

Youngsters learn the secrets of candy making.

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Twin Falls Music Club hosts annual dinner and concert.

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Local cowboys, cowgirls headed to national finals.

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Good Morning

High: 96 Low: 64

Hot with gaily thunderstorm possible. Details A2

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Fatal accident in Kimberly claims one



Officials from Twin Falls County, Cassia County and Rock Creek Fire remove a vehicle Tuesday that drove into a canal south of Kimberly. Below: Ken Mulberry meets with his wife, Jean, as emergency workers remove the pickup Tuesday. Ken Mulberry dived into the canal repeatedly to try to rescue the driver.



Witness attempts rescue

By Cassidy Friedman Times-News writer
KIMBERLY — A Twin-Falls man was found dead Tuesday inside his Chevy pickup in a canal south of Kimberly. Juan Arreaga, 57, was driving northbound on 3500 shortly before noon when his truck slowly drifted off the right side of the road, continued an estimated 200 feet across a field and jolted over the canal bank and into the canal. Ken Mulberry, 51, watched the scene unfold from his tractor a quarter-mile away. He called 911 on his cell phone and then went to the canal. He couldn't see the truck. "I thought it would be floating and float under the bridge," he said. "But it already sunk. You couldn't see the vehicle at all, so I looked where the tracks had hit the canal bank." Seven or eight times he dove into the water, each time succumbing to the downstream drag and having to climb

ashore and run back around. He found the roof of the truck five feet underwater and could tell that the driver's-side window was down. But fast-surging waters kept him from holding his position. "It was so deep and fast," Mulberry said. "I couldn't stay down there or even get close to getting (into) the vehicle." Ten minutes passed and Kimberly firefighters were on the scene using a rope to keep Mulberry from getting dragged under the bridge. Paramedics, sheriff's deputies and lifeguards also joined the effort. The body, however, would not be recovered for another 30 minutes when divers arrived from Cassia County. "I don't think he was alive when he hit the water, personally," said Mulberry. "The truck just drifted to the right side of the road and never made any sharp turns or anything. He hit the canal bank really hard." Mulberry said the driver did not appear to be speeding or driving recklessly.

Bullet through floor misses person below

Elko — Elko police arrested two Utah men Sunday after one of the men reportedly shot through the floor of a hotel room. Bryce Jero Briggs, 24, of West Jordan was arrested on charges of discharging a firearm in public and possession of less

than an ounce of a controlled substance. His bail was set at \$5,732. Casey Grant-Andrew Cordova, 26, of West Jordan was arrested on charges of possession of less than an ounce of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. His bail was set at \$1,364.

Police responded to the Roadway Inn on the 700 block of Idaho Street after a gunshot was reported in the motel. A bullet had been fired through the floor of room 214 and entered into room 111. The bullet's path was two to three feet from the victim's bed when he heard the gunshot, according to the police report.

The only weapon that seemed to have been recently fired in room 214 was a .243 Winchester rifle. Briggs told police officers that he didn't know why he fired the gun and he didn't remember loading the weapon. Police also found about 13 grams of marijuana in the room.

Service set for drowning victim

Recovery efforts continue on river

By Blak Koch Times-News correspondent

BLISS — Athlete, scholar, daughter and friend. Ashley Carol Faulkner will be remembered as all these things and more in a memorial service at 10 a.m. Friday at Bliss High School. Ashley, 15, was identified Tuesday as the girl who drowned Saturday in the Snake River while trying to rescue her dog. Her body has not been recovered. Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough explained that she is believed to be trapped by suction in an underwater cave at the base of a waterfall where her drowned dog was found. "Divers searched the area extensively but could not get to where they think she is because of the powerful suction," Gough said. "It was the one spot they haven't been able to search because it is too dangerous and really the only possible place she could be." The popular Fall Hole swimming area below the Salmon Diversion Dam remains closed. "It has been our experiences in situations like this



Bliss girl remembered

A memorial service for Ashley Carol Faulkner will be 10 a.m. Friday at Bliss High School. In lieu of flowers, the family has set up a memorial fund. Donations can be made at the Farmers National Bank in Wendell.

For Ashley's obituary See page D2

that the body will resurface after five days," Gough said. "Even if it doesn't, we will remain vigilant in our watch." Please see ASHLEY, Page A2

Politicians vying for farmers' votes

Candidates for state offices discuss their platforms with Idaho Farm Bureau

By Joanna Palmer Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Water and education. Those were the issues that were important to Idaho farmers on Tuesday afternoon. Ten candidates, including Gov. Jim Risch, who is running for Lieutenant Governor, spoke to the Idaho Farm Bureau Federation about their positions on issues facing the agriculture industry. Although water was an obvious discussion among the farmers from southern Idaho, education was also on many of their minds. "Water is the big question, but the bureau is concerned about education because it's a direct investment in our youth," said Tom Billman, president of the Twin Falls County Farm Bureau. "This is not just about rural areas, but also our communities because right now economics is killing many these



Idaho Gov. Jim Risch speaks to the Idaho Farm Bureau Federation about his platform on property tax reform.

opportunities for our youth." The bureau offers hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of student scholarships for youth who are interested in agriculture. The Please see VOTES, Page A2

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INSIDE THE FAKE TFPD: Sgt. Hendricks, Officer Wilson, Deputy Adams... none of them exist. Stories from Magic Valley residents and how to protect yourself.

Israeli officials say offensive could last several more weeks: JERUSALEM — Israel declared Tuesday it was ready to fight Hezbollah guerrillas for several more weeks and possibly send ground forces into Lebanon, raising doubts about international efforts to broker an immediate cease-fire in the fighting that has killed more than 260 people and displaced 500,000.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Hot with a gusty thunderstorm possible. Highs 90s.
Tonight: Mostly clear and muggy storm free. Lows 60s.
Tomorrow: Hot with no local storm activity expected. Highs 90s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Toasty hot with a few clouds and a stiff breeze. Highs 90s.
Tonight: Breezy, partly cloudy and mild. Lows low 60s.
Tomorrow: Hot and dry with windy periods expected. Highs low 90s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Warm temperatures set continue to blanket even the higher elevations for many more days. Rain will remain elusive. An occasionally brisk wind will ease the heat from time to time.

BOISE
The region can look forward to several more hot and sunny days. No rain in the immediate outlook and dry/windier weather is expected to hold through the coming weekend.

NORTHERN UTAH
Conditions will be hot with a chance of thunderstorms developing over the next few days. A little less storm activity is likely this weekend.

Weather key: H: High; L: Low; P: Partly cloudy; C: Cloudy; S: Sunny; B: Breezy; W: Windy; M: Muggy; N: No local storm activity; T: Thunderstorm; D: Drizzle; F: Fog; O: Overcast; R: Rain; S: Snow; H: Hail; W: Wind; M: Mist; N: No local storm activity.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

| Today | Tonight | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Hot with a gusty thunderstorm possible | Muggy clear and muggy storm free | No local storm activity expected | The heat wave rolls on | More summer sun and heat | Hot, sunny and dry |
| High 90 | Low 64 | 95/62 | 98/64 | 98/62 | 95/59 |

Yesterday's Weather

| City | Hi | Lo | Prep |
|---------------|----|----|-------|
| Boise | 80 | 67 | Tr |
| Coeur d'Alene | 70 | 48 | 0.00" |
| Jerome | 82 | 61 | 0.00" |
| Lowell | 84 | 52 | 0.00" |
| Malden | 95 | 64 | 0.00" |
| Meridian | 93 | 52 | 0.00" |
| Shelby | 83 | 58 | 0.00" |

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

| Temperature | Precipitation | Humidity | Barometric Pressure | Sunrise and Sunset | Pollen Count |
|-------------|---------------|----------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| High: 90 | 0.00" | 64% | 30.00" | 5:58 AM - 8:15 PM | High |

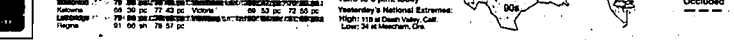
MOON PHASES

| City | Today | Tomorrow | City | Today | Tomorrow |
|-------------|-------|----------|----------|-------|----------|
| Twin Falls | W | Th | Boise | W | Th |
| Idaho Falls | W | Th | Meridian | W | Th |

NATIONAL FORECAST

| City | Today | Tomorrow | City | Today | Tomorrow |
|---------------|-------|----------|-----------------|-------|----------|
| Atlanta | 80-90 | 85-95 | Los Angeles | 75-85 | 75-85 |
| Boston | 65-75 | 65-75 | Phoenix | 85-95 | 85-95 |
| Chicago | 75-85 | 75-85 | Portland, ME | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Denver | 75-85 | 75-85 | Rapid City | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Houston | 85-95 | 85-95 | Seattle | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Los Angeles | 75-85 | 75-85 | San Francisco | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Miami | 85-95 | 85-95 | San Jose | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Minneapolis | 65-75 | 65-75 | San Luis Obispo | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| New York | 75-85 | 75-85 | Stockton | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Philadelphia | 75-85 | 75-85 | Vallejo | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Portland, ME | 65-75 | 65-75 | Yreka | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| San Antonio | 85-95 | 85-95 | | | |
| San Diego | 75-85 | 75-85 | | | |
| San Francisco | 65-75 | 65-75 | | | |
| Seattle | 65-75 | 65-75 | | | |
| Washington | 75-85 | 75-85 | | | |

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



CANADIAN FORECAST

| City | Today | Tomorrow | City | Today | Tomorrow |
|---------|-------|----------|-----------|-------|----------|
| Calgary | 65-75 | 65-75 | Edmonton | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Halifax | 65-75 | 65-75 | Montreal | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Ottawa | 65-75 | 65-75 | Quebec | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Regina | 65-75 | 65-75 | Saskatoon | 65-75 | 65-75 |
| Toronto | 65-75 | 65-75 | Vancouver | 65-75 | 65-75 |

GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If you can dream it, you can do it. Always remember this whole thing was started by a mouse."

Mal Dewey, 1928, *Amos and Proverbs*

Today IN THE MAGIC VALLEY

- ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**
- Twin Falls Tonight**, featuring the band Spindle Bomb, on Main Avenue near the fountain in Historic Downtown Twin Falls, no cost, call 734-2113.
 - Donald Margulies' drama "Sight Insoon"**, 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.
 - "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer"**, a musical presented by the Oakley Valley Arts Council, 7:30 p.m., Howells Opera House, 118 N. Blaine Ave. in Oakley, \$8, call 677-ARTS. (2787)
- EXHIBITS**
- Sun Valley Center for the Arts "The Chair in Public"**, an exhibition of proposed and actual outdoor seating projects by local artists and architects, noon to 2 p.m., The Center, 314 2nd Ave. South, Halley, no cost, call 208-726-9491.
- FAMILY**
- "Youth Options,"** activities for young people ages 13-19, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, \$2, call 733-8720.
- GOVERNMENT**
- Twin Falls County commissioners**, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.,

Ashley Votes

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Ashley was the setter on the Bliss volleyball team and point guard and starter on the Bliss basketball team.

In her obituary in today's Times-News, her family describes her as a "brilliant, beautiful girl who touched everyone's heart." She wanted to be a veterinarian specializing in pygmy goats and horses.

She died trying to rescue her best friend and golden retriever, Milly.

Dummary Funeral Chapel of Gooding is handling the memorial service.

The Fall Hole area is owned by the Idaho Power Company and has been a popular swimming area and sportsman access area to the river, said spokesman Dennis Lopez.

"Our sympathies are with the family," Lopez said.

The Fall Hole area will remain when recovery efforts are complete, he said.

"It is my understanding that the road access was closed off about seven or eight years ago, but that foot access to the river remains popular," he said. "At this point, Idaho Power doesn't have any plans to change that."

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Correction

Art group misnamed

A photo caption in Tuesday's Times-News misnamed the arts organization concerning the mural at El Mirador. The artists were working with the Magic Valley Arts Council and not the Twin Falls Arts Council.

The Times-News regrets the error.

Israel

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Israel's forecast of a lengthy campaign, coupled with President Bush's evident reluctance to bring pressure on Israel to agree to a cease-fire, seemed to quash any hopes for an early resolution of the crisis, now entering its second week.

Hundreds of Americans and Europeans fled Lebanon aboard ships, and hundreds of other foreigners prepared to evacuate in coming days.

In an interview with the BBC, Lebanese Prime Minister Fuad Saniara said Israel is "opening the gates of hell and madness" on his country.

He urged Hezbollah, which is backed by Syria and Iran, to release two captured Israeli soldiers but said Israel's response had been disproportionate.

Bush said he suspects Syria is trying to reassert influence in Lebanon more than a year after Damascus ended what had effectively been a long-term military occupation of its smaller, weaker neighbor.

"We have made it very clear that Israel should be allowed to defend herself," Bush said in Washington.

"We've asked that she does so that she be mindful of the Sanjara government. It's very important that this government in Lebanon succeed and survive."

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert blamed Iran for sparking the clashes between Israel and Hezbollah, saying the world was in the "controversy over its nuclear program."

The offensive was sparked by the soldiers' capture July 12 but has now broadened into a campaign to neutralize Hezbollah.

"I think that we should assume that it will take a few more weeks," Maj. Gen. Udi Adam, head of the army's northern command, told Army Radio.

The army's deputy chief of staff, Maj. Gen. Moshe Kaplinski, said Israel has not ruled out deploying "massive ground forces into Lebanon."

Israel, which has mainly limited itself to attacks from the air and sea, had been reluctant to send in ground troops because Hezbollah is far more familiar with the terrain and because of memories of Israel's ill-fated 18-year-occupation of south Lebanon that ended in 2000.

But Kaplinski said Israel had no intention of getting bogged down for a second time.

"We certainly won't reach months, and I hope it also won't be many more weeks. But we still need time to complete the operation's very clear objectives," he told Israel Radio.

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NATION

Gonzales: Bush sidetracked domestic spying probe

By Richard B. Schmitt
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — President Bush sidetracked an internal Justice Department probe into the warrant-less domestic surveillance program earlier this year, even as other Justice officials were assigned to defend the program in court and investigate who may have leaked information about it to the news media, according to administration

officials and documents released Tuesday.

Raising new questions about the administration's accountability for secret anti-terror programs, the White House acknowledged Tuesday that Bush withheld security clearances that attorneys within the Justice Department's Office of Professional Responsibility said they needed to investigate whether department lawyers had acted properly in

approving and overseeing the controversial spy program run by the National Security Agency.

The Office of Professional Responsibility, which is the Justice Department's internal watchdog unit, had been asked by congressional Democrats in January to review the role department officials played in the creation and operation of the program that intercepted millions of overseas telephone calls and

e-mails originating in the United States.

The program was designed to gather intelligence information on possible terrorists. The Justice unit was forced to abandon the probe in April because of its inability to obtain the necessary clearances, although until Tuesday it was unclear who made the decision to withhold them. Officials said they could not recall a case where an investigation by the professional

responsibility unit had been blocked since the unit was created after the abuses of the Watergate era.

Bush's involvement revealed by Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales in testimony Tuesday before the Senate Judiciary Committee and later enlarged on by White House press secretary Tony Snow — added fuel to the debate over one of the administration's most intensely debated anti-terror moves.

The government has used the program, launched shortly after the Sept. 11 attacks, to monitor international communications — by people on U.S. soil in cases where NSA analysts suspect terrorists may be involved.

Such surveillance normally requires judicial warrants but the administration has argued that warrants are unnecessary in part because of the inherent constitutional power of the president to conduct war.

The heat is on: Broiling temps continue across the nation

By Joan Loviglio
Associated Press writer

PHILADELPHIA — Even in black pants, a black vest and long-sleeved shirt, Amish flower vendor David Stolzfus had no complaints about working outdoors Tuesday as the stagnant air shimmered at 78 to 80 degrees.

"I do it every day, work in warm weather," said Stolzfus, who came from his farm in Lancaster County to sell flowers near Philadelphia's Rittenhouse Square. "We're fine, I'm comfortable."

But he was among the few people not complaining about the heat wave that has gripped much of the nation with tem-

peratures in the 90s and 100s since the weekend. Cities across the country took steps to ease the health threat and conserve energy. At least six deaths have been blamed on the heat, and the weather was suspected in at least three others.

In New York City, the mayor ordered city offices to turn off unnecessary lights. In Pennsylvania, swimming pools stayed open late and summer school classes were dismissed early.

The thermometer hit 95 degrees by 2:30 p.m. in Central Park, the National Weather Service said. The heat index, measuring the combined effects of heat and humidity,

was expected to reach 104.

Heat advisories and warnings were lifted for much of Pennsylvania, except for the southeastern portion that includes Philadelphia. Parts of the Midwest also got a little relief from a Canadian cool front. The 8 a.m. temperature in Milwaukee was 65, compared with 76 at the same time Monday.

The Northeast could get a break starting Tuesday night, with scattered showers and thunderstorms expected for parts of the region, but the heat was likely to persist in the southern Plains until Friday. Forecasts in Nebraska called for temperatures around 110 degrees Wednesday.



Carlos Castro, an electrical worker, takes a lunch break on a bench overlooking the Hudson River, Tuesday, in Yonkers, N.Y., where temperatures climbed into the mid-90's for the third consecutive day, as much of the country endured a heat wave. The heat index, which measures the combined effects of heat and humidity, was expected to reach 104 degrees Fahrenheit.

Dozens injured, two critically, in cruise ship roll

PORT CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A steering problem caused a new cruise ship to roll abruptly Tuesday, throwing passengers and crew to the deck and critically injuring an adult and a child, officials said.

Another 10 were seriously hurt, but about half lesser injuries, said Cape Canaveral Fire Rescue Capt. Jim Watson. The ship returned to port and all passengers and crew were accounted for, the Coast Guard said.

The Crown Princess, which can accommodate 3,000 passengers, had just departed Port Canaveral on Florida's east coast en route to New York when it listed badly to its port side, said Coast Guard spokesman Petty Officer James Judge. The ship then righted itself.

Jan Daus, 32, was sunbathing on the ship's upper deck at the time. "It became very disastrous because ... tables, glasses, lounge chairs went flying," he said. "I was just holding on for dear life onto the banister of the ship."

Daus, of New York City, said several of the upper decks were flooded and the elevators were inoperable. "The water came gushing out of the pool like a mini-tsunami," he said. "It was really scary. People who were in the pool were shoved out."

Passenger Carol O'Connell told NBC's Miami affiliate 5YV-TV by phone that people raced for life jackets.

The captain sounded so terrified, which led to my feeling of more panic," she said. Brian Payne, CEO of the Canaveral Port Authority, said the cruise line wanted passengers to wait until other lodging could be arranged, but were free to leave the vessel if they wanted. He said the ship would remain in port for several days.

Princess Cruises, one of 12 brands operated by Miami-based Carnival Corp., said it was investigating the cause of the incident.

Before leaving Port Canaveral, the ship has just completed a nine-day Western Caribbean cruise, she said.

The 113,000-ton ship began sailing a month ago. Tuesday marked the start of its fourth voyage.

Doctor, 2 nurses accused of killing patients in Katrina's aftermath

By Patricia Callahan
Associated Press writer

NEW ORLEANS — A doctor and two nurses who labored at a sweltering, flooded-out hospital in Hurricane Katrina's chaotic aftermath were arrested and accused Tuesday of murdering four trapped and desperately ill patients with injections of morphine and sedatives.

"We're talking about people that pretended that maybe they were God," Louisiana Attorney General Charles C. Foy said. "And they made that decision."

The defendants were booked on charges of being "principals to second-degree murder," which carries a mandatory sentence of life in prison.

The three were the first medical professionals charged in a month-long criminal investigation into whether many of New Orleans' sick and elderly were abandoned or put out of their misery in the days after the storm.

Dr. Anna Pao, a cancer and ear, nose and throat specialist, and the two nurses were accused of deliberately killing four patients, ages 62 to 90, at Memorial Medical Center with a "lethal cocktail" of morphine

and Versed. The patients' names were not released.

"There may be more arrests and victims that cannot be mentioned at this time," Foy said. "This case is not over yet." He planned to turn the case over to the New Orleans district attorney, who will decide whether to ask a grand jury to bring charges.

Memorial Medical had been cut off by flooding after the Aug. 29 hurricane swamped New Orleans. Power was knocked out in the 317-bed hospital and the temperature inside rose over 100 degrees as the staff tried to tend to patients who waited four days to be evacuated.

In court papers, state investigators said Foy told a nurse executive three days after the hurricane that the patients still awaiting evacuation would probably not survive and that a "decision had been made to administer lethal doses" to them. Overdoses of morphine or Versed can stop the heart and lungs. Foy, however, said he believed the patients would have died through the storm's aftermath.

"This is not enthusiasm. This is homicide," the attorney general said.

Attorneys for the three insisted no crime took place.

one praised his client's dedication during the crisis.

Two months after the hurricane, Foy subpoenaed more than 70 people in an investigation into rumors that patients had been put to death at the medical center, where search teams recovered 41 bodies.

Around the same time, the husband and wife owners of a nursing home in neighborhood St. Bernard Parish were charged with negligent homicide in the deaths of 34 elderly patients. Prosecutors said the owners failed to heed warnings to evacuate.

According to court papers, tissue samples taken from the dead — at Memorial Medical — tested positive for morphine and Versed, and the amount of Versed present was found to be higher than the usual therapeutic dose. Medical records reviewed by investigators also showed that none of the four patients were taking either of the two drugs as part of their routine care.

Foy said the combination of morphine and Versed "guarantees they are going to die." He said that authorities could not determine which of the defendants actually administered the fatal drugs in each case but that investigators believe all three participated.

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Expression of Interest - Food Services

Idaho National Laboratory **INL**

Expression of Interest Food Services

The Idaho National Laboratory (INL) is seeking interested Food Service businesses for potential operations at the various INL Locations. The INL anticipates awarding an annual contract based on the government fiscal calendar year (October 1 - September 30). The following is a general statement of work outlining the initial services requirements.

- Provide healthy and nutritious food services, cold and hot sandwiches, soups, or equivalent, and desserts and beverages at Central Facilities Area (CFA), Reactor Technology Complex (RTC) and Test Area North (TAN) located on the Idaho National Laboratory approximately 60 miles from Idaho Falls, Pocatello and Blackfoot, Idaho.
- Days of operation are Monday through Thursday from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.
- Estimated daily patronage in each area: CFA - 350, RTC - 290, TAN - 165.

