho branch in the Wood River Valley community of Ketchum on July 10. Located at 600 Sun Valley Road near Walnut Avenue, the 4,200-square-foot Ketchum branch offers both retail and business banking services and includes multiple teller stations, two drive-up lanes, a full service automated teller machine and on-site customer parking. Daniel Cole, an Idaho native and nine-year banking veteran who comes to Bank of the West from Key Bank in Twin Falls and prior to that US Bank in Ketchum, will

## CONTRIBUTIONS

### Golf tournament raises money for foundation

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation announced the winners of its 21st Annual Sinclair-Hoss Memorial Golf Tournament that took place June 24 at the Blue Lakes Country Club. Two teams Taylor Taylor and Pitts and Intermountain Orthopaedic Clinic tied for first. The Taylor, Taylor and Pitts team members were: Matthew Taylor, Kent Taylor, Brad Hurd and Ed Fuchs. They pulled in first-place gross.

Second-place gross went to the Intermountain Orthopaedic Clinic. Team members were James Reimier, Gary Lounsbury, Dave Driscoll and Matt Pentland. Winners were the team of Ben Construction Company — Clay Bingham, Jim Murray, Rob Puckett and Steve Snelgel — with a winning score of 41.

Second-place net went to Southern Idaho Radiology team members Robert Wasserstrom, Karen Wasserstrom, Mike Holzer and Suzy Holzer with a score of 43.

This year's putting course winners were Suzy Holzer and Emelyn Burnam.

Closest to the Pin winners were Suzy Holzer and Kent Taylor. Longest drive winners were Nicole German and Costa Paulos.



Pictured from left are Kent Taylor, Matthew Taylor, Brad Hurd and Ed Fuchs. They were the first-place net winners at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation's 21st Annual Sinclair-Hoss Memorial Golf Tournament held June 24.

Foundation's health care funding priorities. The MVRMC Foundation Inc. is a not-for-profit charitable organization, separate from the medical center, and a registered corporation with the State of Idaho. For more information on the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation or upcoming events, visit [www.mvrmc.com/foundation](http://www.mvrmc.com/foundation) or call Merrily Huether, MVRMC Foundation Annual Programs Coordinator at 737-2481.

### Northwest Farm Credit Services gives scholarships

Northwest Farm Credit Services announced the winners of the 2006 Scholarship Program. Thirty-two scholarships were given to sons or

daughters of Northwest FCS customers in Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington. Six high school students and two college students from each state were awarded \$1,000 scholarships. Idaho winners included:

Jenna Meeks is a Twin Falls High School graduate and the daughter of Jim and Sharon Meeks of Twin Falls. She was the Idaho State Secretary of Business Professionals Association while being president of her high school chapter. She was very involved in 4-H and was a state representative to the

### National 4-H Congress in Atlanta

She was a member of National Honor Society, bowling club, and the rodeo team and will be attending Colorado State University this fall and will major in agricultural economics.

Leah Meeks is the daughter of Jim and Sharon Meeks of Twin Falls. She attends Central Polytechnic State University and is majoring in bio-resource and agricultural engineering.

She is involved in the Women Engineers Club as the chair of a variety of committees within her major. She is also the practice manager of the Cal Poly equestrian team.



Leah Meeks

### By Eileen Ambrose The Baltimore Sun

For many new college graduates, it's time to keep a skill that will serve them throughout their careers — negotiating a salary.

Yes, even those seeking entry-level jobs might be able to squeeze a little more out of a prospective employer by playing their cards right.

An improved job market favors new grads. A few years ago, grads were lucky to get any offer. Now some grads are getting more than one. And competing offers put job seekers in an even better position to negotiate, says Brian Krueger, president of CollegeGrad.com.

If you don't have a job offer yet, don't panic. But don't kick back, either. "It's time to double-down," Krueger says. "Your full-time job is job searching."

The first step to negotiating is to be prepared, Krueger says. That means knowing what you're worth even before an

### Employer talks money

Salaries for new grads range from \$25,000 to \$55,000, says Bill Coleman, senior vice president of compensation for Salary.com. Most public forums are on the low end; engineers and technology grads on the high side. To find income figures for your field and locale, check out [www.salary.com](http://www.salary.com).

It doesn't hurt to ask for more pay. "The odds of getting more salary are infinitely higher if you ask than if you don't," Coleman says.

But you need a good reason why you deserve more.

"It shouldn't be. I just want more," Coleman says.

You might be able to show that entry-level salaries in your field are higher than what's being offered, or that those internships you did add up to your year's worth of experience, experts say. Don't be greedy.

"You walk a fine line," says Steve Schneider, director of Sudima Search Inc. in Timonium.

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## Training may put workers more at ease with jobs

### The Associated Press

Ever felt lost at a new job, even after several months? Your bosses have noticed and they point to generic training programs as part of the problem, according to one survey. Only 20 percent of respondents believed that more than three-fourths of their employees understood the company's strategy and what's needed to achieve success in the industry. But 40 percent said that less than half had such an

understanding. Some of the problem stems from inadequate training. Only 36 percent of respondents said that their companies tailor human resource and training programs to support specific work functions, while 63 percent depend mostly on the same training and support for everyone. "Not many organizations do a good job of creating HR programs that address the business's needs and goals," said

Ed Jensen, partner with Accenture's human performance practice. "There's not a lot of science behind these programs and they often miss the mark." Jensen believes the need for better training programs will grow even more as the baby boomers leave the workforce en masse. "Companies are going to struggle to replace not the body, but the knowledge and expertise of these workers," he said.

# Montana man builds cottage industry of custom bike frames

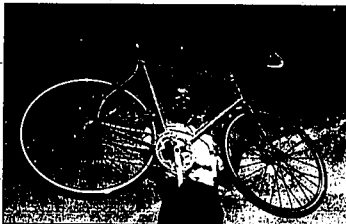
By Mike Klefer  
Bozeman Daily Chronicle

BOZEMAN, Mont. — Dave Kirk's garage workshop is what used to be called a "cottage industry," emphasis on the "cottage." From the high-end workshop table, the casual observer might guess that Kirk is a hobbyist craftsman. But it would take an aficionado's knowledge to recognize the obscure posters for bicycle and automobile manufacturers.

"Be prepared to be overwhelmed," he warns potential visitors. "I'm just a guy with a big metal table. People come in here and say, 'Where are the lasers?' Well, here's the hack saw."

"Don't be fooled. He may do everything by hand, but Kirk has sold more than his custom bicycle frames and forks in England than he has in Bozeman."

"A quirk of fate," said Kirk, who has never promoted himself locally. Or perhaps this is simply good business in the globalized age of Internet marketing.



Dave Kirk poses at his home in Bozeman, Mont., where he designs and builds custom bike frames such as the one he is holding. Kirk's garage workshop is what used to be called a 'cottage industry,' emphasis on the 'cottage.'

"Apparently I have a hot bed in St. Louis, Missouri," Kirk said of his advertising, a combination of stylish Web site and word-of-mouth in the community of bike enthusiasts and collectors.

Whatever the case, the former professional cyclist has parlayed a market niche into a world-class reputation out of his hometown.

He has lived there since

1999 when he moved from upstate New York, where he was principal designer for Serotta Competitive Bicycles.

"It's one of the finest custom frame builders in existence," Carl Strong, who owns Bozeman's Strong Frames, said.

Kirk's house is like any other in his subdivision. Its Kirk Frameworks shingle is almost hidden on the side of house.

The marvelous garden, courtesy of Kirk's wife, Karin, is more conspicuous.

"Like his unassuming environment," Kirk's aesthetic tastes trend toward function. The lugs and filelets that brace the joints of his frames are the most ostentatious elements of his craftsmanship.

"He has this unique ability to find solutions to problems that are simple and practical," Strong said.

But the aesthetics are truly important.

The elements are attached in a process called brazing with molten silver, applied painstakingly through capillary action with an acetylene torch.

"I can very precisely miller the tubes so that they fit together," Norm Carr, a Kirk Frameworks customer from Kirkland, Wash., said. "When you do that, the joints are seamless and it makes for elegant frame building."

This process effects a retro look that Kirk sends to San Diego for a personalized high-gloss paint job.

"He's more traditional than I

am," Strong said. "It's a lot of current technology applied with the spirit of the past."

Kirk sends photos along with the construction, so that his customers feel like they are part of the process, the inspirations for which are wide-ranging.

"I have people referencing architecture," Kirk said. "They'll tell me, 'I really like flying buttresses, or I really like Baroque furniture,' and I say, 'OK, I can see that.'"

His customer demographic is usually a well-off, middle-aged bicycling enthusiast.

Some of his customers own 30 bikes.

"These people are sophisticated," Strong said. "You have to be really involved in the sport before you want a custom-made bicycle."

They often know exactly what they want.

"He's very amenable to that," Carr, who used to manufacture bikes, said. "It's very good listener. He took a lot of effort to make sure he understood what I wanted. He was willing to tell me that my ideas weren't the best. He was very

easy to work with. Cyclists can be very picky, as can anyone wanting custom-made sports gear."

Kirk takes body measurements like a tailor, to create the perfect fit for any body, ranging from Kirk's lanky build with "the aerodynamics of a barn door" to the ideal bicycle shape the 5-foot, 9-inch powerhouse build of Tour de France riders.

But Kirk does not build for the high-performance, 10,000-mile-a-year riders.

According to his customers, Kirk and other artisan craftsman frame-builders provide a service for those who are ignored by factory mass-produced bicycle companies. Namely, the cyclist who is neither a mountain biker, or a road racer.

His frames are built for comfort, and for style points among those in the know.

"I got back into cycling and I decided to spoil myself," Carr said. "I think it's worth it." Then there's the other occupant of the workshop: a 1999 Birkin SB, a sleek, open-topped sports car.

## Reactor

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He predicts that nuclear power plants using the passive safety systems will be built in the United States within the next seven years.

There are already 113 nuclear plants operating in the United States, producing about 20 percent of the nation's electricity.

The partial meltdown of the Three Mile Island nuclear plant in Pennsylvania in 1979 helped lead to a virtual halt in new plant construction — along with high costs and energy demand forecasts that seemed out of sync.

But global warming and the rising cost of natural gas and coal may finally change the image — and the appeal — of nuclear power as the industry courts a new generation of reactors, such as the AP1000 and General Electric's ESBWR, or Economic Simplified Boiling Water Reactor.

Interest in new plants has increased sharply since last August, when President Bush signed an energy bill that streamlines applications and offers loan incentives, tax breaks and federal insurance for new plants. Licensing could be approved within a few years, depending on when applications are filed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

But there are plenty of skeptics.

They point out that, because the AP1000 and ESBWR have not yet been built, it's still uncertain how safe they will actually be.

"It's been tested in scale models," David Lochbaum, director of a nuclear safety project for the Union of Concerned Scientists, said of the passive-safety system.

"If there's a gap between testing and what happens when such designs are put into operation, it could be a nasty surprise," said Lochbaum.

Over the past decade Reyes' team at Oregon State University has played an important role in charting the future of nuclear power in this country.

Their work helped lead to NRC certification of the AP1000 plant last December.

The model at OSU was built to test how the passive safety design would hold up during all sorts of conditions, including a crisis.

The model uses no fissionable material. Instead, electricity heats water to temperatures reached in a nuclear plant, and the water is moved through the model, testing each of the safety features.

The cooling system in the prototype generators of reactors operated much like a car radiator, requiring constant pumping of cool water to prevent overheating.

that if the operator needs to leave the plant during an accident, that handle will be tripped automatically, and the reactor will cool itself.

The passive safety system also contributes to making this generation of power plant less expensive to build because there are far fewer parts, nuclear advocates say.

The system eliminates the need for huge cooling towers, redundant pumps and backup diesel generators.

The next generation of nuclear power plants will not only be safer than the previous generation, but also simpler, more streamlined, and therefore far less costly to build than reactors now online, nuclear engineers say.

The AP1000, according to Westinghouse, has 87 percent less cable, 83 percent less piping, 50 percent fewer valves and 36 percent fewer pumps than the previous generation of reactors.

The new General Electric design — the ESBWR — is similar to the AP1000. Both use simplified construction that dramatically shrink the size of the power plant as well as passive safety technology.

General Electric has been racing with Westinghouse — now owned by Toshiba Corp. — and other manufacturers, such as Areva NP in France, to build the next generation of nuclear reactors.

So far, Westinghouse has the U.S. lead because it has a design already certified by the NRC. A dozen new plants are under consideration.

Estimates on the cost of new reactors vary widely, and it is difficult to compare current costs with past projects that required years to build and many design modifications, analysts say.

The best measurement is how much it will cost per kilowatt of electricity to build a new plant, said Per Peterson, a nuclear engineer at the University of California, Berkeley.

"Vendors have said consistently they will come in under \$1,500 per kilowatt," he said. "At that point you'll probably see a lot of new nuclear construction because it will be economically cheaper to build nuclear rather than coal plants."

New coal plants — with carbon scrubbers — will cost about \$1,800 per kilowatt, said Adrian Heymer, a financial analyst for the Nuclear Energy Institute.

Second-generation nuclear plants from the 1970s ranged in cost from \$600 to \$3,700 per kilowatt, depending on a wide variety of factors, Heymer said.

"But it's very hard to translate those numbers to current numbers, partly because they were all custom designs, with custom modifications," Heymer said.

Nuclear opponents say that even if the new safety features work under all conditions, there's yet another problem to be resolved: as of yet, the United States has no permanent storage facility for spent nuclear fuel.

Potential delays in site approval for new nuclear plants and licensing are also a concern.

Reyes said the NRC needs to expedite its new and untested process for a combined construction and operating license.

On the construction side, Reyes said, "The U.S. has lost significant capability in fabricating key components for nuclear plants."

Right now, Reyes said, "there's a single U.S. manufacturer of large nuclear components, and we're buying most large replacement components from France. We must also rebuild the skilled workforce needed to construct nuclear plants."

Reyes concedes these are "significant challenges," but says they are "being faced by an industry that is highly energized, disciplined with regards to safety and profit, and driven by goals of energy independence and environmental quality."

But nuclear opponents are telling people not to get their hopes up. Among them is Portland attorney Greg Kafoury, a veteran of battles against atomic power in the Pacific Northwest.

"We were promised that the plants could not explode and we got Chernobyl," Kafoury said. "We were told they could not melt down and we got Three Mile Island. Now the industry says they can get it right. Why on Earth should anybody believe them?"

## Building

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school classrooms. The Twin Falls School District is getting ready for the new school year and is rearranging modular units and putting up new ones at a cost of \$172,356.

"It's because of an increased need of special programs — that and overcrowding," said Dale Thornsbury, interim associate superintendent for the Twin Falls School District.

The two-classroom unit at Perrine Elementary is moving over to Robert Stuart Junior High, and Perrine will get a four-classroom unit. Both Sawtooth Elementary and O'Leary Junior High will get two-classroom units and Morningside Elementary will get two double-classroom units.

The largest project will be a five-plex — four classrooms

and a meeting room — going in on the corner of Eastland Avenue and Elizabeth Boulevard just across the street from O'Leary. It will be the new home of the district's Bridge Academy — an alternative school for seventh- and eighth-graders that used to be at the alternative Magic Valley High School.

Thornsbury said the new location will be much more convenient.

"It will be in close proximity to library, food service and transportation at O'Leary," he said.

Other June projects include:

• Don Anderson is building a \$670,272, 19,200-square-foot warehouse shell at 2342

Eldridge Ave. to use as rental space for businesses.

• Gary Walverton is building a \$538,105 11,160-square-foot airplane hanger with an office and restroom inside at 169 Joslin Way at Joslin Field.

• Jay Frost is getting a \$75,000 interior finish on an office building at 1146 Eastland Dr. N.

• Bowladore is getting new steps and a handicap ramp valued at \$160,000.

• Lamont Truck Center at 195 Deere St. is getting a \$170,186, 4,875-square-foot shop addition.

• The Land Group at 140 River Vista Place is getting \$60,000 in improvements.

## Around the city

Times-News Business Editor Sandy Miller can be reached at 735-3264 or by e-mail at smiller@magvalley.com.

CSI is finalizing an agreement to buy a lot in Twin Falls that will become a residential construction lab where students will build a duplex over the course of the school year.

plumbing, flooring, installing cabinets, molding, trim and hardware."

Students who complete the program shouldn't have any trouble finding jobs. Values for

homed construction in June shot up 53 percent from the same month last year. The city last month issued building permits for projects totaling an estimated \$107 million for combined construction types. That's \$1.2 million more than in June 2005.

And the pay ain't bad. Carpenters are earning up to \$21.69 an hour; plumbers, \$23.57; construction managers, \$28.76; and electricians, \$30.09 an hour, according to Idaho Commerce and Labor.

"It's a good trade to get into," Heck said. "The market, especially in the Magic Valley, is just booming."

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11. Heeler Cross, neutered male adult
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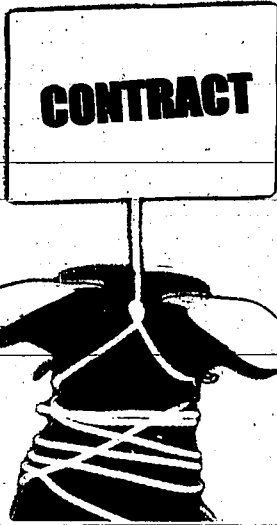
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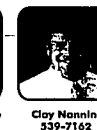
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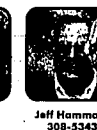
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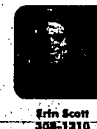
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 SWF very young 57, going back to college, likes dancing, dogs, cats, horses. Seeking SM, 50-70, for dating and more. Hollister TX958251 @Joye5949

**NOT AFRAID TO GET MY...**  
 hands dirty. SWF, 19, 5', dishwater-blond/hazel, Aquarius, N/S, enjoys dancing, Mexican food, and movies. Seeking WM, 19-30, N/S, to chat with. Burley TX918228

**TAKE MY HAND**  
 SWF, 47, 5'0", medium build. Enjoys camping, new places, traveling, animals. Seeks WM, 47-55, N/S, for good, honest relationship, possibly long-term. @Apollon TX970871

**WAITING 4 THE PERFECT GUY**  
 FW SWF, long blonde hair, big green eyes, loves the outdoors, camping, fishing. Looking to meet a SWM, 28-38, who's sexy and fun, to share good times, possible LTR. Hollister TX769014 @barned0529

**NICE-LOOKING WOMAN**  
 Attractive SWF, 60, blondish-red/blue, nursing assistant, very active, young-looking, N/S, seeks financially secure gentleman, 59-70, who's kind, honest, down-to-earth, for friendship, dating and more. Let's go dancing & have fun. Twin Falls TX987830

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**NEEDS SOME SUGAR**  
 SWF, 48, loves walks, picnics, hot tubbing, cuddling on the couch, seeking SW/HRM, 38-54. Hollister TX84241 @Semio5

**LET'S ENJOY LIFE**  
 45-year-old SWF, mother of two, CNA, I love camping, mountains, long rides, etc. ISO a S/DWM, 35-55, who has similar interests. Burley TX907501

**TRY THIS ONE**  
 SWF, 22, 5'1", single mother of 3, seeks WM, 23-25, loves children, for friendship, and more. Appleton TX980305

**ISO GOOD & HONEST GUY**  
 Honest, easygoing SF, 21, work in the medical field compassionate and kind-hearted looking for SM, 18-45, with great personality and sweet smile, to share fishsip and good times. Gooding TX958848 @sarahluck

**YOU NEVER KNOW**  
 SWF, 26, 5'17", blond/blue, mother, enjoys the outdoors, camping, hunting, snowmobiling, movies, relaxing at home, cuddling. Looking for a good-hearted guy to share simple fun and friendship first. Hollister TX923359

**GOOD TIMES**  
 SWF, 55, 5'4", 125lbs, red/hazel, loves dancing, traveling, moonlit walks, seeks fun-loving guy, 45-55, who likes to laugh and enjoy life. Appleton TX952904

**HUGGABLE**  
 Hard-working, independent, easy-going SWF, 21, seeks laid-back, calm WM, 18-28, to be a best friend. Hollister TX955499

**HOW ABOUT ME?**  
 DWF: enjoys fishing, camping, bowling, dining out, quiet times. Seeking WM, 45-60, who shares same interests, for friendship, possible romance. Hollister TX966671

**HOW ABOUT THIS ONE?**  
 SF, 20, 5'11", light brown eyes, employed, sociable, easygoing, likes horror films, most music, hanging with friends. Looking for a cool, fun, guy to hang with...Wondell TX936019

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 SWF, 66, Libra, part-time school cafeteria worker, N/S, loves country drives and walks, movies, dining out. Seeking WM, 60-70. Twin Falls TX946212

**NEED A NICE GUY!**  
 Romantic, fun SWF, enjoys family life, movies, dancing, horseback riding, gardening, cooking, and fishing. Seeking a tall SWM, N/S, 40-60, who wants to share a good time and possible LTR. Twin Falls TX988961

## MEN SEEKING WOMEN

**TALL AND ROMANTIC**  
 SWM, 39, 6'4", 180lbs, brown/blue, Pisces, smoker, fun-loving, romantic, likes movies, swimming, horseback riding, travel, seeks WF, 30-45, smoker, independent, possible romance. Hollister TX990896

**HOW ABOUT ME?**  
 SWM, 62, hard-working, loves the outdoors, horseback riding, 4-wheeling, snowmobiling, occasional nights out. Seeking happy, sincere lady who loves animals and the great outdoors. Friendship/relationship. Murtaugh TX743399

**JUST AN ORDINARY GUY**  
 HM, 41, short, dark, and handsome, very hard-working, seeks a woman, 25-45, to connect with. Hollister TX99654 @pokerro

**ROOM IN MY HEART**  
 SWM, 39, 5'10", 250lbs, great SOH, enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, outdoor sports, gardening. Seeking SF, nice open, 30-45, slender to medium build, with similar interests for LTR. Paul TX892445

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**A TRUE GENTLEMAN**  
 SWM, 42, 5'6", 185lbs, light brown/wavy-green, truck driver, enjoys yard work, walks, hunting, fishing, camping, country drives, simple times. ISO honest, commitment-minded lady to share the special times in life. Appleton TX936240