Based on the number of responses to the Expression of Interest, the INL may host a Focus-On Forum to present details and expectations on the required services.

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Federal water study can clarify big aquifer needs

Think water is scarce in the searing summer of 2006? Just wait and see what it's like 25 years from now.

If the laws of supply and demand n a t u r a l resources like they do economics, be ready for a bleak future for state water. Idaho's population and many uses of water are far exceeding its supplies.

Our view: If Congress provides \$3 million to study Idaho's water shortage, water users should be ready to follow its recommendations.

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

recharge should be the primary focus. Improvements can be made to existing dams to enhance storage. But creating new dams is structurally, environmentally and economically difficult.

Th-a-t leaves the recharge options. Large-scale aquifer recharge occurs when river water is intentionally channeled through canals to raise the water table. The Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer, a Lake Erie-sized underground rock basin that holds ground water from Ashton to King Hill, has long been a political battleground for recharge, with the latest chapter occurring in the past legislative session.

But recharge is a simpler process on paper than in practice. Questions have long remained about where recharge is most efficient. Some locations have proven their "reach gain," in which water reaches its intended destination in less time, while others are more uncertain.

Then there are the aquifer models that need updating to determine aquifer reach gain. Models that were used as recently as five years ago are now outdated. Idaho Department of Water Resources is just finishing a new model, but steady constant improvement for all river systems would definitely pay off with this bill.

The only downside to this type of federal study money is how it sometimes applies the brakes to certain action. Some water groups may use this kind of study as a lesson in procrastination.

If the \$3 million study does materialize, it could suggest certain solutions that bring pain to some water users — perhaps all. That's what Idaho needs to be ready for as it prepares for steady growth in future decades. If such a study produces beneficial results with sacrifice for the greater good, the \$3 million expense would be worth every penny.

Sorry, world, soccer needs more scoring

I like sports, but I'm not a "sports guy" — you know, the fellow who listens to so many sports-talk programs that he has opinions about the commentators, never mind the players. I generally keep it basic: Give me the classic duels of baseball, the high-speed chess of basketball, or the perfect Sunday afternoon of beer, pizza and football. American football.

ROBERT STEINBACK

But I'm enough of a fan that I'll give any sport a chance, especially when the best are competing. Olympics, Tour de France, Wimbledon, golf, extreme sports — I'm game. I've even tuned in to the occasional NASCAR race in an as-yet futile effort to figure out why people enjoy watching cars go around in circles.

So I watched several matches of the 2006 FIFA World Cup with genuine enthusiasm. And my verdict is: I think I'd rather watch cars go in circles. Football — soccer, to us clueless Americans — definitely is not my sport, for the usual clueless-American reasons: Too little scoring, too few legitimate threats to score.

But fear not — I can fix the world's most popular sport with three simple suggestions. And I think I do it without ruining it for the rest of the world.

Consider the statistics. Only 147 goals were scored in the 64 World Cup games this year. That's an average of 2.3 goals per game — both teams combined. At least one team was shut out in 41 games, in 16 of those, neither team scored. Thirteen games were decided by scores of 1-0. In only five games did both teams score as many as two goals; of the 44 teams that scored at least two goals in a game, only two lost. All the losing teams combined



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scored only 17 goals — meaning that scoring at all meant a team had a 77 percent chance of winning or tying the match. In only six of the 64 games did the team that gave up the first goal to its opponent go on to win in regulation time (two teams that gave up the first goal tied the score in regulation, then won on penalty kicks). That means, not counting penalty-kick victories, the team that scored first lost only 9 percent of the time. That renders a football match more like an Old West gunfight: the first contestant to hit the opposing target almost surely wins.

I'm sorry, world — for all the sport's artistry and athleticism, that's simply too little scoring. So here are the three suggestions this clueless American recommends to make soccer — I mean, football — more exciting. Change the off-side rule. Football needs something akin to the fast-break in basketball. But the rules prohibit an attacking player who isn't controlling the ball from being

closer to the opponent's goal than any opposition player (not including the goalkeeper). This prevents a player from simply positioning himself near the goal and waiting until his team can shoot him a long pass, creating an easy shot at the net. But it also bugs the game down mercilessly, preventing swifter players from gaining advantage over slower ones.

The change: Place a fixed off-side line or arc on the field to function as does the blue line in ice hockey. The line should be far enough from the goal to make a shot on goal more beyond it possible but difficult. Teams will be tempted to leave extra attackers on the opponents' side of the field in hopes of a "fast-break" but at the risk of having fewer defenders on its own side. Either way, more scoring opportunities should open up.

Employ a penalty box, as in ice hockey. For any foul that now results in a direct free kick the opposition, give the opponent the choice of taking the free kick or sending

the offending player to a penalty box for five minutes. Playing with a temporary numerical advantage would make for more exciting attacks.

Instead of penalty kicks deciding the knockout games, use one-minute, three-on-three showdowns. One team will have a goal and two defenders, the other, three attackers — but only two attackers can be inside the off-side line (see change no. 1) at any time. The attackers fall if they haven't scored in one minute, kick the ball beyond the end line, or if the goal gains control of the ball. Each team gets five three-on-three chances, best of five wins. This would be far more challenging than boring penalty kicks.

There you have it, world. Now if you'll excuse me, the second half of the baseball season is under way.

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Snake River water model will weather criticism

We are submitting this letter in response to a Times-News article published on July 14. The article, written by Michelle Dunlop, regarded potential use of the eastern Snake River Plain aquifer groundwater model by the Idaho Water Resource Board as it develops an aquifer management plan. We, the authors of this letter, are the University of Idaho hydrogeologists who were contracted by Idaho Department of Water Resources to update the former aquifer model.

Ms. Dunlop quoted a consultant for Idaho Power, Willam Schreuder, as saying "the model is not quite ready for prime time." As nice as that quote is, his views did not represent the views of the rest of the committee that helped develop the model. Dr. Schreuder was not involved in the model development process and hence was at a disadvantage when he reviewed the model results.

In approximately 1999, with rising conflict between water users groups on the eastern Snake River Plain, IDWR Director Karl Dreher recognized that the existing model, which was 30 years old, was

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inadequate to the task of aquifer management. Dreher recognized that the new version had to be technically credible and unbiased, so he hired the Idaho Water Resource Research Institute to develop the model. He also formed a team of experts, including representatives from the major stakeholders including Idaho Power to assist in the process.

The model team met approximately quarterly and many design presentations and decisions were discussed at length by the group. Although some design points never appreciated unanimous approval, all were arrived at by consensus. State-of-the-science modeling tools were implemented in this redevelopment. The author of one of the most widely used modeling routines in the world served as a consultant on the effort.

As with any complex scientific model, we freely acknowledge that there are facets of the model which can be

improved through continued data collection and continued model refinement. We feel, however, that the model, as it currently stands, is more than capable of supporting aquifer management decisions. At the same Water Resource Board meeting all of the consultants who have been involved in the process since the inception of the model upgrade stated that they were comfortable with the current model. The model has evolved and been improved over the last 30 years and will continue to be improved as new data and techniques become available.

Water use issues and hydrologic modeling on the eastern Snake River Plain are highly complex. We appreciate the difficulty of a new consultant such as Willem Schreuder coming into this process so late in the model development. He would not have had the advantage of the years of discussions and hundreds of pages of model documentation review that the other consultants have had. Director Dreher invited him to join us at modeling meetings if he is to become involved in Snake River Plain modeling issues. We echo that invitation.

We applaud Director Dreher

and the Idaho State Legislature for having the foresight to undertake this model re-development. We further applaud Director Dreher for his insistence requiring that the modeling process be open to all interested parties. We encourage the IDWR, the Water Resource Board and the Idaho Legislature to resist any attempts to undermine confidence in the groundwater model. We believe that this model represents the best current scientific understanding of the aquifer, and we encourage the state to continue to apply this model in its efforts at aquifer management.

As for the assertion that the model is not yet ready for prime time, we say "Bring on the Nielsen Ratings!"

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Squirrels have gone too far

I know this will find disagreement, but I also know there are many like me.

These cute bushy tails that are rampant in Twin Falls and elsewhere are now at their destructive peak again. I will not get to harvest my ginkgo trees and also my Carpathian walnut tree nuts. Seems they are as the past four years have been — harvested even before they are ripe. Green coats are picked and chewed again. I will not get to feed them any, they eat the nut. You should see the bottom ground under my coats. Squirrels go for nuts which is the same as Christmas nuts, not black. This will be the fifth year I have to watch those imported tails destroy what has taken years to grow. They

are the most protected animal in Idaho and their only enemy is that thing called an automobile. Seems in our cities there is a law that says no propellant may be used of any kind, and they are an imported animal. Fish and Game does not protect them, so they just multiply.

Anyone is welcome to come and see the ground under my trees in the front yard. I remember when pigeons were a big thing in Twin, and I wonder how long it will take to do some squirrel get rid of. If I can catch more than 100 on my back fence in one summer, how many is there in Twin, and elsewhere? The year I trapped more than 100, my neighbor thought I caught the pets their boys catered too. Oh well, I wish the city would let me execute them all as they are very destructive, more than that bushy

wagging tail all seem to love. Without that bushy tail, ask any farmer what he thinks of ground squirrels.

LARRY SABIN
Twin Falls

Lessons in war strategy to remember

I recently read "The Memoirs of Jean Laffite" published in 1999. Our future president of the United States, Andrew Jackson, came into New Orleans without bullets, powder or flint, having traveled with his men on foot for hundreds of miles away. He was twice Volunteers from Kentucky and Tennessee arrived in exactly the same condition just two weeks prior to the battle.

They were told the government would give them supplies.

The women of New Orleans purchased blankets and cloth and made their new clothes because most were barely covered with rags. It was winter. The United States had 4,000 men total. The United States of America was 39 years old and its East coast was sealed by an English blockade. Washington, D.C., had been burned to the ground. Detroit had been attacked. If the British were successful in gaining the Mississippi River, the whole of America would lie exposed and helpless. Laffite with his spy system on the ground, knew two months prior to the battle that it was coming and told the city officials. A month later, he knew how many soldiers were to be shipped fresh

from the war with Napoleon, 14,000. They ignored him.

His brother Alexandre fired the cannon shot that blew Pakenham's legs off. The English stuffed him into a ram based on a ship and his body back to England for burial. Out of his warehouses, Laffite gave 3,000 flints, 6,400 lbs of powder, 800 men including 400 of the best cannoniers in the history of warfare, 300 cannons and balls plus two ships. He laid out the defenses of New Orleans and was the only military man there that understood the waterways, tides and currents of the Mississippi River Delta. Laffite defeated the English three times prior to the Battle of New Orleans. ROBERT BERENZNY Filer

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OPINION

Israel and the temper of the times

Cursing a cussin' Bush

As the Middle East descended into chaos the past several days, the U.S. was reeling from President George W. Bush's off-the-mic remarks to British Prime Minister Tony Blair during a luncheon at the Group of Eight summit in St. Petersburg, Russia.



KATHLEEN PARKER

Believing his microphone to be turned off, Bush summed up his approach to the Middle East problem, saying, "... what they need to do is get Syria to stop Hezbollah to get doing this dookie, and his own."

In the days since, American airwaves have been filled with commentators lamenting the apparent death of the old Bush. Where was his tough talk? His old swagger? What happened to President Bring'em On, Mr. Dead or Alive?

Even liberal bloggers expressed nostalgia for the tough-talking hormone who led a coalition of the willing into battle against the enemies of freedom.

"We liked him better when he was Hitler," wrote a contributor to the popular pro-Democratic blog DailyCuss. "You'd never hear General Patton talking like that."

Others in the nation's capital were similarly distraught. "How can we effectively fight a war against terrorists who murder innocent civilians when our point man uses words like 'dookie'?" What kind of bull—is this? thundered Sen. Hillary Clinton as she punched her clenched fist through a copy of the Specter-Santorum stem cell bill. "This is a crock of you-know-what, and I don't mean poo-poo."

At the Poynter Institute, a journalism school for professionals and a repository of media ethics experts who tirelessly debate issues no one else cares about, the mood was decidedly chipper. Presidents and other leaders who resort to profanity historically have caused more problems for networks and family newspapers that try to cleave to high standards in an increasingly coarse world.

Given that profanity isn't permitted in most reputable papers, what does one do when the president himself utters an icky-boo? Is it really in the public's best interest to know that Vice President Dick Cheney, for instance, once suggested to Democratic Sen. Patrick Leahy that he have a romantic visit with himself? Debate at the institute was characterized by relief that Bush seems to have cleaned up his frat-talk, thus saving newspapers from the troubling decision of whether to quote him accurately or edit him to protect public sensibilities.

Some outside observers found it ironic that members of the once-salty world of American journalism had become so delicate — recently issuing proclamations against profanity and urging greater sensitivity in newsrooms — while those who once criticized Bush for his cowboy ways longed for tough talk.

At a press conference, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld turned the tables and blamed the press for Bush's seeming lapse of manliness.

"If President Bush had said the 'S' word, you people would have gotten your panties in a bunch. Ew, a bad word, we've

gonna te-ell. Then when he doesn't say a bad word, you have a hissy fit anyway. What is it you people want? Why don't you figure it out and drop us a tremor?"

"The truth is, you people did this to him. President Bush used to speak his mind and at least you knew where he stood. And so did our enemies. Now thanks to your incessant nagging, he's become cautious, self-censoring and, frankly, weak. Me? I wish he'd said, 'Syria needs to stop doing this — 'Why? 'Because that's how real men talk, that's why. Because when a real man thinks about Hezbollah, he doesn't think about dookie. We know what Hezbollah is. It rhymes with 'spit' and you scrape it off your shoe, and we ought to scrape Hezbollah off the face of the earth. Same for Hamas."

"Needless to say, Rumsfeld's remarks have been widely circulated — and poorly received throughout the Arab and Muslim world. Asked if he regretted or

wanted to apologize for his comments, he said, "No, I felt better after I said them." Hezbollah leader Sheik Hassan Nasrallah, meanwhile, has gained new fans, including Sunni Palestinians, who admire hischutzpah in attacking the region's mightiest military power. When asked by an al-Jazeera reporter if he had a message for President Bush, Nasrallah replied: "Stilte happens."

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In chronicling the number of armed warriors who joined David at Hebron, there is this exquisite line: "All these men understood the temper of the times and knew the best course for Israel to take." (1 Chronicles 12:32, New Living Translation)



CAL THOMAS

For roughly 4,000 years there has been "injust" and war in the Middle East. It possibly began when the ancient Israelites drove out the Canaanites; Hittites; Hivites; Perizzites, Gergashites, Amorites and Jebusites. Modern Israel is attempting to drive out Hezbollah-ites, Hamas-ites, Islamic Jihad-ites and the rest.

Nothing has changed, except Israel may be in greater peril today than at any time in its modern history. That is because Israel, often under pressure from its "ally" the United States, has bought into the fiction that says giving Israel's declared enemies the land they demand will cause those enemies to lay down their swords into ploughshares and study war no more. The more Israel gives, the more her enemies feel emboldened to take away. It's called appeasement and it never works.

When Israel pulled out of Gaza, I predicted terrorists would move in and begin firing rockets into Israel towns. It doesn't take someone with the vision of a biblical prophet to forecast the obvious. The rockets hitting Israel from Lebanon are coming from territory previously occupied by the Israel Defense Forces, which the IDF had entered in response to earlier shelling.



Too many, whether in Europe, the worthless U.N., or the U.S. State Department — even many Israelis — do not understand the temper of the times.

Israel's enemies are all of the same piece by whatever name they call themselves. There are no "moderates" at least none who have the power to make peace. The idea of a "two-state solution" with a Palestinian state living alongside Israel was always a pipe dream concocted by secular Westerners. They accept a false doctrine that says the enemies of Israel (and America) can be placated by people they regard as "infidels."

Hezbollah runs a television station in Lebanon. A visit to the Middle East Media Research Institute's Website (Memrirow.com) is a number of interesting clips. Hezbollah Secretary General Hassan Nasrallah says, "We prefer death and martyrdom

over American guarantees." Nasrallah survived an Israeli air strike on his headquarters in Southern Lebanon. He declared "all our war" against Israel. There's a film for children that speaks of Jews turning into apes and pigs.

Lebanese students at a Hezbollah TV symposium say, "we should fight the Jews and burn them like Hitler. Israel should be wiped off the map." The head of "Radio Islam" in Sweden said on Hezbollah TV, "The Muslims' war is with the Jews." In Europe, Islamic influence is growing due to the spinelessness of government leaders.

There is another danger and that is the fantasy that elections will produce leaders within Islamic fanaticism who will be committed to real democracy, pluralism and tolerance. Last Friday, New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman wrote: "What we are seeing in Iraq, the Palestinian

territories and Lebanon is an effort by Islamist purties to use elections to pursue their long-term aim of Islamizing the Arab-Muslim world. This is not a conflict about Palestinian or Lebanese prisoners in Israel. This is a power struggle within Lebanon, Palestine and Iraq over who will call the shots in their newly elected 'democratic' governments and whether they will be real democracies. It's not only about "Islamizing" the Arab-Muslim world, but the entire world.

The turmoil in the Middle East will not stay in the Middle East. This is a world war and the first shots have already been fired in Europe and America. In an online story the London Daily Telegraph subsequently removed "for legal reasons," Dr. Patrick Bookhood warned that British Muslims could soon form a state within Britain. Dr. Bookhood, a former Muslim, said, "In a decade, you will see parts of English cities which are controlled by Muslim clerics, which follow not the conventional law, but aspects of Muslim sharia law."

The latest upheaval in the Middle East may subside, but the objectives of those whose aim is Jew-kill destruction will not. The enemies of Israel, Europe and America believe this is all-out war. The question is, do we understand the temper of the times?

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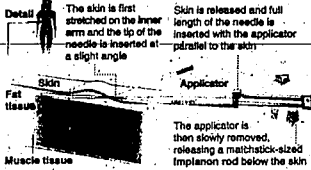
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Long-term option for birth control

Implanon, a rod-shaped contraceptive implanted in the upper arm for up to three years, recently received approval from the federal Food and Drug Administration.

Contraceptive implant process



According to a 2005 national survey, more than 30 percent of women ages 15 to 44 using birth control used the pill.

| | 3-month | 1-month | Other |
|----------------|---------|---------|-------|
| Pill | 30.8% | 18.0% | 0.3% |
| Condom | 18.0% | 0.3% | 2.0% |
| Injectable IUD | 0.3% | 2.0% | 1.2% |
| Diaphragm | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.3% |

| | Female sterilization | Male sterilization | Withdrawal | Periodic abstinence | Diaphragm |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Female sterilization | 27.0% | 8.2% | 4.0% | 1.8% | 0.3% |
| Male sterilization | 2.0% | 1.2% | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.3% |

*Includes calendar rhythm and family planning. **Sponges, cervical cap and female condoms.

SOURCES: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, OrganonUSA

FDA approves new contraceptive

The Associated Press
 WASHINGTON — Implanon contraceptive rods will be available again to U.S. women seeking a long-term solution to birth control, with the approval of a matchstick-size rod that can prevent pregnancies for up to three years. Organon USA Inc. said Tuesday it would begin training doctors in August to implant the contraceptive rod, called Implanon.

Nonrapt worked for up to seven years, or four years before that, but women injured while having their six rods removed or disturbed by side effects. Another implant, a two-rod device called Jadelle, received FDA approval in 1996 but has never been sold in the U.S. Implanon has been sold in more than 30 countries since 1998. More than 2.5 million women have used it, according to Organon.

In case there are problems that lead to a recall, a card containing the implant's lot number will be included in the medical files of women fitted with Implanon to help track them down, Monroe said. Implanon releases a low, steady dose of progestin to prevent pregnancy. Its use can cause irregular bleeding and spotting. For some women, it can

eliminate monthly periods altogether. The rod is inserted by a doctor under the skin of the upper arm in a quick surgical procedure that requires only a local anesthetic. It must be removed after three years, although it can be taken out at any time before then, according to the company, a unit of Netherlands-based Akzo Nobel NV.

The Food and Drug Administration approved the 1.5-inch-long rod late Monday. It is designed to be inserted underneath the skin of the upper arm. Implanon provides 99 percent contraceptive protection. It will be the first contraceptive implant to be sold in the United States since 2000, when Wyeth Pharmaceuticals stopped U.S. sales of Norplant.

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Meth still No. 1 drug problem, survey finds

By Sam Hazzel
 Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Meth abuse continues to fuel an increase in crimes like robbery and assault, straining the workload of local police forces despite a drop in the number of meth lab seizures, according to a survey Tuesday.

Nearly half of county law enforcement officials consider methamphetamine their primary drug problem, more than cocaine, marijuana and heroin combined, the survey of the National Association of Counties found. "Abuse of this highly addictive brain-altering drug continues to destroy lives and strain essential county services across America," said Bill Hansell, the association's president and commissioner of Umatilla County, Ore.

The survey of 500 county law enforcement officials in 44 states showed that about half reported a decrease in the number of meth lab busts as a result of laws that restrict the sale of cold medicines with precursor ingredients used in the manufacture of meth. That's consistent with federal figures released last month showing a 30 percent drop in the number of labs seized nationwide. But county officials said supply of the drug remains high from superlabs in California and Mexico.

About half the counties reported that one in five inmates are jailed because of meth-related crimes like robberies and burglaries. Another 17 percent of counties reported that one in two inmates are

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 National Association of Counties: www.naco.org

Incarcerated for meth-related crimes, the survey found. Hansell called on Congress to develop a comprehensive strategy to deal with meth that includes more funding for anti-drug task forces, drug prevention campaigns, treatment programs and cleanup of toxic chemicals used to make meth. Last month, the White House drug-policy office set a goal to cut meth use by 15 percent over the next three years and increase seizures of meth labs by 25 percent.

Hansell also urged federal lawmakers to reject a Bush administration proposal to eliminate the Justice Assistance Grant program, which funds drug task forces around the country. That call was echoed by local law enforcement officials at a news conference to announce the survey.

"It makes absolutely no sense to fight a war on drugs, then reduce the funding when you're in the midst of battle," said Oklahoma County Sheriff John Whetzel. About 1,000 of the 2,800 inmates in the Oklahoma County jail are incarcerated for meth-related crimes, he said.

The survey, taken at the end of June, is based on a random sample of sheriffs or police chiefs in 500 of the nation's 3,066 counties. The association does not identify the counties because it would discourage them from responding, freely, said Jacqueline Byers, NACO's director of research.

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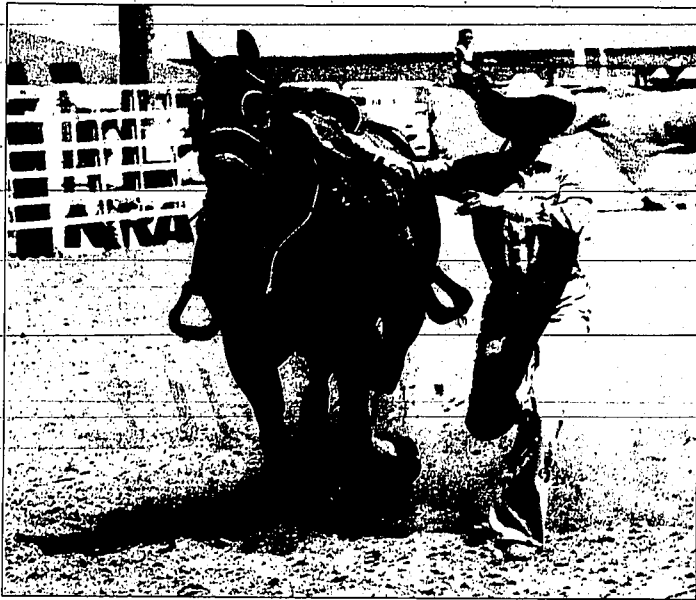
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National
High
School
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Finals

Cassie Vierstra of Filer, pictured during the Idaho State High School Rodeo Finals, is one of 14 riders and ropers from District V and VI that will compete at the National High School Rodeo Finals in Springfield, Ill., July 24-30.

Springfield bound

District V and VI sending 14 cowboys and cowgirls to nationals in Illinois

By Diane Phillips
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — You could call them, the Fabulous 14. When the Idaho High School Finals were completed last month and the top four participants in each event were decided, 14 members had qualified from the District V and VI. That group will only help to make the Idaho team more solid as the cowboys and cowgirls from Idaho compete at the National High School Rodeo Finals, which will be held July 24-30 at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield, Ill.

District V

The District V sends Rob Webb from Wendell, who won the top spot in calf roping and teamed with Jake Ruby from Gooding to take home the title in team roping. Jack Stevens of Gooding will be entered in calf roping, while Kade Smith from Wood River qualified for his second trip to nationals by capturing the boys cutting title. Fairfield's Kortee Hurless, the District V All-Around Cowgirl, will compete in pole bending.

Unless just returned from participating in the Silver State International Rodeo in Fallon, Nev., with Cassie Vierstra and will be making her first trip to nationals along with her pole bending horse, Orville.

"Idaho is shipping out a pretty great team to Illinois, and I am hoping for great things to happen."

District VI's Cassie Vierstra

The Silver State International Rodeo is sort of a consolation prize for high school rodeo boys and girls who just missed qualifying for the National High School Rodeo Finals. It is open to 10th- through 12th place finishers from all 37 states, four Canadian provinces and Australians, who are members of the National High School Rodeo Association.

"It was a blast, but now I have to get geared up for nationals. Woohoo!" said Hurless. "Although he's 18, Orville is still going strong. I am so blessed to have him. He's my best friend and I've been able to ride on him for almost a decade. If all people were as honest as Orv, the world would be a much better place."

"Now my little sister is running poles on him, and he is so good to her. I like to think of myself as being pretty tough, but seeing my all-time favorite horse take care of my baby sister makes me cry."

Hurless' horse isn't the only one she's grateful for as she embarks on her first-ever trip to the finals.

"Without all the great support from my friends, family and community, I

would never be able to do the things I get to enjoy," she said.

That support has her feeling confident.

"I feel ready," said Vierstra. "I've grown and learned to accept the luck of the draw, and I have realized that a positive attitude will take you so much farther. If something goes wrong, I still get disappointed, but I don't blame anyone but myself. That's the great thing about rodeo: If you want to win, you practice harder than your competitors."

"If you take care of your horses mentally and physically, they will give you their all. It's a great feeling. My worst fear is letting down my horse and all the people that have helped me."

District VI

The list of qualifiers from the District VI includes All-Around cowgirl and cowboy, Cassie Vierstra from Filer and Cody Wadsworth of Kimberly. Vierstra will be competing in goat tying and breakaway, while Wadsworth takes part in bull riding.

In girls cutting, the district sends three qualifiers. The 2005 and 2006 girls

cutting state champion, Shae Prescott from Kimberly, will be joined by Samantha Navaran of Wells, Nev., who competes for the Castleford rodeo team. Kat DeHaan of Filer completes the cutting trio.

The 2005 Idaho state champion in saddle bronc, Cade Taylor from Oakley, returns to nationals. Zach Hutchison of Raft River and Justin Stewart from Filer both qualified in bareback. Colton Bedke of Oakley joins Wadsworth in bull riding.

Vierstra has been to state for the past three years and is another rookie making her first trip to nationals. She has been roping off Tucker (a.k.a. Fat Boy or Gordy) for five years, but in the past year has started tying goats off of him.

"He is my favorite because he is calm and relaxing to ride," said Vierstra. "Bunny is also the other horse I am taking to nationals and I tie goats on her, too. She is also the horse I use for barrels and poles. We call her 'Psycho Bunny' because she is often insane."

"Of course I love every horse I own but they do have their days. I spend more time with my horses than my friends, so they are the best friends I've got. Plus they put up with me and that is not easy."

Vierstra feels good about the chances for the Idaho team and herself individually.

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Taxes, not
steroids,
could be
Bonds'
downfall

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — The easy money Barry Bonds made by aggressively selling his name, likeness and sports equipment through his Web site and brief autograph sessions in hotel conference rooms could prove to be the embattled slugger's legal undoing.

A federal grand jury is probing whether he paid taxes on some of that fortune, and key government witnesses include a scorned business partner and a jilted lover who profited from the name "Barry Bonds." He also is being investigated for allegedly lying to another federal grand jury about his steroid use.

Legal analysis said proving the Giants star cheated the IRS out of its cut of memorabilia sales is far easier to prove than perjury.

If so, Bonds wouldn't be the first professional athlete to run afoul of the IRS over sales of autographed jerseys, balls and baseball cards.

Pete Rose in 1990 served five months in prison for not reporting income from memorabilia. Several other prominent players including Darryl Strawberry and Hall of Famer Duke Snider and Willie McCovey — were busted in the 1990s for not properly reporting such income.

Urian Hennigan, a Los Angeles lawyer who represented Strawberry when the baseball player pleaded guilty to tax evasion in 1995, said it's relatively easy to fall into tax trouble because the memorabilia business is largely cash-and-carry.

Sports memorabilia is a multimillion-dollar enterprise for professional athletes. Bonds sells his jerseys for as much as \$1,900 on his Web site.

"The money is so easily accessible," Hennigan said. "There's going to be a lot of cash, and the promoter says 'Here is an envelope, it's full of cash' and it's just handed to you and you drive away and there aren't any forms to sign."

Strawberry was sentenced to six months of home confinement and had to pay \$350,000 in back taxes. Other athletes have paid fines and back taxes to settle their tax problems.

"The sentence certainly depends on how much money is involved and how long it has been going on," Hennigan said. "If the athlete gets a lot of cash and never reports any of it, more likely than not the government is going to look at it harshly."

U.S. women prepare for ski jumping competition in Utah's scorching heat

The Associated Press

PARK CITY, Utah — It may be July. The nation may be gripped by a heat wave. But here, U.S. women's ski jumpers are bringing a little extra burst to their jumps, knowing they are practicing for something much bigger than any women had before in their sport.

The top women jumpers will be in Park City this weekend for the Women's Ski Jumping Festival, the first international competition since the International Ski Federation voted in May to add women's jumping to the 2009 World Championships.

"A lot more exciting — definitely. You feel like your training and all your hard work is actually going toward something," U.S. jumper Allissa Johnson said. "It's a good feeling to have."

Temperatures in the 90s this week have hardly seemed appro-

priate for Nordic sports but, thanks to technology, jumpers can practice year-round. Summer jumping is on the plastic thatching that covers the jumps and above where Utah Olympic Park sits. And the only relief from the sun Tuesday was the pool where the freestyle jumpers splashed down while practicing.

The old-school Nordic jumpers had to tough out the heat in their skintight suits, soaring off the massive ramp and landing with their wide axils slapping the plastic.

"It's very consistent to snow — unless you try to run on it. It just doesn't happen; you just slide out and fall," said American

Lindsay Van, who was No. 2 in the Continental Cup standings last season.

Five of the top-15 Continental Cup jumpers are Americans. And all train in Park City, one of just a few U.S. sites with all-season jumping. Utah Olympic Park will host the jumping competition Friday and Saturday nights.

Ski jumping has been part of the Olympics since the first winter games in 1924, but only for men. That bothered former Salt Lake City Mayor Dee Dee Corradini, who was on the bid committee that landed the 2002 Salt Lake Olympics.

"I had no idea that women were not allowed to jump in the Olympics. When I found out, I was quite upset about it," said Corradini, president of the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association.

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USA's Lindsay Van prepares for a practice jump on the K20 ski jump Tuesday at the Utah Olympic Park in Park City, Utah. Jumpers gathered for the Women's Ski Jumping Festival, the first international competition since the International Ski Federation announced it was adding women's ski jumping to the 2009 world championships.

SPORTS

Mickelson eager to leave debacle behind

HOYLAKE, England (AP) — The leather-bound registry is called the "Strangers Book," an inch thick with weathered pages dating to 1980. The latest edition is in the clubhouse at Royal Liverpool, for guests to sign when they play the storied links course.

Imagine what Eric Els must have thought when he showed up to play 10 days after the U.S. Open.

On the line above the first empty space, dated June 28, was the signature of Phil Mickelson from San Diego, Calif.

"They asked me to come sign the club book, and I saw Phil's name there," Els said Tuesday. "And I was like, 'What the hell, is he playing today?' And they said, 'No, he was here two days ago.' And

that kind of surprised me a little bit. He's played the course many times. That's the way he wants to prepare. He wants to see the course a million times.

"That's his way right now."

Mickelson was so eager to leave behind his debacle at Winged Foot — a double bogey on the 72nd hole that cost him the U.S. Open and a third straight major championship — that he showed up at Hoylake, which is next to start preparing for the British Open.

He spent two days at Royal Liverpool, then returned last Thursday to play what amounts to a full tournament. He played four rounds, each of them taking a little more than eight hours as he studied every option off the tee, from

the fairway, around the green. Mickelson played Sunday morning, then returned Sunday afternoon and played into the late twilight.

Asked how much they played, caddy Jim Mackay replied, "You want rounds or hours?"

It is hard to argue with the results.

In the last 10 majors, Mickelson has won three times, was runner-up twice and has finished out of the top 10 only two times. It was in 2004, the start of his stellar streak that he began studying courses as if he were cramming for a final exam, looking at every angle to see where he could take risks — and when he should play it safe.

I've prepared for tournaments and the way I've been playing," he said. "I don't want to let one bad hole interfere with that, which is why I immediately altered my schedule to come over here. I know that my record hasn't been what I wanted it to be at the British Open, and I wanted to have those extra days to really work hard and see if I could bring my best golf out this week."

That could be time well spent this year.

Royal Liverpool has not been part of the British Open rotation since 1967, before all but one player in the top 10 was born. It is a mystery that is slowly being unraveled this week and even the conditions are somewhat foreign.



Phil Mickelson of the United States gestures alongside golf coach Dave Peck during a practice round for the upcoming British Open Golf Championship at Royal Liverpool Golf Course at Hoylake, England Tuesday.

Pitchers key Red Sox past Royals

BOSTON — Rookie Jon Lester allowed one hit in eight innings and Jonathan Papelbon pitched a perfect ninth, leading the Boston Red Sox over the Kansas City Royals 1-0 Tuesday night.

Lester (5-0) gave up just Mark Teixeira's clean single to center field in the second and four walks in his eighth major league start. The left-hander struck out four and allowed only five balls to leave the infield.

Papelbon retired the Royals in order in the ninth for his 28th save in 31 chances. Brandon Duckworth (1-3) also pitched very well, allowing one run and five hits in six innings. But the Royals still suffered their seventh loss in eight games.



Boston Red Sox starting pitcher John Lester delivers to the Kansas City Royals during the first inning of their baseball game at Fenway Park in Boston Tuesday.

White Sox 7, Tigers 1

DETROIT — Paul Konerko hit two home runs, and Jon Garland pitched seven strong innings to lead Chicago over Detroit.

The Tigers still have the best record in baseball (62-31) and a 3½-game lead over Chicago in the AL Central.

Rangers 5, Blue Jays 2

TORONTO — Hank Blalock hit a go-ahead single in a five-run eighth inning, and Texas rallied to beat Toronto.

Texas scored just four runs in the previous four games, but they came back from a 2-0 deficit by sending 10 batters to the plate in the eighth.

Twins 8, Devil Rays 1

MINNEAPOLIS — Francisco Lirio topped fellow young gun Scott Kazmir, allowing three hits over 8 2-3 innings in Minnesota's victory over Tampa Bay.

Athletics 5, Orioles 4

BALTIMORE — Bobby Crosby and Mark Ellis hit consecutive homers, and Oakland scored two runs without a hit in the fourth inning to take the lead for good against Baltimore.

Oakland thrashed only five hits, two after the third inning. But the A's took advantage of a throwing error by reliever Eddy Rodriguez to win their AL-high 19th one-run game, including 11 of 12.

National League

Mets 8, Reds 3

CINCINNATI — Carlos Beltran hit the first of his last three homers Tuesday night, a seventh-inning grand slam off Eric Milton that powered the Mets to an 8-

3 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

Rockies 13, Pirates 4

PITTSBURGH — Matt Holliday hit a two-run homer, Jamie Carroll drove in three runs and Colorado beat Pittsburgh to stop an eight-game losing streak.

Nationals 7, Marlins 6

MIAMI — Alex Escobar's RBI single in the ninth inning capped Washington's rally from a four-run deficit.

Braves 14, Cardinals 5

ST. LOUIS — Andrew Jones was 5-for-5 with two homers and matched his career-high with six RBIs, helping Atlanta become the first team since the 1930 New York Yankees to score 10 or more runs in five straight games.

Adam Lalloche, Chipper Jones and Brian McCann also homered for the Braves.

Cubs 4, Astros 2

CHICAGO — Phil Nevin hit a three-run homer and rookie Carlos Marmol allowed one run in six innings to lead Chicago over Houston.

Marmol (3-3) gave up four hits, walked six and struck out six. Ryan Dempster pitched a scoreless ninth inning for his 15th save in 20 opportunities.

At age 94, O'Neil is oldest-ever pro baseball player

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — John Jordan "Buck" O'Neil never got a free pass in life.

The grandson of a man brought to this continent a slave, O'Neil moved to Kansas City to avoid racial persecution in the Deep South. He played baseball during an era of segregation, and earlier this year was elected entry into the National Baseball Hall of Fame by a special 12-member panel.

It figures that on Tuesday night, when the 94-year-old O'Neil stepped into the batter's box during a major league All-Star game, nobody could quibble over an intentional walk.

Except maybe O'Neil and a few thousand fans.

"I just might take a swing at one," he said last Tuesday night's Northern League All-Star game.

Leading off for the West in the top of the first inning, O'Neil argued with the umpire after the first pitch from Kansas City T-Bones pitcher Jonathon Krysia sailed high and was called a ball. After another high pitch that narrowly missed his head, O'Neil took a called strike before being walked, as planned.

O'Neil walked to first base, then took a lead off the bag as if he were going to stay in the game of seasons being pulled for a pinch runner.

After the top of the inning, T-Bones owner John Ehler announced that a trade had been brokered to bring O'Neil to the T-Bones, allowing him to also lead off the bottom of the inning.

In his second at-bat, O'Neil took three balls — all of them high and greeted with a chorus of boos from the crowd — before swinging at a pitch and almost spinning off his feet. Possibly lost in the novelty of the inning, the umpire gave him two more balls before sending him down to first base with his second walk of the night.

The T-Bones signed O'Neil to a one-day contract, making him the oldest major leaguer to play professional baseball. He surpassed 83-year-old Jim Ewles, who struck out in a minor league game in South Dakota earlier this month, by more than a decade.

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Landis gets back yellow jersey at Tour de France

L'ALPE D'HUEZ, France (AP) — American Floyd Landis reclaimed the Tour de France overall lead Tuesday, taking back the yellow jersey after an uphill finish on the famed Alpe d'Huez.

The 15th stage, won by Luxembourg's Frank Schleck, was the first of three straight days of grueling Alpine treks, which are likely to identify the top contenders to win the first Tour of the post-Lance Armstrong era.

Landis, the Phonak team leader, finished 11 minutes and 10 seconds behind Schleck. He took an overall lead of 10 seconds over Spain's Oscar Pereiro, who had held the yellow jersey and a lead of 1:29 over Landis since the 13th stage.

Landis said he'd taken a "gamble" on Saturday by allowing former Phonak teammate Pereiro to claim the yellow jersey, which brings with it a pressure to lead and places an extra burden on a rider's teammates.

Landis, a 30-year-old Pennsylvania native, had temporarily taken the race lead last Thursday after the tougher of two days of climbs in the Pyrenees.

The 116-mile stage began in Gap and also took riders up the Col d'Izoard and the Col du Lautaret climbs.

World champion Tom Boonen of Belgium dropped out of the race after scaling the Col d'Izoard, which is so tough that it



New overall leader Floyd Landis of the USA reacts on the podium of the 15th stage of the 2008 Tour de France cycling race between Gap, southeastern France, and L'Alpe d'Huez, French Alps, Tuesday.

defies classification in cycling's ranking system. Boonen had been trailing Robbie McEwen of Australia for the green jersey, given to the best sprinter.

Schleck, riding for Team CSC, pulled away from Damiano Cunego of Italy over the last 1.2 miles to win his first stage. Cunego was 11 seconds behind in second. Stefano Garzelli was third, 1:10 back.

Schleck, who won this year's Amstel Gold Race, called his first Tour stage victory a "dream come true."

"It makes me even more confident than I was before," Schleck said.

Jumping

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Foundation. "It's a chicken and egg problem. If they don't have a goal, who's going to spend the money to prepare the women?"

The International Olympic Committee is expected to decide in November whether women's jumping will be part of the 2010 games in Vancouver, British Columbia.

But before an event can be in the Olympics, it has to hold world championship, so the vote in May to add women's jumping to the 2009 World

Championships was a huge step.

Johnson has been to the Olympics before, but only as a spectator. She watched her younger brother, Anders, compete in the Turin Olympics in February. Although Anders is younger by two years, 19-year-old Alissa didn't have a chance to join him on the U.S. team.

"It's too bad that Anders and I couldn't walk in both together for our first time," she said. "Just as long as we both get to go, it will be a fun experience for us."

Nationals

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"This year, Idaho is shipping out a pretty great team to Illinois and I am hoping for great things to happen. I have never competed in a rodeo so big before so I will probably be nervous. But I will try to treat it just like any other rodeo — take in a few deep breaths before I go and relax and try to show the world what I can do."

Six weeks ago, on the morning of June 2, Prescott broke her jaw in two spots in a freakish riding accident and had to have her mouth wired shut. Within a few hours of suffering the injury, there was a trip to districts in Rupert that Prescott had to make in order to qualify for a trip to state. Even with the injury, there was no doubt Prescott would compete. The tenacious cowgirl, her mother Diane calls her, qualified for state in barrels and poles. Prescott also qualified first in cutting. Two weeks later at state in Pocatello, she defended her cutting title.

Prescott has been cutting since she was 8 years old and has competed at many levels. She finished 14th in cutting at last year's high school nationals.

"I have been cutting for so long and started out young," she said. "The pressure of nationals really doesn't bother me."

"Staying consistent was how I won state," Prescott added. "I have a good horse. See that, which I have ridden on and off for about three years."

Prescott agrees with Vetsarak's assessment of Idaho's representatives at nationals.

"We are sending a strong team to state. And as the rodeo family from Idaho comes together to support us, it will really help," she said.

After cutting for three years and only riding Smart Little Near since April, DeHaan qualified for her first trip to nationals after three years of competing at state.

"My horse and I have really bonded," said DeHaan. "We have put in a lot of preparation and hard work. I'm anxious for nationals to make my horse look good. We are a complete package — we have come together to show good and look good."

After Nationals, DeHaan will travel to Texas to participate in the American Quarter Horse Youth Association World Show in reining.

"So Shane (Prescott) found me a horse to ride. Riding a new horse is a little nerve wrecking. Shane has been helping me tons. Going to nationals is big for me. I never expected to qualify in cutting."

Unique sport

While rodeo is not recognized as a regular high school varsity sport, no other athletic activity in history was ever developed, which so embodies the traditions and history of an entire way of life. The events in rodeo grew out of the actual day-to-day duties of the American cowboy. One of the most unique aspects of high school rodeo is that these athletes compete on the same stock that is used by college and professional rodeo contestants.

Many of the young athletes that are seen competing are world-class athletes who compete not only in high school rodeo, but in professional and adult amateur rodeos as well. The cowboy or cowgirl and the animals used in rodeo compete against themselves and the clock, as much as they compete against each other. And come July 24, a special group of riders and ropers from southern Idaho will get to just that on the largest high school stage in the country.

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 La Toussuire, France, Stage 16
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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
BRUINS
 ESPN2 - Weymouth, Vinco
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 Pablo (5:25-5:45) in Ontario,
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ESPN - Chicago White Sox at
 Detroit
 8 p.m.

WGN - Houston at Chicago
 Cubs
 8 p.m.