**OUTGOING KINDA GUY**  
 SWM, 41, 6'1", employed, fun to be with, enjoys hunting, fishing, bowling and more. Seeking a SF, 26-54, who enjoys life to the fullest. Apeegwi TX940614

**THE SMILE IN YOUR EYES**  
 WIMW, 59, 6'2", 180bs, dog owner, father, retired police officer, ISO outgoing, like-minded sweet lady to share my life with. I enjoy camping, fishing, dancing, quiet evenings, romance. Kimberly TX933773

**ONE WOMAN MAN**  
 SWM, 58, 5'3", 150bs, clean-cut, N/S, easygoing, hardworking, likes movies, dancing, Country music, outdoors, camping. Seeking fun SWF, 58+, slender for friendship maybe more. TX951957

**COUNTRY GENTLEMAN**  
 Easygoing DWM, 60, 5'7", 140bs, self-employed, N/S, likes camping, fishing, traveling, dining out. Seeking active SWF, 40-50, N/S, looks important, must be honest, caring and fun, friendship first, maybe LTR. Twin Falls TX916440

**LOOKING FOR SAIL-MATE**  
 DWM, 51, enjoys good conversation, going for drives, dining, hiking, fishing, sailing. Seeking SWF, 45-55, for LTR. Greenwood TX93706 @ willyak

**STILL SEARCHING...**  
 SWM, 48, 6'3", very mature and caring, enjoys outdoors, dining, sports, and more. Seeking SF, nice open, 36-45, for friendship, and dating. Twin Falls, TX93296

**GOOD COMPANY**  
 Fun, outgoing DWM, 41, 5'9", medium build, brown/green, likes outdoors, seeks woman, 28-45, for friendship, possible romance. Riverside TX952882

**THIS COULD BE IT**  
 SWM, 20, 6'4", 165lbs, slim build, enjoys swimming, outdoors, bowling, skating, seeks WF, 18-22, for friendship, possible romance. Hollister TX935971

**TRAVEL FOR A LIVING**  
 SWM, 42, 6'2", average build, Scorpio, N/S, seeks woman, 25-40, N/S, for friendship, possible LTR. Midland TX95971

**IS THIS YOU?**  
 SWM, 23, 6'0", financially stable, N/S, seeks WF, 19-28, for friendship, possible romance. Hollister TX95707

**GOD-LOVING MAN**  
 SWCM, 47, 6'1", slim build, N/S, 60s WCF, 25-40, for friendship, possible romance. Hollister TX959903

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 SWM, 27, 6'4", 180bs, loves fishing, hunting, backpacking, outdoors, seeks WF, 18-37, N/S. Curry TX964774

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**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
How should one interpret this unopposed bidding sequence: one club - one spade - two clubs - two hearts? Is it forcing or invitational - or consistent with a hand that just wants to play at the two-level? And what should one do as opener with a 14-count and 1-3-3-6 shape with jack-third of diamonds?

Natural Selection, Janesville, Wis.

**ANSWER:** The sequence is forcing for one round - responder can pass opener's preference to two spades or a minimum rebid in no-trump or clubs. With the example hand, opener has enough to take more than minimal action. Since three diamonds would act as a kind of fourth-suit force, asking partner to bid no-trump if appropriate, that sounds best to me.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
Holding ♠ K-3-2-2, ♥ Q-10-2, ♦ A-9-4, ♣ 9-4-3, I heard my partner open one club and the next hand overcall one heart. I doubled to show spades, and my partner bid one spade. How many spades should I have bid now, two or three?

Up to the Air, Houston, Tex.

**ANSWER:** My choice would be none at all. I cannot see game making if partner knows you have spades and could not jump to two spades, which he would have done with any extras. Frankly, if you are going to advance, I think a bid of one no-trump is best, suggesting 10-11 points with a heart stop and four spades.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
I know a little about responsive doubles (doubling the opponents when they have bid and raised a suit around your partner's take-out double). But do they apply in a sequence where partner has doubled an opening bid in the balancing seat, and the opener rebids his own suit? Is my double penalties or responsive?

Overbalanced, San Antonio, Texas

**ANSWER:** If you pass an opening bid, hear partner double, then

double your RHO when he rebids his suit, it should be for penalties. However, say you have 4-4 in the minors and hear RHO first open one heart, then rebid two hearts over your partner's balancing double. Since double is out, if you feel you have to bid, pick a minor and hope to get lucky!

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
Holding ♠ A-Q-7-3, ♥ A-Q-9-2, ♦ 7, ♣ A-K-J-4, I opened one club and heard my partner respond one heart. I did not want to stop short of game, so bid four hearts. My partner suggested a jump to four diamonds would show this hand. Is this really right?

Out West, Mitchell, S.D.

**ANSWER:** A jump to four diamonds is a splinter, promising short diamonds, heart support, and enough values for at least game. This is rather clear: than jumping to two spades and then raising hearts, since partner may not know that you have four trumps for him.

**Dear Mr. Wolff:**  
I'm never sure when to respond in spades over a one-heart opening bid. Say I have four moderate spades to the jack, and nine points. Would it be right to bid one spade if I have two hearts? And what if I have three-card trump support?

Urchans Lovett, Durham, N.C.

**ANSWER:** With your first-quoted hand, either a one-spade or one-no-trump response to one heart is fine by me. Bidding one spade might get you to the wrong partscore if partner raises with three trumps, but then again, a 4-4 spade game may go by the board if you conceal your suit. With your second hand, respond two hearts. You can always get back to two spades, but more importantly, the heart raise limits the hand and gets support across at once.

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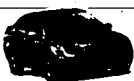
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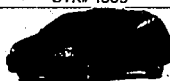
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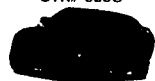
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**2004 DODGE 1500 CREW CAB 4X4 HEMI**

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**2005 FORD EXPEDITION 4X4**

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**2006 DODGE 2500 QUAD CAB 4X4**

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# FAMILY LIFE

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## NOTHING BUT TIME

### Widow helps others cope with loss

 By Izabel Whizzo  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — Shawna Wasko is the first to admit it.

"I can't take their pain away, but I can help them through it."

Wasko is program manager of the Widowed Wellness Program of Idaho, helping men and women deal with the pain of losing a spouse. The eight-week class is designed to comfort them and help them deal with their grief and the special problems they face.

Wasko knows this grief firsthand.

When she was 23 years old, with a 22-month-old daughter, her husband, Ken, was killed in a logging accident in Washington.

People told her what to feel, how to think and what to do.

"They all had good intentions," Wasko said. "But they had no idea what they were talking about."

Wasko wanted to talk to other widows and find out how they were dealing with their losses — and how they answered children's questions.

The Washington woman started leading a program for widows about four months later and soon moved to Twin Falls, where she launched a similar one. Though she was still grieving, being in a position to help others helped her.

"The only way to get through the process is to go through it," she said. "No matter what differences we had, we had so much in common. I learned I was normal."

In the past 25 years, Wasko's program has had burgeoning participation.

"The best grievers are those that can cope within two years," she said. "Usually they are older, had a good marriage and had (advance) knowledge of the death."

Widows with children have a more challenging time.

"The worst thing about being widowed is the loneliness," Wasko said. "It's even worse with kids. People ask themselves, 'Am I ruining this kid? What do I say?' Then the kids hit the 'why' stage when they're asking lots of questions."

She remembers when her little Bramdie hit the questioning stage. Wasko found herself doing what others did to her: She would try to



Shawna Wasko has been leading Widowed Wellness groups for the past 25 years. Wasko, whose husband died while working, says her support groups help people going through grief and the feeling of isolation after losing a spouse.

distract the girl, give her candy and repeat things others had said to her.

But one day she gave new answers to questions about Ken's death: "I don't know why he died." "No, it isn't fair." "I want him back, too."

She thinks the honesty about the loss helped her daughter.

"Give them their grief," Wasko said.

She warns that since children are what she calls "spurt grievers"

— those who grieve, go along and then grieve again — it's possible, even probable, that they will ask questions again later.

Generally, a person who loses a spouse is in shock the first two months, Wasko said. So she doesn't put people in her group until after two months.

"When they come out of the shock, that's when the grief hits," she said.

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### Help for the hurting

The next Widowed Wellness Program of Idaho classes will start in September. To sign up for a group, call Shawna Wasko at 736-2122, ext. 327.

Twin Falls classes will be 10-11:30 a.m. Wednesdays at the College of Southern Idaho's Office on Aging, 998 Washington St. N.; call Wasko for information on surrounding areas. Cost for the eight-week class is \$40, but there's no charge if you can't pay.

### Adoration of adorable raises the cuteness factor

 By Frank Ahrens  
The Washington Post

It must be a sign of encroaching age that one's tolerance for cuteness increases.

As a young man, I could not stand cute. Cute was for little girls, Japanese fads and crazy old ladies who dress up their little dogs in red sweaters and Santa hats for Christmas card photos. I saw cute as the refuge of the juvenile, the pathetic and the superficial.

Of course, I was an idiot. Did you see those panda videos?

**CUUUUTE!**

 So comes now [www.cutecoverload.com](http://www.cutecoverload.com). This may be enough to send me back over to the other side.

At Cute Overload, a winner of a 2006 Webby award for best "People's Voice" site, staff members (essentially, founder Meg Frost and friends) scour the Web for only the finest in Cute Imagery. We offer an overwhelming amount of cuteness to fill your daily visual allowance.

The site features tons of pictures of cute little animals in cute little animal situations, including cuddling with another animal, staring into a fish-eye lens, picking up one paw, relaxing in a sink and so on. You know. You've received the Christmas cards.

But the site does more than flash photos. It's created art entire cute orthodoxy, including the 21 trademarked Rules of Cuteness: "Rule of Cuteness 7: A thing, accompanied by a smaller version of that thing, is always cute."

This is more than a hobby; it's a lifestyle, a religion, if you go to church, you sing the doxology. If you're a follower of Cutism, you chant: "Aw, wook at da woodle bunny!"

The Web site's photos are broken down into categories by animal — birds, bunnies, farm animals and my favorite, hedgehogs. There's a section called "Cute or Sad?" that includes photos of puppies with leg splints and the like. Also, a contest in which viewers can vote on two cute animals pitted against each other. So completely cute is Cute Overload that the Windows alt-tab icon to the site has a little winking emoticon.

## The big guns for water wars

 By Holly E. Thomas  
and Michelle Thomas  
The Washington Post

Water guns aren't just for kids. On a hot afternoon, we staged a full-on water war, enlisting friends and neighbors to test the biggest, baddest blasters we could find (rated below using our four-star system).

All but one are widely available, so let your inner child go wet-and-wild.

### Super Soaker Max Infusion Flash Flood

Hasbro's ubiquitous brand delivers a two-tiered, brightly colored splashmaker that holds 40 ounces of water. About \$20.

**Bull's-eye:** With some serious pumping, the Flash Flood feature totally soaked the competition. Like any serious shopper, we love that you can access, so this gun — an extra ammo pack runs about \$8.

**Misfires:** The instructions printed on the refill compartment are almost too tiny to read, making reloading tough for a novice.

**Fill factor:** 2  
**Squeeze ease:** 4  
**Stream strength:** 4

### Water Warriors Blazer

This fully loaded water gun from Buzz Bee Toys offers an electronic power meter, five nozzle settings and packs a whopping 94 ounces of liquid ammo. About \$20.

**Bull's-eye:** The different nozzle styles mean you can spray, squirt or soak at your discretion. The strap made us feel like Rambo, plus it helped us shoulder the weight of this super-sized sprayer.

**Misfires:** It took a lot of pumping to get the power meter to the maximum level, and with an average charge, we only got a modest stream. Plus, the nozzles were tricky to line up in the heat of battle.

**Fill factor:** 3  
**Squeeze ease:** 2  
**Stream strength:** 2

### Shield Blaster Cruncher 5000

Mattel's unusual square design promises to let you shoot and shield at the same time. Two 27.5-ounce water chambers keep the Cruncher balanced, and molded handles make it easy to grip. About \$25.

**Bull's-eye:** The shield protects you from point-blank

attacks, and the twin tanks keep refills to a minimum.

If you're looking to build some biceps, the accordion-style pump action offers a mini-workout (think Thighmaster).

**Misfires:** Despite the impressive design, the weak stream was just sad — at least the shield offered a little protection when bigger guns were drawn.

**Fill factor:** 3  
**Squeeze ease:** 2  
**Stream strength:** 1

### Double Barrel Stream Machine

 Deceptively simple, this no-frills shotgun-style water launcher from Water Sports LLC packs a wet wallop. \$19.99 at [www.instantfun.ws](http://www.instantfun.ws).

**Bull's-eye:** This streamlined gun unleashes a monster monsoon, and if you have a bucket of water handy, refills are a snap.

**Misfires:** Shoot it once, and you're out of H<sub>2</sub>O. And when you're facing continuous fire from your foes, forget the refill — it's quicker to just dump the bucket on them.

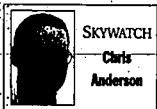
**Fill factor:** 4  
**Squeeze ease:** 3  
**Stream strength:** 4


In water battles, it's soak or be soaked. The Super Soaker Max Infusion Flash Flood, from Hasbro (about \$20) is a two-tiered, brightly colored splashmaker that holds 40 ounces of water.

FAMILY LIFE

Find two star clusters with a little help

If you own binoculars or a small telescope, there are lots of beautiful targets in the sky...



SKYWATCH Chris Anderson

Sky calendar through Saturday

- One hour before sunrise: Venus: ENE, very low...
One hour after sunrise: Mars: WNW, very low...
Jupiter: SSW, low...
Moon: Third quarter 1:12 p.m. Monday.

Venus is the brilliant white "star" sitting very low in the east-northeast sky at 5 a.m. Find it in binoculars...

If you don't have any luck with M35, the moon will guide you to an easier star cluster. Thursday morning's moon will be a waxing crescent...

Both M35 and the Pleiades are families of stars, hundreds of stellar siblings born from the same clouds of interstellar gas...

Next week: An easy way to share constellations. Chris Anderson is production specialist and observatory manager at the Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science at the College of Southern Idaho.

HOW ARE THE HARRAUGHS? Check in on a couple recovering from their bad luck...

Twin Falls Senior Center

530 Shoshone St. W.

Dinner served from noon to 12:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors...

Monday: Meatloaf or liver, fried potatoes, biscuits, vegetables, carrots, pineapple salad, pie...

Thursday: Ham and beans, fried potatoes, beet salad, corned beef and cabbage...

Monday: Quilting Monday Bridge Club Tuesday: Ticket Tuesday Exercise class...

West End Senior Citizens Inc.

1010 Main St., Buhl

Monday: Barbecue rib dinner, 1 p.m. Monday: Soup and sandwich...

Tuesday: Stuffed bell peppers, fruit (Jell-O), vegetables, bread, dessert...

Monday: Buffet, 1 p.m.; \$4 for seniors, \$5 for people under 60...

Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m. Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday: Birthday dinner, noon...

Flier Senior Haven

222 Main St.

Dinners served at noon. Suggested donation: \$3 for seniors. Home-delivered meals available each mealtime.

Tuesday: Chicken breast, mashed potatoes, carrots, fruit salad, coleslaw, bread, cake...

Monday: Walking club, 9 a.m. Puzzles, 11:30 a.m. Cards, 1 p.m. Thursday: Walking club, 9 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m. Gem State Fiddlers Bingo, 1 p.m. Friday: Mystery trip, cost is \$5 plus lunch...

Jerome Senior Center

212 First Ave. E.

All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.50. Monday: Lasagna, green beans, fruit, cookies, garlic bread...

Tuesday: Sweet and sour pork over rice, Oriental vegetables, fruit salad, carrot cake...

Thursday: Salisbury steak potatoes and gravy, broccoli, fruit medley, vanilla pudding...

Monday: Fitness class, 11 a.m. Gem State Fiddlers Tuesday: Gem State Fiddlers Pinochle, 1 p.m. Snack bar, 6 p.m. Bingo, 7 p.m.; early bird, 6:45 p.m. Wednesday: Fitness class, 11 a.m. Commission of the Blind, Christine Woodcock Pinochle, 7 p.m. Thursday: Susan Brown, singer, 7 p.m. Friday, 1:15 p.m. Friday: Pinochle, 1 p.m. Saturday: Yard sale, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Ageless Senior Citizens Inc.

310 Main St. N., Kimberly

Milk, coffee, juice and tea served. Monday: Full-service salad bar, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; seniors 60 and above, \$5 for people under 60, \$2.50 for children under 12...

Gooding County Senior Citizens

308 Senior Ave.

All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors. Monday: Enchiladas; Spanish rice, refried beans, tossed salad, fruit. Tuesday: Liver and onions, potato puffs, glazed carrots, cornbread, tusharb chicken, Wednesday: Reuben sandwich, carrot salad, brownies...

Monday: Open pool, 9:30 a.m. Pinochle, 12:30 p.m. Tuesday: Open pool, 9:30 a.m. Hand and foot, 6 p.m. Bridge, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Open pool, 9:30 a.m. Shuffleboard, 6 p.m. Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m. Open pool, 9:30 a.m. Blood pressure, 11:30 a.m.

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SENIOR CALENDAR

Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m. TOPS, 4 p.m. Pinochle, 7 p.m. Friday: Bridge, 1 p.m. Bowling, 1:30 p.m. Bingo, 6 p.m. Saturday: Rebekah pinochle.

Hagerman Senior Center

140 E. Lake

Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; lunch is served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors; \$4 for other adults and \$2 for children under 12...

Monday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, vegetables, salad, fruit, bread, dessert...

Silver and Gold Senior Center

Eden

Suggested donation for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days, and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

Tuesday: Sloppy Joes, macaroni salad, relish cup, fruit, coffee, 12 p.m. Thursday: Barbecue chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, salad, fruit...

Golden Years Senior Citizen Inc.

218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone

Fruit, juice, milk and coffee served daily. Tuesday: Sauerkraut and wieners, California mixed vegetables, mashed potatoes, green salad, cookies, apple sauce...

Friday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, green salad, homemade rolls, fruit cup, cookies.

Richfield Senior Center

Fruit, juice, milk and coffee served daily.

Monday: Biscuits and sausage gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered carrots, homemade rolls, gingerbread...

Baine County Senior Center

721 Third Ave. S., Halley

Tuesday: Boneless pork ribs, seasoned potato wedges, steamed squash, cornbread, apple cobbler and whipped cream...

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Wednesday: Chicken salad and pita bread, french fries, cantaloupe slices, lemon cupcakes...

Golden Heritage Senior Center

2421 Overland Ave., Burley

Monday: Sweet and sour chicken, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, french bread, mixed fruit, chocolate cake...

Three Island Senior Center

492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry

Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; beverages with meals. Rides are available by phoning the center at 366-2051. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors; \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

Minidoka County Senior Citizens Center

702 11th St., Rupert

Meals are served at noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Camas County Senior Center

127 E. Willow, Fairfield

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# STORK REPORT

## St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

**Terrence Emilio Hoffman,** son of Ron and Joan Hoffman of Jerome, was born June 30, 2006.

**Kristy Felice Friesen,** daughter of Gaylord and Charlene Friesen of Buhl, was born June 30, 2006.

**Eperanza Garcia Ortega,** daughter of Nestor Ortega and Alaina Quin of Jerome, was born July 1, 2006.

## St. Luke's Wood River Medical Center

**Nikolaos George Versis,** son of Danielle and George Versis of Carey, was born June 27, 2006.

**Goody Paul McKinnon,** son of Cynthia and Joseph McKinnon of Halley, was born June 28, 2006.

**Fatima Cornejo,** daughter of Veronica and Jorge Cornejo of Bellevue, was born July 1, 2006.

**Islyn Mariah Greenwood,** daughter of Melissa and Benjamin Greenwood of Halley, was born July 2, 2006.

**Weylin Indy Kettleband,** son of Angela Green and Paul Kettleband Jr. of Halley, was born July 2, 2006.

## Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

**Kaysar Alexander DePew,** son of Kim Sue and Keith Aaron DePew of Twin Falls, was born July 1, 2006.

**Neveah Angie Palomo,** daughter of Terina Deja McManus of Twin Falls, was born July 1, 2006.

**Alfonso Sanchez Hernandez,** son of Ines Antonio Sanchez and Ponciano Ramirez Hernandez of Buhl, was born July 1, 2006.

**Allyn Leon,** daughter of Yunuen Jurez and Luis Alberto Leon of Gooding, was born July 2, 2006.

**Kaleb Austin Gillett,** son of Kassandra Kay and Joseph Kent Gillett of Twin Falls, was born July 3, 2006.

**Cassandra Lynn Ruby,** daughter of Melissa Lynn Ruby of Jerome, was born July 3, 2006.

**Ariel Star Wildman,** daughter of Rebecca Ruhl and Eric J. Wildman of Twin Falls, was born July 3, 2006.

**Alana Zada Clark,** daughter of Brennan and Silliana Snow Clark of Twin Falls, was born July 3, 2006.

**Michael Slade Talbert,** son of Misty Dawn and Michael Dewayne Talbert of Wendell, was born July 3, 2006.

**Anthony Allan Morris,** son of Christi Lee and Allan Adelbert Morris of Burley, was born July 3, 2006.

**Macy Kimberlee Miller,** daughter of Brian and Lynn and Dustin Vernal Miller of Jerome, was born July 4, 2006.

**Emilio Giovanni Banelulos Hernandez Jr.,** son of Maricela and Emilio Banelulos of Twin Falls, was born July 4, 2006.

**Andre Joaquin Mora,** son of Danielle and Martin Mora Rodriguez of Castelford, was born July 4, 2006.

**Madeline Arlene Friesen,** daughter of Valerie Arlene and Russell Lloyd Friesen of Wendell, was born July 5, 2006.

**Alyvia Noel Walls,** daughter of Tessa Lynne and Brent Edwin Walls of Twin Falls, was born July 5, 2006.

**Josiah Enrique Rico,** son of April Dawn and Enrique Torres Rico Jr. of Filer, was born July 5, 2006.

**Preston Lynn Haight,** son of Wendy Jean and Derek Lynn Haight of Jerome, was born July 5, 2006.

**Addilyn Christine Mallea,** daughter of Haley Christine and Joseph Bruce Mallea of Halley, was born July 5, 2006.

**Ashtyn Nikole Ross,** daughter of Hollie Leigh Sherrill and Richard William Ross of Twin Falls, was born July 6, 2006.

**Crysti Brooke Allen,** daughter of Wendt Sue and Jason Allen Stevens of Twin Falls, was born July 6, 2006.

**Lauren Elizabeth Davis,** daughter of Tammy Fay and John David Davis of Twin Falls, was born July 7, 2006.

**Salgo Sheridan Daughenbaugh,** daughter of Donna Ann and Darren Dale Daughenbaugh of Kimberly, was born July 7, 2006.

# Who's the cool dude in the apron?

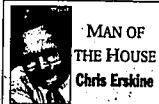
Teenagers are alien creatures bent on world domination. Sure, we still adore them, with their toothy, Richie Cunningham smiles and their cotton candy hair. But there are what they are.