CYCLING
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| Los Angeles | 49-37-12 | 12 |
| Arizona | 48-38-13 | 13 |
| Colorado | 47-39-14 | 14 |
| San Diego | 46-40-15 | 15 |
| San Francisco | 45-41-16 | 16 |
| Los Angeles | 44-42-17 | 17 |
| Arizona | 43-43-18 | 18 |
| Colorado | 42-44-19 | 19 |
| San Diego | 41-45-20 | 20 |
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| Los Angeles | 39-47-22 | 22 |
| Arizona | 38-48-23 | 23 |
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Monday's Late AL Box Scores

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Business Editor: Sandy Miller, 735-3264

Market Watch

July 19, 2006

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| Nasdaq Composite | 2,043.22 |
| Standard & Poor's 500 | 1,236.06 |
| Russell 2000 | 681.84 |

Stocks of local interest

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| Colt Inc. | 21.34 | ▼ .23 |
| Ullrich Motors | 28.14 | ▲ .28 |
| McCormick | 34.55 | ▲ .13 |
| Supervalu | 30.44 | ▲ .40 |

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| Aug. Oil | 73.54 | ▼ 1.78 |
| (Light sweet crude by barrel) | | |
| Live cattle | 82.70 | ▼ .22 |
| July gold | 628.30 | ▼ 22.3 |

Medicare card scam

TWIN FALLS — Local seniors have been receiving highly aggressive phone calls from phony businesses claiming that the government is overcharging for Medicare, according to a news release from the Better Business Bureau.

Potential victims get a phone call from a person informing them the government is overcharging Medicare. The person tells them they can get them a new Medicare card. The scammers then ask for Social Security and bank card numbers so they can electronically withdraw the money.

All consumers should be cautious about giving out any personal information to unknown parties. It is against Medicare's rules to call a Medicare recipient and ask for bank accounts or other personal information over the phone, the news release said.

Anyone who may have provided account information through this scheme is advised to call the Better Business Bureau, their financial institution and Medicare at 1-877-743-3379.

Help is available for insurance consumers

TWIN FALLS — During the first six months of 2006, the Idaho Department of Insurance assisted insurance consumers in recovering more than \$767,000 in insurance premiums, claim payments and fees owed to them by insurance companies, according to a department news release.

Consumers may file a complaint or make an inquiry by calling toll-free 1-800-721-3272. Written complaints or inquiries can be mailed to Idaho Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0043. Complaints can be filed online at <http://www.doi.idaho.gov>.

Are you struggling with health care costs?

TWIN FALLS — When it comes to health care costs, are you caught in the middle? Do you work at a job that doesn't offer health insurance benefits, but yet you don't qualify for Medicaid?

Have you ever gone without health care or prescription medicines because you couldn't afford them? Have you ever had to file bankruptcy due to an unexpected medical crisis?

Are you a small business owner who would like to offer health insurance benefits to your employees, but can't afford to?

The Times-News wants to hear from you. Please call Business Editor Sandy Miller at 735-3264 or e-mail her at smiller@magvalley.com.

—compiled from staff reports

Finding skilled labor a challenge for businesses

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — One big challenge for local businesses is finding skilled labor.

"There is a shrinking pool of employees," Debra Rose, general manager at Henningsen Cold Storage Co., told her fellow business leaders Tuesday at the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's monthly economic development meeting.

And today's jobs require different skills than they did 30 years ago.

"We used to have a lot of jobs that just required a strong back," said Gary Pool, plant manager at Amnigamated Sugar Co., following the meeting.

Today's jobs require much more than physical strength. The sugar plant needs workers

with more mechanical skills as well as more managerial expertise, Pool said. Yesterday's children grew up on farms and developed mechanical skills tinkering on tractors. As adults, they brought those skills to the workplace. Pool fears the area isn't growing enough of these skilled workers to replace an aging workforce.

"How many kids do you see working on a car anymore?" Pool asked.

Over at Henningsen, they're training their own.

"We have been forced to train from the ground up

because we haven't been able to find skilled workers," Rose said.

The College of Southern Idaho is stepping to the plate to help local businesses find those much-needed skilled workers.

"We are actually visiting with local business leaders and trying to get an assessment of what their labor needs are and how we can train a work force to fit their needs," said Jeff Duggan, assistant to the president at CSI.

"We are flexible enough to put a program together that

will fit anyone's needs."

Local business leaders are also anxious to see U.S. Highway 30 re-routed. The Twin Falls City Council is putting together a resolution to re-route Highway 30 away from schools and the downtown area. The plan is to transfer Minidoka Avenue, Sixth Avenue West and Washington Street South to the state. The state could then re-route Highway 30 to connect Kimberly Road and Addison Avenue to Washington Street North in a loop around the downtown area. A re-routed

Highway 30 would allow truck drivers to avoid the maze that is downtown Twin Falls. Safety was one of the reasons for the suggested change, but it certainly wasn't the only one.

"The biggest issue is industry," said Jeff Hewporth, a local attorney who presented the proposal to the City Council. "It's big dollars, and big dollars should talk."

"But business leaders will have to be patient. Even if approved by the city and the state, the project will take at least 20 years to complete.

"It's a long road so to speak... no pun intended," Hewporth said.

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Minimum wage push



Marchers carry signs in Columbus, Ohio, in a July 10 file photo, during a rally for a higher minimum wage. With the Republican-controlled Congress again refusing to boost the federal minimum wage, Democratic activists are aggressively pushing the issue state-by-state. Twenty-three states, including six this year, have now raised minimum wages above the federal level of \$5.15 an hour, and six more might be forced to do so by ballot items this fall that Democrats hope will mobilize low-income voters.

Democratic activists push minimum-wage hikes state by state in election year

By David Cray
Associated Press writer

Democratic activists are pushing aggressively to make the minimum wage an election-year issue; they helped persuade several legislatures to boost state minimum wages and want six other states to do likewise through ballot initiatives this November.

Democrats hope any extra turnout for the wage proposals from low-income voters would benefit their candidates, similar to the conservative voter boost received by some GOP candidates in states with gay-marriage bans on their ballots in 2004.

"The right has been effective with wedge issues," said Kristina Wilfong of the liberal Ballot Initiative Strategy Center. "The left is actually trying to give voters something... and get them to think about what's fair."

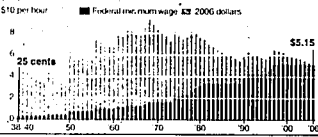
The federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour hasn't been raised since 1997; the latest effort to increase it was defeated in the Senate last month.

Twenty-three states, including six this year, have already raised minimum wages above the federal level — mostly by legislative action. Workers in those places must be paid the higher state amount.

In Montana and Nevada, proposed minimum-wage

Minimum wage value lowest since '40s

The Senate refused to raise the federal minimum wage to the proposed \$7.25 an hour. The last increase was in 1997.



"(Democrats) want to give their base a reason to turn out. Even many Republican voters support it — they feel no one should be able to get more from public assistance than from having a job."

— Tony Fabrizio, Republican pollster

increases already are on the November ballot, and signature-gathering campaigns also are expected to succeed in Ohio, Arizona, Missouri and Colorado — all states with closely contested political races.

Republican pollster Tony Fabrizio said the Democrats' strategy makes sense. "They want to give their base a reason to turn out," he said. "Even many Republican voters support it — they feel no one should be able to get more from public assistance than from having a job."

Leading Democrats have

Minimum wage hikes

The federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour hasn't been raised since 1997; the latest effort to increase it was defeated in the Senate last month.

Six states, Montana, Nevada, Ohio, Arizona, Missouri and Colorado, are expected to have minimum-wage hike ballot initiatives up for a vote this November.

In Arkansas and Michigan, activists called off planned ballot initiatives after the legislatures boosted the state minimum wages this year for the first time since 1997, to \$6.25 an hour in Arkansas and \$6.95 in Michigan.

Other states pushing their minimum wages above the federal level for the first time included Pennsylvania, Maryland, North Carolina and West Virginia.

Lawmakers in Delaware, Maine, Rhode Island and Massachusetts voted to boost minimum-wage levels that already exceeded the federal rate. The Massachusetts bill — signed by Republican Gov. Mitt Romney — would eventually raise the minimum wage to \$8 an hour, the highest in the country. The current best is \$7.63 an hour.

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U.S. dry edible bean acreage down

By Scott Kraus
Special to the Times-News

TWIN FALLS — In what may bode well for prices of dry edible beans, national acreage has reversed from early expectations and is down 6 percent, even while it's up 10 percent in Idaho.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service reports that on March 31, a federal report projected the country's bean acreage would rise 3 percent to 1.71 million acres.

Instead, lower prices helped prompt farmers to actually plant just 1.56 million acres, reports the Statistics Service, which is based in Washington, D.C.

Further, of the 1.56 million acres planted, the agency expects farmers to harvest just 1.47 million acres, which is down 7 percent from 2005. That's because of marginal water and weather conditions in some states.

At the same time, Idaho acreage amounts to 110,000 this year, compared to 100,000 in 2005. That figure is up 10,000 acres from the March 31 projection, mostly because of garbanzo bean plantings, the agency reports.

Idaho grower prices, however, are still difficult to establish in limited trading, reports the U.S. Agriculture Department's Market News Service in Greeley, Colo.

Pintos, the most widely grown dry edible beans in Idaho, are at \$16 a hundredweight, compared to \$28 a year ago. Pinks are at \$19-20, compared to \$22 a year ago. And small reds are at \$19-20, compared to \$22 a year ago. Trading is too limited to establish prices for garbanzos and great northern.

But a lot of factors could still impact prices by fall, said Leonard Andrew, who grows dry edible beans near Caldwell.

If yields are strong, that could boost production enough to make up the 6 percent drop in U.S. acreage, he said. The next 30 to 45 days will tell.

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In Washington state.
All six pending ballot measures go a step beyond the minimum wage laws of many states — they tie the minimum wages to be adjusted annually for inflation, rather than stalling at a fixed level like the federal minimum wage.

The initial hourly minimums proposed in the ballot measures range from \$6.15 in Nevada and Montana to \$6.85 in Colorado and Ohio.

The track record for such initiatives is good. A minimum-wage hike won 71 percent support among Florida voters in 2004, while in Nevada, where constitutional amendments must be approved in referendum elections, the wage hike won two-thirds support in its initial test two years ago.

The Democratic leader in the U.S. Senate, Nevada's Harry Reid, has been campaigning for his home-state ballot measure, which offers employers the option of providing health insurance instead of paying the higher minimum wage.

Reid said no state would have to be considering minimum wages on its ballot if Republicans in Congress had raised the federal baseline. He and other Democrats vowed to block any raises for Congress until that happens.

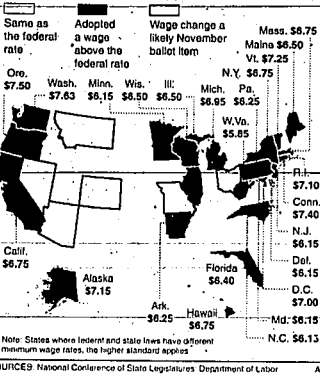
Though congressional debate has largely followed party lines, there is bipartisan support among voters for higher minimum wages. A survey in April by the Pew Research Center pegged support at 83 percent nationwide, including 72 percent among Republicans.

Opposition remains

Increasing an honest day's wage

Twenty-three states and the District of Columbia have established laws making their minimum wage higher than the current federal rate of \$5.15 per hour.

Current minimum hourly wage by state



Note: States where federal and state laws have different minimum wage rates, the higher standard applies. SOURCE: National Conference of State Legislatures, Department of Labor

dogged, however. Bills to increase minimum wages were rejected this year by Republicans in Congress had raised the federal baseline. He and other Democrats vowed to block any raises for Congress until that happens.

Opponents include chambers of commerce, restaurant associations and small-business groups, generally arguing that higher minimum wages will compel employers to trim their work force.

"A mandatory \$1 per hour increase would put me out of business," Missouri state Rep.

Jim Gust, a pizza shop owner and a Republican, told fellow lawmakers earlier this year.

The legislature proceeded to shelve a bill raising the minimum wage, but now a proposed \$1.25-an-hour increase, to \$6.50 an hour, is likely to be on Missouri's November ballot.

A minimum wage employee working 40 hours a week at the federal level would earn \$10,712 a year — only slightly above the federally designated poverty level for an individual, and well under the poverty level for a four-person family.

Low-income home loans available

BOISE — There are special eligibility considerations for low- and moderate-income home loan applicants who purchase newer, energy-efficient homes.

Eligible applicants to Rural Development Section 502 homeownership loan program will receive increased flexibility in their loan eligibility requirements if they are purchasing a newer home that is energy efficient.

In some cases, applicants may be able to afford a larger loan amount due to the qualifying flexibility because lower utility costs associated with newer homes equate to more income that can be applied to mortgage and other debt payments in given months.

Loans can be made for up to 100 percent of the appraised value of the property and the cost of installing energy-saving features in a home, such as

insulation and storm windows and doors.

Energy-efficient appliances may be included in the loan amount.

All new homes that are built to meet the 2000 International Energy Conservation Code or a subsequent comparable code are considered energy efficient and eligible for the two-percent point increase in the qualifying rates.

Existing homes that meet the same standard, or are being retrofitted to meet it, are also eligible.

The program is a nationwide pilot, and will operate for the next 18 months.

For more information, call LaDene Brown at 733-5300 or Tony Ballesteros at 436-0116.

Beans

It depends on what the weather does to them," he said.

Another factor is what happens to dry edible bean crops in other states, said Carter Wilson, a bean buyer and shipper for the J.E. Wilson Co. in Twin Falls.

For instance, the bean crop in North Dakota, which is the largest bean-producing state with 600,000 acres planted, is a key point, Wilson said. Hot, dry weather has hit that state, and production typically depends on rain to water their fields.

And if it stays hot and dry for the next 15 to 20 days, when beans are in the vulnerable blooming stage, that could reduce production levels.

"North Dakota is a potential critical precipitation problem right now," Wilson said.

Forty-nine percent of beans there were in good to excellent

condition at the start of this week, but the other 51 percent were in fair to poor condition, the Statistics Service reports. And 44 percent were blooming.

Canada's bean acreage is down significantly as well, according to Wilson. And the U.S. carryover crop still stands in bins in less than a million hundredweight from a high of 2 million to 3 million cwt. several years ago. That credit is putting up prices for dry edible beans.

"The numbers aren't bad considering what else is going on in the mix of the options to plant," Wilson said.

Meanwhile, Idaho's crop generally looks good, Andrew said. And Idaho growers, who produce their beans under irrigation, have enough water.

The garbanzo crop, which is

mainly grown in north Idaho, is also in good condition, said Dean Broeke, manager of George H. Broeke & Sons in Kendrick. There is some ascochyia blight in fields, but it is under control.

Better prices have led to more garbanzo plantings, said Tim Sprengle, executive director of the U.S. Dry Pea and Lentil Council in Moscow.

But while the bean fields look good, producers may face a difficult harvest, Andrew said. Wet weather has stretched planting for some farmers to as late as mid-June. That will delay development of the crop, pushing harvest closer to when frost damage is more likely.

"It isn't going to be a Shurt season," Andrew said.

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Table listing local stocks such as Albemarle, Albemarle Corp, and Albemarle Chemical, along with their prices and changes.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the Nasdaq National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Local funds are 1,115 listed. Stocks in bold indicate 5 percent or more in price.

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C: CUSIP: CUSIP number for the stock.
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CNY: Daily net change in the NAV.
P: P/E ratio: P/E ratio of the stock.
D: Dividend: Dividend per share.
S: Split: Stock split.
O: Offered: Offered for sale.
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C: Call: Call option.
T: Total: Total return.
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Stores go mod to put shoppers in the mood

By Andrew H. Walker The Baltimore Sun

The loud music and dark nightclub-like lighting at teen clothing store Hollister is enough to draw Patricia Rock...

"How can you see anything?" she said while shopping with her daughter Niamh Rock at the Annapolis, Md., Mall recently...

Hollister and its sister store Abercrombie & Fitch were one of the first retailers to buck the trends of retail design in a bid to entice young customers...

It's a far cry from the blue smocks worn by workers and the happy face logos at Wal-Mart Stores Inc. which has a store in Terrene and is looking to build a store in Twin Falls...

Wal-Mart in recent years has introduced several new designs that are strikingly different from the ubiquitous boxy, red, white and blue frame that is seen in countless other stores...

Big-box chains are picking up regional design influences. "You had one format across the country," said Andrew McQuilkin, vice president of design at FRCH Design Worldwide...

There is so much new saturation that everybody is looking for that edge," said Mike Klitzinger, a principal at RTKL Associates Inc., a retail design and architecture firm in Baltimore.

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ON YOUR TABLE AND IN YOUR SPACE

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Chocolate-covered strawberries are a fine treat for beginners to make.



One SWEET day

Area youth learn secrets to great candy making

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — When a recipe calls for butter, don't use margarine.

If a candy is made in the microwave, actual cooking time may vary from the instructions.

And sometimes, overcooked caramels are still edible.

Those were just a few of lessons learned when almost 20 Magic Valley kids gathered recently at the Twin Falls 4-H Extension Office for a "4-H Project in a Day" featuring candy making.

4-H Extension leader Rhea Lantling's philosophy: Every child should learn to cook. And a great way to get youngsters familiar with kitchen territory is through their taste buds.

"Kids get excited about cooking candies, but more importantly they learn the importance of measuring ingredients properly and kitchen safety," Lantling said.

Depending on age and skill level, the young students learned how to create treats like chocolate-covered pretzels and strawberries, caramel popcorn and microwave fudge.

"Beginners use the melt and dip recipe, and our higher skilled candy makers try things like caramels and saltwater taffy," Lantling said.

Brothers Justin and Kendall Rast of Twin Falls took a shot at making caramels.

"You have to be precise with measuring what is needed," said Justin, 13. "We have stirred the ingredients over the stove to an exact 245 degrees."

Kendall, 10, pointed out that if the mixture is overcooked it won't come out right.

"That's what they say, anyway," he said. "Right now we are waiting for the caramel to cool and then we will see if it is good."

The brothers both have treat-making experience, with their mom's help. "At home we have made chocolate pizza and haystacks. We are pretty good at it," Kendall said.

While the caramel cooled, I checked out what a group of giggling pre-teen girls was up to.

"These are the fudge girls," said instructor Londa Stout, leader of the Kimberly Rock Creek Basals 4-H club. "We are learning our way and getting familiar with the kitchen. Safety is important because candy cooks at such high temperatures."

"The group was careful with its fudge mixture but a little put out because the chocolate took 'forever' to melt in the microwave.

"It says 10 minutes but has taken more like 20 minutes," said Lexi Bybee, 11, of Buhl. "The consistency of the chocolate is important so it melts the rest of the ingredients right."

Her sister Hannah, 8, was on hand to help.



Hannah Bybee, 8, left, watches her sister Lexi, 11, stir marshmallows into their microwave fudge mixture. The Buhl siblings recently took part in the Twin Falls 4-H Extension Office's candy-making class.

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"We pre-measured everything else we needed so it was ready for when the chocolate was ready," she said.

Stout kept the girls on track, reminding them to get the marshmallows stirred in while the chocolate was warm enough.

"Time is essential," she coached.

In the end the girls beat the clock, and the fudge, looking pretty tasty, was poured into a pan to cool.

Around the room other groups created caramel popcorn and dipped fresh strawberries into thick, melted chocolate. Sweet aromas

filled the air. Finally it was time to try the caramels. A little on the hard side, but the Rast brothers said all was not lost.

"Next time we won't cook it so long," Justin said. "But it is still really good, even if you have to suck on it instead of chew it."

Kitchen mistakes, Lantling said, are all part of the process.

"You have to go with the flow and be ready to make mistakes. Candy, and all cooking really, won't always come out perfect," she said. "As long as the kids learn from that and go home and try again, that is

what is important."

CHOCOLATE-DIPPED STRAWBERRIES

- 1 pint strawberries with stems, washed and patted dry
- 4 ounces semisweet chocolate
- 1 tablespoon cooking oil

Spread strawberries on a working surface with wax paper-covered tray nearby. You will also need one or two bamboo skewers or other picks.

In the top of a double boiler over hot water, melt the chocolate with the cooking oil, cooking it thoroughly.

(The oil will add a shine to the completed chocolate.) Place melted chocolate near working surface, but keep it warm.

One at a time, insert the skewer in the stem end of a strawberry and dip into the chocolate. Lift out and shake any excess chocolate back into the pot. Place the strawberry on the wax paper and continue with remaining berries. The strawberries should set for about 10 minutes before being served.

Chocolate-dipped strawberries can be refrigerated for up to 24 hours, as the chocolate hardens.

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Quality and quantity

Buhl food co-op offers array of foods

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — Where can you get everything from sunflower seeds in bulk to organic grape seed oil, mayonnaise, grain mixes and specialty chocolate?

It's the Buhl Food for Life Buying Club, which since the 1980s has provided wholesome foods to members at competitive prices.

Club manager Jan Wimberley said the co-op originated with a federal grant to provide education on food nutrition and eco-

nomics. At its inception the big idea was saving money, a trend which over the decades has shifted to eating nutritious food.

In the early years, a Buhl farmhouse was the original Magic Valley Consumer Cooperative's gathering spot.

"We later moved into town into someone's garage, but it was not on par with health department standards for food," Wimberley said. "In 1983 it was decided to relocate into the back of a real

estate. Please see CO-OP, Page C2



Buhl items can be stored in jars for easy access and use.



Jan Wimberley, Buhl Food for Life Buying Club manager, holds cinnamon which can be bought in bulk through the club. Many other spices, like cloves and garlic, can also be purchased.

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Co-op

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ostate office, and it was around this time that I got involved with the group."

After the real estate firm moved out, the food was shifted to the storefront in hopes of catching more business.

"We were still trying to reach out to people and held events like recipe contests and potluck dinners. Even though our numbers were growing there wasn't enough being sold to make it worth having a storefront operation, so it was decided by the board to dissolve the nonprofit organization and become a buying club," she said.

With that, the name changed to Buhl Food for Life Buying Club.

Since that late-1990s decision, Wimberley has managed the co-op from home. She handles members' monthly orders and organizes delivery and pick-up. A \$12 lifetime membership fee covers seasonal catalogues and puts money in the coffers for supplies such as grocery bags. The club places orders once a month and strives to have at least \$1,000 worth coming in. Wimberley charges a 5 percent shipping and handling fee.