If we don't acknowledge the dangers, we risk some sort of kiddie coup d'etat, by which teenagers seize power, eliminate curfews and drop the legal drinking age, to say, 6. As you know, this happened in France in the late innings of the 18th century. And look where they are now.

So we organized what one fan dubbed "The Million Dad March" to seize teenagers' primary mode of communications: MySpace. I mean, if you were an alien creature, wouldn't you be drawn to a Web site called MySpace? Case closed.

"I showed my father your article on MySpace, and now he's getting on MySpace," writes Ben in a note to me on this site. "Thanks a lot."

"Let's keep the ball rolling," writes David, a dad. "I will have our kids post our pictures



MAN OF THE HOUSE  
Chris Erskine

on their MySpace sites, that should be the death knell." So far, our paternal bid to take over MySpace is still a work in progress, but we plan to stay the course, because that's what dads are famous for. By saturating MySpace with dads, we will liberate the Internet and make it a safer and less interesting place — at least for the Internet equivalent of Omaha.

For example, my site (myspace.com/chriserskine) features a photo of me in a checked apron, standing in front of my barbecue holding a beer and a pair of tongs. Sometimes things are so uncool (Napoleon Dynamite, and Tony Bennett spring to mind) that they somehow become cool.

I caution you: This did not happen with this site, which

also includes a photo of my latest very uncool book and my nemesis, the loopy little brangle. Also in the works is a new shot of me making the backyard.

"It'd be good to have some action shots," I told my daughter.

"Yeah, whatever," she said. "Wait a second, let me get the weed whacker," I said. "Chill, Dad. OK?"

As if this isn't way cool already, I soon plan to add barbecue recipes, home repair tips and my heartfelt prayer poem for the Chicago Cubs, which I've been working on now for more than 35 years.

"If the Cubs win it all, they'll burn down the city. But I don't care. Because Ernie Banks is so pretty..."

OK, so maybe the poem's not quite ready yet. But I will be, just in time for their World Series appearance next season.

Seriously, what could be cooler than all that? It should surprise you then that this quest to seize control of MySpace has drawn 1,700

people to the site, with hundreds of parents writing in to support the cause. The basic message is this:

"I too have recommended to all parents and grandparents that they get online to see what's happening," writes Elizabeth, via MySpace. "But I try to stress to my oldest friends that kids can find weirdness anywhere, not just online."

Way to go, kids. Apparently, you're like, weirdness magnets.

"Of course, the kids weighed in too, in far greater numbers than their parents."

"You should continue writing about your MySpace adventure," one teen wrote to the site. "I'm not sure how many other dads will make it to MySpace. Let's just say, if they are anything like my dad when it comes to navigating the Internet, it's going to be an uphill battle."

Surprisingly, I haven't heard from any of the creeps who allegedly prowled MySpace at all hours hoping to hook up with zitty, gum-popping mall nymphs. In a world like that, I

guess barbecue sauce-soaked dads don't really stand a chance. Creeps.

In the end, here's my take on MySpace. Like rock 'n' roll, it's a phenomenon that's not going to cave to pressure from the PTA. In fact, its subversive nature feeds on Mom and Dad's disapproval.

But like anything a teen does, it requires a certain amount of adult supervision. How much? How often? That's the million-dollar question.

My hunch is that the best way is to climb aboard, maybe even establish your own site, which — if it doesn't make you cool — at least shows your children that you're concerned for their safety.

They pretend not to care that we care. But deep down I think they do. How uncool is that? Hey, maybe they're human after all.

Chris Erskine's e-mail address is chriserskine@latimes.com. His new book "Man of the House," a collection of new essays on fatherhood, is available online and in bookstores nationwide.

## Absent party hosts leave guests to fend for themselves

DEAR ABBY: I was recently invited to a party. The invitation stated a specific time for the event. I arrived on time, only to find the host and hostess not there. One left as we were arriving, and the other came in two hours late for "a ball game for a child."

Two of their children, ages 7 and 11, were home. I consider this to be extremely rude, as it happens every time they host a party. I say they do not consider the time of their guests to be important, and if they can't be present at the time stated on the invitation, then they shouldn't invite people over.

All the guests entertained themselves until the "hosts" got back. What are your thoughts on this? I will never accept another invitation from them.

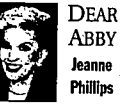
— CAROL IN SPOTSVYLVANIA, VA.

DEAR CAROL: I don't blame you. The "hosts" manners were appalling. Frankly, I'm surprised any of the guests stayed around for two hours. I can only surmise they did it in order to be sure the children were properly looked after. Why anyone would accept a second invitation from such irresponsible, inconsiderate hosts is beyond me.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I just found out that we are expecting our third child. This pregnancy was unexpected. Our youngest is now 7. I gave all my baby stuff away to my friends and family after our second daughter was born.

We are not in the poorhouse, but it would definitely be nice to have some help. To be honest, I am also excited about the idea of a shower because it has been so long since I have been pregnant.

I want to have a baby shower, but I'm not sure if it would be appropriate because this is our third baby. Are there any rules



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Marie Laskas

saying you should have a baby shower only with your first? Please help.

— EXPECTING IN OHIO

DEAR EXPECTING: According to Emily Post, "It is all right to give showers the second or even third, time a couple has a baby. But only when the guest list is limited to close relatives and very close friends, and guests who didn't attend a shower for the first baby."

The shower should be hosted by a close friend of yours or a member of the family. Today people understand that every baby deserves to be celebrated, and that's a step forward from the "old days," when people felt that baby showers were "one to a customer."

DEAR ABBY: I am a Jewish teenager with a huge problem. There are many kids in my school who will not stop telling offensive Jewish jokes. In the beginning it was kind of funny, but after months and months of it, the jokes have reached a whole new level. They are inappropriate, offensive and personal.

I have asked them many times to stop, but they never listen.

Is there anything I can say that will get the point across that I really want them to stop?

— HURT IN MOORESTOWN, N.J.

DEAR HURT: Probably not. You have already tried it and it didn't work. Now it's time to tell your principal what has been going on, because you are being scapegoated. The principal can see to it that the student body receives some sensitivity training — and, if necessary, notify the parents of the guilty parties.

## The friction of the big house

This is such a sensitive subject. These days, you can talk about people's medical problems, their colons and their prostate glands and their breasts, you can talk about their kids' disabilities, Britney's ADHD and the twins' various leanings on the autistic spectrum. You can talk about people's alcoholism and their bulimia and/or anorexia; and you can know all about who molested whom.

But this? No, you just can't talk about this.

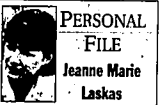
Imagine. There you are, in the grocery store. And here comes an acquaintance. An almost-friend. You haven't seen her in maybe five years. She's so nice. You wish you had had time to really foster that friendship, and so does she. You're sorry. She's sorry. You decide to get together. She invites you and your family over for dinner. She says, "We moved," and gives you the new address.

Now, you vaguely remember hearing, those five years ago, that she and her husband were thinking of building a house. You vaguely remember that. The last time you visited them, in the "old house," you ate watermelon on the back porch and felt comfortable enough to spit seeds into the grass.

So now here you are, with your family, following the Manquees to their new place. You're going down a long, winding road thinking, "This can't be right." Soon the road swoops toward the heavens, and, as you climb into the clearing, the sky opens up. There it is, on the top of a hill: One Enormous House.

A palace. A castle. One vast hunk of house. All by itself it sits, no trees yet, no landscape. Just a house made of stone, solid and grand, high gables, a turret, arched windows swallowing the sun.

"This can't be," you say to your little family. "Could this be it?"



PERSONAL FILE  
Jeanne Marie Laskas

"They live in an apartment?" your second-grader says.

"No, that's a house," you say. "That's one house."

You see your friend standing out there, in the driveway, waving her arms. Compared with the house she looks like a little weed. You pull into the driveway, and your mentally rehearse all of the things you cannot say, chief among which is:

"Good grief, how much money do you people make?"

It changes everything, of course. Finding out that your friend is stinking rich and stunningly rich changes everything about the relationship you have, or thought you had. Finding out that a friend has colon cancer might change things, too, as might finding out that her kid has ADD, or that she was molested as a teenager, or that the reason for her bulimia stems from her father's absenteeism on account of her mother's alcoholism.

But you can talk about those things. People on talk shows talk about those things. People write memoirs detailing those things, and then the memoirs are turned into major motion pictures.

If there is a social taboo left it is only in this category:

Good grief, how much money do you people make? Do you know how much money your brother makes? Your sister? Your co-worker? Your hairdresser? Your banker? Your neighbor? Would you ask? Of course not. Because some things are just too personal. There are almost none of those somethings left, but there is this one. So there you are, greeting the friend you thought

you sort of knew and saying, "You're, which only seems polite. You don't know what else to say because of course there is this elephant in the front yard." Well, wait a second here, you people didn't seem stink rich five years ago. You were normal. What happened? This is all you want to say, and this is what she knows you want to say, and yet nothing like this can be said because some things are simply too personal.

You suspect there will be no watermelon spitting going on tonight and feel disappointed. You miss the homey feel of the old house. A palace without trees hardly cries out in welcome. You don't like this stupid, big house, you think, even as you become aware of your own hot jealousy.

Looking at the top of your car, and you wish you had a nicer car. You wish you'd gone through a carwash. You hope your friend can't see the french fries mashed into the rear seat. You wish you could crawl away and hide.

"Well, come on in!" she says. And then, as if in apology, "This house is actually a lot smaller inside than it looks." You realize that she's looking at you for some kind of forgiveness. She still wants you to like her. You still want her to like you. People who reveal suffering are so much easier to embrace than people who reveal riches. Should this really be so tricky? At dinner, possibly, you eat shrimp cocktail while calypso music comes out of a fake rock near your foot. You talk politics and religion and mental disease, but no one says a word about money; you decline it, make mention of the fact that there is no way, no way in this world, that you can ever invite these people over to your place.

Jeanne Marie Laskas writes her column for The Washington Post.

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FAMILY LIFE

# Follow fact, not fancy, Virgo

**IF JULY 16 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You should be a smooth operator in the year ahead, especially if you take advantage of helpful opportunities that knock on your door in September and October. You have worked incredibly hard to get where you are, so you deserve the rewards that arrive at this time.

Kick back and take time to smell the roses.

Your biggest challenges might occur in April and May when you must keep your nose faithfully focused on the grindstone, and shouldn't take a vacation or ignore responsibilities.

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** You can please all the people all the time. And you won't even please yourself by making luxury purchases during the next few days. Keep your greedy hands busy with small projects at home.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Be independent. Remember what happened to the kid who cried wolf one time too many? People won't believe you if you really need their help if you tug too hard on their heartstrings.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Tilly: mysteries add some spice to life. Not everything will be revealed. Be diligent, so take your time about making an important decision. People are apt to take certain things for granted.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Soothsayers might just be telling you what you want to hear. Your financial ambitions could get kick-started. Wait a few days to begin major initiatives that involve cooperation with others.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Romantic dreams can lead you on a wild goose chase. Since relationships could hit a few snags, avoid promises or commitments for the next few days. It is best to be a workaholic.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Follow fact, not fancy. Play it safe for the next few days. Don't empty your piggy bank to buy something totally unsuitable. A bit of insincerity could put a relationship on the skids.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Don't be a participant in a "Legend of the Lost" week. Although you are more romantic than usual, in an effort to get attention or sympathy someone might play hard to get (violins once too often).

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Everything that glitters isn't gold. The week ahead is perfect for a full-steam-ahead attitude, but count your change at the checkout. Stay clear of investments or major purchases.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Guard against pipe dreams. Too much of a good thing is simply too much. Don't waste your time or your money on extravagances. People aren't likely to do what they say will do.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** The heavens could roll on a much-anticipated parade. Picnickers might be plentiful, so if you are the host, keep people busy with games and sports. Bypass major expenditures for a few days.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Bank those romantic fires. Your social instincts may be on the fritz and an afternoon event or outing could turn out to be a dud. Wait for better timing to pursue that special someone.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Pruned the room for growth. Put important financial decisions on the back burner for a few days. This week isn't meant for a harvest; rather, consider it a time to prepare for more stability.

# Any young painter's early brush with fame

By William Booth  
The Washington Post

ENCINO, Calif. — It is the late afternoon — the hours — of her first solo show on the West Coast, and the abstract expressionist Maria Olmstead is clomping around on the blond wood floors of the storefront art space, clop, clop, in big, pointy high heels.

Anne Klein. Size eighth. Ink black.

Her publicist, the gallery owners, her family, a documentary filmmaker, several photographers: huddling, indulgent, wary, loving, respectful — yet all watching.

Around and around the gallery, the young artist Olmstead goes Giggling Clop Clop. The workers are putting the finishing touches on the title cards for the Saturday evening opening. The big canvases, six-footers, the enigmatical "fuzzy" circled "Biting Blue Ball" and the itchy, angry "Mosquito Bite" and the yellow-and-orange slash work called "Zane Dancing."

Top-making price: \$25,000. That figure — a new technique — produces a queasy questioning about career paths not chosen. But it does not seem to impress Olmstead one way or another.

She is too clomping. Then, Shush. Wait. She is eating a pretzel now. Portent? She has discarded the muse shoes, which are actually her mother's. She is now barefoot. She is making choo-choo sounds. She is blisks? She begins to crawl on her belly. She is a frog. She is hiding under a table.

She is 6. — The adults — here? In Encino, in the baking San Fernando Valley, at a gallery triangulated by a Mr. Koshier grocery store, a White Rabbit adult novelty emporium, and a place, seriously, called Tylenol. Traffic School? Why does anybody do anything anymore? A network morning talk show host suggested, on camera, before millions, after admitting that she didn't know much about art, that Maria's work reminded her of Jackson Pollock.

Anthony Brunell, an artist and gallery owner in her home town of Binghamton, N.Y., who has a financial hedge in all this, suggested she might be a "genius." Some prefer the term "child prodigy." Articles in papers in New York, London and the home reference Kandrinsky, Miro and Klee — and Maria Olmstead.

She began her career when she was not quite 2.

What does a collector get, for the price of a mid-size Maserati? That is a good question. We don't have the answer. Because the real question is: What is art? And more to the point: What is kiddie art? And have they taken over? Although we had total access, a substantive interview with Maria is not possible. With the assistance of her mother, Laura, we learn that her favorite color is pink (in earlier interviews, Maria had said it was yellow). Her favorite ice cream: strawberry. The artist recently completed kindergarten and is missing her two front teeth.

Other insights? Although we are no psychology major, Maria Olmstead seems completely normal and was giddy-ya-go-go to run around the gallery with her younger brother, Zane, and a couple of other apple-cheeked tots.

Said Mom: "Maria is very excited. Hopefully, there'll be cookies." (There were.)

Here's the backstory: Maria's father, Mark, is a manager at the Frito-Lay food processing plant in Binghamton. His people — father, uncle, grandfather — were painters, amateur and professional. The pros were sign painters.

When Mark's father died, Mark bought some paint supplies and started dabbling. Daughter Maria, then almost 2, nudged out for the brushes and wanted to create. Dad indulged, he says, and the toddler impressed him enough that he yielded a canvas.

A family friend hung a few of Maria's paintings in his Binghamton coffee shop. This was August 2003. A patron asked to buy one, and Maria's mom says she came up with a "crazy price" of \$250, because she did not want to part with any of them and assumed no rational adult would pony up. She was wrong.

Then Binghamton artist Brunell plugged into the Maria mix and held a gallery show, and the local paper, the Press & Sun-Bulletin, ran a piece. The New York Times followed up, and her work soon started fetching several thousands of dollars as collectors snapped up the Marias.

Stuart Simpson, who opened the StuART Gallery in Encino, happened to be in Binghamton on business (he is a contractor-engineer of sound studios). He bought four Marias. "I hear regularly from people: 'My grandkids could do this.' I say give it a shot. Because they can't. This is a once-in-a-lifetime thing. I think most people struggle all their lives to know what they should do. Maria knows what



Below: "Glitter," by Maria Olmstead. A gallery owner who has bought the 6-year-old's work says: "I hear regularly from people: 'My grandkids could do this.' I say give it a shot. Because they can't."

Left: Maria at the opening of her first solo show on the West Coast, with parents Mark and Laura Olmstead in Encino, Calif.



Above: "Glitter," by Maria Olmstead. A gallery owner who has bought the 6-year-old's work says: "I hear regularly from people: 'My grandkids could do this.' I say give it a shot. Because they can't."

she should do."

Simpson references Monets and Matisse's. He hung one painting, "Bottom Feeder," at home. "I'll have a glass of wine and look at the painting, and see something in the painting one night, and another night, I see something else," Simpson said. His wife, Marie, said that "when he told me he had bought the paintings of a 4-year-old, I said: 'Great, you're going in his office, where I don't have to see them.' But when I looked at the Marias, the size of the paintings, the colors and placement and texture, this is a kid's painting, but it's painting of gift and talent."

In February 2005, "60 Minutes II" ran a Charlie Rose anchored segment that mixed questions about the Marias. The producer got the family to agree to install a hidden camera to watch young Olmstead paint a canvas start to finish.

On the video, one can hear her dad saying: "Fest. Paint the red. Paint the red. You're driving me crazy. Paint the red. ... If you paint, honey, like you were —"

Maria: "Pleasee."

Dad: "This is not the way it should be."

OK. This doesn't look good. Laura Olmstead explains to us that the hidden-camera scene was not ideal, that her husband said what he said ("It did

look like he was coaching her," she says), but Laura swears that the Maria paintings were all painted by Maria, that the parents never laid on a hand on the canvases except to prime them for painting.

"She's not a coachable child," Laura says.

To rebut the skeptics, the couple produced a long-running video of Maria painting "Oceans," and in the 20 minutes we watched at the gallery, the child is doing all the paint splattering, smearing, squirreling and brushwork. She selects colors out of a tube, applies them and works the colors together on the canvas, using brushes and spatulas. She is wearing her PJs.

"These paintings are all Maria," says Laura.

Proceeds from her work go into a college fund, Mom says. The couple estimate that the daughter has produced about 90 works, and more than 60 have sold.

At the show, a couple of patrons stand before "Everyone's House," and wonder about "that rocket ship"

"Or a crayon?"

"Or a weird bug?"

Art, they say, it is in the eye of the beholder.

The artist Maria Olmstead, herself is not saying. She is eating an ice cream cone.

# One couple says empty nest syndrome is for the birds

By Jerry Zezima  
Special to The Stamford Advocate

I'm the very model of the modern miked-up man, which explains why I have always suffered from empty nest syndrome. Now that the birds is as quiet as the space between my ears, I also am suffering from empty nest syndrome. That's because my younger daughter, Lauren, recently flew the coop and got her own apartment.

Lauren, who is 23, is a sweet, smart and loving young woman who assured her parents that moving out was nothing personal, even though we did have some annoying habits that were increasingly difficult to put up with, such as breathing.

Our older daughter, Katie, who is engaged to be married this fall, hasn't lived at home since she graduated from college four years ago.

Lauren lived at home for two years after college as the indignity of it all compelled her to assert her independence.

This was a huge step, not just because Lauren would be entering a brave new world in which she would actually have to spend her own money on food and shelter, but because it involved doing something my wife and I never thought we would live to see: She had to clean her room.

This forced me to do something equally

unthinkable: I had to start cleaning the garage, which had been littered with so much stuff since we moved in eight years ago that we could barely fit a bicycle in there, let alone a car. Much-of-the-stuff, including a couch and several large boxes of clothing and housewares, belonged to Lauren.

On moving day, my wife and I rented a truck (at our own expense, of course) and loaded it with furniture heavy enough to kill an elephant.

Fortunately, Lauren's boyfriend, Tommy, a very nice and very strong young man, was there to help. Lauren wasn't because she was conveniently working but promised to meet us at her new place so she could direct the interior decorating part of the operation.

To ensure the success of this important mission, my wife and I went to the Death Trap Rental Center for the truck, which was approximately the same model year as the Flintstones' car and couldn't have reached the speed limit if it had plummeted off a cliff.

Outside of the truck, on the overhang above the driver's side door, was this sign:

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"Relax...It's Done!"

"WARNING: Watch your head before entering or exiting the cab." I did so before entering the cab but because the sign wasn't on the inside of the truck and because I couldn't have watched my head unless I looked in the mirror, I forgot all about it when exiting the cab.

After pulling into the parking lot outside Lauren's apartment, I got out, stood straight up, heard a sickening thud, felt a sudden bolt of pain on the top of my head and realized that I not only may have given myself a concussion, but also may have dented the truck to the extent that I'd probably be charged extra when I returned it. Fortunately, neither the truck nor my head suffered permanent damage.

The rest of the day was spent moving Lauren in. I must say that her apartment is cute and that it is in a nice complex in a good neighborhood. I also must say that my wife and I miss her.

The next day, at 6 o'clock on a Sunday morning, her alarm clock, which she forgot, went off in her room across the hall, jolting us out of a sound sleep and reminding us that her presence will always be felt.

Lauren called the other day to say she is very happy but that she misses us, too. When she and Katie were home, our house was always filled with the joyous sounds of ringing telephones, ear-splitting music and constant requests for money and car keys. Now there

is a feeling of emptiness that can only be filled by the sound of snoring that emanates from a cool couple who finally have their own independence but can hardly stay awake for the 11 o'clock news.