"We have buying members throughout the Twin Falls area from Jerome to Hagerman. It really takes about three days out of my month to organize the club. What I really want is to continue growing the club and educating our members on nutrition," Wimberley said. "Most of them are really into buying food staple items that are healthy and free of additives."

A thick master co-op catalogue lists thousands of products — a refreshing variety of

Comparison shopping

The Buhl Food for Life Buying Club always accepts new members. For information call Jan Wimberley at 543-

- Here's how a few prices compare (not including the club's 5 percent handling fee):
- Pure vanilla extract Club price — 55 cents per ounce
- Store price — \$0.75 per ounce
- Ghirardelli Semi-Sweet
- Chocolate/White Chocolate Club price — \$1.90 per 4-ounce bar
- Store price — \$2.47 per 4-ounce bar
- Breyers Natural Vanilla Ice Cream Club price — \$2.86 per quart
- Store price — \$3.08 per quart
- Regular tortilla chips Club price — \$2.52 per pound
- Store price — \$2.65 per pound
- Sources: Buhl buying club; prices posted in Fred Meyer's Twin Falls store

"Anybody can join in and find something they like."

— Jan Wimberley, co-op manager

hard-to-find brands in an array of specialty products that fit into any diet. Bulk wheat, breads, ice cream, spices and condiments, to name a few.

Within the club and beyond there seems to be growing interest in all-natural foods and returning to fresh produce without chemicals or genetic engineering, Wimberley said. With that in mind, co-op members hope to add to their roster of about 25 active members.

"So many of the products are chemical-free and sensitive to food allergies, like wheat, so there are many foods without certain ingredients," Wimberley said. "Anybody can join in and find something they like." The club has perks — like saving money and networking

with other nutrition-minded people — and members agree food quality tops the list.

"I have been a member for over 30 years and used to have to buy most of my organic goods through the co-op," said Buhl resident Bill Chisholm. "More people are catching on to how good organic is for you, so more local stores carry it, but I still can't find the quality of food-stuffs I do buy regularly, like bulk bags of rice and oatmeal. It is fresh and wholesome."

Members are encouraged to volunteer at least once a year to help sort the food after it is delivered, Wimberley said. The 1st Christian Church opened its doors as the local pick-up spot, she said, and because the food comes in a refrigerated truck (which keeps high-fat foods like nuts fresher than at a grocery store) it is important to get it sorted quickly and packed home.

For Chisholm that is another membership benefit. "I like to do my shopping locally," he said. "Having the

food come directly to Buhl saves me a trip to Twin Falls — so I save money there, too."

Paula Morgan of Hagerman drives a little longer for her club purchases, but she still spends over \$100 a month to supplement her groceries. A busy mom of four children, she said the co-op has opened her family's eyes to how good whole foods can be.

"There was a little getting used to it at first," she said. "The taste is different to the processed stuff you buy at the store. The kids still don't care for the bread—but they eat it."

Certain items like ketchup, apple juice and cookies are better organic, she said. Convenience isn't thrown out completely, either.

"I can still find things like macaroni and cheese," she said. "Although the trend has shifted to members more concerned about getting hard-to-find items and sticking to wholesome foods, purchasing through the co-op still brings savings."

One example Wimberley pointed out is grape seed oil mayonnaise. At a grocery store it sells for a hefty five bucks a pint. Through the co-op the mayonnaise comes in a gallon for \$17 (that's \$2.13 a pint).

"Having the opportunity to buy quality foods at a reasonable price is wonderful for the community, and I am hoping more families take the initiative to rethink their food choices," Wimberley said.

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How to grill safely

By Candy Sagwa
The Washington Post

More Americans than ever are grilling. According to the NPD Group research firm, outdoor grill usage has steadily climbed over 20 years, peaking this year. Nearly 60 percent of Americans who own grills choose gas; 36 percent use charcoal.

Add the foods they're preparing have not changed much: In 1995, 65 percent of grilled meals consisted of these five foods: burgers, steak, chicken, hot dogs or pork chops.

The top five in 2005 were exactly the same.

With grilling season in full swing, it's also time to remember safe food handling tips during cookouts.

This time of year brings a greater risk of food-borne illness, said Richard Raymond, undersecretary for food safety in the U.S. Department of Agriculture, because bacteria grow faster on raw meat and poultry in warm weather.

Raymond noted these "clean, separate, cook and

chill" guidelines for grilling:

- Wash hands, utensils and surfaces often. Use disposable towels or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, if necessary.
- Don't use the same plate to transport raw and grilled meat or poultry. Keep raw meat and poultry away from other raw foods. Discard the marinade — or boil it for several minutes before using on cooked meat.
- Use a food thermometer to cook food to a safe internal temperature — 160 degrees for ground beef and pork, 165 degrees for poultry.
- Promptly refrigerate, freeze or put grill leftovers on ice. Food that has been cooked and left out will become unsafe in two hours. Foods left out in temperatures above 90 degrees will become unsafe in just one hour.

For more information, call the USDA's meat and poultry hotline at 888-674-6859 or visit www.fsis.usda.gov.

Candy

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MICROWAVE FUDGE.

- 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 12 ounces evaporated milk
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cups mini-marshmallows or 24 large, quartered marshmallows
- 2 cups semisweet chocolate chips (12-ounce bag)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup walnuts or pecans, coarsely chopped

Grease an 11 1/2-by-7 1/2-inch baking pan.

Mix sugar, milk, butter and salt in a 3-quart microwave-safe bowl. Cover loosely with wax paper and microwave on high 3-4 minutes, until mixture begins to boil. Uncover, microwave on high another 10 minutes, stirring every 3 minutes. Continue to microwave 4-6 minutes more, stirring every 2 minutes, until instant read or microwave-candy thermometer registers 234-240 degrees. (This is the soft ball stage — a small amount of mixture dropped into very cold water forms a soft ball that flattens when removed from water.)

Stir in marshmallows, chocolate chips and vanilla until marshmallows and chocolate are melted.

Add nuts, stirring vigorously until mixture is creamy and slightly glossy.

Spread in greased pan. Refrigerate about 2 hours until firm.

Cut into 2 1/2-by-1 1/2-inch bars.

SALTWATER TAFFY

- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup light corn syrup
- 1 cup water
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons butter or margarine
- 1/4 teaspoon oil of peppermint (optional)

7 drops green food coloring (optional)

Butter the sides of a 2-quart saucepan. In it combine sugar, corn syrup, water and salt. Cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally until sugar is dissolved. Continue cooking to 265 degrees (hard ball stage) without stirring; mixture should boil gently over entire surface. Remove from heat; stir in butter or margarine. Add flavoring and food coloring, if desired.

Pour into a buttered 15-by-10-by-1-inch pan. Cool about 20 minutes or until easily handled. Butter hands, and

pull candy until difficult to pull. Cut into fourths; pull each piece into a long strand about 1/2 inch thick. With buttered scissors snip taffy into bite-size pieces. Wrap in clear plastic wrap. Store overnight.

Makes 1 1/2 pounds.

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Savory spinach

Time is running out if you're looking for fresh, local organic spinach. The leafy green famous for fueling Popeye won't be available here in the organic variety much longer, said Zach Michael, garden manager at Wood River Organics in Bellevue.

"Spinach is difficult to grow in this climate," he said. "It's not going to be around much longer—as it heats up, spinach won't last too long."

As the only garden manager at the operation, Michael spends most days nurturing, watering and coaxing spinach under the hot Idaho sun.

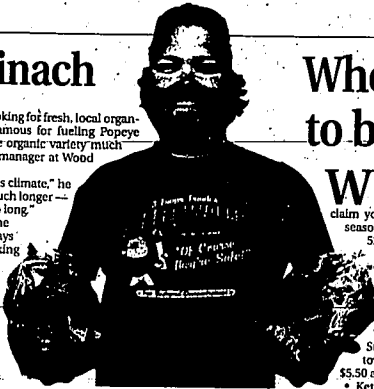
"Oh, yeah," he said and rolled his eyes. "I spend a lot of time out under the sun."

Michael said Wood River Organics is the only certified organic produce grower in the Wood River Valley.

With such exclusivity, it's no surprise that spinach is one of the operation's most popular crops.

It's a favorite, Michael said, among some of Wood River Valley's most popular chefs.

Grown in a 1-acre garden on a 15-acre plot outside Bellevue, Michael's spinach boasts deep-green leaves and a hearty taste. Before the sun and heat bring an end to this season's crop sometime next month, it's sure to please your palate.



—Matt Christensen

Where to buy

Wood River Organics sells spinach straight from the garden. To claim your share before the season runs out, call 578-5243.

The company also sells at two farmers' markets:

- Halley market, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursdays, on Main Street in the middle of town. Spinach sells for \$5.50 a pound.
- Ketchum market, 2:30 to 6 p.m., Tuesdays, in the city parking lot downtown. Spinach sells for \$5.50 a pound.

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

LOCAL FOODS

At my house, the boys just eat this up.

By Priya Phadke
The Washington Post

It's a weird coincidence that whenever Chicken Makhani (MACI-ah-nee) has been made in my apartment, there have been boys around.

Also known as Indian Butter-Chicken, it's a north-Indian dish so rich that growing up I thought it was only for special occasions.

I'd eaten it only in restaurants — never at anyone's home.

Last summer, my sister-in-law came to visit along with her two sons, ages 4 and 9. The younger one was a fussy eater who would have little of what was offered and then would ask for pots of yogurt.

But the older one loved this treat, bit a chicken recipe, so his mother, Chakku, would get busy preparing it for him. I watched, fascinated as the whole process came together, with several steps and hours of marinating (not how I usually cook).

After letting down the recipe, it was almost a year before I had the chance to attempt it.

Finally the opportunity presented itself. Some visiting cousins, ages 13 and 15, were here with their mom.

Knowing full well that the boys are hard-core carnivores, I made the dish, with its flourish of cream at the end that lightens the deep terra cotta-color sauce.

The outcome was good, and they ended up polishing off every morsel.

In fact, they had the gall to complain about how little I had made — which was com-

pletely untrue. They were ready to eat Chicken Makhani for all their meat meals.

Chicken Makhani (Indian Butter Chicken)

6 to 8 servings

Here, the sauce can be done 1 day ahead. All of the ingredients — including garlic and ginger pastes, dried fenugreek leaves, ground and whole spices for garam masala — can be found in the international aisle of large supermarkets. To make this vegetarian, substitute large cubes of paneer cheese for the chicken. Serve with rice (Indian flatbread) and basmati or jasmine rice.

For the chicken and marinade:

- 1 teaspoon plus 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt, plus additional to taste

- About 1 3/4 pounds boneless, skinless chicken thighs (may substitute chicken breasts, cut in thigh-size pieces)
- 1 cup plain yogurt (not nonfat)
- 2 tablespoons garlic paste
- 1 teaspoon ginger paste
- 1/2 teaspoon garam masala (powdered Indian spice blend)
- 2 tablespoons vegetable or canola oil
- 1 to 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted, for basting

For the sauce:

- 1 to 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 tablespoon combination of whole cloves, 1/4 of a

crumbled cinnamon stick, whole black pepper, cardamom seeds (whole garam masala blend).

- 1 tablespoon garlic paste
- 1 tablespoon ginger paste
- 1 tablespoon seeded and chopped mild chili peppers (optional)
- 1 3/4 cups tomato puree
- 1 teaspoon chili powder

- 1/2 teaspoon garam masala (powdered)
- 1/2 teaspoon dried fenugreek leaves (also known as kasuri methi)
- 1 cup water
- Salt
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar, or to taste (may substitute 2 tablespoons honey)
- 1 cup heavy cream or half-and-half

For the chicken and marinade:

- Combine 1 teaspoon of the chili powder, 1 tablespoon of the lime juice and the salt, blending to make a paste.
- Make shallow cuts in the chicken and rub the paste into the meat. Place the chicken in a resealable plastic food storage bag and let it rest, refrigerated, for 30 minutes.

- Meanwhile, line a colander with cheesecloth and place the yogurt on it to drain for 15 minutes. Transfer to a medium bowl and add the remaining 2 tablespoons of chili powder, salt to taste, garlic and ginger pastes, the remaining 2 tablespoons of

lime juice, garam masala and oil, stirring to combine. Add the marinade to the chicken, making sure the meat is evenly coated. Refrigerate for 4 hours, or overnight.

When ready to cook, preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Remove the chicken from the marinade (discarding the marinade).

Bake in a large ungreased baking dish for 20 minutes, then baste it with the melted butter.

Turn and bake for 20 more minutes or until the chicken is almost cooked, through but still moist.

For the sauce: Meanwhile, in a large pot over medium-low heat, melt the butter. Add the whole garam masala, which will crackle.

Then add the garlic and ginger pastes and chopped chili peppers, if desired.

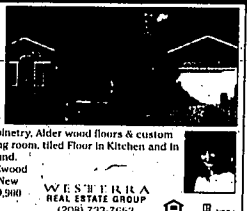
Cook for a few minutes until the mixture is fragrant. Add the tomato puree, chili powder, garam masala, dried fenugreek leaves and water.

Add salt to taste. Increase the heat to medium-high and bring just to a boil, then reduce the heat to low and cook for 10 minutes. Add the sugar, then the cream or half-and-half, stirring constantly. (The dark sauce will turn an orangy pink.)

Transfer the cooked chicken pieces to the pot, stirring to coat them with the sauce, and cook for 5 minutes. Serve hot.

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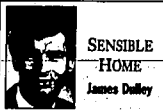
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Landscaping for home-energy efficiency

DEAR JIM: I am landscaping close to the house walls, and I want it to be efficient (both for water and energy). I don't know whether to use stone/gravel or low-growing ground cover plants. Which is best for me?



SENSIBLE HOME
James Dalley

DEAR KATHY: Proper landscaping can impact the energy efficiency of your home and obviously the amount of water you use for watering. Using either plants or stone and gravel will eliminate the need for running a lawn mower. This saves the expense for oil, gasoline and periodic maintenance.

There are advantages and disadvantages to using ground cover plants versus gravel (stone) near your house. Two factors to consider are the exposure and orientation to the sun and whether summer cooling or winter heating bills are your primary concern. You will likely end up with a combination of both, which can be attractive and most efficient.

Gravel and stone have high thermal mass which means

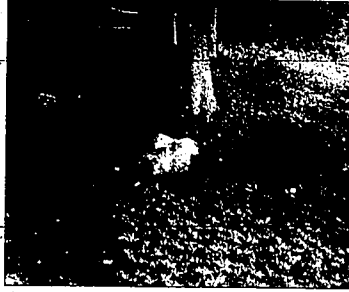
they can hold much heat energy. This is why they are often used in solar homes and greenhouses. If they are exposed to the sun during the day, they create a heat island. This warm area can continue to radiate heat up to your house walls well into the evening.

During the winter, this is a good thing. During the summer, it is not.

Use gravel and stone near the house walls where they are exposed to the sun during winter, but shaded by deciduous trees during the summer. I use several large boulders which are shaded by maple trees during summer.

Ground cover plants are ideal for areas which are sunny during summer.

They do not hold the sun's



A combination of ground cover plants and mulch reduce water usage and help keep house cooler during summer.

heat as gravel does, and they actually cool the air around them. Their leaves give moisture off to the air, called transpiration, which cools it much as perspiration cools your skin.

The air surrounding the plants can be 5 to 10 degrees

cooler than the ambient air temperature. This is most effective if you air-condition often so the more humid air does not get indoors. If you rely on ventilation from windows, you will just have to experiment to see whether the

cooler, but more humid air, improves your comfort. Asphalt driveways and concrete walkways become significant heat islands in the summer sun. In any areas where these are near the house wall, and particularly under windows, plant some taller ground cover. Its height helps block the direct path of radiant heat from the concrete to the windows.

Use mulch liberally around the plants. Even dark mulch will not get hot and holds very little heat if it does. The mulch will reduce the need for watering, but allow some moisture to wick through it for a cooling effect.

Study the specific characteristics of various plants (height and spread at maturity, texture, flowers, deciduous or evergreen, etc.) so you have some idea how they will look in a year or two. Try to group plants which have similar watering requirements.

DEAR JIM: Overall, what is the least expensive source for more energy for our country and individual homes? I have heard that wood energy is a good, cheap source and we have a lot of it available.

DEAR COLIN: Wood and other biomass energy are good sources and are less damaging to the environment than fossil fuels. Unfortunately, it is not always as cheap as you might think to convert them into usable energy.

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Sunny Gerabaldi has room for big family

Associated Designs

Columns, wooden shutters and keystone arches give a classic European look to the two-story Gerabaldi. Stucco covering the columns and most of the exterior is evocative of homes near the Mediterranean Sea.

Family living areas are on the ground floor, where they link to the three-car garage through a mudroom, with storage and a built-in bench for removing and storing messy shoes. Four large bedrooms are upstairs, along with a good-sized laundry room, three bathrooms, storage closets and a large bonus room.

An arched opening leads from the walkway onto the vaulted porch. The arched transoms above a door, flanked by wide sidelights. Natural light spills into the partially two-story entry through those windows, and more washes down through a skylight window on the upper level.

On the right, an arch provides easy access to a living room expanded by a wide bay window. On the left, double doors open into a room that could be a study, home office, entertainment center, hobby room, or whatever suits.

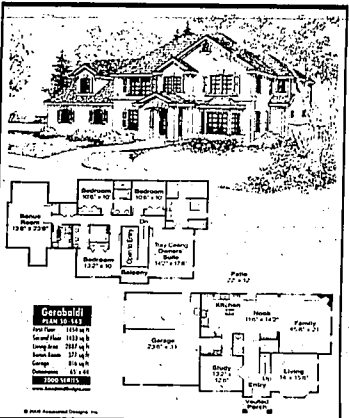
Family living spaces — kitchen, nook and family room — flow together, filling the entire rear.

An eating bar rims one edge of a cook top work island centered in the generously-sized kitchen. Counters and cupboards wrap around two sides of the kitchen, and a roomy walk-in pantry nestles into one corner.

Wide windows line the Gerabaldi's rear wall. One of the nook's windows is an atrium door that accesses a large patio. A built-in desk is tucked into an alcove at the juncture of the nook and family room. Gas fuels the rear corner fireplace.

The owners' suite boasts a walk-in shower, dual vanity, private toilet and extra-large walk-in closet.

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Bedding of beech and bamboo ... who knew?

By Anni Groer
The Washington Post

The battle for bed linen supremacy — long fought over high, higher and highest thread counts — may be taking a detour from the cotton field to the forest.

Instead of pitting pima cotton against Egyptian cotton or lustrous saten against noron percale, this latest skirmish for market share involves sheets and pillowcases made using fibers of bamboo plants and beech trees.

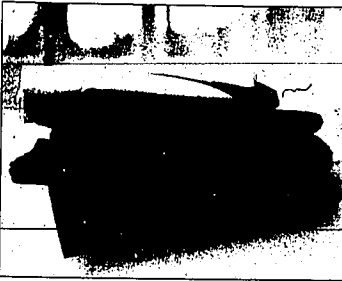
To be sure, these relatively exotic fibers are still a small part of the market, and many people have never even heard of them. But both fabrics are being explicitly pitched to eco-conscious consumers eager to believe that even small, personal gestures like what our sheets are made of can help the beleaguered planet.

After years of limited exposure — principally through catalogs and retailers promoting organic and "natural" products — these linens can now be found on shelves in Target, Sam's Club and big-box bedding chains as well as in specialty boutiques and catalogs.

"I think everyone in their heart wants to do a little something to make the world a little bit better," says Janet Partridge, spokeswoman for Garnet Hill, the bedding and fashion catalog operation that began selling a line of bamboo-cotton-blend linens in vivid colors this spring.

Joseph Caron, publisher of the trade newsletter Home Textiles Today, agrees. "There has been a tremendous acceptance for ... cellulose-based fabrics like bamboo in apparel that has filtered its way into home textiles," he says. "The ecological concerns of our society, the greening of the home, have created a tremendous demand."

So just how eco-righteous



Bamboo-blend sheets from Garnet Hill, the bedding and fashion catalog operation that began selling a line of bamboo-cotton-blend linens in vivid colors this spring.

are these fabrics?

Bamboo, which is native to Asia, is a highly renewable grass; it can grow a foot or more in a day and reach heights of 80 or 90 feet. For centuries, it has been used to make everything from bridges, buildings and furniture to musical instruments, baskets and tableware.

Beech trees, native to Europe, North America and parts of Asia, are slow growers, eventually reaching 50 or 60 feet. In the 1890s, the trees were a source of pulp for civilization's first synthetic fabric, developed in France as "artificial silk" and later named rayon.

Today, however, some beech trees are being sustainably farmed specifically for their fiber, and its variations are sold under such trademarks as Modal and Tencel.

Naysayers contend that both bamboo- and beech-based textiles are not so ecologically friendly because large quantities of water and chemicals are used to transform the pulp into fiber.

But David Adkins, a sales marketing manager for Lenzing AG, the Austria-

based manufacturer of Modal and Tencel, says, "We use recycled water from an Austrian lake. You do use some chemicals. ... What's the definition of 'environmental'?" It's biodegradable, the fiber can be landfilled and disappeared.

Whatever the degree of environmental correctness, there is no denying the tactile allure of both beech and bamboo.

"It feels wonderful on your skin, the drape is fabulous," says Partridge, describing Garnet Hill's bamboo-cotton blend that is woven with 200 threads per square inch.

Just 200? That is relatively unimpressive in today's marketplace of sheets claiming 600, 1,000, even 1,500 threads. But it is also not terribly relevant because beech and bamboo fibers are so soft and fine, which gives them a silky, but not slippery, feel.

At a time when a four-piece set of the finest Italian and French bed linens — think Frette, Anichini, Porthault — can easily hit four figures, beech and bamboo seem downright reasonable.

At Bed, Bath & Beyond, \$50

will buy a 100 percent beech jersey queen-size set (two sheets, two cases), and \$80 will cover an ensemble in pure-beech saten. Garnet Hill's queen bamboo-cotton-blend quartet runs \$130, while Elite Linens of Jamestown, N.C., offers a 100 percent bamboo twill set for \$200 on its Web site, Ellitelinens.com.