These days in the Zezima household, father knows nest.

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ENGAGEMENTS

**BERG-JUAREZ**  
BURLLEY — Logan and Cheryl Berg of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Suzanne Marie Berg, to Ernest Juarez, son of Adrian Juarez Sr. and Linda Ferdin of Burley.



Ernest Juarez and Suzanne Berg

Berg and Juarez are both graduates of Burley High School. He is employed at Greenlon Inc. in Burley.

The wedding is planned for Friday, July 21. A reception will be held from 6:30 to 8:30.

**DAY-PHILLIPS**  
HAGERMAN — Andy and Maxine Day and Greg and Tammy Bremner, all of John Day, Ore., announce the engagement of their daughter, Samantha Day, to Ben Phillips, son of Luke and Rose Phillips of Hagerman.



Ben Phillips and Samantha Day

Day is a recent graduate of Northwest Nazarene University and is employed as a nurse at Mercy Medical Center in Nampa.

Phillips is the regional special projects coordinator for Training Employment Consortium in Ontario, Ore.

**DRURY-WALKER**  
TWIN FALLS — Holly Rose Drury and Marc Randall Walker announce their engagement.



Marc Walker and Holly Drury

Drury is the daughter of Robert and Connie Tesser of Twin Falls and Doyle "Buck" and Joan Drury of Gooding.

Walker is the son of Bernard and Tamara Walker of Jerome. The wedding is planned for Friday, July 28.

The couple will reside in Twin Falls.

**EASLEY-OTTER**  
KIMBERLY — Arthur R and Lois Easley of Kimberly announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Jean Easley, to C.L. "Butch" Otter, son of Reginald Otter of Nampa and the late Ben Otter.



Butch Otter and Lori Easley

Easley is a graduate of Kimberly High School and Boise State University and received a master's degree from Northwest Nazarene College. She is employed at the Meridian School District in Meridian.

Otter is a graduate of the College of Idaho. He is U.S. representative for Idaho's first congressional district in

Washington, D.C. The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 18. A reception will follow.

**FLANSAAS-LISH**  
EDEN — Kurt and Debby Flanssaas of Helena, Mont., announce the engagement of their daughter, Dondi Flanssaas, to Dylan Lish, son of Darren and Jackie Werner of Eden.



Dylan Lish and Dondi Flanssaas

Flanssaas is a student at Central College in Helena, pursuing a degree in physical therapy.

Lish is a graduate of Western Montana College and is employed as a branch manager at Ferguson in Helena.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 29, at the Elkhorn View Lodge in Clancy, Mont.

**FLOWERS-JOHNSON**  
KIMBERLY — Mike and Laura Flowers of Kimberly announce the engagement of their daughter, Natalie Flowers, to Chad Johnson, son of Virgil and Joan Johnson of Kimberly.



Chad Johnson and Natalie Flowers

Flowers is a graduate of Kimberly High School and attends Utah College of Massage Therapy in Lindon, Utah.

Johnson is a graduate of Brigham Young University in Idaho. He is employed at Webb Landscape Inc. in Bellevue.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 4, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m.

**HARLEY-DRURY**  
GOODING — David and Darla Harley of Gooding announce the engagement of their daughter, Loren Harley, to Noah Drury, son of Buck and Joan Drury of Gooding and Connie and Bob Tesser of Twin Falls.



Noah Drury and Loren Harley

Harley is a 2004 graduate of Gooding High School and attended Idaho State University, graduating from the cosmetology program. She is employed by J.C. Penney Hair Salon.

Drury is a 2000 graduate of Gooding High School. He is employed by Klefer Built.

**HANSEN-ROBINSON**  
OAKLEY — Brian and Darla Hansen of Strandud, Utah, announce the engagement of their daughter, Summer Sarah Hansen, to Ashton James Robinson, son of Trent and Terisa Robinson of Oakley.



Summer Hansen and Ashton Robinson

Hansen is a 2003 graduate of Raft River High School. She will attend Utah State University in the fall.

Robinson is a 2002 graduate of Oakley High School. He served in the San Juan Puerto Rico Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and will attend USU in the fall.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Aug. 4, in the Logan LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, in Strandud. An open house will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at the Trent Robinson residence, 1498 S. Highway 27, Oakley.

**HINE-MATTON**  
TWIN FALLS — Gregory "Pete" and Melanie Hine of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Karanie A. Hine, to Christopher M. Mattson, son of Travis and Melody Maughan of Montpelier and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mattson of Garden City, Utah.



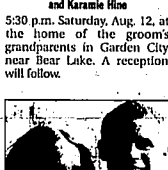
Christopher Mattson and Karanie Hine

Hine is a graduate of Twin Falls High School and is employed at Zions Bank in Twin Falls.

Mattson is a graduate of Montpelier High School and is employed at Inco Inc. in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for

**KING-ALVEY**  
BURLLEY — Lyle and Loannina King of Burlley announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Nicole King, to Joshua Thomas Alvey, son of Dan and Diane Alvey of Burlley.



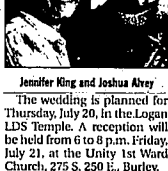
Jennifer King and Joshua Alvey

Alvey is a 2004 graduate of Declo High School. She recently received a certificate in medical office technology from Idaho State University.

Alvey is a 2003 graduate of Burley High School. He recently returned from serving a two-year mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Campinas, Brazil. He is employed at Stokes Food Center in Burley.

The wedding is planned for

**MILLER-SUTHERLAND**  
FILER — Alex and Joanne Sutherland of Filer announce the engagement of their son, Victor Sutherland, to Nancy Miller, daughter-of Korry Miller and Vicky Van Sickle of Idaho Falls.



Nancy Miller and Victor Sutherland

Sutherland is a graduate of Idaho State University with a bachelor's degree in business and is working on a master's degree in business administration. He is taking a job as a business analyst for Wolsey in England.

Miller graduated in May from ISU with a bachelor's degree in dental hygiene. She will seek employment in England.

The wedding is planned for

**MORGAN-VAN HAAFTEN**  
HEYBURN — Russell and Kathleen Jones of Heyburn announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Morgan, to Tyler Van Haaften, son of David and Dorothy Van Haaften of Idaho Falls.



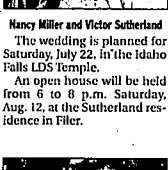
Karen Morgan and Tyler Van Haaften

Morgan is a 2000 graduate of Burley High School and a 2004 graduate of Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash. She taught third grade at Mountain View Elementary School in Burley.

Haaften is a 2000 graduate of Idaho Falls High School and a 2004 graduate of Whitworth College in Spokane, Wash. He works as a software engineer in Seattle.

The wedding is planned for

**SORENSEN-BAKER**  
BURLLEY — Sheldon and Elaine Sorensen announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison Colleen Sorensen, to Dylan Auguste Baker, son of Rocky and Georgia Baker of Heyburn.



Dylan Baker and Allison Sorensen

Sorensen is a 2001 graduate of Burley High School and a 2004 graduate of the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at D.L. Evans Bank in Burley.

Baker is a 1997 graduate of Minico High School and a 2002 graduate of Penn State. He is employed at the 3rd Fire Protection in Idaho Falls.

The wedding is planned for

**RECEPTIONS**

reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. July 22 at the home of Spencer Sorensen in Burley. The couple will reside in Burley.

The wedding is planned for Thursday, July 20, in the Logan LDS Temple. A reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 21, at the Unity 1st Ward Church, 275 S. 250 E., Burley.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, July 22, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

An open house will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at the Sutherland residence in Filer.

The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5, at the Burley First Presbyterian Church. A reception will follow.

The couple will reside in Seattle.

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The couple will reside in Gooding.

Weekly deadline

Times-News welcomes engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements and photos. (That is, anniversaries of 50 years or more.) To submit an announcement, stop by the office at 132 Fairfield St. W. in Twin Falls and fill out a form. The announcement also can be sent by e-mail to ramona@mgvalley.com. If e-mailed, the photo needs to be sent in jpeg format as an attachment. The deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday for publication the following Sunday. If you miss that deadline, your news might not be published in advance of the event. With questions, call Ramona Jones at 735-3262.

WEDDINGS

**BROWN-ANDERSON**



Justin and Julie Anderson

TWIN FALLS — Julie Brown and Justin Anderson were married June 28 at Malad Gorge State Park in Tuttle.

The bride is the daughter of Joyce Graybeal of Twin Falls.

The groom is the son of Dan and Charlene Anderson of Twin Falls.

Jean Kissinger officiated. Jennie Lehmann, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Britany Michelle Stout, sister of the bride, was flower girl.

Chad Neilson, friend of the groom, was best man. Rowdie Anderson, the family dog, was ringbearer.

Special guests included grandparents of the bride, Marlon Graybeal, Vic Graybeal and Natalie Neilson, all of Twin Falls.

The bride and groom are graduates of Twin Falls High School. She attends the College of Southern Idaho.

The couple resides in Twin Falls.

**GUNNING-BALLHAGEN**

JEROME — Susie Gunning and Dr. Jay T. Ballhagen were married May 18 in Ely, Nev.

The bride is a former resident of Jerome and has a home

in Boise.

The groom has homes in Montana and Arizona. They spend time in Ronan, Mont., Boise and Queen Valley, Ariz.

The wedding is planned for

**DRAKE-HANSON**



Loretta Drake and Josiah Hanson

TWIN FALLS — Loretta Drake and Josiah Hanson were married April 21 at the First Assembly of God Church in Twin Falls. Pastor Rusty Hova of Eagle officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Randy and Laura Drake of Filer.

Parents of the groom are Jeff and Brenda Hanson of Twin Falls.

Dani Theate, friend of the bride, was maid of honor with Abby Bragg and Meghan Elliott as bridesmaids. Ali Jo Alger, cousin of the bride, was flower girl.

Isiah Hanson, brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsman were Dallas Fairchild, Josh Jones and Donovan Christianson, friends of the groom. Terrance Steel was ring bearer. Ushers were Shaun Allen, cousin of the groom, and Chandler Chapin, cousin of the bride.

Organist was LaVon Jones. Lori Allen, Glenda Bostock,

Brenda Hanson, Greg Bostock, Richard Newton and Michelle Bostock performed the music. A reception followed at the Turf Club.

The bride is a graduate of Filer High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho.

The groom is a graduate of Buhl High School and attended HI-Tech Institute in Phoenix. He is serving as a ranger in the U.S. Army.

The couple resides in Olympia, Wash.

ANNIVERSARY

**THE CRAWFORDS**



Jim and Bobbie Crawford

KIMBERLY — Jim and Bobbie Crawford of Kimberly will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at their home at 636 W. Center St. in Kimberly.

The couple requests there be no gifts.

Jim Crawford and Bobbie Rayl were married July 23, 1956, in Twin Falls.

They have lived in South Carolina, California, Oklahoma and Kimberly.

He retired from Intermountain Bean in Kimberly. She has been a homemaker and dental assistant and continues to sell Mary Kay Cosmetics.