But modest pricing is not the chief selling point among devotees.

"If people would try bamboo, they would knock the pants off 100 percent cotton. They feel just like silk," rhapsodizes Allen Fogelman, whose wife owns Elite and who could easily buy the best linens made.

"It's a fabulous product. They are antimicrobial, bacteria can't grow in them. We can have anything we want on our bed at home, and for the past eight months this is all we have used," says Fogelman. And he mentions another plus: At 6 feet tall and 220 pounds, he says he gets a better night's sleep on bamboo sheets because they stay cool.

MORE THAN A SNACK Class teaches many ways to cook with watermelon

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Watermelon is so much more than a summertime snack, as Jane Rice of Hagerman's Fin and Tisch Inn aim to teach at a cooking class next week. "Watermelon Cool" is set for 7-9 p.m. July 26 at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls.

Cost is \$35. Watermelon's sweet flavor and great texture make it a unique addition to many fla-

vor combinations, class organizers said. The class menu: Watermelon Salad; Watermelon and Ribes Soup; Watermelon Capaccio; Melon Relish; and Watermelon Granita.

The class will also teach watermelon carving techniques. The Ribes own and operate Fin-Tisch Inn, which has become a dining destination — and a catering business. To sign up for the class, call Rudy's at 733-5477.

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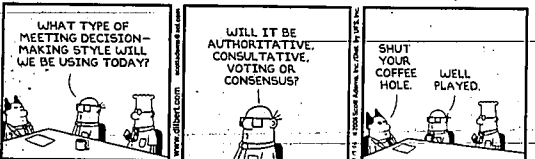
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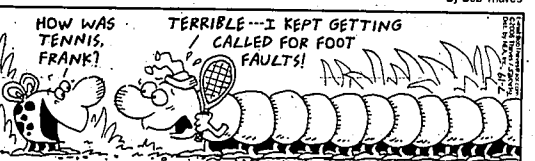
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Creative juices are flowing, Virgo

HOROSCOPE Jerakline Saunders

IF JULY 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: In the year ahead, an accentuated ability to concentrate on success will leave you brimming with confidence. Each, small success builds another step of assurance and poise. In September, your ambitions may come to the forefront. Because you can apply undiminished energy to a pet project or important goal, you are quite likely to accomplish something of significance. Change forward enthusiastically into greener pastures during October and November. The gates that open there are very likely to lead to a better position or bring you closer to people who have your best interests at heart.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You needn't be a back-seat driver. The only way to be truly happy is to drive the car yourself. This change with humor and grace. Your creative muse is sure to go along for the ride.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Find a quiet nook. You might do your best work far from noisy crowds and with soothing music playing in the background. Make a good impression on the boss by being dependable.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Great oak from tiny acorns

grow. Your thoughts and ideas might be suitable for framing. An inkling of an idea may be the catalyst needed to develop a tantalizing presentation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Out of sorts? Or sort of on the outs with someone? This mood passes swiftly, so concentrate on work. Make everything you create or say as glamorous and enticing as possible.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Freudian slips may cross lips. Partners or significant others may challenge you to reconsider or key values during the next several days. Put effort into moneymaking ideas and networking.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Salvate. Creative juices are just beginning to flow. Anticipate the needs of others and be ready to fulfill them. Communicate your desires and watch as things fall into place like magic.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Spend time with a hobby. Over the next few days, crafts and camaraderie can add color and a touch of glamour to your life.

Romantic partners may have some fun creative ideas as well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Work on the means to an end. If you maintain a great and beautiful vision, it is possible to achieve it. Your co-workers or partner can contribute important ideas and know-how.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Learning can come from both good and bad experiences. Talk is cheap, which is a good thing because it may save you from an expensive mistake. Flirt only with the best partner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Feb. 19): Conscientious collaboration can lead to kudos. Discuss details and lay important ideas out on the table. Make a great deal of headway by putting the best minds together.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Lingering regrets can't keep you from a top performance. They may even be the perfect mechanism to catapult you into a leadership position. Kindness and sympathy are your best tools.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Go on a creative. You may stand out as someone's knight in shining armor. Enthusiasm can be contagious. Someone can light a fire under your ambitions and provide encouragement.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

Panel 1: Beetle Bailey asks, "WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?"
 Panel 2: A woman complains, "SOME GUY WANTS TO COMPLAIN TO THE GENERAL ABOUT GETTING SNORKEL."
 Panel 3: Beetle Bailey replies, "BUT HE WANTS TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS."
 Panel 4: A woman says, "GEE... I DON'T THINK SO."

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

Panel 1: Blondie says, "I'D LOVE TO THROW A NUKE PARTY FOR MY LIARS' CLUB."
 Panel 2: A man replies, "NO I WOULDN'T. I'D HATE THAT."
 Panel 3: Blondie says, "OH, YES I WOULD!" and the man replies, "YOU MUST BE THE PRESIDENT OF YOUR CLUB."

The Born Loser By Art Sansom, & Chip

Panel 1: A man says, "INFLATION STRIKES AGAIN!"
 Panel 2: A woman replies, "IT USED TO TAKE ONE TO KNOW ONE..."
 Panel 3: The man replies, "IT NOW TAKES TWO!"

Garfield By Jim Davis

Panel 1: Garfield says, "SORRY ABOUT YOUR AMNESIA, BLEED. WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO OUT?"
 Panel 2: A woman replies, "YOU KNOW... ON A DATE."
 Panel 3: Garfield says, "SHE'S FORGOTTEN WHAT DATES ARE" and the woman replies, "I'M SURPRISED YOU REMEMBER."

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

Panel 1: Hagar says, "I'M HUNGRY... WHERE SHOULD WE EAT?"
 Panel 2: A woman replies, "LET ME CHECK MY BOOK."
 Panel 3: Hagar says, "WHAT'S THE TITLE?" and the woman replies, "WHERE TO EAT WHILE LOOTING AND PLUNDERING ENGLAND!"

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

Panel 1: Hi says, "A DAY WITHOUT SUNBAMBA IS LIKE..."
 Panel 2: Hi says, "DARK!"

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

Panel 1: Snoopy says, "JUST SPIT THEM OUT."
 Panel 2: Woodstock replies, "THOSE ARE BUTTONS. THEY KEEP THE WATERMELON FROM FALLING APART."
 Panel 3: Snoopy replies, "HE NEVER BELIEVES ANYTHING I TELL HIM."

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

Panel 1: A man says, "TODAY, MEN, WE WILL CHALLENGE THE TOUGHEST ENVIRONMENT KNOWN TO MAN."
 Panel 2: A woman replies, "NOT THE WILDERNESS!!"
 Panel 3: The man says, "THE ROYAL GOLF COURSE."

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum

Panel 1: Dennis says, "WELL, YOU PLAYED WITH MARGARET WITHOUT GETTING HER UPPET."
 Panel 2: Dennis replies, "I MUST BE LOSIN' MY TOUCH."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane

Panel 1: A child says, "It's not crooked if you do this."

Teenage mother urges parents to have 'the talk' with their kids

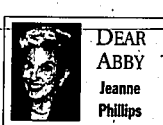
DEAR ABBY: I am concerned about the number of teens who write to you about whether or not to have sex. I am a mother of four, and I'm only 22. My first child was born when I was 14. Only two of my biological children live with me, and I have taken my stepdaughter in as my own.

Teens everywhere should be educated about sex and the consequences of having sex at a young age.

Many parents still do not have "the talk" with their children — leaving it up to the educational system, which is inadequate in this area.

I was lucky that I now have the chance to further my education and provide a stable life for my children, which, I might add, did not happen until I was already the mother of two and 18 years old. I had to give my child up for adoption, and it was heart-wrenching. To teens out there, please do not be like me. You might not be as lucky as I was.

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DEAR WISER NOW: Thank you for wanting to warn other teens not to venture down the same path that you did. You are right — you are lucky you have a chance to further your education and provide a stable life for your children, because most teenage mothers are not so fortunate. Sadly, only one-third of teen mothers receive a high school diploma, and only 1.6 percent have a college degree by the time they reach 30. (Nearly 80 percent of unmarried teen mothers end up on welfare.)

Although teenage pregnancy, birth and abortion rates in the United States have declined over the last decade, our country continues to have a higher rate of teenage pregnancy than most other developed coun-

tries. (It's nearly twice the rate as in Australia or Canada — and more than four times higher than the rate in France.)

Although we all wish that teens would remain abstinent until marriage, the fact remains that many don't. And these young people need accurate information about how to prevent unplanned pregnancy and avoid sexually transmitted diseases.

I have always believed that what people don't know CAN hurt them, and that anyone old enough to ask deserves straight answers to their questions. And that is why I offer a booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know," to answer some of the questions that many teens are afraid to ask their parents regarding sex, STDs, drinking, and drugs.

It can be ordered by sending a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$5 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61051-0447. Postage is included in the price.

Bloodsucking ants live in Madagascar

Dracula ants, otherwise known as mystrium, lives in Madagascar. They get their interesting name from the way they get food. When a grown mystrium gets hungry it scratches the back of one of its larvae until the little tyke bleeds slightly, and drinks its blood.

This day in history: On July 19, 1953, Mary I deposited Lady Jane Grey only nine days after Gray's coronation. Lady Jane

RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS
 Erin Barrett & Jack Wingo

was 15 when deposed, and 16 in February when she was beheaded.

After years of messing with specific game rules and regula-

tions, what's now considered the very first American football game took place between Princeton and Rutgers in 1869.

Felt tip pens are a misnomer. They're really made of nylon or some other synthetic fiber, instead of true felt (wool) that's been steamed and flattened.

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Pest Patrol

By Andrew McLaughlin

There it is. You have it in your sights. You line up for the shot and accidentally hit your best flowerpot. It shatters and the rabbit escapes with another full stomach of garden gourmet. Perhaps you should put the weapons away and try a simpler solution. In your garden, the most common pests you will have to deal with are rabbits, moles and insects. Here are a few simple ways to help keep your garden pest-free.

Rabbits go straight for the garden, eating flowers, vegetables, shrubs and anything else that seems appetizing. They cannot, however, burrow under a tight fence easily, and therefore, a three-foot fence of chicken wire or other tightly constructed material with at least six inches buried underground will keep most of them out. Traps in live or killing varieties can also be utilized with bait. More friendly solutions include garlic, lavender or sometimes even human hair. Sprinkle these around and in your garden.

Moles insects, the subject gets a bit tricky. There are many kinds of insects that can cause garden problems. In order to find the best solution, you usually have to identify what is plaguing your garden. Pesticides are both dangerous and poisonous to humans, so avoid using them if possible. Electric bug zappers can help reduce the bug population at night, but they do little during the day. "Smoking" your garden can help knock bugs out, but can also irritate or knock out the bees and other insects that may be helping your garden. Citronella and DEET can help, but they are generally solutions

used for human protection. One of the better solutions might be to sell the garden, alter the flowers or vegetables and get gone. This will help expose moths to natural predators.

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By Candy Sagan
The Washington Post

Call it the \$150 million ice cream. Edy's Slow Churned light ice cream took 10 years, millions of dollars in research and more than \$100 million in manufacturing changes to produce. And all because American consumers love ice cream but aren't too thrilled with the fat and calories.

Despite the high price tag, the payoff for ice cream giant Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc. (which markets under the Edy's brand on the East Coast and Dreyer's in the West) has been worth it. The low-fat line, renamed Edy's Slow Churned in 2005, has quickly become the company's biggest-selling brand.

It also may have helped rejuvenate the market for reduced-fat ice cream. Although overall sales of frozen desserts are down, low-fat ice cream sales jumped 14 percent from January to June 2005 over the same period in 2004, according to the most recent figures from the International Dairy Foods Association.

That's a warm spot of news in a cooling market. U.S. consumption of ice cream has been declining a trend that worries the \$21 billion frozen dessert industry.

In 2004, Americans ate 21 quarts of ice cream per capita, down slightly from 22 quarts in 2003, according to the dairy foods association. Sales of supermarket ice cream, in particular, have been flat or falling (ice cream sales declined 1.4 percent in the 12 months ending May 21, according to analyst information Resources Inc.), and ice cream companies have been scrambling to come up with ways to lure us back to the freezer aisle. The answer, apparently, is a better-tasting low-fat ice cream.

"We knew consumers had this 'have your cake and eat it too' philosophy about ice cream. They wanted the taste reward but without the nutritional drawbacks," said Dave Ritterbusch, vice president for marketing at Dreyer's, which is owned by the Swiss giant Nestle.

The Oakland, Calif.-based company patented a technology that freezes fat molecules and then spreads them over a larger surface area to produce a creamy, fatty texture using less fat. "It's like the way you'd butter toast, with a thin, even layer so you get a little butter in every bite," Ritterbusch explained.

The Slow Churned ice creams contain about half the fat and one-third the calories of regular ice cream. The top seller? No surprise, it's vanilla — Americans' favorite ice cream flavor.

Dreyer's biggest competitor, Breyers, owned by British-based Unilever, recently introduced its own version of a rich-tasting low-fat ice cream, calling it Double Churned.

How to entertain with style this summer

By Holly E. Thomas and Michelle Thomas
The Washington Post

It's perfect timing for a backyard bash. We found grown-up twists on some essentials for entertaining — so put down that bamboo tiki torch, back away from the bug spray and get ready for a sophisticated summer soiree.

Dr. Skud Fly Swatters

Face the flies before they help themselves to your picnic spread with one of these artistic bug killers from Alessi. Famed French designer Philippe Starck created the one-dimensional image using various-sized holes. The 17.25-inch-high swatter stands ready for action on its own three feet.

Marrakech Wasp Catchers

Dealing with wasps isn't pretty — unless you're luring them in with these luminous glass lanterns. Add a little sweetened water or juice to the Moroccan-inspired globe bottles, and you can ward off these pesky party-

crashers without chemicals. Details: \$45 for a set of three (one each in yellow, turquoise and amber) at Redenvelope.com.

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Who says the party ends when the sun goes down? Shed some light on the subject with Blomus' 57-inch stainless steel torches on wooden stems. They add a dash of mod to any backyard.

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Vine Umbrella

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Instant Breakfast has chocolate power


Newsworthy

According to the folks at Carnation, their new Dark Chocolate Instant Breakfast has 180 milligrams of antioxidants — as much as an 8-ounce serving of green tea or a half-cup of blackberries. Not to mention 21 vitamins

and minerals, twice the protein of an egg and twice the calcium in a 8-ounce serving of fruit yogurt. Fair enough, but what we liked was the flavor — rich and resolutely chocolaty. The new product can be found in most supermarkets a 10-packer box retails for about \$4.50.

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If she asks, you never saw 'Bullitt'

My wife and I spent a few days in Ketchum, celebrating our anniversary. It was very romantic — especially the part about Steve McQueen's tractor. Sitting in the parking lot of our hotel was a well-used Farmall. I know this because my dad used them in an always expensive and often futile attempt to till eastern Idaho.



One of the employees of the hotel told us that this particular Farmall had been on the premises since it had been purchased from the estate of actor Steve McQueen, who died in 1980. The fellow explained that there had been long-standing plans to restore the machine, and he said some other stuff too. But I don't remember much after he started talking about engines and Steve McQueen.

McQueen, you see, left behind a Porsche 917, a Porsche 908, a Ferrari 512, a Ferrari Lusso Berlinetta, a Jaguar-D and a Porsche 356 Speedster. And he was responsible for two of the defining moments in the lives of most American males born before 1955.

The first came in a 1963 movie called "The Great Escape" in which McQueen played an American prisoner of war in Germany during World War II. McQueen escapes and is cornered by soldiers along a barbed-wire fence along the Swiss border.

By taking up quite a long way and making a good deal of noise, McQueen's character tries to jump the fence to freedom. It doesn't work out, but who cares? Cool was born that day.

Later, McQueen portrayed a California cop named Bullitt in a film of the same name. Frank Bullitt loved to drive muscle cars — It was 1968 — at high rates of speed over the largely vertical streets of San Francisco in pursuit of bad guys with even heavier feet.

The movie's director, Peter Yates, recalled that he was riding with McQueen during one especially hair-raising chase scene.

"Steve, we're running out of room!" Yates shouted.

"Pete, we're running out of brakes!" McQueen replied.

Suffice it to say that Steve McQueen could have been elected president six or seven times. And that 26 years after his passing, the mere mention of his name in connection with things that go fast is enough to make the heart of a risk-averse, thoroughly tame 54-year-old Subaru Outback owner go pitter-patter.

At dinner that evening, Victoria caught me gazing out the window at the silhouette of the Pioneer Mountains in the setting sun.

"You're not thinking about us?" she fumed. "You're thinking about how tall a barbed-wire fence you could jump on Steve McQueen's Farmall!"

Point taken, but it could have been far worse.

I didn't actually have to sleep on the tractor that night.

Times-News columnist Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3232, or write to him at scrump@magicvalley.com.

Project delayed: CSI must wait for safer entrance

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho is waiting again.

During a CSI board meeting on Monday, Mike Mason, vice president of finance for CSI, told board members that the school will have to wait until January 2008 to accept bids on

the realignment of the college's front entrance.

Officials say the entrance has been a safety hazard from many years because of increased traffic, lack of traffic signals and poor street lighting.

The extended timeline means the school will have waited more than five years since it first announced its

intent to redesign the entrance.

"We had hoped to have it started this summer, but we've never taken on a project like this, so it's a major deal," Mason said. "Usually we just get the money and hire the contractors, but now we are dealing with federal dollars, so there's a lot of review that needs to be done."

This is the first project where CSI must work with federal, state and city agencies to complete the project.

CSI hopes to realign its front entrance with Quincey Street on Falls Avenue, and to install a traffic light to facilitate vehicle and pedestrian traffic.

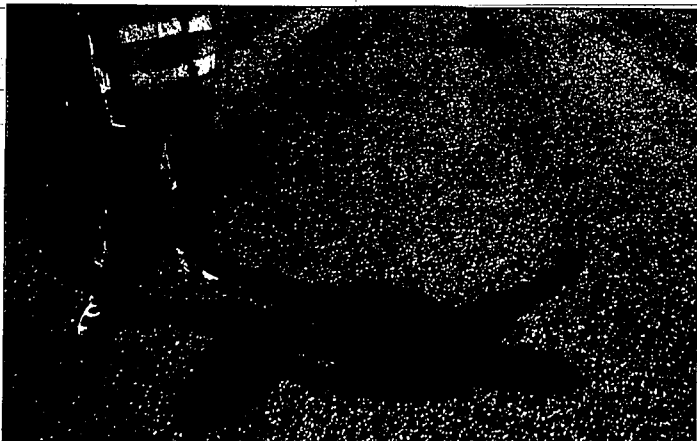
If CSI can receive bids by January 2008, then it hopes to have the project completed by

fall of that year — before school starts.

But before the school can begin construction, it must first complete a federal environmental survey and a series of other studies to ensure the safety and efficiency of the proposed intersection.

"When somebody gives you the money, you have to play by their rules," Mason said.

Road woes continue



Flagger Wanda West with Eagle Rock Blasting Company directs traffic Tuesday afternoon on Second Avenue East as fresh gravel settles during road construction on U.S. 30 in downtown Twin Falls.

U.S. 30, Pole Line changes continue

By Nate Poppo
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Drivers should watch for changes in two Idaho Transportation Department projects today.

Seal coating will continue on U.S. 30 through Twin Falls, which follows Second Avenue and Kimberly Road. The work is part of coating on Cedar Draw to Filer (mileposts 204-210) and Rock Creek to east of

Twin Falls (mileposts 215-221). Flaggers and pilot cars will direct motorists through the work zones, and delays of 10 to 15 minutes can be expected. The speed limit will be lowered in some areas. Vehicles must be 14 feet wide or less, and motorists are reminded to drive slowly and keep a safe following distance from other vehicles to reduce risk of windshield damage.

The project is on track to

finish Thursday. Also, traffic will be moved from the westbound to eastbound lanes on Pole Line Road from the Pertine Coulter Bridge to Blue Lakes Boulevard. The change will allow work to begin on the westbound lanes for the U.S. 93 alternate route project.

The switch will take place throughout the day as a striping truck marks the new eastbound pavement. Traffic will

be reduced to two lanes, with one lane open in each direction. Motorists should use caution at the Fillmore Street and Blue Lakes Boulevard intersections due to increased congestion and altered lane configurations. Truck drivers are encouraged to use Blue Lakes Boulevard to Addison Avenue.

This phase of the project is expected to be complete by November.

Burley installs 24 stop signs after deaths

By Laurie Wick
Times-News

BURLEY — Five months after a wreck at an uncontrolled intersection claimed the lives of two Burley teenagers, city workers began installing 24 new stop signs in two residential neighborhoods.

The signs stopping north- and south-bound traffic at the intersection of Hansen Avenue and Seventh Street, where James Richard Seech, 14, and Matthew Hilling, 17, died, were among the first to be installed.

The signs were approved by the City Council last week after it was given two petitions with more than 200 signatures asking for the traffic control devices.

City Administrator Mark Milton said the council approved the installation of the signs after reviewing the



City of Burley employees Josh Ward, left, and Jesse Espinosa prepare a hole for a new stop sign at Seventh Street and Allison Avenue Monday. The new sign is one of 24 approved by the City Council last week.

petitions as well as statistical crash data of Burley's intersections.

Signs will be placed to stop the north and south-bound

traffic on Oakley, Miller and Conant avenues at the intersections of Sixth and Seventh streets as well as the north and south-bound traffic on

Albion, Hansen, Almo, Elba, Malta and Oriental avenues where they intersect Seventh Street.

Albion Avenue will remain a through street. Milton said statistics usually show that stop signs do not prevent wrecks from occurring.

The council will monitor the intersections for three to four years to see if the stop signs help curb crashes at these locations.

"If the number increases we may have to take them back out," Milton said. "Some locations with sign have more accidents than those without them."

Milton said if the statistics prove the signs help safely move traffic east and west, the council may approve even more signs.

The cost of each stop sign including installation is about \$100, Milton said.

Music Club's fundraising dinner, concert on Wednesday

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Music Club Foundation's annual Gala Dinner and Concert will be held today at the home of David and Brenda Allen, featuring "Summer Music of the Oregon Trail."

A western barbecue dinner will be served and the concert will follow, featuring guest performers and past music club scholarship winners. They include harpist Laura Allen, trumpeter Vinny Gerrish, vocalist Becky Turner, Duggan and saxophonist S. S. Lincoln.

A social hour begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner to follow at 7 p.m. For more information or to make reservations, call Marty Mead at 735-1079 or Patty Hadley at 735-1079.

Laura Allen is a 2004 graduate of Kimberly High School and a junior at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, where she is majoring in harp studies.

Gerrish just completed his master's degree in trumpet performance at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas. His undergraduate studies were at Centre College in Kentucky.

Duggan is a 1985 graduate of Twin Falls High School and holds a bachelor's degree in music from Boise State University. She teaches elementary school music in the Boise School District and is working on her master's degree in arts education from Lesley University in Massachusetts.

Lincoln, an adjunct instructor in windwinds at the College of Southern Idaho, is a graduate of Duquesne University in Pittsburgh and has performed at Carnegie Hall in New York City, spending summers at Dinkneyland with the All-American College Band and at the Interlochen Arts Camp in Michigan.

This will be the ninth annual fundraising dinner sponsored by the music club to help raise money for scholarships. The club has awarded more than \$30,000 in scholarships in its history.

Minidoka County School District will hold competitive bond sale today

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

RUPERT — Consumers search for the best possible price, so why can't schools?

The Minidoka County School District will sell \$14 million in general bonds for school facilities, and it will be doing it through a competitive bond sale.

The last time an Idaho school district held a competitive bond sale was in 2002 in the Blackfoot School District.

In a competitive bidding process, school districts hire a financial adviser to announce the bond sale, and they grant the sale to the bidder offering the lowest interest rate. However, most districts use

a common method of negotiated bond sales, where financial advisers set the interest rates based on bond ratings and market interest rates.

"Doing it competitively will help us get the best interest rates," said Scott Rogers, superintendent of the Minidoka County School District. "It lets us grant the

sale to whoever is giving us the better interest rates."

Since 2002 — the last time a competitive bond sale was held — there have been 73 general bond sales in Idaho totaling more than \$932 million.

Some school districts prefer negotiated bond sales over competitive bidding because

they may have a better idea of what rates they will receive.

"We are doing everything possible to ensure that we capture the best possible interest rates and protect the public interest in New York City spending," Really, we don't understand why most districts don't go through competitive bids."

OBITUARIES

DEATH NOTICES

Enid Worden

TWIN FALLS — Enid Worden, 90, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, July 18, 2006, at the Cedar Drive Living Center in Filer.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Mary Ann Barnes

TWIN FALLS — Mary Ann Barnes, 47, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, July 18, 2006, at SunBridge Care and Rehab in Twin Falls.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Helen Naomi Ball

TWIN FALLS — Helen Naomi Ball, 85, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, July 18, 2006, at her home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Mary A. Carlisle

BLISS — Mary A. Carlisle, 60, of Bliss, died Monday, July 17, 2006, at her residence.

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

William 'Bill' Gnemi

JEROME — William "Bill" Gnemi, 94, of Jerome, died Tuesday, July 18, 2006, at his home.

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

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Gail P. Hendrickson of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 825 E. Ave. 1. Family and friends may call one hour before the funeral today at the church (Farnsworth Mortuary).

Grant Lester Anderson of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Twin Falls LDS 8th Ward Church, 667 Harrison St.; viewing one hour before the funeral at the church.

Funeral at noon Thursday at the Fielding LDS Stake Center, 4375 W. 15600 S. in Fielding, Utah; friends and family may call one hour before the funeral Thursday at the church (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Edward Lee Striegel of Gooding, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

Brent Fillmore of Twin Falls, memorial service at 6:30 p.m. today at the home of Brent's father (Serenity Funeral Chapel).

Hilda Junker Eichelberg of Gooding, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Gooding United Methodist Church (Demaray Funeral Chapel).

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Ashley Carol Faulkner

BLISS — Ashley left this world July 15, 2006. She is an unfortunate victim of the Snake River.

Ashley was an athlete. She was the setter on the Bliss volleyball team. Ashley was a point guard and starter on the Bliss basketball team. She was the most accelerated reader in Bliss school.

She had a love for animals and was aiming to be a veterinarian specializing in pygmy goats and horses.

Ashley was a brilliant, beautiful girl who touched everyone's heart. Ashley is joined in heaven with her best friend "Miffy" — her dog. Ashley and Miffy were best friends.

Ashley is survived by her mother and stepfather, Bob and Michele Elliot; father and stepmother, Michael L. and Christina Faulkner; brothers, Steve and Michael; the love of her life, Brannen Row; grandparents, Mick and Carol Hobley, of Wendell, and Phil and Mary Norris of Pocatello; great-grandmother, Sylvia Hazelwood of Montrose, Colo.; and numerous other family members.

We will miss you both. We love you.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 21, 2006, at the Bliss High School in Bliss, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Farmers National Bank in Wendell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray Funeral Chapel in Gooding.

Alyce L. Wargo

TWIN FALLS — Alyce L. Wargo, 75, of Twin Falls, passed away July 14, 2006, at her home.

She is survived by five sons, Ronald Weber of Somers, Mont., Larry Weber of Las Vegas, Nev., Charles Warg of Las Vegas, Nev., Ralph Fry of Spokane, Wash., Loren-Wargo of Victor, Mont., and daughter, Jodi West of Twin Falls, Idaho. She also leaves behind eight brothers and sisters, 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband of 34 years, Joseph J. Wargo, and her parents.

Alyce's intensity, humor and guidance will be missed by all who knew her. Her children take great comfort in knowing



that their mother and father have at last been reunited.

Alyce's life will be celebrated at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 22, 2006, at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

Elaine Mardell Woody

KELLOGG — Elaine Mardell Woody, 88, passed away on March 26, 2006, at Mountain Valley Care and Rehab in Kellogg, Idaho.

She was born Dec. 29, 1917, in Lead, S.D., to George and Ida (Frank) Birmingham. She graduated from Gooding High School and, on March 30, 1940, she married Bill Woody. Bill preceded her in death in 1989.

Elaine worked in customer service at Idaho First National Bank of Moscow and Rupert. She enjoyed spending time with her family, fishing, hunt-

ing, sewing, cooking and traveling. She was a member of the Eastern Star.

After Bill's death, she moved to Coeur d'Alene and shared time with her son, Gary (Sherry) Woody; and her daughter, Mardell (Dave) Ackerman. She is survived by her children, four grandsons and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and one sister.

There will be a memorial service for Elaine at the Malad State Park near Bliss, Idaho, on Aug. 12, 2006, at 11 a.m.

Actor Kurt Krueger, 89, dies in Los Angeles

By Valerie J. Nelson
2006, Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Kurt Krueger, a Swiss-German actor who died in frustration over being typecast as a Nazi in 1940s war movies, died July 12 at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles after a stroke, said his friend Lynne Ripstein. He was 89.

With his Continental accent and rugged good looks, Krueger was once the third most-requested male pinup at 20th Century Fox, behind Humphrey Bogart and John Payne, according to the 1992 edition of "Who's Who in Hollywood."

Among Krueger's career highlights were the 1945 suspense film "Paris Underground," in which he played a Nazi captain, and "Unfaithfully Yours," the 1948 Preston Sturges comedy that provided Krueger with a rare opportunity to stretch — he portrayed the peevish assistant of Rex Harrison, who suspected Krueger was having an affair with his wife.

During the 1940s, Krueger appeared in more than 20 films, including 1947's "Mademoiselle Fifi," a movie set in the Franco-Prussian war that was his first major screen credit. Krueger mainly played a series of German lieutenant in World War II films.

When Krueger asked Darryl F. Zanuck to give him better roles, the studio boss reportedly responded, "What's your

hurry? With your looks, you'll be good at 50."

The actor moved to Europe and played the lead in several German films but returned to Hollywood in 1950 after being injured in a car accident.

He played the German submarine navigator in the 1957 Robert Mitchum movie "The Enemy Below." His final film, "The St. Valentine's Day Massacre," was released in 1967. Through much of the 1950s and '60s, he mainly appeared on television.

"Kurt was an interesting character. He was robust, articulate and was beautiful. Savile Row clothes," "Whman said. "After he got a 4 up, with his stereotyping in the movies, he made a career in real estate buying and renovating houses."

He bought and sold more than 30 properties, primarily in Beverly Hills, and became wealthy.

For more than 40 years, the bachelor lived in the same house in Beverly Hills and kept a second home in Aspen, Colo. He skied until he was 87.

Krueger was born July 23, 1917, in Milbenberg, Germany, and raised in St. Moritz, Switzerland. His father was a businessman, and his mother died when he was 6.

An only child, Krueger attended the London School of Economics and the Columbia University, intending to study medicine. When he dropped out to pursue acting, his father cut off his allowance.

Late Justice Blackmun's wife dies at 95

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dorothy Clark Blackmun, whose late husband wrote the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion, died Thursday. She was 95.

Her husband, Harry Blackmun, served on the high court from 1970-94 and

authored the 1973 Roe vs. Wade ruling.

The decision prompted death threats, and in 1985 a gunman fired a bullet into Blackmun's suburban Arlington, Va. apartment. They were home at the time but not injured.

Idaho Youth Ranch annual open house on Saturday

RUPERT — The Idaho Youth Ranch is holding its annual open house from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

There will be tours, educational displays, a free barbecue lunch, 4-H exhibitions, entertainment and awards.

The ranch is located at 1275 North 400 East, Rupert. For directions, call 532-4117 or go to www.youthranch.org and click on NEWS.

The ranch is a statewide, private, nonprofit, social services agency providing a wide range of programs for troubled children and their families.

Mini-Cassia Service Providers meet this week

HEYBURN — The Mini-Cassia Service Providers meeting will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at Connor's Cafe.

The event is a no-host lunch. Speakers will be Jeremy Saccollins of Foster Care Heroes and Cody and Judy Thornton of Helping Hands Mission.

For more information, call 878-0727.

Children can participate in horse show, gymkhana

RUPERT — Children up to age 11 are invited to participate in the Tiny Tot Horse Show and Gymkhana at 6 p.m. Aug. 1.

Participants must sign up between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 24 to 28 at the Mindoka County Fair Board office in the McGregor Building at the fairgrounds. The last day to sign

Highly decorated chaplain dies at 96

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — The Rev. Elmer Heindl, one of the most highly decorated chaplains in World War II, died Monday, according to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester. He was 96.

Heindl, a Roman Catholic priest who enlisted in the Army as a chaplain in 1942, was awarded a Silver Star and a Bronze Star for ministering to war wounded while under Japanese fire in both the Philippines and the Solomon Islands. He later received a Distinguished Service Cross, the nation's second-highest combat medal, for his "extraordinary heroism in action" under heavy machine-gun fire during street fighting in Manila in 1945.

According to newspaper accounts that year, Heindl entered a prison watchtower under Japanese fire to offer prayers for a dying soldier, then to the body out. He returned to the tower to carry a wounded man to safety.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

up is July 31 in the open class building from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be no sign-ups the night of the show.

There will be mutton bustin', sick horse competitions and other horse events. Each class is \$3 to enter.

Children can sign up for mutton bustin' during the rodeo on Aug. 4 to 5 at the Open Class Building, starting at 9 a.m. July 31. Entries will be taken until all spots are filled. There will be mutton bustin' at the Tiny Tot Show at 6 p.m. Aug. 1. Entries will be taken until full. Parents or guardians must come in and sign the waiver for events.

For more information, call 436-9748.

Longtime residents to be honored at open house

PAUL — A farewell open house for longtime residents, Gary and Judy Ulrich of Paul, will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church of Paul, 25 N. Fourth St.

They are moving to Clarkston, Wash., at the end of July to live near their son, Robert and his family.

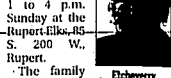
Gary worked for A & B Irrigation for 11 years and for Idaho Power, where he retired after 21 years. Judy worked for the Farmer's Home Administration for 11 years and retired from Bonneville Power after 10 years.

Rupert woman to be honored at open house

RUPERT — Louise Echeverry of Rupert and Lava Hot Springs will be honored at an open-house on her 90th birthday from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the

Rupert Elks, 85 S. 200 W., Rupert.

The family requests no gifts. Birthday greetings and well-wishes can also be sent to her at 102 Box 427, Lava Hot Springs, ID 83246.



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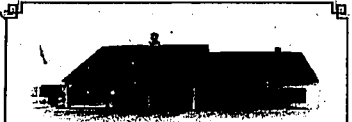
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Friends of Hospice... 8th Annual Golf Scramble

Friends of Hospice (FOH), a not-for-profit organization assisting hospice patients and their families, will attempt to extend a heartfelt thank you to the professionals and individuals who contributed to the 8th Annual Friends of Hospice Golf Scramble. The support and generosity of those listed, FOH would not be able to continue assisting patients and families with their needs during the difficult end-of-life process.

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Grain elevator fire destroys millions of pounds of legumes

AROUND THE STATE

TROY — Three grain elevators containing an estimated 3 million to 6 million pounds of lentils, peas and garbanzo beans burned to the ground in a fire that drew more than 60 firefighters.

Ron Stearns, chief of the Troy Rural Fire Department, said the cause of the weekend blaze that destroyed the George F. Broeke and Sons grain elevators was unknown.

"I don't think there's enough left to tell," said Stearns. "It could remain a mystery."

The stockpile of beans and lentils continued to spew smoke on Tuesday. Officials said the town could have to contend with the smoke for days.

"That's the biggest concern now is getting this taken care of for the city residents," said Don May, manager of the grain elevators.

Firefighters used an estimated

1 million gallons of water from the city reservoir, Bear Creek, and Spring Valley Reservoir to fight the fire.

Idaho general fund has \$203 million surplus

BOISE — Idaho had \$298 million in its general fund when the state's 2006 fiscal year ended on June 30, boosted by \$203 million more in tax revenue than previously projected.

The budget surplus figure, finalized Tuesday by state controller Keith Johnson, is about \$3 million more than the preliminary figure released by Gov. Mike Risch on July 5.

Like Risch did earlier this month, Johnson used Tuesday's announcement of the final figures to lobby the Legislature to

hold a special session later this summer to focus on property tax relief.

Risch has proposed eliminating property taxes that pay for public school maintenance, covering those costs with the surplus and an accompanying increase in Idaho's 5 percent sales tax.

Johnson said the state's business-friendly environment is drawing new businesses and pumping the state's flush coffers with new income and sales tax.

"We are in a great position to reform the viability of tax policy for taxpayers," he said in a statement. "The state economist will re-project state revenues next month, and I expect policy makers will weigh the sustainability of surpluses

when making decisions about replacing local property taxes with state revenues."

Man breaks into shop, wrecks aircraft

IDAHO FALLS — A man who said he entered a neighbor's shop and started an aircraft that then crashed inside the shop was arrested and spent the weekend in jail before being released on \$5,000 bond.

Eric Summers, 32, was released on Monday and given a public defender.

He was injured in the Saturday night incident that caused between \$3,500 and \$8,000 in damage to Scott Isom's Power Chute Airflow 912.

Isom told Bonneville County sheriff's deputies that Summers rang his doorbell around 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Isom said he didn't answer, but that

Summers called him about an hour and a half later to ask for help in getting Summers' truck out of the ditch.

After helping Isom return home and notified damage to

his airplane. He then called the sheriff's office. A few hours later Summers was arrested for felony malicious injury to property. — compiled from wire services

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Farm girl vies for U.S. equestrian team

KUNA (AP) — After watching a too-small thoroughbred flash dead last for the sixth straight race, 13-year-old Sara Mittleider convinced her father to buy the washed-up racehorse for \$300 to replace the pony she had been riding at their 20-acre Idaho farm.

Seven years later, horse and rider are among 12 finalists competing this week for a spot on the elite U.S. team going to the World Equestrian Games in Germany next month.

Mittleider is one of the country's rising stars in three-day eventing, an equine triathlon that combines the ballet-like discipline of dressage, the endurance of cross-country steeplechase and the technical athleticism of show jumping.

"This sport evolved out of the military and it's still very much a military test," said Torri Nohorniak, managing director of eventing for the Kentucky-

based U.S. Equestrian Federation, which selected Mittleider and 11 other riders for the national selection trials under way this week in Allentown, New Jersey, Friday. Judges will name six team members to compete at the World Equestrian Games Aug. 22 to Sept. 3 in Aachen, Germany, second only to the Olympics in equine events.

Mittleider, now 20, rode to the top of the eventing world on an unlikely mount — a short, small bay-colored gelding named El Primero that she calls Tony.

"I saw him in the paddock at the track and just loved his attitude," she said. "He was not fast, didn't even attempt to run, and was just ornery."

Her father Gary gave in to her pleas and bought Tony with the sole intent of reselling the horse as quickly as possible.

"Sara was really mad at me,

because she wanted to keep him," but she wants "to keep them all," he said. "I'd have sold him if, anyone, would, have bought him, but he was too small."

But Tony was the perfect size for a 13-year-old girl who'd taken her first horse-jumping lesson at age four. A year after she began riding Tony, Mittleider discovered the little horse was fearless when it came to jumping, leaping the 4'6" tall fences that are used in competition.

"Dimensionally, it's about like jumping a horse over the bed of a one-ton pickup truck," says her mother, Brenda.

Sara and Tony began competing at higher levels, traveling around the country to events and serving notice on the equine sporting world.

Sara first came onto the scene in 2004 when she took everyone by surprise at Fair

Hill (Maryland), where she finished 13th," said Nohorniak. Last year, Mittleider finished 18th in the Rolex Kentucky, the top young rider in North America's premier equestrian sporting event.

But a few weeks later, Mittleider was faced with the painful prospect of euthanizing her horse. While laying in his pasture, Tony rolled over a rock that damaged the nerve in his right front leg, leaving him partially paralyzed and unable to put any weight on the leg.

"He had to put all his weight on his other front leg, which started to damage it to the point we might have to put him down," she said. "This time last year, I wasn't sure if my horse was going to live."

Tony managed to recuperate by laying down for hours at a time, finally able to put weight back on his right leg after nearly four weeks.

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Missing migrants put Washington berry farms in bind

By Sebille Swisher
The (Longview) Daily News

WOODLAND, Wash. (AP) — A third of Jerry Dobbins' 155-acre strawberry crop rotted on the vine this year. His blueberry bushes are so heavy with fruit that the branches are hanging near the ground.

There is no one to pick them. Dobbins Berry Farm in Southwest Washington near the Columbia River is one of many farms across the state facing a huge labor shortage this growing season, as tighter security along the U.S.-Mexico border has cramped the supply of Latino migrant farm workers.

Harvest time for strawberries, one of the hardest fruits to pick because of its proximity to the ground, has already come and gone at Dobbins' farm, the largest of its kind in the area. Now Dobbins is worried that his other crops will suffer a similar

fate.

"We won't pay any of the bills on our strawberry crop this year," Dobbins said.

His problem is not unique. —Production in the Bell-Buey-Crab Co. in Chinook is down 50 percent since Immigration and Customs Enforcement raids in April, according to the Washington State Farm Bureau. Growers across the state are feeling the void left by the worker shortage, said Dean Boyer, spokesman for the Farm Bureau.

"This is a rolling problem. As various harvests come, farmers are going to feel the effects," Boyer said.

For Dobbins, extreme temperatures in late June worsened the problem. Strawberries ripened faster than usual. An acre of strawberries usually requires round two workers per acre, but this season Dobbins needed three workers



Farmworker Vicente Delacruz picks blueberries at Dobbins Berry Farm in Woodland, Wash., on July 9. Farms across the state are facing a huge labor shortage this growing season, as tighter security along the U.S.-Mexico border has cramped the supply of Latino migrant farm workers.

per acre; he actually had about one worker per acre.

The work force on the farm is almost entirely made up of Latino migrant workers, and Dobbins speculates that many of his usual workers simply did not show up this year because

border crossing has become too dangerous and too expensive.

"It seems to me like if they would have some kind of guest worker program in place before they put pressure on the borders. It would make a lot more sense to farmers. There's got to

"I personally can tell you, where I need 300 workers a day, I haven't had one Caucasian person knock on my door and say, 'I want to work for you.' I couldn't do this without the Hispanic people," Theeney said.

"Fifteen years ago we would have a steady stream of young people coming to us to ask for a job. This year, we didn't have one Caucasian person come to us," added Dobbins.

Handpicking berries is necessary for the farmers because foreign competition keeps prices low. Both Dobbins and Theeney own machines that can pick raspberries and blueberries, but they're too expensive and inefficient, Dobbins said.

Machine picking costs him about 65 cents a pound, whereas handpickers make about 35 cents a pound.

"It doesn't take a rocket scientist to see it's going to be a disaster," he said.

Weed whackers with horns

Goats sicced on noxious plant

ASHTON (AP) — To most creatures, a noxious weed called leafy spurge is the part of the meal that gets pushed off to the side and ignored.

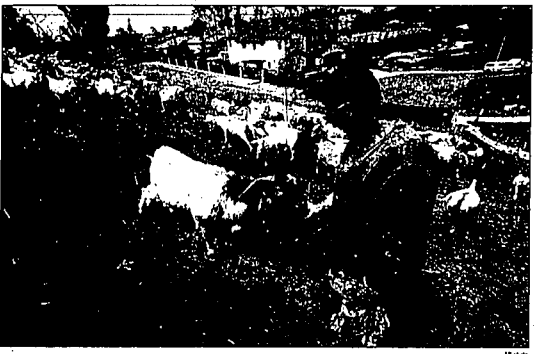
For a herd of goats in eastern Idaho, the noxious weed is like eating dessert first.

"They look like kids after you give them ice cream and they play in the dirt," Stan Jensen told the Standard Journal.

Jensen and his wife, Bonnie, own about 1,000 goats that they hire out to eat noxious weeds in California and Idaho.

Leafy spurge is a problem in places of eastern Idaho, where it grows with a 25-foot-long taproot. It chokes out grasses and is inedible to cattle and horses because of a milky secretion the plant produces that can cause blistering, as well as blindness.