They have four sons, Mark (Lorraine) Crawford of Twin Falls and West Yellowstone,

Clark Crawford of Los Angeles and San Jose, Calif., Bart (Nicole) Crawford, of Jerome and Tim (Julie) Crawford of St. Paul, Ore.

The couple has six grand children.

**Bridal Registry**  
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# FAMILY LIFE

## ANNIVERSARY

### THE PETERSONS

**WENDELL** — Wendell and Paula Peterson of Montie will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 21, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 605 N. Idaho St., Wendell.

Montie Peterson and Paula Woodland were married Feb. 7, 1956, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.



Paula and Montie Peterson

They have lived in Wendell most of their married life. The event is hosted by their seven children, Steven (Julie) Peterson of Mesa, Ariz.; Kent (Shelley) Peterson of Shelley, Ark. (Marlene) Peterson of Middleton; Marcia Peterson of Jerome; Cheryl (David) Gines

of Wendell; Diane (Courtney) Black of San Jose, Calif.; and James Peterson of Bountiful, Utah. The couple has 27 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## Widows

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Betty G. Hawkins of Twin Falls lost her husband, Dr. Bill Hawkins, on March 2. She started attending the "Widowed Wellness classes on the advice of a friend but was hesitant at first.

"I thought, 'I'll just try it one day,'" Hawkins said. "The first day I went away thinking she's got a lot to offer. I still didn't think I needed it, but I do think she helped me."

At one point of her grief, Hawkins started doing things like forgetting her keys all week and her mind played tricks on her. It helped that Wasko had warned her class that funny things would happen.

"I had a set of knives my husband gave me, and one of them disappeared. I looked everywhere and dumped the garbage twice but couldn't find it," Hawkins said. The knives were in the fridge with the lettuce.

"Shawna prepared us for these things," Hawkins said. "She told us our mind would do this to us. I thought I was losing my mind with the forgetfulness. Even though I already had knowledge of doing these things since my mother-in-law did these things, you just don't understand it."

Wasko also had warned that some grievers might experience more illness than usual, and that was certainly true in Hawkins' case. Sleepless nights and loss of appetite weighed on the 60-year-old's immune system, and she was physically and mentally exhausted.

Wasko "teaches the course

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— Betty G. Hawkins

with a lot of humor; I did gain a lot from it," Hawkins said. "She taught us to be patient with ourselves."

Now that Hawkins understands the pain of losing someone so close to her heart, she says she will be considerably more helpful and thoughtful.

"Grieving has its stages," she said. "The first two weeks I don't even remember all the people who came" to visit her at home.

She often leaves Widowed Wellness classes feeling lucky — her husband didn't linger in the hospital or suffer long.

"Some of the younger people have it so rough with kids and everything," Hawkins said. "I always find interesting people to talk to," she said. "They have problems you didn't even think of."

Part of Wasko's requirements — aside from the two-month waiting period — is that people don't get pregnant, get anyone pregnant, marry, move or go through personal things while they're in the class.

"People tell them to do these things, but I recommend that people take their time. I want them to lick their wounds ... They're in the

middle of the worst thing in their lives, and they're not going to make good decisions," Wasko said.

After her husband died, Wasko went through his belongings quickly, and she regrets it because her daughter wanted more as she grew up.

"Now she hoards everything," she said. She also recommends that people wait a year before marrying again.

"Men are raised to be problem solvers," Wasko said. They think, "What do I do to fix the problem of loneliness, and for them it's a relationship."

The highest stress producer is widowhood, the second is divorce and the third is marriage, Wasko said, and to combine two of those within a year is extremely detrimental to health.

While no amount of advice or help will erase the pain of losing a spouse, and nothing but time can make the grief end, there is help to get through it.

"Death makes life all the more precious," Hawkins said. "You realize how fleeting it is and how things can change. Every day is really, really precious."

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## The compassionate response

While comforting words are nice to hear during a time of loss, they don't necessarily help the bereaved deal with grief.

Widow Shawna-Wasko was frustrated at times when people who meant well tried to help.

"All people know how they feel, and they don't need you to tell them," Wasko said.

She remembers the day someone said to her, "Tell me about your grief."

She was surprised — everyone had been telling her how to grieve, but no one had asked how she was grieving.

"We all have different coping levels, losses, our own unique situations and we're all going to grieve differently. It's unique to everyone, but there's still so much in common," she said.

Some people are private grievers and keep their feelings inside.

When they do say something, Wasko advises, really listen. Based on her experience, she said, "the one talking and crying, they'll be fine; the problems are always on the inside."

— Jami Whittead

## WEDDING

### ANDERSON-BUNTING

**HAZELTON** — Rebekah Janette Anderson and John Lewis Bunting were married May 6 at the Redlands LDS Temple in Redlands, Calif.

The bride is the daughter of Kevin and Johanna Anderson of Hazelton. She is a graduate of Valley High School and Brigham Young University. She is a student in the master of business administration program at the University of Utah and is employed in Salt Lake City.



John and Rebekah Bunting

A reception was held July 8 at the Anderson residence in Hazelton.

# Camp is just an e-mail away

By Kim Hart  
The Washington Post

When Laura Roy sent her two nieces to summer camp in Southern Maryland, she equipped them with stamps, stationery and pre-addressed envelopes.

Two weeks later, the postal service hadn't delivered any letters from them.

Instead, Michelle, 11, and Danielle, 8, sent handwritten notes by Roy's e-mail inbox, telling tales of one of the hot and cold showers at Camp St. Charles near Newburg, Md., and she replied with e-mailed messages of her own.

"I don't think I would have received two many through the mail," said Roy, a Washington, D.C., resident who was worried that her nieces would be homesick at their first overnight camp. She has printed out all of the letters and plans to keep them forever.

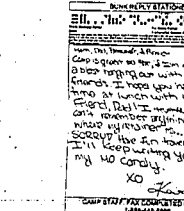
"It's a treasure — something in their own handwriting instead of just a plain old e-mail printed out."

For the past several years, kids have been able to receive e-mails at camp from their parents and other loved ones, often handed out during the regular mail at mealtimes.

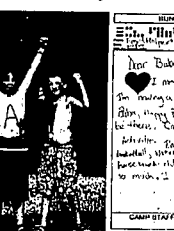
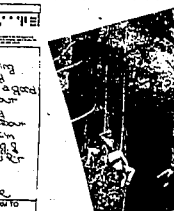
But technology companies are rolling out new ways for kids to report home, including scanning images of handwritten notes, sending digital photos, and posting live video of kids playing kickball.

While technology can alleviate homesickness for anxiety campers — and lessen anxiety for parents — some camp enthusiasts warn that such constant contact defeats the independence-boosting spirit of summer camps and keeps kids plugged in when they should be frolicking outdoors.

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companies provide these features for camps, which often don't have the resources or the know-how to share video or photos online.

New York-based Bunk1.com hosts photo galleries, organizes parent e-mails and sends handwritten letters to parents' inboxes.

Encamp.net, owned by Thriva LLC, offers similar services, as well as video messages with webcam.

Camp Channel Inc. sets up cameras for online streaming

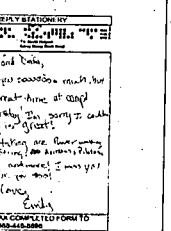
video of camp activities. Camp Staunton Meadows, a small co-ed summer camp in Clever, Va., posts more than a hundred photos on its Web site for parents to view and print, distributes about 50 parent e-mails to campers, and sends about 30 handwritten replies to parent inboxes with the help of Bunk1.com each day.

"Parents ... have ... really enjoyed being able hear back from campers on the same day," said Andy Adams,

the camp's director. "By the time parents get home from work, replies are in their inbox telling them what their camper did this morning or how the ropes course was this afternoon."

Many camps are going high-tech, according to the American Camp Association.

This year, 62 percent of accredited camps have Web sites and 92 percent have e-mail addresses — up more than 50 percent from five years ago.



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## Fun on the road

By Margaret Webb Pressler  
The Washington Post

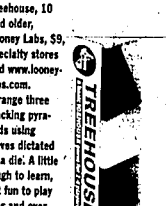
Kids, you're probably going to spend some time in the back seat (or in an airplane seat) this summer, so you could use some good portable games and gadgets.

There is much to consider: toys to play with in the car (with or without big brother), games that transfer well to a restaurant table, and activities for that rainy day at the beach.

Here are a few entertaining ways to pass the time on a family vacation. These great travel toys and activities all share two basic traits: They're fun, and they won't take up too much space in your bag.



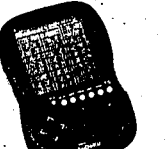
I Spy Word Scramble, 7 and older, Bantam, \$20. This word-finder puzzle tests your brain and your coolness under pressure as you try to spell words before the time runs out.



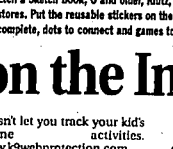
Treehouse, 10 and older, Looney Labs, \$9, specialty stores and www.looneylabs.com. Arrange three stacking pyramids side-by-side. Moves alternate by a die. A little tough to learn, but fun to play over and over.



Pro Sudoku, ages 8 and older, Kid Galaxy, \$15. This electronic game is easy to use and very readable.



Etch a Sketch Book, 6 and older, Klutz, \$17, bookstores and specialty stores. Put the reusable stickers on the screen and you'll have mazes to complete, dots to connect and games to play. Great size.



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# Parent issue: To spy or not to spy on the Internet

By Jeffrey G. Cassen  
The Washington Post

For parents of teens and preteens, the Web can be a scary world. How can you protect your child from online excesses?

First, discuss your concerns with your child, instilling his or her thoughts as well as advice. Anton Trinidad, medical director of inpatient services at George Washington University Hospital's Department of

Psychiatry. Kidshealth.org, a leading health promotion site for children, teens and parents, also recommends telling your child how to recognize and avoid harmful content and asking that he or she share information that is disturbing.

Computer monitoring software, says Trinidad, should be a fallback option only. "Spying is never a good idea," he said, since it prevents a breakdown in trust and sends a message to your child that

spying is acceptable. Only if the child is at risk of self-harm should parents rely on spy software, he warns.

Child-protection software features range from simple Web site filtering (blocking access to sites) to digital surveillance of nearly every computer activity, including e-mailing, chatting, messaging. Web surfing and file swapping right down to the keystroke. Parents who prefer security features without the espionage

may choose a simple Web filter or software that controls the amount of time your child spends online, says Michael Miller, a columnist for PC magazine.

Here's a sampling of programs available to block the bad stuff:

**Bare bones** • K9 Web Protection, by Blue Coat. Free downloadable program offers Web filtering but

doesn't let you track your kid's online activities. [www.k9webprotection.com](http://www.k9webprotection.com)

**Economy** • CYBERSite 9.0, by Solid Oak Software. Web filtering, online-only monitoring for \$39.95. [www.cybersite.com](http://www.cybersite.com)

• Safe Eyes, by SafeBrowse.com. Web filtering, online-only monitoring, time controls for \$39.95. [www.safeeyes.com](http://www.safeeyes.com)

**Cadillac** • Spector Pro 5.0, by SpectorSoft. Web filtering, online and offline monitoring for \$99.95.

These products are intended for supervising children under 18. Various local, state and federal laws around the country prohibit employing them on adults, according to software-parents.com, a retailer of monitoring software.