But goats find the plant with 28 percent protein inestible with the sticky secretion doesn't seem to bother them and they finish the day with dirt stuck around their mouths. For two years, the goats have been working at Mark Harbaugh Ranch east of Ashton. Goat herder Lori Brower of Gardnerville, Nev., follows them with dogs during the day as the goats work their way through the leafy spurge.



Ranch hand Michael Patrick pets Tim Buck, a large, black, billy goat, as the remainder of the herd grazes on brush along a neighborhood hillside in the Scripps Ranch area of San Diego July 3. The goats are being used to clear brush in hopes of preventing another wildfire like the one that devastated the area in 2003.

Harbaugh said there's still work for the goats at the ranch, but that he's seen improvements.

"When we bought this property, spurge had taken over two-thirds of the pasture," he said, noting he's seen several moose and about 30 deer grazing on the property more recently.

"There is more wildlife on the property now," Stan Jensen is a fourth-generation

rancher forced out of the cattle business when prices got low several years ago.

Bonnie Jensen, working with Lemhi County Extension Educator Shannon Williams, came up with a plan to raise goats for weed management.

"After two years we sold all our cows," Stan Jensen said.

He said that besides private owners, the Bureau of Land

Management, the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Reclamation use the goats.

He said the biggest obstacle to growing his business is that most people don't know goats can help control noxious weeds. He holds seminars and workshops to explain how goats can help.

"There's getting to be an interest in them," Stan Jensen said. "It's a growing thing."

Scientists teaching power grid, dam operators how to thwart hackers

By Christopher Smith
Associated Press writer

BOISE (AP) — Federal scientists are studying how hackers try to break into computer-based controls for water treatment plants, power grids, nuclear reactors and other automated industrial systems by passing the secrets on to private operators of such facilities for free.

The U.S. Department of Energy and U.S. Department of Homeland Security will sponsor classes in protecting remote controls of critical infrastructure from hackers during an international cybersecurity summit in Las Vegas Sept. 28-30. Researchers from the Idaho National Laboratory will demonstrate cybersecurity attacks on Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) networks that regulate electrical supply systems and other automated integral controls of potential terrorist targets, such as railroads, chemical plants and hydroelectric dams.

The free cybersecurity courses taught by federal officials debuted in March at a control systems security conference in Orlando, Fla., sponsored by the SANS Institute, a Maryland-based computer security organization that employs more than 400 information technology workers from 23 countries attended the classes, said Brian Huffman, a spokesman for the Idaho National Laboratory's security.

"These are the people that deal with these systems everyday and that's who we want to help," he said. "Because these programs within the Energy Department and Homeland Security are taxpayer-funded, the classes are offered free of charge."

The Energy Department operates the National SCADA Test Bed at the Idaho site, which analyzes commercially manufactured control systems for utilities to determine hacker vulnerabilities and strengthen security.

Homeland Security also uses the Idaho National Laboratory for its Control System Security Center. That facility analyzes security threats to computerized controls for non-energy businesses including telecommunications, refineries, financial services and others.

Man accused of posing as agent arrested at border

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A man accused of crossing into Canada while posing as an agent for a fictitious agency was arrested when he returned to the United States, federal officials said Tuesday.

Leonard Hugh Fuller asked agents of the Eastport, Idaho, border crossing on July 9 if he could store his gun there while he went on vacation in Canada, according to court records.

He showed the officers a badge and credentials and they agreed to hold his 9mm Beretta until he returned, the records showed.

Border agents then checked with the U.S. State Department, which had never heard of the "United States Special Response Department Anti-Terrorism Unit" — the agency Fuller reportedly said was his employer. Fuller was arrested when he returned July 12 and asked for his weapon back.

Fuller, 55, was booked for investigation of producing fraudulent identity documents, a federal felony punishable by a maximum 15 years and \$250,000 in fines.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents interviewed Fuller and said he told them he made the credentials and bought the badge after starting a private security firm, the "United States Special Response Department."

Fuller said he had registered his company with the government but had lost all of his paperwork in a flood, according to court documents.

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Yucca Mountain opening set for 2017

**By Erica Werner
Associated Press writer**

WASHINGTON — The Energy Department has a new opening date for the long-delayed Yucca Mountain nuclear waste dump in Nevada: March 31, 2017.

That's 13 years late. But it's the first concrete timeline the department has produced in some time.

The Energy Department planned to announce the schedule at a congressional hearing Wednesday but shared it with congressional offices Tuesday. Several of them made it public.

Under the schedule, the

department would submit its license application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on June 30, 2008, get authorization to "begin" construction on Sept. 30, 2011, complete construction on March 30, 2016 and begin accepting nuclear waste on March 31, 2017.

The dates correspond to general goals department officials have shared recently with lawmakers.

"Our work will continue to be based on sound science.... The program now has reachable, definable target dates that will allow us to open Yucca Mountain as the nation's repository for spent

nuclear fuel," Energy Department spokesman Craig Stevens said in a statement.

"This is an ambitious schedule, but it's nice to actually see a schedule. This is the most detailed schedule I have seen in recent memory," said Senate Energy Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M.

But Domenici, who last month released a proposal for interim nuclear waste storage at federal sites across the country, said his plan still would be needed because the government is years past its 1998 deadline to begin accepting spent fuel from

nuclear reactors.

Yucca Mountain is planned as the first national repository for nuclear waste and is meant to hold at least 77,000 tons of the material for thousands of years. The dump site is in the desert 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

The project has been delayed repeatedly by lawsuits, funding shortfalls, evidence that government scientists flouted quality control standards — requiring their work to be redone — and other problems.

Currently there are more than 50,000 tons of highly radioactive nuclear waste waiting at nuclear power

plants in 31 states. The government is obligated by contract to take the waste off the utilities' hands but has not done so because it has no place to put it.

"This timetable is a rosy scenario painted to please those desperate to see Yucca Mountain open for business," said Rep. Shelley Berkley, D-Nev., who along with the rest of Nevada's congressional delegation strongly opposes the dump. "The proposed nuclear garbage dump at Yucca Mountain still faces serious obstacles before it can be licensed, including additional legal challenges from the state of Nevada."

Jumbo jet among advances used in fight against California blazes

YUCCA VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — The DC-10 swoops in just above the trees; it belly opens and disgorges onto flaming terrain 12,000 gallons of pink retardant — up to 10 times more than what a traditional firefighting plane can release.

With airborne firefighting getting more sophisticated, a cluster of wildfires in the desert east of Los Angeles has become a laboratory of sorts.

For the first time, a jetliner outfitted to carry retardant instead of passengers was used on an active wildfire. The first person to spot one of the fires was piloting a military-style helicopter with infrared sensors that peer through plumes of smoke and pinpoint hotspots.

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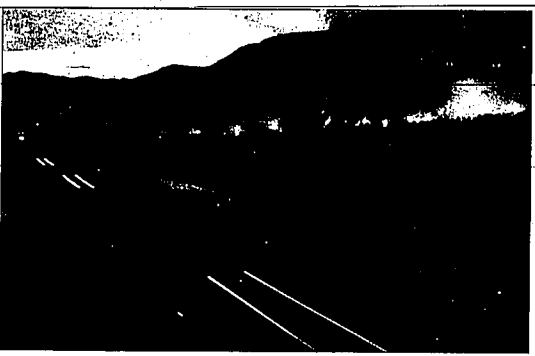
The U.S. Forest Service plans to send up unmanned drones to watch for fires across the West, with test flights scheduled for next month. Jumbo jets with payloads twice as large as the DC-10 have been tested.

"It's a quantum leap," Dennis Hulbert, a Forest Service regional aviation director, said of recent improvements in firefighting air operations. "We're really trying to take advantage of the current technology."

The Southern California blazes have scorched 86,710 acres over the last 10 days, the equivalent of 133 square miles of forest and desert. Flames have destroyed nearly 60 homes and threatened mountain hamlets 60 miles east of Los Angeles.

In all, authorities have fielded nearly 40 helicopters and 25 fixed-wing aircraft. On Sunday, they added the maiden voyages of the special, privately owned DC-10.

"We've assembled quite an air force to support you out there," Brian Fenner, an air operations director for one of the blazes assured hundreds of ground firefighters at a Monday briefing.



Traffic is allowed to travel south on Interstate 15 on Sunday evening as a wildfire burns near Pintura, Utah. The fire caused delays and threatened about 40 homes in the area.

Cooler weather, more progress made on California wildfires

**By Jeremiah Marquez
Associated Press writer**

YUCCA VALLEY, Calif. — Cooler weather helped crews battling destructive Southern California wildfires on Tuesday but a chance of thunderstorms raised concerns that lightning strikes could start new ones.

Three linked fires, which have charred a combined 86,710 acres, about 131 square miles, showed little movement. Firefighters completed cutting all but about two miles of a 36-mile perimeter to contain the blazes, said Art Morrison of the U.S. Forest Service.

"It's really looking good," he said. "This morning, it had really laid down."

Skies were partly cloudy and temperatures were some 20 degrees cooler than the triple-digit highs of last week. Humidity of 45 percent or higher also helped slow the fires.

On the northwestern edge of the fire front, the 800-acre Heart blaze remained within a few miles of mountain hamlets

but "we don't feel there's any real threat," said Rich Phelps of the U.S. Forest Service. "We're not letting the fire grow. We're containing it."

"The big thing is the weather," he said.

The National Weather Service said there was a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms. A flash flood watch was in effect because nearly two weeks of fire in the Mojave Desert and portions of the San Bernardino National Forest led denuded slopes that could turn into mudslides.

The 61,700-acre Sawtooth fire, ignited by lightning July 9, was 85 percent contained and crews hoped to fully surround it by nightfall. The fire destroyed 58 houses and mobile homes; dozens of out-buildings and scores of vehicles and was linked to 17 injuries and one death.

The 24,210-acre Millard fire, which merged with the Sawtooth last week, was burning in low-velocity brush and on rocky ridges dotted with pine killed by drought and a bark beetle infestation. It was 50 percent contained.

A wildfire near the Nevada-California line was sparked by lightning Monday and spread to 6,000 acres — nine square miles — by midday Tuesday, forcing the evacuation of campers and a ranch and closing valleys along the eastern Sierra corridor with smoke.

Though the area is sparsely populated, fire officials worried that the blaze could threaten outlying ranches and homes. The blaze was moving in a northeasterly direction toward the scenic ranching community of Wellington, Nev., about 75 miles southeast of Reno.

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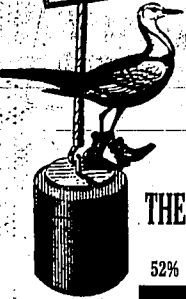
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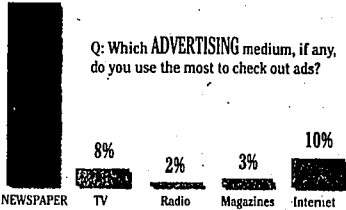
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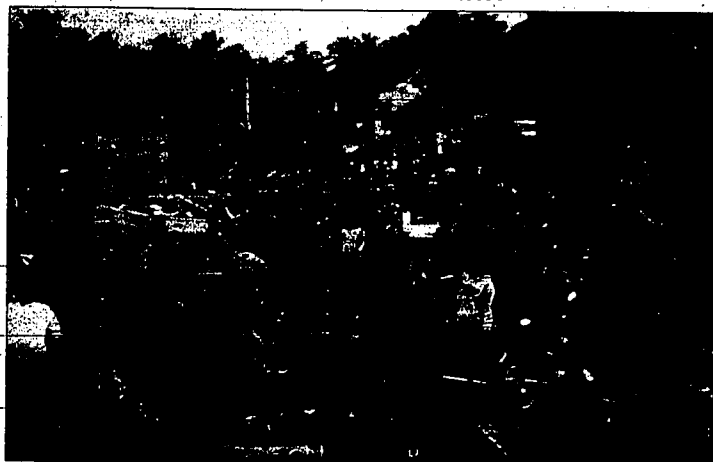
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INDONESIAN TSUNAMI



Residents pass through a tsunami-devastated area in Pangandaran, West Java, Indonesia, Tuesday.

Indonesians struggle to survive

By Alan Sipress
The Washington Post

PANGANDARAN, Indonesia — Eli Mulyani was cradling her year-old son in her arms when the wall of water crashed through the front of her family's auto repair shop, lifting a car off its blocks and heaving it toward them.

The tsunami, which devastated a 100-mile stretch of coastline on Java Island Monday, killing more than 341 people, jared the baby from his mother's arms and they both went under, she recounted. When Mulyani surfaced, gasping for breath, there was no sign of the boy. Krisna, she dove repeatedly into the murky, neck-high water, frantically looking until she felt his soft head beneath her feet. She fished him out and held him tight.

"I thought I lost him," whispered Mulyani, 37, a slight woman with small, weary eyes. "But I found him alive, pale, almost all white, but alive." Then, almost instantly, a second surge of water ripped

through the remains of the repair shop and Mulyani again lost her grip. As Mulyani watched the waters begin to recede, her son floated to the surface.

"I was sure he was gone. Gone. But thank God, now he's here," she said, holding the dark-eyed boy in a faded sling around her chest. A broad, red bruise showed beneath his light, infant hair and his left eye and nose were bloody. But Krisna appeared alert and when he cried, it was only for mother's milk.

The tsunami also spared Mulyani's three daughters who were with her when she spotted the water racing toward them. She had ordered the younger ones to hold their big sister's hands and sent them running for high ground. The middle daughter was slashed in the head by a piece of corrugated metal. But she was already stitched up at a local clinic by the time they were reunited with their father, Bayu, on a hilltop campsite Monday night.

The disaster, however, leveled their simple, three-room house of cement and woven bamboo. "It's all gone now. The car, the repair shop, all our neighbors' homes, all completely destroyed," said Bayu, 40, as his adolescent daughters clung to his waist. "All we have are these clothes."

This was Indonesia's second pummeling by killer waves in 19 months. The geographic scope was small compared to the tsunami of Dec. 26, 2004, which killed more than 220,000 people in 11 countries around the Indian Ocean, including 131,000 in Sumatra island's Aceh province. But in its limited area, Monday's tsunami struck with comparable force, its swell in places rising higher than palm trees.

In Pangandaran, a beach town popular mostly with Indonesian vacationers, the sudden surge devastated dozens of small hotels arrayed along the sea, battering open brick facades to soak beds and cabinets, and stripping wood-and-thatch food kiosks clean off their concrete founda-

tions. The tsunami picked up chairs, bicycles, beer kegs, chunks of brick and satellite dishes and deposited them in the mud as far as a quarter mile inland.

On Tuesday, aid workers were arriving and the government was trying to explain why there had been no organized warning, just a few people shouting "tsunami!" as they saw the water rolling in.

In any case, Java has no comprehensive system to get word to the village level. Sumatra, deemed to face the greatest threat of a repeat tsunami, has an alert system in place. Java was due to get one in 2007. Kadijman said the government would speed up work to create a system to cover the entire Indonesian archipelago of more than 17,000 islands.

Until Sunday, the hotels had been filled to capacity because Indonesian schools were closed for a two-week holiday. But with schools reopening Monday, nearly everyone had checked out and many of the hotels had no guests at all.

Bombay stops to remember train bombing deaths

By Rajesh Makaptra
Associated Press writer

BOMBAY, India — India's financial center came to a halt Tuesday as trains, cars and pedestrians paused during the evening rush hour to remember the moment one week ago when bombs ripped through Bombay's commuter rail network.

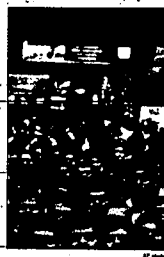
Sirens wailed at 6:24 p.m. — the time the first of seven bombs shook the city's commuter rail lines — followed by two minutes of silence in this proudly frenetic city of 16 million people.

Trains stopped. Cars froze at intersections in dense traffic. On sidewalks large crowds gathered, unmoving and silent. In memory of the 207 people killed.

"I don't know anyone who died," said Ramji Phulki, 24, who came to the railway station in suburban Mahim, scene of one of the blasts, where officials "joined President A.P.J. Kalam to bow their heads in memory of the dead. 'But tomorrow it could be me, or someone I know.'"

The minutes of silence came as the death toll from the attacks rose to 207, making it the deadliest terrorist bombing since the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States.

Also Tuesday, police said five men were arrested in northeastern India and they will be questioned to see if they are connected



Commuters stand in silence Tuesday at a train station in Bombay, India, in remembrance of July 11 train bomb blast victims.

to the blasts. The total number of deaths rose Tuesday from 182 after officials counted victims who died after being taken to hospitals in Thane, a town just outside Bombay, said B.M. Jait, a disaster management official in the state government of Maharashtra, where Bombay is the capital.

While police are still trying to determine who was behind the attack, an organization calling itself Lashkar-e-Qahhar said in an e-mail to a local TV station that 16 people took part in the bombings in Bombay, also known as Mumbai, and that one was killed.

Afghan official: Hundreds of soldiers reclaim southern town from the Taliban

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Hundreds of Afghan and coalition soldiers reclaimed one town from the Taliban and moved on a second Tuesday, following an outburst of violence that has forced thousands of residents to flee their homes, the U.S. military and aid officials said. A top Afghan security official accused Pakistani Islamist groups of helping the

Taliban fighters chase police from the two towns in the south, where thousands of U.S., British, Canadian and Afghan soldiers are battling the worst surge in Taliban violence since the 2001 toppling of the hard-line regime. Local lawmakers pleaded with Afghan President Hamid Karzai to do more to stop insurgents — crossing the porous border with Pakistan.

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FALLS, State of Idaho: the main entrance to Alliance Title & Escrow located at 1411 Falls Ave. East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls ID 83301, Fidelity Title Insurance Agency, Inc. as Trustee on behalf of Alliance Bank National Association, as Trustee for the registered holders of the Structured Asset Securities Corporation, Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificate Series 2006-1A, as Trustee of a public trust, to the highest bidder, certain lawful real property situated in the County of TWIN FALLS State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOT 5, BLOCK 18 INVESTORS 1ST ADDITION, TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN BOOK 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 26, RECORDS OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY, IDAHO. Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address is 1309 Avenue North, Burli, ID 83315 is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant of warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by LEONIDAS TACZA, A SINGLE PERSON as Grantor/ Trustor, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM (MERS) is the NAMED GRANTEE AND BANCORP GAGE, INC. A DELAWARE CORPORATION, is named as Beneficiary and FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE CO. as Trustee and recorded 2192003 as instrument No. 2003-004472 in the Public Records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

Records in the office of the Recorder of TWIN FALLS County, Idaho. Please Note: The above Grantors are named to comply with section 45-1002 of the Idaho Code. No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The Default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under the Deed of Trust and Note secured by 1320003. The monthly installments of principal, interest and insurance (if applicable) of \$ 516.04, due per month for the months of 3/1/2006 through 8/1/2006, and all subsequent installments until the date of sale or reinstatement. The principal balance owing as of this date on the Deed of Trust secured by Deed of Trust 589,316.45 with interest thereon at the current rate of 7.90000 per cent (7%) per annum from 2/1/2006. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing charges, and interest, unpaid and including taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts owing to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. If the Trustee is unable to convey title by any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee. No other remedy shall be available to the successful bidder. Date: 6/28/2006 By: Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee Quality Loan Service Corp., 319 Elm Street, 2nd Floor San Diego, CA 92109. For more information or for Sale Information Call: 714-259-7850 or login to: www.hnsap.com if you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for the debt and/or cause the real property sold to be the note holder's rights against the real property only. This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. As required by law, we advise that no credit repair agency or credit reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting agency if you fail to bring the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP 776539

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Wednesday, July 19, 2006

THE ACES ON BRIDGE® Bobby Wolff

"Reeling and Writhing, of course, to begin with, the Mock Turtle replied, (and the different branches of arithmetic - Ambition, Distraction, Uglification and Derision!"

- Lewis Carroll

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| NORTH | 07-19-A |
| ♠ J 10 8 4 3 | |
| ♥ A 5 | |
| ♦ A 9 | |
| ♣ Q 7 6 | |
| WEST | |
| ♠ 6 5 | |
| ♥ 9 8 4 | |
| ♦ 8 7 | |
| ♣ J 9 8 5 4 2 | |
| EAST | |
| ♠ A | |
| ♥ K 10 3 2 | |
| ♦ K Q 6 5 2 | |
| ♣ K 10 3 | |
| SOUTH | |
| ♠ K Q 9 7 2 | |
| ♥ Q J 7 6 | |
| ♦ 10 4 3 | |
| ♣ A | |

Your partner leads the eight of diamonds against South's four spades. Declarer plays dummy's nine and you win with the queen. Plan the defense.

Given the strength of your own hand, it cannot be realistic to expect partner to take any defensive tricks. You must look to your own hand. As the cards lie, the most passive defense is to cash the spade ace and play a club, but declarer simply draws trump and leads ace and another heart, making 10 tricks. However, provided partner has a doubleton spade along with the short diamonds he has already advertised, there is a sure way to beat four spades. Can you see it?

If you return a diamond now, sacrificing your second-trick-in-the-suit, you will be able to give partner a ruff when you get in with the spade ace, since declarer cannot get rid of his third diamond in time. Eventually, you will score your heart king.

Of course, it might be possible to defeat the contract in a different way if partner had jack-fourth of hearts, but it is better to go for the sure thing with the diamond ruff.

Incidentally, today's deal is a classic example of why one should NEVER lead middle or top from three small in partner's suit, unless you have promised three-card support or more in the auction. It is the knowledge of partner's diamond shortage that will let you defend correctly here.

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

The bidding:

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| South | West | North | East |
| 1♠ | Pass | 2♦ | Pass |
| 2♥ | Pass | 4♠ | All pass |

*Limit raise or better in spades

Opening lead: Diamond eight

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds:

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| ♠ A | |
| ♥ K 10 3 2 | |
| ♦ K Q 6 5 2 | |
| ♣ K 10 3 | |

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|-------|------|-------|------|
| South | West | North | East |
| 1♠ | 1♠ | 2♥ | Pass |

ANSWER: Jump to three spades to show a heart raise with a spade control. This bid does not promise the spade ace (in fact, it is most consistent with either a singleton or void in spades), but it promises real support for hearts and extra values.

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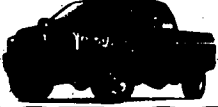











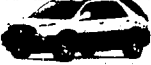










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